



# The Episcopal Parish of Alton

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Dear Parish family,

There are two designated times of year when we are asked to share in the offering of prayers and gifts through the United Thank Offering. Some of you may ask what exactly is the United Thank Offering (UTO)? UTO is a ministry of the Episcopal Church administered by The Episcopal Women. The monetary gifts collected are used in the support of grants for ministries at home and overseas as an outreach program of the Episcopal Church.

This Spring we will be accepting UTO offerings April 21st through May 26th. There is a pink UTO designated offering envelope provided for parishioners in their envelope pledge boxes. Parishioners may also use a plain envelope with the UTO offering enclosed

If you give cash, please write your name on the envelope so that your gift can be credited to your contribution statement. If you write a check, please make it payable to "St. Paul's Episcopal Church" and write UTO in the memo corner. Please drop your "Thank Offering" in the collection plate or mail to the Church office before May 26th.

We give thanks to God for all the blessings that he bestows upon us, so please take a few minutes out of your busy day to reflect and consider all your blessings, even though we are all living in uncertain and difficult times. Share your generosity by giving what you can so that we may continue to make a difference in the lives of others.

Yours in thanksgiving,

*Mary Molloy*

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