

Other Half Worksheet

A worksheet to help you plan and budget your giving to charity

All of us receive requests from many charities throughout the year - and sometimes our response is one of weariness or anxiety. Why me? My resources are limited? How can I take care of them all? But these various requests present the opportunity to plan our giving - to share the blessings God has given us, and experience the joy of sharing.

We are asked to split our gift in half - One half to the parish, and the other half to charities of our choice.

The total amount I plan on giving to the parish and other charities is: \$ _____

Suggested 1/2 to the Parish equals: \$ _____

Some Charities to Consider for the 'Other Half'

Local Assistance for the needs in our Archdiocese

St. Vincent De Paul \$ _____

Catholic Community Services (December) \$ _____
Provides social services support to families throughout Washington

Catholic Schools \$ _____
Elementary school and high school fund drives

Annual Catholic Appeal (May) \$ _____
Funds a wide range of archdiocesan programs and services

Other (NW Catholic Communications Campaign – Jan; Priest Pension-Oct.; etc) \$ _____

Special National and International Church Collections

Catholic Home Missions (February) \$ _____
Funds a wide range of pastoral services plus maintenance of Missions in the US and includes the training of seminarians and lay ministers (A percentage of this collection will go toward Black and Indian Missions)

Catholic Relief Services and Rice Bowl Collection (March) \$ _____
Supports Catholic Relief Services overseas plus 25% goes to local hunger projects

Peter's Pence (June) \$ _____
Helps Catholics join the charitable works of the Holy Father in helping relieve the suffering of the world's most vulnerable victims of war, poverty and oppression

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (September) \$ _____
Addresses root causes of poverty in our country and funds self-help organizations and transformative education

World Mission Sunday (October) \$ _____
Supports Catholic missionary efforts throughout the world

Other Charities (e.g. United Way, etc.)

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