

Stewardship SECTOR

Highlight of the Month

THE GALA COMMITTEE

The Gala is one of the largest fundraisers for the Catholic Community of Washington and the Gala Committee is at the heart of it all, parishioners giving their time, talent, and treasure to put on a truly exceptional event. The Gala is a community building event, where parishioners gather to experience a delicious meal and exciting live entertainment, while bidding on auction items and experiences. The Gala offers parishioners the ability to donate to various needs of our church and school.

Gala Committee Activities:

- ▶ **The Planning Stage:** The Gala Committee meets in the fall to come up with some preliminary planning- dates, caterers, entertainment, and theme.
- ▶ **Making Contact with Donors:** Around the first of the year, committee members begin contacting donors to gather auction items and experiences.
- ▶ **Transforming the Gym:** The week of the Gala, the transformation of the gym begins! Curtains and lights are hung, the stage is built, tables and chairs are set up, and décor and donations are displayed proudly.
- ▶ **Celebration and Checkout:** Gala Committee members are on their feet the night of the Gala, making sure things run smoothly, but also having a good time enjoying the community event. They also help to check out donors at the end of the evening.
- ▶ **Tear Down:** What goes up, must come down and packed away for the next event.

If you have the eye for design or a knack for party planning the Gala Committee may be a great fit for you! And of course, in order to have a really successful Gala, we need you, the Catholic Community of Washington to attend. Help make this our best Gala ever!

2026 GALA: APRIL 18th RESERVATIONS DUE APRIL 10th

If anyone is available to help set up or tear down, has a license to tend bar, or would like to help with check out at the Gala, it's not too late to get involved. If the Spirit is calling you, please get in touch with Sharon Carie 812-698-0431 or Teresa Joyce at 812-254-2050.