

Collaborative of Sacred Heart and Saint Thomas More - Braintree and Weymouth



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Dear Friends,

As you have heard from me in the recent past, each of our parishes are challenged. Each of us must look deep within ourselves and prayerfully consider our stewardship of the community we've been given.

We have two wonderful parishes, in which important ministries take place. Even at a time when Mass attendance is down in all parishes, our two parishes faithfully serve our greater Weymouth and Braintree area throughout the year.

People come to our parishes seeking spiritual growth and support in some of the brightest and darkest periods of their lives. We educate people - young and old, support the grieving and downtrodden, counsel those with challenges, visit the homebound and minister to the sick and dying. Our community is not simply a source of beautiful music and inspiring homilies, but one that walks with everyone in the journey of life.

What I can't tell you

I would like to be able to give you a certain amount to increase your support, but that is not quite fair. Some can give more than I would ask, others would not be able to meet that level. The unique element of our Christian faith that is not often discussed is freedom. You have the freedom to come and go, and many do, and there is no mandate for what you give, as in other faith traditions.

We do have a weekly goal for each parish to meet our financial responsibilities:

Sacred Heart: \$13,000

St. Thomas More: \$8,000

I recognize that times are such that many people will attend Mass at other parishes based on their schedule. My only request is that if you consider Sacred Heart or St. Thomas More your home, you commit to being:

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Consistent - giving regularly using online giving or envelopes

Intentionally generous - please give an amount in line with God's blessings for you and your family. This is a personal decision that only you can make. (use this chart to put it in perspective)

I ask those of you who are able to increase your weekly or monthly support and for everyone to commit to supporting the parish throughout the year using online giving or monthly envelopes. It's fast and easy. Consistency is the key to stabilizing for our ministry. It helps us to budget and helps us to grow and we can begin today!

Sacred Heart Online Giving

St. Thomas More Online Giving

Please consider making this commitment before you leave for the summer.

There are great things happening!

We are blessed to have vibrant worship, active ministry for young and old, and outreach that services the poor, hungry, homeless, infirm and aged. Whether you have grown up here or are new to our faith community, we teach and live the faith following the vision of discipleship. Our school and Family Faith program is growing. We visit over 500 nursing home and shut-in parishioners every month. And yes, there is more work to do! We are preparing to unveil our new umbrella ministry "Matthew 25." "I assure you, as often as you did it for the least of my brothers, you did it for me." (Mt. 25) This new vision is a partnership with the Greater Boston Food Bank and it will enable us to: store, cook, deliver and feed the hungry, poor and broken hearted. This will expand our partnership with My Brother's Keeper and the good works of charity and service throughout the year and history of our food pantry.

In His love,

Fr. Sean

Rev. Sean M. Connor, Pastor

Offertory Commitment

Oftentimes, people don't know what they should be giving. Well, only you can make that decision. Please do it prayerfully and consider your weekly support based on how much you can give annually.

How much should you give?

The decision is yours, based on how God has blessed you.

Income	Annual Gift	Weekly Gift	Annual Gift	Weekly Gift	Annual Gift	Weekly Gift	Annual Gift	Weekly Gift
\$10,000	\$200	\$4	\$300	\$6	\$400	\$8	\$500	\$10
\$25,000	\$500	\$10	\$750	\$14	\$1,000	\$19	\$1,250	\$24
\$50,000	\$1,000	\$19	\$1,500	\$29	\$2,000	\$38	\$2,500	\$48
\$75,000	\$1,500	\$29	\$2,250	\$43	\$3,000	\$58	\$3,750	\$72
\$100,000	\$2,000	\$38	\$3,000	\$58	\$4,000	\$77	\$5,000	\$96
\$125,000	\$2,500	\$48	\$3,750	\$72	\$5,000	\$96	\$6,250	\$120
\$150,000	\$3,000	\$58	\$4,500	\$87	\$6,000	\$115	\$7,500	\$144
\$175,000	\$3,500	\$67	\$5,250	\$101	\$7,000	\$135	\$8,750	\$168
\$200,000	\$4,000	\$77	\$6,000	\$115	\$8,000	\$154	\$10,000	\$192
	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	5%