

# Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 24, 2017

### September Stewardship

CAER Center,  
Special Olympics of MI  
and  
American Legion (Chesaning)

Budget amount  
needed for each week:  
**\$7,100.00**

September 16 and 17  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$6,683.00  
Youth: .....\$3.00  
Total: .....\$6,686.00  
EFT .....\$880.00  
Total: .....\$7,566.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$85,600.00  
Actual YTD ..... \$81,551.87

### Thank You

**Stewardship:** In today's Gospel, the vineyard owner says, "I am free to do as I please with my money, am I not?" We are likewise free. Is a generous return to the Lord in thanksgiving for His many blessings among the choices we have made?

**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.

**Thank You:** We very much appreciate everything done for us, Father Bill and Shelly, the ladies & men who prepared the meal, the choir and all others who helped. The family of Lewis Gerding.

### This Week's Events

**Sunday, September 24**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:00 am Bible Study  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
4:00 pm High School Youth Group  
6:00 pm Bible Study  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group  
**Tuesday, September 26**  
7:00 pm Bible Study  
**Wednesday, September 27**  
9:30 am Adult Choir  
**Thursday, September 28**  
11:00 am Bible Study  
**Saturday, September 30**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Sunday, October 1**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:00 am Bible Study  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
4:00 pm High School Youth Group  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group  
6:00 pm Bible Study



### Faith Formation

Classes have started but it is never too late to join Faith Formation! We will be meeting this Sunday, September 24th, beginning with family prayer in the church at 6 pm. See you there! Doris

### Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet this week. Haven't been in a while? No problem! Have to come late or leave early? Not a problem! We would love to see you and your friends. High School Youth Group meets from 4-5:30 pm and Junior High Youth Group meets from 6-7:30 pm. Join us for fun, food and faith! Hope to see you there! Katie

**Our Lady High School Class of 1967:** Classmates are invited to attend the 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, October 14th. We will have pews reserved.

### Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, September 24**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Wednesday, September 27**  
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, September 28**  
8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)  
**Saturday, September 30**  
4:30 pm Mass  
**Lectors:**  
Jeanne Gewirtz and Cassidy Bucholz  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
Ellen Martz, Tim Martz, Doris Mahoney, Sarah Mahoney and Dana Bates  
**Altar Servers:**  
Cassidy Bucholz  
**Sunday, October 1**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Lectors:**  
Mary Baese and Bernard Coonrod  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
Mary Baese, Judie Giseken, Bernard Coonrod, Dawn Boucher and Bob Corrin  
**Altar Servers:**  
Paula Rench and Tommy McNaughton

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday:** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6  
**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9  
**Friday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51  
**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45  
**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28/Mt 21:28-32

### Knights of Columbus 4th Degree

**Assembly 3136:** Will be attending the 4:30 pm Mass on October 7th.

### Sponsor of the Week

	Beth Tomac, CPhT Owner
	Greg Jenkinson, Pharm. D Pharmacist
1115 W. Broad St, Chesaning 845-WELL (9355)	Tamara Mason, Pharm. D Pharmacist

**CSA Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):**  
We have reached 77% of our CSA goal with \$53,505.00 that has been pledged. Envelopes are available in the gathering area of church if you haven't pledge yet.

**Dinner & Discussion:** Enjoy dinner while learning about the benefits of planning your funeral. On Tuesday, October 3rd, at 5:30 pm at The Junction Restaurant, 4136 Peet Rd., Chesaning. Please call Misiuk Funeral Home at 845-3096 or 989-385-3584 to reserve dinner and a seat, as reservations are limited.

**St. Peter Craft Bazaar:** The annual St. Peter Craft Bazaar is November 24 & 25th. If you make or know of someone who makes homemade crafts, please call Kris at the parish office at 845-1794 or home 845-5706. We have booths available for the bazaar.

**Parish Picnic Gratitude!** Thank you to all that attended the Parish Picnic. It was fun-filled evening. Many thanks to the Worship Commission for planning and hosting the picnic, hospitality teams for the baked goodies, Paul-our magician, Abby-our fabulous face painter, Doris-our bingo caller, Jean and Rosemary-our bingo assistants, the Worship Commission spouses who assisted us, Fr. Bill for prayer and Rich for providing the grill. Shelly

**Art & Environment:** A big Thank You to those of you who shared the bounty of their flower gardens with all of us at church. Your flowers enhanced St. Peter's beautiful church environment. Thank you also for taking your time to bring them to church and set them up before mass. Another big Thank You to Gloria Sutter and Brenda Lawton for joining me in August for a work bee. Together we completed a number of jobs in anticipation of the upcoming changing seasons. I couldn't do it without your help. Linda Calandrino

### THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Thelma Schneider, Annie (Ebenhoeh) Dugalech, Jim Smith, Ray Meder, Alison Andres, Jack Benac, Robert Meyer, Geri Sholtz, Madonna Bueche, Matt Barancik, Florence Coleman, Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, 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, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose Bonkowski, 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 McSwayn, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Gloria Bates, Jeannette Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., Gary J. Tanner, Mel Gross, Nichole Horn, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Jerry Hoover, Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Jacob Albers, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.



**Blood Drive:** At the Chesaning-Brady Fire Dept., Brady Street on Thursday, October 5th from noon-6 pm and Friday, October 6th, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Please call 1-866-642-5663 or visit www.miblood.org to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome. Blood donors make a lifesaving difference. Be a hero! Donate!

**Stewardship: Time, Talent, and Treasure:** This week we will focus on **Christian Service**. Christian service: **God loves and cares for those in need through us.** We know the God closely identifies with and cares for the poor, and to serve them is to serve Him when, we volunteer with humility. St. Peter Christian Service Commission oversees the outreach to help meet the physical, social, and spiritual needs with our community and beyond. We are looking for a few more members for the commission. There are many volunteer opportunities to help others: hospitality, CAER Center, ministries of caring, support in collections (diapers & Christmas collections). Check the bulletin board in the back of church for more specifics. Contact Rosemary Newcomb at 845-1794 or ranewcombstpeter@gmail.com

**March for Life 2018:** We are gearing up for another fantastic pilgrimage to Washington D.C. in 2018! This year's trip will be January 18th-21st. All youth in grades 8-12 are encouraged to attend this pilgrimage that helps us understand life issues and respecting all life. We will have an informational meeting for youth and their parents on Sunday, September 24th, at 5:30 pm in the Youth Room. If you have any questions or need more info contact Katie.

### A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2017:** We can't buy our way into the kingdom of heaven we must work our way into it! The "work" we must do is active waiting while we remain open to God's call, and responding generously whenever and wherever that call comes. In this Sunday's gospel a most generous landowner is sensitive to the plight of others as he hires day laborers for his vineyard. Presumably at dawn when he went out to hire laborers, he would have hired what he thought he needed for the day. But he goes out four other times of the day, and hires laborers because they were "standing idle." In God's kingdom there is no cause for idleness, no limit on "wages," and no reason to regard waiting as an unproductive effort.

In this gospel parable the landowner's behavior is remarkable in two ways: his care for idle workers not able to put their skills and energy to good use, and his manner of paying wages. He behavior describes aptly the kingdom of heaven: God calls each of us to use whatever our gifts are to advance the growth of the kingdom; God "pays" us not in dollars and cents, but with the free gift of salvation which is immeasurable, unlimited, endless, and overflowing. Yes, in God's kingdom there is no cause for idleness, no limit on "wages," and no reason to regard waiting as an unproductive effort.

God calls us to be laborers in the divine vineyard—a call we first answer at baptism and then continually answer throughout our lives each time we say yes to the divine call, reach out to others in imitation of God's goodness and generosity, and cooperate with all God asks of us. This divine, saving "work" is a privilege—we actually share in God's saving deeds! This work is a lifelong response to God's invitation to be God's laborers.