

Third Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2017

March Stewardship

Migrant Ministry,
Special Olympics of MI,
and
CAER Center

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,200.00

March 11 and 12

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes: \$5,331.00

Youth: \$1.00

Total: \$5,332.00

EFT: \$65.00

Total: \$5,397.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$266,250.00

Actual YTD \$252,433.10

Thank You

Debt Reduction:

February \$505.00

Total for the fiscal year \$4,443.00

Stewardship: When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

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, March 19

8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation
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
6:00 pm Lenten Prayer Service

Wednesday, March 22

9:30 am Adult Choir
6:30 pm Finance Council meet

Thursday, March 23

7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet

Friday, March 24

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 25

8:00 am Rosary

Sunday, March 26

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
6:00 pm Lenten Prayer Service

Faith Formation

There is class on Sunday, March 19th, beginning with family prayer in the church at 6 pm. The second Confirmation/First Eucharist class will be held immediately following evening prayer. Please bring your finished folder with you. PARENTS and CHILDREN receiving these sacraments are required to attend. Can you believe there are just four classes left? Make the most out of them and be there. Let's finish the year strong! Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups meet on Sunday, March 19th, 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. Passion Play practice is from 2-4 pm in the church followed by a meal in the Youth Room. There is still time to be a part of this great tradition! Youth Encounter Service (Y.E.S.) forms are available in the Youth Room and gathering area of the church. See you Sunday! Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, March 19

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, March 22

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, March 23

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Saturday, March 25

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Laura Moliterno and Kassidy Bucholz

Eucharist Ministers:

Sarah Mahoney, Doris Mahoney, Laura Moliterno, Pat Walser and Lindy Beckman

Altar Servers:

Kassidy Bucholz and volunteer needed

Sunday, March 26

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Bernard Coonrod and Mary Baese

Eucharist Ministers:

Shirley Schnell, Ken Schnell, Bernard Coonrod, Mary Baese and Michelle Neuman

Altar Servers:

Ken Schnell and Paula Rench

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Mt 1:16, 18-21

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: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Jn 9:1-41

Sponsor of the Week

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Catholic Service Appeal (CSA): The CSA letter/pledge cards have been mailed for 2017-18. Please prayerfully consider your contribution.



Rice Bowls: During Lent we use the rice bowls as a way of alms giving. *What I give up I give to others.* There are rice bowls at the entrances of church. The rice bowls should be returned to church during Holy Week.

St. Cyril's Fish Fry: Is Friday, March 31st from 4:30-7:00 pm in the parish hall in Bannister. The menu is: fried and/or baked cod, macaroni & cheese, tater tots, fruit cocktail, corn, beans, rolls, au gratin potatoes and homemade desserts along with Czech pastries. Adults-\$10; children 5-12 are \$4; and under 5 are free. See you there!



Spring Fling Bingo: Save the date! The Spring Fling Bingo is Sunday, April 30th in the parish hall. All 20 games are cash prizes. More information upcoming bulletins.

CAER Food Pantry: Items being collected for the month of March are: personal items such as toothbrushes, tooth paste, deodorant etc. You may bring your items to the gathering area of church. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Hamburger Night: The next K of C hamburger night is Wednesday, April 19th, from 5-7 pm. There will hamburgers among other food items available. The K of C hall is located at 9171 Deitering, Chesaning.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Florence Coleman, Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, Leo Henige, Tim McLeod, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Tina Carpenter & grandchild, Dave Fogarty, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, 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,

Joshua Mesh, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Christopher Lickman, Fondren, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Lickman, Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Garrett Mishler, Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose and Bill Lickman Jr. Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther (serving in the Armed Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Rita Amman, Services) Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis,

Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Roxann Timm, Judy Wakeman, David and Marianne Sutter, 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, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Ruth Vrable, Jerry Hoover, Tom & Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Bob & Jacob Albers, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.

Big Raffle: The Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs will be selling raffle tickets once again this year after both Masses. The cost of each ticket is \$5 and half of each ticket comes back to our programs. Prizes include a car, home improvement, airline tickets and electronics. A detailed list is in the gathering area of the church. Tickets are also available in the parish office Monday through Wednesday. Please help support our parish programs!



Youth Encounter Service (Y.E.S.): Is an annual service project for high school youth help in Saginaw. During this week of service youth help rehabilitate homes, spend time in small groups and meet other Catholic teens from throughout the Diocese of Saginaw. The date of this year's Y.E.S. is June 18th-23rd and space is limited. If you would like paperwork to sign up or more information please contact Katie in the Faith Formation Office at 845-1797.



Lenten Prayer Service: We are offering a parish wide Lenten prayer service on Sundays during Lent which will featured a different prayer each week. This Sunday, March 19th at 6 pm in church will be Eucharist Adoration. The next prayer for Sunday, March 26th, will be the Rosary.

Catholic Women's Fellowship: Next meeting is Wednesday, April 5th from 6-8:30 pm at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss Rd., Saginaw. The topic: **Golgotha with Fr. Jose Maria Cabrera.** For more information visit: www.womensfellowship.org

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: Here is an interesting twist: The Samaritan woman is fixated on water that quenches thirst and on making her present life easier. Jesus is offering "living water" from which one never thirsts again, water that leads to "eternal life." Jesus himself is the well of "living water" who draws the Samaritan woman into deeper "worship in Spirit and truth." The Spirit stirs the well of "living water" and reveals Jesus as truly "the one called the Christ." As the well of "living water," Jesus himself is the "where" of worship who leads us to the Father through the Spirit.

One way to deepen our believing and come to know Jesus better is by spending more time with him as a friend. Lent is an opportune time to become more attentive to Jesus' Presence—especially in prayer—and encounter him as One who loves us, teaches us, and gives us "living water" that carries us to "eternal life." Another way to deepen our believing is to enumerate the blessings God has already given us and remember that these truly are gifts from God. Yet another way to deepen our faith and come to know Jesus better is to increase our self-understanding as Body of Christ and make concrete efforts to act like Christ's Body. Something so simple as saying thank you or smiling at another who looks sad or depressed are simple acts, but they remind us of who we are: Christ for others. These kinds of everyday acts remind us that, like the Samaritan woman, we proclaim Jesus' Presence by the truth of our own lives. We carry forth Jesus' saving mission by being his Presence for others. We worship.