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Rev. John L. Johns, Presiding Priest



Dear Annunciation Family,

I pray you all enjoyed your Summer!

The Stewardship Committee and I are excited to continuously share with you our monthly communication. The sixth of which is enclosed highlighting the month of August. The one you all should have received last month, highlighted our topics & numbers for July.

Each month this new communication will do **two things**:

One, the Stewardship communication will share updates on where we are financially against our goals for the year, which are *100% participation and a 100% Stewardship-funded Budget*. Two, this communication will continually expand on topics concerning Stewardship. From July until December we will focus on the *Path to Generosity*, covering 5 total steps on this faithful path.

Our hope is that this Communication will grow awareness about true biblical Stewardship, and in turn help our Church expand her ministries, grow spiritually, and numerically.

In Christ,

Fr. John Johns &
The Stewardship Committee

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2023 STEWARDSHIP

A way of Life

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GOALS:

- 1 Faithfully Fulfill God's Command to Give
- 2 Increased, Consistent, & Regular Giving
- 3 Increased Participation from Our Members

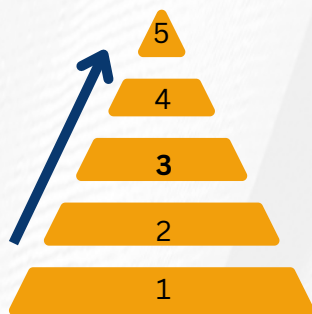
Ultimate Goals:

100% Member Participation
100% Stewardship-Funded Budget

THE PATH TO GENEROSITY

The 5 Steps:

1. Acknowledge Our Sinful, Self-Centered Nature
2. Accept Christ's Offer of Transformation
3. Choose God's Eternal Kingdom over the Earthy Kingdom
4. Become Conformed to Christ's Image
5. Implement Genuine Generosity, as Christ is Generous



STEP 3:

Choose God's Eternal Kingdom over the Earthy Kingdom

As individuals and communities, we continue to struggle against the desire to "be conformed to this world." The Kingdom of God, on the other hand, beckons us to be transformed to the image of Christ, serving God and others out of love in this world and reigning with Christ to the glory of the Father eternally. When we decide to follow God's eternal Kingdom, we have committed to becoming genuinely generous."

-A Revolution in Generosity: Transforming Stewards to be Rich Toward God by Wesley K. Willmer



AT A GLANCE:

YEAR TO DATE-AUGUST INSERT

Total Members:	480
Pledging Stewards:	<u>271</u>
Members Yet to Pledge:	210

Pledge Goal:	\$580,000
Pledged to Date:	<u>\$297,840</u>
Pledges Needed:	\$282,160

GIVING BREAKDOWN

\$1-\$500	118
\$501-\$999	57
\$1,000-\$2,999	75
\$3,000-\$4,999	11
\$5,000-\$6,999	9
\$10,000 & Above	1

HOW DO I BECOME A SUSTAINING STEWARD?



"Stewardship is the Christian life. After all, what is stewardship except that God has entrusted to us life, time, talents, money, possessions, family, and his grace? In each case, he evaluates how we regard what he has entrusted to us and what we do with it."