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"How can I repay the Lord for all of the great good He has done for me." This passage from Psalm 116 is one of my favorite Scripture verses, it is the one that immediately comes to my mind when I reflect on the Stewardship Way of Life and what it means to be a good steward of the gifts God has blessed me with. In fact, this is what stewardship is all about, recognizing our gifts, talents, spiritual and material blessings and putting them at the service of God, His Church and one's neighbor. When I recognize my gifts and use them to serve God and others, there is a joy, a peace and a fulfillment that cannot often be put into words, but is very real indeed.

My Dear Friends in Christ, everything we have is a gift from God, and with grateful hearts we share God's love with others by making appropriate use of those gifts; this is what it means to be a "Stewardship Parish."

Time, talent and treasure are the three areas of giving we consider in a Stewardship Way of Life. What does it mean to put God first in our life? It means making time for God by praying and by participating in the Sacraments of the Church, utilizing our unique skills and abilities, to give of what is most precious to us. Of course, we must learn how to appropriately balance our time with family, work, parish community, and relaxation. It is a challenge in a busy world, but there is much in the spiritual tradition of the Church and in the lives of the Saints, to help us focus on the present moment and the person in front of us, rather than to be paralyzed by the past.

There are various ways to share our talents with our faith community. Our parish is participating in the Catholic Stewardship Renewal being conducted this Fall, 2024. A listing of the various ministries and volunteer opportunities our parish currently offers will be used, so we can reflect on and renew, how we are living as active members of our Parish. We are also open to new ideas of ministries and volunteer opportunities that can be explored to better serve those in our community. No one should be on the journey of faith alone, but able to walk hand-in-hand with fellow disciples of the Lord, which is a beautiful fruit of the Stewardship Way of Life.

If our simple acts of prayer, hospitality, and community outreach lead each of us and someone else into a deeper relationship with God, and journey with them on their way to Heaven, we have served God well. Christ gave everything, out of love, to save us, and hopes we will be inspired to go and do likewise.

One of the most frequently asked questions in regard to stewardship is "How much do I have to give?" This is actually not the correct question, rather, we should be asking, "How much is God calling me to give of myself and my gifts for the sake of the Church and the glory of God?" This is the question a steward asks. That means giving proportionately, as we are able, sacrificially and generously, with the goal being the Biblical Tithe of ten percent; goal, not "requirement." Saint Paul says in his Second Letter to the Corinthians, "Whoever sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will reap bountifully. Each one must give what they have decided in their heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:6-7).

The challenge and deep invitation in living a Stewardship Way of Life is to become more like Christ. To be generous of heart because God has been so generous with us, and to share the many gifts and talents we individually have from God, to be used to build up His Kingdom on earth for His glory and the good of my neighbor.

Therefore my friends, with you, I give heartfelt thanks for the beloved Sacraments of the Church; Baptism, Reconciliation (Confession), Holy Eucharist (First Communion), Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony. For in faithfully participating in these Sacraments, it provides us with the graces we need to become the person God has called us to be. In closing, please prayerfully review the Stewardship 2024 Time, Talent and Tithing Commitment Forms and consider how you and your family can deepen and express faith by participation in the mission of your Catholic family.

"How can I repay the Lord for all of the great good He has done for me?" By living a generous and genuine stewardship way of life, from which you will reap joy! May God bless each of you, your families and our Parishes.

May God bless each of you, your families and our Parish. To Jesus, through Mary, ~Father Aubuchon



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Stewardship

STEWARDSHIP 2024 | TIME & TALENT FORM

Complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or email to your church



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Stewardship Expectations

I/We are member(s) of (check one):

_ St. Anthony Church

Discipleship calls us to more than membership; it calls us to active stewardship. To support all the ministries of the parish, we need every family's active stewardship in the parish.

What does stewardship ask of all members of the parish?

- Commitment to pray. That is, actively and regularly attends Mass on weekends and Holy days of Obligation, along with a commitment to daily personal and family prayer.
- Commitment to participate. That is, offer their talents and a portion of their time to serve the parish community and be a part of its fellowship and opportunities for ongoing Christian formation.
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All parish families are expected to enshrine these 3 sacrificial commitments through the completion of annual Catholic Stewardship Renewal forms. In addition, parish families must strive to stay current on their commitment in order to be considered active stewards in the parish.

FAMILY DATA

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Please return forms by Sunday, November 10, 2024, by way of Collection Basket, mail, or drop by Parish Office. Contact Randy Holtmeyer (St. Anthony) or Lindsey Holtmeyer (St. Lawrence) with any questions.

^{*} For EACH child, place the corresponding Sacrament letter (see below) in the last column above: B - Baptism, HC - Holy Communion, C - Confirmation

MINISTRIES

Please add each of your family member names below and select the ministries for each.

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MINISTRIES	Marie	Notice	Marie	Harre	Hote	Hote	Serve 2	STO.
Pillar of Hospitality Church Greeters Coffee & Donuts Food Committee (St. Anthony) Funeral Meals Parish/Family Picnic Ushers								
Pillar of Prayer Altar Servers Eucharistic Adorer Extraordinary Ministers of								
Holy Communion Lector Music Ministry (Organ) Music Ministry (Choir) Rosary Leader Sacristan Seven Sister Apostolate Stewardship Chair Stewardship Member								
Pillar of Formation Bible Study Member CCD Teacher/Substitute CYO (Leaders/Volunteers) Faith Formation Coordinator Marriage Prep Facilitators RCIA Totus Tuus (Volunteer)								
Pillar of Service Altar Flowers Church Linens/Cloths Cemetery Committee Collection Counter Decorating K of C (Men or Women) Maintenance - Church or Yard Nursing Home/Homebound St. Anne's Sodality Parish Council Finance Council CLUBS								
Quilting Club Senior Citizen Club								

 $[\]square$ I am unsure where to serve. Please have someone contact me to discuss opportunities.

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STEWARDSHIP 2024 | TITHING COMMITMENT FORM

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☐ One payment per week (weekly)	\$ x 52 payments =	\$		
☐ One payment every month (monthly)	\$ x 12 payments =	\$		
☐ One payment each quarter (quarterly)	\$ x 4 payments =	\$		
☐ Other – Dates	\$ x payments =	\$		

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\$20,000	\$8	\$15	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$33	\$67	\$100	\$133	\$167	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$400	\$800	\$1,200	\$1,600	\$2,000
\$30,000	\$12	\$23	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250	\$150	\$300	\$450	\$600	\$750	\$600	\$1,200	\$1,800	\$2,400	\$3,000
\$40,000	\$15	\$31	\$46	\$62	\$77	\$67	\$133	\$200	\$267	\$333	\$200	\$400	\$600	\$800	\$1,000	\$800	\$1,600	\$2,400	\$3,200	\$4,000
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\$180,000	\$69	\$138	\$208	\$277	\$346	\$300	\$600	\$900	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$900	\$1,800	\$2,700	\$3,600	\$4,500	\$3,600	\$7,200	\$10,800	\$14,400	\$18,000
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