

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.

(1 Peter 4:10)

October, 2011

Dear **People of Holy Spirit,**

Enclosed you will find:

- **2012 Stewardship Brochure**
- **Ministry Opportunity Card (see both sides)**

Fill-out Stewardship Brochure and return. Keep Ministry Opportunity Card for your gift reminder.

This is an invitation to Catholic Stewardship. This is a call to renew your discipleship by living the Eucharist through Prayer (a relationship with God), Serving (others) and Sharing (our resources).

Stewardship is living out a commitment to be Christ-centered rather than self-centered. Profound gratitude, justice and love become the fundamental motives for giving back to God. This is a call to listen to the voice of the Spirit speaking of *gratitude* and *responsibility*.

For we brought nothing into the world, just as we shall not be able to take anything out of it. (1 Tm 6:7) How are we to live? We must trust in God. Jesus taught us to love His Father as the only God and to love our neighbor as ourselves **with the final reward of living eternally with Him.**

Our Parish Mission Statement: We at Holy Spirit Parish are a people of faith, trusting in Jesus Christ, who gather to worship and celebrate the Eucharist. We are sent to proclaim the Good News to others and love as Jesus taught us.

Many of us have made the conversion to Stewardship **as a way of life. Therefore,** we do see the need to help our neighbors through the enclosed ministries. If you're not ready to share a percentage of your earnings **or if you are not able due to life circumstances** we ask you to pray and volunteer with our ministries. We know you will see the need to share too. **This is your call to "Catch the Spirit"! Know that no matter what your choice may be, we as church are here for you – always!**

The annual Stewardship campaign encompasses the whole parish. A portion of what you give goes to all aspects of the parish: administration, faith formation, pastoral care, school, youth ministry and worship. Feel free to give more when ministries have campaigns and goals that go beyond the parish budget.

No matter where your heart is at this time please return the Stewardship Brochure by October 26. More importantly, consider helping your neighbor in the Name of Jesus.

Sincerely,

The Stewardship Committee

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- > Stewardship Brochure is for January-December, 2012
 - > **For questions feel free to contact Patty at the parish office (788-7640)**
 - > **A copy of the enclosures and ministry detail is on our website too (www.holyspirit-parish.org)**

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