

What Lent Means for Your Stewardship

In the past, many Holy Spirit families have chosen to welcome the Lenten season by giving up envelopes and making the change to eGiving. The steady support of recurring givers helped sustain our ministries during the upheaval of COVID-19. This year, we invite each of you again to prayerfully consider helping Holy Spirit Church by embracing eGiving.

As the upheaval of COVID-19 continues, Lent takes on special meaning this year – a time for all Christians to renew our faith and show our thanks to God for the strength and blessings He bestows upon us, even in the most challenging times. Almsgiving is one way we can honor Christ's sacrifice while providing for our parish's work in the community to share the Gospel.

Please consider giving up offertory envelopes and making the switch to eGiving through Faith Direct. Signing up with a recurring gift is easy, and Faith Direct will help if you need assistance.

When the world was brought to a standstill by COVID-19, a number of our parish ministries continued because so many people needed our help. That need remains, as individuals face ongoing anxiety and isolation, and families continue to struggle with unemployment and uncertainty.

But as you can imagine, the past year has been a struggle financially for the parish. Giving dropped significantly, at a time when we had to work even harder to stay engaged with church families and the broader community. Our parish has sought out every possible way to reduce operational expenses without scaling back ministries, and encouraging eGiving is one of the most effective ways to lower our day-to-day costs. Checks and offertory envelopes mean added costs for paper and extra staff time to tabulate and process those gifts. When people switch to eGiving, the savings is significant, and it makes a difference for ministries you care about most.

Your recurring gifts through Faith Direct will allow our parish to operate efficiently and be there for those who need us. Please answer the call and sign up at <https://www.faithdirect.net/give-now>

May God bless you and your loved ones this Lenten season and throughout the year.

In His name,

Monsignor Peter Dai Bui
Pastor