

**Other Talents/Skills I Want to Share**

- Baking
- Housekeeping
- Organizing
- Legal Assistance
- Computer Setup or Repair
- Yardwork/Gardening
- Musical Talents/Interests
  - \_\_\_ vocal
  - \_\_\_ drums
  - \_\_\_ guitar
  - \_\_\_ keyboard/piano
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Transportation/Driving Assistance
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Handyman/Handywoman:**

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Concrete/Masonry
- HVAC
- Painting
- Snow Removal

**Community Service**

Please get me more information about serving in the following areas:

- Soup Kitchen/Free Lunch Program
- Counseling or Mentoring
- Home Repair
- Working with Youth
- Serving the Less Fortunate (general)
- Environmental Issues
- Helping Aging Adults

*Times you are available:*

Days \_\_\_ Evenings \_\_\_ Weekends \_\_\_

*How often would you like to volunteer:*

Weekly \_\_\_ Monthly \_\_\_

Several x/year \_\_\_

**How Can WE Help YOU?**

= Select Areas of Interest/Need

**Spiritual Growth**

*I am interested in...*

- Bible Study
- Men's or Women's Prayer Group
- Men's or Women's Conferences
- Retreat Opportunities
- Learning to Pray with the Bible
- Praying during Advent & Lent
- Pre-K Sunday School for my Child
- Learning about \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationships and Finances**

*I am interested in...*

- Financial Peace University Classes
- Marriage Enrichment Opportunities
- Marriage Encounter Retreat Weekend
- Parenting Classes for
  - \_\_\_young children
  - \_\_\_teens
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Social/Fraternal/Service Opportunities**

*I am interested in...*

- Mom's Group
- Young Adult Group
- Knights of Columbus
- Catholic Foresters

**Daily Needs**

*I need help with...*

- Transportation to Mass or Parking
- Running Errands/Getting to Appts.
- Someone to Visit Me
- Yard Work
- Housework

We believe stewardship is our grateful and obedient response to God's redeeming love for all creation. We are called through baptism to become followers of Christ.

Stewardship is a way of life, a way of love.

We acknowledge that our ability to respond faithfully to God's love is empowered by the Holy Spirit. We further acknowledge each person's inherent need to give, and by encouraging and enabling our parishioners, they shall respond to God's love by sharing their gifts.

**\* Completion of Safe Environment Training as prescribed by the diocese is required**

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**Time and Talent Commitment Form**



**"How can I repay the Lord for all the good he has done for me?"  
 -PSALM 116:12**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 First and Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone (home)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone (cell)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Email

**Please make additional copies or pick up extras at the Fair for each family member.**

I usually attend \_\_\_5:00\_\_\_8:30\_\_\_10:30 Mass

## Time

### Spending Time With God In Prayer

Prayer is the beginning of stewardship. Only when we spend time with God in prayer are we spiritually prepared to offer ourselves in service to others.

Consider some of the ways listed below that you can grow spiritually. Make a personal commitment for the upcoming year to include a few new things in your life that will help you grow in your relationship with Christ.

- ◆ Attend Mass on Sundays and on Holy Days
- ◆ Attend a weekday Mass
- ◆ Spend some time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- ◆ Pray together with my family
- ◆ Discuss our Catholic Faith with my children
- ◆ Read the Bible more often
- ◆ Spend 15 minutes a day in personal prayer
- ◆ Pray the Rosary
- ◆ Go to confession more frequently
- ◆ Attend an adult faith learning class
- ◆ Join a men's/women's prayer group
- ◆ Attend a day/weekend conference/retreat
- ◆ Spend extra time with my spouse each day
- ◆ Listen to Catholic radio
- ◆ Invite a friend or acquaintance to Mass

## Talent

### Using My Talents In Parish Ministries

Refer to the Ministry Catalog for a description of each of the ministries listed below.

Any commitments made are for one year.

= Currently Involved = Interested in Joining

#### Liturgy

- Commission Member
- Greeter
- Usher
- Vernon's Valet (help older parishioners safely park and enter the church)
- Lector
- Gift Bearers
- Altar Server: 4th grade and older
- \*Children's Liturgy
- Eucharistic Minister
- \*Bring Communion to Homebound
- Sacristan (help with Mass preparation; 30 min. before Mass)
- Organ or Piano
- Other instrument: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cantor/Song leader
- Adult Choir
- Youth Choir
- Church Decoration
- Care/Cleaning of Altar Linens/Server Robes
- Eucharistic Adoration
- RCIA Team Member
- RCIA Sponsor

#### Helping Hands

- Circle Leader
- Event Coordinator
  - \_\_\_ Cookie Walk \_\_\_ Sacramental Receptions
- Funeral Lunch Food Coordinator
- Funeral Lunch Worker
- Scholarship Committee
- Care Center Bingo

## Talent

= Currently Involved = Interested in Joining

#### Church Life

- Commission Member
- Welcoming Committee
- Soup Dinner
- Games at Parish Events
- Newsletter: Reporter, Writing Articles
- Neighborhood Picnic Host
- Neighborhood Party Helper

#### Family Life

- Commission Member
- Meals for Moms or Illness
  - \_\_\_ email \_\_\_ phone
- \*Childcare in the Nursery
  - \_\_\_ during 10:30 mass (6x/year)
  - \_\_\_ other events/occasions
- Book Fair Helper
- Group Facilitator
  - \_\_\_ Marriage Enrichment Group
  - \_\_\_ Parenting Classes
  - \_\_\_ Financial Peace University Classes
- Adopt a Grandparent @ Solon Care Ctr.
- Young Families Parent Advisory Group

#### Social Justice and Peace

- Commission Member
- Right to Life Activities/Awareness
- Mentoring Those on Probation
- Advocacy: Receive emails
- Blood Drive/Donor
- Assist Parish Nurse
- Coordinate Care Center Giving Tree

## Talent

= Currently Involved = Interested in Joining

#### Faith Formation

- Commission Member
- \*K-6 Catechist (Grade \_\_\_)
- \*K-6 Assist. Catechist (Grade \_\_\_)
- \*5-9th Small Group Leader (Grade \_\_\_)
- \*10-11th Ministry Team
- \*Hall Monitor During Class & Clean Up
- Music Ministry on Wednesday Nights
- \*Vacation Bible School
  - \_\_\_ crafts \_\_\_ games
  - \_\_\_ storytelling \_\_\_ registration
  - \_\_\_ decorating \_\_\_ photo/snack
  - \_\_\_ opening celebration
  - \_\_\_ material prep at home
- Parish Library
- Small Group Leader for Adult Faith Study
- PreK Sunday School during 10:30 mass (assist. w/ teaching)
- Parish Retreat Team

#### Additional Opportunities

- Stewardship Team
- Harvest Festival Committee
- Harvest Festival Advertising
- Event Set-Up (tables/chairs)
- Event Take-Down
- Hall Decorating (VBS, Christmas)
- Meal Organizing
- Cemetery/Church Grounds Clean-up
- Adopt-A-Garden (planting,weeding @ church)
- Graphic Arts
- Videographer
- Photographer
- Office Work
  - \_\_\_ mailings \_\_\_ data entry
  - \_\_\_ money counter
- Calling/Emailing