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STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

Dear Our Lady of Grace Community,

November 2020

Greetings and blessings to you!

In recent weeks we began a conversation about stewardship as a way of life at Our Lady of Grace (OLG) Catholic Church. We invited you and your fellow parishioners to reflect on how God has blessed you, and to consider your response to His blessings through your gifts of prayer, tithe and service.

What is stewardship, and what does it mean in my life?

Stewardship is a lifestyle that begins in prayer, knowing God as a friend. It is a life of accountability and responsibility. Living as a good steward acknowledges God as the Creator and the Owner of all. Christian stewards see themselves as the caretakers of God's gifts. Gratitude for these gifts is expressed in our prayer, worship, offerings and action. Stewardship is a way of thanking God for our blessings as we return a portion of the many gifts that we have been given by God.

You will find our 2021 Stewardship Commitment Form with this letter. Please take some time to reflect on the gifts that God has provided you, determining how you can share these gifts to serve others through our parish. Your generosity is essential to continue supporting the needs of our parish in worship, education and pastoral outreach.

I invite you to support our parish financially in 2021. With all that 2020 has brought upon us, we have increased financial needs as we strive to offer much needed support and ongoing ministry through such unprecedented times. It is my hope that you will be able to pledge some amount in the coming year to help address these needs. I ask you to join with other parishioners and return your completed Stewardship Commitment Form at Mass on Stewardship Commitment Weekend, November 21-22, 2020 or by mail if you will not be able to join us that weekend.

Together, with the help of your generosity, we can do extraordinary work in our community and beyond, fulfilling the mission of *making Jesus Christ known and loved*. May God bless you for sharing your gifts of prayer, tithe and service to the Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Jatken Koum Fringer

Father Kevin Finnegan

Pastor