Stewardship 2026-2027

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Dear Parishioner(s),

Greetings in the Lord! This letter is my invitation to you, the parishioners of Ascension, to participate in our annual stewardship renewal. We are again making budgetary and ministry plans for the next fiscal year and ask that you prayerfully consider how you feel called to contribute your time, talent, and treasure.

Know that since I arrived in July 2025, we have completed a variety of capital improvement projects, including: a total renovation of the concession stand in the gymnasium; a new infant care room; resurfacing of both parking lots on our campus; a partial roof replacement and flooring repairs in the school; a renovation of the interior of the rectory; an installation of a new Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system covering several classrooms; and a resurfacing of the large playground behind the school. Your generous financial support has helped make these improvements possible, in addition to funding our other normal operational activities. Though much work has been accomplished, there is still more to be done in the upcoming fiscal year.

Mindful of our ongoing need to improve our aging infrastructure, we anticipate continuing to phase in additional new HVAC systems and roofing replacements for the church and school. Likewise, we have an ongoing need to improve spaces for our growing early childhood programs. I ask that you consider increasing your regular donations so that we may continue to address the needs of our church, school, and early childhood ministries. Likewise, your regular gifts of time, talent, and treasure reinforce other parish ministries ranging from parish administration to worship to religious education. These ministries are vital for supporting the ongoing spiritual growth of this community.

Included with this letter is a stewardship guide containing a section to help calculate your financial pledge. This worksheet, should you choose to use it, is for your own purposes and should not be returned to the parish office. There is a section at the bottom that you may detach and return. The ministry portion of our renewal is also included in this appeal. All forms may be completed online simply by scanning the QR code below, visiting the Stewardship Forms section of our website under the Community tab, or requesting physical copies from the parish office.

Thank you for your consideration, your commitment to our parish, and your continuing generosity. It has been a joy for me to serve as your Pastoral Administrator over these past several months and I look forward to the years ahead. May the Holy Spirit continue to lead and bless our parish.

Sincerely,

(Rev.) Matthew Millay

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