

St. Peter's by the Sea 2010 Pledge Planner

Among our many blessings is the legacy our parish has from the generosity and foresight of our predecessors. The endowment they initiated and husbanded over the years substantially supports our parish, makes our ministries possible and literally keeps the roof over our heads. Today that endowment provides 15% of our total operating budget, while pledges provide less than 50%. Even with strict cost controls, increasingly we have had to invade the principal of our endowment to provide for basic needs.

We are turning this chronic condition around. And we need your help. The attached letter touches on the spiritual imperatives of giving. This planner is offered as a guide for translating your prayerful reflection into positive action.

If you are presently pledging consider some of these guidelines. If your household income is \$40,000, a pledge of 1% is \$400 a year, \$7.69 a week – about the price of a fancy cup of coffee at Starbucks. Please do the math, both up and down from this figure.

Then prayerfully consider what you can afford to give back to God every week by supporting your parish. To make your sacrificial offering more real, you may want to consider giving up an extra cup of coffee, a movie rental, a snack. An offering of 1% is a tenth of a tithe. But it will make a great difference in the viability of our parish. If upon reflection you believe you can afford more than a tenth of a tithe, thank you. St. Peter's needs all the help you can afford and we are grateful for your sacrifice.

If you do not have a registered pledge with the parish, please join us now. If your giving has been through the collection plate, please consider putting it on a more planned basis. Calculate your weekly offering and pledge it now.

Truly more than just the donation is involved. Pledging is an affirmation that you are committed to the life of the parish; that you stand side by side with your brothers and sisters in Christ in the family of St. Peter's.

Here's a table we hope you will find useful in planning your pledge. God bless you and all the good that comes from your generosity.

Household Income	% Pledged	Weekly Pledge	Annual Pledge
\$40,000	1%	\$7.69	\$400.00
\$40,000	1.5%	\$11.53	\$600.00
\$50,000	1%	\$9.61	\$500.00
\$50,000	1.5%	\$14.42	\$750.00
\$60,000	1%	\$11.53	\$600.00
\$60,000	1.5%	\$17.30	\$900.00
\$70,000	1%	\$13.46	\$700.00
\$70,000	1.5%	\$20.19	\$1,050.00
\$80,000	1%	\$15.38	\$800.00
\$80,000	1.5%	\$23.07	\$1200.00
\$90,000	1%	\$17.30	\$900.00
\$90,000	1.5%	\$25.96	\$1350.00
\$100,000	1%	\$19.23	\$1000.00
\$100,000	1.5%	\$28.84	\$1500.00