Thank you for your faithful support which enables Holy Name of Jesus to walk with you on your personal journey of faith. The Body of Christ is composed of every individual member of the Church. The body's health and wellbeing are both the personal responsibility of each one of us and the collective responsibility of all of us. We all are stewards of the Church. Together, we can ensure the parish flourishes within our community.

Today, I ask for your commitment to help our parish plan and have the resources necessary to be flexible and responsive to the needs of our community. Through your stewardship of prayer, participation and generosity, will you make a commitment to Be the hands of Christ?

## Please commit to:

• attend Mass weekly and pray regularly for God's work through the Church

• share your time and talent through the ministries available at HNOJ

• examine your personal financial commitment to HNOJ and should your circumstances allow, increase your financial commitment for calendar year 2023 to support the ministries and services of Holy Name of Jesus

Your generosity is critical to our day-to-day operations and programming. As an effect of the past few years and the decreased participation, many of our ministries need volunteers to re-engage

in our important work. In addition, as costs have been rising in all areas, expenses are projected to increase by 9% compared to the prior year.

Thank you for all that you do to support the works of Holy Name of Jesus. May we glorify God by praying and working together to accomplish His plans for our parish.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr Steve Ellick Fr. Steve Ulrick



Stewardship is an opportunity to examine our priorities and values, to express our thankfulness, to give of ourselves and to grow in grace. It allows us to participate in the work of God. Your stewardship commitment is a testimony of your dedication to growing in your own spiritual life and spreading our beloved Faith.

Enclosed is a Commitment Form to complete. Please provide your commitment of prayer, participation and giving (2023 January – December) and return the form to the parish office. You may also bring it to Mass on commitment weekend, Oct. 8-9.

We are encouraging everyone to fill out the Commitment Form and would like to have 100% participation. Making your commitment is a covenant between you and God to support our parish mission to the best of your abilities for all the blessings you have received.

To fulfill your financial commitment, please consider a weekly or monthly recurring donation through our online platform WeShare 2.0; information found at hnoj.org/give. Your consistent contributions will put us in the position to continue our mission to Know the heart of Christ, See the face of Christ and Be the hands of Christ.

See the enclosed 2023 Commitment Form

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## BE THE HANDS OF CHRIST

Sharing in the body of Christ, we seek to:

Know The heart of christ. See The face of christ. Be The hands of christ.

## STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

God, giver of every blessing and all good gifts, we thank you for your presence among us. Open our minds and hearts so that we might see the abundance of your love in our midst. As you freely give, make us willing to give as well. Inspire us to nurture and share our time, faith, talents and material resources, as a grateful response to your abundant blessings. In doing so, we make your loving presence known in our world. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our best teacher of stewardship, through the inspiration and power of the Holy Spirit.

Now and forever. Amen.





At Holy Name of Jesus, we learn to follow Jesus and inspire each other to live as disciples of Christ. Stewardship is a faith response to God's love as we recognize all we have been given and seek to share it with others. Your ongoing support through prayer, participation and generosity serves as a reminder that we are all a part of our parish

mission to Know the heart of Christ, See the face of Christ and Be the hands of Christ.

We strive to put God first in all things and to follow where our Lord leads. We respond to His call by receiving God's gifts gratefully, cultivating them responsibly, sharing them lovingly in justice with others and returning them with increase to the Lord.

God blessed you with talents, skills and strengths. Your stewardship through prayer, participation and generosity has an impact on our community. You can engage by:

• attending Mass and praying regularly

• participating in the mission and ministry of the Church through volunteering

• generously committing your gifts to support the ministries and services of our faith community

To be a good steward means to care for something well. To be a Christian steward is to gratefully receive our unique God-given gifts, to cultivate them responsibly and to return them with an increase to serve God and neighbor.



## **BE THE HANDS OF CHRIST**