

Resources to Affirm, Recognize and Reward

Parish/School/Community Volunteers

- 1.) **A Litany of Thanksgiving for Volunteer Ministry** – Can be used at an Awards Event or Special Liturgy.
- 2.) **Sample Petitions of Affirmation** - a treasure trove for future use at all kinds of events.
- 3.) **Quotes on Volunteering** – Can be used as material for speeches or as bulletin notes.
- 4.) **Church Volunteerism** – Resources for books, publications and agencies that focus on volunteers. These organizations have many resources and ideas to foster and recognize those who volunteer their time and talents.
- 5.) **Nomination Form** – This form was adopted from the Spirit of St. Matthew form used by the St. Matthew Community in Green Bay. We are using this form with Fr. Larry Seidl's approval.

This form can be used as is or modified with your parish name on the masthead. Use it to nominate persons in the parish and community displaying the spirit of service through acts of prayer, service and sharing. Once your committee has solicited and received nominations, you can choose to recognize those brought forward by a notice in the Sunday bulletin, at a special liturgy to affirm their gifts of time and talent, or at special parish-wide event.

- 6.) **Affirmation, Recognition and Appreciation** - Ideas and ways to do this.
- 7.) Letter from Fr. Tom Long of Holy Family Parish in Brillion, Reedsville and Maple Grove, with examples of bulletin notes. In each weeks bulletin, they have a section titled, "We are Grateful". This is an idea well worth emulating.
- 8.) Copy of a notice used by St. Philip the Apostle Parish to announce their Appreciation Celebration Mass and Banquet.
- 9.) A Family Guide to Faithful Citizenship
- 10.) Faithful Citizenship Bulletin Quotes and Clip Art