

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



Church of the Ascension is a vibrant Catholic community that embraces stewardship as a **Way of Life**. A life of **Stewardship** is rooted in Scripture and is the response of each individual's call to discipleship whereby one responds to the mission and ministry of the local and universal Church in sharing the Gospel. Stewardship recognizes that we, as individuals, are not the owners of our lives, our time, our talent, nor our treasure, but stewards or managers of these God-given gifts.

Stewardship is our Time, Talent and Treasure given to God in thanksgiving for all that He has given us.

Registered parishioners/families are expected to be in good standing with respect to **Stewardship: A Way of Life** by:

- + Practicing the Catholic faith and living Catholic values
- + Sharing in the prayer life of the parish
- + Regularly volunteering at the parish to support its mission to serve in the spirit of Christ
- + Practicing financial stewardship through sacrificial and biblical levels of tithing

THE GIFT OF *TIME & TALENT*



Church of the Ascension parishioners/families are encouraged to become active in at least one program or ministry within the following areas:



CHRIST THE PRIEST:

SPIRITUALITY & LITURGY

- ◆ Liturgical Ministries
- ◆ Perpetual Adoration
- ◆ Sacramental Celebrations
- ◆ Vocation Promotion

CHRIST THE SHEPHERD:

PARISH LIFE

- ◆ Stewardship
- ◆ Volunteers
- ◆ Mardi Gras Dinner Auction
- ◆ Various Parish Organizations



CHRIST THE TEACHER:

FORMATION & EDUCATION

- ◆ Adult Faith Formation
- ◆ Family Life
- ◆ Youth Faith Formation
- ◆ Parish School



CHRIST THE SERVANT:

MINISTRY OF CARE

- ◆ Corporal Works of Mercy
- ◆ Support Ministries
- ◆ Social Concerns
- ◆ Parish Outreach



THE GIFT OF *TREASURE*

Church of the Ascension parishioners/families are encouraged to make and honor a sacrificial pledge to God of at least 10% of their household income in gratitude for the blessings they have received via the following guidelines:

5% To our parish as general parish support

1% To the Archbishop's Call to Share

4% To our parish or other charitable causes*

**Note: School families are encouraged to give this additional 4% to our parish in light of benefits received related to the school.*

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."
(1Peter 4:10)*