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My Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

The mission statement of our parish is to “Continue the mission of Jesus through prayer, service, and sharing.” Stewardship is an essential part of the life of a disciple, because it is the life and love that Jesus shares with us. It is important for us to reflect upon this way of life.

Jesus invites us to make stewardship a part of our legacy in three different ways. First, we must learn all we can about what stewardship is, and remember, we never stop learning. Secondly, we need to reaffirm what we already know about stewardship, lest we forget not only who Jesus is, but who we are. Thirdly, we need to grow in our capacity to love not only God, but also our neighbor, so that we may become more Christ like.

On this website you will find the following to help you, your family, and your parish to grow in stewardship. First, there is the “**Prayer Commitment**” form, in which you are invited to make specific commitments in your prayer life. Feel free to be creative and think of other things not mentioned on the form. You are also invited to write down things you would like your parish family to pray for. Make sure you return the bottom portion by dropping it off in the collection.

Secondly, there is the “**Sharing Commitment**” form, in which you are invited to make specific commitments on your generous financial sharing. This needs to be above and beyond what you are giving to the parish. Remember, all that we have is a gift from God freely given.

Thirdly, there is the “**Service Commitment**” form and the “**Ministry Opportunity Catalog**”, from which you are invited to reaffirm or make a new commitment to a particular ministry or ministries. The Catalog contains a brief description of all ministries. Remember, Jesus did not come to be served, but to serve others. Let us together reveal the joy of the gospel with the help of the Holy Spirit in putting **Jesus first, others second and yourself last.**

You are not bound by these commitments, so if something should happen that you are unable to complete this commitment, we will understand. In the same way, if anything should happen to help you to increase your commitment in one or more of these areas, we would also understand. Thank you for helping to continue the mission of Jesus.

Peace,

Fr. Jerry Pastors