



*July 19, 2009*

*A Message from Father Pat...*

## **Stewardship of Ministry 2009-2010**

*Stewardship of Ministry*

It is the time of year to focus once again on our *Stewardship of Ministry* campaign. As Christian stewards, we are called to offer time and talent to help build the Body of Christ. We are all given gifts and talents from God...using those gifts to serve others through parish ministry is a loving expression of our commitment to the Lord. **Let us ask ourselves: how well do we use the time and the talents that we have?**

The numerous ministries and services of St. Thomas More Church could not continue successfully without the dedication of our parish volunteers. In a few weeks, you will be receiving a *Stewardship of Ministry* packet in the mail. Please pray about how you can share the gifts with which God has blessed you. There are many liturgical and non-liturgical opportunities available...whether you have plenty of time to share or just a little time to spare, your commitment to parish ministry is both needed and deeply appreciated.

**More information will be provided  
in next week's bulletin; this information is also  
available on our website ([www.stmore.org](http://www.stmore.org)).**

**“God has also given each of us different gifts to use.  
If we can serve others, we should serve. If we are  
good to others, we should do it cheerfully.”**

*Romans 12:6,7*

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## *Ministry and Service Opportunities*

There are opportunities available for nearly everyone in parish ministry at St. Thomas More. Please review the list below. The ministry packet that you will soon receive in the mail will contain details about each of the ministries.

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### **Liturgy & Worship**

#### **Liturgical Ministries**

Altar Server  
Eucharistic Minister  
Greeter  
Lector  
Ministry to Homebound  
Sacristan  
Usher

#### **Service Ministries**

Altar Society  
Liturgy Commission  
Living Nativity  
Nativity Play

#### **Spirituality Ministries**

Hour of Prayer  
Rosary Group  
Serra Club

#### **Music Ministries**

Cantor Program  
Handbell Choir  
High School Choir  
Instrumental Music  
Resurrection Schola  
Treble Choir  
St. Thomas More Choir  
STM Concert Series  
Spanish Choir

### **Parish Education & Formation**

Bible Study  
Catholics Returning Home  
Faith Formation (CCD)  
Liturgy of the Word for Children  
Men's Prayer Breakfast  
Parish Catechists  
Parish Retreats  
RCIA  
Sacramental Preparation Programs  
Vacation Bible School

#### **Youth Groups**

Friends in Christ  
The Edge (*Middle School*) Youth Ministry  
LifeTeen (*High School*) Youth Ministry

### **Outreach**

#### **Parish Outreach**

Bereavement  
Emergency Services  
Funeral Meals  
Habitat for Humanity  
Handy Helpers  
Hispanic Ministry  
Mandeville Diocese  
Parish Nurse Program  
Prison (Youth Detention) Ministry

#### **Catholic Service Organizations**

Daughters of Isabella  
Knights of Columbus  
St. Vincent de Paul

#### **Ecumenical Service Organizations**

Hope Unlimited  
Merryman House Domestic Abuse Center  
Paducah Cooperative Ministry  
St. Nicholas Clinic  
West Kentucky Right to Life

### **Family Life**

Advent Celebration  
Celebrate Your Marriage  
Coffee and Doughnuts  
Couples in Christ  
Dinner for Eight  
Mothers on Mondays (MOMs Group)  
Over 50's Group  
Parish Picnic  
Special Meals/Receptions  
Trunk or Treat  
Welcoming Committee

### **Administration & Finance**

Mt. Carmel Cemetery  
Office Volunteers  
Parish Buildings  
Parish Grounds  
Transportation

### **Development & Stewardship**

Event Photography  
Parish Grant Writing  
Parish Newsletter