

The **Faithful Steward Campaign** is not asking for money. It is about looking at and getting in touch with

*Our attitudes towards money,
and sharing our money with others.*

Jesus knew how easy it is to be trapped by possessions. He warned us”

*“You cannot serve God and money....
Where your treasure is, there will
your heart be.”*

Many people measure the quality and worth of their lives by the material goods they acquire. They are owned by their possessions. Faithful stewards measure their lives by the good they do. They know that whatever we have, we merely hold in trust from God. The day will come when God will ask each of us:

*“What have you done with all I
have given you?”*

The faithful steward will answer,

“I put my treasure where I wanted my heart to be. I shared with those in need a portion of both my income and my assets. I did this to show my gratitude to You, not because someone was in need; I would have done this even if there had been no needs or problems in the world. I wanted to become “poor in spirit” by freeing myself from the grasp of possessions.”

The Church is one of the gifts God has given us. The faithful steward shows thanks for that gift by sharing a meaning portion of his/her treasure with the Parish, Diocese and Universal Church. Another portion of his/her

treasure should also go to the many needs in the community.

Some people equate Stewardship with Tithing, the giving 10% of their income to the Church and community.

Our view is “one size does not fit all.”

Jesus said,

*“Give not just from your surplus
but from your need”*

In other words, make a true sacrifice.

A low-income person might do that by giving 1%, while a high-income person might have to go well beyond 10%.

A faithful steward gives what in prayer feels right with God.

The Faithful Stewardship Campaign is a spiritual partnership with God, rich in prayer and grace. It is also a practical partnership, choosing to place in God’s service the gift of Treasure.

A faithful steward is one who:

- Receives God’s gifts gratefully,
- Cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner,
- Shares them in justice and love with all, and
- Returns them with increase to God.

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The Faithful Steward Campaign is a campaign that will ask a parishioner to look at their financial well being and, if possible, then contribute a specified amount of financial support to the parish on a weekly basis.