

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## January 21, 2018

### January Stewardship

Bread for the World,  
Right to Life of Michigan,  
Network,  
and  
CAER Center

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

January 13 and 14  
Stewardship Back to the Lord  
Envelopes: .....\$4,529.00  
Youth: .....\$ .00  
Total: .....\$4,529.00  
EFT .....\$875.00  
Total: .....\$5,404.00

Sunday Contributions YTD \$206,300.00  
Actual YTD .....\$204,465.22

### Thank You

**Stewardship:** There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples—Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me—at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

**Rosary:** The rosary is prayed every morning at 8:00 am in the church led by Bernie Coonrod. The Luminous Mysteries of the rosary, as proclaimed by St. John Paul II, are part of Jesus' life on earth. For the next two months we will be praying the Luminous Mysteries before Sunday Mass at 8:00 am. There will be a healing anointing with oil. This is not to be confused with the Sacrament of Anointing.

### This Week's Events

**Sunday, January 21**  
8:00 am Rosary  
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Youth Group Movie Night  
**Tuesday, January 23**  
10:00 am Prayer Group  
**Wednesday, January 24**  
9:30 am Adult Choir  
6:30 pm Faith Formation Commission meet  
**Saturday, January 27**  
8:00 am Rosary  
**Sunday, January 28**  
8:00 am Rosary  
4:00 pm High School Youth Group  
6:00 pm Faith Formation  
6:00 pm Youth Group Movie Night



### Faith Formation

Come to Faith Formation and find out how we are all fishers of men! We start with family prayer at 6 pm in the church. See you there! Doris

### Youth Ministry

We will be having a Youth Ministry Movie Night on Sunday, January 21st, from 6-7:30 pm in the Youth Room. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to come and bring their friends. See you there!

**CAER Center Food Pantry:** Items being collected for the month of January are: tuna & noodles, canned soup or meats. There is a basket in the gathering area of church for your donations. Donations of any kind are welcome.

### Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, January 21**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Wednesday, January 24**  
No Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, January 25**  
No Mass (Chesaning)  
**Saturday, January 27**  
4:30 pm Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Pat Walser and Richard Muirhead*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Gayle Tufts and Lisa Coon*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Helena Czeiszperger*  
**Sunday, January 28**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Lectors:**  
*Evonne Tithof and Anne Stasa*  
**Eucharist Ministers:**  
*Karen Hoover and Dan Stasa*  
**Altar Servers:**  
*Karen Hoover and Nicole Neumann*

### Readings for the Week

**Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30**  
**Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35**  
**Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20**  
**Thursday: Acts 22:3-16/Mk 16:15-18**  
**Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8/Mk 4:26-34**  
**Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41**  
**Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Mk 1:21-28**

### Sponsor of the Week



**CSA Catholic Service Appeal (CSA):** We have reached 78% of our CSA goal with \$54,600.00 that has been pledged. There still is time if you haven't made a contribution. Envelopes are available in the gathering area of church for your convenience.



**Save the Date! Chicken Dinner!** St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry will be having it's annual Chicken Dinner on Saturday, February 10th, from 5-6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. More information will be coming in the next few weeks. If you would like to help with the dinner please contact Katie in the Faith Formation Office at 845-1797. All money raised goes towards opportunities for our youth!

**Pope Francis's Reflections on the Mass:** It has been said many times, The Mass is the most powerful prayer on earth. Yes, we can pray to God at any time and anywhere, but at Mass we not only pray *to* God, but *with* God and *in* God dying on the cross at Calvary. Mass is a privileged moment when we share in His Passion, Death and Resurrection. Pope Francis reminds us in his Catechesis on the Mass, "The Mass is the *memorial of Christ's Paschal Mystery*. It makes us participants in His victory over sin and death and gives full meaning to our life."

**Newspaper Trailer:** Bring your newspapers to the trailer located at 802 Lockwood St. (west side of school). Help keep newspapers out of the landfills.

### THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

*Tim Apsey, Debbie Meder, Bill Kress, Betty Naessens, Ron Aldrich, Willburt Schneider, Clayton Meder, Mary Memmer, Thelma Schneider, Annie (Ebenhoeh) Dugalech, Jim Smith, Ray Meder, Alison Andres, 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, Benny Sims, 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, 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, Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, Jacob Albers, and Joseph Sedlar Sr.*

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



### St. Cyril Knights of Columbus

**Breakfast:** Make plans to attend the Knights of Columbus Breakfast on Sunday, January 28th at 11:30 am. Proceeds from this free will offering breakfast will go toward the Elsie Food and Baby pantries. See you there!

**Souper Bowl of Caring:** Students from St. Peter Youth Ministry will be at entrances of church with a souper bowl to collect money for the CAER Center the weekend of February 3rd & 4th.



**Welcome Newly Baptized:** We welcome Lainey Elizabeth Hawes who was recently baptized. Her parents are Megan & David Hawes III. We promise you all our prayer and support as you continue this journey of faith.



### Fish Fry to Benefit Seminarians

**Saginaw Diocese:** On Friday, January 26th from noon until food is gone at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 360 S. River Rd., Bay City. Menu: Perch, cod, frog legs, baked potato, corn, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans, bread and dessert. Adults-\$12.00, children 12 and under-\$6.00, under 5 are free. Take outs available.

**Prayer Group:** The Prayer Group meets every Tuesday morning at 10:00 am in the Henry Eickholt room. Everyone is invited! For more information please call Rosemary at 845-1794.

### A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2018:** In today's Gospel story we also hear something of the preaching of Jesus, which to a certain degree echoed that of John the Baptist. Jesus' preaching will be developed and expanded throughout the Gospel of Mark, but at this early stage it is centered around the twofold command, "Repent, and believe."

The story is certainly idealized for dramatic effect; we only need to look at the Gospel of John to see another version of Andrew and Peter being called by Jesus. But what is Mark telling us by narrating the story the way he does? Certainly that these first disciples left everything in a single-minded pursuit of Jesus. As such, they represent the ideal. Still, as we will learn throughout this gospel, the disciples did not often live up to that ideal. And perhaps this is another lesson of Mark's story. Our beginnings can be filled with such idealism, promise, and pure-hearted devotion. Only later will "reality" begin to sink in and our failings and shortcomings become apparent, as they no doubt will with the disciples.

Our faith life might start out strong. It might need to be rekindled from time to time. And yet, there may be times when we effectively hang it up or abandon it, as Peter did. In those times we know that Jesus still sought Peter. Peter was forgiven and brought back into the fold. There will be another example later in this gospel of a disciple who abandoned Jesus and did not seek forgiveness. His end was not like Peter's. Our living relationship with Christ is not a one-time exhilarating moment, but, like all relationships, it is a lifelong give and take, wax and wane, love and be loved.