

Our Father

Did you know that the Lord's Prayer, the Our Father, was a stewardship prayer? Right there at the beginning it lays the groundwork for good stewardship by acknowledging God as Father, as Provider and Source of all we need.

And then we ask for a piece of the action – “Thy Kingdom come, thy Will be done on earth,” we pray. But how? And by whom? It would be convenient if just praying for it were sufficient, but God, our loving Father, has given us each a part to play, according to the talents with which we've been blessed. St. Paul says, “There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service, but the same Lord...To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit” (1 Cor 12:4-7). God has given us all the gifts we need to do the work to which He calls us. Not alone, perhaps, but together as the Body of Christ. In that same passage, St. Paul goes on to say, “If one part [of the body] suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy” (1 Cor 12:26).

“Give us this day our daily bread,” we continue. Here we ask the Lord to provide us with whatever we need, just for today, and to free us from whatever impediments keep us from serving Him with our whole hearts. For, ultimately, we know that everything is and was and always will be God's – the kingdom, the power, and the glory.

Good stewards understand that all we are and have are gifts from our loving God. And our grateful response must always be to use those gifts wisely and responsibly – to do our part to help Our Father's Kingdom come, His Will be done on earth. Amen!

When we use the gifts and talents that God has given us, we find that we are blessed with even more. Jesus assures us, “Give and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap” (Lk. 6:38).

Good stewards know that the gifts God has given them are to be used to meet not just their own needs, but the needs of their brothers and sisters, and generously share what they have.

I filled out a Time and Talent form last year. Do I need to do it again this year? Yes! Each year St. Agnes parishioners are asked to update this form. Our gifts may change and God may call us to use our time and talents to serve in a different way. This is an opportunity for all members of your family to become actively involved in the life of your parish.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT 2016

Please refer to your 2016 Parish Guidebook for Time and Talent Ministry Information. You can also visit our website at www.stagneslouisville.org for this material. If you would prefer, there is also an online version of this renewal form which you can fill out and send to us.

Please write the individual's name beside the corresponding activity,
e.g. Art & Environment Mary

NOTE: As we rotate some ministries, we begin afresh each year – therefore, e.g, if you would like to serve as lector you must indicate that on this page, even if you have served as lector in the past.

LITURGY

Worship Committee

Please specify Liturgy time

Lector:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Eucharistic Minister:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Minister of Hospitality/Ushers:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Cantor:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Server:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Sacristan:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Greeters:

5p.m. _____

9a.m. _____

11:30a.m. _____

Eucharistic Minister for Sick
Homebound Ministry

Traditional Choir

Contemporary Choir

Adult Bell Choir

Instrumentalist

Advanced Youth Choir

Children's Choir

Children's Bell Choir

Art & Environment

Cross Bearer (Specify Time)

Gift Bearer (Specify Time)

FAMILY NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

FORMATION/EDUCATION

RCIA Team

Adult Faith Formation

RCIA Sponsor

Bible Days

Baptism Preparation

School Board

Sponsor Couple/Marriage Prep

PTO

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Athletics

Student Stewardship

Cafeteria

PARISH LIFE

Prayer Blankets

Parish Communication Team

Baking As Needed (Funerals, etc.)

Gardening

Quilting

Young Adults & Families

Carnival Chair Shadow

New Baby Meal Aid

Carnival Booth Captain

Men's Prayer Group

Carnival Volunteer (June Calls)

Connect & Reconnect Team

Fish Fry (February Calls)

Youth Ministry Adult

SENGA

Youth Ministry Participant

Scouting:

Boy: _____

Girl: _____

**FAMILY
NAME**

PHONE

SERVICE/MISSION

Respect Life Committee

Highlands Community Ministries

Justice and Peace(Action & Compassion)

Repair Affair

Passionist Support Team

Bereavement Ministry

St. Vincent De Paul Council

Open Hand Kitchen

Christmas Basket Assembly/Delivery

Habitat House

ADMINISTRATION

Parish Pastoral Council

Parish and Community Ministry Team

Buildings and Grounds

Parish Office Help

Finance Committee

Audit Committee

Parish Event Photographer

FAMILY NAME _____ **PHONE** _____

We've received so much from our Lord – life, faith, freedom, and family. Along with these gifts, we've also been given the responsibility to be faithful and *faith-filled* stewards of our finances. Yet so many of us have allowed a wall to separate our faith lives from our money. As one person puts it, "I felt the strength of my faith was not being reflected in my finances."

What's the biggest problem most people have with their finances? Credit card bills? Inadequate income? No savings? Too much month left at the end of the money?

While people tend to think these are their major problems, they are just symptoms. The real problem isn't so much money (or lack of it) as it is our relationship with God and how we respond to His call for us to be Stewards of Providence. This includes trusting God to provide for our financial needs and doing our part to manage our resources in ways pleasing to the Lord. How do our priorities reflect our beliefs in Him? How much do we include Him, through prayer, in our decisions?

It's important for our financial objectives to support our goals for life. As Christians, we must always keep in mind the reasons for our existence. Remember Jesus' words: "For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" (Mk 8:36). As Catholics, growing in our relationship with Christ and being faithful to him and his teachings is our number one goal in life, and should be our first financial goal as well! All the other financial goals and priorities we set will flow from our decision to be faithful to Christ.

FAMILY 90%, God & Church 5%, Community, School and the World 5%

Approximate Household Yearly Income	WEEKLY GIVING							
	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%
\$10,000	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$6	\$7	\$8	\$9	\$10
\$20,000	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20
\$30,000	\$9	\$12	\$15	\$18	\$21	\$24	\$27	\$30
\$40,000	\$12	\$16	\$20	\$24	\$28	\$32	\$36	\$40
\$50,000	\$15	\$20	\$25	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$45	\$50
\$60,000	\$18	\$24	\$30	\$36	\$42	\$48	\$54	\$60
\$70,000	\$21	\$28	\$35	\$42	\$49	\$58	\$63	\$70
\$80,000	\$24	\$32	\$40	\$48	\$56	\$64	\$72	\$80
\$90,000	\$27	\$36	\$45	\$54	\$63	\$72	\$81	\$90
\$100,000	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100

Our stewardship renewal weekend is February 13 & 14 2016. Please join your fellow parishioners and return your intentions at this time. We will invite you to bring your renewal forward to be placed in a basket in front of the altar at the time gifts are presented during the liturgy.

**STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTION
AUTOMATIC DEBIT**

AUTHORIZATION FORM

1. Fill in your name and the financial institution's name. Indicate whether the automatic debit will be from a checking or savings account.
2. Attach a **voided check or savings deposit slip** for verification of all financial information.
3. Be sure to sign the form.
4. Return to: Debbie Selby/Jenny Lawson
St. Agnes Parish Office
1920 Newburg Road
Louisville, KY. 40205

I hereby authorize St. Agnes Parish to initiate entries to my banking account(s) indicated below and the **FINANCIAL INSTITUTION** named below, hereinafter called **DEPOSITORY**, to debit the same to such account. **EFFECTIVE DATE** _____
(Please allow 2 weeks for setup after returning your form to the Parish House.)

1. Depository Name: _____
Check One: Checking _____ Savings _____ Amount\$ _____
Check One: Monthly _____ Quarterly _____ Annually _____
Please indicate the 1st or 15th for monthly debits or the date for quarterly and annual account debits.
Bank Transit/ABA No. _____ Account No. _____

2. Depository Name: _____
Check One: Checking _____ Savings _____ Amount\$ _____
Check One: Monthly _____ Quarterly _____ Annually _____
Please indicate the 1st or 15th for monthly debits or the date for quarterly and annual account debits.
Bank Transit/ABA No. _____ Account No. _____

This authority is to remain in full force until St. Agnes Parish has received **written notification** from me of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford St. Agnes Parish a reasonable opportunity to act on it.
NAME: _____

NOTE: If you are presently participating and your bank information has not changed, you do not need to attach another VOID Check. However, we are still required to have this authorization signed.

SIGNATURE: _____

STEWARDSHIP INTENTION FORM/JANUARY – DECEMBER 2016

Family Name: _____ **Home Phone#** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Cell Phone Number _____ **NAME:** _____

Cell Phone Number _____ **NAME:** _____

NAME: _____ **E-Mail Address** _____

NAME: _____ **E-Mail Address** _____

**Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have;
God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind”
(Hebrews 13:16)**

**In recognition and thankfulness that we have each been blessed by God, I/we have prayerfully decided that \$_____ per week, \$_____ per month, \$_____ per quarter, or \$_____ annually is a fair portion to return for God’s work.
(This form expresses an intention only and is not legally binding.)**

My church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am friendly. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work hard. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of faith and noble spirit, if I am filled with these things.

With the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my church to be. I shall dedicate myself to becoming a steward of God’s gifts and share my time and talent to carry out God’s plan.

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