

## What is an Endowment Fund?

The St Matthias Endowment Fund is a permanently invested fund designed to distribute earnings to the Parish while maintaining and safeguarding the principal for the long term.

The original donation, to start the fund, was received from a generous Parishioner. The St Matthias Fund is invested in *“Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation”*. Our funds will be managed as part of their 80 million dollar portfolio. The Foundation’s financial structure is entirely separate from Diocesan Finances.

## How will the Funds be used?

The Fund purpose is to meet the future “general operating and capital needs of the St Matthias Parish and to accomplish the goals of The Saint Matthias Mission Statement.”

The Endowment Fund will be used at the direction of the Pastor in consultation with The Fund’s mandatory five Parishioner Advisory Board. This Board is independent of the Parish Finance Council and The Parish Pastoral Council. The Advisory Board will be made up of the Pastor, a Parish Council member and a Finance Council member plus three Parishioners at large.

The Fund is not intended to be a depository for weekly collections.

## How will the Fund Grow?

The Endowment Fund, started with a donation from a generous Parishioner, will grow by the following means:

### Direct gifts

Gifts of cash, stocks, bonds, or real estate. These gifts may be made all at once or periodically at the donor’s discretion.

### Bequests

Bequests are gifts made to the Fund through the donor’s will or trust. The donor simply names the St Matthias Endowment Fund, beneficiary in his or her will or trust.

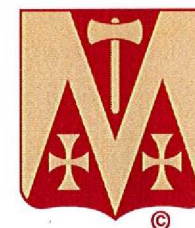
### Memorial /Honorary Gifts

This type of gift is made to honor a person’s life or a special event in a person’s life.

### Life Insurance

The St Matthias Endowment Fund may be named as a beneficiary on the insured person’s policy.

I would like to receive additional information about the



## St. Matthias Church Endowment Fund

---

Name:

---

Address:

---

---

---

---

Telephone Number:

*Please cut and return coupon in the  
St. Matthias Mass collection.*

The information in this brochure  
is general in nature.  
Please consult with your attorney or  
financial planner before taking action.  
Please notify Saint Matthias if you have  
included The Endowment Fund  
in your financial plan.

Please direct questions to:

The St. Matthias  
Endowment Fund Advisory Board  
1200 West Sprague Rd  
Parma, Ohio 44134  
440-888-8220



### Mission Statement of the People of Saint Matthias Catholic Church

*We, the family of St. Matthias,  
called to be disciples of Christ,  
reach out with a loving and caring spirit.  
Proclaiming the message of the Risen Lord,  
we provide for the spiritual growth and  
development of our community. By sharing  
liturgies, ministries, and responsibilities,  
we promote God's kingdom.*



Catholic Diocese of Cleveland  
**St. Matthias Church**  
1200 West Sprague Road • Parma, Ohio 44134

## Saint Matthias Church *Endowment Fund*



**“Give to the Most High  
as he has given to you,  
generously,  
according to your means.”**

Sirach 35:9