



*From early on in our marriage, even before kids, we worked with a financial planner, planning for the future. When the kids were born we realized that the gifts we truly give our children are not*

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*financial. They will be judged on the people they become. The long-term stewardship we have is to our church. There are no guarantees the parish mission will continue if we don't support it. Who will support our parish life if not for all of us?*

**-BILL AND ANNA WASIERSKI**

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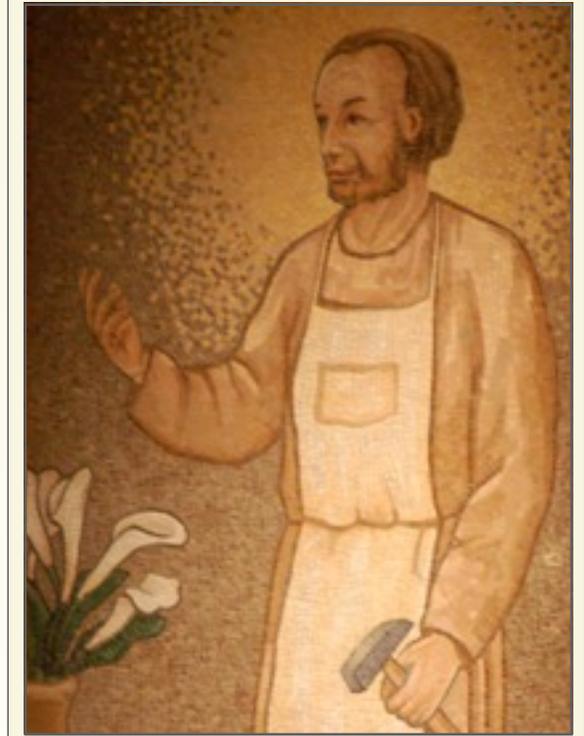
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# ST. JOSEPH

THE

## WORKER GUILD



BUILDING THE FUTURE OF  
**St. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
AND SCHOOL



# Leaving a Legacy

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER** was a carpenter at Nazareth who provided for the needs of Jesus and Mary by his labor, and initiated the Son of God into human work. St. Joseph knew that all comes from God and he devoted his life to carrying out God's will. Though he was not a rich man, he provided for Jesus and Mary by the sweat of his brow and his deep love for them.

Our parish is a wonderfully generous community. Like St. Joseph the Worker, we have received much from God. We too live lives of thanksgiving to God and through our own labors we offer our life's work in support of our family and our parish.

The St. Joseph the Worker Guild offers us the opportunity to continue our good works in thanksgiving to God as we enter into the promise of our faith – eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Please consider becoming a member of the St. Joseph the Worker Guild. The size of the gift or percentage of the estate earmarked for St. Joseph Parish is not of importance. The inclusion is what we celebrate and appreciate.

*None of us lives for oneself,  
and no one dies for oneself.  
For if we live, we live for the Lord,  
and if we die, we die for the Lord;  
so then, whether we live or die,  
we are the Lord's.*

**ROMANS 14:7-8**

**THIS INFORMATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.** We honor the members of our Guild, past and present, with an annual Mass and Reception held the Sunday before the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. Invitations will be sent prior to the event.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_Please enroll me in the St. Joseph the Worker Guild. I will be including St. Joseph Church and/or School in my estate planning.  
 \_\_\_\_Please provide me with more information about making a planned gift to St. Joseph Church and/or School through my will or other means.

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\_\_\_\_I have not previously notified you, but I have already included St. Joseph Church and/or School in my estate plan through:  
 \_\_\_\_My will

\_\_\_\_An Insurance Policy    \_\_\_\_Other    \_\_\_\_A Trust Arrangement

## BASIC ESTATE PLANNING

Everyone should have an estate plan which provides what happens upon your incapacitation and death. Without an estate plan, the state law will decide who gets your assets upon your death and when they get them. Estate planning can include a will, a trust, and financial and health care powers of attorney. To determine what is best for you, you should consult an estate planning attorney. If you are planning on giving a portion of what you own to a charity, please consider St. Joseph Parish as part of your estate plan.

## GIVING TO ST. JOSEPH

A young man was surprised to find his sick and elderly grandfather planting a small peach tree in his backyard. When the young man asked his grandfather why he was planting the tree, the old man replied, "Son, all my life I have eaten the fruit from trees that other people have planted. I figure I have an obligation to make sure there is some fruit around for others to enjoy."

### EASY WAYS TO REMEMBER ST. JOSEPH CHURCH AND SCHOOL IN YOUR WILL

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| A SPECIFIC BEQUEST   | YOU CAN DESIGNATE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF CASH OR SPECIFIC ASSETS TO THE PARISH.  |
| A RESIDUAL BEQUEST   | YOU CAN PLAN FOR THE PARISH TO RECEIVE ALL OR A PORTION OF YOUR ESTATE AFTER OTHER SPECIFIC BEQUESTS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED. |
| A PERCENTAGE REQUEST | YOU CAN DESIGNATE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF THE ESTATE TO GO TO THE PARISH.   |
| A CONTINGENT BEQUEST | YOU CAN MAKE THE PARISH THE RECIPIENT OF A BEQUEST IF OTHERS NAMED IN YOUR WILL ARE NOT LIVING AT THE TIME OF YOUR DEATH.   |