



## St. Thomas More Church Stewardship of Giving 2011-2012

*Dear St. Thomas More Parishioners...*

*March 28, 2011*

Since 2005, we have been practicing stewardship year-round through prayer, financial giving, and involvement in parish ministry. Each Advent, we make a personal commitment to increasing our prayer lives. In late summer, we consider our talents and renew our parish ministry involvement. And now, during Lent, we renew our annual financial offering. This approach reminds us that God calls us to embrace stewardship not just once a year, but as a way of life.

In the past few weeks you have received information from the pulpit and through our bulletin regarding *Stewardship of Giving*. Since stewardship is the whole parish's responsibility, I am asking everyone to participate. Pray about your level of financial commitment to our parish; a prayerful decision is one made according to our means and according to the Lord's call to us to be good stewards of our treasure. Our offering is an opportunity to thank God by giving a portion back in thanksgiving for what He has given us.

Enclosed is a two-part, perforated pledge card. Complete both parts; return one portion and keep one portion for your records. You may return the envelope in the offertory basket, by mail, or bring it to the Parish Office. Pledge cards can also be downloaded from the "Stewardship" link on our website homepage. **I ask that you please complete and return the pledge card by April 30.**

I continue to be thankful each day for the many ways you support our parish through prayer, sharing of talent, and your generous financial offering. Let the grace of God work in your life in a way that brings a conversion of heart, and may God's blessings be upon each of you now and in the days to come.

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