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**WEEKEND BEFORE ANNOUNCEMENT WEEKEND**

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Offertory Program Begins**

Next Weekend, we will begin a program that asks everyone to reflect on the amount that they give to offertory. This review will ask you to consider several questions. They are:

1. Do I have a need to give or do I give only when there is a need?

2. Do I understand that there is an obligation to provide regular financial support to the parish?

3. Where does the parish fit relative to the other ways that I spend my money?

4. How much do I give to the parish on a weekly basis? (If you give monthly or quarterly, calculate your weekly commitment to put it in perspective.)

5. Is it too much, too little or just right?

6. If I am not at the parish for one or more Sundays, do I make up the amount that I have not given?

7. How much will I give each week during the coming year?

**ALTAR ANNOUNCEMENT**

Please read the announcement in the bulletin about the Offertory Program that will begin next week. Over the next three weeks we will ask all parish members to engage in some reflection about where the parish fits in their financial priorities.

We expect that some, that give too much, will lower their contributions, some, who give enough, will keep them the same and many, who decide that they are not giving enough, will increase them.

Again, please be sure read the bulletin announcement.