

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2016

## March Parish Stewardship

Migrant Ministry,  
Special Olympics,  
and  
CAER Center

Budget amount  
needed for each week:  
**\$7,300.00**

March 5 and 6

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: ..... \$7,122.26  
Youth: ..... \$3.00  
Total: ..... \$7,125.26  
EFT: ..... \$150.00  
Total: ..... \$7,275.26

Sunday Contributions YTD \$262,800.00  
Actual YTD ..... \$250,599.02

## Thank You

**Stewardship:** In today's second reading, St. Paul says, "For His sake I have forfeited everything; I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth." Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?

### Youth Ministry

Join us for the Lent Event on Sunday, March 13th, from 4-6 pm in the Youth Room. We will be finishing up Altaration (the how and why of Mass and how it relates to us) as well as how to finish this Lenten season strong! There will be food, fun and faith for all those in grades 6-12! In place of Junior Youth Group we will all be attending the Parish Mission together from 6-8 pm. Both High School and Junior High youth are encouraged to attend the mission and listen to Fr. Jack speak about our faith and challenge us to be sent forth to spread our faith to those in our lives.

## This Week's Events

### Sunday, March 13

8:00 am Rosary  
8:30 am RCIA  
9:45 am Presentation of the Creed by Katherine Paul  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
2:00 pm Passion Play practice  
4:00 pm Lenten Youth Event  
5:00 pm Children's Choir  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Parish Lenten Mission

### Monday, March 14

6:00 pm Lenten Mission

### Tuesday, March 15

6:00 pm Lenten Mission

### Wednesday, March 16

9:30 am Adult Choir  
6:00 pm Lenten Mission

### Friday, March 18

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 19

8:00 am Rosary

### Sunday, March 20

8:00 am Rosary  
8:30 am RCIA  
4:00 pm Passion Play practice  
5:00 pm Children's Choir  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group  
6:00 pm **Passion Play Performance**



**Lent Rosary Devotions:** from 8-9 am every morning.

### Faith Formation

In the place of class this Sunday, March 13th, we will be attending the Parish Mission with Fr. Jack Conley. The mission begins at 6 pm in the church. The last Faith Formation class will be Sunday, March 20th, beginning at 6 pm in the church with the Passion Play. Doris

### Youth Ministry

Permission slips for Cardboard City will be available and it isn't too late to sign up for the Middle School Retreat. Contact Katie for more info.

## Liturgy this Week

### Sunday, March 13

*Fifth Sunday of Lent*

8:30 am Mass

### Monday, March 14

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

### Tuesday, March 15

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

### Wednesday, March 16

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

### Thursday, March 17

10:00 am CNCC Mass

### Saturday, March 19

4:30 pm Mass

### Lectors:

*Ellen Martz and Laura Moliterno*

### Eucharistic Ministers:

*Gayle Tufts, Tim Martz, Ellen Martz, Pat Walser, and Laura Moliterno*

### Altar Servers:

*Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer*

### Sunday, March 20

*Passion Sunday*

8:30 am Mass

### Lectors:

*Richard Muirhead and Angie Meder*

### Eucharistic Ministers:

*Judie Giesken, Karen Hoover, Angie Meder, Michelle Neumann and JoAnn Ostipow*

### Altar Servers:

*Keegan Kalisek and Paula Rench*

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Sunday: Is 50:4-7/Lk 22:14—23:56

## Sponsor of the Week

### ANIMAL HEALTH CARE OF CHESANING

Tim Weisenberger, D.V.M. Small  
Cindy Weisenberger, D.V.M. &  
Large  
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726 E Broad St, Chesaning

**Funeral Dinner Coordinator:** We are in need of people to be a funeral dinner coordinator. Responsibilities are: calling parishioners to donate food, help set up/clean up, help serve the food. This is a much needed stewardship for our parish. Husband and wife coordinators are also an option. Please call Colleen at 845-1794 for more information or to sign up. Thank you.

**Lenten Mission:** Our parish Lenten Mission begins Sunday, March 13th at 6 pm in the church with Fr. Jack Conley. In addition to the evening service, Fr. Jack will celebrate Mass each morning at 8:00 am Monday through Wednesday. The morning sermon will be different from the evening service. We hope that each family will take this opportunity to satisfy that spiritual hunger by attending the Mission and perhaps bring someone you care about with you!

**Thank You:** *We wish to thank our relatives, friends and family for the food, flowers, cards, prayers and kindness shown to us during our time of loss. Special thanks to Father Bill, Misiuk Funeral home, the choir and all who prepared and served the wonderful luncheon. Your kindness will always be remembered. The family of Mary Lou Kligar.*

**Easter Friday Pilgrimage of 8 Detroit Historic Churches:** On Friday, April 1 with chaplain Fr. J. Marcel Portelli. Total cost per person is \$50 (includes catered full course meal). April 1st pick up and return: Diocesan Center of Ministry in Saginaw. To make a reservation please call Michael Semaan, Organizer at (248) 250-6005 or [www.prayerpilgrimages.com](http://www.prayerpilgrimages.com)



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

*Carol Moore, Tiffany Dankert, Abby Aldrich, Joe Pine, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Tim Amman, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Eugene Sutter, Jim Meder, Terry Kennelly, Joann Richardson, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Apsey, Irene Nietling, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Mechelle Kuchar, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Fran A. Gross, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Ernie Newcomb, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, LuAnn Greenfelder, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, 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, Franklin Bates, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Johannes Vogelaar, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.*

**Bids for Mowing Cemeteries:** Thank you to the four people who have submitted bids to mow the Resurrection and Mt. Calvary cemeteries. Unfortunately, the two bids that were mailed to the parish office have been misplaced. If you, or someone you know, mailed a bid to the office please ask them to resubmit the bid. Or you may call me, Jean Burns, Business Manager at 845-1794. Please have bids resubmitted by Thursday, March 24, 2016.



**Easter Egg Hunt:** We are in **DIRE** need of candy to fill the eggs for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday. We have had very few donations. Please drop your wrapped (nut free) candy in the bin in the back of church. We cannot have an Easter Egg Hunt without candy!

**World Youth Day:** We are so close to our goal!! We are within \$2,000 dollars needed to attend this pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Day 2016! Thank you to everyone who has prayed for us and donated through this process! It's not too late! Every dollar helps. Please prayerfully consider taking an envelope from the World Youth Day Envelope Board in the back of church and give to this once in a lifetime experience. Thank you!

**Thank You:** *We received 750 diapers and \$50 in monetary donations for our diaper drive during the month of February for the CAER Center. Thank you to everyone who donated.*

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

**Homilies:** Today we hear of one particular visit to the Temple during the Feast of Tabernacles. Jesus was teaching a large group of people in the Temple courtyard when a group of scribes and Pharisees interrupt him and say: *Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. What do you say?* Jesus knows that the scribes and Pharisees are setting a trap, and he doesn't answer right away. Instead he writes in the dirt. One might wonder if he was writing the relevant passage from the Law that condemned both partners in an adulterous relationship. He couldn't help but notice that the man was conspicuously absent.

The scribes and Pharisees press him, and he answers, *Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to cast a stone at her.* They have nothing to say in response, and one by one they walk away. Once Jesus and the woman are alone, he asks her, *Where are they? Has no one condemned you?* She replies, *No one sir,* and he tells her, *neither do I condemn you. Go and from now on sin no more.* Jesus is the one without sin, the only one with the right to judge, but he doesn't. He dismisses the woman and her accusers without condemning them. This says a lot about Jesus and the invisible God whom he makes visible.

In Jesus, we see God entering his Temple and dwelling among his people. And we see the kind of God he is. Not a God of judgement, but a God of forgiveness. Not a God of wrath, but a God of mercy. Not a God who conquers by the sword, but a God who conquers by the cross.