

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

March Stewardship

Special Olympics of MI
and
CAER

Budget amount
needed for each week:

\$7,100.00

March 3 and 4

Stewardship Back to the Lord

Envelopes:\$7,429.50

Youth:\$7.85

Total:\$7,437.35

EFT\$35.00

Total:\$7,472.35

Sunday Contributions YTD \$256,000.00

Actual YTD\$249,458.12

Thank You

Debt Reduction

January\$645.00

Total for the fiscal year\$12,197.00

February\$562.00

Total for the fiscal year\$12,759.00

Stewardship: All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

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.

This Week's Events

Sunday, March 11

8:00 am Rosary

9:40 am Adult Choir

11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)

2:00 pm Passion Play practice

4:00 pm Individual Reconciliation (Chesaning)

4:00 pm High School Youth Group

6:00 pm Faith Formation

6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

6:15 pm Lenten Enrichment

Tuesday, March 13

10:00 am Prayer Group

Wednesday, March 14

9:40 am Adult Choir

11:00 am Lenten Enrichment

6:45 pm Worship Commission meet

6:45 pm Christian Service meet

Thursday, March 15

7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet

Friday, March 16

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 17

8:00 am Rosary

5:45 pm Lenten Enrichment

Sunday, March 18

8:00 am Rosary

9:40 am Adult Choir

11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)

4:00 pm Passion Play practice

6:00 pm Faith Formation

6:00 pm Junior High Youth Group

6:00 pm Passion Play performance

6:30 pm Lenten Enrichment

Faith Formation

We will have class on Sunday, March 11th, beginning at 6 pm with Stations of the Cross in the church. The second Confirmation/First Eucharist class will be held immediately following the Stations of the Cross. See you there! Doris

Youth Ministry

Both Youth Groups will meet on Sunday, March 11th, in the Youth Room. High School Youth Group meets from 4-5:30 pm and Junior High Youth Group 6-7:30 pm. Passion Play practice will be held from 2-4 pm in the church. It's not too late to be a part of it! Katie

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, March 11

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, March 14

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, March 15

10:00 am CNCC Mass (Chesaning)

Friday, March 16

10:30 am Union Court Mass (St. Charles)

Saturday, March 17

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Angie Meder and Mike Maxa

Eucharist Ministers:

Mike Maxa and Angie Meder

Altar Servers:

Mike Maxa

Sunday, March 18

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Penny Apsey and Julie Burtch

Eucharist Ministers:

Judie Giesken and Karen Hoover

Altar Servers:

Keegan Kalisek

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 3:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Jn 12:20-33

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Passion Play: Join us as the youth from St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry depict the last week of the life of Jesus. The Passion Play is a mime performance. This powerful performance is a great way to spend time in prayer and reflection.

Don't miss out.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS): This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please see the enclosed flyer for more information. Please help Jesus in disguise.



St. Cyril Fish Fry: Is Friday, March 16th, from 4:30-7:00 pm. Menu includes fried/and or baked cod, tater tots, macaroni & cheese, Au Gratin potatoes, coleslaw, corn, beans, rolls and homemade desserts! Adults-\$10.00 kids 5-12-\$4.00 and under 5 are free. All are welcome!

Cemeteries Clean-Up: Please remove any items that you would like to keep from the Mt. Calvary and Resurrection cemeteries by **Sunday, March 25th**, weather permitting. After that date the remaining items will be removed. New decorations may be placed after Sunday, April 1st.

THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Jack Kulhanek, Greg Flory, Mel Austin, Joan Richardson, Patrick Borsenik, Ron Kulhanek, Tim Apsey, Debbie Meder, Bill Kress, Betty Naessens, Ron Aldrich, Willburt Schneider, Clayton Meder, 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 (Willits) 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)



CAER Food Pantry: Items being collected for the month of March are: personal items such as tooth paste & brushes, deodorant, diapers. There is a basket in the gathering area of church for your donations. Blankets are also needed. Thank you for your continued support.

League of Catholic Women: All ladies are welcome to the League of Catholic Women Luncheon at the Center for Ministry on **Tuesday, March 20th** (5800 Weiss, Saginaw). Mass in the chapel starts at 11 am and our lunch will follow at noon. Our speaker will be Mona from Heart of Saginaw. You may bring a non-perishable food item to help feed the after school children of Heart of Saginaw. Mail your \$10 check **before Monday, March 12th (deadline)** for the luncheon to: LCW, PO Box 6932, Saginaw MI 48608. We are currently doing our League Membership drive. Yearly dues are \$10. Call the League with any questions at 752-5053 or Mary at 790-3358.



Easter Bulletin Contest: Students Kindergarten through 5th grade are asked to create a drawing of the Easter story. Faith formation students will be given details on Sunday, March 18th. Please draw your picture on an 8 x 11 size paper portrait style. All drawings should be turned in by Monday, March 19th, to Doris or the rectory office.

Diocese of Saginaw Website: To follow the ongoing investigation regarding Fr. Bob DeLand please go to the diocese website www.saginaw.org.

J.A.M.: Jesus and Music in Concert on Friday, March 23rd at 7:30 pm at St. John Vianney, 6400 McCarty Rd., Saginaw. Free will donations to: Saginaw Area 22 and Special Olympics.

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy 2018: This Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called "Lactare Sunday," from the Latin meaning "to rejoice" or "to be joyful." Still, it might seem odd to "rejoice" in Lent, but that exhortation is a reminder, or rather a foreshadowing, of Easter. It is as though Easter itself is breaking into the Lenten season this Sunday.

The passage that many use to sum up the gospel is simply this: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." The profundity of this statement can be lost by its pithiness. We proclaim a God of love, not a God of condemnation. And this love results in God sending his only Son, Jesus. The starting point of our theology is, then, love.

Though many today and throughout history seem to prefer a God of judgment, a God of condemnation, today we are reminded that our God is love. And God's love is eternal, expressed in a never-ending life he wants for each of us, where the relationships and bonds we create in this life are never broken.

As we journey through Lent, it might be fruitful for us too to focus on Jesus and our belief in him. He represents and is himself the incarnation of God's love for the world. As followers of Jesus how do we represent God's love for the world?