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Being Good Stewards

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Catholic Updates: *Catholic Updates are available for you to take home and keep.*

- “Seven Secrets of Successful Stewards” by Paul Wilkes
In our Church today, few concepts are more misunderstood than the concept of Catholic stewardship. This update shows how a good steward is simply one who takes care of whatever it is that she or he has been entrusted with.
- “Seven Secrets of Successful Parishioners” by Paul Wilkes
The author suggests 7 traits that can be seen as threads that run through a healthy, happy and holy life as a Catholic, a life lived out involved in a Catholic parish today.
- “Stewardship...Why the Parish Needs Your Time, Treasure and Talent” by John Bookser Feister
This Update explores why parish contributions are still important and indeed essential for the life of the Church and why the parish needs our help on all levels.

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Books: *Books are in the library on the shelf marked “G.R.A.C.E”:*

- Called to Be Stewards, Bringing New Life to Catholic Parishes, by Patrick McNamara
This book contains eight case studies of Catholic parishes adopting a stewardship approach, highlighting the range of challenges involved in implementing stewardship.
- Why Catholics Don’t Give...And What Can Be Done About It, by Charles E. Zech
This book examines practical advice and solid information for those seeking to adopt a stewardship approach to parish living. From looking at how traditional methods actually lead to a decrease in giving to looking at the contribution patterns of seniors, baby-boomers, and Generation Xers, the author will provide research into *why Catholics don’t give...and what can be done about it.*
- Excellent Catholic Parishes, the Guide to Best Places and Practices, by Paul Wilkes
This book is a guide to best places and practices for those interested in making their own parish a better place to worship, a comfortable place to gather as a faith community, and a creative place to put their faith into action. You will find much in this book to reflect on as you to mark out your own criteria in making your parish an excellent Catholic parish.
- Called and Gifted for the Third Millennium, Reflections of U.S. Catholic Bishops
This pamphlet reflects upon the ways lay men and women are answering the Lord’s call and employing their gifts to take an active and responsible part in the mission of the Church.

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