

TREASURE WORKSHEET

In prayerful thanksgiving for the many blessings received from God, I/we intend to make a Sacrificial Gift to support our Parish financially.

Please review the Sacrificial Giving Chart on page 2 to assist you in deciding the percentage of your Sacrificial Gift.

1. _____ Yes, I/we will tithe (8% of gross household income to St. Thomas More and 2% to other Charities of our choice.)

My weekly offering to St. Thomas More will be _____.

2. _____ I/we choose not to tithe at this time.

Instead of a tithe, my Sacrificial Gift will be _____% of gross income to the Church of St. Thomas More.

My weekly offering to St. Thomas More will be _____.

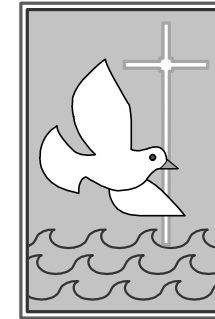
3. _____ I/we would like more information in order to make this decision. Chris Smith, Director of Stewardship & Development, will contact you to discuss questions and options.

Your commitment is made before God and is confidential.

It is not legally binding and may be changed if necessary by contacting the Parish Office.

A GUIDE TO SACRIFICIAL GIVING

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE



A good prayer life is key to living the life of a Christian steward.

It is through prayer that we become close friends with God and are able to discern our gifts.

It is through prayer that we begin to view ourselves less as individuals and more as a faith community!



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offering financial resources to your Parish will help ensure that God’s work continues. Stewards of treasure joyfully return the first portion of all God has given them. Sharing their treasure is a way to thank God for the many blessings and gifts God has given.

Sacrificial Giving is the process of consciously examining one’s household income, and making a decision to give a percentage of it to the Church.

Percentage of Income ► ▼ Annual Income	10%	8%	6%	4%	2%
\$10,000	\$ 19	\$ 15	\$ 12	\$ 8	\$ 4
\$30,000	58	46	35	23	12
\$50,000	96	77	58	38	19
\$70,000	135	108	81	54	27
\$100,000	192	154	115	77	38
\$150,000	288	231	173	115	58
\$200,000	385	308	231	154	77
	<i>Amount of Weekly Gift</i>				

TITHING

An alternative form of **Sacrificial Giving** at The Church of St. Thomas More is tithing. This is a biblical concept that encourages 10% of all we earn be returned to the Lord as an act of Faith.

"Jacob then made this vow: If God remains with me, to protect me on this journey I am making and to give me enough bread to eat and clothing to wear, and I come back safe to my father’s house, the Lord shall be my God. This stone that I have set up as a memorial stone shall be God’s abode. Of everything you give me, I will faithfully return a tenth part to you."

-Gen. 23:20-22

Parishioners are invited to tithe (10% of all gross household income) to the Lord—8% to The Church of St. Thomas More and 2% to other charities of your choice. The **tithe** would cover the following:

- † **Parish Operational Offering**
- † **Capital Campaign/Building Fund**
- † **Religious Education Fees**
- † **Sacrament Stipends:
(Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, etc.)**
- † **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**
- † **All National Collections:**
 - **Annual Lenten Appeal**
 - **Collection of the Holy Father (Peter’s Pence)**
 - **Propagation of the Faith (Mission Appeal)**
 - **World Missions Collection**
 - **National Needs Collection**
 - **Retirement Fund for Religious Collection**