

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

- Usher ___ 8AM ___ 10AM
- Altar Guild _____
- Sr. Choir (Wed. 7-8:30PM)
- Jr. Choir (open to children 1st through 8th grade)
- Acolyte (grades 4- adult)
- Lector (Sunday Reader)
- Chalice bearer
- Bring communion to someone who can’t come to church
- Prayer Group Participant
- Be a Nursery Helper
- Musician – I play _____
- Sunday Flower Offering to celebrate or commemorate
Date _____
- Write an occasional Daily Meditation/Reflection

Fellowship

- Co-Host an occasional Sunday Coffee Hour
- Join or Help the Senior SHINE Group
- Help with Christmas Progressive Dinner
- Help with a parish breakfast/supper
- Bake for special events
- Welcoming Ministry - greet newcomers

Youth

- Participate in Youth Prog. (9th – 12th grade)
- Teach a Skill to Youth _____
- Chaperone or Drive to an Event/Retreat
- Help with Community Youth Programs
- Help Supervise Occasional Sunday Youth Dinner

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
- Summer Softball at the Goffstown Women’s Prison
- Interested in social justice

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

Stewardship continued

- Offer Memorial/Flower Gift/Tribute Giving
- I'd like to learn about the Permanent Endowment Fund/Legacy Society
- I have remembered 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
- Work on capital fund drive/campaign

Life Long Spiritual Formation (LLSF)

- Seek Confirmation/Reception in the Church
- Seek Baptism
- Attend Adult Formation 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
- Attend Group Meditation Sessions

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
- Participate on Technology Team, website, Facebook , tech improvements
- I'd like to be part of the ongoing planning for this parish
- Take pictures at church events

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

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?

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.

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 12. 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@stmattsepiscopal.org .

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