

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

## August Stewardship

Sister Parish in Haiti

Budget amount needed for each week:  
**\$7,100.00**

August 5 and 6 Stewardship Back to the Lord	
Envelopes: . . . . .	\$6,765.00
Youth: . . . . .	\$3.00
Total: . . . . .	\$6,768.00
EFT: . . . . .	\$140.00
Total: . . . . .	\$6,908.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$43,000.00  
Actual YTD . . . . . \$42,496.46

## Thank You

**Debt Reduction:**  
July . . . . . \$575.00  
Total for the fiscal year . . . . . \$7,413.00

**Stewardship:** Elijah recognized the voice of God not in the strong and heavy wind, not in the earthquake, and not in the fire, but in a tiny whispering sound. May we find enough quiet in our clamorous world to hear His voice and discern what He is calling us to do and be.

**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, August 13**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
**Saturday, August 19**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Sunday, August 20**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)

### Faith Formation

We hope you are enjoying your summer! Enjoy your summer mailer from us and we will see you in the Fall.

### Youth Ministry

Have a safe and fun summer with your family.

### The Great Basilicas of Rome with Father Jose Maria Cabrera:

Join Fr. Cabrera for an engaging exploration of St. Peter's Basilica, the Basilica of St. Paul outside the Walls, and other great basilicas of Rome. This will be a multi-media presentation with videos, blueprints and photographs of the most sacred shrines of the eternal city. Cost is \$10. The deadline to register is Thursday, August 17th. For more information or to register, email mbudd@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 797-6607.



**Save the Date!** St. Cyril Church's Chicken and Ham dinner is on Sunday, September 10th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm in the parish hall. Adults are \$10; 12 & under are \$5 and preschool are free. See you there!

**J.A.M. (Jesus and Music) Praise and Worship Band:** Free concert on Wednesday, August 16th from 6:30-9 pm at Tittabawassee twp. Park "Old" Midland Rd., Freeland.

## Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, August 13**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Tuesday, August 15-Assumption of Mary**  
9:00 am Mass (Chesaning)  
7:00 pm Mass (Bannister)  
**Wednesday, August 16**  
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, August 17**  
10:00 am Mass CNCC  
**Friday, August 18**  
10:30 am Mass at Union Court, St. Charles  
**Saturday, August 19**  
4:30 pm Mass

**Lectors:**  
*Pat Walser and Cassidy Bucholz*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Gayle Tufts, Sarah Mahoney, Paulette Fuoss, Doris Mahoney and Lindy Beckman*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Kassidy Bucholz*

**Sunday, August 20**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Ray Gengler and Greg Mahoney*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Angie Meder, Karen Hoover, Mary Memmer, JoAnn Ostipow*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Paula Rench and Tommy McNaughton*

## Readings for the Week

**Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27**  
**Tuesday: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:39-56**  
**Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20**  
**Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21-19:1**  
**Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12**  
**Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15**  
**Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Mt 15:21-28**

## Sponsor of the Week



**CSA Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):** We have reached 76% of our CSA goal with \$53,030.00 that has been pledged. Thank you for your generous contributions to CSA.

**Art & Environment:** Is looking for some additional hands to help for the upcoming season changes. On Thursday, August 24th, at 1:30 pm we will meet in the gathering area of church for all those who are interested. We have a few different projects we will be working on. Call Linda for more information at 845-2363.

**Spiritual Enrichment Study Group: Do we define our faith as a system of beliefs or it is an expression of a loving way of life?** During the next few weeks we will be reflecting on challenging questions that help us focus on the role of faith in our life today. **If we are to be truly Christian, it makes sense to turn to Jesus for the answer.** Father Richard Rohr helps us realize that Christianity can be a force of spiritual liberation and forward movement. The study group continues to meet on Tuesday afternoons (2 pm) in the Parish hall. If this time does not work for you but would be interested in another time, call Rosemary at 845-1794.

**Save the Date! Parish Picnic:** St. Peter Parish Picnic is Saturday, September 9th after the 4:30 pm Mass. Save the date for an evening of fun! There will be a cake walk, candy bingo, and kid's activities. The picnic meal will be provided by the parish. Come one, Come all!

### THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

*Annie (Ebenhoeh) Dugalech, Jim Smith, Ray Meder, Alison Andres, Jack Benac, Robert Meyer, Geri Sholtz, Madonna Bueche, Lewis Gerding, Matt Barancik, 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, Robert Tufts, Charles Guziak, Helen Gasser, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, Terry Knelly, Bradley Blakeselle, Chantel Fondren, Brenda Lienau, Vickie Daniels, Mark Zvonek, 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 McSwain, Judy (Willitts) Balderrama, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Gloria Bates, Jeannette Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., 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.*

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

**Bible Study this Fall:** If you would like to have deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of your faith, then join us for *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* from September 17-November 12th. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you uncover the story woven through Scripture. It is a great way to get the "big picture" of the Bible and see how our Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture. You'll see how the Bible reveals God's loving plan for your life, and you will learn helpful ways to put your faith into practice. The study includes a series of eight informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion. You can sign up for the study by calling Rosemary at 845-1794 or email ranewcombstpeter@gmail.com for further details.

### The Immaculate Heart of Our Lady of Fatima

**Statue:** St. Joseph Church in St. Johns is once again privileged to have the honor of another Fatima traveling statue this year on Tuesday, August 29th. Come with your families and friends for meditation and Veneration. The first presentation will begin at 1:30 pm in the church. The statue was blessed by Pope Francis on October 23, 2013. St. Joseph Church is located at: 109 Linden St., St. Johns MI.



**Box Tops for Education:** Keep on clipping those box tops this summer! There is a container for your box tops in the back of church. The money from the box tops are used to help the Saginaw Area Catholic Schools to purchase items for their classrooms.

### A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2017:** We usually think of Jesus as meek and mild. This gospel begins with an interesting use of words that suggest sometimes Jesus could be pretty forceful: "Jesus made the disciples get into a boat / and precede him to the other side." Then Jesus "dismissed the crowds" and "went up on the mountain by himself to pray." It is as though Jesus is preparing everything and even himself to teach the disciples another lesson about who he is and what his mission is. The disciples are in a boat on the sea and a storm comes up. Everything is in place. Jesus "came toward them walking on the sea." A new revelation is about to happen. Jesus announces to the frightened disciples "it is I"—I AM, the divine name.

Peter brazenly tests Jesus about his identity: "Lord, if it is you . . ." Peter seems to be asking Jesus for a display of his divine power, something that rarely happens in the gospel accounts. His bravado doesn't last long. With challenging truthfulness and saving power, Jesus responds both to Peter's brazenness and to his fright.

Most of us will not have the experience of Peter—nothing in our human experience leads us to expect that we will ever walk on water! But that is not the goal of trust in Jesus or of Christian living. The real challenge in this gospel is to see the many ways Jesus comes to us and calls us in our everyday lives—not as One walking on water, but as One dwelling in the other in need. We are called to see Jesus in anyone who is calling out for help, anyone who seems to be "drowning" in the chaos of everyday living, anyone who cries out to us. We need only to reach out to him when he says, "Come," and let him catch and save us.