



# Catholic Stewardship Consultants

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## 2025 Stewardship Renewal Report

Dear Fr. Mark,

In Romans chapter 5, St. Paul proclaims: "And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). This passage reveals the very foundation of Christian stewardship—that our generous response flows not from obligation, but from the divine love that fills our hearts and kindles unshakeable hope within us. When we embrace stewardship as a way of life, we become living witnesses to this hope, allowing God's love to overflow through our time, talent, and treasure into the world around us.

It is fitting that during this Jubilee Year of Hope, as we journey together as "Pilgrims of Hope," the Holy Spirit continues to animate our stewardship efforts at St. Francis of Assisi.

We are excited to share the encouraging results from this year's Stewardship Renewal. This year, 301 families returned commitment cards. These families made 2,584 prayer commitments, 1,004 commitments to parish ministries — including 291 new commitments to ministries — a pledged offertory increase of over \$237,000, and 47 families previously not involved in ministry have signed up to participate in parish life. These remarkable results demonstrate how the Spirit's outpouring of divine love continues to inspire hope-filled stewardship throughout your parish community.

It is important to remember that these numbers are just a glimpse of how God's love, poured out through the Holy Spirit, is working in the hearts of your parishioners. As members of your parish continue their faith journey during this Jubilee Year, each commitment represents a soul responding to the invitation of divine love. These results offer encouraging signs of growth at St. Francis of Assisi - seeds that can bear lasting fruit as parishioners discover deeper meaning in their stewardship calling and experience the joy that comes with placing our trust in Christ.

In Christ,

Shari Navarre  
Catholic Stewardship Consultants

## 2025 Stewardship Renewal Summary

Registered Households.....	2,383
Commitment Cards Received.....	301
Return Rate ( <i>active households</i> ) .....	18%
Return Rate ( <i>all households</i> ) .....	13%
<b>Prayer Commitments (<i>Stewardship of Time</i>) .....</b>	<b>2,584</b>
<b>Ministry Commitments (<i>Stewardship of Talent</i>) .....</b>	<b>1,004</b>
<i>Re-commitments to ministries</i> .....	713
<b><i>New commitments to ministries</i> .....</b>	<b>291</b>
<b>Offertory Commitments (<i>Stewardship of Treasure</i>) .....</b>	<b>252</b>
<i>Average pledge</i> .....	\$3,397
<i>Total annual amount pledged</i> .....	\$856,062
<i>Actual giving past 12 months</i> .....	\$618,869
<b><i>Pledge Offertory Increase</i> .....</b>	<b>\$237,193</b>

## 2025 Stewardship Renewal Highlights

There was a **18% response rate from active households** (262 of 1,474 active households), which is defined by those families who gave at least \$1 to the offertory over the past year.

**90%** of participating households made **prayer commitments**.  
Each household made an average of 9.6 prayer commitments.

Parishioners are taking ownership in the parish by signing up for ministries in large numbers.  
Approximately **81%** of the participating households **made a commitment to ministry**.

**291** of the 1,004 ministry commitments were **NEW commitments**, which is an indication that parishioners are continuing to step forward to get more involved in parish life.

Relatively inactive families are becoming involved at St. Francis of Assisi. **47 families** who were not previously active in any ministry **signed up to get involved in ministries**.

**84%** of participating households made a **treasure commitment**, totaling \$856,062 from annual pledges. This is 38% more than they had actually given the previous 12 months.  
(This is calculated by comparing actual giving to pledged giving.)



## Report of 2025 Stewardship Renewal Commitments

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### Stewardship of Time (Household)

<b>Prayer Commitments .....</b>	<b>2,584</b>
<b>Commitment Cards with Prayer Commitments .....</b>	<b>270</b>
<b>Average Number of Prayer Commitments per Family .....</b>	<b>9.6</b>

Attend Adoration at least once a month .....	91
Attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days.....	250
Attend weekday Mass at least once a week .....	89
Create a dedicated “prayer space” in my home .....	84
Go to Reconciliation every other month.....	86
Invite a friend or acquaintance to Mass.....	50
Pray for an increase in vocations .....	110
Pray for greater respect for human life .....	139
Pray for inactive Catholics.....	181
Pray for my country .....	201
Pray for our clergy and religious .....	181
Pray for persecuted Christians .....	106
Pray for the sick of our parish .....	147
Pray for those serving in the military .....	154
Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet daily .....	46
Pray the Rosary weekly .....	161
Pray together with my loved ones .....	112
Read the Bible at least once a week .....	142
Schedule time for a spiritual retreat .....	35
Spend 15 minutes a day in personal prayer .....	219



## Stewardship of Talent

<b>Ministry commitments.....</b>	<b>1,004</b>
<i>Already Involved .....</i>	<i>713</i>
<i>Interested In Joining .....</i>	<i>291</i>
<b>Commitment Cards with talent commitments.....</b>	<b>245</b>
<b>Average Number of Ministry Sign-ups per family .....</b>	<b>4.1</b>

	Already Involved	Interested In Joining	Total
Adoration .....	49	15	64
Adult Religious Education and Confirmation Preparation .....	7	3	10
Altar Linens.....	4	4	8
Altar Servers .....	5	3	8
American Heritage Girls .....	1	0	1
Apostolate of the Rosary and Mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe .....	6	3	9
Art and Environment .....	4	2	6
Baptism Preparation for Infants.....	2	4	6
Bible Study.....	19	13	32
Book Club .....	7	7	14
Careportal .....	0	0	0
Catechists for Our Children .....	15	1	16
Catechists for Our Special Needs Children .....	1	0	1
Catholic Charities.....	10	7	17
Coffee & Donuts .....	10	4	14
Cub Scout Pack 260 .....	2	0	2
Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry.....	1	4	5
Emergency Response Team (ERT) .....	4	5	9
ESL .....	1	4	5
Extraordinary Minister of Most Holy Communion to the Hospital .....	9	2	11
Extraordinary Ministers of Most Holy Communion .....	59	7	66
Extraordinary Ministers of Most Holy Communion to the Homebound ..	11	3	14
Finance Council .....	1	4	5



	Already Involved	Interested In Joining	Total
Friends of Maggie Human Trafficking Ministry .....	6	7	13
Funeral Luncheon .....	42	11	53
Gathering 55+ Ministry .....	19	11	30
Grief Share.....	5	1	6
Holy Face of Jesus.....	5	2	7
Homeschoolers.....	0	3	3
Hospitality Ministers .....	15	6	21
Inferno Men's Group .....	10	3	13
K of C Ladies Auxiliary.....	21	4	25
Knights of Columbus.....	43	10	53
Knit and Crochet Ministry .....	4	4	8
Lector Ministry .....	32	10	42
Maintenance and Landscape Volunteers .....	5	5	10
Marriage & Family Life .....	5	6	11
Men's Ministry .....	10	1	11
Mighty Wind Ministry .....	2	1	3
Military Outreach Ministry (MOM) .....	1	2	3
Music Ministry.....	22	4	26
New Parishioner Welcome Committee .....	2	7	9
OCIA.....	22	3	25
Parish Council .....	6	2	8
Parish Picnic Team.....	7	4	11
Prayer Chain .....	17	11	28
Priest Dinners .....	13	16	29
Queen of the Apostles Mission Association – QAMA.....	3	1	4
Religious Vocations .....	4	1	5
Respect Life .....	13	3	16
Safe Families for Children.....	11	3	14
SENT High School Teen Ministry .....	5	0	5
Seven Sisters.....	24	9	33
St. Monica Prayer Group .....	24	15	39



	Already Involved	Interested In Joining	Total
St. Vincent de Paul .....	31	12	43
Stations of the Cross .....	12	2	14
Stephen Ministry .....	8	3	11
Supper Club .....	27	6	33
Unity Women .....	5	6	11
Young Adult Ministry.....	4	1	5



## Stewardship of Treasure (Household)

<b>Households with Treasure Commitments .....</b>	<b>252</b>
<b>Average Annual Pledge .....</b>	<b>\$3,397</b>
<b>Total Annual Amount Committed.....</b>	<b>\$856,062</b>
<b>Actual Giving Past 12 Months .....</b>	<b>\$618,869</b>
<b>Pledge Offertory Increase .....</b>	<b>\$237,193</b>

### **Weekly Pledges ..... 100**

<i>Between \$1 and 9.....</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Between \$10 and 19 .....</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Between \$20 and 29 .....</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Between \$30 and 39 .....</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Between \$40 and 49 .....</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Between \$50 and 59 .....</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Between \$60 and 99 .....</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Between \$100 and 9999999 .....</i>	<i>23</i>

### **Monthly Pledges..... 127**

<i>Between \$1 and 49.....</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Between \$50 and 99 .....</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Between \$100 and 199 .....</i>	<i>40</i>
<i>Between \$200 and 299 .....</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Between \$300 and 399 .....</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Between \$400 and 9999999 .....</i>	<i>27</i>

*There were 25 households that made a pledge with an interval amount other than weekly or monthly.*

