

**ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
2011 PARISH FAMILY AGREEMENT**

Stewardship is a way of life that recognizes and receives God's gifts with gratitude, cultivates them responsibly, shares them generously and sacrificially with others, and stands before the Lord in a spirit of accountability.

Discipleship calls us to more than membership; it calls us to active stewardship. To support all ministries (which includes Catholic Education), we need your active stewardship in this parish. Stewardship is an act of belonging and involvement. It is an act of recognizing God's providence to us and our obligation to manage it wisely. It is using our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to accomplish God's work.

ACTIVE STEWARDSHIP (PARISHIONER):

- Registered member of St. Mark's for at least one year.
- Current Annual Stewardship Commitment Card on file (completed every Oct/Nov)
- Regular Mass attendance on Sundays & Holy Days of Obligation at St. Mark's Parish.
- At least one Adult member of the household is committed and active in at least one parish ministry.
- Committed to Biblical tithing with a goal of 5% of gross income to parish, 1% to Annual Diocesan Appeal and 4% of gross income to other charities.
- Resolute in fulfilling your annual commitment to the parish.
- Complete and submit Stewardship Reflection report (April, July, & Oct)

NON-ACTIVE & NON-PARISHIONERS:

- Must pay the full rate of tuition.

Parents or Guardians

I reaffirm my commitment be a good steward through my example and my actions. I ask the support of my parish in nurturing my faith as I strive to form my children as disciples through Catholic education. I pledge my cooperation with the parish and its ministries, and I will make every effort to supervise my children's commitment as well. I understand that my request for subsidized tuition in Faith Formation Classes, St. Mark's Parish School and/or Bishop Kelly High School is contingent upon the way I practice my faith as an active parishioner.

We are requesting subsidy for:

Faith Formation: _____ St. Mark's Parish School: _____ Bishop Kelly: _____

Male Head of Household Name

signature

Female Head of Household Name

signature

(over ➤)

Students

I understand that I am expected to practice my faith every day, whether at home, in school, at work, or with my friends. I will regularly attend Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days. I will participate as a steward in helping support parish ministries and I will support the parish by donating a portion of my income as well. I understand that as a Catholic, I must use my gifts and talents to perform my best in school, whether in religious, academic, or social activities. I understand that my enrollment in Catholic education is contingent upon the way I practice my faith.

Student name *Grade (August)* *Student signature*

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On behalf of the parish community, I affirm the parish's mission to nurture its active members in the practice of the Catholic faith day by day so that together we may build the Kingdom of God on earth and spend eternity with God in heaven.

Pastor's or delegate signature *date*