

St. Pius X Stewardship

2016

Time·Talent·Treasure



“BE MERCIFUL AS YOUR FATHER IS MERCIFUL”.

LUKE 6:36

Time & Talent

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

TIME & TALENT OPPORTUNITIES

“Mature disciples make a conscious, firm decision, carried out in action, to be followers of Jesus Christ, no matter the cost to themselves.” (Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response, U.S. Bishops, 1992)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Stewardship” is perhaps one of the most misunderstood words in the Church today. Some people think it is all about money. Others think it means only time, talent, and treasure. Some wonder if it is just another word for fundraising or tithing.

In reality, “stewardship” is the word that describes our entire relationship with God. God loved and trusted us so much that he made us his stewards. Our challenge is to strive to be the best stewards we can be.

You are invited. . .

I invite you to be a Christian steward of your God-given gifts of Time and Talent. Listed within the next few pages are several opportunities for your consideration. I ask you to prayerfully reflect over these opportunities and ask yourself, “What can I do best in God’s Kingdom on earth to prepare myself for God’s Kingdom in heaven?” A sample copy of the Pledge form to be completed at Mass on October 10-11, 17-18 is enclosed.

With heartfelt gratitude for the many graces God abundantly bestows upon us,



Fr. Tom Buckman
Pastor

LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Liturgy & Worship Committee

This Committee, along with the Pastor, plans our liturgical celebrations.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Committee meets monthly to plan and discuss the various aspects of our liturgical life, including decorations for the worship space, music ministry, mass schedules, etc. **Contact:**
Ed Calhoun, 270-903-9712.

Altar Servers

Altar Servers assist at the various liturgical functions throughout the year.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Serving is open to both boys and girls in the 3rd Grade or older. Training is provided for all new servers. **Contact:**
Ed Calhoun, 270-903-9712.

Eucharistic Ministers

Ministers of the Eucharist share the Body and Blood of Christ with their fellow worshippers in the assembly.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Ministers must be a fully initiated Catholic. Mature teens are welcome. Training is required. **Contact:**
Ed Calhoun, 270-903-9712.

Gift Bearers

*This ministry provides for the offertory gifts to be carried in procession at Mass. The same gift bearers receive the **Vocation Cross**.*

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Families and individuals carry the bread, wine and collection in the Offertory procession at all weekend and Holy Day Masses. The **Vocation Cross** is then presented on Weekend Masses and taken home to pray for vocations that week. The cross is then returned before the start of the next weekend. **Contact:**
Ed Calhoun, 270-903-9712.

Lectors

Lectors provide for the prayerful and powerful proclamation of the Word of God at Mass.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Lectors must be a fully initiated Catholic. Mature teens are welcome. Training is required. **Contact:**
Ed Calhoun, 270-903-9712.

Launder Mass/ Altar Linens

Help is needed to wash and iron the purificators, corporals and towels that are used at Mass.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: This ministry will be on a rotation basis. Training is provided. **Contact: Coleen Bachmeier 270-684-5839, 270-314-3105.**

Hospitality and Welcoming Committee

This Committee actively seeks ways to make everyone in the Parish feel welcomed and a part of the faith community.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Interested individuals plan and coordinate fellowship activities throughout the year in which all members of the Parish are invited. Additionally, this group leads the effort to welcome new members. **Contact:**
Jane Strehl 270-684-6833;
Steve Dixon, 270-929-6633.

Greeters

Greeters are a part of the Welcoming & Hospitality Ministry.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Greeters are the first persons to welcome individuals as they arrive for Mass. Greeters open the doors for those entering the Church, and say a few words of welcome to each person. **Contact: David and Pat Jones, 270-926-4980.**

Ushers

Ushers are also a part of the Welcoming & Hospitality Ministry.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Ushers greet parishioners as they enter the worship area, help with seating, and

pass the collection basket. Husband and wife teams are encouraged to participate. **Contact:**
Ed Mattingly, 270-313-5017.

Ministers of Music

Music ministers enhance the liturgy and lead the assembly in song.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: We are always looking for more people to share their musical talents with the Parish. This includes Cantors, Adult Choir members, Funeral Choir, as well as instrumentalists. **Contact:**
Tracie Feldpausch, 270-314-0158.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy presents the Sunday Gospel message at the child's level of understanding - to find the presence of Jesus in their experience.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Adults and teen helpers who desire to witness to the Gospel message for children ages 5-8 at the 8 am and 11 am Masses on Sunday. Training and materials will be provided. **Contact:**
Vicki Conder, 270-313-7686.

Rosary Ministry

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Weekend Mass.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Rosary Ministers are scheduled for Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 8 am & 11 am. Any person or family can be involved in this ministry. **Contact:** Debbie Lanham, 270-993-2462.

EDUCATION AND FORMATION

PARISH FAMILIES IN FAITH

*All parishioners are invited to join us making a reality the ideal that within our homes we strive to build a **household of faith**, and come together as a **parish family in faith**. Every member of St. Pius X Parish is included, regardless of nationality, age, family structure, vocation, or choice of school system. **Families in Faith** will consist of, but not be limited to, the following opportunities:*

Adult Programs

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Sunday morning faith formation—from the middle of September until the middle of May, from 9-10:30 a.m. There will be various opportunities for adult faith formation including prayer, Scripture and early Church History. **Contact: Joe Wathen, 859-667-2224.**

Children's Programs

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Sunday morning will also include structured

faith formation sessions for ages 4 (Child care under age 4 is provided) through 18. Consider this ministry to serve as Catechists and aides. Training is provided. **Contact: Vicki Conder, 270-313-7686.**

Sacramental Preparation

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Specific programs are designed to prepare individuals for various sacraments. Sacramental Preparation Programs are available for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The Confirmation Team consists of a D.R.E. leader and Parishioners. **Contact: Vicki Conder or Joe Wathen.**

R.C.I.A.

R.C.I.A. is the process that prepares adults and children for initiation into the Catholic faith. The RCIA process is meant for adults and children who have: never been baptized; been Baptized in other Christian faith communities; been baptized Catholic but never celebrated any other sacraments.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: (1) Classes run from the first of September until the end of April from 6-7:30 p.m. each Thursday. If you know of anyone who has expressed an interest in learning more about the Catholic

Faith or becoming Catholic, please invite them to contact the Pastor or Parish Office. **(2)** Support the RCIA process by becoming a Team Member or bringing snacks to the participants. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

Koinonia

Koinonia is a three day Parish-based retreat opportunity that is held annually at the end of January. This retreat is led by Parishioners for Parishioners.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Individuals who have made a Koinonia weekend are empowered through Baptism to serve on the Team. All parishioners are encouraged to sign-up to be participants in the weekend. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

Owensboro Catholic Consolidated School System

The Parish supports O.C.S. which includes two elementary sites, Owensboro Catholic Middle and Owensboro Catholic High.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE (1) Parish families must complete a “Verification of Active Parish Involvement” form on an annual basis in order to receive a Parish voucher which is required in order to register in the OCS system as a

“Parish Sponsored” family. This process is typically conducted in June & July. **(2)** The Parish has a servant who serves a three-year term as our representative on the Owensboro Catholic Consolidated School Board. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held June 20-24, 2016.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Servants are needed as Catechists and aides for this spirit-filled and fun program. Teens are highly encouraged to be involved with leadership and service. **Contact: Jeanie Lewis, 270-264-9818.**

Youth Ministry

“Don’t let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers by what you say and do, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity”. I Timothy 4:12

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Middle School Youth in Grades 6-8 meet once a week on Thursday evenings. **High School Youth** in grades 9-12 meet once per week on Sunday evenings. Part of this time is spent in prayer and discussion regarding a specific topic. The remainder of the

time is spent playing games, doing various activities and fellowship.

Adult Chaperones and Volunteers are needed for all youth activities. Safe Environment compliance is required. **Contact: New Youth Minister pending.**

SERVICE TO PARISH AND COMMUNITY

Bereavement Dinners

When there is a funeral in the Parish we offer a bereavement dinner to the family. This is a time for family and friends to gather for a meal after the burial.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Coordinator contacts members of the Parish to prepare a dish for the meal. Individuals are needed to prepare dishes, set up and serve the meal and finally clean up afterwards. **Contact: Tammy Mattingly 270-993-1829; Jane Strehl 270-684-6833.**

Burmese Ministry

Refugees from Burma flee hostility and persecution in their homeland to seek safety and protection. A growing number of Burmese have re-settled in the Owensboro area in the last two years. Welcoming the stranger in our midst is a corporal work of mercy. St. Pius X has embraced the challenge to social action. About 30 Burmese

Catholic families in Owensboro have found a welcome spiritual home at St. Pius.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Parish continues to expand its outreach to our Burmese family. A core planning Committee directs the Burmese ministry. However, many more caring hearts and hands are needed. **(1)** Bus driver servants provide transportation on Sunday morning and for special events. No CDL license is required. **(2)** Volunteers are needed to provide mentoring to a Burmese family or assist with simple ministry of hospitality tasks such as serving meals at Parish events.

Contact:

**Fr. Tom Buckman 270-684-4745;
Vicki Condor 270-313-7686;
Cathy Foster 270-925-2150;
Charlotte Hedges 270-926-1784.**

Card Ministry

It is uplifting and comforting to receive a card and acknowledgement from the Parish at key moments in our life journey. Caring Parishioners send out cards for births, baptisms, illness, death, and welcoming new members to the Parish.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Card Ministry core team will involve any one who is interested. This ministry is

ideal for those who are unable to serve in any other ministry. **Contact: Cathy Franey, 270-929-4430.**

Care Ministry

The purpose of this group is to give a helping hand to a Parish family when experiencing challenges such as illness, injury, a death, job loss or a new baby. This is what CARE MINISTRY at St. Pius is all about.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Care Ministry core team gladly welcomes new members. Everyone has unique talents and abilities. This is a great opportunity to share yours. **Contact: Tammy Mattingly 270-993-1829; Donna Favors 270-313-2701.**

Coffee and Donuts Ministry

This ministry occurs after the Sunday 8:00 A.M. Mass (every week, September – May). Bringing people together to socialize and creating community is part of being Church.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: No experience is needed, just a willingness to be here and serve others. Specific duties include pick up milk, juice and donuts; set up, serve, clean up. **Contact: Vicki Conder, 270-313-7686.**

Eucharistic Minister to Sick and

Homebound

These compassionate and caring individuals reach out to our sick and homebound Parishioners by bringing them the Eucharist on Sundays. The Eucharist is the vital link that connects the sick and homebound to the Church.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: A strong desire to serve will be rewarded with many blessings. Training is provided. **Contact: Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.**

Flower Ministry

Many flowers around the Church beautify the Parish Grounds and Altar area.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Ministers are needed to care for and maintain their pleasing and inviting beauty. **Contact: Linda Calhoun 270-925-5052; Lisa Haynes 270-302-2899; Carol Payne 270-313-3515.**

Prayer Chain

St. Pius X is so blessed to have an active prayer chain.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The St. Pius X “Praying Hands” prayer chain consists of a group of individuals who have a strong belief in the power of prayer and who pray for anyone who is need

of prayer. The requested prayer intentions are passed to the other members via telephone or email. About 125 members participate in this prayer ministry. Everyone in the parish is welcome to join either the telephone or email prayer chain as well as to place a request for prayers.

Contact:

Joyce Yeiser 270-929-4914 or email garden5200@bellsouth.net

Spiritual Life Committee

The Spiritual Life Committee helps coordinate various aspects of the Spiritual Life of the faith community including Koinonia, Parish Missions, small faith sharing groups and retreats for men and women.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: This Committee meets quarterly to plan and implement spiritual nourishment events for the Parish. **Contact:** **Jane Strehl, 270-684-6833.**

St. Benedict Shelter

St. Benedict's Emergency Shelter for Men is the only emergency shelter in Owensboro that serves 60 men nightly and an estimated 200+ men a year.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: St. Pius participates along with other churches in a corporal work of mercy to shelter the homeless. Every 3rd

Thursday evening parishioners are scheduled to serve a meal and supervise the shelter throughout the night. **Contact:**

Linda Dixon, 270-929-9076.

St. Vincent de Paul

The role of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is to serve the needy within our Parish boundaries. SVDP will help those who are in need of assistance with food, prescription medicines, clothing, utilities, and basic shelter. St. Vincent de Paul ministers go out to homes to visit individuals to determine their level of need.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

New members are always welcome. St. Vincent is open on Tuesday and Thursday to assist those in need. Regular meetings are also scheduled. Please remember to support SVDP through food donations for the food pantry. Monetary donations are appreciated and help the needy.

Contact:

Debbie Murphy, 270-929-6148.

ADMINISTRATION

Development Committee

The Development Committee is a group of individuals appointed by the Pastor to provide organization and leadership towards the growth of the

financial and natural resources of the Parish.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Development Committee is responsible for Long Range Planning and works closely with the Pastoral Council to monitor its implementation. **Contact:**
Delores Turnage, 270-315-0789,

Finance Committee

The role of the Finance Committee is to provide the administrative and financial management and analysis skills necessary to sustain the mission and ongoing development of the Parish.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Finance Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Members are appointed by the Pastor for a 4 year term. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

Office Help

Clerical assistance in the Parish Office may be needed for special mailings, filing and other general office tasks when the need arises.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Business Manager coordinates office help as needed. **Contact:**
Michelle Roberts, 270-684-4745.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council deliberates and seeks consensus on those matters for which they are responsible, which affect the common good of the Parish and the good of the local church as witnessed through the Parish. The Pastoral Council works with the Pastor and all Parish Staff and Committees in setting policy, direction and goals for the Parish.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: This Council is chosen from those nominated by the whole Parish and they serve a three year term. The Council meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee coordinates the annual Parish-wide Stewardship effort. This Committee seeks to provide on-going education to all Parishioners by fostering the idea that Stewardship is a way of life, a generous sharing of your Time, Talents and Treasures.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: This Committee is currently being restarted and will meet in the near future to improve participation by planning the Ministry Fair. **Contact:**
Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Building and Grounds Committee

This Committee works to maintain the parish facilities and grounds in good shape. This ranges from the upkeep of the buildings to the overseeing of the grounds. If you have any particular skills in these areas, your time and talents would be most welcome and appreciated.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: The Building and Grounds Committee meets quarterly on the 3rd Thursday at 9:00 A.M. Members serve for 4 years.
Contact: Tom Payne, 270-929-6663.

Adopt-a-Flower Bed Ministry

Green thumbs are needed to keep the flower beds around the church and on the front lawn planted and well-tended.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: A group of individuals work together to accomplish this task. Disciples who are interested in working with their hands to beautify the Parish grounds are always welcome. **Contact: Al Johnson, 270-302-5246.**

God's Housekeepers

God's Housekeepers help to keep our church clean by dusting, vacuuming, and whatever else is needed.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Groups are scheduled as a team of 5-6 individuals. You will receive a schedule and then it will be up to your team to decide on the best time to come and clean before the weekend services. **Contact: Cathy Franey, 270-929-4430.**

SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND GROUPS

Picnic Committee

The Committee organizes and oversees our annual church picnic. The Picnic is a large undertaking and takes the whole parish working together to be successful. The annual Picnic is the largest fundraiser for the Parish. All families are asked to sell raffle tickets for the Capital Prize given away at the Picnic. There are numerous ways to volunteer - - help set up stands the week of the Picnic, donate handmade items to the Country Store booth, help make Potato Salad, work in a booth the day of the Picnic, or help with tear-down and clean up.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Picnic Committee members serve a three year term. The Committee typically meets monthly beginning in February through the actual date of the Picnic on the 2nd Saturday of June. **Contact: Fr. Tom Buckman, 270-684-4745.**

Project Light Ministry *(Financial Peace)*

Purpose: To teach seven Baby Steps of money management. By creating a living on budget, one learns to take control of money, avoid pitfalls, find contentment, retire with dignity, and give generously to others.

HOW TO PARTICPATE: Sign-ups take place in January. There are nine 90-minute classes that meet weekly. Two facilitating teams assist in presenting Dave Ramsey's videos with small group discussions relating to the videos. *Free childcare is offered as well as financial assistance.*

Contact: Gary Estes, 270-314-4419.

Cooking Team

The Parish Cooking Team is active throughout the year. This group has raised thousands of dollars over the years to aid special projects and are key contributors to the success of our annual Picnic.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: If you like to barbeque and have a great time—this is the group for you. **Contact:**
David Fleischman 270-314-2154;
Bobby Freels 270-315-5770;
Roger Kirk 270-683-0822;
Ed Mattingly 270-316-5017;
Stan McKay 270-316-3586;
Sammy Potts 270-302-8049.

God's Words of Wisdom

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides". Matthew 6:33

"Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy". 1 Corinthians 4:2

Pope Francis: Stewardship

"In this period of crisis today, it is important not to turn in on ourselves, burying our own talent, own spirituality, intellectual and material riches".

