



## Sample Pastor Talk on Stewardship Commitment Weekend

During the last month, we have discussed and learned about Christian Stewardship and how it is *a way of living* — impacting all of us individually, in our families and in our parish. I hope you have learned and grown from this experience as much as I have.

I want to thank our fellow parishioners for sharing their personal witness over the past few weeks. I also want to thank each of you for the gifts of yourselves. You are the Church, and together we will build up God's kingdom on earth and answer His call to discipleship.

At Mass today, we are all asked to return the personal stewardship commitments we intend to share with God and His Church. You should have all received my letter and commitment form in the mail, and hopefully you have brought your completed form with you today. If not, don't worry we have extra forms in the pews.

At this time, I ask the persons at the ends of the pews to pass across to their fellow parishioners the stewardship commitment forms and pencils.

### **Pause**

Now, let's take a few moments together for those who have not yet completed their forms, to join me in completing it.

### **Step one: Your Household**

Record your household information.

### **Step two: Time in Prayer**

Make a commitment of your time to attend Mass regularly and pray for God's work through our Church.

### **Step three: Talent**

Share your talent with your parish through the ministries chosen on the reverse side of the commitment form. Select a ministry area where you are already involved or where you would like to become involved as a family.

### **Step four: Treasure**

Record the financial amount you plan to share with God and His Church for the coming year and the frequency of your financial support.

### **Pause**

### **After communion**

I have asked the ushers to collect all our stewardship commitments, and we will have our Stewardship Chair, \_\_\_\_\_, bring your commitments to the altar.

Again, thank you. Sharing your gifts with God and His Church will make it possible to continue and expand the spiritual, sacramental, social, and outreach ministries at our parish.