

**Please complete and return one copy of this form on or before January 31, 2026 to:
Diocese of Springfield, Department of Finance, 821 South Second Street, Springfield, IL 62704.**

TO: The Department of Finance, Diocese of Springfield

Our pledge to the work of the Diocese of Springfield has been calculated as follows:

1. Our actual payment to the Diocese in 2025 was \$_____.
2. The percentage of our 2025 net disposable income (see Canon 41 below) paid to the Diocese was ____%.
3. Our 2026 pledge is \$_____. This constitutes _____% of our estimated net disposable income for 2026.
4. (Optional) We are pledging 15% or more of our net disposable income to the Diocese of Springfield, and we direct that _____% of the amount of our pledge allocable to the Outreach Fund be paid to DFMS. (See following Resolution texts.)

Date _____

Church _____

City _____

By _____
Rector, Vicar, Dean, Priest-in-Charge, Warden

By _____
Treasurer

Canon 14

Section 9.

Of Relations with the Bishop and Diocese.

a. Each **Mission** shall make an annual pledge to the Diocese, in such form as shall be provided by the Department of Finance, and in an amount determined by the Bishop, in consultation with the Bishop's Committee of each Mission, the Member of the Clergy in Charge of each Mission, the Department of Finance, and the Department of Mission. **In the event that such a pledge is not established in accordance with this procedure, the annual pledge for each Mission shall be 15% of that Congregation's net disposable income, as defined in Canon 41.**

c. During each quarter of the calendar year, each **Mission** shall submit payment to the Diocese of: (1) an amount equal to at least one quarter of its total pledge for that year; or (2) an amount that shall, when combined with its prior payments during that calendar year, constitutes full pro rata payment of its pledge through the quarter of the calendar year in which payment is made.

Canon 21

Of Relations to the Bishop and Diocese

Section 1.

Each **Parish** shall make an annual pledge to the Diocese of at least that percentage of "net disposable income" (as defined in Canon 41) as has been established by Synod as the standard for giving by the Parish. In the event that Synod fails to establish such a percentage, **the minimum annual pledge to the Diocese from each Parish shall be 15% of "net disposable income".** During each quarter of the calendar year, each Parish shall submit payment to the Diocese of: (1) an amount equal to at least one quarter of its total pledge for that year, or; (2) an amount that shall, when combined with its prior payments during that calendar year, constitute full pro rata payment of its pledge through the quarter of the calendar year in which payment is made.

Canon 41

Of Definitions

The term "net disposable income", as applied to a Congregation, is defined to include the aggregate of all plate offerings, pledge payments received from members of the Congregation, unrestricted contributions received from organizations within the Congregation, operating investment income, assistance from the Diocese, unrestricted testamentary and non-testamentary gifts except to the extent that such gifts are designated by the Vestry or Bishop's Committee to be used for endowment or capital improvement purposes, and all other operating income.