



Created in Christ Jesus for Good Works

– Ephesians 2:10

October 2023

Greetings Faith Family!

Don't you love how our Parish Administrator, Cana, reminds us that we are, in fact, a family of believers in the Love of God in Christ? It's a positive and blessed way to think of our community and the work that we share. We are a family of faith, Created by God for Good Works!

However, good works don't come without physical, spiritual, and financial support. As we approach the budget for 2024, our Annual Giving campaign is hoping you will truly consider ALL the ways you can help – including the monetary gift you are willing to give. This is the one time each year when we remind you that the work we do is funded, largely, by all of us collectively. As we move more and more into in-person gatherings and worship, our contributions are more and more necessary – all of them.

St. Thomas's Parish has, for over 180 years, been a physical presence in the heart of Newark, regardless of its location. As times have changed, the community around us has grown and changed, and so must we. Our Vestry is working to expand the vision of who we are for each other, and the community around us. This is what Annual Giving is about – funding the work we are called to do in this place. Filling out a pledge card provides vital information to the parish leadership. If you can raise your pledge, even a little, please consider doing so. We will have the ingathering of Pledge Cards on **October 29**, so please have yours ready.

Remember, WE are the church – WE are created for Good Works – WE are how good works happen! Let your good works shine forth in all you do, all you give, all you are. Thank you for continuing support as we work to do all we can in the love of Christ.

In Thanksgiving, Your Annual Giving Ministry

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