

Each Christian "should give, then, as they have decided, not with regret or out of a sense of duty; for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Our church has on-going commitments that need our regular support. Because the church is important to us, we are each called to make a financial commitment to enable the ministry of our church to flourish. Preauthorized Remittance (PAR) makes it easier for us to fulfill our commitment.

We are a self-supporting church and receive no funding from any government agency. Although our parish may receive support from the Diocese from time to time, we are also required to give a portion of our income to the Diocese. We also support other needy charitable projects and organizations.

PAR is one option for giving to the church. Through PAR automatic debits are withdrawn from your bank account to support the ministry of your local parish. There is no extra charge to you. You may also use this form to support FaithWorks or other ministries in the Diocese of Toronto.

#### Why should you use PAR?

- PAR helps you budget your support of the church, in the same way that you budget all your other household expenses.
- It ensures your support will continue regardless of your attendance on Sundays. It also prevents "catch-up" if you are absent from church and therefore unable to make your donation.
- It eliminates the need to keep track of your Offertory Envelopes or the need to remember to make your offering.

#### How does PAR help my church?

- PAR facilitates regular and dependable flow of contributions.
- It helps the Treasurer manage the cash flow and administer the budget throughout the year.
- It reduces the time volunteer counters spend on bookkeeping and paperwork on Sunday mornings.

# How do I sign up for PAR?

- 1. Decide how much you want to give to your parish each month and how you want your contribution to be allocated (General Operating Expenses, Building Fund, FaithWorks, etc.)
- 2. Complete the PAR form (page 2 of this PDF). If you choose to make a donation from your checking account, please attach a check marked VOID.
- 3. Give the form (and check) to either the Parish Treasurer or place it in the offering. You will only be contacted if there is a problem with your Authorization form. Starting the following month, your offering will be transferred automatically from your account and will appear on your monthly bank statement. It will also be included on your annual charitable donation tax receipt from the parish.

# How do I change or cancel my donation?

- If you wish to update your PAR amount, please submit a new form. The church's expenses change from year to year, and we recommend you review your PAR at the beginning of each year.
- If you need to cancel your PAR for any reason, please talk to the Parish Treasurer who will cancel your PAR in strict confidence.

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Parish Church:	The Church of St. Stephen, Downsview			PAR#: <u>5140135</u>	
Address:	2259 Jane Stre	eet			
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I/we hereby request and authorize The United Church of Canada (on behalf of my parish church and the Anglican Diocese of Toronto) to withdraw from my/our bank account on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month the following contributions:

\$	to my local parish General Operating Expenses			
\$	to my local parish Building Fund; D 65 Strong! pledge campaign			
\$	to FaithWorks (specifically to)			
\$	Total			
Option 1: Debit fr	rom Checking Account			

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Institution	Transit/branch	Account	
(3 digits)	(5 digits)	(12 digits)	
Signature:		Date:	
Please	attach a VOID check.		
Option 2:	Debit from Credit Card		
Credit card			
number:		Expiration Date:	
Signature:		Date:	

Give this form (and VOID check, if necessary) to the Parish Treasurer or place it in the offering.

This authorization may be cancelled at any time upon written notice to your local Parish. Please notify them 15 days prior to cancellation. You have certain recourse rights if any debit does not comply with this agreement. For example, you have the right to receive reimbursement for any debit that is not authorized or is not consistent with this PAR Agreement. To obtain more information on your recourse rights, contact your financial institution or visit <u>www.cdnpay.ca</u>. Please note, these forms are processed by the United Church of Canada on behalf of your parish church and the Diocese of Toronto. For more information, contact the Peter Misiaszek CFRE, Director of Stewardship Development at 416-363-6021 ext. 246 or <u>pmisiaszek@toronto.anglican.ca</u>.

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