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Msgr. Thomas
McGread
Stewardship Conference

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Msgr. Thomas McGread | Stewardship — A Way of Life

The Story of How a Typical Catholic Parish Became an International Model

The late Msgr. Thomas McGread is often called the “Father of Stewardship.” At this one-of-a-kind conference, we share the remarkable story of how stewardship transformed Msgr. McGread’s parish — St. Francis of Assisi in Wichita — and how it has impacted other parishes across the country.

This conference, for both clergy and lay leaders, will provide a setting for you to discover how to teach your parishioners to become better Christian stewards. Come see where it all began.

Beginning in the 1960s, Msgr. McGread built one of the most vibrant parishes in the country by teaching parishioners how to use their personal gifts, or what he called “time, talent, and treasure.”

Msgr. McGread was influential in the drafting of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) pastoral letter, *Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response*, which adopted his terminology and theological vision. Msgr. McGread’s approach to stewardship was that it is a spiritual, biblically-based principle that begins with conversion of heart and translates into a lifestyle of service.

His message was so compelling that he was invited to speak at parishes and dioceses across the country, and he also was the keynote speaker at several ICSC conferences. In addition, Msgr. McGread was a part of our team at Catholic Stewardship Consultants from 2002 up until his passing in April 2013.

While Msgr. McGread is no longer with us in body, he remains with us in spirit, and his stewardship message lives on. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to view one of his presentations via large-screen video.

Who Was Msgr. Thomas McGread?



Renowned Stewardship
Pioneer



Former pastor of St. Francis
of Assisi in Wichita, Kansas



Longtime Advisor to Catholic
Stewardship Consultants until
his passing in April 2013



Introducing Our Conference Speakers



Very Rev. John Lanzrath

Pastor, St. John the Evangelist, El Dorado, Kan.

A native of Wichita, Kan., Fr. John Lanzrath earned a degree in mathematics and worked as a civilian in military intelligence at Boeing Military Airplane Company before resigning to enter the seminary. He studied at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md., and later at Gregorian University in Rome. He has served the Diocese of Wichita in many capacities since his ordination in 1988 – associate pastor, Vice-Chancellor, Moderator of the Curia, Director of the Spiritual Life Center, Director of Stewardship, Vicar for Priests, and as Chancellor of the Diocese. Fr. John worked closely with Msgr. McGread in spreading the message of stewardship throughout the diocese and across the nation. In addition, Fr. John was instrumental in the development of their diocesan manual, *The Pillars of Parish Stewardship*.



Very Rev. Gary Kastl

Rector, Holy Family Cathedral, Tulsa, Okla.

Fr. Gary Kastl was ordained in 2007 for the Diocese of Tulsa. Since that time, Fr. Kastl has served the diocese in several leadership capacities including the Chair of the Priestly Life and Ministry Committee, the Director for Continuing Education of the Diocesan Clergy, and the Coordinator of Priests' Retreats and Days of Recollection. In addition, he has worked for the Catholic Leadership Institute as the Ministry Development Manager, helping to implement their programs for ongoing priestly leadership formation in dioceses across the country. He is currently a Leadership Consultant for CLI. Stewardship has been an integral part of Fr. Kastl's life, and he has been very successful in developing stewardship as a way of life in four different parishes, including his most recent pastoral assignment as rector at Holy Family Cathedral. He also serves as on the board for Bishop Kelley High School and St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa.



Mr. Eric McArdle

President, Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Eric McArdle is the President and co-founder of CSC. For over 20 years, Eric has worked with hundreds of parishes across the country on every aspect of stewardship development. At CSC, Eric and his staff work closely with parish and diocesan clients, utilizing a proven spiritual-based process that focuses on communication, education, and evangelization. Parishes that implement the CSC process have been successful in deepening the spirituality and practice of stewardship. CSC clients have seen parish life transformed, as individual parishioners and families grow in their relationship with God through a life of generous giving of their time, talent and treasure. Eric, his wife Lisa, and their five daughters are members of St. Mary on the Hill in Augusta, Ga. At St. Mary's, Eric has been involved in various parish ministries, and also has served in many key parish leadership roles.



Very Rev. Godfrey Mullen, OSB

Rector, St. Benedict Cathedral, Evansville, Ind.

Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB, is the rector of St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville, Ind. Professed as a monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey in 1989, he was ordained a priest in 1994. After returning from studies to the abbey in 2001 and earning his PhD in Liturgical Studies from the Catholic University of America in 2003, he taught seminarians, lay students, and deacon candidates for 12 years. He also held several administrative posts in the seminary at St. Meinrad. In 2012, he became pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Huntingburg, Ind. In 2013, Bishop Charles Thompson assigned him to be rector of St. Benedict Cathedral, and three year ago he began working to develop stewardship as a way of life at the cathedral parish.

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Most Rev. James R. Golka

Bishop, Diocese of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Ordained for the Diocese of Grand Island in 1994, Bishop Golka served as an associate pastor and pastor for 25 years before his appointment by Pope Francis as the third Bishop of the Diocese of Colorado Springs in May 2021. Sharing has been part of Bishop Golka's life from the start, as he grew up in Grand Island, Neb., in a family of 10 children. During his time as a pastor in Nebraska, Bishop Golka committed to developing stewardship at the parishes he served and led, and for the past decade, his parishes continued to grow in discipleship through stewardship. Bishop Golka has worked with CSC for more than 10 years and has been a regular speaker at this conference and CSC-facilitated parish retreats around the country.



Mrs. Lisa McArdle

Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Vice President of Client Services

Lisa McArdle is one of the co-founders of Catholic Stewardship Consultants (CSC) and currently serves as Vice President of Client Services. For over 24 years, Lisa and her husband, CSC President Eric McArdle, have worked with hundreds of parishes across the country on every aspect of stewardship development. Lisa and her team at CSC work closely with parishes and dioceses, utilizing a proven spiritual-based process that focuses on increasing the practice of stewardship. Together, Lisa and Eric co-authored the 2019 book *Stewardship Success: A Practical Guide for Catholic Parishes*, and her second book, *Stewardship Starts at Home: Using God's Gifts to Grow as Disciples of Christ in our Domestic Church*, will be published in 2022. Lisa has been married to Eric for 27 years, and the couple has five daughters ranging in age from age 11 to 26 years old, along with a son-in-law and two grandchildren. She is a member of St. Mary on the Hill Catholic Church in Augusta, Georgia, where she serves in various parish ministries.



Rev. Joel Sember

Pastor, Antigo Area Catholic Churches, Wisc.

Fr. Joel Sember was ordained a priest in 2007 for the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisc. He has extensive experience as a parish priest and two years of service in campus ministry. He made a 30-day Ignatian silent retreat and later completed the Spiritual Direction Training Program through the Institute for Priestly Formation in Omaha, Neb. He holds a B.A. in Philosophy and Catholic Studies from the University of St. Thomas, a Bachelors in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University, and a License in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical University Santa Croce in Rome. He has completed a dozen walking pilgrimages. He currently serves as pastor of St. John, Sts. Mary and Hyacinth, and St. Wenceslaus in Wisconsin.

“Who is a Christian steward? One who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.”

— Stewardship, A Disciples Response

Conference Agenda

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

- 8:15 a.m. Breakfast/Registration
- 9:00 a.m. Opening Prayer and Welcome
- 9:15 a.m. Msgr. Thomas McGread (Video Presentation)
The Story of St. Francis: How Stewardship Became a Way of Life
- 10:15 a.m. Very Rev. John Lanzrath
The Four Pillars of Parish Stewardship
- 11:30 a.m. Mass
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Very Rev. Gary Kastl
New Challenges, New Opportunities
- 2:30 p.m. Mr. Eric McArdle
Best Practices in Parish Stewardship
- 3:30 p.m. Very Rev. Godfrey Mullen, OSB
How to Preach a Consistent Sunday Stewardship Message
- 4:30 p.m. Talks Conclude for the Day
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner

Thursday, August 11, 2022

- 7:30 a.m. Mass
- 8:15 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Most Rev. James R. Golka
Developing Stewardship for Long-Term Success
- 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Lisa McArdle
Stewardship in the Family
- 11:00 a.m. Rev. Joel Sember
Developing Stewardship - Year One
- 12:00 p.m. Closing Prayer and Lunch

*There will be a short break after each presentation.

Conference Information



Date

The conference will be held over two days, August 10-11, 2022. It is scheduled during the middle of the week so that all participants can arrive Tuesday evening and depart Thursday afternoon.



Location

The conference will be held at the Spiritual Life Center of the Diocese of Wichita. This is a modern retreat and conference center where you will see stewardship in action during your visit.



Registration

The registration fee for the Msgr. McGread Stewardship Conference for Clergy and Lay Leaders is \$350. This includes all sessions, and breakfast, lunch and dinner. You will also receive a high-quality DVD of Msgr. McGread explaining the key components of building stewardship — ideal for viewing with your Pastoral Council or other leadership groups.

After you register for the conference, you must make separate arrangements for overnight accommodations. There are two choices:

Spiritual Life Center

This is a modern retreat center where you can relax with no distractions. During your stay at the Spiritual Life Center, you will experience stewardship at work when spending time in a chapel reserved for quiet reflection and personal prayer, when simply viewing the beautiful flower gardens planted and tended by volunteers, or when being graciously served by volunteers and staff. They offer private bedrooms, individually climate-controlled, with private bathroom, shower and vanity, and no TVs or in-room Wi-Fi access (Wi-Fi is available in the lobby and conference rooms). There are comfortable lounge areas adjacent to all bedroom corridors offering a welcoming place to relax and engage in quiet fellowship with other retreat participants. There are 60 rooms that can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. The cost is \$59 per person per night for single occupancy, and \$49 per person per night for double occupancy.

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316-744-0167 • slc@slcwichita.org • www.slcwichita.org

Area Hotels

You may also make reservations at a local hotel. The following hotels are not connected with the conference, but they are within a few miles of the Spiritual Life Center: *The Courtyard by Marriott* (316-636-4600); *TownePlace Suites by Marriott* (316-631-3773); *Hampton Inn* (316-636-5594)

Please arrange your transportation to and from the conference.
If you are flying into Wichita, car rental is suggested.

Questions? Call us at 888-822-1847 or e-mail Shari Navarre at shari@catholicsteward.com

Registration Form

Wednesday, August 10 & Thursday, August 11, 2021

(Space is limited. Register early to reserve your spot.)

- Please register me for the Msgr. McGread Stewardship Conference for Clergy and Lay Leaders.
- I cannot attend this conference, but please inform me of future conferences.

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- Spend time with clergy and lay leaders who are striving to make stewardship a priority in their parishes.
- Receive an educational DVD featuring the late Msgr. Thomas McGread highlighting key stewardship components to show to your parish leaders.
- Learn about the practical components needed to encourage parishioners to become better Christian stewards.



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