

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018

April Stewardship

Food Bank of Eastern MI
and
Saginaw Habitat for Humanity

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

April 14 and 15
Stewardship Back to the Lord
Envelopes:\$3,716.00
Youth: \$0.00
Total: \$3,716.00
EFT \$960.00
Total: \$4,676.00


Sunday Contributions YTD \$298,600.00
Actual YTD \$291,215.87

Thank You

Stewardship: To be good stewards we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, "leaving the sheep to be snatched and scattered by the wolf."

Rosary: The rosary is prayed every morning at 8:00 am in the church led by Bernie Coonrod.

The church is open until 3 pm daily for anyone who would like to pray.

 **Senior Mass:** This year's Senior Mass will be held on Saturday, May 19th, at the 4:30 pm Mass. All those graduating from high school, college or other higher education program are invited to attend. More information will be sent out in the coming weeks.

This Week's Events

Sunday, April 22

8:00 am Rosary
9:40 am Adult Choir
10:00 am 5K fun Run/Walk
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)

Tuesday, April 24

10:00 am Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 25

9:30 am Adult Choir
7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet

Saturday, April 28

8:00 am Rosary
4:30 pm Confirmation/First Eucharist

Sunday, April 29

8:00 am Rosary
9:40 am Adult Choir
4:00 pm Youth Group




Faith Formation

Confirmation and First Eucharist has been reschedule for Saturday, April 28th, at the 4:30 pm Mass. Please keep our children in your prayers as they receive these final sacraments of initiation.

Youth Ministry

Summer Youth Group starts Sunday, April 29th, from 4-5:30 pm in the Youth Room. All youth in grades 5-12 and their friends are invited for some food and fun! Help is needed with Spring Fling Bingo Concessions on Sunday, May 6th, from 2-8 pm (any help for however long is appreciated). Cardboard City has been MOVED to the weekend of May 11th (more info available soon). Information for Y.E.S. is available and registrations are being taken now for this week long mission trip in Saginaw for high school youth. Contact Katie if interested.

 **CAER Food Pantry:** Items being collected for April are: mac & cheese and spaghetti & sauces. There is a basket in the gathering area of church. Thank you.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, April 22

8:30 am Mass

Wednesday, April 25

9:00 am Mass (Bannister)

Thursday, April 26

8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)

Friday, April 27

10:30 am Mass (Union Court Chesaning)

Saturday, April 28

4:30 pm Mass

Lectors:

Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser

Eucharist Ministers:

Gayle Tufts, Doris Mahoney, Sarah Mahoney, Laura Moliterno and Pat Walser

Altar Servers:

Helena Czeiszperger

Sunday, April 29

8:30 am Mass

Lectors:

Kathy Stewart and Anne Stasa

Eucharist Ministers:

Karen Hoover, Dan Stasa, Judie Giesken, JoAnn Ostipow and Kathy Stewart

Altar Servers:

Karen Hoover

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Jn 3:18-24

Sponsor of the Week



Douglas B. Forsyth M.D.
1600 W. Brady, Chesaning
845-1800



Spring 5K Run/Walk: Is Sunday, April 22nd starting at 10:00 am in the church parking lot. There is no registration fee; please bring a non-perishable item for the CAER Center. There will be a blessing for all participants at the end of Mass. For more information please text Lisa Lewis at 445-0261.

2018-19 Catholic Service Appeal (CSA): The new year of CSA has begun. We are at 48% toward our goal. Pledges already contributed are \$34,690.00. Please prayerfully consider what you are able to contribute. If you are unable to contribute, please return your pledge card marked "zero". This counts as contributing.



Phone Numbers Update: We are in the process of updating our funeral luncheon lists and there are numerous disconnected phone numbers. If you have gone to a cell phone please call the parish office at 845-1794. You may also email kapullman@gmail.com Thank you for helping us with this important ministry.



Box Tops for Education: There is a container for your clipped box tops. They help support our Catholic schools.

THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Bonnie Kemppainen, William J. Amman, Amy Beldyga, Jim Yeager, Jane Toma, Jack Kulhanek, Greg Flory, Mel Austin, Joan Richardson, Patrick Borsenik, Ron Kulhanek, Debbie Meder, Betty Naessens, Ron Aldrich, Willburt Schneider, 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, Arnold Schultz, 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, 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, Marianne Sutter, Bessie McSwayn, 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, and Jacob Albers

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



Spring Fling Bingo Rescheduled: The rescheduled date for St. Peter's Spring Fling Bingo is **Sunday, May 6**, from 6-8 pm in the parish hall located at 803 Church St. Doors open at 5:30 pm. There are 20 games played with money prizes. All proceeds to the CAER Center. See you there!

Part-time Maintenance Position: St. Peter Parish has a part-time temporary maintenance position available. Responsibilities include but not limited to: grass mowing and maintenance. If interested send resume to Fr. Bill Gruden, PO Box 454, Chesaning MI 48616 by **Tuesday, May 1, 2018**.

Monthly Church Envelopes: Beginning in May, 2018 the Debt Reduction envelope will be replaced with a Capitol Improvement envelope. The Finance Council Building & Grounds Team is preparing a FACILITIES CONDITION ASSESSMENT (FCA) for all St. Peter Parish buildings including grounds, property, and parking which includes preparing budgets. Phase 1 projects include Church boiler and controls and air conditioning units, Parish Hall roof top unit (RTU) and new water service to the Rectory and Church. We will keep you informed as the project progresses and schedules are prepared to better identify funding needs. Thank you, Building & Grounds Team.



Newspaper Trailer: We are still collecting newspapers for recycling. There is a trailer located at 802 Lockwood St. for your papers. Thank you for your support!

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2018: In the early church, before Jesus was depicted as suffering and dying on the cross, he was depicted as "the Good Shepherd." This image was central to early Christian identity. We see paintings and even statues of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. The cross seems to have been too painful or too inappropriate to be an effective way to portray Jesus. The Good Shepherd conveyed the Christian message much more clearly.

Though the imagery in today's gospel may be foreign to our everyday experience, it rings true nonetheless. In some ways the story's setting sound similar to a fairy tale with the shepherd, the hired hand, a wolf, and scattered sheep. But of course, the lessons from this gospel are much more profound than a fairy tale. This gospel tells us that the kingdom of God is not merely like a shepherd and his sheep; but rather, Jesus himself is the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. The sheep know his voice. The Good Shepherd smells like the sheep. We can ask ourselves how we attune ourselves to the voice of the Good Shepherd. Where do we hear him calling? Have we been scattered, or are we attentive to the voice and near the Shepherd?

Jesus lays down his life for his sheep but takes it up again. The process does not conclude with the laying down, but culminates in the taking up. And thus we have the paschal mystery.