

A Three Year Stewardship Challenge

This three-year stewardship challenge was proposed by Archbishop Robert J. Carlson on January 19, 2010

2010

Let us reflect prayerfully on what stewardship means to us individually and as a Church.

2011

Let us focus our attention on growing participation – on the relationship between stewardship and evangelization.

2012

Let us focus on payback, or returning God's gifts with increase, through the generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

Prayer * Participation * Payback

Stewardship: Start with Prayer

How do we know what God expects of us if we are not in close communication with Him through prayer?

-Archbishop Robert J. Carlson

Stewardship starts with prayer. The first gift we are called to give each day is the gift of time spent with God, in prayer. It is there we begin to fully understand His special plans for us.

Ministries

ACT II PLAYERS

Drama group composed of parishioners who put on a professionally produced play at the end of each summer.

Gerry Hempstead 314-542-4225

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Incarnate Word's Adoration Chapel located off the Church vestibule is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adorers are always welcomed but are encouraged to sign up for a one hour weekly commitment of adoration.

Mary Fleming	314-469-6281
Carole McClurken, Night Leader	314-469-1605
Sis Hilboldt, Morning Leader	314-469-1450
Beth McNaughton, Afternoon Leader	314-576-1136
Don Guempel, Evening Leader	314-453-0284

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

These volunteers plan and implement programs in Scripture and spirituality, provide lectures, preaching missions, workshops, faith sharing groups and concerts for continuing Catholic education and formation.

John Valenti 314-576-5366 ext. 26

ADULT PRAYER GROUP

Parishioners meet every Thursday evening for an evening of reflection, sung prayer, reading from Scripture, and to pray for the intentions of the Parish.

Sara Dolan 314-962-0815

ADULT SPORTS

This is a group of men who meet for recreational basketball & fellowship on Sunday evenings at 7:00pm and select Wednesdays evenings in the Kent Center. All men of the parish are welcome.

Scott Haley 314-205-1428

AMBASSADORS

Welcomes new parishioners to the parish and acquaints them with the services and service opportunities available.

Sue Levin 314-469-1504

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL WORKERS (ACA)

These volunteers facilitate the yearly archdiocesan program to gather financial resources to meet the needs of the needy in the archdiocese. Volunteers work after masses a couple of weekends in the spring handing out pledge cards.

Kevin & Sarah Hormuth 314-626-0077

ARTS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

These volunteers enhance the worship environment of the Church by decorations and design of the Church.

Patty Heitz 314-434-1638

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Incarnate Word Athletic Association (IWAA) sponsors youth sports in soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball, track, golf, and baseball for youth from Kindergarten-8th grade.

Volunteers are always needed to coach. All volunteers must be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program. Registration forms available at www.incarnate-word.org.

Eric Winschel, President 636-532-3224

Ed Masterson, Administrator 314-576-3593

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

This ministry provides emotional and spiritual support to parishioners who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Through prayer, home visits, meetings, and/or a series of letters, volunteers connect with those who grieve to share the grieving process.

Keith Plein 314-469-3640

BIBLE STUDY-WOMEN

Meets to study and reflect on Scripture. The weekly sessions are on Wednesday mornings and this year the study will be Exodus.

Kirsten Gerbic 636-537-3135

BLOOD DRIVE

Red Cross blood drives are scheduled three times a year and held in the lower Church hall. This year's dates are September 18, 2010; January 15, 2011 & the May 2011 date to be determined.

Jeff Grotegeers 636-394-9485

BOARD OF EDUCATION

A group of 12 selected parishioners who advise the Pastor on matters related to parish education policies. Members serve a 3 year term.

Andrea Brockmann, President 314-514-0584

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is a ministry for men & women 60 years of age and older, who meet at the 8:00am Mass on the first Friday of each month, followed by a pot-luck breakfast, and a program in the Watson Room.

Marilyn Maguire 314-434-9591

BUNCO

Women who meet on the last Tuesday of the month for fellowship and to play the dice game Bunco.

Carol Hess 314-434-0769

Joan Zerega 314-542-4014

CATHOLIC SINGLE YOUNG ADULTS

The Catholic Singles Adults Club of St. Louis is an organization dedicated to creating an environment for its members that is conducive to the development of productive social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. All single Christians are welcome within the greater St. Louis area, ages 21-45. Check out their website:

www.csacstlouis.org

Steve Valko

314-579-0772

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Word of God, structured for children in grades Kindergarten through 5th, is available to children each Sunday during the 5:00 pm, 8:45 am and 10:30 am Masses. No enrollment is necessary. Adults interested in becoming trained captains or facilitators are always welcomed.

Cindy Reznikov

314-434-4201

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP)

This nationally known parish renewal process offers parishioners the opportunity to revitalize their own personal spiritual lives. Men's and women's retreat weekends are held both in fall and in spring for parishioners, by parishioners and in parish facilities.

Harry & Shari Dunn

636-537-9712

CHRISTIAN INITIATION MINISTRY (RCIA)

Program for those individuals who are not presently Catholic but wish to become members of the Catholic faith. The process begins with a period of inquiry followed by a period of faith formation. If you'd like to know more about RCIA, please consider joining us in the journey on Sunday mornings from 8:45am until about 10:00am.

John Valenti

314-576-5366 ext. 26

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Volunteers who provide school children from needy parishes with Christmas gifts by answering "letters to Santa" from the children. The tree goes up in the vestibule the weekend of Thanksgiving. Each ornament has a gift wish from a child.

Sue Bollinger

314-469-3613

COMPANIONS IN PRAYER

Volunteers in the parish who pray for the sick.

Sandy Counts

314-434-6570

CPTO (Catholic Parent Teacher Organization)

Volunteer parents join together to assist the teachers in various enriching activities at the School.

Kat Foust

314-443-0316

CUB SCOUTS

The Cub Scouting program is open to boys in the 1st-5th grade (Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelo). Volunteers are trained to provide fun activities for the boys while building Christian values, developing leadership skills and providing service to the community.

Matt Utterson 314-485-1310

DISABILITY MINISTRY

Advocates for the disabled who attend Mass and parish activities.
Provide transportation to Mass for those who need assistance.

Dianne Marshak 314-514-1623

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Parishioners who are 18 years or older who assist with the distribution of the Eucharist to fellow parishioners at Mass. Training provided.

Larry Westermeyer 314-275-8171

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Distribute Holy Communion to shut-ins of the parish.

Bob Stephens 314-469-1257

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Appointed parishioners who assist the pastor in developing and overseeing sound administrative and financial policies for the parish. Members meet monthly.

Steve Bollinger 314-469-3613

GARDENING ANGELS

Volunteers plan, plant and upkeep the flowering areas of the Church grounds.

Donna Unterreiner 636-519-1989

GIFT CARD PROGRAM

Parishioners can purchase gift certificates from local & national franchises directly from Incarnate Word. Incarnate Word in return receives a donation from these merchants.

Volunteers are needed at holiday time to sell the gift cards after Masses.

Pam Morse 314-576-5366 ext. 51

GIRL SCOUTS

The girl scouting program is open to girls beginning in their Kindergarten year through 8th grade (Daisy, Brownie, Juniors, Cadettes). Volunteer leaders are trained to create an environment where "Girls Grow Strong".

Annemarie Maciorowski 314-514-9953

HEALTH & WELLNESS

The mission of these volunteers is to encourage members of Incarnate Word to live healthy lives. They do this by conducting a monthly blood pressure screening after Mass, and through the administration of flu shots in the fall.

Karen Page 314-542-0826

HEAVENLY DUSTERS

Volunteers who keep the Church proper clean and ready for worship. Each "team" of volunteers is assigned a week and they come into the church once during that week to clean. Volunteers can also sign up to help wash Church linens.

Susan Peterson 314-434-0558

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

Volunteers who pass out song sheets before Mass and bulletins after Mass, assist in seating parishioners, collect offerings during Mass and prepare pews for the next Mass.

Bill & Marge Stuesse 314-878-6563

INCARNATE WORD PARISH SCHOOL

State certified Catholic elementary school serving over 420 children in grades Kindergarten through 8th.

Mike Welling, Principal 314-576-5366 ext. 11

IW JOB SEARCH

These volunteers provide faith-based job search support to parishioners who have lost a job or who face an imminent job loss. The groups meets the first & third Thursdays of the month.

Brian Calsyn 314-628-9893

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Junior High aged students meet before school on Tuesdays for fellowship & worship.

Dan Huss 314-576-5366 ext. 39

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

A fraternal organization open to all Catholic men that meets monthly on the second Tuesday. The main principle of the organization is charity, and to that end, the council engages in a variety of activities aimed at helping those in need. Incarnate Word Council hosts a variety of charitable undertakings including the annual fish fries, the "tootsie roll" drive, blood drives, and golf tournament. They also pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. They hold free throw contests, essay contests, and poster contests for children. The Knights also engage in a variety of fellowship activities which include a 5th Sunday breakfast following the 8:45 Mass, an annual family picnic, and brunches at Christmas and Valentine's Day.

Tony Vaiana 314-469-3224

LADIES AUXILIARY

Open to all Catholic ladies. Meets monthly and supports the activities of the Knights and provides social activities for the parish.

Toni Faller 314-469-1927

LECTOR MINISTRY

Volunteers who proclaim the Word of God at Mass. Training is provided.

Paul Nord 314-878-1693

LIFE TEEN

Comprehensive program designed to minister to the needs of High School teens on spiritual, emotional and social levels. Life Teen Mass is 6:00 pm on Sundays, Life Night follows Life Teen Mass and the Life Teen prayer group meets Wednesday evenings.

Opportunity for college-aged core team members.
Dan Huss 314-576-5366 ext. 39

LITTLE ANGEL PLAYGROUP

This group is for Moms and preschoolers who meet the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am for unstructured play in the church nursery.

Tina Schaefer 314-205-1905

LIVING WORD LIBRARY

The mission of the Living Word Library is to provide the Incarnate Word Parish family adults with a library of religious books, video and audio tapes available for check-out. Our volunteers enter the donated or newly purchased books and videos into the Library database. They also assist in making certain the library is neat and tidy. The Library is located in the Parish Office.

John Valenti 314-576-5366 ext. 26

LORD'S CUPBOARD FUNERAL MEAL

Provides a funeral luncheon to the family of a deceased parishioner. Volunteers are used to provide part of the meal or to act as a luncheon server.

Sis Hilboldt 314-469-1450

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Members have made a marriage encounter weekend and now meet regularly to keep the dream alive.

Lou & Doris Juranas 314-878 7442
Don & Kathy Lauer 314-434-2292

MASS SERVERS

Boys and girls in 6th through 8th grade who are trained to be altar servers at Masses.

Karen Page 314-542-0826

MEALS FOR PRIESTS

These volunteers prepare a home cooked meal for the three priests residing at Incarnate Word. Volunteers usually cook 2-3 times a year and deliver the meal to the rectory on their assigned date.

Margie Eckert 314-576-5366 ext. 17

MEN'S CLUB

All men (young & old) are welcome at these bi-monthly meetings geared towards fellowship, service, recreation & networking among the men of the parish.

Matt Cutler 314-453-0902

MEN'S MINISTRY

All men of the parish are welcomed to any of these programs where men support each other in faith issues.

Monday Bible Study Group-meets weekly at 7:00pm

Mike Roberts 314-542-2187

Tuesday Apologetics Group-meets first & third Tuesdays at 7:00pm

Ted Juen 314-205-1823

Saturday morning 6:30am Group-meets weekly to study the first 100 years of the Church

John O'Hara 314-576-2818

Saturday morning 8:45am Group-meets every other week to discuss Christian books

Jim Ressler 314-453-9437

MILITARY RECOGNITION BOARD

Volunteers maintain the bulletin board in the church vestibule that is dedicated to those serving in the military from our parish.

Jeanne Brow 314-974-0415

MUSIC MINISTRY

Volunteers lead the congregation in song at Mass. Cantors and choir members, as well as instrumentalists are welcome.

Dr. Joe Johnson 314-576-5366 ext. 47

NURSERY BIBLE SCHOOLS

Are available at the 5:00pm, 8:45am, and 10:30am Masses for children aged 1-5 years old. There is no cost and no advance sign-up. Adult helpers are always welcomed.

Dana King 314-579-0040

Tiffany Illardi 314-576-5707

NURSING HOME VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers visit Surrey Place and Westchester House weekly to help the residents attend a Eucharistic service.

Connie Winter, Westchester House 314-576-1470

Rosalie Ladda, Surrey Place 636-207-8674

ONE TIMERS

Volunteers assist with a variety of parish needs on a one-time basis.

Mary Reichenbach 314-576-5366 ext. 48

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Provides religious education classes to those students in grades 1st through 8th who do not attend a Catholic school. Classes are held on Monday evenings from 6:30pm-7:45pm. Volunteers are needed as catechists.

John Valenti 314-576-5366 ext. 26

PASTORAL COUNCIL

A group of selected parishioners who assist the pastor in developing priorities and goals for the parish. Members serve a 3 year term.

Mike Szatkowski, President 314-434-5947

PHOTOGRAPHER

Volunteers are needed to take photographs of parish life and special parish events that will be used on the website, in publications, or kept in archives

Mary Reichenbach 314-576-5366 ext. 48

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Volunteers provide hand knitted or crocheted shawls to sick members of the parish.

Kathy Schmitz 314-498-9168

PRO LIFE COMMITTEE

Volunteers on this committee raise the awareness of individuals to the evils of abortion and encourage parishioners to get involved in pro-life activities.

Pat Peurrung 314-576-1366

REACH OUT

Financial collection taken up on the third Sunday of each month to benefit Hosea House, St Augustine or Sts. Teresa and Bridget.

Stacy Sabino 636-220-6065

SHRINE TOURS

Organized and guided day trips by bus to shrines and churches in the area.

Marilyn Pastorek 314-469-9017

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Educates the parish on social justice issues and challenges parishioners to take action.

Bob Huss 636-947-4299

ST. GERARD'S LEAGUE FOR NEWBORNS

Offers meals to families with newborns. Volunteers are needed to help provide a meal.

Amy Olson 314-576-7757

Shari Dunn 636-537-9712

Dotty Reynolds 314-579-9868

ST PATRICK CENTER CASSEROLE VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers make a casserole once a month for use by St. Patrick's Center for the homeless. The pan and recipe are provided and casseroles are dropped off at a parishioner's home for delivery.

Sis Hilboldt 314-469-1450

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Promotes stewardship education throughout the year and volunteers are needed to help at the Fall Festival of Ministries.

Mary Reichenbach 314-576-5366 ext. 48

ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

Provides short-term emergency assistance to those in need.

Dave Cissell 314-576-5366 ext. 50

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Weeklong Bible Camp held in the beginning of summer for kids aged preschool through 4th grade. Adult helpers always welcomed.

Karen Einig 636-530-7469

VESTIBULE BULLETIN BOARDS

Volunteers are needed to decorate the vestibule boards with timely information about parish activities.

Mary Reichenbach 314-576-5366

WATERING ANGELS

These volunteers help to water the plants in the church and vestibule.

Cindy Reznikov 314-434-4201

WEBSITE MINISTRY

Volunteers who maintain the parish website.

Chris Delaquil 314-576-5366 ext. 10

WEDDING COORDINATORS

Assist brides in planning for their Church wedding at Incarnate Word.

Sue Lodderhose 314-469-1756

Jean McFerron 314-878-1404

WEST COUNTY OLDER SINGLES

This active group is available for sharing & support to anyone who has been separated, divorced or widowed. Monthly meetings are held at Incarnate Word on the second Tuesday of the month. Both social and spiritual support is provided.

Eileen Hardy 314-822-9045

WOMEN BOOK STUDY

This book club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month to discuss relevant Christian books. Homework is to read the chapter in advance of the study as to be ready to discuss the reading material.

Julie Riley 314-395-2832

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Meets to plan and coordinate the liturgical life of the parish.

Fr. Tim Vowels 314-576-5366 ext. 13

YES WE CAN FOOD DRIVE

Weekly canned food collection to benefit Circle of Concern,

Wellston Center, Guardian Angel Settlement, and Our Lady of the Holy Cross.

Donna Plein 314-469-3640