



St. Mary's Episcopal Church
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Bellville, Texas 77418

November 1, 2013

Dear St. Mary's Church Family,

It is that time of year, though certainly not the only period of time, when we consciously focus our thoughts on stewardship and generosity. We understand our stewardship and generosity as Christians as an expression of our discipleship, as we, as followers of Jesus Christ, put our faith into action as we give to God.

The Every-Member Canvas Team encourages everyone to pray and reflect about our need to give generously, to return to God as much as possible out of all that God has so graciously given to us. We also ask that you begin to consider how important the work and ministry being accomplished here at St. Mary's is and then prayerfully and intentionally move toward a tithe in our giving. Our willingness to grow as givers will empower and energize us and the ministries of our church in the year ahead.

We have set December 1, 2013 as our Commitment Sunday. During the services on this day all parishioners will be invited to bring their pledges and place them on the altar where they will be consecrated to God. We will celebrate the many generous gifts of God with a Parish-wide catered dinner on Wednesday December 4, 2013 at 6:30pm. Any outstanding pledges can be turned in at this event. We do ask that all pledges be turned in by Friday December 6 so we can set our parish budget for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you in Church on December 1, at our Celebration on December 4. As has happened in our past, may God continue to bless St. Mary's as we move forward with faith!

Faithfully and with Great Thanksgiving,

St. Mary's 2013 Vestry

Supporting the work & family of St. Mary's 2014

In thanksgiving to Almighty God for the multitude of blessings in life - I/We pledge to support the work of the St. Mary's family with time, talent and treasure. I/We commit to the work of God in Christ at St. Mary's with prayer, worship and the following financial pledge for 2014.

\$ _____ each week / month / year (circle one)

NAME (please PRINT): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

SIGNATURE: _____