

Call to Stewardship

Holy Spirit Parish

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What is Stewardship?

Stewardship is responsible management of our Spirit-given resources of time, talent and treasure. It enhances our relationship with God and through Him, with Him and one another. It is a way of thanking God for all His blessings by returning a portion to Him.

Called to *Serve*

Our parish of Holy Spirit strives to live by the principles of Stewardship. We seek to make a return to the Lord by giving a share of our time and our talents to the Church and to the community. The more we give to God, the richer our lives become.

WORSHIP

Altar Servers assist the presider at the celebration of the Eucharist. Children in Grade 4 or older are invited to participate. **Ministry Leaders:** *Deacon Mike Scruggs and Deacon Gary Zack.*

Eucharistic Ministers help to reverently share the sacred Body and Blood of Christ during Mass, with homebound members, with residents of the local nursing facility (Sunday mornings), and with patients at Chilton Hospital (Thursdays). **Ministry Leaders:** *Perry Russo* (weekends and holydays); *Lia Raymundo* (Daily); *Louis Piccoli* (Chilton); *Kathy Washington*, Home Visits. Nursing facility schedules are coordinated by St. Joseph Ministry Leaders.

Lectors are those parish members who proclaim the Word of God at liturgical celebrations. **Ministry Leaders:** *Betty Cass-Schmidt*, Weekends and holydays; *Mary Lou Weinberg*, Weekday mornings.

Friday Morning Prayer. After the morning Mass, leads the rosary and Miraculous Medal novena. **Ministry Leader:** *Lia Raymundo.*

EVANGELIZATION

Ushers are the men and women of our parish who act as ministers of hospitality, responsible for seating members of the congregation at Mass and facilitating the collection of gifts offered by the community. **Ministry Leader:** *Chuck Hawthorne.*

Website/Email/Facebook. Update and maintain the parish website on a daily basis. Maintain Facebook presence with posts relevant to parish and community events. Issue parish emails for deaths, emergency closings, event information. **Ministry Leaders:** *Kimberly Rizzo.*

MUSIC

Adult Choir is comprised of men and women of our parish who enjoy singing and giving praise to God through song. Practices are held Thursday evenings at 7:30PM. **Music Director:** *Thomas O'Connor.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptismal Preparation, Religious Education (K-8), Confirmation

Program. Religious education is an ongoing process. A Deacon of the parish prepares parents seeking Baptism for their child. The youth of our parish enroll in a program, with classes provided for K-8, as well as high school Confirmation preparation. Parishioners serve as ministry leaders and catechists under the direction and guidance of *Suzanne Unger*, **Director of Religious Education**.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a Rite of the Catholic Church to initiate non-Catholics into the Catholic Christian Community. Catholics who have not received First Eucharist or Confirmation are also part of the RCIA process. **Ministry Leader:** *Ann Dianuzzo*, in coordination with Jerilyn Prokop of St. Joseph Parish, Lincoln Park.

SPIRITUAL/SOCIAL

Knights of Columbus. Bishop Navagh Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men, age 18+, married or single, who work on programs for community, church, youth, fraternal, culture of life and family activities. **Grand Knight:** *Mike Janke*.

Columbiettes. Bishop Navagh Columbiettes welcome Catholic women with a purpose to promote the spiritual, social and charitable welfare of their members, and perform and promote charity in their community and beyond. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month, and the auxiliary offers many fundraisers and social events from which to choose. **President:** *Lois Pellecchia*. Parish POC *Barbara Hill*.

Lazarus Ministry members provide support, prayer and comfort to those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Members assist at funerals by serving as greeters, Eucharistic Ministers and lectors as needed. Lazarus Ministry members also organize the annual Mass of Remembrance. **Ministry Leader:** *Rita Ann Gilfedder*.

Fellowship Committee coordinates social activities including “coffee and”, luncheons, dinners, etc. Includes the Baking Committee. **Ministry Leader:** *Kimberly Rizzo*.

PARISH SERVICE

Health Ministry volunteers sponsor programs to enrich our minds, bodies and spirits. As we care for each other, we grow in our faith.

Ministry Leader: *Ronnie Giordino.*

Parish Council. The Parish Council is appointed by the pastor/administrator to serve as his advisory board, and as the planning and coordinating body for parish activities. **Ministry Leader:** *Ann Dianuzzo*

Worship Environment ministry tends to the cleaning of the church interior: its flowers, plants and the laundering of altar linens. **Ministry Leader:** *Mary Lou Weinberg.*

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Rosary Altar Society

The Rosary Altar Society promotes devotion to Our Blessed Mother and encourages the daily recitation of the rosary, and they lead recitation of the rosary at wakes for members of the parish. Each year in May and November, the Rosary Altar Society collects clothing for babies of mothers in need. **Ministry Leader:** *Maureen Bulger.*

Social Concerns Ministry serves the temporal needs of our parish community and beyond. Projects include Grains of Hope, coats for the homeless and the Christmas gift collection. **Ministry Leader:** *Mike Tizio*

FINANCE

Finance Committee. The Finance Committee is appointed by the pastor/administrator and serves as his advisors on all financial matters.

Ministry Leader: *Rev. David Monteleone.*