

PARISH STEWARDSHIP – BULLETIN INSERT #1

Because everything we have comes from and belongs to God, giving some of it back gives expression to how we steward his blessings. As we end this tumultuous year, please help Our Lady of the Lake and St. Joseph The Worker to prepare for the coming year of ministry and service by prayerfully considering a commitment to the Church that is reflective of your gratitude for God's abundant grace.

You Can Make a Difference in Our Lady of the Lake and St. Joseph The Worker by Giving

BY YOUR GIFT OF PRESENCE

Your gift of time: our presence and involvement in our parish community are powerful statements of your faith. You can make a difference by being here – for on-line or in-person Mass, for prayer services, for Bible studies, for small group gatherings, for Sacramental celebrations, for service activities, for faith formation and for other parish events.

BY YOUR GIFT OF INVOLVEMENT

Our collaborative needs many different people with a wide range of abilities. We have obvious needs such as the need for worship and faith formation support. But we also have many needs that are less obvious – ranging from: ***Adoration, Adult Faith Formation, Altar Servers, Arts and Environment Committee Bereavement, Children's Church, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Collaborative Parish Pastoral Council, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Facilities, Youth and Adult Faith Formation, Family Social Events, Giving Tree, Lectors, Funeral Acolyte, Library Ministry, Liturgical Music, Main Spring House Meal a Month Program, Musician/Organist, Offertory Counters, Parish Finance Council, Prayer Shawl Ministry, RCIA, Sacristans, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Social Committee, Social Media Outreach, Sodality of Our Lady, Ushers (Inside and Outdoor Masses) and Vacation Bible School***, to hospitality, clerical, maintenance and technology needs. Your gifts of talent can make ministry happen in the parish.

BY YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE

The money you contribute to our parish in the basket or electronically makes ministry happen. It helps provide salaries and benefits. It helps pay for buildings, equipment, maintenance and materials. It helps fund programs and services which benefit all members of our parish family and those most in need of support. Your gifts given in thanksgiving for the many gifts God has given you, will make a difference in the lives of many people.

STEWARDSHIP GIVING

As stewards of the blessings we have received, we are called as Christians to give from our hearts and to consider gifts that are:

Planned – a prayerful consideration of the blessings bestowed upon us.

Proportionate – commensurate with what God has given us.

Grateful – expressing our appreciation to God.

Joyful – a gift given freely and without restrictions or conditions.