

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15, 2017

January Stewardship

*Bread for the World,
Pax Christi,
Network,
and
CAER*

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,200.00

January 7 and 8

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$9,173.00

Youth:\$1.31

Total:\$9,174.31

EFT\$150.00

Total:\$9,324.31

Sunday Contributions YTD \$201,200.00

Actual YTD\$198,094.38


Thank You

Debt Reduction:

December\$832.00

Total for the fiscal year\$3,368.00

Stewardship: Today's responsorial psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in the service of God.

 **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.

This Week's Events

Sunday, January 15

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, January 17

7:00 pm Individual Reconciliation
(Chesaning)

Wednesday, January 18

9:30 am Adult Choir

6:45 pm Commissions & Council meet

Thursday, January 19

4:30 pm Prayer meeting in Henry
Eickholt room

Saturday, January 21

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, January 22

8:00 am Rosary

11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
(Bannister)

4:00 pm High School Youth Group

5:00 pm Children's Choir

5:30 pm March for Life meeting

6:00 pm Faith Formation

6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

Faith Formation

Classes have resumed! We would love to see you all in class on Sunday, January 15th, beginning at 6 pm with family prayer in the church. Doris

Youth Ministry

We will be starting a series on Respect Life in both Youth Groups. This series will include discussion on right to life from womb to tomb and how it affects us as Catholic Christians and our society as well. Don't miss out on this great opportunity or the fun games and prizes too! Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, January 15th, in the Youth Room. High School Youth Group is 4-5:30 pm. All youth in grade 9-12 and their friends are invited. Junior High Youth Group is 6-7:30 pm and youth in grades 6-8 and their friends are welcome. Hope to see you there! Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, January 15

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, January 18

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, January 19

10:00 am CNCC Mass

Saturday, January 21

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Jeanne Gewirtz and Pat Walser

Eucharist Ministers:

Jason Eichler, Lindy Beckman, Katie Eichler, Pat Walser, Paulette Fuoss and Mike Maxa

Altar Servers:

Helena Czeiszperger and Daniel Hodges

Sunday, January 22

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Kathy Stewart and Anne Stasa

Eucharist Ministers:

Dan Stasa, Kathy Stewart, Angie Meder, Mary Baese, Dawn Boucher and Bernard Coonrod

Altar Servers:

Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman

Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3/Mt 4:12-23

Sponsor of the Week

Chesaning Family Dental, P.C.



Dr. Jerry J. Skaryd, D.D.S.,
Parishioner

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Catholic Service Appeal 2016-17 (CSA): There is still time to make a pledge to the 2016-17 CSA. The balance owed is \$14,937.00. There are envelopes on the table in the gathering area of church for your convenience. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.

My Parish App: Have you downloaded our parish app yet? Download it for free today both Android and IOS. The app is full of information and a great way to keep up to date with parish happenings.



Mardi Gras Chicken Dinner: Mark your calendars for a delicious chicken dinner! This year's dinner is Saturday, February 25th from 5-6:30 pm. This dinner will be made by the St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry Program with all proceeds going to their Student Activities account to help offset the cost of youth opportunities throughout the year.

Holy Hour: The next Holy Hour with Bishop Joseph Cistone is Thursday, January 19th, at 7 pm at St. Stephen Church, Saginaw.

Thank You: Music Ministry would like to thank Ray Gengler for the newest addition to our family of instruments. Ray has built a string bass for us! We are looking forward to mastering it for liturgies. You are such a master at your craft!

THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:



Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, Leo Henige, Jr., Shirley Potter, 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, Abby Aldrich, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Asey, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang

Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr. (serving in the Armed Services)	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 McSwayn, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama,
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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.

School Closings: When Chesaning Union schools are closed due to bad weather, the parish offices will also be closed that day. As in the past, all evening activities that day will also be canceled. This policy was put into effect this year.

Altar Linens: We need additional help with cleaning/pressing the altar linens. If you are interested, please contact JoAnn Ostipow at 845-7198 for more information.

Monthly Catholic Women's Fellowship: The next meeting is Wednesday, February 1st from 6-8:15 pm at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw. The topic is: *The New Evangelization* with Peg McEvoy. For more information please visit: www.womensfellowship.org The cost is a free will offering.

CAER Center: Items being collected for the month of January are: tuna & noodles, canned soup or meats. 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.



Box Tops for Education: We collect Box Tops for Education for our Catholic schools. The amount collected last year from participating churches and schools was \$5,000! There is a container in the gathering area of church for your convenience. Keep on clipping!

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: In this Sunday's gospel, John calls Jesus "the Lamb of God." John's prophetic announcement, "Behold the Lamb of God," reveals two things about Jesus. He is "the Lamb" who will be sacrifices for the remission of "the sine of the world." He is "of God" who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. This one, seemingly simple phrase "Lamb of God" metaphorically captures the whole saving mystery of Christ. This "Lamb of God" baptizes us with the Holy Spirit so that we might know him, walk in his ways, and have abundant Life.

Further, the gospel reveals two thing about baptism. Baptism with water washing away our sin. But Jesus brought a baptism beyond that of water. He "will baptize with the Holy Spirit." Baptism with the Holy Spirit empowers us to come to know who Jesus is. Without the Holy Spirit, we could not know Jesus. Like John, we do not know Jesus until our baptism initiates us into a lifelong encounter with "the Lamb of God."

When it comes to what is most important to us—coming to know Jesus—we cannot expect quick results. Learning to know Jesus from the many ways he comes to us requires patient waiting that opens wide our eyes to new possibilities. Knowing Jesus is a lifelong process, and so being baptized into him demands lifelong living. We don't always see Jesus in the person who annoys us or the mundane, everyday tasks that bore us. Yet his Holy Spirit is with us, teaching us how to sacrifice ourselves for the good of others. The Holy Spirit draws us to twin with him and the "the Son of God" so that our holiness spills over into life for others. Living Jesus' mystery of sacrifice and glory is our gift of the new life of spring for the worlds. There is abundance for all.