

January 23, 2017

Dear Cathedral stewards and friends,

Thank you! 2016 was another successful year at our Archdiocesan Cathedral thanks to Our Lord's blessings, the spiritual leadership and guidance of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, and the dedication of time, talents, and treasures of each of you.

Everyone who steps into our Cathedral marvels at its beauty, highlighted by the incredible physical space and iconography, the joyous sounds of our choir and chanters, and the heartfelt sharing of young and old in the worship and fellowship of our faith. **Our Cathedral truly is a special place.**

As we begin what we pray is a happy and blessed new year for all of us, we kindly ask that you **reflect on your individual and our collective ownership, responsibility, and accountability to this ideal.** We ask you to attend services on Sundays and throughout the week; to participate in the social, cultural, and educational events that are scheduled; to volunteer your time and talents to assist those in need, both in our Cathedral family and surrounding community; and to contribute financially to allow our Cathedral to continue to serve.

Completing a Stewardship Pledge Card is very important. It enables us to **budget for the year,** updates your contact information so that we can remain in touch with you, and provides us with your input in areas where you would like to become involved, so that we can understand **more about you and your family,** and in turn, **how the Cathedral can become a better part of your life.** Please note that we are not necessarily asking for your entire 2017 Stewardship *payment* now, but for you to at least *return your pledge card* with the amount you intend to pledge for 2017 and the timing and manner in which you foresee paying it.

Kindly take the time to **fill out and return the enclosed 2017 Stewardship Pledge Card,** and in doing so, please prayerfully consider **Sponsoring One Day or more** in the life of our Cathedral for 2017. Sponsoring One Day amounts to an offering of \$1,780 for the year. An annual offering of \$1,780 is equal to \$4.88 per day. We also ask that you please look at the amount you pledged in 2016 and consider increasing that amount by at least 10% for your 2017 pledge.

May our Lord continue to bless our efforts to make His Cathedral a sacred place of love and joy for all of us.

Faithfully,



V. Rev. Fr. John Vlahos
Dean



Peter Chrisanthopoulos
Stewardship Chairman



James P. Gianakis
Cathedral Board President

“For where your treasure is,
there your heart will be also”
Matthew 6:21

Your generous financial contribution allows us to:

- Keep in Touch with You
- Maintain our Buildings
- Offer Inspiring Worship
- Provide Religious and Cultural Education
- Support Local and National Ministries

Our Stewardship giving should support all of our Parish Ministries and the entire operating budget. We should not depend on special events to meet our budget, for this is our direct responsibility. We are the recipients of God’s gifts and play an active role in perpetuating His work of salvation.

What’s worth more to you?

| Expense | Monthly | Annual |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Health Club Membership | \$ 150 | \$ 1,800 |
| Daily Starbucks Latte | \$ 145 | \$ 1,740 |
| Dining Out (Two people, once/month) | \$ 100 | \$1,200 |
| Average Cable Television bill | \$ 89 | \$ 1,068 |
| Average Fair Share Pledge | \$ 75 | \$900 |

If we all strive to Sponsor a Day, we tangibly show that the support our Church is of primary importance.

| Expense | Monthly | Annual |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| Sponsor a Day | \$148.33 | \$1780 |



Photo:Dimitrios Panagos

We are called to model our giving after God’s unconditional generosity. We engage in sacrificial giving when we give something that we really needed for ourselves. Then we realize something—our security lies not in material goods; but in God.

The benefits of stewardship go beyond making a donation for a cause. Stewardship is a real and tangible way we show our deep adoration and devotion to God. When we make giving to God and His Church a priority, we take a personal step in transforming ourselves further towards a life full of Grace.

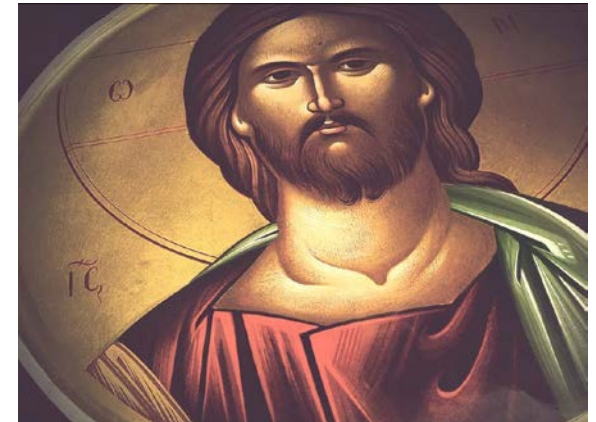


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Offering Our Time, Talent and Treasure

*Strengthening our Relationship with God
and with Each Another*

* Be available to your family and friends through openness to the needs of those around you and by providing assistance.

* The Lord invites you to be an active member of the Cathedral. Our parish is enriched and strengthened by your participation.

* There are many who could benefit from your presence. Get active and get involved. We need you to assist us in Sunday School, Youth, Philanthropy, and Outreach, and so many more vital ministries of our Cathedral.



The Archdiocesan Cathedral receives income from the apartment complex and garage next door, however, even with that, **the Cathedral still needs \$1,780 per day**, every day of the year, in order to operate.

Our "Sponsor a Day" Campaign has been a success in both 2015 and 2016. During 2016, the Archdiocesan Cathedral had 70 families sponsor One Day or more as their Stewardship. We hope they will continue to give and that more of our families will follow their lead.

Please join us and "Sponsor of a Day" by pledging \$1,780 as your Stewardship for 2017.

Through God's Grace, we are making a positive difference in the lives of so many people, and we will continue to do so through your active participation and support.



Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity 2017 Stewardship Commitment

*"So that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him,
as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God" (Colossians 1:10).*

BAPTIZED OR CHRISMATED
ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN?

NAME (First/Last) _____

YES _____ NO _____

SPOUSE (First/Last) _____

YES _____ NO _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER: (_____) _____

| | Self | Spouse |
|----------------|------|--------|
| Business Phone | | |
| Cell Phone | | |
| Occupation | | |
| Email | | |

| Names of Dependent Children | Birth Date | Email (if applicable) |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------------|
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Check all that apply:

_____ I would like Fr. John to contact me to schedule a house blessing for the New Year.

_____ I would like the youth advisor to contact me about enrolling my children in Cathedral youth ministries.

Best time to call: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Family Envelope # _____

Date to PDS _____ *by* _____

Date to CC _____ *by* _____

CC Amt _____ *starting* _____

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COMMITMENT OF TREASURE (Personal and Confidential)

As an expression of my commitment to the ministry of Christ's Church,
I pledge as my 2017 financial commitment to the Cathedral to:

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor a Day (\$1,780) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor Two Days (\$3,560) | <input type="checkbox"/> Student (\$100) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor Three Days (\$5,340) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor a Week (\$12,460) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

To be paid in: Weekly Monthly Quarterly One Time Other _____
Please indicate the method(s) you will use for payment: Check Credit Card Website (thecathedralnyc.org)

Name On Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature Authorization _____ Date _____

(Please complete and return entire form)

COMMITMENT OF TIME AND TALENT

Please select the activities that interest each of you.

NAME (Self) _____ NAME (Spouse) _____

| Ministry | Self | Spouse | Ministry | Self | Spouse |
|------------------------------------|------|--------|---|------|--------|
| Education | | | Outreach | | |
| Adult Continuous Education | | | Philanthropy/Charities | | |
| Greek Dance Teacher or Assistant | | | Promote Global Mission & Evangelism | | |
| Greek School Teacher or Assistant | | | Philoptochos | | |
| Sunday School Teacher or Assistant | | | Coffee Hour, Host | | |
| Elder/Sick Care | | | Philoptochos, Member | | |
| Transport Sick/Aged | | | Social Clubs | | |
| Visit Sick/Homebound | | | Primetimers Club (Senior Adults 65+) | | |
| Events | | | Parea Club (Married Adults 35+) | | |
| Bake or Cook for Event(s) | | | Cathedral Connect (Young Professionals) | | |
| Set Up & Decorate for Event(s) | | | Uniquity(Unmarried/Widowed/Divorced) | | |
| Facilities & Maintenance | | | Stewardship | | |
| Support for Annual Festival | | | Church Ministries (Time & Talent) | | |
| Liturgical | | | Membership/Outreach (Time & Talent) | | |
| Sing in the Choir | | | Youth Ministries | | |
| Assist in the Narthex | | | GOYA (Ages 12-17) | | |
| Assist in the Sanctuary | | | JOY (Ages 7-12) | | |
| Office & Administration | | | HOPE (Ages 4-6) | | |
| Bookstore | | | Little Angels (Ages 3 and under) | | |
| Library | | | Cathedral School PTA | | |
| Office Assistant | | | Fundraising | | |
| Newsletter Support – CathedraLife | | | Journal | | |
| Website / Technology Support | | | Raffle | | |

Other Ministries you would like to see:
