

Christ the Servant Parish: A Radical Way of Life

The word “stewardship” can make a lot of parishioners roll their eyes. “Oh, here we go again, another money talk.” On the surface that may be the reality, but “going below the surface” is the definition of the word radical. And so I believe we are called to a radical way of life—living a way of life that is deeper than a surface existence. As a parish it means living as a life of stewardship, sharing of our talents, time and treasure to further the mission of God in this world.



The Word of God is a living word and the fullest revelation of this Word is Jesus. When this Word of God takes root in our lives – it becomes part of the very “guts” of our lives – an integral part of who we are as individuals and as a community – this is “radical.”



It is at that point that we become the “language of God.” It is then that our daily actions and words and way of life become the “speaking” of God’s love. Being a faithful steward of our community is being able to take on “personally” the responsibility for “speaking” loudly in a world that so often is unable to hear the Word of God – Love and Mercy, Compassion and For-

giveness.

Sharing the mission of God demands giving of ourselves – it is a radical decision in choosing to become the word of God – the language of God – within our community here at Christ the Servant. LGaetano