

Authorization Agreement
for Electronic Funds
Transfer (EFT)

Please complete the form below, sign it and return it to the parish office to begin Electronic Funds Transfer, or whenever you change the amount you currently contribute or switch banks. You may contribute to both the parish budget and building fund, or either one individually.

Name _____

Date to begin contributions _____

Deduction amounts for parish funds:

Parish Budget \$ _____

Building Fund \$ _____

Circle the frequency for deductions:

Weekly (52/ year on Tues)

Bi-Monthly (24/ year on 2nd & 4th Tues)

Monthly (12/ year)

Circle Day of Monthly Deduction:

5th day of month 15th day of month

I hereby authorize St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church to initiate electronic debit entries to my account indicated on the attached voided check to fulfill my contribution toward the parish budget and/or building fund. This authority is to remain in full effect until I notify St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in writing the termination of this agreement. I/we acknowledge that the origination of these transactions to my/our account must comply with the provisions of the U.S. law.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please attach a voided check to this form before submitting to the parish office.

Stewardship Prayer

*Almighty and ever-faithful Lord,
gratefully acknowledging Your mercy
and humbly admitting our need,
we pledge our trust in You and each other.*

*Filled with desire,
we respond to Your call for discipleship
by shaping our lives in imitation of Christ.
We profess that the call requires us
to be stewards of Your gifts.
As stewards, we receive Your gifts gratefully,
cherish and tend them in a responsible manner,
share them in practice and love with others,
and return them with increase to the Lord.*

*We pledge to our ongoing formation as stewards
and our responsibility to call others to that same endeavor.
Almighty and ever-faithful God,
it is our fervent hope and prayer
that You who have begun this good work in us
will bring it to fulfillment in Jesus Christ,
our Lord. Amen*



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To Love Is To Give

Electronic
Funds Transfer
or EFT



*Inspired by the Holy Spirit and
the living service of St. Elizabeth Ann
Seton,
we strive to be a space-filled
community of disciples
of the Catholic tradition,
the and be known for service
to a just, healthy, orderly and society
through education,
education
and arts of charity.*

St. Elizabeth Ann
Seton Parish

Financial giving is an important expression of the Christian call to love God and others. Giving to your church community is far more than charity. Your giving make Christ's work possible through our parish. Our love for Christ's work and others is expressed in our giving.

Electronic Funds Transfer or EFT is an automatic transfer program which allows you to make regular contributions to your church without writing checks. EFT can help make your financial stewardship easier.



Six Reasons Electronic Funds Transfer or EFT is a Good Thing!

1. **It's so easy!** It takes only five minutes to complete the EFT form and drop it in the collection basket.
2. **It can be changed at any time!** Simply complete a new form with your desired regular contribution.
3. **It allows you to set a predictable budget for your regular giving!**
4. **It helps St. Elizabeth's by providing a more predictable giving!**
5. **It saves you precious time!** No need to write checks and fill the weekly envelopes.
6. **It's a win/win situation for our parish and you!**

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is Electronic Funds Transfer or EFT?

A. Electronic Funds Transfer is an automatic transfer program which allows you to make contributions to your parish without writing checks.

Q. What are the advantages of EFT?

A. It saves you time! It simplifies your life! You also help our parish stabilize the budget and save money.

Q. How is my EFT automatically deducted from my account?

A. Once you authorize the transfer, your specified contribution is electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account into the parish's account.

Q. When will my contribution be deducted from my account?

A. Your contribution will be deducted from your account on the date you specify on the form.

Q. If I don't write checks, how do I keep my checkbook balance straight?

A. Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date.

Q. Without a canceled check, how can I prove I made my contribution?

A. Your bank statement gives you an itemized list of electronic transfers. It's your proof of contribution.

Q. Is Electronic Funds Transfer risky?

A. Electronic Funds Transfer is less risky than check contribution. It can't be lost, stolen or destroyed in the mail, and it has an extremely high rate of accuracy.

Q. What if I change bank accounts?

A. The parish office will provide a new authorization form to complete, or you may print a form off from the parish website, www.seasp.org.

Q. How much does EFT cost?

A. It costs you nothing and saves you time!

Q. What if I try EFT and don't like it?

A. You can cancel your authorization for electronic funds transfer at any time by notifying the parish office. But, once you've enjoyed the convenience, time and money savings of EFT, we doubt you will want to go back to making contributions the way you did previously.

Q. How do I sign up for Electronic Funds Transfer or EFT?

A. Complete and sign the authorization form on back and drop it in the Sunday collection basket or return it to the parish office, along with a voided check.

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