Prayers of the Faithful

Based on the four sections of Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, below are some suggested Prayers of the Faithful that a parish can use to invite parishioners to prayerfully consider sharing their time and talent with their parish community, for the enrichment of all.

The Meaning of Stewardship

We pray for the parishioners of the Archdiocese of Toronto, that we may recognize the time and talents entrusted to us by God. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that each one of us may use our time and talents to make a profound impact in our community, sharing our gifts with one another. *We pray to the Lord.*

The Spirituality of Deep Stewardship

We pray for the gift of deep stewardship, and for the grace to understand what is truly important in life. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that deep stewardship will be alive and active within our own parish community, drawing on the time and talents of each one of us to share in abundance with others. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that we will use our time wisely, reflecting on what is truly important, sharing our time and talents thoughtfully and responsibly. *We pray to the Lord.*

Reasons to Become Involved with Stewardship

We pray for the inspiration to enter more fully into the spirit of stewardship – allowing us to shine more brightly through a deepened spirit of gratitude for God's gifts. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that each one of us will reflect on how we can be engaged in supporting our parish community, using our time and talents in thanksgiving for our many blessings. *We pray to the Lord.*

May we joyfully embrace the time and talents entrusted to us by God, sharing them in abundance as ambassadors for Christ. *We pray to the Lord.*

The Way Forward

We pray to continue developing vibrant parishes and engaged parishioners so as to live out the blessing of stewardship through our time and talents. *We pray to the Lord.*

May we be thoughtful and responsible stewards in our families, drawing on the gifts and talents of each family member to support one another in our faith journey together. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that each one of us will say 'yes' to active engagement in our parish family. May we draw on the time and talents of every parishioner to serve the church in loving gratitude for all that has been entrusted to us. *We pray to the Lord.*