

# Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## July 2, 2017

### July Stewardship

Mustard Seed Shelter,  
Emmaus House Inc.  
and  
Mother Teresa Endowment Fund

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

June 24 and 25  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$7,215.00  
Youth: .....\$4.00  
Total: .....\$7,219.00  
EFT .....\$140.00  
Total: .....\$7,359.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$367,050.00  
Actual YTD .....\$347,400.38

### Thank You

**Stewardship:** Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

**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, July 2**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)

**Monday, July 3**  
Parish offices close at 11:30 am

**Tuesday, July 4**  
Parish offices closed for holiday

**Saturday, July 8**  
8:00 am Rosary

**Sunday, July 9**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)



### Faith Formation

We hope you are enjoying the start of Summer Break! Enjoy your summer mailer from us and we will see you in the Fall.

### Youth Ministry

Join us for a fun day of community service, canoeing/kayaking/tubing, Mass and a BBQ dinner! We will be traveling to Gladwin on Tuesday, July 11th (leaving St. Peter at 8:30 am and returning by 8 pm). The cost is \$10 for this fun day with youth from all over the Diocese of Saginaw. Contact Katie for permission slips and more information.

**Blood Drive Thank You:** Thank you to everyone who came to donate blood at the St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry Blood Drive! We met our goal and thank you for your support! A special thanks to Angie Meder for her help publicizing the event and Eleanor Birchmeier for running the cookie table. We appreciate all of your help. Katie

There was a gray sweater left in the parish hall after the blood drive. It is in the parish office.

### Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, July 2**  
8:30 am Mass

**Wednesday, July 5**  
No Mass (Bannister)

**Thursday, July 6**  
No Mass (Chesaning)

**Friday, July 7**  
9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)

**Saturday, July 8**  
4:30 pm Mass

**Lectors:**  
Jeanne Gewirtz and Cassidy Bucholz

**Eucharist Ministers:**  
Gayle Tufts, Sarah Mahoney, Mike Maxa, Pat Walser and Lindy Beckman

**Altar Servers:**  
Cassidy Bucholz

**Sunday, July 9**  
8:30 am Mass

**Lectors:**  
Greg Mahoney and Kathy Stewart

**Eucharist Ministers:**  
Kathy Thompson, Angie Meder, Kathy Stewart, Michelle Vrable and Penny Apsey

**Altar Servers:**  
Paula Rench and volunteer needed

### Readings for the Week

**Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29**  
**Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27**  
**Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34**  
**Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8**  
**Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67**  
**Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17**  
**Sunday: Zec9:9-10/Mt 11:25-30**

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**CSA Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):**  
We have reached 68% of our CSA goal with \$46,830.00 that has been pledged. Thank you for your generous contributions to CSA.

**Thank You:** The Albert Rehmann family says thank you to Father for the beautiful sermon, Shelly & choir for the music and all she did to prepare for the Mass. And to the ladies and gentlemen who served the funeral luncheon for our wife and mother, Beth Rehmann.

**Spiritual Enrichment Group:** Will continue to meet on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm in the parish hall conference room. The topic: Intercessory Prayer. Please call Rosemary at 845-1794 or drop in.

**Diaper Drive:** For the month of July we will be collecting diapers for children and adults. There will be a playpen in the gathering area of church for your donation. If you would like to make a monetary donation, envelopes are available for your convenience. We will be giving the diapers to CAER.

**St. Cyril Knights of Columbus Golf Outing:** Will take place on Saturday, July 15th at North Star Golf Course in Ithaca at 9:00 am. For more information please call Jerry Horak at 989-862-5027.

**Attention Gardeners:** Fresh-cut flowers are needed for our altar area. If you have extra blooms to share, please contact Linda Calandrino at 845-2363 or Shelly Kenney at the parish office 845-1794 by Thursday.

### THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Robert Meyer, Geri Sholtz, Madonna Bueche, Lewis Gerding, Matt Barancik, Florence Coleman, Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszerger, Leo Henige, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, Jerry & Mary Tanner, Joyce Tithof, Jim Pitt, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol Moore, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, 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, 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.

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

**Rock the Island Festival:** Presents Newsboys and More! On Saturday, July 22, 2017 from noon-8 pm on Ojibway Island in Saginaw. This 6th annual, non-denominational event has activities for people and families of all ages! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets etc. and enjoy a day of unity, praise and fun. Visit [www.rocktheisland.net](http://www.rocktheisland.net) for more info on tickets and weekend accommodations.



**Make Plans to Attend!** The St. Peter Music Ministry will be performing on Saturday, July 15th at the Chesaning Amphitheater at 7:00 pm. They will be performing a variety of church music to get your feet tapping. They will be the opening act for Elvis Tribute Artist, Jake Slater, who will be performing at 8 pm. Tickets are \$10; students \$6 general admission. Tickets are available at the parish office (see Kris), before the show or at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)

**Faith Formation Commission:** We are need of a few members to fill our open spots on the commission. The Faith Formation Commission assists in the formation of children, youth and adults in our parish community. We only meet FOUR times a year (September, November, February and April) for approximately one hour. Please prayerfully consider joining the Faith Formation Commission. All parishioners needed (no matter your age). Please contact Doris or Katie in the Faith Formation office at 845-1797 if you are interested or have any questions.

### A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2017:** Whenever there is a discussion about prayer, the question that most often arises is about distractions. We have every good intention to keep ourselves focused on God, but our mind tends to have a mind of its own! We are serious about following Jesus' commandment of love, but find ourselves slipping when we choose to fritter away time on too much TV watching rather than spending it with someone who is lonely, or when we stretch a fifteen-minute break at work into a half hour. In this Sunday's gospel Jesus is calling his apostles (and us) single-mindedness.

Jesus clearly states that he is to be above everyone and everything in our lives—even family. This a pretty radical single-mindedness! But his does not mean that we ignore others. Jesus also says that whoever receives his followers receives him. Jesus is reminding us that our relationship to him is expressed in our relationship with each other. In giving and receiving we make evident that Jesus is the center and focus of our lives.

Jesus took on our human flesh with all its weaknesses, except that Jesus never sinned. Because Jesus understands our tendency to wander, he reminds us to keep love of God above everyone and everything, full well knowing how difficult that is for us. Full well knowing how willing we are to "take up his cross" but then stumble through our wandering into selfishness and greed and putting ourselves first.

Jesus reminds us that we cannot always be takers. To "take up his cross" and lose our life for Jesus' sake means that we must be givers as well as receivers. In giving to each other we learn that we are Jesus' Presence to others, even when we wander.