**Sample Parish Offertory Letters**

**Sample 1 Parish Offertory Letter – Christmas Giving**

 DATE

*“And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star…” — Matthew 2:9-10*

Dear <<Salutation>>,

 More than 2,000 years ago three wise men had the joy and excitement of giving homage to Jesus Christ. In the coming weeks, we will also celebrate the birth of Jesus and continue to move His mission forward at <<Parish Name>>. This year has taken us through the hills and valleys of our lives. We are blessed to have Jesus walking with us and being the star that leads us through life!

This past year with the help of the Holy Spirit <<Parish Name>> joyfully celebrated <<#>> baptisms, <<#>> weddings, <<#>> confirmations, and hundreds of hours of service by our volunteers. These are all beautiful ways we serve our community. I am proud of how we continue to share God’s love and help families discover Jesus!

 This Christmas please join me in supporting this important work by prayerfully considering an extra special gift to <<Parish Name>>. Your gift will help our parish greatly during these challenging times. Two of the easiest ways to give are with a credit card or by using our secure online giving website at <<parish website>>. Please know whatever you are able to give is greatly appreciated!

 Thank you for supporting our mission at <<Parish Name>>. I am praying for you and your families. May you feel God’s love this Christmas season.

 Merry Christmas,

 <<Pastor Signature>>

 <<Typed Name of Pastor>>

*P.S. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, I want to wish you a blessed Christmas season.
Please prayerfully consider a special gift this Christmas at <<website>>. May God bless you!*

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**Sample 2 Parish Offertory Letter – Advent Giving**

 DATE

*“The season of Advent, restores this horizon of hope, a hope which
does not disappoint for it is founded on God’s Word.” — Pope Francis, 2013*

Dear <<Salutation>>,

 As we celebrate this Advent season, we are reminded that this is a time to restore hope in our lives! Through God’s love He sent a child to forgive us of our sins. Advent is an opportunity to reconnect with Jesus and find peace in our lives. Although this Advent will be different for many of us, one thing that remains the same is Jesus’ everlasting love for us.

 It is through this love that hearts are changed and hope is restored. Through the mission of <<Parish Name>> we are able to help people discover Jesus in their lives. We come together as Catholics to pray for people in need and to share generously of those gifts God has given us.

 I am very grateful for your generous support to our parish. This Advent season I invite you to prayerfully help <<Parish Name>> by making an extra special Christmas gift. Many families give with a credit card or by using our secure online giving website at <<parish website>>. These are two ways to support <<Parish Name>> this season. Please know whatever you are able to give is greatly appreciated!

Thank you for supporting <<Name of Parish>> this season. May you enjoy this Christmas knowing that Jesus loves you and I love you.

 Many Blessings,

 <<Pastor Signature>>

 <<Typed Name of Pastor>>

*P.S. As we restore hope in our lives, may we remember Jesus’ unconditional love for us! Please prayerfully consider making a special gift this Christmas at<<website>>. Thank you!*