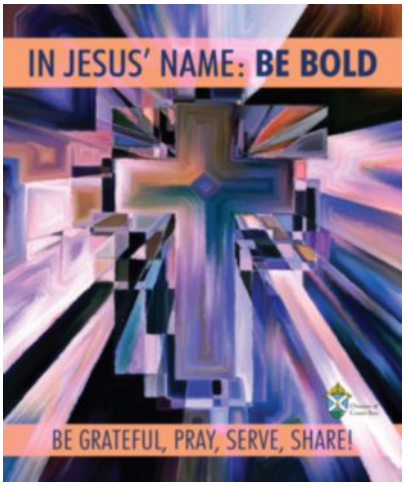
Celebrating Stewardship Sunday
November 11/12, 2017



Excellent Essay Opportunity

WHAT: The Department of Stewardship and Pastoral Services is sponsoring an *Excellent Essay Opportunity* for children, youth and families across the Diocese of Green Bay in celebration of **Stewardship Sunday November 11/12, 2017**.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: The top nine essays chosen (three in each category) will be printed in the *Compass* on November 9, 2017.

EXCELLENT IDEA: Have families, youth, children participating in this event present their essays after the Prayer of Thanksgiving at Mass or print them in your bulletin, newsletter or on your website to keep the message alive!

ESSAY DIRECTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLDS, YOUTH AND CHILDREN

Each group has a specific question to answer concerning how they actively follow Jesus as a disciple and steward. **Please use one or more examples from at least one of the following components of prayer, service and/or sharing.**

- If you are a family writing together please write 250 words. **What is one of your favorite ways to put Jesus at the center of your family life and live *In Jesus' Name?***
- If you are in grades 3-5, please write 200 words. **Why do you think Jesus is our best example of someone who is (pick one) grateful, prays, serves or shares?**
- If you are in middle school please write 250 words**. In your life, who is one person that is an example of living *In Jesus' Name*** in a bold way?
- If you are in high school, please write 300 words. **When you graduate from high school, how would you like to be a bold steward of gratitude, prayer, service and/or sharing in the world *In Jesus' Name?***

DEADLINE: All entries must be received by the Diocese no later than October 10, 2017 to be considered.

HOW: Have each participant fill out the brief application found on the next page and staple their entry to it. This will help us identify the parish and also make sure we have parental permission to print the essay if it is selected. If Parishes/Schools have multiple entries, the DRE /Principal should select the top three entries from their group to send to the diocese. All entries need to be received at the diocese by October 10, 2017 for consideration.

SEND TO: Mary Ann Otto, Stewardship and Special Project Director, Diocese of Green Bay, PO Box 23825, Green Bay, WI 54305-3825.

Questions: Please contact Mary Ann Otto at (920) 272-8301 or 1-877-500-3580, ext. 8301 or motto@gbdioc.org.

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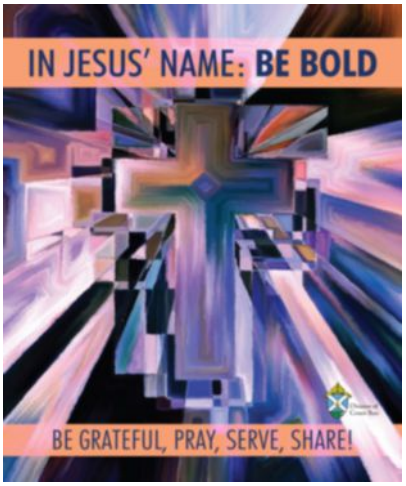

Attach to Entry

(Please enter info for all family members if writing a family essay)

Name (child or youth or family members)

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Parish_____

School _____ **Grade**_____

Family Phone_____

Email _____

If selected, I give permission for this entry to be printed in the Compass on November 9, 2017 with the name and parish/school of my child/family.

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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