

Diocese of Gary

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Best Practices

- *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*, USCCB Pastoral Letter, 1992, 2002
- *Best Practices in Parish Stewardship*, Zech. Our Sunday Visitor. 2008
- Hospitality Webinar: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/parish-stewardship/Hospitality-Presentation.htm>
- Additional resources from Milwaukee
<https://www.archmil.org/ArchMil/Resources/Best-Practices-in-Stewardship.pdf>

Books

- *Living Your Strengths: Discovering Your God-Given Talents and Inspire your Community (Catholic Edition)*, Winseman, Albert and Donald Clifton. Gallup Press, 2016
- *Making Stewardship A Way of Life: A Complete Guide for Catholic Parishes* by Fr. Andrew Kemberling & Mila Glodava, Our Sunday Visitor, 2009
- *The Ultimate Gift*, Stovall, Jim (An easy read covering losing yourself and later finding yourself through the gift of work, money, friends (community) learning problems, family, laughter, dreams, giving, gratitude and love)
- *Into His Likeness* by Edward Sri (Into His Likeness provides approachable but in-depth exploration of how to live as a disciple and experience the transformation Jesus wants to work in our lives.)
- *Into Your Hands, Father* by Wilfrid Stinissen (Abandoning ourselves to the God Who loves us.)
- *Abandonment to Divine Providence* by Jean-Pierre de Caussade, S.J. (Practical guidance for how to grow in abandonment and to deepen our union with God in our daily lives.)

Webpages

- Advancing Christian Stewardship, Catholic Philanthropy, and Resource Development Worldwide <http://catholicstewardship.com/>
- All My Stuff Belongs to God: Stewardship for Kids <http://cogop.org/children/all-my-stuff-belongs-to-god-stewardship-for-kids/>
- 46 Bible Verses on Stewardship <https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/topics/Stewardship>

- In-depth study of Stewardship as defined by the Catholic Church
<https://www.focusonthefamily.com/faith/faith-based-family-finances/stewardship-being-co-managers-withgod>
- The privilege of stewardship by Ben Maxson, DMin; director of the stewardship department, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Silver Spring, Maryland
<https://www.ministrymagazine.org/archive/2004/06/the-privilege-of-stewardship.html>
- Synod recommendations on Stewardship, Diocese of Beaumont
<https://www.dioceseofbmt.org/resources-links-documents/synod-recommendations-stewardship/>
- Developing Stewardship as a Way of Life. Resources from Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. <https://www.catholicsteward.com/>
- Definition of STEWARDSHIP <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/stewardship>
 - 1: the office, duties, and obligations of a steward
 - 2: the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care.
- So What Are We Actually Stewards Over? <https://christianpf.com/stewardship/>
 - It applies to everything we have been given. Our time, our money, our God given gifts and abilities, our influence, it all comes from God.

Four Principles of Biblical Stewardship

<https://tifwe.org/four-principles-of-biblical-stewardship/>

- The principle of ownership. The Earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.
- The principle of responsibility. Although God gives us "all things richly to enjoy," nothing is ours. Nothing really belongs to us. God owns everything; we're responsible for how we treat it and what we do with it. While we complain about our rights here on earth, the Bible constantly asks, What about your responsibilities? Owners have rights; stewards have responsibilities.
- The principle of accountability. A steward is one who manages the possessions of another. We are all stewards of the resources, abilities and opportunities that God has entrusted to our care, and one day each one of us will be called to give an account for how we have managed what the Master has given us.
- The principle of reward. Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Magazines and Journals

- National Catholic Register article on Pope Francis and 21st century stewardship
<http://www.ncregister.com/daily-news/pope-francis-and-21st-century-stewardship>
- Intentional Daily Catholic Living from Gospel Living Ministries, 1212 Versailles Ave,
Alameda, CA 94501 www.gospelliving.org/stewardship.html