

In order to meet ordinary operating expenses as well as ongoing capital projects necessary for the upkeep of our parish, we ask that each household commit to offering *2% of their annual income* to our weekly collection. If you are already committing this, or an even greater amount, we thank you for your crucial and faithful support. If you are not yet supporting Holy Cross to this level, we ask that you make a prayerful decision concerning to what extent you can increase your support of your parish. We will always be here to support you and to offer you whatever parish services you require.

### **Time & Talent**

While many of our parishioners are involved in a number of parish activities, and indeed we rely upon their outstanding service to our parish community, Parish Stewardship asks that each parishioner commit him or herself to *one ministry, program, or activity each year*.

Please carefully review the list of parish programs below. Within the course of the year, please prayerfully decide which of these activities you will participate in during the year. If you wish further information on any of these programs, please contact a member of the pastoral team, who will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

- Altar Server
- Church Linens
- Communion Minister
- Communion Minister to the Homebound
- Lector
- Minister of Hospitality (Usher)
- Sacristan

### MUSIC MINISTRY

- Adult Choir
- Cantor
- Children's Choir
- Instrumentalist
- Youth Choir

### WORSHIP & SPIRITUALITY COMMISSION

- Art & Environment Committee
- God's Squad Church Cleaners
- Holy Cross Spiritual Book Club
- Intercessory Prayer Ministry
- Seasonal Decorating of the Church

### FUNERAL MINISTRY

- Hospitality
- Resurrection Choir

### FAITH FORMATION

- Baptism Preparation Catechist
- Bible Study
- Children's Liturgy of the Word Catechist
- Confirmation Preparation Program
  - Catechist
- First Communion Preparation Program
  - Catechist or Aid
- Generations of Living Faith
  - Elementary Level Catechist
  - Middle School Catechist
  - Preparation for a G.O.L.F. meal
  - Set up and clean up for a G.O.L.F. session
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
  - Team Member
  - Participant

- Vacation Bible School
- Youth Bible Study
- Youth Ministry
  - Junior High School Participant
  - High School Participant
  - Youth Mass Liturgical Minister
  - Adult Core Team Member

#### CHURCH FAMILY LIFE

- Church Family Life Commission
- Forever Young
- Friends in Faith
- Friday Night Movies
- Parish Family Programs
- Parish Picnic
- Widows & Widowers

# STEWARDSHIP AT HOLY CROSS PARISH 2009-2010

#### SOCIAL ACTION COMMISSION

- Birthright
- Christmas Giving Tree
- Louison Shelter
- Meals at MainSpring House
- My Brother's Keeper
- Outreach Sunday Programs
- Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Pro-Life Committee
- Southeast Rehab. Rosary & Mass

#### FUNDRAISING

- Golf Tournament
- Holly Fair
- Parish Spring Social & Auction
- Parish Socials

#### FINANCE COMMISSION

- Fundraising Committee

#### HEALTH MINISTRY

- Blood Pressure Screenings
- Parish Nurses
- Prayer Shawl Ministry

*for more information, including contact information for the above programs and ministries, visit the parish website:*

[www.holycrosseaston.org](http://www.holycrosseaston.org)

At Holy Cross Parish we commit ourselves to the spirit and practice of Parish Stewardship, through which we take ownership of and responsibility for our parish.

Stewardship entails a commitment of some portion (a tithe) of our time, talent, and treasure to ensure that Holy Cross is a vibrant parish community of faith, worship, and service.

#### **Treasure**

We have an obligation to financially support our parish so that it is able to meet the spiritual needs of all its members. The quality of our liturgical life, and the vibrancy of our faith formation programs, community life, and social outreach depend upon our financial support.