



November 12, 2025

Dear fellow members of St. A's,

On behalf of St. Augustine's, we are writing to share the good news about this year's giving campaign, and to invite you to take part.

Earlier this month you heard from Mother Jenny about how St. A's is a kind of chorus. In everything we do, from weekly worship to ClothingFest, Christian formation for all ages to our fellowship, we work and serve together to make beautiful things happen.

Not that we always agree, of course. But at our best, our differences of opinion, perspective, and passion make our chorus even stronger and more beautiful. After all, what is harmony if not different voices singing different notes at the same time?

That's the miracle of St. A's: a diverse community worshiping, working, and serving together, sometimes in unison, sometimes in harmony. A chorus of generosity, continually giving gifts to one another and the wider world, and therefore well worth supporting – which is exactly why we're delighted to give.

Your contributions have been vital in supporting our ministries, outreach programs, and the many activities that bring our mission to life. The generous donation of volunteer time is essential to allowing some of our programs and services to the community to run – our Sunday school, ClothingFest, the wreath sale, planning and maintenance of our grounds to name a few. Those who volunteer to help with our services on Sunday – the altar guild, the choir, our lectors, ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, acolytes – and of course those who host our increasingly vibrant coffee hour, are all serving as stewards of our mission. Your generous financial support has enabled us to keep our buildings in good working order, make improvements to our gardens and grounds, to afford our excellent team of staff members and to provide outreach support for those in need.

It is also a reality of our times that costs are increasing at a faster rate than they have been for a while. The costs have increased for our utilities, repair parts and services for maintenance of our buildings, altar supplies, and even our coffee that is so welcomed as part of our Sunday fellowship. We all see the effects of cost pressure in our homes, and we see them here of course at St. A's.

Enclosed you'll find a pledge card for your prayerful consideration. Please return it by the end of November and join us in God's spirit of generosity as we seek to celebrate and support this community we are building together.

We hope you have been enjoying the 30-Day Generosity Challenge! Whether you've done something every day or just a few, you're part of God's wider chorus. Keep tuning your heart to give – one act of kindness at a time.

Every gift matters – large or small. Everyone has a part to sing. All we have to do is raise our voices and make a joyful noise!

Sincerely,

Mark Anzani & Jim Tyre
Wardens

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! + Psalm 100:1