

Holy Family
Catholic Church

Stewardship

Time
Talent
&
Treasure

Dear Parishioner

This booklet has been prepared to inform you of the various opportunities available to members of Holy Family Catholic Church for participation in our ongoing stewardship program. The booklet, along with the enclosed Pledge Sheet, will assist you in selecting programs and activities in which you may wish to give of your "Time and Talent".

This booklet also contains a list of Commissions and Service Organizations in the parish with a brief description of the primary purpose of each commission and organization. There is also a list of volunteer opportunities available within each commission. Please read the descriptions and if you have any questions call the church office at 778-0600, for any additional information you may require.

When you have had an opportunity to review the programs and activities listed in the booklet please complete the enclosed Pledge Sheet indicating the programs in which you are interested. The completed Pledge Sheet can be placed in the regular offertory collection or returned to the parish office at any time.

Holy Family Parish is very fortunate to have a great number of programs, and activities, which enhance the spiritual and temporal well being of our parish and our community. We are asking each of you to consider giving a portion of your Time, Talent and Treasure to your church and your community.

PARISH COMMISSIONS

"Worthy of special respect and praise in the Church are the laity, single or married, who, in a definitive way or for a period, put their person and their professional competence at the service of institutions and their activities." {*Decree on the Apostolate of Lay People, Chapter IV, #22.*}

ADMINISTRATION

The Administration Commission is responsible for the management and maintenance of parish property and equipment of the parish, and for providing assistance in the administration of the parish office.

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with the offertory collection on Monday mornings—General Office and telephone assistance for special projects—Assist with the maintenance of buildings and grounds.

COMMUNICATION

This commission is responsible for the dissemination of information regarding issues and programs of the parish and the community. This includes publication of The Alpha newsletter, the church website, providing assistance to the Parish Pastoral Council, commissions and other organizations in effectively publicizing their programs and maintaining media relationships.

Volunteer Opportunities: Report and/or photograph events for the Alpha or the church website—Assist with distribution of The Alpha one week-day each month—Public Relations projects for the parish—Technicians for Audio, Telephone, or Computer Systems.

COMMUNITY LIFE

The Community Life Commission addresses the social, physical and spiritual issues of the parish and community with emphasis on responding to the needs of our Hispanic population working cooperatively with other churches and social agencies dedicated to alleviating poverty and curing social ills.

Volunteer Opportunities: Meals on Wheels—Thanksgiving Outreach—Look to Bethlehem Program—Christmas Outreach Program—Crisis Control ministry—Prison Ministry—Samaritan Soup Kitchen—Downtown Homeless Shelter—Habitat for Humanity—Birthright—Hospital/Hospice program—Red Cross Blood Drive.

EDUCATION

The Education Commission is to provide opportunities to enhance the spiritual growth and fulfillment of all adults and children by providing an educational program with instructors who will teach with fervor and be an integral part of developing a high quality teaching tradition at Holy Family Parish.

Volunteer Opportunities: Saints Alive Program—Advent Wreath Making—Christmas Story Hour—Lenten Faire—Family Stations—Stewardship Programs for Children—Catechist for Pre-school, Elementary or Middle School classes—Substitute catechist or classroom aide—Hall Monitor during class sessions—Assist Youth Ministry program—chaperoning, driving, special projects— Team assistant with the adult education program

EVANGELIZATION/ECUMENISM

The Evangelization/Ecumenism Commission offers programs designed to deepen the spiritual growth and commitment of our active faith community, to welcome inactive Catholics back to our faith community and participates in programs with Christians of other faiths.

Volunteer Opportunities: Ecumenical programs—Outreach ministry for inactive Catholics—Spiritual Renewal programs—Faith sharing facilitator for a Small Church Community—Newcomers welcoming program—Library ministry—Mission outreach to global communities.

FAMILY LIFE

The Family Life Commission is concerned with those matters that build an internal family spirit and improve Christian family life and is especially concerned with those matters that help build the parish family community.

Volunteer Opportunities: Saturday Night Dinners-set-up, cook, serve, clean-up—Hospitality after weekend Masses—Sunday Nursery during the morning Mass—Moms Support Group—Catholic Young Adults of Winston-Salem-Ages 25 to 45, Single or Married—Separated/Divorced Catholics Group—Bereavement Committee.

LITURGY

The Liturgy Commission is concerned with the liturgical functions that serve as the primary demonstrative expressions of faith and worship. The commissions plans and assists in the coordination of liturgical, para-liturgical and special celebrations and events.

Volunteer Opportunities: Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers—Lectors—Ushers—Altar Servers, 4th grade and up, male or female may serve—Serve as visitor or Eucharist Minister for the sick and the homebound—Art & Environment committee, floral and plant care, sewing and mending—Volunteer as a team member or sponsor for the RCIA program—Wash and prepare altar linens.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults {RCIA}

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA, is a weekly inquiry program for people interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Those who wish to continue beyond inquiry program and become Roman Catholic, form a small community who make the faith journey together and normally receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Volunteer Opportunities: Team Member—Sponsor

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP

This long standing organization has evolved through the years into a group of dedicated women who work throughout the year with many helpers, women, men and youth, to present a special day in the life of our parish - "OUR FALL BAZAAR"! All proceeds realized from the sale of the articles prepared by this group are donated to the parish for use in many different special projects. A project of this magnitude requires many "hands" to get the job done. All members of Holy Family are invited to participate in what has become a Holy Family tradition.

COLUMBIAN SQUIRES

The Columbian Squires is an organization of Catholic young men, ages twelve to eighteen, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The Squires work in conjunction with the Knights and provide assistance in the many programs and activities in which the Knights are involved.

COLUMBIETTES

The Columbiettes is a unified body of Catholic women who become members of a team or family and who stand ready to help their affiliated Knights of Columbus Council. The benefits of membership are many - spiritual, moral, educational and social.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization of men dedicated to contributing their time and talent to the church and the community through various worthwhile programs including but not limited to: Family Life - Pro-life - Vocations and Evangelization. The Clemmons Council provides many opportunities for Catholic men to share in the life of our parish and community.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON GUILD

The Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Guild is an organization open to all women in the parish. This is an organization that offers social activities, family life and community life involvement, as well as spiritual opportunities to grow in faith and in union with one another.

SENIORS

The Holy Family Seniors is an organization that promotes social activities among the adult seniors of the parish and the community. The members of this organization participate in many of the parish ministries and activities.

SQUIRETTES

The Squirettes is an organization of Catholic young women, age 10-18, sponsored by the Columbiettes. The Squirettes work in conjunction with the Columbiettes and provide assistance in the many programs and activities in which the Columbiettes are involved.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE.....invites us to see our financial resources as gifts from God and asks us to make a response based on our being grateful. The more we are aware of being blessed the more we want to express our gratitude. THIS IS THE HEART OF STEWARDSHIP!

STEWARDSHIP

- Recognizes that everything we have is a gift from God
- Calls forth praise and gratitude
- Has us desiring to make a grateful response
- Invites us to give a percentage of our income to the Church
- Has us following through on our commitment

Please give prayerful consideration to increasing the percentage and/or amount of your financial support of our Holy Family using the weekly envelopes to help keep us focused on STEWARDSHIP.

Stewardship Prayer

Lord God, you alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life. We praise you and we thank you for your great power and your tender, faithful LOVE.

Everything we are and everything we have is your gift, and after having created us you have given us into the keeping of Your Son, JESUS CHRIST.

Fill our minds with HIS truth and our hearts with HIS love, that in HIS spirit we may be bonded together into a community of faith, a parish family, a caring people,

In the Name and Spirit of Jesus, we commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our material gifts as an outward sign of the Treasure we hold in Jesus. AMEN

As each one has received a
gift, use it to serve one an-
other as good stewards of
God's varied grace”

1 Peter 4:8-10