Dear St. John Mary Vianney Parishioner,

Thank you for your consistent giving to St. John Mary Vianney Church! We are grateful for your generosity.

As we move to transition from Authorize.Net and Valued Merchant to Pushpay as our giving platform, we wanted to share with you why this transition is occurring.

We have been in the process over the past six months of moving our Parishioner Data and Donation Records from Parish Data Systems to ParishStaq which was developed and owned by a company called Pushpay. To maintain some separation, 2023 tax statements will be coming out of the old Parish Data System and 2024 donations are being entered into the new ParishStaq system.

Pushpay provides an integrated solution with the new ParishStaq database which will require less data entry for the staff and fewer transcription errors. Parishioners will be able to view and regulate their giving and their church involvement in one place.

In addition, the processing vendors we are currently using requires a "managed account" for recurring giving, which means that someone on staff at SJV (either Margie or Ann V.) set up your account (at your request) and have provided any updates to the account that are needed. With the transition to Pushpay, you will have a self-managed account which provides you with better security for your information.

Finally, the processing fees for the credit cards and e-checks will be lower with Pushpay due to the volume discount negotiated by the Archdiocese. This means your donations will go further to support St. John Mary Vianney Church and our various programs and outreach. We continue to strive to be good stewards of your donations.

To assist you with setting up your new account, we have developed the a "blueprint" for using Pushpay – click here. It is quick and easy. However, if you have any concerns or questions, we will have staff available after Masses the weekend of January 13th and 14th to assist you. Also, I am available in the Parish office most days, especially in the afternoons and would be happy to help. Once you have set up an account in Pushpay, I will be automatically notified and I will delete you from the current giving platform. It would be helpful to have a minimum of 3 business days prior to your next payment date to delete the account.

If you are like me and just want to figure things out, the link to our new giving page is: <u>https://pushpay.com/g/stjohnmaryvianneykirkland</u>

We are hoping to have all our current recurring givers moved over to Pushpay by the end of January.

Please call me with any questions or concerns. We are so blessed that you are part of our parish family!

Ann V.