

**OUR PARISH RESOURCE SPECIALISTS CAN ASSIST YOU IN MANY WAYS.
BELOW IS A LIST OF SOME OF THE RESOURCES WE OFFER.**

- **To continue support for the Annual Pastoral Appeal**

1. **“LYBUNT” (Last Year But Not This Year) Letter** - This is a letter from you to your parishioners who gave to the Appeal last year, but not yet this year. This will be done on your parish letterhead with your signature and you can make any changes you would like to the letter we have prepared. This letter will be printed, and mailed at no charge to you.
2. **Parish Specific Bulletin Insert** - highlighting ministries that are supported by the Annual Pastoral Appeal with added information regarding frequently asked questions, and how the funds from APA successfully benefit others.

This informative insert will also highlight your parish goal, the total amount raised from your parish at the time of print, and the level of participation. In addition, it reminds parishioners that the funds given reduce the amount that the parish has to pay out of the collection baskets, and that any amount above your goal comes back to your parish **100%**, and is not counted as parish income in the following year's assessment. This bulletin insert also offers a pledge opportunity, as well as contact information and other opportunities for giving.

3. **Develop a Speakers' Bureau** - consisting of Diocesan Officials, Ministry Leaders, Seminarians, Retired Priests, and lay people assisted by ministries supported by the Annual Pastoral Appeal. These persons can speak at your Masses to provide additional information on APA.

- **To improve efforts in Stewardship and Development**

1. Parish Stewardship Training
2. Consultation on all aspects of Stewardship and Development
3. Capital Improvement campaigns
4. Special collections
5. Comprehensive Resource Development Planning
6. Offertory Increase programs

We know that Stewardship is already a way of life for many in our diocese. We would like to extend our resources and services in partnership with you to develop a greater understanding of Stewardship to those who want to answer the call, so that we as a church can grow to receive the gifts of God with gratitude, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others and stand before the Lord in a spirit of accountability.

Please let us know how we can best assist your parish.

Thank you very much for all that you do in His name.

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