

One Family  
in Mission

Called to Evangelize



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Office of Parish Stewardship  
September 2019

We are pleased to present our September issue of **ONE FAMILY IN MISSION** newsletter. We invite you - as part of that **FAMILY** - to share articles, best practices and any other items that you believe would benefit our community of Stewards. Please send them to [tzalud@drvc.org](mailto:tzalud@drvc.org).

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## Steward of the Month Mr. Patrick Hirzel from Battle Creek, MI

He shared a Parish Stewardship Prayer that is inspiring  
many in his Catholic Community!

Dear Heavenly Father,

My parish is composed of people like me; **I help make it what it is.**

It will be friendly, if I am. **Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.**

It will do great work, **if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.**

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, **if I invite and bring them.**

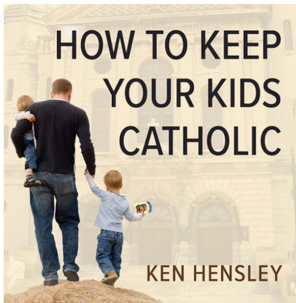
It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a parish with a noble spirit, **if I, who make it what it is, am filled**



**with these same things.**

Therefore, with Your help, O God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be.

## **FORMED STEWARDSHIP CONTENT OF THE MONTH**



### **How to Keep Your Kids Catholic by Ken Hensley**

## **CALL TO EVANGELIZE**

**Summer comes to a close and the brisk air seems only a few moments away, September is here!**

September is a very busy month for families. School is starting and Religious Education classes will follow.

Parents with children, who will be attending religious education in their primary Catholic school or during the week in their parish's Religious Education, will have their hands full with dropping children off at school, picking them up, and helping them with homework.

However, a parent's job doesn't stop there. Parents are stewards of the Faith for their children and they depend on parents to teach it to them. Like schoolwork, if it is not practiced at home, it will not stick.

**Best part is - it's simple - parents don't have to be theologians!**

They can start by taking their whole family to Mass and praying before meals at home.

**Those without children are needed just as much!** Parishes could use volunteers for Religious Education. Catechists and hall monitors are needed to ensure our children receive an orthodox and safe Catholic education.

**Everyone is called and everyone has a purpose!**

**CATECHETICAL CONGRESS 2019**

*Stay With Us*

Saturday, September 14, 2019  
St. John the Baptist High School, West Islip  
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Featuring Keynote Speaker  
**Dr. Mary Healy**  
Professor of Sacred Scripture at  
Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit

Special Blessing of Catechists  
and Commissioning by  
**Bishop John O. Barres**

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