

# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2015

## July Parish Stewardship

Mustard Seed Shelter,

Emmaus House Inc.

and

Mother Teresa Endowment Fund

Budget amount  
needed for each week:  
**\$7,600.00**

June 27 and 28

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: ..... \$5,151.00

Youth: ..... \$6.00

Total: ..... \$5,157.00

EFT: ..... \$150.00

Total: ..... \$5,307.00

## Thank You

Sunday Contributions YTD . . . \$400,477.00

Actual YTD . . . . . \$370,013.51

**Stewardship:** During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.

### Youth Ministry

The next Youth Group is Sunday, August 2nd 4-5:30 pm. Enjoy the month of July! Katie.

**CAER Food Pantry:** Items collected for the month of July are: tuna & noodles, canned soup or meats. You may bring your donations to the gathering area of church; there is a basket available. The CAER Center accepts donations of any kind. Thank you for your continued support.

## This Week's Events

### **Sunday, July 5**

8:00 am Rosary

11:30 am Individual Reconciliation  
(Bannister)

### **Monday, July 6**

Parish Offices closed

### **Saturday, July 11**

8:00 am Rosary

### **Sunday, July 12**

8:00 am Rosary

11:00 am Praise Day in the Park  
(Chesaning)

11:30 am Individual Reconciliation  
(Bannister)

**Parish Offices Closed:** The parish offices will be closed **Monday, July 6th.**



**Rosary Devotions:** Rosary devotions are prayed every morning from 8:00-9:00 am.

**MYE Faith 2015:** Are you looking for something fun to do this summer? Are you currently in 7th-12th grade and those in college want to spend a day with your friends and 1,000 youth from around the Diocese of Saginaw? Join us for the 2015 MYE Faith Youth Rally on Saturday, August 8th at SVSU. This is a FREE all day event full of fun and faith and ending with a concert! Registration forms can be found on the parish website: [www.stpeterchesaning.org](http://www.stpeterchesaning.org)

### **"Totally Catholic Vacation Bible School" Sponsored by Saginaw**

**Area Parishes:** Will be at St. John Vianney Church, 6400 McCarty Rd., Monday, July 20th to Friday, July 24th from 9 am-noon. Saginaw area parishes have joined together to create an area that resembles small town life during the time of Jesus (including a synagogue), live musical performances, opportunities to learn about Jesus, "stories told by Mary" and more. To register please call 790-5086. The vacation bible school is for ages 4 to grade 6. Cost is \$20 per child (\$50 maximum per family) and financial assistance is available.

## Liturgy this Week

### **Sunday, July 5**

8:30 am Mass

### **Wednesday, July 8**

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

### **Thursday, July 9**

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

### **Saturday, July 11**

4:30 pm Mass

#### **Lectors:**

*Meredith Adelman and Jeanne Gewirtz*

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

*Meredith Adelman, Doris Mahoney, Mike Maxa, Laura Molliterno and Sandy Sloan*

#### **Altar Servers:**

*Emma Adelman and volunteer needed*

### **Sunday, July 12**

8:30 am Mass

#### **Lectors:**

*Kathy Stewart and Penny Apsey*

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

*Michelle Vrable, Judie Giesken, Kathy Stewart,*

*Penny Apsey and Bernard Coonrod*

#### **Altar Servers:**

*Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman*

## Readings for the Week

**Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26**

**Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38**

**Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a/Mt 10:1-7**

**Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15**

**Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23**

**Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33**

**Sunday: Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13**

## **Sponsor of the Week**



**Catechist Needed:** We are looking for a catechist for the 2015-16 Faith Formation Sunday night program. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Doris at 845-1797.



**Welcome!** We would like to welcome Tim Dowd to our parish staff as the new Pastoral Minister. We will have hospitality after both Masses next week, July 11th & 12th, for you to meet Tim.

**Theology on Tap:** Is Wednesday, July 15 at 7 pm at the Trillium Banquet Center, 6415 State St., Saginaw. Theology on Tap is an opportunity for adults to explore issues and topics that relate to the Catholic faith in a fun, relaxed setting. Several priests and religious will be in attendance. Cash bar and pizza are available. You must be 21 years of age or older to attend. Donations are accepted to help cover the cost of the pizza.

**Thank You:** *Thank you very much for the cards and prayers. I greatly appreciate it. I am doing well but the recovery is taking longer than expected. Prayers are still appreciated. Joan Richardson*

**Six Weeks of Summer Diaper Drive:** Starting this weekend, there will be a play pen in the gathering area of church for the next six weeks. We are asking for donations of all sizes of diapers. This diaper drive will end August 9th.



#### **THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:**

*Tina Schultz, Mary Lou Kligar, Sylvia Maldonado, Bradley Blakeselle, Petrina Workman, George Czeisperger, Chantel Fondren, Jim Meder, Tim Apsey, Peter Young, Irene Nietling, Madge Uehlein, Nanette Muirhead, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Mechelle Kuchar, Vickie Daniels, Barb Beckman, Sarah (Chernow) Fischer, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joe Lane, Fran A. Gross, Sue Bucholz, Evelyn Schaft, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Derrick Knieper, Annette O'Brien, Bertha Hart, Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Ernie Newcomb, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, Rich Greenfelder, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Jeannette Zajdlik, Diane DeVoe, Sue Adams, Roxann Timm, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, David and Marianne Sutter, John Sims, Bessie McSwain, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Gloria Bates, Jeannette Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., Virginia Lawton, Gary J. Tanner, Mel Gross, Nichole Horn, Bill Krzicok, Franklin Bates, Henry Huntoon, Jolene Archibald, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Johannes Vogelaar, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, Joseph Sr. and Pauline Sedlar*



**Blood Drive:** The Chesaning Knights of Columbus will be having a blood drive on Thursday, July 9th from 1-6 pm. They are located at: 9171 Deitering Rd., Chesaning. Please bring your ID and eat before donating. You can help save a life!

**Vacationing?** Your parish bills don't! Remember your contribution envelope or check out Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). It's quick, easy and free of charge. Call the rectory office at 845-1794 to take advantage of this time saving way to be a good steward of God's gifts.



**Praise Day in the Park 2015:** On Sunday, July 12th from 11:00 am to 9 pm in Showboat Park. Concerts beginning at 1:30 pm featuring 7 local bands! St. Peter Music Ministry Team will be performing at 6:30 pm. There are activities for families such as Bounce Houses, games, and crafts. The Trinity United Methodist Church is having a Chicken & Spare Rib BBQ from 2-6 pm. For more information please call 845-2183 or Shelly Kenney at 845-1794 or skenney@stpeterchesaning.org Hope to see you there!

**Praise Day Volunteers Needed-Sunday, July 12th!** Volunteers are needed to set up, supervise, and tear down the inflatables on Sunday, July 12th at the Showboat Park. There are 5 shifts to be filled. This is a great opportunity for service hours. Please contact Shelley Kenney for a shift at 845-1794 or skenney@stpeterchesaning.org

#### **A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2015**

**Living Liturgy:** The limited expectations of those in Jesus' "native place" blocked their ability to see in faith who Jesus really was. In response to Jesus' teaching and wisdom, mighty deeds and healings, "they took offense." Their limited expectations limited Jesus' own ability to show that a new in-breaking of God was among them. This gospel challenges us to examine the limits of our own expectations about who Jesus is and what he can do for us. It challenges us to examine our own expectations of others and allow them the space to be who God is helping them become.

God continually offers us what we need for salvation, but we often resist it. Our receptivity is key for hearing God's word and receiving the salvation God offers. The rejected prophet has no power to influence the behavior of the people; Jesus is unable to work miracles for those who do not believe in him. God always offers everything we need to come to salvation; it is for us to recognize and receive it. Our very receptivity to God's Presence and gifts is an act of faith, and this is decisive for whether we receive God's ultimate gift of eternal Life. On the other hand, our rebellion, obstinacy, lack of faith keep us from recognizing God's Presence and works in our midst, keep us from recognizing Jesus.

The shock of the gospel is the weight that our faith or lack of faith has. God never pushes salvation on us; it is a faithful gift, but one freely given and only asking of us a free response. Jesus "was not able" to perform miracles in his hometown because of the townspeople's lack of faith. Shockingly, God never quits on us or abandons us; it is we who choose to resist or have faith. It is we who choose. . . is Jesus able to perform any mighty deed or not?