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Our Focus for Today

Spiritual Focus:
We belong to Christ
and one another


Operational Focus:
Welcome and engage
everyone



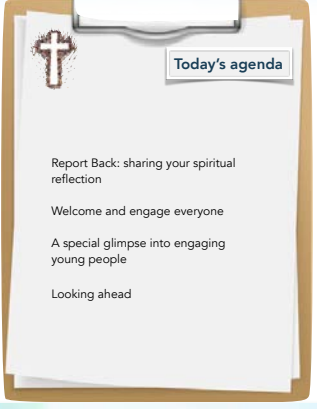
Steward in Community
Lead Grateful Disciples
Form Disciples as Stewards
Welcome and Engage Everyone
Commit to Annual Renewal
Give Thanks

Grateful Disciples: Forming Stewards in Community





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Today's agenda

- Report Back: sharing your spiritual reflection
- Welcome and engage everyone
- A special glimpse into engaging young people
- Looking ahead

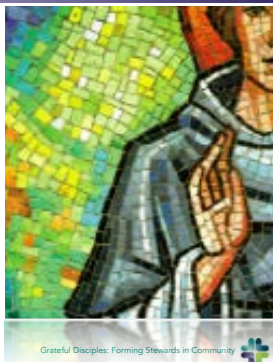
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The Vision that Guides Us

To draw people to
Christ
through our parish
communities,
leading them to
live as disciples
and stewards.





Report Back: Spiritual Focus

“What mission has been entrusted to you?
What gifts do you steward in fulfilling
your mission?”





Six Steps to Forming Grateful Disciples as Stewards in Community





Welcome and Engage Everyone

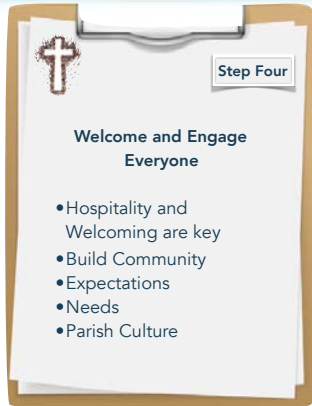
The Parish Community Really Does Matter!



Create a climate in which people are more likely to hear the message of stewardship

“Belonging leads to believing!”

Touches people in their daily lives The parish is “home.”





Our Shared Hope and Goal



Engage young people and their families
and transform the parish!



The Growing Young Study



- 250+ congregations, including Catholic parishes
 - Nominated by denominational leaders
- 40+ congregation interviews
- 12 in-person visits
- 10,000+ pages of transcripts

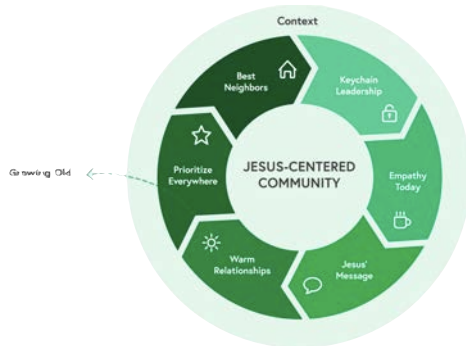
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Six Core Commitments



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Learning from the Experience of Others



*Hospitality is key
Work with leaders to insure people feel welcome
Be on the lookout for young people*



Your Homework

Spiritual Focus: What helps you to discern the ways God is calling you to grow, serve, and live in communion with Christ and others?

Operational Focus: Appreciative process, page 61
Welcome row; If possible, share your thoughts about the Living the Vision worksheets on pages 15, 27, 36, 45

Come back ready to share your ideas!

practice
gratitude
