

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, 2016

September Parish Stewardship

CAER Center
and
American Legion

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,200.00

September 3 and 4

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$7,879.00
Youth:\$5.00
Total:\$7,884.00
EFT:\$250.00
Total:\$8,134.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$71,600.00
Actual YTD \$67,930.96

Thank You

Stewardship: We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?



CAER Center Food

Pantry: Items being collected for the month of September are: personal items such as tooth paste & tooth brushes, deodorant, diapers. Any items are always welcome. Thank you for your continue support.

This Week's Events

Sunday, September 11

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
(Bannister)

Wednesday, September 14

9:30 am Adult Choir
6:45 pm Worship Commission meet

Saturday, September 17

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, September 18

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
(Bannister)
4:00 pm High School Youth Group
6:00 pm Faith Formation
6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

Rosary Devotions: Are prayed every morning at 8:00 am.

Crop Walk Collection: Will be the weekend of September 24/25th. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Faith Formation

Classes start on Sunday, September 18th, in the church. If you have not received your registration forms please call Doris at 845-1794. See you there to kick off a great year! Doris.

Youth Ministry

Looking for ways to keep up to date on St. Peter Youth Ministry? Want to know when the next Youth Group or pizza party is? Like our St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry page on Facebook or follow us on Instagram at stpeteyth for the most up to date information! Youth Group starts again on Sunday, September 18th! Can't wait to see you there! Katie

New Parishioners Welcome! If you would like to join the St. Peter Parish family, please call Kris in the office at 845-1794 or there are registration forms on the table in the gathering area of church. You may mail it to the parish office or put in an envelope with parish office on it in the collection basket.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, September 11

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, September 14

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, September 15

10:00 am CNCC Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, September 17

Baptism Weekend

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Ellen Martz and Diana Gewirtz

Eucharist Ministers:

Gayle Tufts, Tim Martz, Ellen Martz, Dana Bates and Lindy Beckman

Altar Servers:

Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer needed

Sunday, September 18

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Anne Stasa and Glenn Robinette

Eucharist Ministers:

Dan Stasa, Angie Meder, Mary Memmer, Michelle Neumann and Nanette Scott-Muirhead

Altar Servers:

Nanette Scott-Muirhead and Paula Rench

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Jn 3:13-17

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Jn 19:25-27

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Lk 16:1-13

Sponsor of the Week

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Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):

We have received \$55,830.00 toward our CSA goal of \$70,812 which is 79%. Please return your pledge card by mail or drop in the collection basket. There are envelopes on the table in back of church. It is still not too late to contribute. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.



Chicken & Ham Dinner: Join us on Sunday, September 11th, at St. Cyril Church in Bannister at 11:30 am. Join us for a delicious chicken & ham dinner with all the fixings. Adults are \$10; children 12 and under are \$5; and preschool age are free. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you!



Dresser Project: For the month of September we will have a dresser in the Gathering Space of church and a tree with suggested baby items to assist a young mother who has chosen life for her baby. These gifts will be distributed through *Abortions Alternative of Saginaw*. **Gifts should not be wrapped.** Monetary donations are also welcomed. Sponsored by your Christian Service Commission.

Campbell Soup UPC Codes: Effective December 31, 2016 the Campbell Soup program will come to an end. If you have been saving label/UPC codes over the summer please turn them in before December 31st. We have a container in the gathering area for your labels.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave

Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, Mel Austin, Ernie

Richardson, Jerry & Mary Tanner, Joyce Tithof, Dennis Kettle, Jim Smith, Jim Pitt, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol Moore, Tiffany Dankert, Abby Aldrich, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Apsley, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Fran A. Gross, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nielling,

Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr. (serving in the Armed Services) *Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Roxann Timm, Judy Wakeman, David and Marianne Sutter, 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, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.



We Need Your Time & Talent: Volunteers are needed for presenting the bread, wine and monetary gifts of our parish. Please consider sharing your time at liturgy to help in this ministry. We have a sign-up sheet in the gathering area. Also, volunteers are desperately needed for **altar serving at 4:30 pm Mass**. Adults and students from 4th grade up are welcome. If you are available and/or have questions about the ministry, please contact Shelly Kenney at 845-1794 or skenneystpeter@gmail.com

The Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic

Women: Will hold their Annual Conference on Wednesday, September 21st, at the Diocesan Center for Ministry in Saginaw. All women of the diocese are invited to attend. Registration will be from 9:30-10 am. The morning program will be a video of the History of Religious Women. The afternoon speaker will be Sabrina Costilla from the Hispanic Ministry office who will speak on Immigration. Mass will be celebrated. The cost for the day is \$13, which includes lunch. The meeting will end at approximately 2:45 pm. Please RSVP to Rita Maher (989) 635-7072 or Brenda Bissonette (989) 671-0096 by Wednesday, September 14th (need luncheon numbers).

Flood Relief Donations: If you would like to donate to the Louisiana Flood Relief please make your check payable to St. Peter Parish and put on the memo line "flood relief" and put it in the collection basket. Thank you.

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living

Liturgy: This Sunday's gospel unravels for us the movement of repentance, from overture through to coda. Repentance begins with being lost, moves through a sonata of straying and wandering and dissolution, and ends (hopefully!) with being found and feasting. Jesus uses not one but three parables to sound for us the mighty music of how much God seeks us when we are lost, how much God (and all of heaven!) rejoices when we are found. The shepherd man, housekeeper woman, and prodigal father have in common losing, searching and finding, and feasting. This is a glorious feast—the only one that brings us from death to Life. This is the feast of repentance, the only source of everlasting joy. This feast only happens through encounter with Jesus who knows when we are lost, ever seeks us and greatly desires that we be found, and offers the lavish feast of himself for our celebrating and rejoicing.

Jesus uses three situations (a lost sheep, a lost coin, a lost son) to dramatize that whenever we stray from God's steadfast compassion and love (become lost), God always seeks to find us and show us divine mercy. For our part, we must realize we are lost, recognize our need for God, and begin the journey home to be embrace by divine mercy. When God's offer of mercy is met by our repentance, all in heaven rejoice. God's feast is about rejoicing over us humans who stray from God, but repent and are welcomed back.

Jesus invites everyone to his table—his feast of mercy. But not everyone chooses to come. Only those come who recognize their need to be found. God always knows when we are lost and gives us every means to be found. God desires that no one be lost, that we repent and return to the Source of our Life. For this we rejoice and feast.