



Stewardship Committee Invitation to Use PAR

What is PAR?

PAR is an acronym for “**Preauthorized Remittance**” which is an automatic electronic payment program developed by the United Church of Canada and has been approved for use by the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

What is the purpose of PAR?

PAR makes it easy to manage our giving's through an automatic electronic payment charge to a bank account or to a Visa or Mastercard. Payments are charged on the 20th of each month, 12 months of the year. Even \$5.00 a week is OK.

What are the benefits of using PAR?

No need to worry about having cash available or writing cheques on Sunday.

No need to worry about missing the offering plate on Sunday if one is not in church.

Helps in weekly/monthly/annual budget.

As with direct gifts of cash, you receive a charitable Tax receipt for the full value of your donation.

PAR can be changed, cancelled or revoked at any time after allowing for a 15 day delay. The Church will receive givings regularly each month, even when we are on vacation.

What is the cost of PAR?

There is no extra user bank charge for using **PAR**.

Who can use PAR?

Members and Adherents of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul and other individuals from outside our Church. All you need is a Canadian bank account or a Visa or Mastercard credit card.

What is our experience to date with PAR?

71 members are successfully using PAR. No complaints have been received.

Who administers PAR for our Church?

The Stewardship Committee supported by our Church Office administers PAR.

Robert Koffend (Tel: 514-483-1890; poikof@sympatico.ca) or Prof. Armand De Mestral (Tel: 514-934-1621; armand.de.mestral@mcgill.ca) will welcome your calls or emails on PAR as will Sandy Steadman (Tel: 514-842-3431; sandy@standrewstpaul.com) from our Church Office.

How do I sign up for PAR?

A **PAR** authorization form is attached. The completed form can be placed on the Sunday offering plate or mailed to Sandy Steadman, Office Manager, The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, 3415 Redpath Street, Montreal, QC, H3G 2G2 or delivered by hand to Sandy at the same address.

PAR Authorization Form

Contributor's Name (please print) _____

I hereby request and authorize The United Church of Canada* on behalf of The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, 3415 Redpath St., Montreal, QC, H3G 2G2

to debit my account on the 20th day of each month in the amount of \$ _____, starting on the 20th of (enter month/year) _____ as my/our contribution.

To make your gift from your bank account:

Bank/Institution No: _____ Transit/Branch No: _____

Account No: _____

Please attach a VOID cheque.

OR

To make your gift with a credit card:

Debit my Visa MasterCard credit card number: _____

Expiration: _____ Name on card: _____

Authorized signature: _____

Note: Visa and MasterCard impose a high service charge (about 2.5%) on payments made in this form. Should you wish to use your credit card to donate via PAR, we invite you to make a small increase in your monthly gift to cover the church's administration cost. Thank you!

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

*Please note: The United Church of Canada kindly administers the PAR program on behalf of The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Legal Information

- I may change the amount of my contribution at any time subject to providing notice of 15 days.
- I may revoke my authorization at any time, subject to providing notice of 15 days at which time I will submit a cancellation form obtained from my church's PAR Contact, by contacting my financial institution or by visiting www.cdnpay.ca.
- I have certain recourse rights if any debit does not comply with this agreement. For example, I have the right to receive reimbursement for any debit that is not authorized or is not consistent with this pre-authorized remittance agreement. To obtain more information on my recourse rights, I may contact my financial institution or visit www.cdnpay.ca.
- I waive my right to receive pre-notification of the amount of the pre-authorized remittance and agree that I do not require advance notice of the amount of pre-authorized remittance before the debit is processed.
- The use, retention and disclosure of personal information collected from this form is done in compliance with privacy legislation, including but not limited to, the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (2000, c.5).

For office use only

Name of Church PAR Contact: Sandy Steadman

Phone # 514-842-3431 _____ PCC PAR Number: _____