

ONLINE DONATIONS

Over the course of the last few months, a number of parishioners have asked if the parish would make online donating an option since many people now pay the majority of their bills online. In turn, the Finance Council looked at many options and solicited your feedback, which was overwhelmingly supportive of this idea. So the Finance Council chose the option that was the most convenient and most secure. We are happy to announce that we are now offering Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) directly from your account into the parish account. This service is being provided through Vanco Services, a secure PCI Compliant company that has processed electronic donations for thousands of churches and nonprofit organizations over the past 17 years. They have met the most stringent compliance requirements for processing payments.

To donate, simply click on the “Donate Now” button and proceed to the Vanco secure site to enter your account information and set-up your donation (one time or regular recurring donations). You can specify whether your donation is for offertory or the building fund. You can print out a report, for your records, which will itemize all the online donations you have made to the parish. In addition, the parish will get a notice of the donation and will continue to post your donations to your record for the year-end tax letter.

This option will save you time in writing checks, save the parish the expense of mailing monthly contribution envelopes and will insure that your financial information is not seen or known by anyone not authorized to have the information.

Check it out. If you have questions or concerns after logging onto the Vanco site, please don't hesitate to contact the office. Of course, we will continue to provide envelopes for anyone that does not wish to use the online donation option. If, however, you prefer to donate online and will no longer need your monthly envelopes, simply click on the “Discontinue Contribution Envelopes” link on the homepage and provide your name and address and we will be happy to discontinue mailing monthly envelopes.

Let us know what you think about this option once you have tried it. You may email your comments to suggestions@spiritofchrist.org. We will respond to your questions and concerns and continue to track feedback for improvements in the future.

As always, thank you for your generous sharing of “treasure” in the spirit and practice of stewardship.