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Pastor's Column

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Christian Stewardship Awareness Month—Fulfilling God's Purpose

As we begin this month of "Christian Stewardship Awareness," we allow the words of St. Paul to the Colossians to echo in our minds, hearts, and souls:

And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good Work, growing in the knowledge of God. —Colossians 1:10

Our stewardship is the expression of our faith as we manage our lives and resources for God's purposes.

It is the wise management of who we are and all that we have.

We have been chosen as God's stewards and God grants us the wonderful privilege to serve the Kingdom.

God also empowers us for service.

As God molds and transforms us into his stewards, we acknowledge that everything in this life is a sacred trust from him.

God is the source and owner of all things. God allows us to use his creation and intends it for our good.

For the next three weeks we will focus on Christian Stewardship. Let us allow ourselves to reflect upon the many ministries available in this Faith Community. Choose a ministry or ministries that will help you to fulfill God's purpose.

You will benefit, your family and friends will benefit, and the world will benefit!

We find ourselves in the most exciting year of our Parish's history as we see the construction of our Permanent Church and Parish Offices bloom from the dirt.

These buildings do not make us a Church. We are already Church, the People of God!

These buildings will better help us, as a Parish, fulfill God's purpose.

Please open yourselves up to the messages on Christian Stewardship that you will hear on the next three weekends. Discover new ways in which you can give of your time, talent, and treasure in order that you may help to fulfill God's purpose.

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