

Our Lord Jesus Christ King, of the Universe November 23, 2014

Pastor's Column

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Gratitude: A Lifetime of Christian Stewardship— Fulfilling God's Purpose

We continue our journey through the month of November as we reflect upon Christian Stewardship, and reflect upon the meaning of the words, "Thank You."

Christian Stewardship is a way of living, living as Disciples of the Lord Jesus. Thus Christian Stewardship is, simply put, Discipleship.

Last weekend, at all our Eucharistic Celebrations, Caleb and Sheila McKinley gave their "witness talk" about their journey with the Lord Jesus. They focused, especially, upon what attracted them our Faith Community, and what motivates them to actively participate in the Parish.

Our "Thank You," to God and to one to another, reminds us of our interconnectedness, the web of relationship and community that gives meaning to life.

Christian Stewardship is not just about giving of time, talent, and treasure. It is also about receiving the gifts of time, talent, and treasure when the need arises in our lives.

This weekend at all the Masses, Chris Smith, our Director of Stewardship and Development, will speak at Announcement time as she informs our Parishioners about the various ministries of our Parish, and the number of people needed to fulfill these ministries as we continue the mission and ministry of Jesus.

Chris will also share some other ways in which through Discipleship we can fulfill our responsibilities as Christian Stewards.

This information will, again, remind all of us of our dependence upon God and one another. We are a part of the web of relationships, of the interconnectedness that gives meaning to life and helps us to be at peace.

As we make our way through this month of Christian Stewardship, may all of us take more seriously, and say, more committedly, the words: "Thank You!"

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