



Stewardship-A Way of Life

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH

ANNE MURPHY AND KAREN FARLEY

- ✕ A little bit about who we are:
- ✕ Anne Murphy – Director of Christian Service and Family Life
- ✕ Karen Farley – Business Manager

STEWARDSHIP BEGINS-TREASURE

- ✘ 1990 – October – Pastor, Fr. Mickey Genovese attends a Stewardship Conference at the St. Augustine Diocese in Florida
- ✘ 1991 – January – letters go out to parishioners introducing the Parish Sacrificial Giving Program that was developed by the Diocese of Seattle
- ✘ 1991 – February – witness speakers from the St. Augustine Diocese in Florida talk at each Mass
- ✘ Fr. Genovese sends follow-up letters to all requesting that they pray about what they heard and to complete a commitment card to be placed in a special basket prior to the Offertory.

STEWARDSHIP BEGINS-COMMITTEE FORMS

- ✘ May 8,1991 – letters go out to a group of highly involved parishioners asking them to join the newly formed Stewardship Committee.
- ✘ May 19, 1991 – the very first meeting of the newly formed Stewardship Committee. The agenda includes the scheduling of monthly meetings, evaluation of the Sacrificial Giving Program and its reporting to the parish and how to introduce Time and Talent to our parishioners.

STEWARDSHIP BEGINS – TIME AND TALENT

- ✘ September 1991 – information is placed in the Parish bulletin that will lay the groundwork for the introduction of Time and Talent to include testimonies from Stewardship Committee members.
- ✘ October 1991 – booklets are developed and distributed with ministries parishioners could become involved in sharing their Time and Talent.
- ✘ Last weekend in October – commitment cards are placed in a special basket prior to the Offertory.

STEWARDSHIP – PLANTING THE SEEDS

- ✘ Annual Renewals – Time, Talent and Treasure
- ✘ Stewardship logo to be used on all stationary, bulletins, publications and prayers for an increase in the grace of stewardship during the petitions at Mass.
- ✘ Incorporated discussions with all groups, especially with the Religious Education program and the Parish Parochial School
- ✘ Link every parish activity to the concept of Stewardship
- ✘ Monthly Stewardship Council meetings
- ✘ NO FUNDRAISING

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE GROWS

- ✘ Fr. Dennis Harten – new Pastor 1994, introduces 5% tithing by the parish using our Sunday Collections.
- ✘ Between 1991 and 1998-Sunday Collections grow 40.6%
- ✘ Fr. Dennis then moves to 10% tithing of Sunday Collections
- ✘ Fr. Rich O'Leary – new Pastor in 2002, introduces 10% tithing of Sunday and Other Collections
- ✘ Fr. Joseph Narog – continues stewardship tradition of 10% tithing of Sunday and Other Collections

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

BUILDING *The Body of Christ*

START

Within your parish

- Taking care of "our own"
- Christian Service
 - Prayerline
 - Project HOPE
 - Dinners to the Doorstep

EXPAND

To the World around your parish

- Archdiocesan
- Sister Parish
- Local charities or non-profit
your neighborhood
- INTERNATIONAL
 - Hugs for Heroes
 - Mission trips
 - Bread for the World
 - Catholic Relief Services

List your existing Ministries & throw in a few potential Ministries



EACH PARISH HAS A UNIQUE FOOTPRINT

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FOOTPRINT



TIPS

- ✖ Creating your Time and Talent Booklet
- ✖ List all ministries you currently have:
Liturgical, educational, school, gardens, social,
etc. and put it in writing
- ✖ Identify a parish coordinator for each ministry
- ✖ A ministry for EVERYONE
- ✖ Charity Ministry



HUGS FOR HEROES 2013



St Thomas of Villanova proudly begins our

Hugs For Heroes

January 20th through February 10th 2013

This year we are sending donated items to our local soldiers deployed in Afghanistan, as well as to those who have returned from war and readjusting to the civilian world through the Philadelphia Veterans Educational Multi Service Center.

Items needed for our soldiers deployed:

Cards and Letters of Encouragement

Individual toiletries: Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Floss,

Deodorant, Foot Powder, Body Wash, Eye drops,

Razors, Throat Lozengers, Ear Swabs, Shoe Inserts,

Candy, Packaged Snacks, Playing Cards,

Puzzles, Chapstick, Kleenex



Items needed for our Vets:

Cards and Letters of Appreciation,

New Undershirts (lg/xlg), Toiletries, Razors, Shaving Cream,

Tissues, Socks, Puzzles, Large Print Crossword

Puzzles, Shower Curtain Liners,

Any Kitchen Supplies (new or used)



Drop your donations off at the Parish Center during the week or at the Rosemont Chapel on weekends (around Liturgies). Your Contributions will be sent to our soldiers and Vets by Military Appreciation Day on February 17, 2013

For Questions or more information please call:

Bonnie Cotter: 610-715-9591 or

Barbara Mahady: 610-688-3993

ATTENTION ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We will be having a clothing and toy drive for
Cradles to Crayons-The Giving Factory

SATURDAY, August 16 - 3pm-6pm

and

SUNDAY, August 17 - 8:30am-12:00pm

Collection Site

in the Rosemont Chapel Parking Lot
by the Auditorium Doors

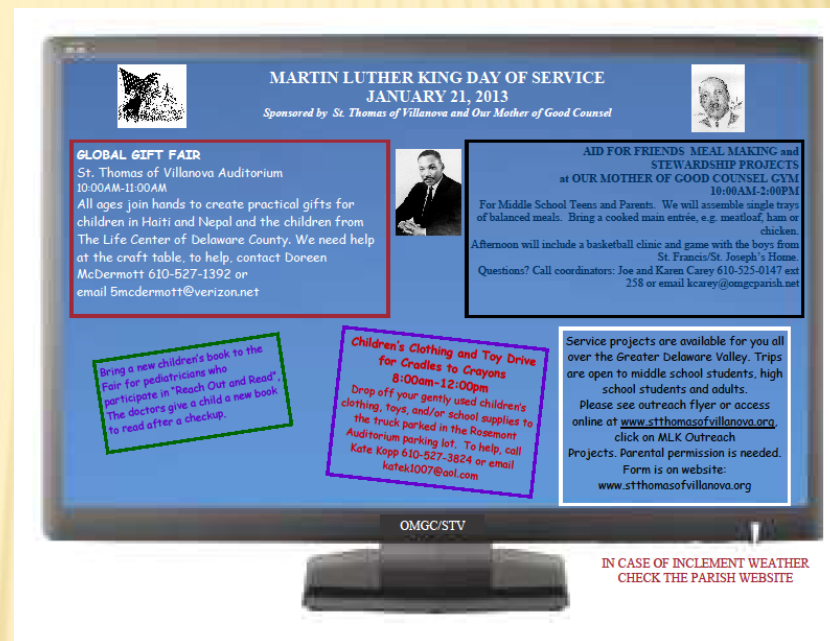


Cradles to Crayons is a non-profit agency whose mission is to provide, free of charge to children living in poor and low income families, the basic things they need to be safe, warm, ready to learn and to feel valued.

**Cradles to Crayons connects communities that
have and communities that need.**

For more information, go to: www.cradlestocrayons.org

Items needed for collection: Gently used and new, clothes, shoes, coats, books, baby safety equipment, school supplies, toys and games and all kinds of basic kids things. Any questions call Parish Coordinator, Kelly Clarke on cell # 484-250-2261.



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT-PRACTICAL APPROACHES

AN INVITATION TO SERVE

- Witness speakers at Liturgy
- Time and Talent Fairs
- Bulletin Witness Story
- Bulletin “Requests for Help”
- Pulpit announcements
- Information Sessions
- Annual Booklet and Commitment Card
- Ritualize during Liturgy

TEACH
SHARE

LEARN
ENJOY

INSPIRE
MINISTER



You are invited to
become a Volunteer Tutor of English

Are you interested in learning how you can provide
one-on-one English language and culture tutoring to meet
the needs of adult immigrants and refugees?

Join us for an

Information Night

Date: Tuesday, September 4th
Time: 7:00pm
Place: St. Thomas of Villanova -Auditorium
1229 Lancaster Avenue, Rosemont, PA

What is required of a tutor? A 3 evening training course and a 3 hour per week tutoring session with a client. Meeting space is available at the Radnor and Tredyffrin Libraries, the Rosemont Plaza lobby or the Parish Center.

Parishioners will share their experiences and Fred Crotchfelt, Board of Directors from the Volunteer English Program will speak together with his student, Gustavo Castro. (www.volunteerenglish.org)

Please RSVP for this Information session by calling Anne Murphy at the Parish Center 610-525-4801 or email service@stv.comcastbiz.net

St. Thomas of Villanova Stewardship Form

I would like to give back to God a portion of my time and talent.

The Ministry I am interested in is checked below.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- ☐ Bible Study Facilitators
- ☐ Faith Sharing Facilitators
- ☐ RCIA Catechists

ADMINISTRATIVE

- ☐ Communications Committee
- ☐ Office Assistant

CHRISTIAN SERVICE MINISTRY

- ☐ Advent Giving Tree
- ☐ Blessed Sacrament Mentors
- ☐ Bloodmobile
- ☐ Bread for the World
- ☐ Cradles to Crayons
- ☐ Casseroles – St. John Hospice
- ☐ Cupboard Ministry
- ☐ Day of Service
- ☐ Dinners to the Doorstep
- ☐ English as a Second Language
- ☐ Fair Trade Committee
- ☐ Feed the Hungry
- ☐ Good Stewards Camp
- ☐ Habitat for Humanity
- ☐ Holiday Hugs for Heroes
- ☐ Honickman Ministry
- ☐ Interfaith Hospitality Network
- ☐ Kids Care Camp
- ☐ Lazarus Ministry
- ☐ Manna Food Drive
- ☐ New Horizons
- ☐ Our Brother's House
- ☐ Prayer Line
- ☐ Peace and Justice Committee
- ☐ Prison Ministry
- ☐ Project H.O.P.E.
- ☐ St. Francis Inn Ministry
- ☐ Turkey to the Table

- ☐ Bridge of Faith Committee
- ☐ Family Life Committee
- ☐ Ice Skating Party
- ☐ Living in Love
- ☐ Mother's of Young Children
- ☐ Ministry to the Engaged
- ☐ Pentecost Brunch
- ☐ Seniors Lunch & Lecture Series

MUSIC MINISTRY

- ☐ Bell Choirs
- ☐ Cantors
- ☐ Choir
- ☐ Instrumentalist

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

- ☐ Blood Pressure Screening
- ☐ Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound
- ☐ Religious Education Program
- ☐ Receptionists
- ☐ Teachers and Assistants

WORSHIP MINISTRY

- ☐ Altar Servers
- ☐ Baptism Team Ministry
- ☐ Environmental Expeditors
- ☐ Laundry Angels
- ☐ Lectors
- ☐ Ministers of Hospitality
- ☐ Parish Worship Committee
- ☐ Word of God
- ☐ Ushers

YOUTH MINISTRY

- ☐ Youth Group
- ☐ Youth Ministry team

WELCOME

- ☐ Welcome Committee

Name _____
Phone # _____ Cell # _____
Email Address _____

I am a registered parishioner

I am interested in becoming a registered parishioner

This form can be mailed to: St Thomas of Villanova Parish, 1229 W. Lancaster Ave, Rosemont, PA 19010

This form can be faxed to: 610-525-4801

For QUESTIONS Call: 610-525-4801

Please Print

www.stthomasofvillanova.org

USING SPIRITUAL GIFT INVENTORIES

WHAT IS MY MINISTRY?

This guide for personal reflection is offered to help you think about that question. This can be used for an individual, a couple or a family. We invite you to reproduce this tool as needed.

Please take a few moments to reflect on the following passage before thinking about each of the questions.

You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. **You are the light of the world.** A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, **your light must shine before others,** that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father. (Matthew 5:13-16)

My light shines in St. Thomas of Villanova Parish by _____

I season other people's lives by _____

I am good at _____

I enjoy _____

I would like to try to _____

I like helping people by _____

I would like to serve our parish community by _____

May your reflection and the answers to these questions help you as you prayerfully read this Stewardship Book. Then please be sure to follow-up with contact persons for ministries in which you are interested in sharing your time and talent.

USING SPIRITUAL GIFT INVENTORY

Discovering the Gifts of the People

Personal Reflection Guide



WHAT'S IN A GIFT PACKAGE?

Each of us is like a gift package from God. Inside this package are many treasures, many gift components. This particular combination of elements is so unique that not one of us has ever been replicated in human history. No two people ever have identical gifts. Our giftedness includes our personality type, interests, motivations, life experiences, and hopes and dreams. Reflection Guide 1 provides a list of other components of our gift package. Turn to that exercise now and complete it for yourself.

The special and unique ways these gifts come together make us who we are. We are one-of-a-kind creations of God with unique contributions to make in this world.

THE SOURCE OF OUR GIFTS

We did not create our own gifts. Although we acknowledge God as the source of our gifts, our behavior often suggests that we have discounted God's work. This happens in many ways.

Discounting Gifts

One way we discount gifts is related to our pride. Some of us may become "puffed up" about our successes and strengths and assume we are self-made persons. Sometimes we might even compare our gifts to those of others and judge them as less gifted than we are.

Some of us ignore the source of our gifts by projecting giftedness onto a few special people: saints, artists, famous persons, ordained ministers, or even our own parents or children. We believe these people are really the gifted ones.

Some of us are perfectionists. We are very hard on ourselves, putting ourselves down when we don't live up to our own expectations or to those of others. We may be falsely modest about our gifts, unwilling to talk about them with others.

unable to accept a compliment. We may even believe we have no gifts at all and that we are inadequate and unworthy.

A popular saying reminds us that "God does not make junk." God has created each of us as a uniquely gifted person. Our gifts complement and combine with those of others in the human family. All are needed. God celebrates our gifts and so should we.

About Humility

Many of us grew up in a kind of double bind. On the one hand, we were encouraged to "be all you can be." On the other, our families and congregations exhorted us to be modest and humble, and not to talk about our gifts. We were admonished to discount our pilgrimages in the name of humility.

We did not dare to come forward and say, "I'd really like to do that. I think this opportunity really fits my gifts." Instead, we waited to be coaxed into participation, which seemed to be a more modest approach.

Someone once defined "humility" as "being teachable" – that is, being open to new information about ourselves, others, and the world around us. We are called to remain open to new information about our gifts and those of others. St. Teresa of Avila wrote that humility is "walking in the truth of who we are." We can apply this to our gifts, too. We are called to walk in the truth of our gifts.

THE PURPOSE OF OUR GIFTS

What is the purpose of these gifts? The apostle Paul writes that gifts are for "the good of community."

The gifts the Spirit gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry for building up the body of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-12

USING SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY

The Spiritual Gifts Inventory



St. Thomas of Villanova Parish Community

Introduction

The Spiritual Gifts Inventory can help you determine which spiritual gifts you have been blessed with and are challenged to use in living out your baptismal call to build up the Kingdom of God. It will take approximately 15-20 minutes to take the inventory but a whole lifetime to use your spiritual gifts. There are 115 questions that assess your gifts in twenty-three different areas. Once you've totaled your scores for each of the gifts using the self-scoring sheet, determine your top three spiritual gifts and use the List of Spiritual Gifts to deepen your understanding of these gifts and how they might be used. We've provided a list of some of the parish ministries and activities that need each of the 23 gifts and encourage you to explore the possibilities of using your gifts in one of these ministries.

Instructions for Use: The Inventory is on pages 2-7. Indicate by placing an "X" whether you Strongly Agree, Agree Somewhat, are Undecided, Disagree Somewhat, or Strongly Disagree with each question. The number above each answer is the point value that should be used when you begin scoring.

Don't be modest. Answer spontaneously and honestly.

*The Spiritual Gifts Inventory is also available online at www.stthomasofvillanova.org click on:
Link to Stewardship Inventory*

A SUCCESSFUL FAIR

- ✖ St. Thomas of Villanova led us downstairs
- ✖ Tables, chairs, posters, welcome all
- ✖ Ministry Coordinators host the tables
- ✖ Blood pressure & Health Fair
- ✖ Children's Stewardship Materials:

Thank you
Danke Xie xie
Khawp khun
Yum botio
Mahalo
Selamat
Juspa
Obrigada
Spacibo
Arigato

THANK YOU

AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

- ✖ Thank you with spiritual quotes, emails, personal thank you notes
- ✖ Use bulletin for thank you
- ✖ Use pictures of ministry in bulletin or stewardship related events
- ✖ Use statistics with thank you
- ✖ Thank you gifts/samples
- ✖ Welcoming Committee and materials in all parish bulletins
- ✖ Annual Appreciation Dinner
- ✖ Annual Time & Talent Stewardship Report

TO SHOW OUR
APPRECIATION OF YOUR
TIME AND TALENT



Please join us for dinner and dancing

*Friday Evening
May 6, 2011
at 6:00pm in the
St. Thomas of Villanova
Parish Center Auditorium
1229 East Lancaster Avenue
Rosemont, Pa 19010
610-525-4801*

*In appreciation of volunteering
your time and talent throughout the year,
we want to thank you for your commitment
to St. Thomas of Villanova Parish.*

*Please join us for
dinner and dancing
Friday Evening*

May 3, 2013

at 6:00pm in the

*St. Thomas of Villanova
Parish Center Auditorium*

1229 East Lancaster Avenue

Rosemont, Pa

*In appreciation of volunteering your
time and talent throughout the year,
we want to thank you for your
commitment.*



THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

For the Modern Day Miracle of the Loaves and the Fishes

To our parishioners who donated 300 turkey baskets for the parishioners
of our sister parish of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament.

Thanks to the many parish families headed by the Tobia, Burns and
Overbeck Families who helped to deliver and to sort over

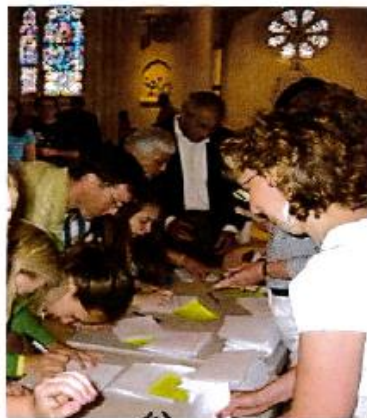


Thank You

- To our parishioners for your tremendous response to the Manna Food Drive for our sister Parish!
- To our middle school Youth Group and their families who distributed the bags and transported the food.



- To Members of the Peace and Justice Committee and parishioners who serve in our hunger Ministries for organizing the Bread for the World Letter Writing campaign 2009. This advocacy movement gives fellow parishioners an opportunity to shape the moral character of our society in the political arena.



According to Pope Benedict XVI "Charity must animate the entire lives of the lay faithful and therefore also their political activity, lived as 'social charity'".
(Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*)

MARTIN LUTHER KING - DAY OF SERVICE

Message from the Coordinator.....

I am pleased to report that the 2011 Global Gift Fair at St. Thomas of Milanova was a tremendous success once again. We started the event with about 80 people and about 20 or so joined later for a total volunteer crew of around 100. We heard how our representatives chose to focus their energy on needy children in El Salvador, Peru and Chester, PA. Their heart-felt messages gave us inspiration as we took to doing our work.

Men, women and children jumped in with enthusiasm to complete the following:

- * 205 decorated lunch bags with a piece of fresh fruit and bologna and cheese sandwich in each. We had an additional 30 sandwiches to send along as well. The supplies were like the 'loaves and fishes' as we started the day with enough for about 100 lunches. The donations kept coming and we made twice that number. These lunches went to hungry children in our own nearby community — Chester, PA.

- * about 150 "pencil packs" - a colorful set of two pencils, an eraser and key chain. The pack was wrapped in a cheery message - in Spanish: "The orphans in Peru have so few basic needs that a brightly colored pencil and a cheerful message is 'like gold'".

- * Over 200 decorated tee-shirts. This year's designs included some brightly colored Disney and animal theme pictures in addition to our ever popular soccer players. Beautiful. The children in El Salvador need basics like tee shirts and they love bright colors and pictures of children playing.

We could not have completed this good work without the generous contributions of your time and supplies. Great teamwork made the day flow smoothly.

In addition to the above, teams of teens and adults did outreach to Mother's Home in Darby, to Cradles to Crayons, Habitat for Humanity, Brother's Place, St. Francis and Philabundance. They also made meals for Aid for Friends and prepared letters and gifts for local folks in need. Approximately 300 people participated across all our activities.

Thank you all for once again making MLK day a meaningful day-on in our community.

Denise Rinear Steele,
Coordinator of MLK Day of Service



Thank you!
Thank you!



- To the team who packed and sorted children's clothing at Cradles to Crayons on Tuesday night.
- To the St. Francis Cabrini Mentoring Ministers who finished a busy and challenging school year mentoring 80 children from the SFC Mission School in West Philadelphia. Here are some pictures.



Bienvenido

G'day Mate



"shalom"

filte

New Parish Events

Inter-generational Gatherings

Welcome & Hospitality

a vital aspect of
Parish Stewardship

Welcome Packets
Generational Gatherings

Hospitality Ministries

Bienvenue

Welcome



欢迎您



*The St. Thomas of Villanova
Welcome Committee*

Invites You

*to come enjoy the company of
fellow new parishioners*

*Join Our Faith Community on
Saturday, April 13, 2013*

after the 5:00 PM Liturgy

in the

Parish Center

Wine, light fare, desserts

Please RSVP by April 8

610-525-4801 or email admin@stvc.comcastbiz.net

*with the number of adults and children
attending.*

SPLASH PARTY



**The Family Life Committee
Of St. Thomas of Villanova
Parish Community
invites you to
OUR ANNUAL SPLASH PARTY
Monday, June 25, 2012
6:00PM-9:00PM
at Conestoga Swim Club on
Rt. 320 in Villanova**

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Volleyball Badminton
Paddle Tennis Huge Swimming Pool
Baby Pool Dinner included
Family Games

Parishioners A to M—Bring a dessert to share!
Parishioners N to Z—Bring a salad to share!
Bring a blanket!

Rain date is Tuesday, June 26th. Check the
parish website for any changes.
Any questions call the Crawfords at 610-526-6696.

SPLASH PARTY RSVP by calling 610-525-4801, fax this form to 610-525-6041 or email your reply to office@stv.comcastbiz.net

Family Name _____

Number of Adults _____ Number of Children _____





St. Patrick's Day Lunch

*Friday, March 15, 2013 12:45PM
Rosemont Auditorium*

Cost \$13.00 per person -
Entertainment provided by Rick Savage
on the Accordion and the
Cara School of Irish Dance



Please RSVP by March 11th to Kathy Roethlein:
610-525-4801 or email: office@stv.comcastbiz.net
or this form can be dropped in the collection
basket or at the Parish Center

NAME _____

Number Attending _____

Check Enclosed _____

PHONE _____



You are invited to

The Women of St. Thomas of Villanova Parish Speaker Series with

Amanda Bennett

Author of

The Cost of Hope

Wednesday, May 22
7:00pm

***St. Thomas of Villanova
Rosemont Auditorium***

Don't miss this special evening as Ms. Bennett shares her moving and eye-opening story of love, marriage, family and the quest to save her husband's life. Bennett's new book has been featured in the New York Times, The Wall Street Journal and on NPR. She will make you laugh, cry and look more carefully at your own healthcare.

Bring a friend! A wine and cheese social and book signing will follow the talk

RSVP to: office @stv.comcastbiz.net

or call 610-525-4801

You Are Invited to

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP 2012

Date: June 18-22—Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Monday June 18
What is a GOOD Steward?
Members of our Stewardship Committee will present. We are going to discover our leadership gifts on the Villanova University Challenge Course.

Tuesday June 19:
Neighbors Helping Neighbors Day-
Trip to Eldernet
www.eldernetonline.org

Wednesday June 20: Learn about how Siloam (www.siloamwellness.org) enriches the well being of people impacted by HIV/AIDS. Siloam is in N. Philadelphia

Thursday June 21:
A fellowship opportunity with the frail elderly patients of Holy Family Home in S.W. Philadelphia. This nursing home is run by the Little Sisters of the Poor.

FRIDAY JUNE 22
It's time to play!
Trip to Dorney Park!



OPEN TO ALL ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA AND OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISHIONERS ENTERING 6th THROUGH 8th GRADE IN SEPTEMBER 2012

Join us for a week of hands-on service ministry and learning experiences. We start from our base camp at Our Mother of Good Counsel parish then travel to social service agencies

We will learn how to put our Catholic faith into action!

THE STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE ... USING TECHNOLOGY



Pope Francis launches the smartphone app Missio during an audience at the Vatican. Holding the iPad for the Pope is Father Andrew Small, national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States. The free app features homilies from Pope Francis as well as Catholic news from the Vatican's missionary news agency and other providers

USING TECHNOLOGY TO PROMOTE STEWARDHSIP

- ✕ Tweets, apps, resources
- ✕ Utilize social media for the Millennial and the rest of us:

Constant Contact

Evites

Apps

Online courses


Advocacy

Surveys

USING TECHNOLOGY

St. Thomas of Villanova Church

Schedule of Events



Update on May 2013 Events

May 16th to the 31st

May 16 - Men's Gathering at 6:30 AM in the Rosemont Chapel and Auditorium; Communion Service followed by a guest speaker - Christopher Barnett, D. Phil, Associate Professor of Theology at Villanova.

May 18 & 19 - Graduation Weekend at Villanova University

ALL SUNDAY MASSES ARE IN THE ROSEMONT CHAPEL

May 22 - Women's Lecture Series [Here to](#)

Join Our Mailing List

Contact Information

[Rev. Joseph L. Narog, OSA](#)
Pastor

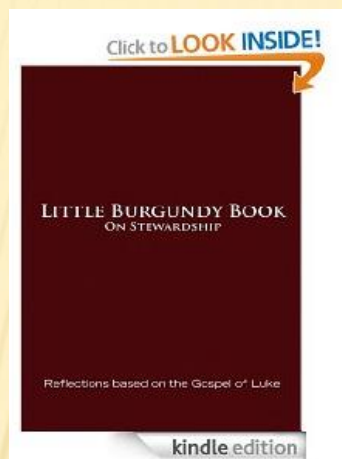
[Alice Obarski](#)
Director of Liturgy

[Anne Murphy](#)
Director of Service and Family Life

[Dr. Ernie Sherretta](#)



USING TECHNOLOGY





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CATHOLIC RELIEF
SERVICES



**CHURCH
TEACHINGS**

Assisting people in need is one of the prominent lessons of the Gospel and a



2013 GOALS

Actions and objectives have been outlined for Catholics to confront global poverty and help set the U.S.




ABOUT CCGP

CCGP combines the international humanitarian expertise of CRS with the pastoral authority of the USCCB

<http://www.confrontglobalpoverty.org/>

Liturgical Calendar

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Each year, the Secretariat of Divine Worship of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops publishes the *Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America*. This calendar is used by authors of oratorios and other liturgical aids published to foster the celebration of the liturgy in our country.

This calendar is based upon the General Roman Calendar, promulgated by Pope Paul VI on February 14, 1969, subsequently amended by Pope John Paul II, and the Particular Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America, approved by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Liturgical Calendar 2013

Liturgical Calendar 2014

The USCCB Secretariat of Divine Worship has prepared the 2014 edition of the *Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America*. The calendar lists each day's celebration, rank, liturgical color, Lectionary citations, and Psalter cycle (for the Liturgy of the Hours).

The 2014 *Liturgical Calendar* can be purchased by writing to:

USCCB – Divine Worship
3211 Fourth Street, NE
Washington, DC 20017
ATTN: 2014 Liturgical Calendar

All orders must be accompanied by a check made out to "Committee on Divine Worship" in the amount of \$10.00 per copy, covering printing, postage and handling. An electronic file (either Microsoft Word or PDF format in an e-mail attachment) of the calendar is also available for \$10.00.

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<http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/liturgical-calendar/>

5/20/2013

LENTEN PRAYER RESOURCES

Lent: by the Book and by the App

"But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in the love of God and wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life."
Jude 1: 20-12

Throughout Lent, this column will suggest books and websites and apps chosen to help enrich and deepen the place of prayer in your life. Many of these books are available in paperback, some in Kindle editions, with prices from Amazon.com – a few are in limited supply or available through the Amazon Marketplace. Several books include their publisher.

Magnificat, a monthly magazine offering daily morning and evening prayer, mass scriptures, meditations, available in subscriptions 6 months, 1 year etc. Also available in single issues in Catholic book stores, www.magnificat.net/english/abo1.asp?referer= or PO Box 822, Yonkers, NY 10702
Complimentary copies of the March issue will be available in the churches.

Little Books
Little Burgundy Books (all available in Spanish):
Stewardship in light of the Gospel of Matthew
Stewardship in light of the Gospel of Mark
Stewardship in light of the Gospel of John

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Awake My Soul:
Contemporary Catholics on Traditional Devotions
edited by James Martin, S.J.
Loyola Press; \$11.24

The twenty contributors to this small book share their delight in this rediscovery of their Catholic heritage, from Stations of the Cross to Liturgy of the Hours. Contemporary men and women are finding in the devotions what earlier generations have found – comfort in time of trial, models of discipleship, encouragement to care for others, and ways to draw closer to Jesus in prayer and worship.

The Heart of Catholic Prayer: Rediscovering the Our Father and the Hail Mary
Mark P. Shea
Our Sunday Visitor; \$12.51

At once meditative and catechetical, this book dissects these two anchors of our Catholic prayer life, line by line, in a journey into the Church's rich tradition. The author opens up these most common of prayers with a fresh and penetrating perspective, which will help make them less rote and routine.

Prayer: The Integration of Faith and Life
Bernard Haring, Amazon, Market Place new and used
Meditations on the presence of God and prayer using virtues found in Christ and in everyday life.

Catholic Phone Apps
www.catholicapps.com
Offers a variety of sites for prayer, spiritual reading, Liturgy of the Hours, Scripture Readings.

St. Thomas Moms

***1. What are the ages of your children? (select all that apply)**

- ☐ < 3
☐ 3-9
☐ 10-13
☐ 14 & up

***2. Please describe your past participation in Mom's Group events:**

- ☐ I have never attended an event
☐ I attend about 1 event a year
☐ I attend events about 3x a year
☐ I attend events about 6x a year
☐ I attend almost all events

Other (please specify):

***3. The reason I do not attend events: (select all that apply)**

- ☐ I work during the day
☐ My kids are too old for events
☐ I can't find a babysitter for evening events
☐ My kids are too young for events
☐ My schedule is too busy
☐ Events don't meet my needs

Other (please specify):

***4. I am most likely to attend events when they are scheduled on:**

- ☐ Weekday AM
☐ Weekend Day
☐ Weekday PM
☐ Weekend Evening
☐ Weekday Evening

Other (please specify):

***5. I am most likely to attend those events in the future (select all that apply):**

STEWARDSHIP TODAY

- ✘ Annual renewals with updated Stewardship Ministry books mailed to all parishioners. These mailings include a letter from the pastor addressing Stewardship as a whole – Time, Talent and Treasure.
- ✘ Fall Stewardship Bulletin that shows all of the financial information of the parish, the organizations that have received grants along with the amount received and who we have helped with our Time and Talent along with the hours worked.

STEWARDSHIP GRANTS - 2012

St. Thomas of Villanova Parish			
A Roman Catholic and Augustinian Community			
2012 Stewardship Allocations			
Organization	Mission	What Money Will Provide	2012 Allocated
INTERNATIONAL			
Augustinian Missions	Aid to families in Peru & Africa	General financial support	\$1,369.50
Augustinian Volunteers	Catholic men and women who wish to serve God's people in partnership with the Augustinians	General financial support	\$10,000.00
Society of the Holy child Jesus	African Province	Create a well for clean drinking water	\$2,500.00
Campus Ministry Villanova University	Aid to 2 - 5 students	Support for students on mission service trips who then share experiences with us	\$3,000.00
Holy Cross Hospice, India	Provide palliative care for terminally ill cancer patients	Medicine and transportation costs for treating cancer patients	\$2,500.00
Centro Santa Catalina	Aid to families for schooling	education for poverty stricken children in Mexico	\$1,000.00
Missionary Sisters of Holy Rosary	Integrated program in Liberia	Support for disabled and impoverished: food	\$2,000.00
INTERNATIONAL TOTALS			\$22,369.50

STEWARDSHIP GRANTS - 2012

INTERNATIONAL TOTALS			\$22,369.50
NATIONAL			
Augustinian Fund	Vocations	General Support	\$10,000.00
Christian Relief Services	Running Strong for American Youth	General Support	\$1,500.00
St. Martin DePorres Academy	Summer Camp for disadvantaged youth	General Support	\$2,610.00
NATIONAL TOTAL			\$14,110.00
LOCAL			
Augustinian Fund	Care of Sick & Elderly	Program Support	\$10,000.00
ADROP Augustinian Defenders of the rights of the Poor	St. Agnes Hospital	Clinic for the Poor	\$12,500.00

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Bethesda Project	Provide housing services to the homeless	Program support	\$5,747.00
Chester Community Pro Bono Physical Therapy Clinic	Pro bono clinic serving the needs of the un/under insured of Chester County	Mission Support	\$1,000.00
Community Outreach Program(CORP)	Communicare provides elder care: Wintershelter provides for homeless	Meals, companionship and clean beds for older homeless men in Center City	\$2,000.00
Cradle to Crayons	Provide everyday essentials to children living in poverty in the Philadelphia metro area	Support of their everyday essentials program	\$2,000.00
Dawn's Place	Residential program for women who have been trafficked for commercial sexual exploitation	Mission Support	\$600.00
ElderNet of Lower Merion & Narberth	Aid to elderly and poor	Program Support	\$3,500.00
Gesu School	Independent Catholic elementary school in N. Philadelphia	Academic summer camp for inner-city youth: bus transportation to field trip	\$3,250.00
Hope Partnership for Education	Breaking the cycle of poverty through education	Support Adult education program for low-income parents master key skills and learn new ways to help their children succeed in school	\$1,400.00
IHM Center for Literacy	Teaches English language skills to immigrants	General Support	\$1,250.00
Interfaith Hospitality Network	IHN houses families in our Parish Center, assisting families on their journey to be self-sufficient again	General funding	\$6,750.00

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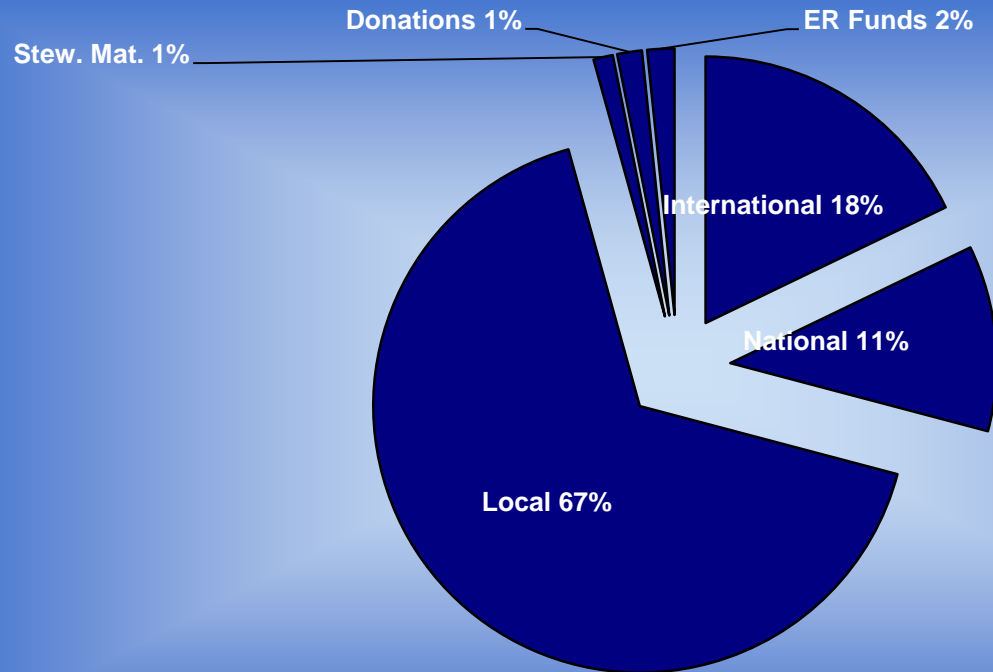
Little Sisters of the Poor	Holy Family Home	Purchase a residential lift.	\$1,000.00
Logan Hope	Summer Camp for disadvantaged and poor	General support of programs	\$500.00
Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament		Food Closet Support	\$6,173.50
Patrician Society Summer Day Camp	Serving basic human needs of poor families in Norristown	Youth Summer Camp	\$800.00
Project H.O.M.E.	To address the housing, employment, education, and medical needs of chronically homeless	General Support	\$2,500.00
St. Ignatius Nursing Home	Home caring for the poor elderly and infirmed	Sunroom Project	\$2,500.00

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St John's Hospice	Provides services to the homeless	Mission Support	\$6,000.00
St. Edmond's Home for Children	A home that provides care and treatment of children with the combination of severe physical and mental disabilities.	Purchase medical equipment	\$2,800.00
St. Margaret Elementary School Kids Care Club	Kids Care Club service projects - prepare meals for Ronald McDonald House, meals for shut-ins, book drives, etc.	Expand opportunities to promote service in the Lower Merion area.	\$1,500.00
The Joy of Sox	Provide socks to homeless in the Philadelphia Metro Area	Support of 1,200,000 Happy Toes Initiative-Philadelphia	\$2,500.00
SREHUP	Student Run Emergency Housing Unit of Philadelphia	General Support	\$1,000.00
Volunteer English Project	Teach English to immigrants / refugees	Support training, coaching and mentoring of nearly 200 volunteers.	\$1,500.00
Donations			\$1,875.00
Hugs for Heroes	Send needed supplies to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.	Shipping Costs.	\$739.46
Stewardship Materials			\$1,477.69
Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	Serve the poor in El Salvador	Service trip & funds to build home for elderly homeless woman	\$3,900.00
ER Parish Funds			\$2,055.00
LOCAL TOTAL			\$88,817.65
TOTAL			\$125,297.15

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

2012 Stewardship Allocations



INCOME STATEMENT FOR PARISHIONERS

	FYE 6/30/12	FYE 6/30/11
Revenues		
Sunday Collections	\$1,087,939.00	\$1,089,553.00
Christmas Collection	\$73,176.00	\$87,427.00
Easter Collection	\$57,945.00	\$68,721.00
Holyday Collections	\$11,527.00	\$10,810.00
Subtotal(10% tithe)	\$1,230,587.00	\$1,256,511.00
Diocesan Collections	\$31,240.00	\$33,938.00
Education Income-Pre School	\$201,525.00	\$227,736.00
Wedding Income	\$97,450.00	\$80,400.00
Religious Ed. Income	\$1,930.00	\$3,950.00
KenCrest Rental	\$80,220.00	\$77,880.00
Interest Income	\$10,170.00	\$16,267.00
Other Income	\$110,729.00	\$213,040.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,763,851.00	\$1,909,722.00
Expenditures		
Salary & Benefits	\$678,695.00	\$651,582.00
Physical Plant	\$165,715.00	\$188,472.00
Office Expense	\$120,901.00	\$134,548.00
Liturgy	\$44,048.00	\$30,400.00
Preschool Expenses	\$176,573.00	\$191,051.00
Wedding Exp.	\$33,390.00	\$22,990.00
Religious Education	\$16,637.00	\$15,272.00
Service	\$18,304.00	\$14,920.00
Subsidy for Catholic Education	\$111,254.00	\$109,650.00
Archdiocesan Assessment	\$148,800.00	\$145,600.00
Remittals for other collections	\$31,240.00	\$33,938.00
Capital Improvements	\$41,515.00	\$458,388.00
Stewardship(Tithe)10% of collections	\$125,297.00	\$225,685.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,712,369.00	\$2,222,496.00
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$51,482.00	-\$312,774.00
Includes \$100,000 from Heritage of Faith Campaign that was then given to Augustinian Retirement Fund		

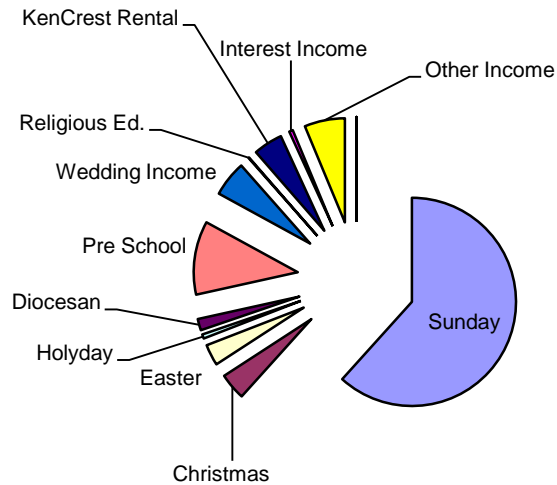
BALANCE SHEET FOR PARISHIONERS

	FYE 6/30/12	FYE 6/30/11
<u>Assets</u>		
Checking/Savings	\$300,080.00	\$38,762.00
CD's	\$687,176.00	\$487,857.00
Diocesan Trust Fund	\$150,232.00	\$559,387.00
Total Assets	\$1,137,488.00	\$1,086,006.00
<u>Liabilities & Equity</u>		
Retained Earnings	\$1,086,006.00	\$1,398,780.00
Net Income	\$51,482.00	-\$312,774.00
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$1,137,488.00	\$1,086,006.00

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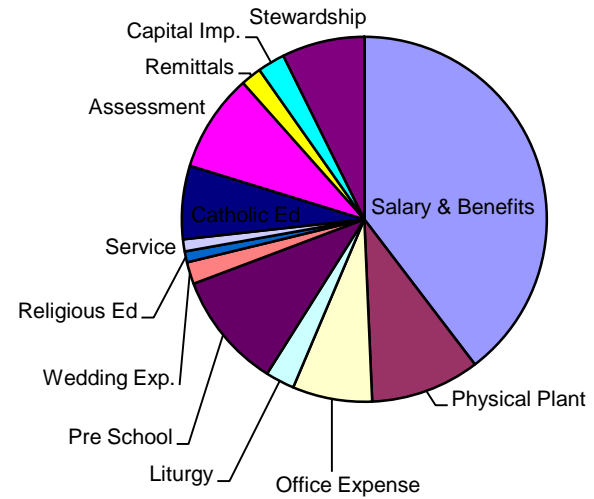
2012 REVENUES

2012 Revenues



2012 EXPENDITURES

2012 Expenditures



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Ministry	Hours	Ministers
MLK Day of Service	700	300
Mom's of Young Children: Service Projects	240	60
Events	100	20
New Horizons	210	7
OLBS Mentors	1512	21
One Book/One Parish	311	10
Our Brother's House/Bethesda Project	48	7
Parish Gardeners	220	1
Prayer line	2392	14
Peace and Justice Events	200	25
Preparing to Live in Love Mentors	856	38
Project Hope	416	27
Religious Education Catechists	864	19
Religious Education Receptionist	60	12
Dragon Boat Team	352	22
Villanova Day of Service	85	17
El Salvador Mission Trip	672	12
Fair Trade/Gift Fair	80	20



Ministry	Hours	Ministers
Feed the Hungry at 69 th Street	648	43
Food Closet Managers	50	1
Food, School Supplies and Sock Drives	1400	350
Good Stewards Camp	450	18
Blood Pressure Monitoring Ministry	42	2
Holiday Hugs for Heroes	210	210
Honickman Mentors	362	11
Interfaith Hospitality Network	1200	60
Iraqi Family Resettlement	100	5
Kids Care Camp	700	35
Laundry Angels	156	8
Living In Love Marriage Retreat	150	14
Lazarus Ministry	111	12
<u>Music Ministry:</u>		
Parish Choir	3720	24
Bell Choirs	1440	16
Leaders of Song	1920	10
Organists/pianists	780	3

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Ministry	Hours	Ministers
Advent Giving Tree	222	110
Art & Environment	126	10
Baptism Team	48	4
Bloodmobile	50	7
Bread for the World Advocacy	60	20
College Application Prep	120	10
Cradles to Crayons	45	15
Daily Mass Ministers Lectors (7) Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (12) Sacristans (6)	312	25
Dinners to the Doorstep	100	15
ESL Ministry	1600	8
Eucharistic Ministers to Homebound	1000	18
Eucharistic Ministers to Institutions	200	16
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	12	3
Family Life Events	400	24



Ministry	Hours	Ministers
St. Francis Inn	765	34
St. John's Hospice Casseroles	1330	58
Thresholds Prison Ministry	360	3
Turkeys to the Table	167	85
Welcome Committee	76	6
Weekend Mass Ministers Lectors (29) Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (46) Retired EM's (37) Altar Servers (33) Hospitality Ministers (7) Ushers (11) Mass Coordinators (9) Sacristans (9) Musicians (35)	285	212
Women's Lecture Events	60	30
Word of God	33	15
Worship Committee	33	10
Youth Group Service	215	80
Manna Food Drive	300	300

STEWARDSHIP TODAY



Dear Stewardship Grant Applicant:

The Stewardship Council of St. Thomas of Villanova Parish is pleased to present the Grant Application, linked below, so that we may better understand and evaluate your request.

Should you need clarification regarding the completion of this application, please feel free to contact our office for assistance.

St Thomas of Villanova Parish is a Stewardship community, dedicated to sharing its time, talent and treasure with our brothers and sisters in many ways.

In sharing our treasure, we have found it helpful to utilize a grant process. Our grants specifically support individuals, and community and faith-based groups that provide assistance to those in need on a local, national, or international level. Grants will be awarded to those individuals or organizations demonstrating needs that might not otherwise be met from other sources. Please understand that the resources of our Council are limited, and grants are made at a level that is dependent upon the generosity of the Parish. As grant applications are reviewed on a yearly basis, receipt of a grant does not guarantee future allocations.

The Stewardship Council looks forward to reviewing your grant proposal after the submission deadline of May 1st. Please return your completed grant proposal to St. Thomas of Villanova at the address below. Grant awards are decided in June and allocated in July.

Thank you for contacting us, and may God continue to bless you in performing His work.

Sincerely,

The Stewardship Committee of St. Thomas of Villanova

[Application 2013](#)

STEWARDSHIP TODAY

x Name of Organization/Applicant (please print) _____

x Address _____

x Contact Person: _____

x Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

x Applicant Signature & Title, if any: _____

x Are you a registered 501(c) 3 Organization? Yes _____ No _____

x Amount you are requesting: _____ Any Special Instructions for payment: _____

x _____

x Provide a brief description of your proposal _____

x _____

x _____

x Please identify the approximate number of people who will benefit from this grant

x _____

x Is this your first application to St. Thomas of Villanova? Yes _____ No _____

x If no, when did you last apply? _____

x How did you learn about the Stewardship Grant Program? _____

x _____

x _____

x _____

x For STV Use: Date Received _____ Date First Reviewed _____

x Grant Approved: Yes _____ No _____

x Amount: _____

x St. Thomas of Villanova*1229 East Lancaster Ave.*Rosemont*PA*19010*610-525-4801

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x Proposal Title _____

x

x Statement of Purpose and Expected Results *(Attach additional sheets, or any brochures and materials that may help us to better understand your work)*

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x Goals and Objectives *(Be as specific as possible, identifying the activities you use to achieve your objectives)*

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x Budget *(Identify anticipated expenditures)*

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x Evaluation *(Identify measures you will use to evaluate the benefits of this grant)*

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Thank you. We appreciate your time!

