

# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2017

## August Stewardship

Sister Parish in Haiti

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

August 19 and 20  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$5,372.00  
Youth: .....\$4.00  
Total: .....\$5,376.00  
EFT: .....\$140.00  
Total: .....\$5,516.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$57,200.00  
Actual YTD ..... \$54,911.46

## Thank You

**Stewardship:** In today's reading, St. Paul reminds the Romans—and us—that all things come from God: "For from Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that *all* is gift and share generously the gifts of time, talent, and treasure with which they've been blessed.

**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.

**CAER Food Pantry:** Items being collected for the month of August are: pancake mix & syrup and peanut butter & jelly. You may drop off your donations in the basket in the gathering area of church. Donations of any kind are always welcome.

## This Week's Events

**Sunday, August 27**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
**Friday, September 1**  
*Dresser Project begins*  
**Saturday, September 2**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Sunday, September 3**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)



**Parish Offices closed:** The parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 4th for the Labor Day holiday.

**Faith Formation/Youth Ministry**  
We hope you are enjoying your summer! The registration forms for Faith Formation/Youth Ministry have been mailed out. Please return your form and payment before classes begin. The first day of classes is Sunday, September 10th. Doris & Katie

**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 age are free. See you there!

**Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic Women:** Will hold their Annual Conference on Wednesday, September 20th, at the Diocesan Center for Ministry in Saginaw. All women of the diocese are invited to attend. Registration will be from 9:30-10:00 am. Amy Bartells-Roe will inform us about the Mustard Seed House & an interesting video will be viewed about Pope Francis. Mass will be celebrated. The cost for the day is \$13, which includes lunch. The meeting will end at approximately 2:45 pm. Please RSVP to Rita Maher at 989-635-7072 or Brenda Bissonette 989-671-0096 by **Wednesday, September 13th** (need luncheon numbers).

## Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, August 27**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Wednesday, August 30**  
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, August 31**  
8:00 am Mass  
**Friday, September 1**  
9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)  
**Saturday, September 2**  
4:30 pm Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Helena Czeiszperger, Laura Moliterno, Pat Walser, Paulette Fuoss and Doris Mahoney*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Helena Czeiszperger and Daniel Hodges*  
**Sunday, September 3**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Angie Meder and Richard Muirhead*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Bernard Coonrod, Angie Meder, Penny Apsey, Karen Hoover and JoAnn Ostipow*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Karen Hoover and volunteer needed*

## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22  
**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mk 6:17-29  
**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32  
**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51  
**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13  
**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30  
**Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9/Mt 16:21-27

## Sponsor of the Week

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**Tyler McGeehan** Manager  
New Lothrop Chapel 9405 Butternut St. New Lothrop, MI 48460 (810) 638-5077  
funeralhome@nelson-house.com

**CSA Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):** We have reached 77% of our CSA goal with \$53,505.00 that has been pledged. Envelopes are available in the gathering area of church if you haven't pledge yet.

**Prayer and Praise Group:** The Lord says "When you call on Me I will listen. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart." Jeremiah 29:12-13. Join us as we seek the Lord in the Father Eickholt room on Thursdays at 4:00 pm.

**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 including face painting. The picnic meal will be provided by the parish. Please RSVP by September 5th by returning the yellow sheet in the collection basket or emailing Shelly at: skenneystpeter@gmail.com

**Mary of the Immaculate Conception in St. Charles:** Is looking for a Sacrament and Level II Christ the Good Shepherd instructor. This position must be filled by a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church and preferably having teaching experience. A minimal stipend is provided for this position. Inquires should be made to Kristeen Gross at 989-865-9460 or kristeen@gmail.com

**St. Pio of Pietrelcina also known as Padre Pio:** The relics of Padre Pio will be available for veneration on Friday, September 29th from 8:00 am (beginning with a procession) until 8:30 pm at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, 615 Hoyt Ave., Saginaw. There will be a Mass at noon. Don't let this rare opportunity pass you by.

## THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

*Thelma Schneider, Annie (Ebenhoeh) Dugalech, Jim Smith, Ray Meder, Alison Andres, Jack Benac, Robert Meyer, Geri Sholtz, Madonna Bueche, 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 Kennelly, 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: 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. Sessions will be held September 17 through the week of November 12th. A choice of sessions each week: Sundays 10:30 am or 6:00 pm, Tuesdays 7:00 pm, Thursdays 11:00 am. The cost is \$20. You can sign up for the study in the gathering area of church, by calling Rosemary at 845-1794 or email ranewcombstpeter@gmail.com

**Bishop Cistone's Charity Golf Classic:** The golf outing is Wednesday, September 13th. Registration for the morning is 7:00 am with golf at 8:00 am. Afternoon registration is 12:15 pm and golf at 1:15 pm. at Swan Valley Golf Club, Saginaw. Cost is \$100 each/\$400 per foursome. The dinner banquet & silent auction is on Thursday, September 14th at Curtiss Hall, Saginaw Valley State Univ. Reception and silent auction at 5:30 pm; dinner and program at 6:45 pm. Tickets are \$65 each/\$480 table of eight. Please RSVP by Friday, September 8th. Proceeds support seminarian education.

**A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy 2017:** It's such a seemingly simple question by Jesus: "But who do you say that I am?" The disciples still had so much to learn! So do we!

At first, in their response to Jesus' questions about who he is, the disciples mention only prophets. This ought to be no surprise. This is how their contemporaries would interpret this itinerant Rabbi. Throughout their history prophets had guided the Jewish people in the ways of God. Prophets had warned the Jewish people about impending punishment when they strayed from God through being stiff-necked, self-reliant, and unfaithful. How much more did the disciples have to learn about who Jesus is! They could not be prepared for the wholly new that Jesus is—the new Adam, the new Moses. Indeed, Jesus is a prophet, but so much more: he is "the Christ, the Son of the living God." Nothing short of a revelation by the "heavenly Father" could make this known to Peter. The church is a fluidity of persons cemented together by the common bond of faithfully living the mystery of who Christ is. And who we are in him.

Church isn't something we go to once a week, but it is an *identity* we share as members of the Body of Christ into which we were initiated at baptism. The disciples were "ordered" by Jesus to "tell no one that he was the Christ." No, we are not to *talk* about the Christ, we are to *be* the Presence of Christ living as he did. We build up his Body, the church, any time we forgive, offer an encouraging word, show mercy and compassion. In all these and many other ways we are not only building up the church, we are also witnessing to our identity as church—as the Presence of the risen Christ made visible in and through us Such an identity we share!