



Women's Giving Circle- Give, Pray, Bless

Who are we? Established in 2021, we are women of faith seeking to do God's will by pooling our resources to support local ministries of any affiliation that follow Catholic spirituality in their individual missions.

What do we do? The Circle collects annual donations from women who join. Circle leadership chooses an area of focus and invites local charities to apply for grants. All members vote on recipients and funds are disbursed to grantees. Along the way, we pray together and actively participate in sharing God's Kingdom. All money is handled by the Diocese of Baton Rouge Office of Stewardship and is considered a tax-deductible charitable gift.

How can you participate? Join the Circle by donating the annual partnership commitment of \$550 or more. Women who feel called are encouraged to donate \$1100 to sponsor other women as circle partners or make additional gifts of any amount to add directly to our grants total. By answering God's call to give as a Circle partner, you increase the impact of your donation. Time commitment is minimal. If you desire, attend 3 gatherings (see schedule below). Vote electronically on the local charities to receive annual funding. You can also receive follow-up from our recipients at our Fall Impact event. \$50 of the partnership donation goes to cover meeting expenses and the rest is awarded to nonprofits.

Impact & Goals: Last year, we were 190 women strong and gave away over \$105,000 to local nonprofits serving "Ministries of Healing" in the Body of Christ. This year, our goal is to again provide our local ministries with over **\$100,000** to help them fulfill their missions. This year's area of focus will be announced at our Impact Mass on Oct. 15th at the Catholic Life Center – all are invited.

Our 2025 Giving Season schedule:

Kick-off Mass/Lunch – Tues. Feb. 10th, 2026 - 10:00 AM, St. George, Baton Rouge (Fr. Paul Yi)

Sip & Learn – Mass/Presentations – Wed. Mar. 25th, 2026 - 6:00 PM, St. Thomas More (Fr. Eddie Martin)

Celebration - Mass/Luncheon – Tues. April 21st - 10:30 AM, Mercedarian Prayer Center (Fr. Tom Ranzino)

To join, detach form and return. Or join online at <https://diobr.org/womens-giving-circle#join>

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ HOME PARISH: _____

\$550 MEMBER DONATION: _____ OTHER DONATION: _____

If you are sponsoring an additional member, please also include her information.

Mail form and check to:

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