

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Automatic Withdrawal (ACH)

Authorization Form for Church Contributions

Open your heart without opening your checkbook!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ELECTRONIC GIVING

Q. What is electronic giving?

A. Electronic giving is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from your checking or savings account.

Q. What are the advantages of electronic giving?

A. It makes it easy to fulfill stewardship commitments, even when you can't attend church. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and improve its budget!

Q. How are my contributions automatically deducted from my account?

A. Once you complete and sign an authorization form and return it to Parish Office, the contribution amount you specify will automatically be transferred from your bank account to the church's bank account.

Q. When will my contribution be deducted from my account?

A. Your electronic contribution will be debited on the date you specify on the authorization form.

Q. If I do not write checks, how do I keep my checkbook balance straight?

A. Electronic contributions are recorded for you on your bank statement. Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date.

Q. Without a canceled check, how can I prove I made my contribution?

A. Your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transactions. It is your proof of contributing.

Q. What if I change bank accounts?

A. Notify the Parish Office and we will give you a new authorization form to complete.

Q. Is electronic giving risky?

A. It's less risky than writing checks or bringing cash to church. Electronic contributions cannot be lost, stolen or destroyed and have an extremely high rate of accuracy.

Q. How much does electronic giving cost?

A. It costs you nothing!

Q. What if I try electronic giving and don't like it?

A. You can cancel your authorization by notifying the Parish Office at any time.

Q. How do I sign up for electronic giving?

A. Complete and sign the authorization form and return it to the Parish Office along with a voided check or savings account deposit slip.

Reasons to sign up for Electronic Giving

- ❖ No need to write checks or bring cash to church
- ❖ Peace-of-mind knowing that the church is receiving your contribution even if you are unable to attend
 - ❖ More secure than checks
 - ❖ All contributions are recorded for you on your bank statement with date of settlement
 - ❖ IT COSTS YOU NOTHING!

SIGN UP TODAY.

Complete the authorization form on reverse side of this sheet.

Our Lady of the Pines & St. Theodore's Churches

Parish Office at: 205 Main Street; PO Box 378; Nevis; MN 56467

www.ccnevislaporte.org Email: parishofficenevis@gmail.com Phone: 218-652-4005

AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTION AUTHORIZATION FORM

Type of Authorization:	<input type="checkbox"/> New authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation amount	<input type="checkbox"/> Change banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue electronic donation
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Last Name	First Name	
Address		
City	State	Zip
Email	Phone	
Parish Sunday Offerings (Regular Envelope Contribution)	Frequency of contribution: (please check only one) <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 st <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 th	Contribution amount: \$ _____ Date of first contribution: ____ / ____ / ____
Diocesan Second Collections (Contribution for Different Missions & Charities)	Frequency of contribution: (please check only one) <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 st <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 th	Contribution amount: \$ _____ Date of first contribution: ____ / ____ / ____

CHECKING / SAVINGS	<p style="text-align: right;">Routing Number: _____ <i>Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3</i></p> <p>Please debit my contribution from my (check one):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Savings Account (Attach a Saving Deposit Slip)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Checking Account (Staple a Voided Check below)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Account Number: _____</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> </div>
	<p>I authorize Our Lady of the Pines and St. Theodore's Churches and their financial institution to automatically debit my checking or savings account as noted above. I understand that this automatic debit will continue until I give reasonable notification to change or terminate this authorization. I also understand that I am responsible for ensuring that the necessary funds are available at the time the debit occurs. I may revoke this automatic payment authorization at any time with thirty (30) days written notice to Our Lady of the Pines Church, 205 Main Street, PO Box: 378, Nevis, MN 56467</p> <p>Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____</p>

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

The above information will not be disclosed to any unauthorized personnel or financial institutions.

A copy of this form will be returned to you along with a letter of acknowledgement.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10)