

Spirituality of Stewardship

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Our Stewardship of Treasure campaign will begin over the next few weeks. As you know spiritually being a Steward of Treasure is not just giving a dollar amount every week, rather it is a complete awareness of our finances in relationship to God. How we give, how we spend, and how we save our money, directly affects our Christian responsibilities, and indirectly affects our relationships with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

In the upcoming weeks we will begin to explore what it means to be a Steward of Treasure. We will hear from lay witnesses how becoming a steward of treasure has changed their life, how it has changed our parish, and how you can participate.

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" and He said to him, "**YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.** This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, **YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.** On these two commandments depends the whole Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:36-40

November 22, 2009

Stewardship Notes from Our Pastor:

Many of us have experienced first hand in our lives that God cannot be outdone in generosity. It is in this spirit that I want to announce to you that with the recommendation and encouragement of our Parish Pastoral Council, our Parish Finance Committee, and our Parish Stewardship Committee, we will begin to tithe the tithe of our parish. This means that we will no longer take up a special collection for 12 of the extra collections, but on the Sunday that these collections would have taken place we hope that you would place your tithe in the Sunday collection and we will give a tithe from the Sunday collection to these worthy causes. We will tithe the tithe. Our hope is to one day have only on Sunday collection for all collections. For now, we will still take up the black bag collection for the poor of our parish (SVDP) on the first Sunday of the month and the special collections for World Mission Sunday and Retirement Fund collections for Religious and Diocesan Priests. Fund collections for Religious and Diocesan Priests. The Church envelope that you receive monthly at home will reflect this change beginning in January 2010.