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# HOLY TRINITY PARISH

## Our Community

## Our Future

The joy of Christmas is contagious because of the spirit of love with which we bless our family members, loved ones and friends with the gifts we give and receive. In this season of giving, we can also experience the joy of remembering our faith family with a lasting and special year-end gift to our Capital Campaign that will not only make a significant impact in our efforts to renovate our church building, but also lead to the renewal of our hearts as we build up our community in faith, hope and love.

Did you know that giving a charitable gift before the end of the year may help reduce the amount of taxes you will owe next April? By carefully considering what you give, and how you give, you may discover you can make gifts you previously thought were impossible. In addition to benefiting from tax advantages, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are practicing good stewardship by sharing your blessings!

### ***SPECIAL TAX-FREE IRA GIFT OPPORTUNITY***

For donors who are at least age 70½, it is possible to make charitable gifts from an IRA to Holy Trinity Parish free from federal income taxation. The Qualified Charitable Distributions provision of the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act of 2015 now permits tax-free distributions directly from an IRA to a qualified charity. The donation is limited to \$100,000 per person and can partially or fully satisfy the required minimum distribution for the current tax year.

### ***THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIFT IS GREAT!***

Making gifts from IRA funds that would otherwise lead to increased taxes can be a wise choice for many. This is especially true for those who must take required minimum distributions each year.

Your gift to Holy Trinity will support our Capital Campaign and help us meet our needs into the future by leaving a legacy for generations to come. However you choose to give, we ask you to prayerfully consider the benefits of year-end charitable giving.

To request a member of the Capital Campaign Leadership Team to contact you about ***'How to Take Advantage of Gifting from your IRA'*** or other possibilities for giving, please call Denise Caughell at (360)-377-7674, or email [denise@holyt.org](mailto:denise@holyt.org)

*In this Christmas Season, "Let us not grow weary of doing good; if we do not relax our efforts, in due time we shall reap our harvest." (Galatians 6:9)*