

Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2015

March Parish Stewardship

*Migrant Ministry,
Special Olympics of MI,
Southern Poverty Law and
Heifer International*

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,600.00

February 21 and 22

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: \$7,058.76

Youth: \$5.00

Total: \$7,063.76

EFT: \$150.00

Total: \$7,213.76

Thank You

Needed Budget YTD . . . \$266,000.00

Actual YTD \$244,067.26

Stewardship: Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself “did not spare His own Son.” Are *my* gifts to the Lord—of my resources, of my time, of myself—also sacrificial?

Saginaw County League of

Catholic Women: Will be having a DAY OF REFLECTION March 17th at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St., Saginaw. We will begin with Mass in the chapel at 11:00 am followed by lunch Our speaker will be Terri Grierson, Director of Christian Services for the Saginaw Diocese. Please mail your check for \$12 for your reservation to: League of Catholic Women, PO Box 6932, Saginaw MI 48608. Your check for \$12 must be in the office not later than Thursday, March 12th. If you are not a member yet, come and check us out we would love to see you. Joyce

This Week's Events

Sunday, March 1

- 8:00 am Rosary
- 9:30 am Lenten Activity Parish Hall
- 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, March 4

- 5:00 pm Adult Choir

Friday, March 6

- 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 7

- 8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, March 8

Daylight Saving Time Begins

- 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 will be held on Sunday, March 1st 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.

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, March 1st, in the Youth Room. High School Youth Group will be having a Study Night from 4-5:30 pm with food, studying for finals and prizes! Bring your friends. Junior High Youth Group will meet from 6-7:30 pm. Don't forget your forms for Middle School Youth Rally and Middle School Retreat. 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, March 1

- 8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, March 4

- 9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, March 5

- 8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Friday, March 6

- 9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)

Saturday, March 7

- 4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Brenda Forsyth and Cassidy Bucholz

Eucharistic Ministers:

Ellen Martz, Tim Martz, Brenda Forsyth, Doris Mahoney and Mike Maxa

Altar Servers:

Cassidy Bucholz and volunteer

Sunday, March 8

- 8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Mary Memmer and Richard Muirhead

Eucharistic Ministers:

Michelle Vrable, Mary Memmer, Judie Giesken, Kathy Thompson, Beth Tomac, Penny Apsey, Bernard Coonrod and Bob Corrin

Altar Servers:

Meghan Florian and Paula Rench

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 20:1-17/Jn 2:13-25

Sponsor of the Week

Line Street

Family Dentistry

Jeanne Hopfensperger, D.D.S.

Carrie Ehinger, D.D.S.

Office Hours By Appointment 989-845-7655
371 S. Line St., Ches

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.

Thank You: *The family of Jim Corrin extends their appreciation to everyone who share in their sorrow. The help of St. Peter Parish and community in the time of need was a great comfort to the family. Sincere appreciation goes out to Fran Young, and all of the families who helped in supplying the funeral luncheon. Our gratitude is also extended to the Doug Misiuk Funeral Home for their unending kindness, sympathy and support. We also wish to thank Diane and Father Bill in helping us grant dad's wishes. The support from the magnitude of family and friends who came to pay their respect was a honorable tribute to a man who gave much to the community in which he lived and worked.*



CAER Food Pantry: Items being collected for the month of March are: personal items such as tooth paste & brushes, deodorant, diapers. You may drop off your donations in the basket in the gathering area. Donations of any kind are always welcome and we thank you for your continued support.



St. Patrick's Day Beef Dinner: Is on **Saturday, March 14th** from 5-7 pm in the parish hall. Everyone is invited and we hope to see you there!



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

George Lorencz, Jr. Dallas Falls, 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, 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, Tammy Chrysler, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Vivian & David Cook, Richard Young Jr., Nancy Dennis, Rich Greenfelder, Joey Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Jeannette Zajdlk, Diane DeVoe, Sue Adams, Roxann Timm, Kathy Brown, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, Jim Owens, David and Marianne Sutter, John Sims, Christina Sims, Bessie McSwain, 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 a 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!

Congratulations: To David Hawes III who was recognized as "Elect" and beginning the final period of preparation and purification leading to his initiation at Easter Vigil. Last Saturday, David and his sponsor, Jan Vondrasek, were sent by our parish to the **Rite of Election** presided by Bishop Cistone at the Cathedral in Saginaw. We ask your continued prayer support for David as he prepares for Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist at Easter.

Christopher Credit Union Annual Dinner/Meeting: On Sunday, March 8th at 5:30 pm at the K of C Hall's basement. For more information please contact Christopher Credit Union at 845-7616.

A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2015

Living Liturgy: This gospel account tells of three theophanies and hints at two others. On the mountain Peter, James, and John witness the first three theophanies: Jesus the transfigured One, Jesus the "beloved Son," Jesus the "Son of Man." As the transfigured One, Jesus reveals what is yet to come. As the "beloved Son," the Father reveals an intimate, divine relationship. As the "Son of Man," Jesus reveals that he is the new Israel, the Messiah who would bring salvation. All three of these theophanies, these revelations of who Jesus is, point to something entirely new happening. But to embrace the new has its cost.

Coming "down from the mountain," Peter, James, and John would witness Jesus passing through death to the full revelation of what had been foreshadowed in his transfiguration: the theophany of his risen, glorified Body. This is a whole new Presence of the divine in our midst, a risen One who would never again face death. Finally, when Peter, James, and John choose dying to self, they are transfigured by Jesus' risen Life. *They* too become theophanies. So can *we*. But like Jesus and the apostles before us, our being transfigured by Jesus' risen Life has its cost, too. We can become a theophany of God only when we embrace Jesus' dying to self, his self-giving life of compassion, love, and mercy. We can be a theophany of God because we are the Body of Christ, the risen One.