

St Edward Parish Planned Giving

St Edward Catholic Parish is a faith community where the parishioners come to know Jesus Christ through personal commitment and faith witness. We are proud of our heritage, and we celebrate that Catholic identity in many ways. Also we are a 501©3 organization (non-profit).

The St Edward parishioner comes to know Christ as the loving head of our Catholic community when encountering Him regularly in the sacraments of the Church and each day in prayer. Our emphasis on religious values and the gift of faith is central to our parish development.

Our community of faith and our community of service will have an everlasting on each St Edward member and our outreach recipients.

Rooted in the beliefs and traditions of the Catholic Church, St Edward parish in conjunction with Archdiocese of Louisville strive to create a faith environment in which members can grow spiritually, socially, emotionality, physically and culturally. Our endeavor is to integrate religious truths and values into our parishioners.

We would like to ensure that the success of the past can be perpetuated in the future. Our goal is to ensure that the gift of Catholic beliefs will be secured for our parishioners and our school children. Our hope is that the Catholic tradition of St Edward will continue to shine its light on future generations.

As we move into the future with faith and hope, we are presented with a challenge and a wonderful opportunity. We must develop a long term strategy that renews our commitment to allow us to maintain our parish growth and sustainment. It is therefore, important to implement a development program to ensure the viability of St Edward well into the next century. We recognize the importance of providing quality Catholic growth and education that will prepare our parishioners for challenging and spiritually fulfilling future. We ask your help because we feel that Catholic education and our faith can make a wonderful difference in our world.

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Our Development Program

The purpose of the Planned Giving Program is to assist in advancing the highest quality spiritual experience and academic and formative education at St Edward through the provision of innovative resources needed for the benefit of our parishioners and children of the parish.

The mission of the Planned Giving Program is to collaborate with the Pastor and work with all constituencies of St Edward Parish and School. In order to successfully implement the Planned Giving Program and thereby strengthen the Parish, School and community, we need to be good stewards for the future too.

THE NEED FOR PLANNED GIVING

The need for a planned, on-going development program is easily understood after reviewing of the following:

1. The Church's mission is to provide Catholic spirituality for all who seek It.—we must ensure all are welcomed, loved and served.
2. Costs have and will continue to rise at a faster rate than Parish contributions or school tuition increases can support.
3. The annual growth in Parish income barely keeps pace with our total obligations and needs.
4. Passing along increased costs through normal Sunday contributions is not the answer —our service to our community and beyond will be affected.
5. To retain a quality staff and faculty, we must pay a just wage.
6. Technological advancements demand that our Church environment keep pace.
7. Current methods of fund raising cannot provide for all future needs.

St Edward Parish is committed to keeping our parish and school viable and of the highest quality, since it is most effective forums for transmitting the Catholic faith and values, and perpetuating our faith. To the end, the Planned Giving Committee, in coordination with the Pastor and the Principal offer the following vehicles for support to the parish.

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SERVICES IN KIND

There are many different ways of giving to St Edward Community. Your *time* and *talent* are just as important as donation as your treasure. If you have a talent in a particular area, or if you are capable of volunteering your time, then please contact the Parish Office, Deborah Grisanti or Kevin Doyle (502) 648-4721.

OTHER METHODS of GIVING

Many different, exciting and creative forms of giving to St Edward are available, all of which are tax deductible.

STOCKS, BONDS, MUTUAL FUNDS

Securities are excellent ways to give, particularly if they have appreciated in value, above the original investment cost. Contact the Parish Office about how to make this type of gift.

CASH

One of the standard and familiar ways to give cash is to simply write a check payable to the Parish. Please reference the Planned Giving Committee on the memo line of the check.

PROPERTY

Both real estate and personal property qualify as charitable gifts that would benefit our community. Consider real estate such as residences, farmland and buildings as well as antiques, jewelry, artwork/coin collections, or collectibles.

BUSINESS GIFTS

Businesses can make gifts and receive tax deductions as well. Businesses can give gifts of inventory, equipment, materials and service as well as cash. If you own your business, giving through your business is another way to benefit our community and its school.

LIFEE INSURANCE

Cash value in current or paid up life insurance policies can benefit our community. Of course, naming our church as beneficiary of life insurance proceeds can be a wonderful means of making a future major gift to "give the gift". You may even designate policy dividends as gifts.

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2015-2016 GIFT CATALOGUE ITEMS

The Cornerstone Endowment Fund\$100 suggested

(any amount is appreciated)

The interest of the Cornerstone Fund will be used for financial support of the parish and the school. Type of benefits will be special projects, outreach support, capital expenses and other critical needs of the parish. The Cornerstone Endowment Fund preserves the principal assets in it, and only the earnings generated by the principal can be spent. The idea is to build a large base of assets so that, in the future, the income generated can provide a substantial source of financial support for the parish.

For more information about the Cornerstone Endowment, please write or call the parish office.

TECHNOLOGY FUND \$100 suggested

(any amount is appreciated)

In our fast paced world, technology is constantly changing. Innovations in educational tools and normal operations of the parish are critical to optimizing our services.

Requests in this category include purchase of computers, replacement components, computer peripherals, printers, and supplies. Software purchases may be in the form network software, single CD/DVD, subscriptions to online software or operating system software.

Contributions for software and computer equipment allow St Edward Parish and school to provide and maintain state-of-the-art technology resources.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND.....\$100 suggested

(any amount is appreciated)

In our society today, continued learning is required throughout our lives. We need it to remain competitive and also to enhance our individual participation in culture and society.

The Professional Development Fund has been established to offer our financial assistance with ongoing needs of the parish. This will enable us to acquire new skills and strategies, and to update existing methods of benefitting the entire parish community here at St Edward.