

stewardship ministry

QuickStart guide

1. form a parish stewardship team

- Form your stewardship team early with individuals who exemplify Orthodox Christian Stewardship
- Build a team blessed with a variety of gifts, training and experience. Include young professionals
- 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
- Recognize that Stewardship is an ongoing ministry – not any single event or activity

3. communicate

- Include a variety of messages pertaining to stewardship in bulletins, e-bulletins and newsletters
- Plan a strategy of visitations or small group meetings. Consider online meetings if necessary
- Keep the parish council informed and active in promoting stewardship, leading by example
- Contact the Archdiocese Stewardship Ministries for resources, sample commitment cards and more
- Enlist parishioners to offer testimonials in church and in written and video communication
- Offer sermons that apply the them 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 electronic 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: town hall meetings, etc
- Get people personally involved in parish ministry
- Welcome new ideas and delegate responsibility
- Listen to and validate the concerns of parishioners

6. utilize the 2022 theme

“OUR CHURCH. OUR SPIRITUAL HOME.”

Our focus is bringing people back to live worship

