

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2016

September Parish Stewardship

CAER Center
and
American Legion

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,200.00

September 17 and 18
Stewardship Back to the Lord
Envelopes:\$6,192.00
Youth:\$3.00
Total:\$6,195.00
EFT:\$735.00
Total:\$6,930.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$86,000.00
Actual YTD \$81,210.96

Thank You

Debt Reduction:

August\$385.00
Total for the year\$785.00

Stewardship: The sin of the rich man in today's parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at this gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life? What am I doing to help?

Thank You: I would like to take the time to express by thanks and gratitude to everyone in the parish who contributed financially and/or spiritually to my pilgrimage to Poland for the World Youth Day festivities. Your generosity and prayers always have been and always will be very much appreciated. Mary Stasa

This Week's Events

Sunday, September 25

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)
4:00 pm High School Youth Group
5:30 pm March for Life/NCYC meeting
6:00 pm Faith Formation
6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

Wednesday, September 28

9:30 am Adult Choir

Saturday, October 1

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, October 2

8:00 am Rosary
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

Rosary Devotions: Are prayed every morning at 8:00 am.

Faith Formation

Classes have begun! It's never too late to come to class! The next class is Sunday, September 25th, beginning with family prayer in the church at 6 pm. Those children receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation need to be at class this week in order to receive your sacramental preparation materials. The Reconciliation Retreat for parents and children is Sunday, October 2nd. See you there! Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, September 25th, 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. There will also be an informational meeting for March for Life and National Catholic Youth Conference on Sunday, September 25th, at 5:30 pm in the Youth Room. This meeting is for all those in grades 8-12 and their parents who are interested in these events. Dates, cost and fundraising will be discussed. Bring a friend and see you there! Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, September 25

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, September 28

No Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, September 29

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, October 1

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser

Eucharist Ministers:

Katie Eichler, Jason Eichler, Dana Bates, Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser

Altar Servers:

Helena Czeiszperger and Daniel Hodges

Sunday, October 2

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Penny Apsey and Kathy Stewart

Eucharist Ministers:

Penny Apsey, Karen Hoover, Gloria Sutter, Ron Sutter and Kathy Thompson

Altar Servers:

Keegan Kalisek and Paula Rench

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3,11-17, 20-23/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Lk 17:5-10

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Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):

We have received \$55,850.00 toward our CSA goal of \$70,812 which is 79%. Please return your pledge card by mail or drop in the collection basket. There are envelopes on the table in back of church. It is still not too late to contribute. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.



Dresser Project: Have you picked up your tag yet? There are quite a few left. The dresser is in the Gathering Space of church and a tree with suggested baby items to assist a young mother who has chosen life for her baby. These gifts will be distributed through *Abortions Alternative of Saginaw*. **Gifts should not be wrapped.** Monetary donations are also welcomed.

Thank You: We want to thank Fr. Bill for the wonderful Mass for our mother, Pauline Gasper. Everything helped to unite and give us closure. Thank you also to Gloria Sutter and the ladies that furnished/helped with the wonderful luncheon. Thank you to Shelly and the Resurrection choir for their music. Bless all who brought food to our homes, sent cards or flowers, or just their loving support. The family of Pauline Gasper.

St. Peter Prayer Chain: Would you like to be a part of our prayer chain? If so, please call the Parish Office at 845-1794 and leave your name and phone number. There is also a copy of the prayer chain hanging in the back of church.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma,

Mel Austin, Ernie Richardson, Jerry & Mary Tanner, Joyce Tithof, Dennis Kettle, Jim Smith, Jim Pitt, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol Moore, Tiffany Dankert, Abby Aldrich, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Apsey, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, Jim

Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr. (serving in the Armed Services)

Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, Joey Kligar, 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., Virginia Lawton, Gary J. Tanner, Mel Gross, Nichole Horn, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, Madeline Klopp, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.

Deb Martin Benefit: Deb Martin was admitted to the hospital in late August with a severe case of pneumonia. There will be a benefit to help with medical costs on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 5-11 pm at Riverfront Bar and Grille in Chesaning. Cost is \$10 per person; pasta dinner (5-8 pm), live entertainment and silent auction. Tickets may be purchased at the door. For more information please call Lisa Lewis (989) 445-0261 or Chellie Fulton (989) 277-5040.



Blood Drive: Michigan Blood will be at the Chesaning Brady Fire Dept. on Thursday, October 6 & Friday, October 7th, from noon until 6:00 pm each day. They will also be at the Chesaning High School on Tuesday, October 25 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm and on Wednesday, October 26, from 10:00 am-3:00 pm. One hour of your time can help save several lives. Be Somebody that gives back! Schedule an appointment by visiting www.miblood.org or 1-866-642-5663.

Dinner & Discussion: Enjoy dinner while learning about the benefits of planning your funeral the safe way, followed by informal questions and answers. This will be held at the Junction Restaurant, 4136 Peet Rd., Chesaning on Tuesday, October 11th at 5:30 pm. Please call (989) 385-3584 or (989) 845-3096 to reserve dinner and a seat. This is sponsored by Misiuk Funeral Home.

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living

Liturgy: Someone who is “in our face” is bold and aggressive toward us about something, won’t let go, keeps pushing. Sometimes someone has to invade our personal space in order for us to see that person.

In this Sunday’s gospel, the poor man Lazarus is invading the rich man’s personal space—he is “lying at his door.” He is right there. He is in the rich man’s face. We can imagine the rich man literally stepping over Lazarus. The rich man is so busy, so self-absorbed that Lazarus did not affect him. Until the rich man died and was tormented by his punishment for not responding to Lazarus. Only in torment does he notice Lazarus. He begs that the very man whom he ignored during his life should come to alleviate his torment, should bring him some cool water to ease him. Yet, he offered nothing to Lazarus while he was living.

The rich man in torment also begs Abraham to send “someone from the dead” to warn his five brothers to repent and change their way of living. In fact, during his earthly life, the rich man had “someone from the dead” warning him to repent and change—the sick, suffering, starving Lazarus “lying at his door” who was as good as “dead” to the rich man.

There is a great “chasm” between selfishness and self-surrender, between evil and good, between the lost and the saved. This chasm is metaphor for *listening* to God’s word and allowing ourselves to be guided by its demands. The time to respond decisively to God and others is *now*; after death it is too late. Indeed, “someone from the dead” has come to warn us. Who? Do we listen?

