

St. Mary Magdalen Parish

2017 "Special Gifts" Donation Form

As your pastor, I've been doing some careful planning... We have a little more than one weekend remaining to meet the requirements of the \$350,000 challenge grant (which was designed to help our parish transition from recently losing a very large donor family to a move outside the area). With the amount we still need to raise, I don't want to wait until the last minute and have to rush everyone before our calendar year ends on December 31, 2017. At current pace, **we need another \$58,107 in special gifts (large and small)**. For those that are able, please prayerfully consider making a tithe on your investment gains or a special one-time tithe on assets in general. This is above and beyond the regular Sunday Offertory (Sacrificial Giving) commitment. Some may wish to make a special gift to honor or memorialize a loved one. I pray that everyone will pull together and do his/her very best to help our parish meet the requirements of the \$350,000 challenge grant. Many thanks in advance! May God bless you a hundred-fold for your generosity!

Donor Name(s) (First, Last) _____

Business (if applicable) _____

Home/Business Mailing Address _____

City/State/ZIP Code _____

Daytime Phone/Evening Phone _____

This Gift is in: Honor of Memory of Thanksgiving for

Amount of Gift: \$ _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$3,000 (Steward) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000 (Leader) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 (Benefactor)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 (Provider) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 (Builder) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000 (Cornerstone)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$7,500 (Patron) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75,000 (Champion) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 (Partner) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 (Pillar)* | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000 (Guardian) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$250,000 (Founder)* | |

** Pillar, Founder, Benefactor and Cornerstone gift levels may also be designated towards future-year challenge grants and would only need to be donated once the parish has met the requirements of the grant.*

My/Our gift qualifies for matching funds from: _____

My gift of assets may be donated _____ at time of intention, or _____ monthly, or _____ quarterly or _____ other arrangements. To meet the requirements of the 2017 challenge grant, all gifts will need to be completed on or before December 31, 2017.

Please mail this form with your intention and/or tax-deductible donation made payable to:

"St. Mary Magdalen Parish"

Mailing address: St. Mary Magdalen Parish
861 Maitland Avenue
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

Questions: Call Lois Locey at 407.265.2317

Note: This special request is not for a pledge card and does not relate to the ongoing 2018 Sacrificial Giving campaign. Rather, it relates to actual donations needed for calendar year 2017 and applies to both parishioners and friends of St. Mary Magdalen Parish, whether a pledging member or not. We will receive a \$350,000 grant if we reach a required level of donations by the deadline announced 14 months ago.

\$350,000 CHALLENGE GRANT

Only one weekend remaining before the 12/31 deadline and we're running \$58,107 behind in required donations at our current pace (that's a shortfall of only 2.00%)



Remember the \$350,000 challenge grant that was offered to our Parish toward the end of 2016 that relates to donations made during Calendar year 2017? We now only have one weekend remaining before the 12/31 deadline, so it's officially "crunch time"...

What's the hurdle we need to overcome (donations running 2.00% short at current pace):

We must collect \$2.9 million during calendar year 2017 (Regular Sunday and Holy Day offertory donations). We still have a chance at achieving that challenge grant requirement, but it's going to take a concerted effort. At our current pace, it looks like we'll be about **2.00% short** on the final day of December 31, 2017 (**or about \$58,107 short**). *Wouldn't it be terrible to miss this challenge by only 2.00 percent?!!!!* Worse than that, you wouldn't want to let that challenge donor off the hook, *would you?* We **can** do this if we pull together! ***Please help St. Mary Magdalen stake its claim!***

What we're asking/Questions/Special Gifts: Please take a look at your giving record and current situation with kind and prayerful consideration. **If** you can help us bridge the 2.00% more needed in donations, please do so. **Any gift will help!** Questions, or wonder how you can help? Call Lois at 407.265.2317. We **will** also need some special or memorial gifts to get over the top, so please initiate the call as Fr. Charlie and Lois cannot personally initiate contact or visit with everyone with only one weekend to go before year-end and a \$350,000 grant is at stake. We would welcome meeting with anyone who can help our parish meet this critical need to fund our God-given mission during these challenging economic times.

How to do it: Just place your gift in the collection basket at Mass or mail your check (marked "2017 Sacrificial Giving") to St. Mary Magdalen Parish, 861 Maitland Ave, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701. You're also welcome to bring your gift to the Parish Office. There is also a 24-hour secure mail drop-box on the wall at the left of the front door of the parish office building adjacent to the Church (no cash please). Donations can also be made through our website at StMaryMagdalen.org (uses secure PayPal but no PayPal account necessary). Feel free to call Mary Grace Baugh at 407.265.2302 for any pledge balance questions.

What counts: Regular Sunday and Holy Day offertory donations made during calendar year 2017, whether relating to a Sacrificial Giving pledge or not. Yes, Christmas and Holy Day envelopes do count toward overcoming this challenge grant hurdle, but not toward pledge fulfillment.

Deadline: Must be received by the parish or postmarked no later than 11:59pm on 12/31/2017.

Many thanks in advance for all your generous support in 2017!

St. Mary Magdalen is the Parish that Participates!