**Stewardship Prayers**

Lord God, you alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of each human life. We praise you and we thank you for your great power and your tender, faithful LOVE.

Everything we are and everything we have is your gift, and after having created us you have given us into the keeping of Your Son, JESUS CHRIST.

Fill our minds with HIS truth and our hearts with HIS love, that in HIS Spirit we may be bonded together into a community of faith, a parish family, and a caring people.

In the Name and Spirit of Jesus, we commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our material gifts as an outward sign of the Treasure we hold in Jesus. AMEN

**Prayer for Generosity**

LORD JESUS, you came to tell us that the meaning of life consists in giving. YOU told us that those who cling too tightly to what they have—without thought for YOU or others—end up losing everything. YOU gave us new values by which to measure the worth of a person's life.

Help us to realize it is not temporal success or riches or fame that gives life meaning. Rather it is the service rendered to YOU and others that brings fulfillment and makes our lives worthwhile.

May all our activity help build GOD'S kingdom: our obedience bring true freedom, our generosity increase love, our sacrifice bear generous fruit, our death lead to eternal life.

**Stewardship Prayer for Those in Ministry**

Creator God, life is your gift to us.
Through Baptism, You invite us to share the gift of life in service to others.
Be with us as we choose each day to show Your presence in our world.
Give us the courage and generosity to respond to Your love—to Your call.
We pray especially for those who serve You in ministry in our parishes. (diocese).
May we bear the Good News to those in need.
Keep us close to you.
Open the minds and hearts of many other men, women, and young people
that they may accept Your challenge and call
to build the Kingdom in our parish(es).
We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*If not us, who? If not here, where? If not now, When? If not for the Kingdom, why?*