

# **The Convenience of Online Giving!!**

## **Fast & Easy!**

**Q. What is Online Giving (EFT)?**

Online Giving or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is the term used to describe automatic methods for making parish contributions without the need to write checks, carry cash or prepare envelopes.

**Q. I believe that giving in church is an act of worship. Doesn't online giving take away from this significance?**

Online Giving is a more efficient method for you to provide your financial support to our parish. It provides for better use of parish resources since the ministry will spend less time & money counting & depositing the offering. It is also a convenience to you since you can transfer your giving directly from your bank account to the church's account according to whatever schedule is most convenient to you and it makes it easy to fulfill stewardship commitments even when you can't attend Mass.

**Q. What if I try Online Giving and don't like it?**

You can cancel your authorization at any time by deleting your bank account information along with your recurring payment. Your contributions will stop immediately.

**Q. Is Online Giving risky?**

Online giving is less risky than writing checks or carrying cash to church. Electronic transactions are made through a secure website. Electronic contributions cannot be lost, stolen or destroyed and electronic transactions have an extremely high rate of accuracy.

**Q. Are parish envelopes going away and are we being forced to use this program?**

ABSOLUTELY NOT! Online giving is an OPTION. All parishioners will still be supplied envelopes. If you choose the benefits of Online Giving, the offertory envelopes can still be used for Mass attendance by simply marking the box "We Give Electronically".

**Q. What if I change bank accounts?**

Simply login and update your bank account information. You can add more accounts, delete existing accounts or make changes. You can change the amount of your giving or the frequency at any time.

**Q. How do I get started?**

You can log on to [www.lourdesboca.org](http://www.lourdesboca.org), the website for Our Lady of Lourdes Church, and click on "SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING". Complete the online registration form and select the contribution and the amount you would like to donate along with your bank account information. It's that easy!