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STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

TO: All Pastors/ Administrators
FROM: Deacon Russell Davis, Director
DATE: March 6, 2024
RE: *April* Stewardship Bulletin Reflections

The attached information is provided as a way of presenting the message of *Stewardship*. It is recommended for use for the four weekends in April 2024.

Please review the attached **Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful Petitions**. These petitions are dated and are provided to match the weekly scripture readings.

The weekly **Stewardship Reflections & Prayer of the Faithful Petitions** are also available in **Spanish**. Please call 856-583-6125 or email Christine.Cammarota@camdendiocese.org for more information.

The *Stewardship* Bulletin Reflections and Prayer of the Faithful Petitions (in Word and PDF formats) can be found on the Diocesan website.

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Stewardship Bulletin Reflections

Thank you for using *Stewardship* materials in your parish liturgy. For further information or assistance, please feel free to contact the Office of Stewardship. You will receive a weekly email reminder that directs you to a diocesan webpage where you will find all documents in an easy to understand and downloadable format: <http://www.camdendiocese.org/weekly-mailing/>

Office of Stewardship
April 2024
Weekly Bulletin Announcements

Please insert the appropriate weekly bulletin announcement for the four weekends of **April**:

April 7, 2024

Divine Mercy Sunday

Stewards of Gifts

“The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own...” - ACTS 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren’t really owners of anything, we are merely “**Stewards**” of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

April 14, 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter

Stewardship Life

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...” - LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life of **Stewardship** and not a “self-centered” life.

April 21, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter

Stewards Listen

*“I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice.”
- JOHN 10:14-16*

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from his **Steward**? How do you listen for His response? Many times, Jesus responds in “quiet whispers” that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

April 28, 2024

5th Sunday of Easter

Steward Goodness

“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” - 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good **Steward**? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it’s not too late to start!

Office of Stewardship
April 2024

Weekly Prayers of the Faithful Petitions

April 7, 2024

That we as Christian **Stewards** may learn to see all of our blessings as abundant gifts from God so that we may use them for the benefit of all God's people. Let us pray to the Lord.

April 14, 2024

That we as Christian **Stewards** have the courage to do the work God has sent us to do, knowing that this is the true path to peace and joy. Let us pray to the Lord.

April 21, 2024

That we as Christian **Stewards** take time in daily silent prayer to talk and listen for Jesus' voice. Let us pray to the Lord.

April 28, 2024

That as Christian **Stewards** our daily actions reflect our goal of good discipleship. Let us pray to the Lord.