

## **2009 ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM**

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
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Dear Beloved Parishioners and Friends of Holy Trinity:

As we consider God's blessings, we are in awe of His immense goodness toward us. The greatest gifts to us are His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior and the constant presence of His Holy Spirit working in the Church and in our lives.

God endows each of us with personal gifts, talents and material possessions. Stewardship is acknowledging that God is the source of each gift that has been received and each possession that has been accumulated.

Orthodox Christian Stewardship reminds us that these gifts are not our own; that we have a trusteeship over them and not an ownership. Stewardship means to give a portion back to God, as a direct way of expressing our thanksgiving to Him for these gifts.

Our Church meets the financial needs of its annual Ministries and Operating Budget by way of its Orthodox Christian Stewardship Program. Consequently, our parishioners are Stewards of Holy Trinity, rather than dues payers, and they accept direct responsibility for the financial support and progress of our Church and its mission.

Before completing your 2009 Commitment Card and returning it to the Church Office, please give the matter of your Orthodox Christian Stewardship Commitment for next year your most serious and prayerful consideration. The financial level at which you arrive should be a spiritual expression of gratitude and love to God for all you have received.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Paul A. Kaplanis  
Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Theodore Roupas, Assistant Priest

2009 Holy Trinity Stewardship Ministry Team, Tamara Costa, Chairperson