

Financial Support

Thank You for considering Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) and Online Giving as ways to make a consistent weekly donation to St. James. As Fr. Tom states in the Live Your Faith booklet "...if every parish family committed to a consistent weekly donation...we can radically change the way our parish is run."

EFT and Online Giving provide two ways to support our parish community on a regular basis even if you cannot physically attend Mass. (Remember, just because you go away on vacation for a week or two during the summer, that does not mean that all utilities are shut down and you don't have to pay the utility companies.)

This support can be provided using one of our automated methods of contribution. The two options are a monthly electronic funds transfer (from either your checking or savings account) or donating on-line.

Both methods of contribution are described below.

If you are comfortable with the information provided and want to sign-up immediately for either option, instructions for Online Giving can be found on page two while the instructions for Electronic Funds Transfer can be found on page three.

If you are not comfortable with the information provided and still have questions, workshops will be held to step you through the process and answer any questions you might have. Otherwise, you can call the Parish Center and ask for either Magalie Granado or David Zamachaj.

Electronic Funds Transfer

This option offers parishioners the safety, convenience, and reliability of making your contributions monthly, through an electronic funds transfer. Your offertory contributions are automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account at your bank or credit union on the 10th of each month. If the 10th falls on a weekend or banking holiday, the contribution will be withdrawn on the next business day. You can change or cancel your contribution at any time by sending written notice no later than the 5th of the month to St. James Church, 2110 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615, Attn: Business Office. You can also send an e-mail with the change or cancellation information to nzamachaj.sjschool@gmail.com by the 5th of the month.

This automatic withdrawal is for your regular offertory only. Second collections and Holy Day contributions should continue to be made by you, through the envelope system or Online Giving.

On-Line Giving

This option allows for all of the convenience described for the Electronic Funds Transfer options with some important additions.

Those additions are the ability to charge your donation to your Visa or MasterCard credit card; the ability to specify how often you want to make a contribution (weekly, monthly, annually,

etc.); make changes at any time by simply going on-line and changing your own information; and the ability to donate to offertory as well as second collections and Holy Days, and special gifts

This option is now also available on your smart phone.

Won't you please consider these easy, automated ways to support our parish?

On-Line Giving

To get started with On-Line Giving:

- 1) Visit the parish web-site
- 2) Click the Online Giving link
- 3) Click the Create New Account link and follow the directions

It's that simple!!!

