



St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

2018 Giving Campaign

PLEASE AND THANK YOU

Dear Parish Family,

As a child growing up my mother was very insistent that my siblings and I learned to say those special, polite words: “please” and “thank you.” I learned as I grew older that saying these words weren’t just about manners and etiquette. It was really about appreciation and gratitude. It was less about the right words and more about a state of mind and heart.

Using these special words can be transformational to the spirit of an individual who learns to view the whole world as gift. But beyond the change they bring about in the individual, these words are also instrumental in forming positive social bonds. In addition, being appreciative and grateful changes the dynamic of our relationship with God as we take to heart the words we say every Sunday: “All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.”

As we enter our stewardship drive this fall and consider our response to God’s deep and lasting care for us and our well-being, *please* give serious thought and prayer to your contribution to the work of the Lord through our church. *Please* let your financial participation reflect the abundance that God has showered upon you. And *please* be as active as you can in the life of the church as we strive to make an impact on both our parish life and the life of the community around us.

In gratitude I *thank* you for your love, devotion and support of St. Francis Church. I *thank you* for your participation in our events and activities. I *thank you* for the wonderful, caring response you exhibit in outreach and the various ways you respond to people in need. What a wonderful, caring parish family we have. We could not do all the things we do without you.

Together in Christ,

Fr. Dan Messier

and your Stewardship Committee

Wayne North, Chair

Neal Hursh, The Rev. Pam Hyde, Jerry McAllister, Bill Miller, Bobbi Tucker,
Arlene Stremming, BrandE Faupell





Can you believe all the opportunities for sharing in Ministry and Enrichment at St Francis?

Outreach

Arivaca Boys Ranch
Blankets, Babies & Borders
Food Bank
Crossroads Mission
St Andrew's Clinic
Aviva Child Protective Services
Casa Community Services
Youth On Their Own
The Animal League of Green Valley
Valley Assistance Services
Salvation Army Stars Program
Refugee Outreach Group
Tour of Homes
Imago Dei Partnership
Newcomer Welcoming Ministry
Boutique Staff

Pastoral Care

Stephen Ministry
Daughters of the King
Lay Eucharistic Ministers
Lay Visitors
Memorial Receptions
Prayer Chain
Care Teams
Sunday Flower Delivery

Worship Ministries

Altar Guild
Usher
Greeter
Acolyte
Lector
Parish Choir
Sound Technician

Worship Experiences

Sunday & Wednesday Eucharist
Evensong (Quarterly)
Centering Prayer (Weekly)
Blessing of Animals (October)
Stations of the Cross (Lent)
Labyrinth (Anytime)

Education

Adult Education Planning
Lent Speaker Program
Seekers Discussion Group
Monday Morning Bible Study
Theme-based Study
Librarian

Social Activities

Social Activities Team
Jet Setters
Parish Breakfasts
Men's Club
Women's Social
Solo Journeymen

Service Ministries

Vestry
Stewardship Committee
Budget and Finance Committee
Personnel Committee
Building & Grounds
Publicity/Marketing
Artworks Committee
Memorials & Gifts Committee
Trust/Endowment Committee

Media/Office Ministries

Bulletins/Newsletters Assemblers
IT and Office Equipment Technician
Website Management
Tellers/Auditors
Office Volunteer/Receptionist

Just a few of the many recipients of our compassionate support and outreach



COMMUNITY
FOOD BANK
OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA

St. Andrew's  Children's Clinic

 **AVIVA**
Children's Services

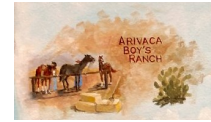
 **Posada Life**
Community Services



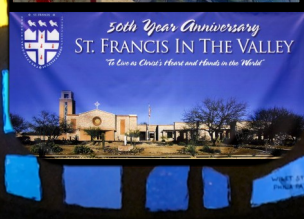
Valley Assistance Services
Your Helping Hand Forward

 **Imago Dei**
Middle School

CROSSROADS
Mission



Living as Christ's Heart and Hands



OUR MISSION AT ST. FRANCIS CHURCH IS TO LIVE AS CHRIST'S HEART AND HANDS IN THE WORLD.

—❖— GRATITUDE CELEBRATION DINNER —❖—

- ♦ Gratitude Celebration Dinner ➡ Friday, November 3 at 5:30 pm.
- ♦ Choose your dinner option on the response card.
- ♦ Return your response card by October 23.
- ♦ Bring your Estimate of Giving with you to the Gratitude Celebration Dinner.
- ♦ Bring a donation of canned goods or a monetary donation for the Food Bank.

