

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2019

September Stewardship

CAER Center
and
Special Olympics of MI


Budget amount
needed for each week:
\$7,500.00

August 24 and 25
Stewardship Back to the Lord
Envelopes: \$5,371.50
Youth: \$2.00
Total: \$5,373.50
EFT \$35.00
Total: \$5,408.50

Sunday Contributions YTD \$60,000.00
Actual YTD \$51,922.25

Thank You

Stewardship: In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in to hopes of repayment, but to give open-handedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!

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

CAER Food Pantry: The items being collected for the month of September are: personal items: tooth paste & brushes, deodorant, diapers. There is a basket in the gathering area for your donations. Thank you for your support!

First Fridays at the Cathedral with Bishop Gruss: Mass celebrated at 11:15 am followed by 12 pm (noon) meatless lunch for \$7 and informal presentation by Bishop Gruss. Beginning on Friday, Sept. 6, 2019 through June 5, 2020 at the Cathedral of Mary of Assumption, 615 Hoyt Ave., Saginaw.

This Week's Events

Sunday, September 1
8:00 am Rosary
Monday, September 2
Parish offices closed
Tuesday, September 3
10:00 am Prayer Group
7:00 pm Adult Choir
Wednesday, September 4
9:30 am Adult Choir
10:00 am Bible Study
Thursday, September 5
7:00 pm Bible Study
Saturday, September 7
Hospitality
8:00 am Rosary
3:00 pm Adoration
Sunday, September 8
Hospitality
8:00 am Rosary
11:30 am Individual Reconciliation (Bannister)



Parish Offices Closed: The parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 2nd, for the Labor Day holiday. Have a save and fun day with your family!

Faith Formation

The new Faith Formation year will be starting soon! The mailer with information including registration forms will be sent out early next week. Tuition has been cut in half to \$20 per student. Sacramental preparation will remain \$20. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting faith formation year with our families! Doris

Youth Ministry

We hope you have a fantastic start to the school year! The mailer with information for Youth Ministry and registration forms will be sent out next week. Youth Ministry will begin on Sunday, September 22nd. We hope to see you and your friends there! Katie



St. Peter Health Initiative (The Daniel Plan): Is seeking a seasonal reboot. Come join the group outside the parish hall after both Masses on September 7 & 8 for a short “Talk and Walk”.

Liturgy this Week

Sunday, September 1
8:30 am Mass
Wednesday, September 4
9:00 am Mass (Bannister)
Thursday, September 5
8:00 am Mass (Chesaning)
Friday, September 6
9:00 am First Friday Mass (Bannister)
Saturday, September 7
4:30 pm Mass (Chesaning)
Lectors:
Jeanne Gewirtz and Angie Meder
Eucharist Ministers:
Gayle Tufts, Mike Maxa, Clara Martin, Angie Meder, Pat Walser, Dana Bates, Lindy Beckman and Lisa Coon
Altar Servers:
Angie Meder
Sunday, September 8
8:30 am Mass
Lectors:
Greg Mahoney and Glenn Robinette
Eucharist Ministers:
Ron Sutter, Gloria Sutter, Dan Stasa, Kathy Stewart, Michelle Vrable, Penny Apsey, Dawn Boucher, and Bernard Coonrod
Altar Servers:
Ron Sutter

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Lk 14:25-33

Sponsor of the Week



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Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) 2019: \$59,310.00 has been pledge which is 79% of our goal. If you are unable to contribute at this time, please return your pledge card marked “zero” as this counts as participating. Thank you to all who have contributed.

Ending Dismemberment Abortions: Petition Drive to end “dismemberment abortions” after Masses this weekend August 31st & September 1st. If you have not had the opportunity to sign a petition to end the horrific late term procedure called “dismemberment abortion”, we have petitions at the entrances of the church that you may sign. This petition drive has the full support of the Michigan Catholic Conference and is promoted by the Right to Life of Michigan.



Fall Bible Study: Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother. We will be meeting in the conference room in the parish hall at the scheduled times.

Coming Soon! St. Cyril’s Chicken & Ham Dinner is Sunday, September 8th, 11:30 am until 1:30 pm in the parish hall. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 children 12 and under and preschool age are free. Everyone is welcome!

THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Mary Lou Borton, Jim Yeager, Mel Austin, Wayne Suppes, Melissa Beckman, Leo & Lucas Schulte, Thomas Beldyga, Abbey Bitterman, Joseph Odenbaugh, David Austin, Kimberly (Meder) Craven, Marlene Hart, Jerry Adams, Betty Franke, Frank Klasek, Tom Cassidy, Bill Young, Bill Kress, Ted Lipovsky, Bonnie Kempainen, William J. Amman, Jane Toma, Jack Kulhanek, Greg Flory, Joan Richardson, Ron Kulhanek, Betty Naessens, 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, Ruth Toma, Mary Tanner, Jim Pitt, Benny Sims, Carol Moore, Robert Tufts, 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, Rita Amman, Jay & Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Roxann Timm, Judy Wakeman, Marianne Sutter, Bessie McSwain, 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 & Mary Ellen Hoover, Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, and Jacob Albers

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

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, With a humble and sincere heart full of gratitude, I want to thank you for making my 40th Anniversary of Ordination celebration so wonderful. As always when we celebrate the Eucharist it is an opportunity to encounter the meeting of the divine with the human. The words you wrote in your cards to me are so touching and affirmative. Thank you also for the many gifts both monetary and otherwise. I decided a while back that any monies I received, a good donation would be given to my favorite charity here in Saginaw: Hidden Harvest. They collect food that would otherwise be thrown away and then give it to the needy. It is an honor and privilege to be your pastor. You have helped me become the priest I am today. That transformation is never ending. Know that you are in my daily thoughts and prayers. In Christ and Mary, Fr. Bill Gruden.



Mark Your Calendars! St. Peter Parish’s family picnic is Saturday, September 14th, starting at 5:30 pm in the parish hall. The Worship Commission will be providing the meal. There will be activities for both adults and children. There will be candy bingo, a cake walk, corn hole toss and a kiddie corner for younger children. Everyone is invited! See you there!

League of Catholic Women: Everyone is welcome to attend the LCW Luncheon on Tuesday, Sept. 17th at St. Agnes Church, 300 Johnson, Freeland (989) 695-5652. Mass starts at 11 am with lunch to follow catered by Sullivan’s Black Forest. Our speaker will be Courtney Robishaw from Hospital Hospitality of Saginaw. Mail your \$11 check to: LCW, PO Box 6932, Saginaw MI 48608. Please RSVP before Monday, Sept. 9th. Please call LCW 989-752-5053 or Mary at 989-790-3358.

Newspaper Trailer: Bring your newspapers to the trailer located at 802 Lockwood St. during business hours.

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy 2019: In today’s gospel Jesus is being hosted by a leading Pharisee. This was likely an extravagant event and certainly wasn’t Jesus’ first or last such dinner. The first piece of advice Jesus gives is hardly unique to Christianity or even rooted in his identity as Son of God. The aphorism, “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, / but the one who humbles himself will be exalted,” will be repeated later in the gospel (Luke 18:14).

The second piece of advice culminating in a promise to be “repaid at the resurrection of the righteous” is rooted more in religious identity and a belief that there would even be a resurrection of the righteous. To receive such an invitation, Jesus implores his host to invite “the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind.” In other words invite those people who cannot reciprocate. By so doing, God himself will reciprocate on their behalf.

So we have two lessons from today’s reading: humble oneself and serve those who cannot reciprocate. There is certainly more to the entire gospel message than that, but it is an excellent place to start. Moreover, both can be done in imitation of Jesus himself, who truly humbled himself and served us, we who cannot truly reciprocate.