


Stewardship Bulletin



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Stewards of Creation

The Bishops' Pastoral Letter, *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*, has an entire chapter on Stewards of Creation. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, continuously speaks about the importance of caring for the God-given resources of our world. This is a wonderful time of year to focus on being good stewards of creation. The Pastoral Letter highlights four areas (from Pastoral Letter, page 46):

1. Joyful appreciation for God-given beauty and wonder of nature
2. Protection and preservation of the environment, which would be stewardship of ecological concern
3. Respect for human life - shielding life from threat and assault, doing everything that can be done to enhance this gift and make life flourish
4. Development of this world through noble human effort - physical labor, the trades and professions, the arts and sciences

As parish leaders, we can provide experiences to further promote stewardship of creation. Here are just a few examples:

- ✓ Plan a parish hike at a nearby park or nature preserve and enjoy the God-given beauty and wonder of nature.
- ✓ Start a parish recycling program, or as a parish adopt a street or stream to keep clean of trash and debris.
- ✓ Have a parish work day, cleaning up the grounds, planting new flowers, cleaning the interior and classrooms.
- ✓ Spend a day working in a food pantry or homeless shelter.
- ✓ Use your imagination and plan some creative activity to help parishioners, families, and young people grow as Good Stewards of Creation.

Stewardship in the Sunday Scripture

June 9, 2019
Pentecost Sunday
John 20:1-19

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

June 30, 2019
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gal 5:1, 13-18

"Out of love, place yourselves at one another's service."

Suggested Stewardship Bulletin Announcements

May 5, 2019
3rd Sunday of Easter

Jesus asks us to commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our treasure as an outward sign of the love and gratitude we have for Him.

May 12, 2019
4th Sunday of Easter

How much time have you spent this week in prayer for others and for the work of the Church?

May 19, 2019
5th Sunday of Easter

God sends us out into the world with our own unique gifts and talents. How will I use my God-given gifts and talents to build the Kingdom?

May 26, 2019
6th Sunday of Easter

Have you ever thought about how many of your free hours you spend doing things for yourself versus how many you spend doing things for others?

June 2, 2019
The Ascension of the Lord

“Let the person with two coats give to the person who has none.” (Luke 3:11)

June 9, 2019
Pentecost Sunday

Giving of our time, talent and treasure is not about giving until it hurts. Rather, it is about giving until you feel good about what you have given.

June 16, 2019
The Most Holy Trinity

We often hear people say, “If I only had more...then I would share what I have.” If you don’t give of your time, talent and treasure with what you have, you most likely won’t do it if you have more.

June 23, 2019
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

“Whoever is faithful in small matters will be faithful in large ones.” (Luke 16:10)

June 30, 2019
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

You are just one person but you are important to God and His work. Be faithful as you give of your time, talent and treasure.

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Stewardship Bulletin Announcements in Spanish

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5 de Mayo 2019
3rd Domingo de Pascua

La lectura de hoy del Apocalipsis ofrece una visión de la Ciudad de Dios, la Nueva Jerusalén. Sin embargo, la carta pastoral de los obispos sobre la Administración de los Bienes de Dios, nos recuerda, “que la ‘vida venidera’ está en continuidad con esta vida presente a través de los bienes humanos, los dignos propósitos humanos, que la gente fomenta ahora.”

12 de Mayo 2019
4to Domingo de Pascua

La segunda lectura de hoy contiene la sombría advertencia de que Jesús viene pronto y traerá a cada uno el premio que su conducta se merece. ¿Ha sido mi administración de los bienes de Dios, confiados a mí tal como para responderle gozosamente, “Amen! Ven, Señor Jesús!”?

19 de Mayo 2019
5to Domingo de Pascua

Un milagro de Pentecostés fue que a pesar de su diversidad, cada escuchante, oyó la palabra de Dios en su propio idioma. El significado para la administración de los bienes de Dios es que compartiendo los dones que el Espíritu Santo ha derramado en nosotros, tendremos el poder para satisfacer las necesidades de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, cualesquiera que ellas sean.

26 de Mayo 2019
6to Domingo de Pascua

El Salmo de hoy nos recuerda que hemos sido coronados con gloria y honor, autorizados para gobernar las obras de las manos de Dios. Pero tenemos que ser buenos administradores de los bienes de Dios, porque el Señor ciertamente nos pedirá cuenta del uso de esos dones.

2 de Junio 2019
La Ascensión de Nuestro Señor

En el Evangelio de hoy, los discípulos le sugieren a Jesús que despida a la multitud para que así puedan buscar individualmente comida y alojamiento. El milagro de alimentar a las cinco mil personas es la advertencia poderosa de Jesús que cuando compartimos nuestros dones en Su nombre hay siempre más que suficiente.

9 de Junio 2019
Domingo de Pentecostés

Adán y Eva fueron expulsados del Paraíso por su desobediencia. Pero Jesús dice en el Evangelio de hoy que cuando obedecemos la voluntad de Dios –cuando usamos nuestros dones para ayudar a los demás- nos hacemos parte de Su familia. “Quienquiera que haga la voluntad de Dios es hermano, hermana y madre para mí.”

16 de Junio 2019
La Santísima Trinidad

Los discípulos maduros hacen una decisión consciente y firme de seguir a Jesús, sin importarles lo que cueste.

23 de Junio 2019
El Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo

“¿Quién dicen ustedes que soy yo?” Jesús pregunta a Pedro en el Evangelio de hoy. ¿El uso que yo hago de los dones y talentos confiados a mi refleja con exactitud mi respuesta a esa misma pregunta? ¿Qué tan de buena gana me niego a mí mismo, tomo mi cruz y le sigo sus pasos?

30 de Junio 2019
13avo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En la segunda lectura de hoy, San Pablo provee un maravilloso resumen en una sola frase de la administración cristiana de los bienes de Dios: “Por amor, pónganse ustedes al servicio los unos de los otros.”