

OVERVIEW

- Spiritual Benefits of Giving
 - Effective Communications
 - Lunch
- ➔ LIFT- Living in Faith Together



DRAFT Weekly Offertory Enhancement Timeline

9/6: (prep-week #1)

9/13: (prep-week #2)

9/20: Week 1 - Survey

Distribute surveys to parish contacts

9/27: Week 2 - Prayer Card

Introduce prayer cards to parish contacts

10/4: Week 3 - Gratitude

Share “Booklet of Gratitude” with parish contacts

10/11: Week 4 - Bulletin Insert

Provide bulletin inserts with formational content based on Malachi 3:10

10/18: Week 5 - Commitment Weekend

Directly invite congregation members to participate in/ increase their Weekly Offertory

10/25: Week 6 - Stewardship

Thanking individuals, thanking the community, capturing and sharing stories.



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When you fast... Matthew 6:16 *Not: “If you...”*

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← this one's first!

Prayer

- “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. *For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*” Matthew 7:7-8
- “If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and *it will be done for you.*” John 15:7
- “By prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of *God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts* and minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6-7
- “The prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, *he will be forgiven.* Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The fervent prayer of a righteous person is *very powerful.*” James 5:15-16



Fasting

- When you fast, “Your Father who sees in secret will repay you.” Matthew 6:18

(see also: Isaiah 58:6-11 , Joel 2:12-13, Acts 13:2-3)



Almsgiving

- “Those who give alms will enjoy *a full life*.” Tobit 12:9
- “Whoever cares for the poor lends to the LORD, who will *repay in full*.” Proverbs 19:17
- “...pour down upon you *blessing without measure*.” Malachi 3:10
- When you give, “Your Father who sees in secret will *repay you*.” Matthew 6:4
- “Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and *overflowing*, will be poured into your lap.” Luke 6:38



*“But how can they call on Him in whom they have not believed?
And how can they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?
And how can they hear without someone to preach?
And how can people preach unless they are sent?”*

Romans 10:14-15 source: USCCB.org



ANY SOLUTION SHOULD ACCOUNT FOR THESE RULES

- What's in it for me?
- Emotion > Logic
- Not everyone "buys" the way you do
- Triggers of Influence with universal appeal



Primary Objectives

- Offer Parishes an easy-to-implement offertory enhancement program that conveys the importance of trust to parishioners while equipping pastoral teams to talk about trusting God.

Secondary Objectives

- Improve parish registration database.
- Leverage Effective Communication: Congruency, Reciprocity, Authority, Social Proof
- Provides Formation in Prayer, Gratitude, and the Spiritual Benefits of Sacrificial Giving
- Prepare for CMA Messenger Launch at select parishes in 2027

Overview



Survey



Prayer Card



Booklet of Gratitude



Bulletin Insert



Commitment Weekend



Stewardship


Survey

Keys to Consider:

- Percentage participation is not the goal.
- This Survey sets up the next few weeks.

(Note: Open-ended questions can lead to qualitative feedback.)

LIFT Parish Survey



Q1: "What is one way this parish has been a blessing or made a positive difference in your life?"

Q2: "What ways has participation in parish activities (Mass, prayer, ministries, etc.) helped you in your personal life? (Check all that apply)"

- Feel a part of something bigger than myself
- Grow closer to God
- Help me handle the challenges of life
- Become a better person
- Help me in my marriage
- Other: _____

Q3: "What is one prayer intention you'd like our parish to lift up?"

Q4: "IN what way can this parish better help you out with the challenges of life?"

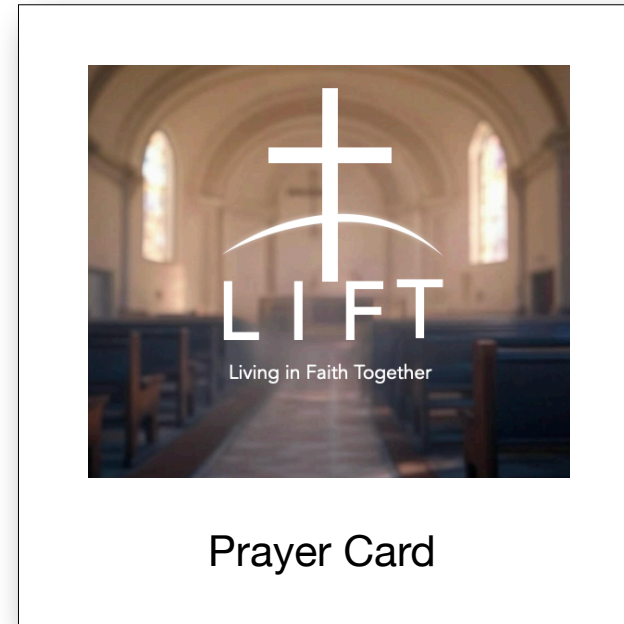


Prayer Card

Includes:

- Morning Offering
- Evening Prayer
- Also:

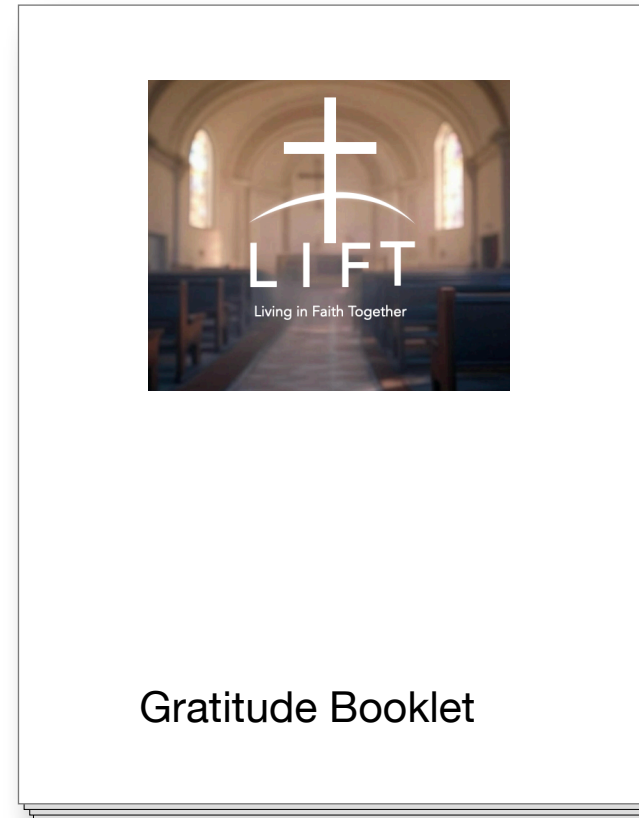
Lord JESUS, thank you for the gift of our parish community, and please help our parish community to be a blessing to more and more people. Amen



Booklet of Gratitude

Includes:

- Prompts to help identify blessings in our lives in order to help everyone grow in gratitude.



Bulletin Insert

- Formational Content
- Topic: God's generosity cannot be outdone!

Emphasis on Malachi 3:10:

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, That there may be food in my house. Put me to the test,” says the LORD of Hosts, “and see if I do not open the floodgates of Heaven for you, and pour down upon you blessing without measure!”



Commitment Weekend

- Pulpit, Bulletin, and Postal Mail
- Invitation to Make a Commitment to:
 - Online
 - Ongoing
 - Offering
 - Objective/Indifferent
 - Open-Designation











Stewardship








- Pulpit, Bulletin, and Postal Mail
- Recognize and Thank:
 - Individuals
 - Community
- Capture and Share Stories!








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Pastoral Center	 AOC Staff to analyze survey results and update "Impact Template"







Prayer Card

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Bulletin Insert

Info	 Bulletin #1- Formational Piece on the Spiritual Benefits of Giving
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B-Impact Report

📄 An Impact Report is shared in print, by email, and online. (Based on qualitative feedback from the survey.)

👉 The Survey you filled out, together with an update from what has been happening in our Parish shows the Impact our Parish has in the Community. Thank you for filling out the survey. It's a privilege to serve you, and it's a privilege to serve the community through this parish.

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E-Bulletin 1

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G-Commitment

📄 Commitment Weekend

👉 Survey Homily

📄 Petitions: Survey

📄 Announcements: Survey

📄 Bulletin: Survey

📄 Social Media

📄 Email Blast

👤 Staff

Questions You Might Still Have:

1. Can the Stewardship Office help you implement this?
2. Is the timeline flexible?
3. What does it cost?
4. What results can you expect?