

Third Sunday of Lent

February 28, 2016

February Parish Stewardship

Saginaw County Jail Ministry

Budget amount
needed for each week:
\$7,300.00

February 20 and 21

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$5,962.00
Youth:.....\$3.43
Total:\$5,965.43
EFT:.....\$150.00
Total:..... \$6,115.43

Sunday Contributions YTD \$248,200.00
Actual YTD \$238,169.76

Thank You

Stewardship: The parable in today's Gospel clearly warns that we, like the fig tree, will be judged by our fruit. While God mercifully provides us with time and opportunity, let us give witness to our faith with deeds of kindness and generosity!

Lent Rosary Devotions: from 8-9 am
The Angelus & Luminous Mystery
Prayers of Divine Mercy
Sorrowful Mystery with Stations of the Cross
Glorious Mystery

Passion Play Practice: Play practice has begun for the annual Passion Play presented by St. Peter Youth Ministry. Practice is from 2-4 pm in the church and no acting experience is needed. We are in need of more participants to make this a success. Ask your friends to be a part of this great service to our parish community. Contact Katie if you need more information.

This Week's Events

Sunday, February 28

8:00 am Rosary
8:30 am RCIA
9:34 am Presentation of the Creed
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 2

9:30 am Adult Choir

Friday, March 4

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 5

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, March 6


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8:30 am RCIA
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

Faith Formation

Classes will be held this Sunday, February 28th beginning with family prayer in the church at 6 pm. There will be a class for those receiving first Eucharist (and their parents) on Sunday, March 6th, beginning at 6 pm in the church. Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, February 28th 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. Forms for the Middle School Retreat will be available. Bring a friend for some food, faith and fun!

 **Save the Date:** The Knights of Columbus of St. Cyril's is having their Fish Fry on Friday, March 11th from 4:30-7:00 pm in the parish hall. More information in upcoming bulletins.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, February 28

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8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, March 2

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, March 3

8:00 am Mass

Friday, March 4

9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)

Saturday, March 5

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Diana Gewirtz and Cassidy Bucholz

Eucharistic Ministers:

Tim Martz, Lisa Coon, Lindy Beckman, Katie Eichler and Ellen Martz

Altar Servers:

Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer

Sunday, March 6

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Bernard Coonrod and Mary Baese

Eucharistic Ministers:

Bernard Coonrod, Ken Schnell, Shirley Schnell, Dan Stasa and Kathy Thompson

Altar Servers:

Keegan Kalisek and Ken Schnell

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sponsor of the Week

CHESANING

COIN LAUNDRY

Open Daily 8:00 am-8:00 pm
210 W. Broad St.
Parishioner



Diaper Drive: Time is running out! Our diaper drive will end at the end of February. We are in need of both children and adult diapers. There are also envelopes attached to the play pen for monetary donations. The envelopes may be put in the collection basket. Remember to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

Rice Bowls: By using the Rice Bowls during Lent our CAER Center benefits from the money collected. The CAER Center helps our local struggling families in our area. Save your change!

The League of Catholic Women: Will be having its annual Day of Reflection Tuesday, March 15th at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 5376 State St., Saginaw. We will begin with the Rosary in church at 10:30 am. Mass will begin at 11. Lunch will follow in the church basement; there is an elevator available. The cost of the lunch \$10. Please mail your check to: LCW, PO Box 6932, Saginaw MI 48608. Your check for your reservation needs to be in the office by Friday, March 4th. Let's have a large turnout to welcome Fr. Ron back.

St. Peter Parish Lenten Mission: The mission is a four-day retreat that will be conducted here at St. Peter beginning Sunday evening, March 13th and ending Wednesday, March 16th. Mission services will be held at **6 pm in the church** each of these days. The Mission service includes hymns, scripture readings, prayer and the Mission sermon. Fr. Jack Conley, CP from Chicago will be our speaker and celebrating at all Masses.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Carol Moore, Tiffany Dankert, Abby Aldrich, Joe Pine,

Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Tim Amman,

Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Eugene Sutter, Jim

Meder, Terry Kennelly, Joann Richardson, Mary Lou Kligar,

Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Apsey, Irene Nietling,

Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Mechelle Kuchar, Vickie Daniels, Mark

Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch,

Fran A. Gross, Joseph Klasek, Ray Tithof, Rose Bonkowski, Roger

Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane,

Ernie Newcomb, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan

Addington, Nancy Dennis, LuAnn Greenfelder, Joey

Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Sue Adams,

Roxann Timm, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, David

and Marianne Sutter, John Sims, 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,

Franklin Bates, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable,

Johannes Vogelaar, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie

Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.

Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr.

Thank You: We wish to thank our relatives, friends and family for the food, flowers, cards, prayers and kindness shown to us during our time of loss. Special thanks to Father Bill, Misiuk Funeral Home, the choir, McLaren Hospice and all who prepared and served the wonderful luncheon. Your kindness will always be remembered. The family of Jeanette Zajdlik.

World Youth Day: We are so close to our goal!! We are within \$2,000 dollars of raising the \$15,000 needed to attend this pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Day 2016! Thank you to everyone who has prayed for us and donated through this process! It's not too late! Every dollar helps. Please prayerfully consider taking an envelope from the World Youth Day Envelope Board in the back of church and give to this once in a lifetime experience. Thank you!



Easter Egg Hunt: The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held after 8:30 am Mass on Sunday on the lawn of St. Peter Parish. We are in need of candy. Please donate your wrapped candy (please nothing with nuts) in the container in the back of church. We do not need eggs this year! Thanks.



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: Join us for eat in or take out fish fry on Fridays, March 4, 11, 18, and 25th from 5-8 pm. The K of C hall is located at 9171 Deitering, Chesaning.

A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2016

Living Liturgy: Question: What are five verbs beginning with "re" that capture this gospel's challenge to us? Answer: repent, retry, reconcile, renew, restore. We are to *repent* of our sinfulness; *retry* the cultivation God constantly does in order for us to be fruitful in our daily living; *reconcile* with whomever and whatever keeps us from growing; *renew* our resolve to avoid whatever might cut us off from God, and *restore* any broken relationships hindering our receiving the fullness of Life. Not to accept this challenge to personal transformation is to choose to perish. What is obvious in these statements is that we choose to perish or live. God gives us all we need and even more so that we bear fruit. Lent is a reminder that we are prone to sinfulness, but that we are given a chance over and over again to choose Life. Why would we choose to cut ourselves off from God and each other and perish?

This is our of *repenting*: that we turn from sinfulness toward God's transforming mercy, knowing full well this turning is our choice. This is our work of *retrying*: that we never give up on God's work of mercy, our God who takes what is almost dead and coaxes it back to new life. This is our work of *reconciling*: to heal the wounds that separate. This is our work of *renewing*: that we undertake the necessary steps to rebuild our relationships with God and each other. This is our work of *restoring* that we allow God's new Life so freely given to us to redirect all our being to bear the good fruit of righteous living. The work of Lent is to choose eternal Life God continuously cultivates within us.