### **Faith Formation & Prayer**

Religious Education— Teacher, Helper Religious Education DRE Confirmation Teacher Confirmation Volunteer RCIA/Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult Volunteer Adult Education/Bible Study Rosary before Mass Volunteer

## Hospitality, Music, Liturgy

Hospitality & Gifts—Greeter
Music, Choir Volunteer
EMHC/Extraordinary
Minister of Holy Communion
Communion to Homebound
Lector (7th Grade & up)
Altar Server (4th Grade & up)
Altar Linen Care
Sanctuary Environment
Ministry List Coordinator

## Service & Outreach Ministry

 Cemetery Care

 Landscaping Care

 Lawn Care

 Snow Removal

 Seder Supper Volunteer

Historian Scrap Book Volunteer Parish Website Coordinator Photographer **Respect Life Chairperson** Walk for Life Welcome Home Volunteer West NE Register News Reporter **St. John's Opportunities Knights of Columbus** Stewardship Committee Pastoral Council & Finance Committee **Respect Life Committee Diocesan Opportunities Participant or Volunteer** Higher Ground— Youth Faith Building Going Bananas— Youth Faith Building TEC/Teens Encounter Christ— Youth Faith Building **CEC/Catholics** Encounter **Christ Adult Faith Building** DCCW/Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, St. John Representative

## St. John the Evangelist



#### 2023 Discipleship Volunteer Renewal

In gratitude for all God has given us, we offer our Prayer, our Participation and our Generosity to God and to His Church.

Please bring this card to Mass or mail it by **April 30th** to the Parish Office: St. John the Evangelist, P O Box 309, Stapleton, NE 69163 308-636-2421 stjohnscatholic@hotmail.com

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## PRAYER

Spending time with God in Prayer

Stewardship is about giving back to God in gratitude for all He has given you. It begins with Prayer.

Below are some ideas for your commitment this next year:

- Attend Mass every weekend and on Holy Days. Attend Mass at least once during the week.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spend \_\_\_\_\_ minutes per day in personal prayer.
- Read the Bible \_\_\_\_ minutes per week.
- Pray together with loved ones.
- \_\_\_\_ Go to Reconciliation every

Schedule time for a Retreat.
Pray the Rosary every \_\_\_\_\_.
Spend one hour a week with Christ.

Other:

#### **PARTICIPATION** Using my God-given talents as a sign of my appreciation to Him.

On the opposite side of this brochure are many ways you can help your Church and your Community.

## A note about DISCIPLESHIP

The priest who is credited with our modern understanding of Stewardship is Msgr. Tom McGread. As a new priest in the late 1950's, he came to Kansas from Ireland. While serving in various churches in the Wichita Diocese, he began to develop a way to bring his people to Christ more fully.

He looked to the Bible, and found multiple references to being grateful, giving back, helping others, and growing in faith. Time and time again we are called to take a leap of faith jump and know that God will catch us.

"The average person spends 25,000 days on Earth," Msgr. McGread said a few years ago. "When we meet the Lord on the last day of our life here, we must account for how we spent those days. Did we recognize the gifts God has given us and used them for His glory, to draw others to Him and build the kingdom here on earth?" This Stewardship renewal is to help each of us give back to God for all the ways he gifts us.

# GENEROSITY

We can give financially to our Church in many ways: special gifts when there is a big need, weekly donations based on our extra funds and weekly gifts based on the Biblical idea of tithing.

% of Income:	10%	5%	4%	1%	
Household			- • •		
Income	Amount of Weekly Gift				
\$20,000	\$38	\$19	\$15	\$4	
\$30,000	58	29	23	6	
\$50,000	96	48	38	10	
\$70,000	135	67	54	14	
\$100,000	192	96	76	20	

The 4 pillars of Discipleship

Hospitality—Who doesn't want to feel welcome? This provides the glue necessary to keep individuals and families tied closely to our Catholic faith. **Prayer**—Stewardship's textbook is the Bible and its school is the Mass. There's a deep connection between the Eucharistic Celebration and Stewardship. Through prayer and living the Mass we learn to recognize, receive, accept and share God's grace and giftedness in love of God and neighbor.

**Formation**—A life-long journey of conversion. Prayer, education and communication are needed in the stewardship conversion process. **Service**—The heart of Christian Stewardship: to serve and be served.