

What is a "Mad Lib" (And why are we using one as our pledge card?)

A "Mad Lib" is a fun word game from the 1950's. Remember the long road trips? Well, we're all on a journey together and felt it could be helpful to express our joy in the way we talk about supporting Saint Anthony on the Desert. In the case of this "Mad Lib," one player (our Stewardship Ministry) began sharing a story, leaving space for filling in the blanks with parts of speech (noun, verb, adjective, etc.) for the other player (that's you) to complete. **(Truly, this IS the pledge card to bring to church on Sunday, October 29, or return to the office in the provided envelope).** This is an opportunity for all of us to imagine boldly and with deep love. Have some fun with this. **Enjoy!**

Belong Believe and Become at Saint Anthony on the Desert Episcopal Church

When I tell people that Saint Anthony Episcopal Church is my faith community, they always seem a little _____ at first. "Is that the _____
(a feeling) (an adjective)
church at 130th and Shea with the big bell and the school? The one near the fire department?" they ask. "What's that place like?" I _____ tell them that
(an adverb)
Saint Anthony is a really _____ church and that the people are
(an adjective)
_____ too. Even the priest and staff are _____.
(an adjective) (an adjective)

When I share what I like best about Saint Anthony, I mention the _____ and the _____. That's what makes it such
(a noun) (a noun)
a _____ place for me. _____! It sounds like a
(an adjective) (an exclamation)
_____ church," they exclaim! At Saint Anthony, I feel like I
(an exclamation)
_____. I feel _____ with God.
(a verb) (an adjective)

"How is a place like that supported? What does it take to make it all happen?" they ask. "Well, we need _____ people, and we have a budget for what we
(an adjective)
do. The difference is that our mission comes before anything else. I give because of my _____ for all that God has given me. I give because _____.
(a noun) (a verb)

I realize that without my _____, Saint Anthony couldn't
(a noun)
possibly _____ with such _____ ministries.
(a verb) (an adjective)
And that is why this year, I'm going to pledge \$ _____, annually,
(dollar figure)
to Saint Anthony on the Desert. As part of my commitment to Saint Anthony and the
work of God, I also would like to be involved in _____ and
(ministry from pgs. 5—6)
_____.
(ministry from pgs. 5—6)

I _____ look forward to being part of our _____
(an adverb) (an adjective)
faith community in 2024.

(Signature) (Printed Name)

Please check one of the following statements below.

- _____ I/we are unable to give at this time, and would appreciate a call
- _____ I/we will plan on giving by electronic means, either with direct deposit or automatic withdrawal.
- _____ I/we would like to speak with someone about planned giving and estate planning.
- _____ I/we would like to go paperless as a pledge to my/our care for creation.

As a friend of Saint Anthony, I/we would like to make a one time gift of \$ _____.

Please complete the contact information and preferences below.

Name(s) (Preferred):

Address (Primary):

Email: _____ Phone: _____

I prefer: ___ email ___ phone call ___ text ___ personal visit as my primary means of contact. (check up to 2)