



*"Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."*

*—1 Corinthians 9:10-11*

## GIVING TO YOUR PARISH

There are many ways to complete a charitable gift, some of which can provide income-tax benefits, regular income to you or another person, gift and estate-tax deductions on transfers to heirs and even small business exit opportunities.

As you plan your **G.I.F.T. contribution** consider that there are ways to make deferred gifts to the Parish in addition to outright cash. Here are some of the options to consider.

**Gifts of Life Insurance,  
Gifts of Retirement Assets,  
Stocks, Shares and other Securities,  
Small business interests or closely held shares,  
Estate Bequest through your written will or trust,  
Gifts that provide income to the donor or someone else,  
Gifts that reduce gift-taxes and estate-taxes on transfers to heirs,  
House, farm or land, or future gift of a house or farm that earns an income tax deduction now.**

All of these options can be discussed further through the Catholic Foundation of Maine. They have the resources and skills to insure you can leave a deferred gift to the Parish and reap the most benefit from your donations. Let us know of your interest and we can make the contact for you.

As good stewards we have a responsibility to pass on to our future generations and to the Church the blessings we have received. The gift of a bequest or endowment to the Parish can be the final gift of a good steward and is a welcomed investment to our future.

