

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25, 2015

January Parish Stewardship

Bread for the World,
Pax Christi USA, and
Network

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,600.00

January 17 and 18

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: \$4,856.00

Youth: \$1.25

Total: \$4,857.25

EFT: \$625.00

Total: \$5,482.25

Thank You

Needed Budget YTD . . . \$228,000.00

Actual YTD \$212,386.50

Stewardship: There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples—Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me —at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

“Little Rock” Scripture Study-

Life Eternal: Is a 7 week course beginning February 10th-March 24th on Tuesday evenings at Mary of the Immaculate Conception in St. Charles's parish office building. The cost is \$15. Life Eternal will focus on the biblical promise of eternal life that appears late in Scripture and blossoms into fullness in the Resurrection. We will look to the past for those who found hope in the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob along with the hope for eternal life found in Christ's victory over death. Please register with Joy Tanner at 865-9460 or 989-323-0921.

This Week's Events

Sunday, January 25

- 8:00 am Rosary
- 9:40 am Adult Choir
- 4:00 pm High School Youth Group
- 5:00 pm Children's Choir
- 6:00 pm Faith Formation
- 6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

Wednesday, January 28

- 5:15 pm Adult Choir
- 6:45 pm All Commissions meet Pastoral Council to follow


Saturday, January 31

Souper Bowl of Caring

- 8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, February 1

- 8:00 am Rosary
- 9:40 am Adult Choir
- 11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)
- 5:00 pm Children's Choir

 **Rosary Devotions:** Are said daily from 8-9 am.

Faith Formation

CLASSES HAVE RESUMED! Classes will be held on Sunday, January 25th, beginning at 6 pm in the Church with family prayer. See you there! Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, January 25th, in the Youth Room. High School Youth Group meets from 4-5:30 pm and Junior High Youth Group meets from 6-7:30 pm. Ski Trip permission slips are due. Help is also needed after weekend Masses on January 31st/February 1st to collect money for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Sign up sheets are in the Youth Room. Bring a friend and see you there! Katie.

Chicken Dinner Thank You: *Thank you to everyone who came to the chicken dinner and donated to the envelope fundraiser. The money raised is going directly to the cost of the 2016 World Youth Day in Poland. Thank you also to everyone who worked at the dinner. It couldn't have been done without you.*

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, January 25

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, January 28

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, January 29

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, January 31

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Brenda Forsyth and Cassidy Bucholz

Eucharistic Ministers:

Gayle Tufts, Brenda Forsyth, Mike Maxa, Doris Mahoney and Meredith Adelman

Altar Servers:

Cassidy Bucholz and volunteer needed

Sunday, February 1

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Evonne Tithof and Shirley Schnell

Eucharistic Ministers:

Ken Schnell, Shirley Schnell, Bob Corrin, Denise Ebenhoeh, Angie Meder, Mary Memmer, Michelle Neumann and JoAnn Ostipow

Altar Servers:

Ken Schnell and Keegan Kalisek

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20


Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Mk 1:21-28

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Back by Popular Demand! Lenten Faith Sharing Small Groups will begin meeting the week of February 15, 2015. We will be using *Sunday By Sunday* from Good Ground Press. Please sign up by returning the registration form inserted in this bulletin by **Sunday, February 8th**. You can also call Diane at the Parish Office at 845-1794 or email her at: dhungerford@stpeterchesaning.org

Diaper Drive: During the month of February we will be having a baby diaper drive sponsored by the Christian Service Commission. Look for a play pen in the gathering area for your diapers.

The 5th Gospel: The Holy Land: Come take a “walk” through the Holy Land led by Fr. Jose with prayer, pictures, conversations and refreshments. On Sunday, February 22nd from 6-8 pm at St. Michael of Maple Grove Gymnasium (in the Community Ties south building).

Eucharist Ministers Needed: We are in need of Eucharist Ministers for the 4:30 pm Mass. If you are a Eucharist Minister and would like to be on the schedule, please call Angie Meder at 845-6246

Contribution Statements: Are in the gathering area of church this weekend. Any statements not picked up will be mailed.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Alice List, Josie Dorval, Barb Beckman, Jane Selleck, Sarah (Chernow) Fischer, Mark Zvonek, Jane Schneider, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch,

Joe Lane, Fran A. Gross, Deb Kalisek, Sue Bucholz, Evelyn Schaft, Agnes Basovsky, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Derrick Knieper, Annette O'Brien, Ashley Maxa, Bertha Hart, Dennis Kettle Jr., Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Steve Szukhent, Tim Brady, Fred Lane, Ernie Newcomb, Helen Snyder, Rita Amman, Robert Coughlin, Lee Calandrino, Tammy Chrysler, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Vivian & David Cook, Richard Young Jr., Nancy

Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr. (serving in the Armed Services)

Dennis, Rich Greenfelder, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Jeannette Zajdlik, Diane DeVoe, Sue Adams, Roxann Timm, Kathy Brown, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, Jim Owens, David and MaryAnn Sutter, John Sims, Christina Sims, Bessie McSwayn, Steve Rehmann, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Gloria Bates, Jeannette

Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., Lavern Walser, Virginia Lawton, Gary J. Tanner, Mel Gross, Nichole Horn, Bill Krzicok, Franklin Bates, Henry Huntoon, Jolene Archibald, Will Lucio, Kathleen Spodney, Georgia Coon, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Johannes Vogelaar, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, Joseph Sr. and Pauline Sedlar, Constance and Edward Leneeman

Thank You: *I wish to thank you, the Pastoral Council, the Christian Service Commission and all the members of St. Peter Parish for the generous gift of \$633.00 to our children and families at Holy Cross Children's Services. Your commitment to Holy Cross Children's Services helps to keep me focused on our mission to all children, all families. In appreciation, Brother Francis Boylan, csc Executive Director.*

World Youth Day, 2016: St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry will be going on this pilgrimage in July of 2016. We are having a fundraiser to raise funds for this trip in the gathering area of church. Choose an envelope with a dollar amount you would like to donate, (checks payable to St. Peter Parish), write your name on envelope so we can pray for you on the pilgrimage. All money raised goes directly to the cost of the pilgrimage. If you have any questions, please contact Katie at 845-1797. Thank you for your support and prayers.

Pancake Breakfast at St. Cyril, Bannister: The Knight of Columbus are having a pancake breakfast fundraiser at St. Cyril on Sunday, January 25th from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm in the parish hall. This is a free will offering. Proceeds to benefit Elsie Food Bank and Baby Pantry. All are welcome!



Easter Children's Choir: An Easter Children's Choir has begun. You still are able to join the choir. Practices are Sundays **5:00-5:55 pm at St. Peter Parish**. This is for students in grades 2-8. In addition to learning vocal music, we will be learning to play the marimba and tone chimes. Please contact Shelly Kenney for more information at skenny@stpeterchesaning.org or 845-1794.

A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2015 Living Liturgy: This Sunday's gospel begins with the words, “After John had been arrested.” We know John was a holy and innocent man. He was arrested for speaking the truth. Jesus, too, would be arrested for speaking the truth. Both more than spoke the truth, however, they lived the truth of the Good News of salvation.

Anytime we speak the truth by the way we live we open ourselves to misunderstanding, conflict and sometimes even arrest and death. We human beings do not like to be faced with the truth of our own inadequacies and the consequent need to constantly grow and improve ourselves. We hear in this gospel a call to “come after” Jesus. Following Jesus requires change, whether that be the radical one of leaving all to follow Jesus, or the more modest one of turning from the little everyday behaviors that cause us to focus on ourselves and our own needs rather than on Jesus and the needs of others. This means, of course, that this kind of change required for discipleship always has a cost.

This gospel is a call response episode similar to last Sunday's gospel from St. John. Here, however, the call comes within the context of Jesus' proclamation that now is “the time of fulfillment.” “The kingdom of God is at hand” in Jesus who manifests God's abiding Presence, God's promise of forgiveness, God's unparalleled power to save. To enter into this “time of fulfillment,” we must leave everything behind and answer Jesus' call to follow him.