

# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2017

## February Stewardship

Saginaw County Jail Ministry

Budget amount needed for each week:  
**\$7,200.00**

February 11 and 12  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$5,100.00  
Youth: .....\$2.72  
Total: .....\$5,102.72  
EFT .....\$65.00  
Total: .....\$5,167.72


Sunday Contributions YTD \$237,200.00  
Actual YTD .....\$228,414.10

## Thank You

**Stewardship:** In today's first reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbors as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that—to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow.

### **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry:**

Is every Friday from 5-8 pm at the K of C Hall located at 9171 Deitering Rd., Chesaning. You may dine in or take out. Ash Wednesday will be take only.

 **Rosary:** The tradition of the Church and the teaching of the Magisterium urge us to frequent recitation of the Hail Mary and the rosary. The rosary is prayed every morning at 8:00 am in the church lead by Bernie Coonrod.

## This Week's Events

**Sunday, February 19**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Tuesday, February 21**  
9:30 am BeFriender meet  
7:00 pm Individual Reconciliation (Chesaning)  
**Wednesday, February 22**  
9:30 am Adult Choir  
6:30 pm Finance Council meet  
**Thursday, February 23**  
4:30 pm Prayer meeting in Henry Eickholt room  
7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet  
**Saturday, February 25**  
8:00 am Rosary  
5:00 pm Mardi Gras Chicken Dinner  
**Sunday, February 26**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
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

There will be no classes this Sunday due to the holiday weekend. Enjoy your night off with your family. The next Faith Formation class will be Sunday, February 26th, beginning at 6 pm in the church with family prayer. We will meet every Sunday from February 26 to April 9th, to finish out the Faith Formation year. Please make your child's faith formation a priority and finish the year strong! Doris

### Youth Ministry

There will be no Youth Ministry due to the holiday weekend. Both Youth Groups meet again on Sunday, February 26th, at their normal times. Passion Play practice will start on Sunday, March 5th, at 2 pm in the church. An updated flyer of upcoming events was sent home with youth and is available in the gathering area of the church. Check out all the fun and exciting Youth Ministry events coming up in the next few months! Katie

## Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, February 19**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Wednesday, February 22**  
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, February 23**  
10:00 am CNCC Mass (Chesaning)  
**Saturday, February 25**  
4:30 pm Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Jeanne Gewirtz and Cassidy Bucholz*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Helena Czeizsperger, Laura Moliterno, Paulette Fuoss, Pat Walser and Dana Bates*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer*  
**Sunday, February 26**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Glenn Robinette and Richard Muirhead*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Gloria Sutter, Karen Hoover, Kathy Stewart, Dan Stasa and Ron Sutter*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman*

## Readings for the Week

**Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29**  
**Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37**  
**Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19**  
**Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50**  
**Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12**  
**Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16**  
**Sunday: Is 49:14-15/Mt 6:24-34**

## **Sponsor of the Week**

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**Diaper Drive:** Our diaper drive has begun and will end the weekend of March 17-18. We will be collecting diapers for children and adults.

There is a playpen in the gathering area for your donations. If you prefer to make a monetary donation there are envelopes available and you may put it in the collection basket. The Christian Service Commission

**CAER Food Pantry:** Items being collected for the month of February are: pancake mix & syrup and peanut butter & jelly. There is a basket in the gathering area of church for your donations. Donations of any kind are always welcome! Thank you for your continue support.

**Time and Talent Opportunity:** Ushers needed. There is a need for additional ushers (men and women) at both Masses, particularly at 4:30 pm Mass. If you can help out or want more information, please speak with any usher or call Shelly Kenney at 845-1794 at the parish office.

**Mardi Gras Chicken Dinner:** Celebrate Mardi Gras by coming to the St. Peter Mardi Gras Chicken Dinner! This year's dinner is Saturday, February 25th, from 5-6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Adults are \$10 and children 4-12 are \$5 (3 and under free). Dinner includes: chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, string beans, glazed carrots, coleslaw, rolls, beverages and ice cream! There will be free kids activities throughout the dinner as well. All proceeds go towards the Youth Ministry Program.

**THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:**

*Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, Leo Henige Jr., Shirley Potter, Tim McLeod, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, Mel Austin, Jerry & Mary Tanner, Joyce Tithof, Dennis Kettle, Jim Smith, Jim Pitt, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol Moore, Abby Aldrich, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Geri Sholtz, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Tim Apsey, Laurie*

<i>Joshua Mesh, Christopher Lickman, Garrett Mishler, and Bill Lickman Jr. (serving in the Armed Services)</i>	<i>Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert &amp; Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Rita Amman, Jay &amp; 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 &amp; Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob &amp; Jacob Albers, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.</i>
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**The Saginaw Diocesan Council of 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 18th. 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. Andy Booms and the theme will be: *The Holy Triduum*. The cost for the day is \$22 (in advance) and includes lunch. This silent retreat will include spiritual talks, meditation time, confession, Mass, rosary and Stations of the Cross. Please RSVP to Rita Maher at (989)635-7072 or Rita Genigeski (989) 793-3377 by **March 12th**.

**Lenten Small Groups:** Lent is fast approaching. If you feel the call to seek intimacy with our Lord, to connect more meaningfully with the Christian community, or just to grow deeper in your faith, perhaps one of our small faith sharing groups is for you. Sign up at the meeting space at the back of church. Or check with Rosemary about starting a new group.

**My Parish App:** Have you downloaded our parish app yet? Download it for free today both Android and IOS. The app is a great way to stay in touch with the parish community! There are numerous Catholic resources on the app that can be used to help you on your faith journey. Download it today!

**A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy**

**2017:** We often hear stories of people who give of themselves way beyond expectation, who help another at personal expense, who spend holidays feeding the hungry. We have so many ways of saying and doing this gospel. Although we all know people who are takers rather than givers, who are stingy and selfish, who are minimalists when it comes to relating to others, our first impulse is to believe in the goodness and generosity of people.

Although we don't always do what Jesus says in this gospel—turn from retaliation, give more than is asked, love beyond what is easy—we do have a sense that what Jesus is asking of us is how we would want the community in which we live to be characterized.

In our treatment of one another—even those who are our enemies—Jesus challenges us to go beyond what is expected, beyond what we might think is reasonable or even achievable. We are to go beyond what is human to what is divine: “Be holy” as God is holy, “be perfect” as God is perfect. On our own, this is impossible! Only because of God's love for us expressed in the life of Jesus who teaches us rightly, is this possible. Only when we experience God's love for us first, is this possible.

Jesus commands us to keep the law in a radically different way. We are duty-bound as “children of the heavenly Father” to do more than simply what is mandated. We are to go beyond our natural expectation about keeping laws to embrace the divine excess with which God treats us. Acting toward others as God acts towards us transforms us to “be perfect” as God. This radical living of the law makes divine blessings, grace, and holiness to be real, visible, and at hand for us.