

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2016

October Parish Stewardship

CAER Center
and
Sisters of St. Clare

Budget amount
needed for each week:
\$7,200.00

October 8 and 9

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$7,250.50
Youth:\$3.00
Total:\$7,253.50
EFT:\$55.00
Total:\$7,308.50

Sunday Contributions YTD \$107,600.00
Actual YTD \$101,023.67

Thank You

Stewardship: Today's theme is perseverance—Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we, too, must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

Youth Ministry Fundraising

Meeting: There will be a meeting on Sunday, Oct. 23rd from 5:30-6 pm in the Youth Room. This meeting is for youth, parents and any interested parishioners. The St. Peter Youth Ministry Program offers many different faith opportunities to our youth. With these offerings comes a cost. As costs continue to increase for these experiences we are in need of many fundraising opportunities to offset the cost to the youth and their families. Bring your calendars and ideas to help us minister to as many youth as possible with these faith-filled opportunities.

This Week's Events

Sunday, October 16

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

Tuesday, October 18

9:30 am BeFriender
7:00 pm First Reconciliation & Individual (Chesaning)

Wednesday, October 19

9:30 am Adult Choir
6:45 pm Commission and Council meet

Thursday, October 20

6:30 pm Grief Workshop

Saturday, October 22

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, October 23

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

Faith Formation

Class will meet this Sunday, October 16th, beginning with family prayer at 6 pm in the church. There is still time to register for classes. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in the church on Tuesday, October 18th, at 7 pm. Those receiving the sacrament for the first time must be there with their parents by 7 pm. Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups meet this Sunday, October 16th, 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. Come for food, faith and fun! Friends are always welcome.



Wanted: Young voices (Grade 2 and up) to build a Children's Choir. Members will sing once a month for Mass. Come and share your voice on Sundays from 5-6 pm beginning Sunday, October 9th. If you have any questions, please call Shelly at 845-1794.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, October 16

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, October 19

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, October 20

10:00 am CNCC Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, October 22

Mission Weekend

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Pat Walser and Laura Moliterno

Eucharist Ministers:

Gayle Tufts, Katie Eichler, Jason Eichler, Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser

Altar Servers:

Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer needed

Sunday, October 23

Mission Sunday

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Alice Dowd and Mary Memmer

Eucharist Ministers:

Mary Memmer, Ken Schnell, Shirley Schnell, Nanette Scott-Muirhead and Michelle Neuman

Altar Servers:

Paula Rench and Ken Schnell

Readings for the Week

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Sponsor of the Week

AMMAN'S
GARAGE

Complete One Stop Service
423 E. Broad St
(989) 845-3987



Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):

We have received \$55,850.00 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.

Grief Recovery Workshop: The loss of a loved one through death creates an empty space in our lives that can never be filled. The resulting strong feelings of pain and loss can stay with us for a long time. The recovery from the loss takes time and work. As a parish we want to support you through the healing process. The Office of Christian Service and St. Peter Parish will present a Grief Recovery Workshop on Thursday, October 20th at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. We have enclosed a flyer with information in this bulletin.



March for Life 2017: Forms for March for Life are available in the back of church and in the Youth Room. The cost of the pilgrimage this year is \$270. All youth in grades 8-12 are encouraged to participate. The purpose of March for Life is to live our faith out loud. We go not only in support of ending abortion but also to acknowledge all life issues including but not limited to the death penalty, the environment, human rights issues and war just to name a few. This pilgrimage is a time for prayer, reflection and looking at our nation's monuments in regards to life issues. For more information contact Katie.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Deb Martin, 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 Apsey, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, 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.



Blood Drive: Michigan Blood will be at **Big Rock Elementary School on Monday, October 24th, from 1-6 pm. Chesaning High School on Tuesday, October 25 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm and on Wednesday, October 26 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm.** One hour of your time can help save several lives. Be Somebody that gives back! Schedule an appointment by visiting www.miblood.org or 1-866-642-5663.

Thank You: *To everyone who donated to the Dresser Project. Wow, we did great! All together we collected 143 items, plus 775 diapers and \$105.00 in monetary donations. Such beautiful items; with some being handmade with love. Thank you so much, The Christian Service Commission.*



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Formation Session:

Will be on Thursday, November 3rd, from 6:30-8:00 pm at St. Peter Parish Hall. This session is open to any Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. To register please call Shelly Kenney at 845-1794



Craft Bazaar: We have a few open spaces for our craft show on November 25th & 26th. If you make or know someone who makes homemade craft items, please call Kris in the parish office at 845-1794 for more information.

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living

Liturgy: God bestows justice out of love for God's "chosen ones/who call out to him day and night." The widow had a legal relationship with the judge that ended the moment he rendered a decision. Our persistence in prayer brings far more than some transitory alleviation of a wrong. We have a personal relationship with God that continually deepens as we "pray always." God renders divine justice—divine-human relationship—out of the nature of who God is. God is relational, resting in the dynamic communion of the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity. Jesus is teaching us that while our prayer tends to be about immediate needs, our life is about ultimate justice, permanent relationship, live-giving communion. Our persistence in prayer really is about a faith relationship with God that reveals we are God's "chosen ones" who are in right relationship with God. This righteousness leads to eternal Life.

The gospel's legal language of judge, judgment, and justice bring to mind the final judgment Jesus renders at his Second Coming. One way to prepare for this Second Coming and alleviate any fears we might have is to be persistent in faith-filled prayer. Our faith grows through persistence in prayer because through this kind of prayer we build a stronger relationship with God. When Jesus comes again, "will he find faith on earth?" Yes, if we are persistent in praying "always without becoming weary." It seems persistence in prayer is a small price to pay for salvation and everlasting glory!

God faithfully hears and answers our prayer, "securing the rights of his chosen ones." What are those rights? To be heard by God. To be answered by God. To be loved by God into the fullness of divine-human relationship.. Persistence in prayer is such a small price to pay for the most Life-giving relationship we can have!