

Stewardship Program

Information meetings on the diocesan stewardship program have been completed, covering all corners of the diocese. Two weeks ago, meetings took place in Elmira and Auburn. Last week, two meetings took place at Becket Hall and another at the Pastoral Center to give Rochester area parishes the opportunity to learn about the program.

Father William J. Flynn, chancellor, said officials were pleased by the "amazing turnout" at the meetings. One parish attended two meetings, he said, adding that interest in the program obviously is very strong.

The stewardship program aims to strengthen parishes by increasing parishioner involvement in sharing "time, talents and treasure." It is emphasized that while parishes may realize financial benefits through the program, the main goal is to increase parishioner involvement.

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Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey explains stewardship program to parish representatives at a meeting at Becket Hall last Wednesday night. Two meetings were held at Becket for parishioners from the eastern segment of the Rochester area and a third at the Pastoral Center to accommodate those in the west. Earlier in the month similar meetings took place in Auburn and Elmira.



On Tuesday night, parishioners signed up ...



... for meeting in Pastoral Center.



Part of big turnout at Becket Hall Monday night, above and right.



Wednesday night at Becket Hall.



Some of those at the Pastoral Center meeting.

Signing Up