

# THANKING GOD COMES FIRST – My Gift of Talent to Our Parish Ministries

“Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labors unto the Lord”

## Talent Pledge: Your skill and time offering is important too.

Please fill in your family name, address, e-mail, phone numbers then write each person’s name on the blanks below. On the following list, write either your initials or the number corresponding to your name on the blank provided. Your name will be given to the Vestry member responsible in the areas for which you are volunteering. You will be contacted as opportunities to serve arise. THANKS!

**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include my family information (name, address, email & phone) in the Parish Directory.      YES      NO**

	Name	Initials		Name	Initials
(1)	_____	_____	(4)	_____	_____
(2)	_____	_____	(5)	_____	_____
(3)	_____	_____	(6)	_____	_____

**Worship**

- Occasional Usher \_\_\_ 8AM \_\_\_ 10AM
- Altar Guild \_\_\_ Kids Guild \_\_\_\_\_
- Sr. Choir (Wed. 7-8:30PM)
- Jr. Choir (open to children 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Acolyte (grades 4- adult)
- Lector (Sunday Reader) Lay Eucharistic Minister, etc
- Prayer Group Participant
- Be an occasional Nursery Helper
- Musician – I play \_\_\_\_\_
- Sunday Flower Offering Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Write an occasional Daily Meditation/Reflection
- Attend Meditation Sessions

**Fellowship**

- Co-Host an Occasional Sunday Coffee Hour
- Join a “Get Acquainted Group”
- Join or Help the Senior SHINE Group
- Help with Christmas Progressive Dinner
- Help with a parish breakfast/supper
- Bake for special events
- Greet Newcomers
- Co-Chair 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration
- Help coordinate 150<sup>th</sup> year events

**Youth**

- Participate in Youth Prog. (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Teach a Skill to Youth \_\_\_\_\_
- Chaperone or Drive to an Event/Retreat
- Serve Volunteen Program/Community Service

**Youth con’t.**

- Help with Community Youth Programs
- Help Supervise Occasional Sunday Youth Dinner
- Supervise Summer Youth Work Day(s)

**Outreach**

- Serve on Outreach Committee
- Help with Spring Thing/Fall Festival Yard/Bake Sale
- Bake for bake sale
- Phone bake sale bakers
- Support Network Food Pantry needs
- Work on Network Thanksgiving Food program
- Work on Network Christmas Food Program
- Annual CROP WALK for HUNGER
- Parish Health Ministry- share health & wellness skills
- Volunteer at the Comm. Clothing Center once/month
- Camp Allen Spring Clean Up
- Summer Softball at the Goffstown Women’s Prison
- Work on resource referral list

**Pastoral Care**

- Help with newcomers/oldcomers brunch in February
- Visit nursing homes/shut-ins
- Visit missed members
- Prepare a meal in a pinch
- Run errands in a pinch
- Provide shelter or company in crisis
- Send a card or greeting
- Provide transportation to church
- Provide transportation

**Stewardship**

- Work on pledge campaign
- Assist the Parish Treasurer
- Finance Team
- Assist with Sunday Collections
- Work on Roadside Clean Up Project/Environmental Care
- Offer Memorial/Flower Gift/Tribute Giving
- Support Capital Building Maintenance Reserve Fund
- I'd like to learn about the Permanent Endowment Fund/Legacy Society
- I have remembered St Matthew's in my will
- I plan to remember St Matthew's in my will
- I would like counsel on remembering St M in my will
- Assist with Parish fundraisers
- I will offer a pledge this year to help us reach 150 by our 2017 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Life Long Spiritual Formation (LLSF)**

- Seek Confirmation/Reception in the Church
- Seek Baptism
- Attend Adult LLSF Programs
- Attend Wednesday Noon Bible Chat
- Assist Sunday School program (teacher, greeter, helper)
- Assist with seasonal programs (epiphany play, live nativity)
- Serve on LLSF advisory group
- Assist with nursery on Sundays or special events
- Book group
- Mediation group
- Organize/maintain parish house library

My favorite area of church life is: \_\_\_\_\_

Offer my specialized knowledge for: \_\_\_\_\_

**Administration**

- Be available for odd jobs on Thursday mornings
- Stuff envelopes, fold/stuff bulletins
- Work on technology improvements and support (website, etc.)
- I'd like to be part of the ongoing planning for this parish
- Take pictures at church events
- Work on history tracking
- Organize history materials

**Buildings and Grounds**

- Spring/fall cleaning of parish house & church
- Occasional painting
- Occasional lawn mowing
- Garden care team
- Shovel walks one Sunday a month
- Snow removal/shovel walks during week
- Carpentry/minor repairs
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Odd Job/Work Day
- Family Friendly Projects
- The Grove Project development

**I'm interested in helping/sharing leadership :**

- Treasurer
- Clerk of the Vestry (take minutes at meetings)
- Vestry member
- Environmental Concerns
- Diocesan Affairs
- Delegate to Diocesan Convention
- Parish Programs, especially \_\_\_\_\_

**What is your favorite or most grace filled aspect of your experience at St. Matthew's?**

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**Possible Future ideas:**

Please list 2 things that you would like to see the parish do or improve upon in the next year. If you need more room, please attach a sheet of paper.

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Is there a skill or gift you would like to offer that is not covered above? \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND IN THIS COMPLETED TALENT PLEDGE A.S.A.P. OR bring this sheet to the "Celebrate Our Mission Sunday" Event on **Sunday November 13**. If you mail your talent pledge beforehand please use the following address:

Office  
St. Matthew's Church  
7 North Mast Street  
Goffstown, NH 03045

If you have any questions about this sheet or the stewardship process or pledge drive in general, feel free to call the Office 497-2003 or e-mail [office@stmattsepicopal.org](mailto:office@stmattsepicopal.org).

The St. Matthew's Vestry would like to thank you for your generous support, past, present, and future.