

Ascension Sunday

May 28, 2017

May Stewardship

CAER Center
and
Heifer International

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

May 20 and 21
Stewardship Back to the Lord
Envelopes:\$5,525.00
Youth:\$3.00
Total:\$5,528.00
EFT\$55.00
Total:\$5,583.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$331,050.00
Actual YTD\$315,271.08

Thank You

Stewardship: Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth—to us our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

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, May 28
8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)
Monday, May 29
Parish Offices closed
Wednesday, May 31
9:30 am Adult Choir
Saturday, June 3
8:00 am Rosary
Sunday, June 4
8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)
4:00 pm Youth Group

Memorial Day Parish Offices Closed: The parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 29th, in observance of Memorial Day.

Youth Ministry

Keep checking the St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry Facebook and Instagram accounts for some fun upcoming events! Next month there will be a study and movie nights as well as a Youth Ministry Family Kickball Night and potluck! Dates to be announced soon. Katie

Box Tops for Education: Keep on clipping those box tops over summer break. There is a container in the gathering area of church for your box tops. The box tops are collected for the Catholic schools in Saginaw.

Priest's Retirement Fund: Over the years, they were there when you were married, they baptized your children and they offered prayer and comfort when your loved ones died. The retirement fund that covers the priests of the Diocese of Saginaw is need of your financial support. Currently, there are (51) retired priests of the diocese and many of these men continue to provide regular ministry in our parishes. Much of their retirement fund is supported directly by your generosity. Please consider making a donation to the Saginaw Priest's Retirement plan. A special envelope is included in your envelope packet for June.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, May 28
8:30 am Mass
Wednesday, May 31
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)
Thursday, June 1
8:00 am Mass
Friday, June 2
9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)
Saturday, June 3
4:30 pm Mass
Lectors:
Jeanne Gewirtz and Mike Maxa
Eucharist Ministers:
Mike Maxa, Laura Molinterno, Pat Walser, Dana Bates and Lindy Beckman
Altar Servers:
Helena Czeiszperger and Daniel Hodges
Sunday, June 4
Pentecost
8:30 am Mass
Lectors:
Mary Memmer and Richard Muirhead
Eucharist Ministers:
Mary Memmer, Karen Hoover, JoAnn Ostipow, Kathy Stewart and Michelle Vrable
Altar Servers:
Isaac Tessman and Gavin Tessman

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Jn 20:19-23

Sponsor of the Week



Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):

As of this week, \$42,290 has been pledged to CSA 2017. That is 61% of our parish target. CSA dollars are used to train facilitators who minister to our parish needs. We are presently having a series for those grieving the loss of a loved one. The facilitator was trained with CSA pledges. Our staff members are able to attend workshops and training from the diocese, volunteers may attend as well. Music ministers, office personnel, Catechists, Youth Ministers, those in ministry to the sick and dying are just a few that are helped with training from our CSA dollars. If you have not pledged yet, please prayerfully consider your donation to CSA. We can contribute to a stronger more vibrant parish by supporting CSA.

CAER Volunteers: The CAER Center is looking for volunteers to help with food boxes. They need a team of 5-6 people to box food for 2 hours six times a year. They also need help to load boxes at 2:00 pm on Tuesdays twice a month. Please contact Rosemary Newcomb at 845-1794 if you are interested or need more information.

Nominations for Commissions: There is a pink sheet with the names and descriptions of the different commissions that help in parish leadership on the table in back of church. Each one indicates how many new members they need. We would like the nomination form with the names nominated returned by Father's Day. Please prayerfully consider if you are asked to be on a commission or committee.



THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Margaret Abbott, Madonna Bueche, Lewis Gerding, Matt Barancik, Jim Smith, Florence Coleman, Ed Foy, Florence Markiewicz, Linda Vincent, Stephanie Czeiszperger, Leo Henige, Deb Martin, Arnold Schultz, Mary Ann Devota, Ruth Toma, Jerry & Mary Tanner, Joyce Tithof, Jim Pitt, Reynaldo Rodriguez, Benny Sims, Janet Scheffler, Carol Moore, Abby Aldrich, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Terry Kennelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Laurie Tufts, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, Wolfgang Franke, Albert & Judy Storch, Sherry Storch, Joseph Klasek, Rose Bonkowski, Roger Nietling, Jim Fusina, Esther Lickman, Brady Carroll, Fred Lane, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, 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, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.

A Note from Bishop Cistone: My sincere thanks to you and to all those associated with Saint Peter and Saint Cyril Parishes for the warm welcome I received upon my visit for Confirmation on Saturday, April 29, 2017. The children were very friendly and attentive during the liturgy, making the ceremony a joyful and spiritually uplifting experience. Please be assured that I will continue to remember you and the faithful of Saint Peter and Saint Cyril Parishes in my Masses and prayers. With prayerful best wishes, Most Reverend Joseph R. Cistone



Blood Drive: Is at the Chesaning-Brady Fire Dept. on Thursday, June 1st from noon-6 pm and Friday, June 2nd, from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Blood donors make a lifesaving difference. More than 4.5 million patients need life-saving blood transfusions each year in the U.S. and Canada. Be a hero! Save a life!

10th Annual Dinner to Benefit Bishop Robert J. Carlson Seminarian Endowment Fund:

Is on Tuesday, June 20th at Swan Valley Banquet Center, 9521 Highland Green, Saginaw. Social hour at 6 pm; dinner at 7 pm. Cost is \$55 per person/\$400 for a table of eight. There is a silent auction and raffle available. The Keynote speaker is Father Tony Russo from Our Lady of Consolation Parish of Rockford, MI and remarks from Bishop Joseph Cistone. For more information, please contact Mary Siers at email at mcsiers@sbcglobal.net or at 792-1334. Registration forms on the table in the gathering area of church.

Spiritual Enrichment Offering:

The next session "Study of the Holy Spirit" will be on Wednesday, May 31st, at 2:00 pm in the parish hall.

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: A number of details in this gospel help us shape our interpretation of this passage. "The eleven disciples went to Galilee." Not twelve, but eleven. Judas is no longer among the company of those who represent the new Israel. This remains a painful reminder that not all followers of Jesus are perfect. We doubt; we drag our feet; we sometimes are not as courageous in carrying forth Jesus' saving mission as we might be. Yet, in spite of our weakness, Jesus has still empowered us to carry on his ministry. His ministry will continue.

Jesus ordered his disciples to a mountain, a place in Scripture of divine encounter and divine revelation. The encounter: Jesus promises to be with them "until the end of the age." His Presence is his farewell gift to the disciples. The revelation: they are to take up his saving mission by making "disciples of all nations" through baptizing and teaching. The disciples are his farewell gift to the world. Taking up his saving mission, so are we.

The power given Jesus is now handed over to his disciples, and the new thing about this power is that it is a divine Person—the Holy Spirit who is sent to dwell within us, make us one with divinity. We have the power to make disciples, baptize, and teach; we are Jesus' gift to others. But more importantly, we have the power to be the Presence of the risen Christ through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, which is his gift to us. With the Holy Spirit we can faithfully continue Jesus' ministry. The Holy Spirit transforms us into being gift for others.