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EMBRACING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

16th Annual Regional Stewardship Conference

Saturday, April 21, 2018
9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center
2 Tenth Street :: Augusta, Georgia 30901

Anyone interested in embracing stewardship as a way of life will benefit from attending this empowering conference! The conference offers compelling and practical workshops, interactive forums, presentations and discussions around stewardship, teamwork and innovative parish programs. This is an opportunity to network and learn with individuals across the southeast.

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KEYNOTE



EMBRACING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

16th Annual Regional Stewardship Conference Keynote Speaker

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Dan Conway is a leader in the field of mission advancement who has helped redefine the meaning of stewardship in the Catholic Church. Dan has worked with dozens of Catholic Dioceses, seminaries, religious communities, parishes and schools in the area of planning, communications, stewardship education and fundraising. He has served as chief development officer at three Roman Catholic Archdioceses (Louisville, Indianapolis, and Chicago) and Marian University. Dan has also written several books and writes a widely distributed monthly article, *The Good Steward*.

New This Conference

We will be offering 4 Tracks of Interest

- Beginner's Stewardship Track
 - Focus of Stewardship
 - 4 Pillars & 3 "T's" of Stewardship
 - Stewardship Toolkit
- Advanced Parish Stewardship Track
 - Stewardship and Young Adults
 - Promoting Stewardship in the Digital Age
 - Stewardship in Youth/Children's Programming
- Sesiones en Español
 - Corresponsabilidad 101
 - Atrapantes Jóvenes Adultos
 - Corresponsabilidad y V Encuentro
- Parish Staff/ Pastoral Council/ Finance Council Track
 - Parish Plans
 - Planned Giving Initiatives at the Parish Level
 - Best Practices/Challenges Forum

Registration Materials will be available in January 2018

Stewardship Messages in the Sunday Gospels

January 7, 2018
Epiphany of the Lord
“Then they opened their coffers and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”
Matthew 2:1-12

January 21, 2018
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
“They immediately abandoned their nets and became his followers.”
Mark 1:14-20

February 4, 2018
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
“...she immediately began to wait on them.”
Mark 1:29-39

Suggested Stewardship Bulletin Announcements

January 7, 2018
The Epiphany of the Lord

The Magi brought the child Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. What gifts do I place before Jesus? My time? My talent? My treasure?

January 14, 2018
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

It is important to measure our generosity not by what we give, but by what we have left.

January 21, 2018
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship involves the conscientious, firm decision, carried out constantly in action, to conduct one's self as a follower of Jesus, regardless of the cost.

January 28, 2018
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Blessed Virgin Mary was the model steward with her unqualified, “yes” and complete trust in God’s will. When I put God first in my life, everything else falls into place.

February 4, 2018
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Catholics, we are not to focus only on ourselves but are called by our Baptism to reach out and share our time, talent and treasure with our brothers and sisters.

February 11, 2018
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We don't give because we have an abundance of resources and can afford it; we give because of a desire to share what we have with others out of love and gratitude.

February 18, 2018
1st Sunday of Lent

Lent is a time to reflect on our relationship with God. We are called to focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in our Lenten stewardship.

February 25, 2018
2nd Sunday of Lent

During Lent stewards are called to focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, how much **time** am I giving to God in prayer?

Stewardship Bulletin Announcements in Spanish

Spanish Translations taken from:

***“Stewardship by the Book” Scriptural Quotations on Stewardship
by Sharon Hueckel, published by Our Sunday Visitor***

07 de enero 2018

Epifanía

Los tres Reyes que vinieron de Oriente para rendir homenaje al niño Jesús le trajeron ricos regalos de oro, incienso y mirra como parte de su adoración. ¿Qué regalos yo he traído a esta celebración para ofrecérselos al Salvador recién nacido?

14 de enero 2018

2do. del Tiempo Ordinario

En la primera lectura de hoy, escuchamos a Samuel responder entusiasmadamente, “Aquí estoy!” cada vez que el Señor lo llama. Que nosotros también estemos escuchando en nuestras vidas el llamado del Señor y estemos listos para decir como el Salmista, “Aquí estoy, Señor, vengo a hacer tu voluntad.”

21 de enero 2018

3ro. del Tiempo Ordinario

Hay una cierta urgencia en el Evangelio de hoy, cuando Jesús llama a Sus primeros discípulos— Andrés y Simón, Santiago y Juan. Cada uno sigue a Jesús inmediatamente, abandonando sin dudar las redes y los botes, padres y compañeros de trabajo. ¿Para qué me está llamando Jesús en este momento, en estas circunstancias? ¿Qué necesitaré abandonar para seguirle a Él?

28 de enero 2018

4to. del Tiempo Ordinario

Moisés le dijo a la gente “un profeta como yo lo hará el Señor. Tu Dios te resucitará entre tus propios parientes. Dios aún provee entre su pueblo los dones y talentos necesarios para continuar la obra de Él. ¿Que dones tienes para compartir?

04 de febrero 2018

5to. del Tiempo Ordinario

Como San Pablo en la segunda lectura, el buen Administrador de Nuestro Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro como Bienes de Dios puede decir que Yo hago lo que hago por amor al Evangelio, con la esperanza de tener una parte de sus bendiciones.

11 de febrero 2018

6to. del Tiempo Ordinario

En la segunda lectura de hoy, San Pablo exhorta a los Corintios “hacerlo todo por la gloria de Dios.” Si nosotros seguimos esos consejos, no podemos ser otra cosa que buenos Administradores de Nuestro Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro como Bienes de Dios!

18 de febrero 2018

1ro. de Cuaresma

Las aguas del Bautismo nos hacen partícipes de la nueva alianza en Cristo. Pero la carta pastoral de los obispos sobre la Administración de Nuestro Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro como Bienes de Dios nos recuerda que hay una obligación fundamental que surge del sacramento del bautismo... que la gente ponga sus dones, sus recursos – a sí mismos – al servicio de Dios y a través de la Iglesia.

25 de febrero 2018

2do. de Cuaresma

Abraham estaba preparado para sacrificar a Isaac, su único hijo. San Pablo nos recuerda que el mismo Dios “no salvó a su propio Hijo.” ¿Son mis dones para el Señor, de mis recursos, de mi tiempo, de mi mismo, - también sacrificio?

For additional information on parish stewardship resources, training parish stewardship committees, planning a ministry fair, implementing children’s stewardship, or for details on anything mentioned in this Stewardship Bulletin

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