



*“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace...” (1 Peter 4:10)*

We can see a few levels of depth in this verse from the apostle Peter. First, as always, we receive the gifts of grace through the means of Grace, the Word and the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. These are the gifts that we help share to the unbelieving, unchurched or underserved with our weekly Mission 1-1-1 contributions.

Next, as we know, each of us, through our baptismal grace, has been given gifts to share, one of which is the gift of giving. The Holy Spirit moves us to do what we can, where we can, when we can, to serve others and further the Kingdom Work. And so we have been given a grace upon grace that merits a heartfelt response from us.

Mission 1-1-1 is one such opportunity where giving a little by many over time can add up to a lot! As summer is upon us, let us keep these thoughts in mind. Philippians 1:6 tells us, *“And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion in the day of Jesus Christ.”*