

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 10, 2011

“Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back.” (Luke 6:38)

Dear Parishioners of St Anthony Parish:

The annual Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) is now underway in the parishes of our Diocese. Stewardship is a biblical term which recognizes that we, as individuals, are not the owners of our lives, our time, our talent, nor our treasures. We are, rather, stewards, or managers, of these gifts. Stewardship is recognizing that everything we have is a gift received from God and returned to God in thanksgiving for all that He has first given us.

Sacrificial Giving, Stewardship is the “key” to an alive, vibrant parish where dedicated and committed parishioners, giving freely of their time, talent and treasure without expectation of return, create a dynamic atmosphere that invites and encourages others to become involved, and sets a positive example for the entire parish and community.

Please read the enclosed brochure as a guide for your commitment pledge. The biblical tithe returning the first fruits of our labor, is 10 percent. Our local guideline is 5 percent to parish, 1 percent to diocese; Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA), and vocations and seminary or infirm priests fund (Christmas and Easter collections). Four percent goes to the charity of your choice; special church collections: Missions, Youth, CRS, the Knights of Columbus charities, local fund raisers, LAMB House, CADV, Helping Hands, etc. The parish leadership and staff will strive to be good stewards of the sacrificial gifts given.

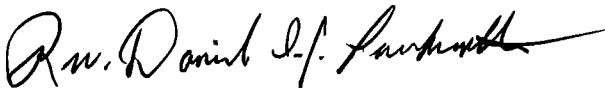
Please have a family meeting to discuss your parish stewardship pledge. Enclosed is a Time and Talent sheet that we’re asking each parish family to complete. Please be generous with your time and talents for the good of your parish family. (You may have filled out a form last spring. Due to Pastoral, staff, and computing changes, follow-up calling was not completed. Sorry!)

Also enclosed is a pledge card for your contributions to the parish. You may have received a direct mail request from the Bishop for the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. If so, please return to them by mail or place them in the collection baskets at Mass.

Please place your parish pledge card and Time and Talent sheet in the enclosed envelope. A special collection will be held November 12 and 13, Commitment Weekend, for you to turn in these forms.

“Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another.” As taken from the 1992 United States Bishops Pastoral Letter.

Sincerely,



Rev. Daniel I.J. Lueckenotte, Pastor
Enclosures

St. Anthony Parish Registration & Family Stewardship Commitment of Time and Talent

Please complete this survey to let us know the talents you have to share with our parish. There are many ways you may contribute which won't take much time, but which will be very rewarding. *Please identify all areas in which you or yours may have an interest.* Indicate the interest AND the person with the interest by using their letter or number in the blank. Someone will contact you or yours with more information about the area of interest.

Worship and Family Life Commission

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art & Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Cantor/Song Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Choir |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cursillo | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Minister | <input type="checkbox"/> Lector | <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgy Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mass Server | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministers of Care (sick & homebound) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stick Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Line | <input type="checkbox"/> Devotions | <input type="checkbox"/> Sacristans | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome-Sunday Mass Greeter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Linens | <input type="checkbox"/> Alb & Vestment Launderers | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministers at Spanish Mass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Retreat | <input type="checkbox"/> Catholics Returning | <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA | <input type="checkbox"/> Musicians for Spanish Mass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Give Rides to Mass | | | |

Social Concerns Commission

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Jail Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Funeral Luncheon Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Grief Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Nurse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies Sodality | <input type="checkbox"/> Pro-Life | <input type="checkbox"/> Justice Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Peace Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafty Ladies | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Cross Cultural Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Teach English for Adults | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner Welcoming Committee | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus | <input type="checkbox"/> Meals on Wheels | <input type="checkbox"/> Habitat for Humanity | <input type="checkbox"/> Citizens Against Domestic Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping Hands Homeless Shelter | <input type="checkbox"/> LAMB House | <input type="checkbox"/> Start St. Vincent de Paul Society | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boy Scouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving Free Dinner | <input type="checkbox"/> Calling Tree | <input type="checkbox"/> Meals to Homebound |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boy Scouts Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Home Missions-Repair | | |

Faith Formation Commission

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parish School of Religion | [<input type="checkbox"/> Catechist <input type="checkbox"/> Alternate Catechist <input type="checkbox"/> Aide] | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacation Bible School [<input type="checkbox"/> teacher <input type="checkbox"/> helper] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocations | <input type="checkbox"/> Why Catholic [<input type="checkbox"/> leader <input type="checkbox"/> participant] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation Prep Team | |

Finance and Administration

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Collection Counter | <input type="checkbox"/> Long range planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Building & Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish picnic helper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening Angels | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Donuts | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Office Volunteer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make Prayer Trail | <input type="checkbox"/> Brush Hogging | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Plowing | <input type="checkbox"/> Light Hauling | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery Committee | | | | |

Mass Preference

- Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 7:30 AM Sunday 9:00 AM

Your Skills and Expertise

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting, Bookkeeping, CPA | <input type="checkbox"/> Banking, Investment Counseling | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel/Human Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer, Legal Aide | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PC Programming/Repair/Tutoring | <input type="checkbox"/> Dentist | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Translator | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Driver for Doctor Appointments |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

Other Interests/Skills/Information You Think Could Help Our Parish

Primary email address _____