

# One Spirit ~ Many Gifts

Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life: GO. MAKE. TEACH.

**Everyone** has a gift to contribute to the life of our parish, and ALL gifts are essential parts of our call to living a sacramental life centered in the Eucharist that is marked by prayer, generosity, ongoing formation, service, and outreach.

*“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; . . . To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” — 1 Corinthians 12:4-5, 7*

## 1. THE GIFT OF GENEROSITY:

**A. SUNDAY GIVING: YES I/my family will exercise generosity in our call to holiness and financially support St. John the Baptist.**

The total for January to December 2019 will be: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(You may give weekly, monthly or annually.)

**B. CAPITAL GIVING: YES I/my family will exercise generosity in our call to holiness and financially support St. John the Baptist.**

The total for January to December 2019 will be: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ New Pledge                      \_\_\_\_\_ Apply to my/our existing pledge

If your employer matches charitable gifts, please consider designating your gifts payable to:  
St. John the Baptist School

**Electronic Giving:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **NEW** (Please complete the enclosed form and return with pledge sheet.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **EXISTING** (Please complete the enclosed form and return with pledge sheet if you are making changes to your current pledge. Please call 651-633-8333 ext. 1224 with questions.)

**C. PLANNED GIVING: YES I/we wish to remember St. John's in our family estate and year-end tax planning (check all that apply):**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have included St. John's in my estate planning.

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to include St. John's in my will.

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to contact Bret Sutton, Director of Stewardship (651-633-8333), regarding special gifts.

## 2. THE GIFT OF PRAYER:

**YES I and my family PLEDGE to live our baptismal call to holiness and by continuing or adding one or more of the following PRAYER activities (check all that apply):**

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we will actively participate at Mass every Sunday and Holy Day, attending daily whenever possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we will pray daily, such as

*-Say Grace before meals; Make a Daily Examination before going to sleep; Say a prayer each morning offering my day to God; Read the Bible daily; Add the Rosary to my prayer life*

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we will visit Jesus each week or each month in the Adoration Chapel.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we will pray for others as well as:

*-Young Christians (80% leave within 5 years of Confirmation); Those who struggling with their faith especially my extended family members; Ask a person if I/we can pray for them*

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation more regularly.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we ask the staff to offer their daily prayers for this intention: \_\_\_\_\_

### **3. THE GIFT OF SERVICE:**

**YES I and my family PLEDGE to offer SERVICE to Jesus Christ by continuing to SERVE or beginning to serve (check all that apply):**

- I will share my gifts with others by volunteering (*see the parish website for service opportunities*).
- I will invite a fellow parishioner to join me in a ministry or program at St. John's.
- I/we will volunteer to participate in various annual drives, serve the poor, visit someone sick or elderly, help at FallFest, or offer some other service.
- I am not sure how I can serve; I will reach out to the parish and ask where my talents might be needed (*call Rita Arndorfer, Volunteer Coordinator at 651-633-8333, ext. 1220*).

### **4. THE GIFT OF ONGOING FORMATION:**

**YES I and my family PLEDGE to deepen our Catholic faith through ONGOING FAITH FORMATION:**

- I/we will take a class or Bible study to develop appreciation of our Catholic Faith.
- I/we will animate our hunger for holiness through ongoing conversion by
  - Viewing materials on the "FORMED" website [free with SJB password (JBB6WB)].
  - Listening to Catholic teachings on Relevant Radio (1330 AM).
  - Watching programs on EWTN Catholic Television (cable channel 370).
- I/we will attend the Catechetical Institute.
- Attend a retreat and/or archdiocesan conferences and programs.

### **5. THE GIFT OF SHARING THE GOSPEL:**

**YES I and my family will take a step to EVANGELIZE to build the community of St. John the Baptist:**

- I/we will share the lifesaving message of Jesus Christ with others.
- I/we will invite someone away from the faith to a program/ministry/activity at our parish: FallFest; Connect groups; Catholic Watchmen; Circle of Women. . . .
- I will welcome a visitor or introduce myself to the person next to me after Mass.
- I/we will go to hospitality after Mass and sit at a table with someone new.
- I/we will volunteer as hospitality door greeter for Sunday Mass.

### **Parishioner Information & Updates**

*Please assist us by updating any changes in your contact information:*

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address** \_\_\_\_\_



**Please Sign and Date below. Return your pledge sheet in a sealed envelope to St. John's business office or in the regular Sunday collection basket.**

*On Behalf of St. John the Baptist Parish, "THANK YOU!" for your Many Gifts.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date