1. Form a Parish Stewardship Team
   - Form a team of 2 or 3 individuals who exemplify Orthodox Christian stewardship
   - Build a team blessed with a variety of gifts, training and experience
   - Choose a Christ-centered chair with proven leadership and mentoring skills

2. Make a 12-Month Plan
   - Create a 12-month parish stewardship calendar & put it in the church master calendar
   - Plan for ongoing communication and personal contact with parishioners
   - Schedule and assign tasks, communications, visitations and events

3. Communicate
   - Include a variety of stewardship messages in bulletins, e-bulletins and newsletters
   - Plan a strategy of visitations or online small group meetings
   - Keep the parish council informed and active in promoting stewardship.
   - Contact Stewardship Ministries for resources, sample letters, commitment card and more
   - Enlist parishioners to offer testimonials in church and in written and video communication
   - Offer sermons that apply the theme of the Gospel lessons to Stewardship

4. Implement Various Methods of Online Giving
   - Set up online giving and instruct members on the use of the program.
   - Include links to online giving in all communications.
   - Consider a Stewardship Kiosk for online giving while at the church
   - Implement text-giving, online light-a-candle programs and more

5. Engage the People in the Life of the Church
   - Create opportunities for people to be heard such as town hall meetings
   - Get people personally involved in parish ministry
   - Welcome new ideas and delegate responsibility
   - Listen to and validate the concerns of parishioners

6. Utilize the 2021 Theme:
   - 2021 Theme: “… the greatest of these is love.” (1 Cor. 13:13)
   - Application: Stewardship is an expression of love.

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