

Stewardship Leadership: Key Steps

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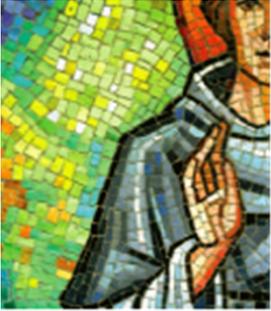


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Our Desire

To draw people to Christ through our parish communities, leading them to live as disciples and stewards.

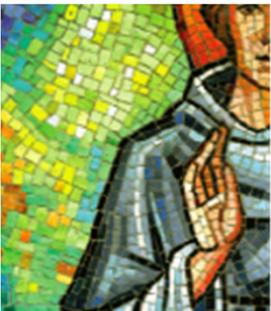


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Our Desire

- Created in God's image
- Drawn to Christ's life through baptism
- Grow as good stewards
- Called to servant leadership



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 What comes to mind?

Let's Focus

Who leads stewardship in your parish?

With whom do you lead?

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 Six Steps to Forming Grateful Disciples as Stewards in Community



 The Vision: Stewards in Community

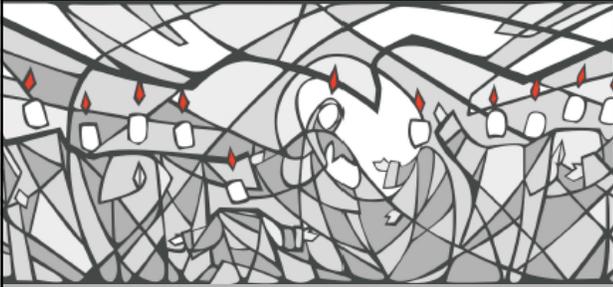


Establish the vision of the parish as a community of disciples and stewards

Stewardship throughout the year

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"To attempt to be stewards on our own or even with the help of the community will ultimately be futile. We need the power of the Holy Spirit to rise above our pettiness and self-centeredness in order to be for and with others as Jesus was. Without prayer, a life of stewardship will not last." — Bishop Robert Morneau, Paths to Prayer

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 Step One

The Vision:
Stewards in Community

- Everything we are and have comes from God
- We learn to respond in gratitude
- Such gratitude is nurtured within the community of believers

 **Lead Grateful Disciples**

Pastor

Stewardship Committee

Wider Parish Leadership

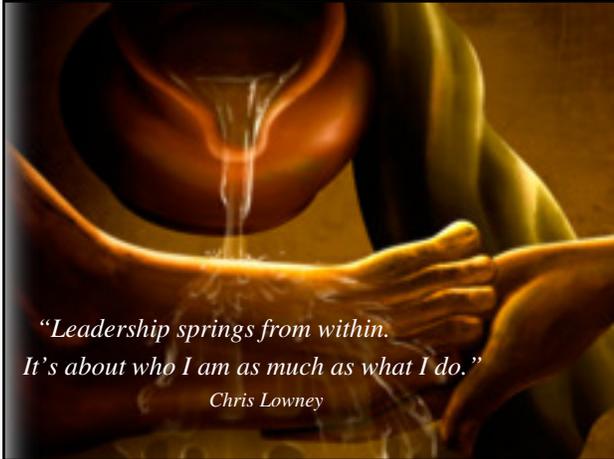
Build on One Another's Talents

Servant leaders who entrust ministry to parishioners



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 Step Two

Lead Grateful Disciples

- Pastor
- Living Witness
- Commission/Committee
- Fostering and sustaining stewardship
- Always attentive!
- Lead change
- Pastoral Council

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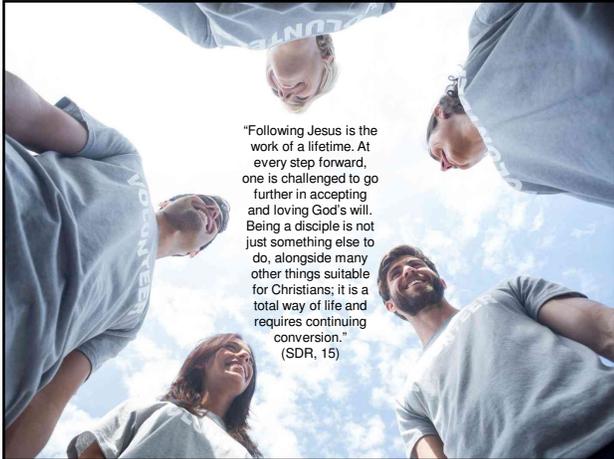
 Form Disciples as Stewards



Discipleship
Faith Formation
Evangelization

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Step Three

Stewardship Education and Formation

- Always tied to discipleship
- On-going
- Every age and stage of life and faith
- Rhythm of liturgical year

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Welcome and Engage Everyone

The Parish Community Really Does Matter!

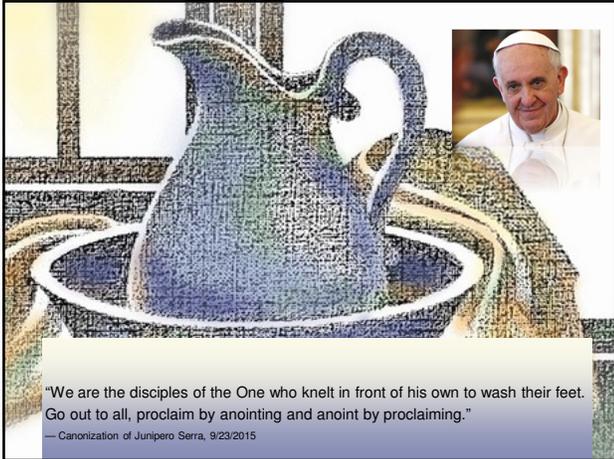
Create a climate in which people are more likely to hear the message of stewardship

"Belonging leads to believing!"

Touches people in their daily lives The parish is "home."

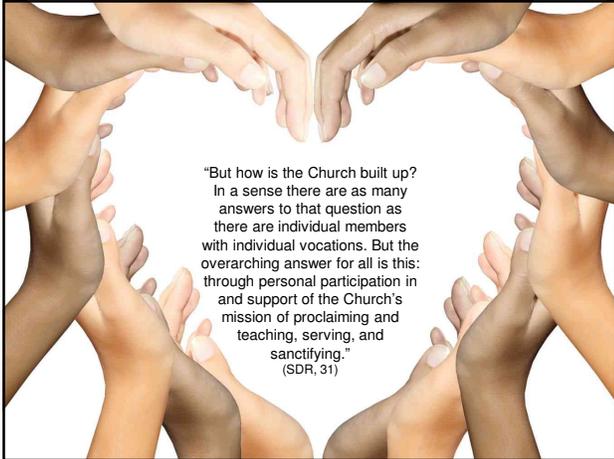
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Step Five

Commit to Annual Renewal

- A spiritual process with practical implications
 - Connect life with faith
 - Time, Talent, Treasure
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- Transforms individuals and the community
- Follow-up is essential

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Give Thanks. Be Accountable.

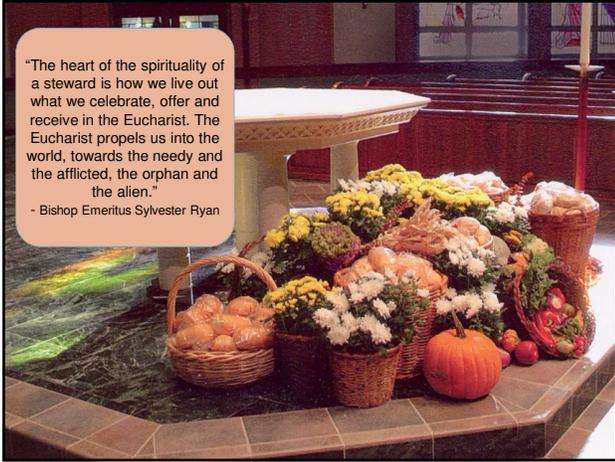
Give Thanks to God and One Another

People know their participation matters
We are responsible for our stewardship

"Attitude of gratitude"

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 **Step Six**

Give Thanks. Be Accountable.

- Parishioner-to-parishioner gratitude expressed
- Parish-to-parishioner gratitude
- Parish and parishioners are accountable to Christ and one another

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 What comes to mind?

Let's Focus

Which step is a strength for you and your parish?

Which is your greatest challenge?

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Foundational Stewardship Materials

These materials are offered as a complimentary tool to enhance stewardship education and formation in your diocese or parish. Click on the title below to download the files, stored as a service to you.



The Disciple as Steward and Steward Saints for Every Day
The Disciple as Steward, Steward Steward's six-month small group study of the Stewardship Manual, Stewardship: A Disciple's Journey, and Steward: A generation of stewardship leaders and group participants.
Steward's Steward Saints for Every Day provides a reflection on a saint for each day of the year, with insightful stewardship conversations to build hope and action.

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The Stewardship Project
 A series of videos in English and Spanish on key themes of stewardship. Click on the link below to download a sample of the films. Additional films are available to dioceses of English, a monthly discipleship formation resource available here.

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The ICSC Stewardship Prayer and Key Themes of Stewardship
 To become a good steward is to place one's life in the hands of God, to recognize God's grace in the midst of daily life, and to respond by sharing one's time, love and resources with others. Prayer is necessary for this journey. **The International Catholic Stewardship Council** is your organization for stewardship formation, education, and support. The ICSC's website always includes a monthly prayer on its homepage, as well as an annual conference, monthly e-news,

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