

Suggested Bulletin Announcements during the Stewardship Effort

First Bulletin Announcement: Five weeks before Commitment Sunday

Our Parish will begin a Stewardship Effort on (date). Stewardship is based on the spiritual principles of the Old Testament and the teachings of Jesus. It is a way of thanking God for all the blessings He has given us by returning to Him a portion of time, talent, and treasure. Stewardship can change the spiritual lives of both individuals and the parish as a whole.

Second Bulletin Announcement: Four weeks before Commitment Sunday

Stewardship is based on our need to give back to God out of gratitude, not on the Church's need to receive. It is based on the premise that all that we have and all that we are comes from God and, as a way of thanking Him for all our blessings, we return a portion of the time, talent, and treasure He has allotted to us. Soon, we will begin a Stewardship Effort at our parish. Please be generous in giving of yourself.

Third Bulletin Announcement: Three weeks before Commitment Sunday

Christian stewardship provides spirituality that you can take home from church, exercise at work, and express through personal involvement in the community and parish. Please pray that our stewardship effort, which begins next weekend, will enlighten our entire parish. At all Masses next weekend, we will be hearing from parishioners [*name*] who will describe how stewardship affects their lives.

Fourth Bulletin Announcement: Two weeks before Commitment Sunday

Our Stewardship Effort begins this weekend. At all Masses this weekend, you heard from me and from our parishioners, [*names*], about their personal experiences with stewardship. Next weekend, you will hear from [*name parishioners*]. Please continue to give prayerful thought to your commitment of time, talent, and treasure to the parish and the community.

Fifth Bulletin Announcement: One week before Commitment Sunday

We continue our Stewardship Effort. Where stewardship has been implemented, it has changed the lives of both givers and receivers. At all Masses this weekend, you heard from me and from our parishioners (*name*) about their personal experiences with stewardship. You will receive a commitment card in the mail later this week asking you to make your stewardship commitment of time, talent, and treasure.

Sixth Bulletin Announcement: Commitment Sunday

This is Stewardship Commitment Sunday. Please return your time, talent, and treasure cards at Mass today. If you did not bring them to Mass today, please bring them next week or mail them to the church this week.