

Dear Religious Ed Families,

As you are aware, we at St. Luke must be able to pay the staff salaries, maintain the property and heat and cool the building as necessary. In order to more easily plan our budget and keep our parish financially afloat, it is necessary that each religious education family now use Faith Direct, our parish e-giving system for your weekly donations and we ask that you sign up for Faith Direct no later than August 31st.

When you register online for religious education classes this year, you will be asked as a family to choose one of these options. I ask each family to prayerfully consider which of the following options is best for you.

Option A:

- If you are in a good place financially, please consider donating as much as feasible weekly or monthly.

Option B

- If you are on a limited income, please consider giving at least \$10 per week or \$40 per month.

Option C

- If you are undergoing financial hardship, we are asking you to volunteer your time instead. In lieu of a monthly monetary donation, we will be in touch with regard to helping with maintenance, cleaning, gardening or clerical duties for approximately 3 hours per month or 36 hours per year. Please contact either Maureen or me directly if you choose this option. Please know that all conversations will be held in the strictest of confidence.

Thank you for sharing your children with us.

Fr. Owen