

What is POP?

POP stands for Pre-Authorized Offering Plan. It works exactly like the pre-authorizations many people have for their mortgage or insurance payments, which are withdrawn automatically from their bank accounts. By using POP, your donations are automatically withdrawn once a month from your chequing account. It is a simple, easy method to make donations. It eliminates the worry of searching for cash, writing cheques, searching for envelopes or missing a week of donations when you are on holidays.

Why should I use POP?

POP means that your donations are made regularly. When you are on holidays or attend a different church for a weekend, the lights and power still need to be on at St. Theresa's. We need a regular financial commitment from our parishioners to keep our doors open. POP means that your commitment is there.

When are withdrawals made?

Withdrawals from your bank account will occur the first Monday of the Month.

Do I still need envelopes?

There are few reasons to keep using envelopes. First of all, the envelope boxes contain coloured envelopes for all of the charities authorized by the Archdiocese of Edmonton.

These include Development & Peace, Catholic Social Services and Papal Charities. If you wish to have envelopes for these and the other charities with your envelope number on them, you will want to keep receiving envelopes.

Secondly, during our Sunday liturgies many parishioners using POP drop empty envelopes in the collection basket as a visible sign of their support of the parish.

Finally, putting something in the collection basket every Sunday offers a good example to our young people.

Parishioners simply tick the box for POP users on the front of the envelope and place the empty envelope in the basket.

What if I Want to Make Changes?

If you move, change banks, wish to cancel the plan or for any other reason you need to change your POP commitment. Please fill out the **CHANGES to POP** Brochure and drop it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. Thank-you!

How do I apply?

Simply complete the application on the back of this brochure, attach a voided cheque and place it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Office

Can I use a Savings Account?

If you would like deductions made from a savings account, please see your bank. Not all savings accounts can be used for this service. If you can use your savings account, please supply us with:

1. the name and address of your bank
2. the bank number
3. the bank transit number
4. your complete account number.

What about Foreign Accounts?

Sorry, St. Theresa's is not set up to process foreign bank accounts through this program.

How do I know how much to give?

The finance Committee has prepared a brochure on *Prayerful Giving*. Please read this for suggested guidelines on how to establish your commitment to your parish community.

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Pre-Authorized Offering Plan Application

Please complete this Pre-Authorized application and drop it in the collection basket or deliver it to the parish office. Which month & year do you wish us to start withdrawing from your account?
Month/Year_____.

Offering Agreement: I/we authorize St. Theresa's Parish to begin the automatic monthly withdrawals as follows:

Effective Date:

Regular Donation

\$ _____

Building Fund

\$ _____

Total Contribution

\$ _____

This authority is to remain in effect until there is notification of termination or change from the parishioner to **ST. THERESA'S PARISH.**

PLEASE PRINT PARISHIONER INFORMATION

Parishioner Name:

Mailing Address:

City/Province/Postal Code

Residence Phone:

Business Phone:

Authorization

Authorized Signature

Date (Month/Day/Year)

*Authorized Signature

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*For joint accounts where more than one signature is required on cheques, all required signatures must be provided.

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