

Please CIRCLE the day of the month you wish to have your monthly donation taken from your account:

- I. The 1st day of the Month
- II. The 15th day of the Month
- III. The Last day of the Month
- IV. Other: (please indicate) _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PO BOX _____

TOWN: _____ POSTAL CODE _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S): _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

<u>BANK INFORMATION</u>	PLEASE CHECK
Same as Last Year	

OR:

Name of Bank _____

Transit Number of Bank. _____

Account Number: _____

IF A CHEQUING ACCOUNT, PLEASE ATTACH A VOID CHEQUE.

Automatic Withdrawal (Direct Deposit) Giving Program Our Lady of Good Counsel and St. Anthony Parishes

HOW IT WORKS:

- Rather than using cash or a cheque and placing it in the offertory plate, your donation is taken **once a month** out of your bank account.
- The money is taken out on the date that you will specify each month.

ADVANTAGES TO THIS PROGRAM:

- If you are away for a weekend or even for the winter months, your parish benefits from your continual offerings.
- During the COVID-19 lockdown, as an example, the program greatly assisted your parish in continuing to pay its ongoing financial obligations.

WHAT IF THERE IS A MISTAKE?

- If there are any mistakes made, your money will be returned to you immediately. We are very careful in submitting these debits and double check at all times. If a mistake were to happen, we will take care to fix the problem.

ONCE A MONTH:

- In the past, we offered a weekly giving plan. This year, we are asking you to please consider donating once a month rather than weekly. For every transaction made, there is a \$1.00 bank fee. So if you gave \$20.00 a week, and you give weekly, then there would be a \$4.00 fee. If you gave once a month, then it would only be a \$1.00 fee. If you still want to have a weekly donation, then please contact Melinda.

EXPLANATION OF THE DONATIONS

1. **Sunday Offering, Easter and Christmas:** These offerings are the most important offerings for your parish. They should be our top priority with all other collections taking second place. As our rural parishes continue to decline in population and church attendance, it is even more important now that we hold this collection as a priority for it pays the bills for our parish.

2. **Building and Maintenance Fund:** This fund was recently established to assist with the considerable costs of maintaining and repairing our parish buildings. It is collected once per month.
3. **Mission Collection:** This collection goes to our Mission Account. This money is spent exclusively on missionary activity in various areas of the world. There are four times per year that this collection is taken.
4. **Parish Collections:** These include, New Year's Day, Building and Maintenance and Mission Collection (already discussed), All Souls' Day (Masses for the Deceased).
5. **Diocesan Collections:** These collections go to various charities and programs. This money is sent to the Diocese and distributed by them. They include:
 - a. Lenten Development Collection
 - b. Pope's Pastoral Works (also known as Papal Charities and Peter's Pence)
 - c. Missionary Collection. This is different from our Parish based Mission Collection. This money goes to assist the Northern Canadian Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas and to the French Missionary Order for Canada.
 - d. Needs of the Canadian Church: This money goes to the Canadian Conference of Bishops to assist them in their organization to serve the Church in Canada.
 - e. World Mission Sunday or Evangelization of the Nations. This money goes to the Pontifical Missions Committee to help in many areas of the world.
6. **Good Friday Collection:** This money is collected and given to Charitable Organizations here in our communities. We give to the local Food Bank and to North Renfrew Family Services.

Please fill out the forms on the following two pages to begin using this program.

CERTIFICATION

I agree to have Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish debit the following amount from my bank account each month as indicated on the following two pages:

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Please check which parish you belong to: O.L.G.C. St. Anthony

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday Offering (per month) NOTE: NOT per Sunday.	\$
Building and Maintenance (per month)	\$
OLGC Mission Sunday (per month: Feb, May, July, Oct)	\$
New Year's Day (once in January)	\$
Lenten Development (once in March)	\$
Good Friday Collection (once in April)	\$
Easter Collection (once in April)	\$
Pope's Pastoral Works (once in May)	\$
Education of Priests (once in June)	\$
Diocesan Mission Keewatin-LePas (once in August)	\$
Needs of Canadian Church (once in September)	\$
Evangelization of the Nations (once in October)	\$
All Souls' Day (once in November)	\$
Heating (once in December) – St. Anthony's ONLY	\$
Christmas (once in December)	\$
CWL Dues (once in October)	\$

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