



# St. Patrick's Church Capital Campaign Newsletter

November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## **Next weekend is Commitment Weekend** **Over \$1,600,000 pledged from only 50 families**

The campaign is off to a great start and we are grateful to those 50 families who have made their pledge early in the campaign. There is still a tremendous amount of work to do and we need your help. Thank you to the 150+ families who attended a reception and received their campaign materials. We are grateful for your attendance. Campaign packets have also been mailed to every registered parish family. Please review the materials and prayerfully consider your support of this important effort.

**Next weekend is Commitment Weekend. If you have yet to make your gift, please bring your completed pledge card to Mass next weekend.** We need to hear from everyone in order to be successful. Again, our campaign is based on the idea that not everyone can make the same sized gift, but everyone can make a sacrifice, for the benefit of our beloved parish of St. Patrick.

Those who do not respond by Commitment Weekend will be contacted by our campaign volunteers.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **What are the tax advantages of giving stock and with my IRA to the campaign?**

Donors can use their own broker/agent or the parish agent to **transfer stock**. If the stock has been held long-term (over one year), the donor does not have to pay capital gains tax on the stock, and is allowed a tax deduction for the full value of the stock. Donors may also choose to sell stock in order to claim a loss, which may be beneficial for tax circumstances. In either case, the stock must first be transferred to the parish before being liquidated. Please contact the campaign office for more information.

The **IRA Charitable Rollover provision of the 2015 PATH Act** permits individuals age 70.5 or older to contribute up to \$100,000 from a qualifying retirement account directly to a qualifying charity without recognizing the assets transferred to the charity as income. Please contact your financial advisor for additional information concerning gifts via retirement accounts.

### **Stewardship thought from this week's gospel**

***“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.”***

MARK 12:33

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of love, not out of obligation. Using our time & talent in parish ministry and our treasure to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts.

If you have any questions, please contact the campaign office at  
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