The Diocese of Long Island

The Episcopal Church in

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To Rectors, Interims, Priests-in-Charge, and Wardens:

In the spirit of our recent Diocesan Convention theme, "One Dominion, One Mission, One Diocese," I write now to ask consideration of your support for the 2012 Ministry Plan adopted by our Convention delegates.

As noted by the Bishop, the Ministry Plan is predicated upon an expected tithe from each congregation. In an effort to enable more congregations to commit at this level, the Convention (last year) amended our diocesan canons establishing the basis for the tithe as 10% of the "average Subtotal of Normal Operating Income as reported on the last three parochial reports submitted" as opposed to that of the "preceding fiscal year."

The attachment provides the data, by archdeaconry, as reported by each congregation on its parochial reports and the calculation of the tithe for each. We would appreciate scheduling discussion and approval of your commitment at December Vestry meetings and communication to me of your decision as soon as possible thereafter. This will allow me to report your support at the January Diocesan Council meeting.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Luke 12:34)

Ronald Cole

cc: Treasurers and Clerks of the Vestry

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2012 DIOCESAN PLEDGE

We, _____, _____in gratitude for our Lord
Church Name ***Church Location***

Jesus Christ's sacrifice for us, do hereby pledge **$**_____, payable in monthly installments, to support our 2012 diocesan ministry plan.

_____Rector, Interim, Priest-in-Charge _____
Date

_____Treasurer _____
Date

Date Pledge was approved by Vestry or Bishop's Committee _____