

## Annual Parish Ministry Leader Meeting

- Generally speaking, 30% of registered parishioners attend Mass regularly, 20 % attend occasionally and 50% do not attend at all.
- So, 50 – 70% of parish does not hear the Stewardship messages at Sunday Mass.
- However, many of the 50 - 70% who do not attend Mass regularly, are active in other parish ministries. (The good news is we have a lot of up-side potential!)
- So, we need to “fish where the fish are.”
- Conduct a Parish Ministry Leader Meeting at least once a year (preferably twice):
  - April meeting to educate parish leaders on stewardship education and communicate Fall Stewardship plans and their role in those plans.
  - November meeting to analyze results of recent Fall Stewardship Renewal process and adjust as necessary.
  - Meeting should include opening prayer, introductions, brief stewardship education, other parish objectives, brainstorming session, time for suggestions/new ideas and end with prayer.
  - Consider it a “staff meeting” with all the parish ministry leaders.
- Benefits of Parish Ministry Leader Meetings:
  - Educate leaders on stewardship and other parish goals/objectives.
  - Parish information can be communicated at monthly parish ministry meetings to parishioners who may not attend Mass regularly or at all.
  - Opportunity for parish leaders to meet each other and develop relationship.
  - Ministry leaders will support each other and not compete with each other.
  - Source of new ideas.

- Encourage parish ministry leaders to weave stewardship education into their individual monthly ministry meetings (people that don't attend Mass now hear what Stewardship is about).
- Parish Ministry Leaders should constantly invite their ministry members to attend at Mass.