

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2016

April Parish Stewardship

Food Bank of Eastern MI,
Saginaw Habitat for Humanity,
and
Southern Poverty Law Center

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

April 16 and 17

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$5,985.04
Youth:\$1.00
Total:\$5,986.04
EFT:\$780.00
Total: \$6,766.04

Sunday Contributions YTD \$306,600.00
Actual YTD \$296,967.26

Thank You

Stewardship: In today's Gospel, Jesus gives His disciples—and us—a new commandment: "Love one another." Good stewards who spend their time and talents in service to others are well on their way to fulfilling this commandment.



Catechist Needed: Have you ever wanted to share your faith with our young people? Faith Formation has an opportunity for a first grade catechist. Responsibilities include sharing your faith with our young people, planning a weekly lesson (all materials provided and we will help you along the way) and a commitment to be present at weekly Faith Formation classes September through April. If interested, please contact Doris in the Faith Formation Office at 845-1797.

Faith Formation This Week's Events

Sunday, April 24

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
(Bannister)
4:00 pm Youth Group

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 pm Ensemble/Choir

Wednesday, April 26

9:30 am Adult Choir

Thursday, April 28

7:30 pm Pastoral Council meet

Saturday, April 30

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, May 1

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
(Bannister)
4:00 pm Youth Group

Rosary Devotions: from 8-9 am every morning.

Faith Formation

Keep your eyes open for a mailer from the Faith Formation Office! Have a great summer! Doris

Youth Ministry

The next Youth Group will be Sunday, April 24th from 4-5:30 pm. We are in Summer Youth Ministry now so all those in grades 5-12 and their friends are welcome! We will be playing kickball (weather permitting) so wear tennis shoes. Don't forget to turn in your Y.E.S. forms and forms for summer camps will be available soon. Senior Mass will be held on Saturday, May 21st at the 4:30 pm Mass. A letter to seniors will be sent out at the end of the month. Katie



Box Tops & Campbell's

UPC Codes: There is a collection container in the gathering area of church for your Box Tops for Education and Campbell's UPC codes. Schools are able to order items for their classrooms at no cost to them.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, April 24

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, April 27

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, April 28

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, April 30

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Diana Gewirtz and Pat Walser

Eucharist Ministers:

Lisa Coon, Ellen Martz, Pat Walser, Helena Czeizperger, and Tim Martz

Altar Servers:

Helena Czeizperger and volunteer

Sunday, May 1

10:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Bernard Coonrod and Alice Dowd

Eucharist Ministers:

Nanette Scott-Muirhead, Dan Stasa, Bernard Coonrod, JoAnn Ostipow and Judie Giesken

Altar Servers:

Keegan Kalisek and Paula Rench

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Jn 14:23-29

Sponsor of the Week

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Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):

We have received \$39,625.00 toward our CSA goal of \$70,812 which is 56%. Thank you to everyone who has generously pledge so far. This is encouraging, but we have a long way to go. Please prayerfully consider your pledge amount. There are envelopes in the gathering area of church if you need one.

Spring Fling Bingo Thank You: Thank you to the Christian Service Commission members for all their time, effort and work for making the Spring Fling Bingo event possible. Great job everyone! We were able to give CAER a check for \$632.25.

2016 Bishop's Ball: The tenth annual Bishop's Ball will be held on Friday evening, April 29th at the Horizons Conference Center in Saginaw. Tickets are still available. Tickets are \$95 per person which includes a catered meal, dancing, the Art & Silent Auction, and will honor the 2016 recipients of the *Bishop Murphy Award*. Please call 989-799-7910 to purchase tickets.

Job Opening: St. Peter Parish is seeking a Pastoral Care Coordinator. If you are a practicing Catholic with experience in Pastoral Ministry and Pastoral Formation and are interested in a full-time position (32 hours), send your resume and two letters of recommendation to: St. Peter Parish, Search Committee, PO Box 454, Chesaning, MI 48616 by **Friday, April 29th**.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

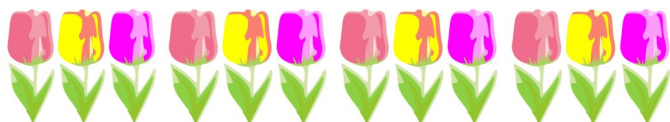
Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol

Moore, Tiffany Dankert, Abby Aldrich, Joe Pine, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Tim Amman, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Eugene Sutter, Terry Kennelly, Joann Richardson, 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, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, LuAnn Greenfelder, Joey

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

Kligar, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Roxann Timm, Gayle Shooltz, Judy Wakeman, David and Marianne Sutter, John Sims, Bessie McSwayn, 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.



Dinner & Discussion-Misiuk Funeral Home: Join us to learn about the options and benefits of Advance Funeral Planning, followed by informal questions and answers. Tuesday, April 26th at 5:30 pm at The Junction Restaurant, 4136 Peet Rd., Chesaning. Please call 989-385-3584 or 845-3096 to reserve dinner and a seat, as reservations are limited.



Operation Inasmuch: We will start Saturday, April 30th from 8:00 am-noon at the Trinity Methodist Church in Chesaning. This is a morning event and includes lunch and child care for volunteers. If you know of someone with a need, or for more information, please contact Chris or Jim Mishler at 845-2203. Volunteers of all ages are needed.

Women's Fellowship: All women of the diocese are welcome to enjoy fellowship and Faith enrichment on Wednesday, May 4th at 6 pm at the Center for Ministry. Presenters are Dr. Dan & LeAnn Osborn. The theme for the evening is "Living Icons of Mercy". This is a free will offering event. For more information, please call 797-6607

Knights of Columbus Hamburg Night: The last Knights of Columbus Hamburg night is Wednesday, May 18th from 5-7 pm. There are a variety of tasty items to choose from. Everyone is welcome!

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living

Liturgy: Leave-taking is part of everyone's life. It reminds us that we human beings are fragile, that our earthly life is transitory, that the only sure and permanent reality is the abiding love of the risen Lord and the glory that is the outcome of our living his commandment of love. This gospel is about leave-taking—one leads to betrayal and despair; the other leads to an invitation to participate in the love-Life of the One who willingly embraces death and in that embrace conquers it for himself and for us.

Two departures are noted in this gospel: that of Judas ("When Judas had left") and that of Jesus ("I will be with you only a little while longer"). Judas's departure initiates the events of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection. Jesus' imminent departure initiates his giving the disciples the commandment to love as he has loved. Jesus' passion and death is the full revelation to us of what it means to love as Jesus loved. Love means giving one's life for others. It is the full revelation of how we are to love: not counting the cost, but always looking to the glory that is the outcome of deep and abiding love. This God's glory. This is Jesus' glory. This is our glory. Jesus' resurrection is the full revelation of this glory.

Glory and love are promised to us—but we share in them only if we imitate Jesus' self-giving way of living. As the gospel says, Jesus was with the disciples "only a little while longer"; Jesus departed. However, he remains with us. Through our own self-giving love we continue his mission of loving others unto salvation whereby God is glorified. Loving one another, then, isn't just a nice idea. Loving one another is the very way we participate in Jesus' saving mission and make him present. Our loving others as Jesus loves us assures us that this love lead not to leave-taking, but to the glory of the fullness of Presence and Life.