

# Third Sunday of Easter

## April 18, 2021

**April  
Stewardship**

**Migrant Ministry  
and  
Saginaw Habit for Humanity**

Budget amount  
needed for each week:  
**\$7,250.00**

April 10 and 11	
Stewardship Back to the Lord	
Envelopes: .....	\$6,763.00
Youth: .....	\$0.00
Total: .....	\$6,763.00
EFT: .....	\$342.50
Total: .....	\$7,105.50

Budgeted YTD	\$290,000.00
Actual YTD	\$279,023.96

**Thank You**

**Capitol Improvements:**  
March ..... \$955.00  
Total for the fiscal year ..... \$9,787.00

**Stewardship:** The disciples in today's Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we, too, will discover Jesus in our midst.

**CAER Food Pantry:** Items being collected for the month of April are: macaroni & cheese and spaghetti & sauces. Thank you for your continued support.

**Rosary:** The rosary is prayed every morning at 8:00 am in the church led by Bernie Coonrod. Please note: there will be NO rosary before Sunday Mass.

### This Week's Events

**Tuesday, April 20**  
10:00 am Prayer Group  
**Wednesday April 21**  
6:30 pm Finance Council meet (virtual)  
**Thursday, April 22**  
7:00 pm Pastoral Council meet

### Faith Formation

The last packet for faith formation was mailed out this week. Please keep our children preparing to receive their First Eucharist in your prayers this next month. Doris

### Youth Ministry

Join us for Youth Group on Sunday, April 18th, beginning at 6:00 pm. We will be meeting on Google Meet. The link will be posted in our Google Classroom (class code 37gn3di). We hope to see you there! Katie

**No Week Day Masses:** There will be no week day Masses at St. Peter Parish on April 22nd & 29th. There will be no week day Masses at St. Cyril on April 21st & 28th. Fr. David will be out of town on those dates.

### Christ's Mission Appeal

**2020-21:** Our assessment for 2020-21 is \$82,159.31. As of March, 25th, \$47,025.00 has been pledged bringing our balance to \$35,134.31. Your pledge cards may be mailed directly to the diocese and your check should be payable to Catholic Diocese of Saginaw. There is still time to make a pledge.

**Easter Flowers:** Thank you for the Easter Flowers donation. They are: Doug & Brenda Forsyth in Memory of Dr. Henry, Hettie and David Forsyth.

**Rice Bowl Thank You:** We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Catholic Relief Rice Bowl during Lent. We collected \$556.02.



### Liturgy this Week

**Sunday, April 18**  
8:30 am Mass  
**Wednesday, April 21**  
No Mass (Bannister)  
**Thursday, April 22**  
No Mass (Chesaning)  
**Saturday, April 24**  
4:30 pm Mass (Chesaning)

#### Lector:

Mike Maxa

#### Eucharist Ministers:

Doris Mahoney and Mike Maxa

#### Sunday, April 25

8:30 am Mass (Chesaning)

#### Lector:

Greg Mahoney

#### Eucharist Ministers:

Karen Hoover and Judie Giesken

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29  
**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40  
**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51  
**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59  
**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69  
**Sunday:** Acts 4:8-12/Jn 10:11-18

### Sponsor of the Week

Howard & Denise Ebenhoech Realtor, ABR (989) 737-1023 Denise.TriCounty@gmail.com	Howie Ebenhoech Realtor (989) 798-5670 Howard.Ebenhoech@gmail.com

**Safe Environment/VIRTUS Training Date:** An on-site Safe Environment/VIRTUS training session will be conducted at Saint Paul the Apostle Parish in Ithaca on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 from 6:00-8:30 pm. All safety protocols will be followed including social distancing and the wearing of masks/face coverings. Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins or late admittance will be allowed. Please contact Kathy Steinhorst at 989-875-2852 or email: stpaultheapostle.secretary@gmail.com to register or with questions. The diocese also continues to offer a combination online and virtual training format to fulfill the live training requirement of the diocese. Please go to www.virtus.org or the diocesan website for a schedule of these and all Safe Environment/VIRTUS trainings.



**Masks in Church:** Please continue to wear your mask when you are in the church and after Mass. Even if you have received a Covid-19 vaccine. Also, please continue to follow the 6ft social distancing space in the pews. Fr. Bill

**Thank You:** My Brothers and Sisters, Thank you for all of your prayers and expressions of concern for my recent hip surgery. God has been so good and merciful. I am now back in the office and on duty. Other than a little stiffness I am pain free and feel so much better. It truly was your thoughtfulness expressed in so many ways that has given me the courage and eagerness to return to be with you all once again. Let us all embrace God's bountiful Easter blessings and the new life springing forth in nature and in our lives. Rosemary Newcomb

### THOSE ASKING FOR PRAYERS:

Mildred Tithof, Rhonda Barron, Tony Amman, Dr. Richard Skowronski, Fr. Bill Gruden, Rita Morgan, Barb Bila, Jim Yeager, Marguerite McIntyre, Michelle Smith, Gail Robinette, Peggy Zietz, Kaiya Misiuk, LaRita Ball, Thomas A. & Paula Tithof, Bernard Henige, Trisha Ruddy, Mary Lou Borton, Leo & Lucas Schulte, David Austin, Kimberly (Meder) Craven, Marlene Hart, Jerry Adams, Betty Franke, Tom Cassidy, Bill Young, Bill Kress, Ted Lipovsky, William J. Amman, Jane Toma, Jack Kulhanek, Greg Flory, Ron Kulhanek, Betty Naessens, Wilbur Schneider, Thelma Schneider, Madonna Bueche, Matt Barancik, Florence Markiewicz, Alison Andres, Geri Sholtz, Benny Sims, Carol Moore, Robert & Gayle Tufts, Margaret Bolinger, Matt Coughlin, 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, Kay Glover, Susan Addington, Nancy Dennis, Barb Wenzlick, Diane DeVoe, Roxann Timm, Judy Wakeman, Bessie McSwain, Melanie Thiel, Brian Clark, Jeannette Somers, Kim Bruder, Gary Cech, Edward List Sr., Gary J. Tanner, Nichole Horn, Henry Huntoon, Will Lucio, Al Hundt, Jerry & Mary Ellen Hoover, Julia Mahoney, Jennie Hunt, and Jacob Albers



**Save the Date!** For the St. Peter Parish 5K walk/run on Sunday, May 2nd at 10:00 am. We will meet in the church parking lot. A flyer will be in next week's bulletin with more information.



### April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Knights of Columbus have provided free access to the Protecting Our Children: Guide for Families which is being mailed to all families with children preschool through high school next week. There is a letter from Bishop Gruss included in this mailing. If you do not have school aged children but would like to read the guide, please call the office at 845-1794 for a copy.



**Lifesaver Drive:** We are calling special attention to the sanctity of human life. With this in mind, our church is participating in a Lifesaver Drive for Saginaw County Right to Life on April 17th & 18th. Volunteers will be asking you "Be a Lifesaver" and donate any amount. In return, you will receive Lifesaver candies. Thank You!



### Let the Little Children Come to Me

If you have been putting off the baptism of your children through this year of Pandemic, we would like to invite you to call in at 845-1794 and make arrangements to have your little ones baptized. (Grandparents: pass on the word). To avoid the crowds, we are currently scheduling Baptisms on Saturday evenings after the 4:30 pm Mass. While we are still concerned for social distancing and protection of our families, we must take care that our spiritual welfare not get lost amidst our fears and anxieties about our physical welfare.

### A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2021:** This Sunday's gospel follows the appearance of the risen Jesus to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus. Despite the witness of the two disciples who have hurried back from Emmaus and the news of Jesus's appearance to Simon, the eleven and their companions are still startled and terrified when Jesus appears among them and greets them with peace.

Jesus tells his disciples clearly that they cannot stay in this Jerusalem house of ecstatic joy, listening to his words and serving him at table. This experience must burst through the doors in the service of those outside, people of all nations who are waiting to hear the Good News of repentance and forgiveness of their sins.

This is what the disciples are to witness. And we, who at the Eucharist also sit at the "transformed table" of Jesus, share in the same urgent mission. As individuals and as church, we must admit our own sinfulness, continually turn to Jesus in repentance, and then go out in the strength of the Eucharist we have received to bear credible, outreach witness of the need for conversion to the following of Jesus in our own small or larger worlds. Many places in our contemporary world are obviously not founded on repentance and forgiveness, but on war and entrenched animosities that we may publicly lament, or rationalize, or even excuse, while at the same time allowing violence and bitterness to inhabit our hearts. If we are to be disciples who take seriously Jesus's Easter greeting of "Peace be with you" and who offer this peace to one another around the Eucharistic table with a present and future intent, we need to create a space in our lives and our hearts where such peace with God and with our sisters and brothers can truly be at home.