



St. Mark's Canvass 08

2008 Canvass How much should I give to St. Mark's?

Consider the power of St. Mark's in your life . . .

- What would your life be like without St. Mark's?
- Are you a better person because St. Mark's is in your life?
Is your life richer?
- Even if you are not involved in as many St. Mark's activities as other parishioners, what would it mean to you if "the possibility of St. Mark's" disappeared from your life?
- Consider the importance of worship, gathering around the communion table, Sunday school, Christian Ed classes, friendships, parties, singing in the choir, and dozens of other St. Mark's relationships and activities that give meaning to your life.
- Consider the ways that St. Mark's helps you to engage faithfully in the world.

There probably is not a price tag you can place on these considerations. Some say it is priceless. Consider the promise of all these things when you give.

Giving of your time, talent, and treasure . . .

We obviously depend on the generosity of your financial giving to support our community, but your time and talent are equally important. Our emphasis on financial giving at this time of year complements the importance of the time and talent you already give or plan to give to St. Mark's. We understand that personal financial situations require that some individuals and families are in a better position to give more of their time and talent than of their treasure. All of us must consider the balance between money, time, and talent when supporting our church. Each is valuable and important and your contribution of time, talent, or money are appreciated and do not go unnoticed. In the end, regardless of what we give, we are all equal under the umbrella of St. Mark's.

This is one of the most asked questions St. Mark's parishioners struggle with during each canvass season. Obviously this is a personal decision based on faith, your sense of connection to St. Mark's, and your personal finances. Here are some helpful guidelines.