

## “Simple Giving”

### ***What is “Simple Giving”***

Some of our parishioners have asked to make their offerings electronically. “Simple Giving” is an invitation to participate in an automatic transfer program that allows you to give your offerings without writing checks.

### ***What are the advantages of “Simple Giving”***

“Simple Giving” saves you time: no more envelopes to find or checkbooks to remember. It helps the parish to budget: your gifts remain constant until you change them, helping to maintain St. John’s weekly revenue budget.

### ***How is my contribution automatically deducted from my account?***

Once you authorize the transfer, your specified contribution is electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to the church’s account.

### ***If I don’t write checks, how do I keep my checkbook balance straight? What record do I have of my contribution?***

Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date. Your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transfers. It’s your proof of contribution. Your electronic gifts will also be included with your year-end statement of contributions.

### ***What if I change bank accounts? What if I want to stop electronically contributing?***

Simply fill out a new form to change bank account numbers. The same form can be used to cancel or change the terms of your electronic contributions.

### ***How do I sign up for “Simple Giving”?***

Complete the attached authorization form and return it to the church office, or drop it in the collection basket. Please remember to attach a **void check** or **savings deposit slip**. Please remember to sign your authorization form.

“Simple Giving” is so convenient. It costs you nothing and saves you time. If you have any questions about electronic withdrawal of your contributions, please call Jim Rylander at 952-890-9465.