

We're here to help! If interested in having staff from the Stewardship Department facilitate this day, contact David Kissell at (513) 263 – 3381 or email dkissell@catholicaoc.org.

Introduction to Stewardship

Day of Reflection for Parish Staff

Agenda

1) Opening Prayer

a) Lectio Divina with Stewardship-related Scripture Passage

2) "Stewardship is all about money, right!?!"

- a) Introduction to Stewardship as a Way of Life
- b) Overview of the Bishop's Pastoral Letter on Stewardship
- c) Relationship to *Discipleship* and *Evangelization*

10-minute Break

3) Small Group Break-Out Discussion #1

- a) Think back 5 to 10 years...what did *discipleship*, *stewardship*, and *evangelization* mean to you? What's different today? Why?
- b) When you think about "stewardship as a way of life," who comes to mind? Why?
- c) In what ways are you living stewardship at home, work, parish, etc.? Where do you see opportunity for growth?

4) Large Group Discussion - "Best Wisdom" from Small Group Discussion

5) Part 1: Beginning Stewardship in your Family of Parishes

- a) Introduction to the Stewardship Pathway
- b) Stewardship "Champion" on Staff in the Family of Parishes
- c) Forming a Stewardship Committee/Commission

Lunch Break

6) Part 2: Beginning Stewardship in your Family of Parishes

- a) A Starting Point: The Stewardship Inventory
- b) Examples of Parish Stewardship Activities

7) Small Group Break-Out Discussion #2

- a) What are the main obstacles that stand in the way of furthering a culture of stewardship here in our Family of Parishes?
- b) With the "Stewardship Inventory" in mind, what are we doing well? Where could improvements be made?
- c) If we could begin working on any 1 or 2 stewardship-related items tomorrow, what would these be?

8) Large Group Discussion - "Best Wisdom" from Small Group Discussion

- a) Common Themes / Key Take-a-Ways
- b) Best Next Steps

9) Closing Prayer