

Second Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2017

March Stewardship

Migrant Ministry,
Special Olympics of MI,
and
CAER Center

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,200.00

March 4 and 5

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$7,299.00

Youth:\$1.00

Total:\$7,300.00

EFT\$150.00

Total:\$7,450.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$259,050.00

Actual YTD\$247,036.10

Thank You

Stewardship: "Bear your share of the hardship for the Gospel," St. Paul tells Timothy in today's second reading. What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel? How willing am I to bear my share?



CAER Food Pantry: Items being collected for the month of March are: personal items such as: tooth paste & brushes, deodorant, diapers. There is a basket in the gathering area of church for your donations. Donations of any kind are always welcome!



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 lead by Bernie Coonrod.

This Week's Events

Sunday, March 12

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

2:00 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 Lenten Prayer Service

Wednesday, March 15

9:30 am Adult Choir
6:45 pm Christian Service meet

Friday, March 17

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, March 19

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)
2:00 pm Passion Play Practice
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
6:00 pm Lenten Prayer Service



Faith Formation

There is class on Sunday, March 12th, beginning with family prayer in the church at 6 pm. The first Confirmation/First Eucharist class will be held immediately following evening prayer. Parents and children receiving these sacraments are required to attend. See you there! Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups meet on Sunday, March 12th, 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. Passion Play practice is from 2-4 pm in the church followed by a meal in the Youth Room. There is still time to be a part of the this great tradition! Youth Encounter Service (Y.E.S.) forms are available in the Youth Room and gathering area of the church. See you Sunday! Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, March 12

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, March 15

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, March 16

10:00 am CNCC Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, March 18

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Ellen Martz and Jeanne Gewirtz

Eucharist Ministers:

Tim Martz, Ellen Martz, Jason Eichler, Katie Eichler, and Paulette Fuoss

Altar Servers:

Helen Czeiszperger and Daniel Hodges

Sunday, March 19

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Penny Apsey and Evonne Tithof

Eucharist Ministers:

Judie Giesken, Karen Hoover, Penny Apsey, Bob Corrin and Angie Meder

Altar Servers:

Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman

Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Jn 4:5-42

Sponsor of the Week



207 W. Broad St.
845-2030 Parishioner



Diaper Drive: Our diaper drive has begun and will end the weekend of March 17-18. We will be collecting diapers for children and adults. There is a playpen in the gathering area for your donations. If you prefer to make a monetary donation there are envelopes available and you may put it in the collection basket. The Christian Service Commission



Rice Bowls: During Lent we use the rice bowls as a way of alms giving. *What I give up I give to others.* There are rice bowls at the entrances of church. The rice bowls should be returned to church during Holy Week.

St. Cyril's Fish Fry: Is Friday, March 31st from 4:30-7:00 pm in the parish hall in Bannister. The menu is: fried and/or baked cod, macaroni & cheese, tater tots, fruit cocktail, corn, beans, rolls, au gratin potatoes and homemade desserts along with Czech pastries. Adults-\$10; children 5-12 are \$4; and under 5 are free. See you there!

Catholic Relief Service Collection (CRS): This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. We have attached an envelope for your convenience to this bulletin. Please help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Bernie Coonrod, Florence Coleman, Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, Leo Henige, Tim McLeod, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, 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, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau,

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

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, 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, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.

Big Raffle: The Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs will be selling raffle tickets once again this year after both Masses. The cost of each ticket is \$5 and half of each ticket comes back to our programs. Prizes include a car, home improvement, airline tickets and electronics. A detailed list is in the gathering area of the church. Tickets are also available in the parish office Monday through Wednesday. Please help support our parish programs!



Youth Encounter Service (Y.E.S.): Is an annual service project for high school youth help in Saginaw. During this week of service youth help rehabilitate homes, spend time in small groups and meet other Catholic teens from throughout the Diocese of Saginaw. The date of this year's Y.E.S. is June 18th-23rd and space is limited. If you would like paperwork to sign up or more information please contact Katie in the Faith Formation Office at 845-1797.

Lenten Prayer Service: We are offering a parish wide Lenten prayer service on Sundays during Lent which will featured a different prayer each week. This Sunday, March 12th at 6 pm in church will be Evening Prayer. Please see enclosed flyer. The next prayer for Sunday, March 19th, will be Adoration

Thank You from Sisters of St. Clare: *Your support helps us to keep our candle burning at prayer as we remember the many needs in our world. Because of who you are in our lives, we continue to thrive in our calling as "Companions in Prayer" with you. Thank you so much for your gift of \$265.30. With grateful prayers, Sr. Dianne, Sr. Laura, Sr. Laurene and Sr. Bernardone*

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: Last week, temptation; this week, transfiguration. Such contrasts these first two Sundays of Lent offer us! This gospel is filled with pairs of words and phrases pointing to the life-giving tension that marks the mystery of Jesus' saving mission. Even the transfiguration account is not only about glory, but includes what Jesus embraced during his ministry on his journey to glory. It is far easier to embrace glory than take upon ourselves the yoke of discipleship, the demands of faithfully following Jesus, the responsibility of listening and proclaiming the Good News Jesus came to reveal. The call of God to us is the same as that to Peter, James and John: we must be willing to leave everything to go where God wills, to accept the self-emptying as a necessary part of being given a share in Jesus' glory, to open ourselves to Jesus' touch of word and care that transforms us into faithful disciples. We must be willing to *listen* to Jesus, learn of his ways, and embrace his paschal journey. Our journey as disciples leads us to eternal glory—foreshadowed by Jesus' transfiguration. This is worth any cost.

We are with Jesus through our own practice of taking some time every day to read God's word in Scripture, through the good modeling of discipleship by another, through the guidance we seek in spiritual direction, through the disciplines we choose for Lent. There are many ways we share in Jesus' glorified Presence. Being here with Jesus means that we keep our eyes focused on the vision of Jesus transfigured and know that God, in great love and divine mercy, intends that we share in that same glory.