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Forty Days of Growth in Stewardship 2019 *One Body in Christ* *Romans 12:4-5*

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Protection of the Theotokos

Beloved in Christ,

Glory to Jesus Christ!

"What shall I offer unto the Lord for all He hath done for me?" (Ps.116:12) As the Psalmist recounts the Lord's great works for him, we are reminded of all the good God has done for us in our lives. We thank God for all of the beautiful blessings he has bestowed upon us, especially the struggles He strengthens us with!

The ultimate goal of our lives is driven by this question, "What shall I offer unto the Lord?" By God's divine power, the Church allows for us to answer this call in many different ways, by contributing our time, talent and treasure. This year, the Stewardship Committee has decided to focus on our coming together as *"One Body in Christ."*

Throughout the next forty-days, we will hear from various members of our parish community about the blessings which have come from a life deeply rooted in the life of the Church. We hope that hearing their message will embolden your fervor for Christ and encourage you to increase your offering of time, talent and treasure.

Enclosed in this envelope is a Saint Philip pledge card. Your pledge will help us continue to bring the message of the Gospel to our community! We have new and exciting ministries developing as well as our existing and established ministries which have been making a difference in the life of our parish for years. We ask that you will consider increasing your pledge this year or make a pledge for the first time. For, "the world and its pleasures pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever." (1John 2:17)

By God's Mercy,

The St. Philip's Stewardship Team

"And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." Acts 11:26