

A Steward's Way

The life of a Christian steward models the life of Jesus. It is challenging and even difficult, in many respects, yet intense joy comes to those who take the risk to live as Christian stewards. Women and men who seek to live as stewards learn that "all things work for good for those who love God"

(Romans9:28).

USCCB Pastoral Letter on Stewardship

"Change for Lent and
His Life Will Set You Free"

What are you "Giving up" for Lent?

What will you "give up" for Lent? This is one of the ways we think of Lent – a time to give up (or fast from) something. For forty days we fast from food or drink we enjoy, or we fast from swearing or cussing, or speaking badly about others; or we fast an attitude toward another: These are commendable practices which build up discipline – discipline we need to resist temptation in the future. Our "giving up" or fasting should enable us to deepen our relationship with God and with others. We do these things to make room, and make time, for Christ with the growing realization that all we are and have is a gift from God and is dependent upon a loving relationship with the Lord and our neighbor.

The disciplines of Lent, prayer, fasting, sharing talents and almsgiving, should be a genuine response to God's love for you. They are not done to gain favor with God. We are called to help the poor and needy. Why? Because by doing that we are making room for Christ.

Perhaps this can be a good thought as we enter the season of Lent:

*LENT IS A TIME TO CONSIDER
THE GIVING UP OF WHAT WE ARE,
FOR WHAT WE MAY BECOME.*