

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I become a member of the parish?

Membership in the Orthodox Church begins at baptism (Chrismation for some) and continues throughout our life. We are united with Christ through the sacraments, or mysteries, of the Church and through our faithful offering of our entire selves to Jesus Christ. Our Archdiocese requires each parish to distinguish between voting members and non-voting members. A voting member is over 18 years of age and turns in a signed stewardship commitment card, committing a portion of time, talent and treasure to the Church. The Archdiocese also requires the voting member to remain current through the year on their commitments. Keep in mind that true membership in the Body of Christ involves living according to His word and within His Church.

Why must I commit to give a specific amount?

Please keep in mind that your stewardship of money is kept in the strictest of confidence. However, we do compile the amounts anticipated to better plan our budget.

What if I cannot fulfill my stewardship commitment?

During the course of a year, circumstances change. Your stewardship is valued because it is made out of your love for God and His Church. Please do not be concerned if you are unable to meet your stewardship commitment – we are glad you are a part of this parish.

Eternal Life begins Now

“The Church is the unity of all worlds, earthly and heavenly, of angels and men, of the living and the dead. We obtain real communion with God and we participate in God’s uncreated energy. God does not stay in heaven, directing history from there. He directs the world with His uncreated governing energies. We do not aim at appeasing God, but to heal ourselves, so that the vision of God becomes light for us and not fire. Furthermore, in the Church we live eternal life starting from now. We do not simply await the life to come, but we experience and enjoy it from the present. The Kingdom of God, according to the Fathers, is not life beyond the grave, but communion with God, above all, the vision of the uncreated Light.”

Metropolitan Hierotheos of Nafpaktos
The Illness and Cure of the Soul in the Orthodox Tradition

**Weekly or Monthly Giving
sustains our church!**

**SAINT ANDREW
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Giving Thanks
**Eucharistic
Stewardship**



**STEWARDSHIP
MINISTRY**

**Saint Andrew
STEWARDSHIP
2023**

information

FULL NAME

NAME OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE

HOME PHONE

MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

MOBILE PHONE OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

EMAIL ADDRESS OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

EMAIL ADDRESS **preferred** for communication (or both w b used)

IF NEW PARISHIONER

Names and birthdates of adults in household:

Dependent Children's names and birthdates:

We enter our spiritual home not to be entertained, but to be a part of a community of believers. We receive Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. As we pray, worship and serve together, we become His Body. To be truly a member of the Church as Body of Christ requires our presence and our engagement with one another -- in worship, study and service to others. We grow spiritually as a family. We give sacrificially as we acknowledge that all we have comes from God.

We ask you to prayerfully consider increasing your tax-deductible Commitment. Please understand it will cost approximately (\$38.46/week, or \$167/month) \$2,000 per year per family to sustain our parish.

treasure

In gratitude for God's Blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church the following amount in **2023**.

\$_____ weekly/monthly/ ANNUALLY

Consider making your donations using our
NEW ABUNDANT APP

Please send me information on:

- Automatic Offerings *thru your Bank or Credit Card*
- Offering Envelopes *to mail to our St. Andrew Church or place in the Offering basket.*
- Planned Giving *on making a planned gift to our St. Andrew Church.*

Please return Form to our Saint Andrew Church Office.

time & talent

Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with a check (✓). Families should mark "H" for husband, "W" for wife or "C" for children.

WORSHIP

- _____ Choir
- _____ Parish Ushering
- _____ Baking Prosforo

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- _____ Sunday School Teacher
- _____ Assist/Substitute Teacher
- _____ GOYA Volunteer/Coach
- _____ Young Adult League (YAL)
- _____ Summer Camp Staff
- _____ Adult Education

COMMUNITY

- _____ Annual Festival
- _____ Bake/Cook for Events
- _____ Greet Parishioners/Newcomers
- _____ Building Maintenance
- _____ Interfaith Furnishings
- _____ Furniture Resale (used)

HELLENIC CULTURE

- _____ Promote Hellenic Activities
- _____ Assist/Substitute Greek School
- _____ Assist/ Greek Dance Program

PHILANTHROPY

- _____ Collect for Food Pantry
- _____ Cook/Serve for Soup Kitchen
- _____ Visit Elderly/Infirm
- _____ Drive others to/from church
- _____ Knitting/Crocheting/Sewing

ADMINISTRATIVE

- _____ Office Help
- _____ Social Media
- _____ Computer – general
- _____ Grant writing

Any other Talents or information not listed above:

