Stewardship Networking Group Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

JOIN US AT OUR MARCH MEETING! "Welcoming Back our Parish Family" Thursday, March 10th, at 10 a.m.

Host Parish: St John Fisher Parish (Basil Hall) 410 Clay Street, Richmond, Tx 77469

Some of our parishes may be in "full swing or at high speed" again, however, some may still be in the process of learning how to shift gears, avoiding the jerks and trying to accelerate smoothly to get to full speed. Join us to share your parish ideas, ask questions, spread the word, bring a friend! Lets network and learn from each other! Please RSVP to: coniperez@sbcglobal.net or starons@stbchurch.org Pope Francis said:

"hope invites us to dream big and give space to the imagination for new possibilities. Hope is bold and incentivizes action based on the knowledge that reality can be changed"

The pillars of Parish Stewardship: From the Diocese of Wichita Kansas, a stewardship diocese

When we view the pillars through the lens of parish stewardship, we see they are the foundation for building a culture of Evangelization + Discipleship + Stewardship.

• Pillar of Hospitality (Win)

o Needs fertile soil: before we sow seeds, we must cultivate the ground

o A crucial ingredient for the transformation of our parish culture must include claiming hospitality as a virtue – radical hospitality – more than coffee and donuts

o Not simply a welcome but hospitality that transforms. We must love each other -authentic friendship

• Pillar of Prayer and Formation (Build)

o A stewardship parish strives to nourish the soul through prayer

o Divine Intimacy - it is through prayer that we nurture our personal relationship with Father, Son and Holy Spirit o Before we teach, we need to cultivate the hearts that are ready to receive the Good News

o Formation is education of the mind and conversion of the heart

• Pillar of Service (Send)

o Putting our faith into action

o Providing meaningful opportunities for parishioners to serve will help us mature in our faith and understanding of what it means to be a Christian disciple

o Helping parishioners identify their gifts, talents and treasure enables them to give these gifts in meaningful and lasting ways

2022 Calendar Meeting Topics & Locations

3/10/22 - Welcoming Back our Parish Family (St John Fisher, Richmond Tx)

5/12/22 - Create a Fruitful Ministry Fair (St Luke the Evangelist Houston Tx)

7/14/22 - Organize a Productive Parish Leadership Meeting (tbd)

9/08/22 - Establish & Sustain an Effective Stewardship Committee (St Bernadette Houston Tx)

11/10/22 - Best of ICSC and Plan 2023 Calendar (St Laurence Sugarland Tx)

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston STEWARDSHIP Networking Group

Stewardship Networking Group serving the parishes and parishioners of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Our mission is to educate, encourage and equip the parishes and faithful to live as intentional Disciples of Christ, acknowledging God's ownership of all and leading sacramental lives of gratitude and generosity. For more information

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Meetings 2nd Thursday of every other month 10:00 am to 12 Noon

You are invited to participate in a forum for idea sharing on all issues related to stewardship. For more information about this group in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, to ask questions get resources on stewardship and to get on our email list, or <u>If your parish would like to host an SNG</u> <u>meeting, please contact:</u>

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