

First Sunday of Lent

February 22, 2015

February Parish Stewardship

Saginaw County Jail Ministry

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,600.00

February 14 and 15

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: \$4,556.50

Youth: \$7.00

Total: \$4,563.50

EFT: \$625.00

Total: \$5,188.50

Thank You

Needed Budget YTD . . . \$258,400.00

Actual YTD \$236,853.50

Stewardship: The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism. . . that people place their gifts, their resources—their selves—at God's service in and through the Church."

St. Cyril's Fish Fry: St. Cyril Knights of Columbus once a year Fish Fry that everyone around is waiting for is Friday, March 6th from 4:30-7:00 pm. Menu includes: Fried/Bake Cod; tater tots; mac & cheese; Au Gratin potatoes; potato salad; beans; coleslaw; dessert including some Czech pastries. Adults: \$8.00; children 5-12 \$4.00 and under 5 are free. Bring a friend and they will be back!

Father/Son Breakfast: On Sunday, February 22nd at 11:30 am at St. Cyril parish hall. This is a free will offering event.

This Week's Events

Sunday, February 22

- 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

Wednesday, February 25

- 6:45 pm All Commissions & Pastoral Council meet

Friday, February 27

- 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 28

- 8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, March 1

- 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



Rosary Devotions: Are said daily from 8-9 am.

Faith Formation

Classes resume on Sunday, February 22nd, starting at 6 pm with family prayer in church. The first Sacramental class will be held on March 1st. Please have the First Eucharist preparation sheets done (4-8). Parents are required to attend with their child. Contact Doris if you have any questions at 845-1797.

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, February 22nd, at their normal times. Don't forget to turn in your forms for the Spirit Hockey Faith Night and Middle School Youth Rally. Passion Play practice will begin Sunday, February 22nd, from 2-4 pm in the church. All 6th-12th graders are welcome to participate! For more info contact Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, February 22

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, February 25

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, February 26

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, February 28

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Meredith Adelman and Laura Moliterno

Eucharistic Ministers:

Meredith Adelman, Laura Moliterno, Lisa Coon, Paulette Fuoss and Lisa Greenfelder

Altar Servers:

Emma Adelman and volunteer

Sunday, March 1

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Rosemary Newcomb and Nanette Mishler

Eucharistic Ministers:

Karen Hoover, Bob Corrin, Penny Apsey, Denise Ebenhoeh, Mary Memmer, Michelle Neumann, JoAnn Ostipow and Dan Stasa

Altar Servers:

Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman

Readings for the Week

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Mk 9:2-10

Sponsor of the Week

Line Street

Family Dentistry

Jeanne Hopfensperger, D.D.S.

Carrie Ehinger, D.D.S.

Office Hours By 989-845-7655

Appointment 371 S. Line St., Chesaning

Diaper Drive: The baby diaper drive is soon coming to an end. There is still time to make a donation of diapers. The play pen is in the gathering area for your baby diapers.

The Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic

Women: Will offer a **Lenten Retreat Day** for all women of the diocese in the Center for Ministry at the Diocese of Saginaw on Saturday, March 14th. The day's activities start at 9 am (registration begins at 8:30 am) and will end at approximately 3:30 pm. The retreat leader will be Fr. Jose Maria Cabrera and the theme will be: Golgotha, Then & Now. The cost for the day is \$20 and includes lunch. Please **RSVP** to Rita Maher (989-635-7071) by March 8th.

Tools for Forgiveness with Fr. Bert Gohm: On Saturday, March 21st from 9:00 am-3:00 pm at the Center for Ministry. This Lent, you are warmly invited to join Fr. Bert Gohm to examine what forgiveness does and does not entail, and to explore concrete ways to grow in our ability to forgive others, receive God's forgiveness, and forgive ourselves. Cost is \$35 includes lunch. Call 797-6607 to register.

Prayer List: We are happy to list parishioners/family names who request prayers in the bulletin. Please remember to contact the office at 845-1794 when a loved one's name no longer needs inclusion on the prayer list. This will assure us that we have a current list. Thanks.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Nanette Muirhead, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Mechelle Kuchar, Vickie Daniels, Alice List, Josie Dorval, Barb Beckman, Jane Selleck, Sarah (Chernow) Fischer, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joe Lane, Fran A. Gross, Deb Kalisek, Sue Bucholz, Evelyn Schaft, Agnes Basovsky, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Derrick Knieper, Annette O'Brien, Ashley Maxa, Bertha Hart, Dennis Kettle Jr., Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Steve Szukhent, Tim Brady, Fred Lane, Ernie Newcomb, Helen Snyder, Rita Amman, Robert Coughlin, Lee Calandrino, Tammy Chrysler, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Vivian & David Cook, Richard Young Jr., Nancy Dennis, Rich Greenfelder, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Jeannette Zajdlik, Diane DeVoe, Sue Adams, Roxann Timm, Kathy Brown, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, Jim Owens, David and Marianne Sutter, John Sims, Christina Sims, Bessie McSwayn, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Gloria Bates, Jeannette Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., Lavern Walser, Virginia Lawton, Gary J. Tanner, Mel Gross, Nichole Horn, Bill Krzicok, Franklin Bates, Henry Huntoon, Jolene Archibald, Will Lucio, Kathleen Spodney, Georgia Coon, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Johannes Vogelaar, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, Joseph Sr. and Pauline Sedlar, Constance and Edward Leneeman

Parent Sessions for Baptism: Parents of infants who desire to celebrate baptism are invited to register with Diane at the Parish Office. It is our church policy that at least one of the parents needs to be a registered member of a Parish and practicing their faith. The next Parent and Godparent Faith Formation sessions will be Mondays, March 16 and 23, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Office. Future sessions are scheduled for June 9 and 16.

Beef Dinner Pie Money: We are asking for a donation of \$10 for pies for our Beef Dinner on **Saturday, March 14th**. There is a pie envelope in your monthly contribution packet or put your name on an envelope and drop in the collection basket.

"Women in the Bible": Back by popular demand from the Advent Tea, LeAnne Osborn will be our featured speaker presenting "Women in the Bible." Discover the distinct role that women have played in salvation history. The presentation is on **Tuesday, March 10th from 6:30-8 pm at St. Peter Parish Hall**. All are welcome!

Benefit for the Toni & Trish House: A concert at St. John Vianney Church, 6400 McCarty Rd., Saginaw on Friday, February 27th at 7:30 pm. St. John Vianney Parish wishes to invite the parishioners of the Diocese of Saginaw to the fifth Annual Praise and Worship Concert, J.A.M. Donations to this event will support The Toni and Trish House.

Lent Activity: Please join us for a fun Lent Activity for everyone on Sunday, March 1 in the parish hall after the 8:30 am Mass. There will be several stations set up with activities to make and use at home during the Lenten season. There will be light refreshments. Sponsored by the St. Peter Parish Faith Formation Commission.

A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2015

Living Liturgy: Mark's version of the temptation in the desert is short and to the point. He does not relay the details of Jesus' experience of temptation, but he does show its outcome: Jesus boldly enters Galilee proclaiming, "This is the time. . . Repent, and believe." Temptations always force us to make a choice. Jesus' choice is to take up his saving mission. What is our temptation? What is our choice? These are the questions of Lent. They are the questions those of us who are baptized into Christ must constantly ask if we wish to participate in his saving mission, proclaiming by the choices we make that the Gospel determines who we are and how we act.

Confronting temptation and overcoming the sinfulness that keeps us from righteous Christian living is a necessary first step for faithful baptismal living. We must turn from sinfulness before we can do our part to continue Jesus' mission. Since repentance, forgiveness, and belief are so central to Christian living, proclaiming the Gospel at least means that we turn from our sinful ways, forgive others, and express our belief by saying yes to God's will for us. None of these is easy to do, which is why proclaiming the Gospel is a lifelong mission. The most eloquent proclamation of the Gospel is the witness of the way we live. Ultimately, what we witness to is the "time of fulfillment" brought about by believing in and living the Gospel.