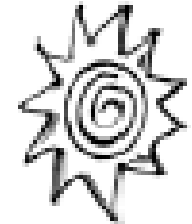


Ideas for Educators



Sharing Focus for Staff

- As you plan for prayer and faith sharing opportunities as a staff, check out the Monthly Meeting Prayers found on the diocesan web page (www.gbdioc.org) under the Pastoral Services link. These downloadable, ready-to-use prayer services have strong stewardship themes and are based on Sunday readings.
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- Stewardship Lesson Planning hyperlinks:



Public Broadcasting's Award Wining Special *Affluenza* comes with a variety of lesson plans suitable for use in 5th grade through high school. Help your students understand consumerism in light of our materialistic society. www.pbs.org/kcts/affluenza



Learning To Give – An Action of the Heart – A Project for the Mind seeks to educate children and young people regarding the importance of service and sharing for the common good. Includes special sections for educators, youth workers, and catechists. Catholic resources can be found under the Faith/Denomination tab. www.learningtogive.org

Help your students grasp the potential one person, even one child, can truly make in this world with help from a young Canadian Catholic boy named Ryan Hreljac. Ryan began making a difference in this world at the age of six through a school based stewardship effort to assist in the development of drinking water wells in Africa. Lesson plans, classroom materials, a Vacation Bible School Kit, and much, much more can be found at www.ryanwell.ca

- Free quarterly on-line subscription for Catholic Educators: *To Teach*. Published and distributed at no charge via email by the United States Conference Of Catholic Bishops. Every issue features ideas, resources, prayers suitable for lesson planning and enhancing Catholic learning environments. This past summer's edition focused on "Celebrating God's Abundant Gifts." See previous editions archived on-line as well as subscribe at www.usccb.org/publishing/toteach.shtml
- Check out the *Ideas You Can Use At Home* handout developed for the Fall 2005 Stewardship Sharing Resource Packet on the diocesan web page (www.gbdioc.org) under the Stewardship tab and send a copy home with each of your students.

Ideas for Educators



Sharing Focus for Committees & Boards

- Work with the Stewardship Committee to celebrate Catechetical Sunday and the Life Long Faith Formation programs in your parish/school this September 18th or 25th. This year's nationwide theme: *Life Is Christ* – features a strong emphasis on the stewardship cornerstones of prayer, service and sharing. Outstanding resource kit available from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Available in both English and Spanish. See materials at www.usccb.org/publishing/catsun/



- The National Observance of The 20th World Youth Day (ages 18-39) here in the U.S. is set for October 23rd. Invite the young adults from your parish who attended The 20th World Youth Day Celebration in Germany to share their experiences in a witness talk at the October 23rd weekend liturgies. Check out the World Youth Day Planning Guide published by the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry for ideas, prayers, blessings and a liturgy guide that highlight stewardship themes. Find it on the web at www.nfcym.org under the Publications tab – *Spirit of God: Source and Strength Resource Manual 2005*.

- Are your parish/school teens (ages 16-19) attending the amazing biennial National Catholic Youth Conference *Winds of Change* - in Atlanta this October 27th – 30th? It's a true "stewards – in – training" experience! Catholic teens from across the country gather to pray, build community, develop leadership skills and then return home filled with the Spirit. Network with the Stewardship Committee on ways to engage these Spirit-filled young people upon their return. For more information on the *Winds of Change* Conference, see www.nfcym.org and click on the *Winds of Change* tab.



- Collaborate with the Stewardship Committee in the development of a stewardship sharing project in support of the new school being built in the Diocese of Green Bay's Dominican Republic Mission Parish at Elías Peña. More information on the new school project can be found in the Fall 2005 Stewardship Sharing Resource Kit or see *The Compass* newspaper article featuring an interview with Father Mike Seis on the web page (www.gbdioc.org) under the Stewardship tab, 2005 Sharing Kit.