

# First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

## December Stewardship

*Underground Railroad  
and  
Holy Cross Children's Service*

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

November 19 and 20  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$5,808.35  
Youth:.....\$3.00  
Total: .....\$5,811.35  
EFT:.....\$65.00  
Total:.....\$5,876.35

Sunday Contributions YTD \$150,800.00  
Actual YTD ..... \$139,187.97

## Thank You

**Stewardship:** The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for His coming.



**Rosary:** The tradition of the Church and the teaching of the Magisterium urge us to frequent recitation of the Hail Mary and the rosary. The rosary is prayed every morning at 8:00 am in the church.

**Advent Giving Tree:** There are tags on the tree in the gathering area of church with suggestions for Christmas gifts for families in need. Please return your gifts with the tag attached. **Gifts should be wrapped.** Please returned the gifts by Sunday, December 18th.

## This Week's Events

**Sunday, November 27**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation  
(Bannister)  
5:00 pm Children's Choir  
**Tuesday, November 29**  
6:30 pm Advent Tea  
**Wednesday, November 30**  
9:30 am Adult Choir  
**Thursday, December 1**  
7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet  
**Saturday, December 3**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Sunday, December 4**  
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

There is no class this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The next class will be Sunday, December 4th. Thank you to everyone who donated winter clothing and food for the CAER Center. It was greatly appreciated! Doris

### Youth Ministry

There will be no Youth Groups this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Both Youth Groups will meet at their normal times on Sunday, December 4th. For those attending March for Life, please remember your next payment is due. Katie

**Youth Ministry Movie Night:** Join us for a movie and snacks on Sunday, December 11th, from 6-7:30 pm. All youth and their friends in grades 6-12 are invited to come for a fun night!

**Thank You:** *The Chesaning Knights of Columbus (Bishop Kenneth Untener 4th. Degree assembly) would like to thank all who baked and those who bought baked goods at our Thanksgiving Bake Sale. The proceeds when to the "One Percent Food Bank for Veterans" and their families.*

## Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, November 27**

*First Sunday of Advent*

8:30 am Mass

**Wednesday, November 30**

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

**Thursday, December 1**

8:00 am Mass

**Saturday, December 3**

4:30 pm Mass

**Lectors:**

*Pat Walser and Ellen Martz*

**Eucharist Ministers:**

*Ellen Martz, Gayle Tufts, Tim Martz, Pat Walser, Doris Mahoney and Helena Czeizspurger*

**Altar Servers:**

*Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer*

**Sunday, December 4**

8:30 am Mass

**Lectors:**

*Clara Martin and Greg Mahoney*

**Eucharist Ministers:**

*Mary Baese, Dawn Boucher, Dan Stasa, Clara Martin, Bernie Coonrod and Bob Corrin*

**Altar Servers:**

*Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman*

## Readings for the Week

**Monday: Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11**

**Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24**

**Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22**

**Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27**

**Friday: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31**

**Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8**

**Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Mt 3:1-12**

## **Sponsor of the Week**

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**Parish App Feature-of-the-Week**



Readings

- Daily Mass readings
- Official NAB(re) version
- Easily bookmark readings to reread at a later time

Learn more or download our parish app at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com)  
\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

**New Parish App:** Our new St. Peter Parish app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access

event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Help foster a stronger parish life at St. Peter Parish and better engage the New Evangelization. Download our app today at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) or search your phone's app store for myparish.



**Christmas Poster Contest 2016:** The contest is open to all students **Kindergarten through 5th grade**. Students are to draw and color a picture of their version of what happened on Christmas on white 8 1/2" by 11" paper. (Paper should be in portrait-style orientation). Entries are due on **Monday, December 5th**. Entries can be turned in to Doris during Faith Formation or Shelly at the Rectory Office. The winning entry will appear as the worship aid or bulletin cover for Christmas. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Doris or Shelly at 845-1794.

**CAER Center:** Items being collected for the month of December are: hand soaps, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies. Donations of any kind are always welcome. There is a basket for your donations in the gathering area of church. Your support is greatly appreciated.



**THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:**

*Clare Drexler, Linda Gower, Tim McLeod, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, Mel Austin, 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*

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

*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.*



**Holiday Kid's Day:** The annual Holiday Kid's Day will be Sunday, December 18th, from 12-3 pm in the Faith Center. Information including registration will be available at the next Faith Formation class.



**Chesaning Blood Drive:** Is on Thursday, December 1st & Friday, December 2nd from noon-6 pm at the Chesaning-Brady Fire Dept., 1632 Brady St., Chesaning. Go to: [www.miblood.org](http://www.miblood.org) to make an appointment or call 1-866-642-5663.

**League of Catholic Women:** The League of Catholic Women will have their Christmas party on Tuesday, December 13th, at Swan Valley Country Club at noon. Our entertainment will be Ollie Follies. Please mail your check for \$15 to: LCW, PO Box 6932, Saginaw, MI 48608 by November 29th. Please indicate on check memo line if you want chicken, salmon or steak. If you have any questions, please call the League at 989-752-5053 or 989-790-3358 and we will return your call.



**Prayer Group:** Are you hungry for a deeper relationship with the Lord? Come join with fellow parishioners in prayer on Thursday, December 1 at 4:30 pm in the Henry Eickholt room of church. As we life our hearts and voices to God during the Advent, may we experience the arrival of the Savior into our world and into our lives in a most vibrant and powerful way. Any questions, call Rosemary in the office at 845-1794.

**An Excerpt from the Homilies by Fr. Joe Robison from the Guiding Light "Inspire to be Genuine" Book:**

It's normal for people to want to know how much something costs, even how much it will cost us to get into heaven or how much we need to pray for someone who has died to help them get into heaven. Another manifestation of this kind of thinking is when we wonder when do we need to be ready to meet the Lord. If we're living a life without God, we try to calculate how long we might have before we could die and not be reconciled with God. Some people might be guilty of the sin of presumption, thinking there will be no consequences for ignoring God's law because God is all good so we don't have to worry about being ready. As today's scriptures tell us we need to do more. We need to get ready for the day he will come again, not as a baby but as our glorified, risen Lord. Paul says, that day is closer than we first believed. Jesus tells us that day will catch us off guard if we're not ready; it will hit us like a flood, like a thief when we're asleep, in the middle of day while we're at work or fixing dinner.

Advent means "coming" and although we are touched by the humble coming of our God as an infant to save us, it's also the coming of an adult Christ that we must be thinking of. Will he be a stranger to us and will we be a stranger to him? There's one sure way we will not meet as strangers, and that is to pray. We'll never have relationship with God (or for that matter anyone else) unless we put time aside to nurture that relationship.

If you have some other priority that prevents you from being ready to meet the Lord, then that's what needs attention. Paul tells us if we want to go rejoicing to the house of the Lord, it is now the hour to wake from sleep. Amen.