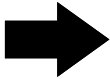


To: Pastors, Stewardship Directors/Coordinators, Stewardship Chairpeople
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Fall, 2016 Renewal Schedule



Saturday/Sunday, October 29/30:
Accountability Weekend
(Annual Report of Parish Life, Bulletin Insert 2, possible Lay Witness Talk—in addition to Commitment Weekend)

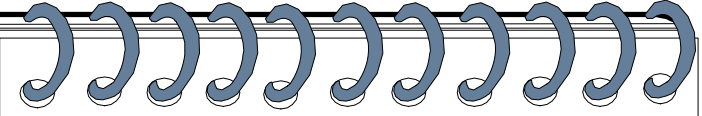
Monday, October 31:
Second Parish Mailing
(Letter, Commitment Card, and if possible, Annual Report of Parish Life)

Saturday/Sunday, November 5/6:
Commitment Weekend
(In Pew Commitments—Commitment Cards, Lay Witness Talk, Bulletin Insert 3)

Saturday/Sunday, November 12/13:
Follow-Up Weekend
(At Mass and in other ways - Follow-up Letters and Acknowledgements, etc.)



In Preparation for... Accountability Weekend-Oct. 29/30



- ⇒ Stuff **Bulletin Insert #2** or have it included in Oct. 29/30's regular bulletin.
- ⇒ Finalize **Annual Report of Parish Life**.
- ⇒ Is the **presenter** of the *Annual Report of Parish Life* ready?
- ⇒ Have people on hand to help **distribute** the *Annual Report of Parish Life* and **straighten the pews** afterward.
- ⇒ Place **Special Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements and Special General Intercession** for Oct. 29/30. (All announcements can be found on the Themes and Materials CD.)
- ⇒ Will you have a **Lay Witness Talk** this week or next?
- ⇒ Work with **music** minister to select appropriate Liturgical music with stewardship themes.
- ⇒ Pray the **Stewardship Prayer** where appropriate.

Accountability is Key!

Good reporting and responsible accountability are critical to sustaining ongoing stewardship. The **Annual Report of Parish Life** is a comprehensive document that reports to your parishioners how the leadership has used the shared gifts of this community - both financial and human. You may wish to include any future goals as well. It is also a perfect time to thank all those who have shared their gifts with you. Find a basic starter template at www.stewardship.org

It is also beneficial to regularly communicate the results of special events throughout the year. Consistent and good communication is key to any healthy relationship.

Special Announcement!

Since the *Take-A-Step Planning Guides and Commitment Cards* vary greatly as do the themes, we cannot provide a one-size-fits-all In-Pew Walk-Through script. However, we have posted a revised script online for you in MS Word format. You can download the script and customize it to match your own parish plan and theme!

Visit www.stewardship.org
Click on "Renewal Resources!" for the script template and many other resources as well.