## AMEN GENEROSITY

## **FIRST**

"He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey. Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits of the products of the soil which you, O LORD, have given me.' And having set them before the LORD, your God, you shall bow down in his presence"

The "firstness" of everything we have and could possibly give is underscored in our first reading. When we tithe from our blessings and give generously as our first priority before our own wants and needs, we acknowledge the design of God provision to us of every breath we take and everything we have received. Lent is a perfect time to remember Who gives first to us and how we honor God by giving our hearts first to Him; and then making our own giving to the Church's missionary work in the world our first priority.

## Petition:

That we would give our firstfruits, which the Lord God has first given to us , we pray....



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"His calling is a declaration of love. Your response is commitment, friendship and love manifested in the gift of our own life." - St. John Paul II



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