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Dear Parishioners,

Our Stewardship documents are now online at:
<https://ssppboonville.diojeffcity.org/time-talent-treasure/>

Thank you for taking the time and making the effort to explore and respond to our annual Catholic Stewardship Renewal. This renewal process has been created to assist you in considering how you might participate in the life of the parish this year. Full participation is threefold: through prayer, service, and financial support.

A true steward, and thus a true disciple, recognizes that all is a gift from God. Therefore, a grateful response includes:

- offering some time for worship and celebrating the sacraments,
- sharing one's abilities and talents in the service of the Gospel,
- and sacrificially supporting the parish from one's treasure.

I know that for some, this process can seem tedious. The staff and I have striven to make it not so. However, the reason we are asked to do this annually is foster a commitment to God and to parish life. Reflecting on stewardship helps us make an appropriate commitment to God and parish; we do not have a relationship of merely sharing when it is convenient or easy. Commitments usually require effort. They are not something that can be well maintained on autopilot.

Please take time to pray about your relationship with God and your parish: review how you participated this past year, decide if it is time to redirect some of that time and effort, reaffirm your pledged commitment of time, talent, and treasure, and recommit to your life of stewardship and participation. You may end up making an identical commitment as last year. If you will take the time to follow these steps, I believe you will find your practice of the Faith enriched and renewed.

Please know of my prayers for all of you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the parish staff for additional information or clarification. If you are not sure about a particular ministry (how or when it is done, what kind of commitment is involved, if you are qualified, etc.), please contact the chairperson, a staff person, or me and we will do our best to get some additional information to you. Many ministries can accommodate "beginners," so don't let inexperience or ignorance automatically disqualify you. Who knows, the Lord may have given you the necessary gifts and you may just not know it yet!

Blessings and Peace upon all of you. God bless,

Fr. Mark