



# Stewardship of Giving 2010

## A Message from Father Pat...

### *Stewardship of Giving ~ Week Four (March 14, 2010)*

For the past three weeks you have been provided, through the parish bulletin, with information regarding our annual *Stewardship of Giving* campaign.

As Christian stewards, we are called to share our gifts. But how much should you give? There is no “right” amount that applies to everyone; spend some time in prayer to determine your appropriate level of financial support.

Remember that our financial offerings, like those of time and talent, are ways in which to worship God and give thanks for all the blessings our God has bestowed on us.

During the week of March 22, giving packets will be mailed to parishioners. When you receive the packet, please review the contents and prayerfully consider your level of financial commitment to our parish.

***Packet instructions:*** The pledge card is a two-part, perforated form. Simply fill out both sides of the card; return one portion in the return envelope provided and keep one portion for your records. You may return your pledge to the office by mail, in person, or in the offertory basket during Mass. ***Please return the pledge card by April 30.***

It takes many hands to build the kingdom of God. Know of my deep appreciation for your continued financial support, and may God bless you for your generosity.

*(Please refer to the reverse side for a sample of the Stewardship of Giving pledge card).*

### ***Five Elements of Giving***

- ◆ Giving is planned (it involves making advance decisions).
- ◆ Giving is proportionate (it is a percentage of one’s income, now matter how small).
- ◆ Giving is sacrificial (it is taken off the top, not from what’s left over).
- ◆ Giving is free (unconditional).
- ◆ Giving is a prayer (of thanksgiving).

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~ Psalm 100

In thanksgiving for God's blessings  
and in support of St. Thomas More Parish

Please choose one:

I/we will give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly

I/we will give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly

I/we will give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Yearly

I/We prefer to use the following method of giving  
(please choose one):

Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ Click  
Envelopes \_\_\_\_\_ EFT \_\_\_\_\_ & Pledge \_\_\_\_\_

Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Forms are available in the Gathering Space or on our website at [www.stmore.org](http://www.stmore.org). The Click & Pledge option may also be accessed through the website.

(please print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Family Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Remember to:

- ⇒ Indicate your annual commitment and increment in which it will be given
- ⇒ Select your method of giving
- ⇒ Provide (or update) your family email address
- ⇒ Return your completed pledge card by April 30, 2010

If you have any questions, please contact Donna at [donna@stmore.org](mailto:donna@stmore.org). Thank You!