

St Francis of Assisi—Mill Park

Welcome to the final week of our Parish Stewardship Program. In recent weeks we have reflected on:

- The role of faith in our lives
- The importance of coming together to celebrate the Eucharist each weekend
- Our commitment to growing in faith

We have also considered the notion of our parish as a *community* of faith:

- Are we a place of welcome?
- Do we have a clear mission to live the values of the Gospel?
- Am I making my contribution to parish life by being involved in our Groups & Ministries?

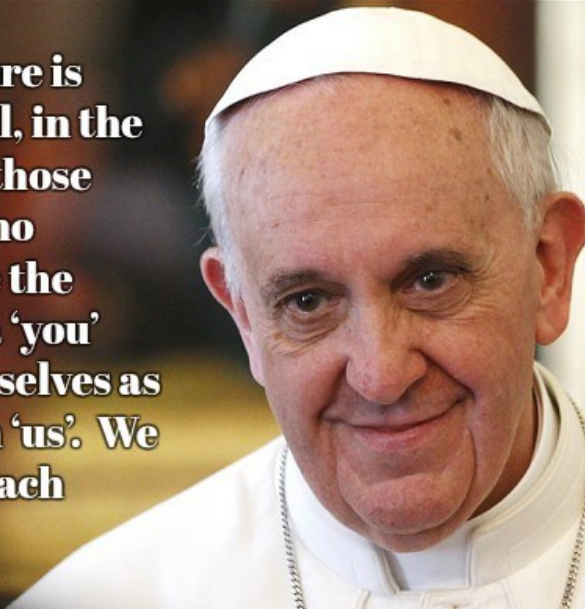
This week brings it all together. We look to the future – imagining what sort of parish we want to be. Ours is one filled with optimism – but one that needs the support and contribution of every individual if we are to achieve our dreams.

This week we ask you to finalise your commitments by:

- Signing up for a parish group or ministry
- Making your meaningful pledge of financial support to the Stewardship Program

This weekend Monsignor Charles Portelli will speak with us on these important matters.

“The future is most of all, in the hands of those people who recognise the other as a ‘you’ and themselves as part of an ‘us’. We all need each other.”



Thoughts from our Leadership Team

Why do you think it is important to support your Parish financially through our Stewardship Program?

“It’s very important to support the Parish through the Stewardship Program...the Parish needs to plan and budget for the future. It is also important to support the priest in the Parish.” **Carmen Saliba**

“It is important to support the Parish financially so that it can continue to grow and flourish. It is far better if every Parish family gave a regular amount so that it is easier to pay the accounts and also to consider if further projects can take place.” **Gaby Callegari**

“Our Parish supports us all in our unique journeys of life and faith, especially at key moments of celebration, challenge and change. Such support is reliant on both the generosity and good will of many people who volunteer their time and expertise in diverse ways, and the financial contributions of parishioners. These contributions help to maintain our beautiful church and associated buildings, and cover some of the many costs associated with our large and active parish. Financial support is needed to ensure our parish survives and thrives into the future.” **Anne**

“This is how we will realise the Good News!” **Bart Potenza**

“I believe in the need to plan and budget a financial commitment to our Parish and give the resources to sustain the Parish needs.” **Michael Saliba**

“My life is a gift from God. Whatever I earn arises from the gift of life. Supporting the Parish financially enables the Parish in its mission in conveying and nurturing the Word of God on life’s journey.” **Cliff DaCosta**

Key Dates

2nd & 3rd June	Our Future Weekend
21st June	Program Social Night