

Financial Support Opportunities

Offertory Program

Think about Our Gifts

Think about the gifts God has given you. What can you return to Him?

- Think about the amount you spend on fast food, movie tickets or rentals, going out to dinner, buying coffee daily, etc.
- Think about the ratio of these expenditures to the support of our parish.
- Ask yourself if the portion of your income that you give to the work of the Lord is enough, too much, or not enough.

Carefully review the chart below. Consider the gifts that God has given you and respond accordingly.

How Much Should We Give?

Many people wonder whether there is a standard for giving. Parishioners must look at their own situation and arrive at that conclusion independently. However, the following scale is provided in order to serve as a guide for your reflection.

Suggested Weekly Offering

Household Income	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
\$25,000	\$5	\$10	\$14	\$19	\$24	\$48
\$40,000	\$8	\$15	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$77
\$55,000	\$11	\$21	\$32	\$42	\$53	\$106
\$70,000	\$13	\$27	\$40	\$54	\$67	\$135
\$85,000	\$16	\$33	\$49	\$65	\$82	\$163
\$100,000	\$19	\$38	\$58	\$77	\$96	\$192

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish Offers Several Easy Ways to Contribute to the Support of the Parish:

- Automatic Transfer Program - allows you to make monthly (4th Tuesday of every month) support contributions without having to write a check.
- Credit/Debit Card Payment Program - allows you to make monthly (4th Tuesday of every month) support contributions without having to write a check or stop in.
- PayPal Payments - PayPal Payments - set up a one-time or recurring gift, donate through our website. Visit <https://stamadison.org/donate/> then, tap “donate via PayPal
- Envelope Packets for Regular Giving - We can mail envelope packets to your house to bring in weekly, monthly, or quarterly and drop in the offertory basket during mass.

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Pledge & Contribute

To begin supporting St. Thomas Aquinas Parish through financial contribution, complete the form below and complete the following page (if giving electronically) or contact the parish Business Office with questions: 608-833-2600x867, business@stamadison.org

Offertory Pledge Card

"...and what shall we return to the Lord for all that He has given us."

As a new member or new/updated payee, my/our commitment is:

\$100 \$75 \$50 \$25 \$15 \$_____ **per** week/month/year (circle one)

Method of payment:

- ACH (Automatic Transfer Program monthly via Bank)
- Credit/Debit Card Payment (Auto payment monthly)
- PayPal (**Note: you must visit the [PayPal website](#) to set up reoccurring payments yourself**)
- Envelope Packets for Regular Giving (Envelopes will be mailed to you)

Name (print): _____

Date signed: _____

Signature: _____

I understand that St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish asks all parishioners to annually review the amount they give to the parish offertory and determine whether that amount is enough, too much, or not enough.

Office use:

Parishioner envelope number: _____

Date entered in ParishSOFT: _____

Authorizations - Offertory Program

Electronic Contribution Options

ACH Withdraw (via Bank Account):

I authorize St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish to draft my checking account on the fourth Tuesday of each month for the amount of \$ _____.

Attach a voided check or savings deposit slip to provide confirmation of account and routing numbers.

Account Number: _____

Routing Number: _____

Checking or Savings? _____

Effective Date:

Please begin drafting my bank account in (month) _____ of (year) 20 _____ and continue until I notify you otherwise.

OR

Credit /Debit Card Payment:

I authorize St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish to make payment via my credit card on the fourth Tuesday of each month for the amount of \$ _____.

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

3-Digit Security Code: _____

Effective Date:

Please begin processing my credit card payment in (month) _____ of (year) 20 _____ and continue until I notify you otherwise.

Authorization for ACH or Credit/Debit Card Payment:

Name (print) _____

Address _____

Signature _____

Date _____

(Attach VOIDED Check Here if enrolling in ACH)

Submit form to: Julia Hix, Parish Business Manager: 608-833-2600 x867, julia@stamadison.org

Electronic Contribution

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish offers several easy ways to contribute to the support of the parish.

- **Automatic Transfer (Bank Direct Deposit) Program** - allows you to make **monthly (4th Tuesday of every month)** support contributions without having to write a check. Just fill out the authorization form, attach a check and required account information.
- **Credit Card Payment Program** - allows you to make monthly **(4th Tuesday of every month)** support contributions without having to write a check or stop in. Just fill out the authorization form including the credit card information (no check copy needed).

Benefits

Electronic contribution:

- Saves you time and simplifies your life
- Helps the parish stabilize our budget and income stream
- Costs you nothing
- Has a high rate of accuracy
- Is less risky than check contribution
- Cannot be lost, stolen, or destroyed in the mail

Procedures

- Cancel your authorization at any time by notifying the business manager in writing.
- Once you authorize the transfer, your specific contribution is electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to the church's account.
- We try to have all the deductions take effect on the fourth Tuesday of each month. However, occasionally it may post to your account a day or two later depending on your bank.
- You keep your checkbook balance correct by recording the deduction in your check register on the same date each month
- Your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transfers. You also receive a statement-of-giving from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish each January for the preceding calendar year.

For questions, contact:

Julia Hix, Parish Business Manager: 608-833-2600 x867, julia@stamadison.org

Envelope Packets

Choices for Envelope Packets

We provide two choices for receiving your envelope packet.

- **Once A Month**

This packet includes weekly envelopes for the month, plus one envelope for the Building Fund - Mortgage, one for the Make Disciples Capital Campaign, and one for each Special Collection.

- **Once a Quarter**

This packet includes one envelope per month, plus one envelope for the Building Fund - Mortgage, one for the Make Disciples Capital Campaign, and one for each Special Collection.

Unless you request quarterly envelopes, you will receive the monthly packet. If you prefer once a quarter, please contact:

Terri Kopplin at 608-833-2600 or email terri@stamadison.org.



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