

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Sunday, September 28, 2014 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

195 West 13th Street . Holland, MI 49423
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Heavenly Father,

Pour forth your Holy Spirit to inspire me with these words from Holy Scripture.

Stir in my soul the desire to renew my faith and deepen my relationship with your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ so that I might truly believe in and live the Good News.

Open my heart to hear the Gospel and grant me the confidence to proclaim the Good News to others. Pour out your Spirit, so that I might be strengthened to go forth and witness to the Gospel in my everyday life through my words and actions. In moments of hesitation, remind me: If not me, then who will proclaim the Gospel? If not now, then when will the Gospel be proclaimed? If not the truth of the Gospel, then what shall I proclaim?

God, our Father, I pray that through the Holy Spirit I might hear the call of the New Evangelization to deepen my faith, grow in confidence to proclaim the Gospel and boldly witness to the saving grace of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Padre Celestial,

Derrama tu Espíritu Santo que me inspire con estas palabras de la Sagrada Escritura. Mueve en mi alma el deseo de renovar mi fe y profundizar en mi relación con tu Hijo, nuestro Señor Jesucristo, para que yo pueda realmente creer y vivir la Buena Nueva. Abre mi corazón para escuchar el Evangelio y concédemel la confianza para proclamar la Buena Nueva a los demás. Derrama tu Espíritu, para que yo pueda ser fortalecido y dar testimonio del Evangelio en mi vida cotidiana a través de mis palabras y mis acciones.

En momentos de vacilación, recuérdame que: Si no soy yo, ¿quién va a anunciar el Evangelio? Si no ahora, entonces cuando se proclamará el Evangelio? Si no la verdad del Evangelio, entonces qué voy a proclamar?

Dios, nuestro Padre, te pido que por medio del Espíritu Santo pueda escuchar la llamada de la Nueva Evangelización para profundizar mi fe, crecer en la confianza para anunciar el Evangelio y dar testimonio con valentía de la gracia salvadora de tu Hijo, Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Bi-lingual)
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Masses

Monday 12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Thursday 12:10 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions Saturday 4:00p.m.
First Fridays Noon to 1:00p.m.

Office Hours

Monday - Thurs
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Phone Numbers

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Rectory:	616-392-3985
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What's Happening @ St. Francis

Visitation Ministry is a way to deepen your lived discipleship and a way to grow in friendship with Christ. If you feel called (or even curious to know more) to this ministry of visiting the sick and homebound of our parish, there will be a training session on Thursday, October 9 from 2-4pm at St. Francis de Sales and the same training on Sunday, October 19 from 2-4pm at Our Lady of the Lake. At the training you will learn how to pray with people who are suffering, take communion to the homebound, and how to connect your own spirituality to this ministry. Contact Tom Eggleston, pastoral associate, to register or with questions at 392-6700, ext 104.



¿Está interesado/a en profundizar su relación con Cristo? El Ministerio de Visitación (visitar a los enfermos de nuestra parroquia) es una manera de encontrar a Cristo en una forma diferente. Si está interesado/a en ser un Ministro de Visitación o cuando menos tiene curiosidad, se ofrecerán dos sesiones de entrenamiento: el Jueves 9 de Octubre de 2-4 pm y el Domingo 19 de Octubre de 2-4 pm en la parroquia de Nuestra Señora del Lago. En este entrenamiento aprenderán como orar con las personas que están sufriendo, el llevar la comunión a los enfermos y como conectar su propia espiritualidad con este ministerio. Para apuntarse llame a Tom Eggleston al 392-6700 ext. 104.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS: Registrations will take place in the gathering space from 11:30 am-12:30 pm on Sundays in October.



CANASTAS DEL DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS:
Estaremos registrando en el atrio de la iglesia de las 11:30 am-12:30 pm todos los Domingos del mes de Octubre.



Join Tom Eggleston as he facilitates a retreat for young adults (college age, early 20s-ish) exploring the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi. The retreat will be on Saturday, October 4th (the Feast of St. Francis) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 (can be waived if necessary); lunch will be included. It will be held at the Our Lady of the Lake campus. Contact Tom Eggleston, pastoral associate, or 616-392-6700, ext 104 or teggleston@stfrancisholland.org.

Mass Intentions Peticiones de Misa

Sunday/Domingo, Sept. 28, 2014

- 8:30 am † Bob, Mark & Fred Byrne—Dolores Byrne
- 10:30 am † Marlene Pardo—Pardo family
- 12:30 pm † Rogelio Prado—Prado-Perez familia

Monday/Lunes, Sept. 29, 2014

- 12:10 p.m. For the People

Tuesday/Martes, Sept. 30, 2014

- 9:00 am For the People

Wednesday/Miércoles, October 1, 2014

- 6:00 pm For the People

Thursday/Jueves, October 2, 2014

- 12:10 pm For the People

Saturday/Sábado, October 4, 2014

- 5:00 pm † Benito Benavides Jr.—Benavides family

Sunday/Domingo, October 5, 2014

- 8:30 am † All Souls—Le Family
- 10:30 am † For The People
- 12:30 pm † For the People



BISHOP DAVID J. WALKOWIAK ASKS US TO PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Loving God,
Raise up dedicated leaders who will shepherd your people and guide them to your Son. Give generous and willing hearts to the seminarians of our Diocese who have heard your call to live a life of service to the Church. Help us to encourage and support them as they strive to become priests who are models of discipleship, possessors of wisdom and on fire with love for your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We especially pray for:

Andrew M. Ayers

St. John Vianney Seminary
2115 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55105



Scripture Readings for the Week

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| 09/29 | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Rev 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51 |
| 09/30 | Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56 |
| 10/01 | Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62 |
| 10/02 | Jb 19:21-27; Mt 18:1-5, 10 |
| 10/03 | Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lk 10: 13-16 |
| 10/04 | Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24 |
| 10/05 | Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43 |

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

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| 09/29 | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Apoc 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51 |
| 09/30 | Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lc 9:51-56 |
| 10/01 | Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lc 9:57-62 |
| 10/02 | Jb 19:21-27; Mt 18:1-5, 10 |
| 10/03 | Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lc 10: 13-16 |
| 10/04 | Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lc 10:17-24 |
| 10/05 | Is 5:1-7, Fil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43 |

Dear Parishioners,

Evangelization is the primary mission of the Church. This mission is given to all of us as baptized in the Lord Jesus. This is the mission that all of us are called to live, “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” (Mk 16:15)

The need for evangelization is the great challenge of our time. Looking around we see that more and more baptized Catholics are dropping out of the life of the church. According to a recent study only 30 percent of Americans who were raised Catholics are still practicing (which according to the study means attending Mass at least once a month.) Of these roughly half may be at Mass on a given weekend. Another 38 percent hold onto their Catholic identity but seldom or never attend Mass. The final 32 percent no longer consider themselves to be Catholic. When you look at young adults the numbers of those falling away from Church are even more staggering. In fact, the fastest growing group in our nation today is those that mark the box “none” when asked about their religious affiliation.

What does that have to do with us who are attending Mass and practicing our faith? I am convinced that we cannot sit back and do nothing. We cannot remain silent and complacent. Christ is calling us to do more. We as Catholics believe that as Church we have been given a great treasure in our sacramental life, our teachings and all that a life connected to Christ in the Church gives us. Evangelization means that in recognizing this gift we reach out to others to invite them to be part of this connection and encounter with Christ. It means that we, in a variety of ways, share with others what this means to us. It means bringing Christ’s love, peace and joy to others.

This is the call to the New Evangelization to which recent Popes have called us. This is more easily understood as following a three point process: 1.) Discover Jesus through a personal encounter with him. 2.) Following Jesus, becoming his disciple. 3.) Proclaiming the Good News, becoming a witness of Jesus.

The call to evangelization is beautifully summed up by Pope Francis, “I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them...no one should think that his invitation is not meant for him or her since “no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord” (*Joy of the Gospel*)

At St. Francis de Sales we have initiated several ways to make the New Evangelization a reality. We have made changes in our church and office space to make them more welcoming, we have been more intentional about welcoming all to Mass and our office, we are making better connections in all that we do in our programming so that each of us becomes more intentional in our discipleship, we are praying, we are studying and we continue to make worship and service the center of our living as Catholics.

There is another step that we will take. After discussions with our Pastoral Council I am working to bring the St. Andrew School of Evangelization to our parish in English. This will begin with the first New Life retreat to be held on November 21-23. Craig Slachter and I have been away the last weekend until today attending a conference to further prepare us for this mission.

Now what I ask each of us to do in the days and weeks ahead is to pray for the New Evangelization in our lives, in our parish and our Church. Let us pray for the team preparing the retreat and those that will be attending the New Life retreat. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit may bring many fruits of grace in our lives and in our parish. Let us pray that each of us discovers the joy of evangelizing.

God bless,

Fr. Charlie

Queridos Feligreses,

La evangelización es la misión principal de la Iglesia. Esta misión se nos encomienda a todos nosotros los bautizados en el Señor Jesús. Esta es la misión a la que somos llamados todos a vivir, “Vayan por todo el mundo y anuncien la Buena Nueva a toda la creación.” (Mc 16:15).

La necesidad de evangelizar es el gran reto de nuestra era. Cuando miramos a nuestro alrededor vemos que mas y mas Católicos bautizados se retiran de la vida de la iglesia. De acuerdo a un estudio reciente solamente el 30 por ciento de Americanos que fueron criados como Católicos aun practican la fe (que de acuerdo al estudio significa que van a Misa cuando menos una vez al mes.) De estos, aproximadamente la mitad están en Misa algún fin de semana. Otro 38 por ciento se identifican como Católicos pero casi nunca van a Misa. El ultimo 32 por ciento ya no se consideran Católicos. Cuando vemos las cifras de los adultos jóvenes el numero de los que se alejan de la iglesia es aun mas asombroso. En realidad, el grupo que está creciendo mas en nuestro país hoy en día es el de los que marcan la casilla que dice “ninguna” cuando se les pregunta acerca de su afiliación religiosa.

¿Qué tiene esto que ver con nosotros que vamos a Misa y practicamos nuestra fe? Estoy convencido que no podemos quedarnos cruzados de brazos y no hacer nada. No podemos permanecer callados y satisfechos. Cristo nos está llamando a hacer mas. Nosotros como Católicos creemos que como Iglesia se nos ha dado un gran tesoro en nuestra vida sacramental, en nuestras enseñanzas y en todo lo que una vida conectada con Cristo en la Iglesia nos concede. La evangelización significa que cuando reconocemos este regalo, invitamos a otros a ser parte de esta conexión y encuentro con Cristo. Significa que nosotros, de varias formas, compartimos con los demás lo que esto representa para nosotros. Significa el llevar el amor, la paz y la alegría de Cristo a los demás.

Este es el llamado a la Nueva Evangelización a la cual los Papas mas recientes nos han exhortado. Esto se puede entender mas fácilmente cuando seguimos un proceso de tres puntos: 1) Descubrir a Jesús a través de un encuentro personal con él. 2) Siguiendo a Jesús, convertirse en su discípulo. 3) Proclamar la Buena Nueva, convertirse en un testigo de Jesús.

El llamado a la evangelización es resumido hermosamente por el Papa Francisco, “Yo invito a todos los Cristianos, de todo el mundo, en este momento, a un encuentro personal renovado con Jesucristo, o cuando menos a estar abiertos a dejar que el los encuentre...nadie debe de pensar que su invitación no es para el o para ella porque “nadie es excluido de la alegría traída por el Señor” (La Alegría del Evangelio).

Aquí en San Francisco de Sales hemos iniciado varias maneras de hacer la Nueva Evangelización una realidad. Hemos hecho cambios en los espacios de nuestra iglesia y de nuestras oficinas para hacerlos mas acogedores, hemos sido mas intencionales en dar la bienvenida a las personas que asisten a Misa o que visitan nuestras oficinas, hemos hecho mejores conexiones en todo lo que hacemos en nuestros programas para que cada uno de nosotros sea mas intencional en nuestro discipulado, estamos orando, estamos estudiando y seguimos haciendo de la Misa y el servicio el centro de nuestras vidas como Católicos.

Hay otro paso que vamos a tomar. Después de varias conversaciones con nuestro Concejo Pastoral estoy trabajando para traer la Escuela de Evangelización San Andrés en inglés a nuestra parroquia. Esto empezará con el primer retiro Nueva Vida que se llevará a cabo del 21 al 23 de Noviembre. Craig Slachter y yo hemos estado en una conferencia desde el fin de semana pasado hasta hoy preparándonos para esta misión.

Ahora lo que le pido a cada uno de nosotros en los siguientes días y semanas es orar por la Nueva Evangelización en nuestras vidas, en nuestra parroquia, y en nuestra Iglesia. Oremos por el equipo que está preparando el retiro y por aquellos que vivirán el retiro Nueva Vida. Oremos para que el Espíritu Santo pueda producir muchos frutos de gracia en nuestras vidas y en nuestra parroquia. Oremos para que cada uno de nosotros descubra la alegría de evangelizar.

Que Dios les bendiga.

Padre Charlie

Outreach / Fe y Justicia



St. Vincent Center/Centro San Vicente 13th & Maple, Holland

Hours/Horario

3 to 8 p.m. Monday & Wednesday/Lunes y Miércoles de 3 a 8 p.m.
12 to 4 p.m. on Saturday/Sábados de 12 a 4 p.m.

This week we are in need of Laundry Detergent. Thank you for helping us serve our sisters and brothers who are presently in need.

Esta semana le agradecemos sus donaciones de jabón para lavar ropa ¡Gracias por su apoyo y por ser tan generosos!

UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN at the BORDER - (CHECK PARISH WEB SITE) for a link to current information from the USCCB (United States Catholic Conference of Bishops) and their Justice for Immigrants site and also what Pope Francis says. Read what Catholic teaching says about this situation and what we are called to as disciples of Jesus.

NIÑOS MIGRANTES NO ACOMPAÑADOS en la FRONTERA - (Vea la pagina web de la parroquia) para un enlace con información actualizada de la USCCB (Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos) y su sitio Justicia para los Inmigrantes y también para ver lo que dice el Papa Francisco al respecto. Lea lo que la Iglesia Católica nos enseña acerca de esta situación y a que somos llamados como discípulos de Jesús.

Feeding the Hungry Among Us: Thanks for your generosity in serving our hungry sisters and brothers through the Simply Give program which ended yesterday. Another way to support our parish ministry of feeding the hungry is to donate to Feeding America; your \$10 buys \$100 worth of food.

Alimentando a los que sufren de hambre: Gracias por su generosidad al servir a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que sufren de hambre a través del programa Simplemente Da que terminó ayer. Otra manera de apoyar es donando a Feeding América; si da \$10 compra \$100 de comida.

Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity is in need of ReStore volunteers to refurbish furniture items that are donated. If you are into restoration, we need you! Volunteer hours are anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday. Call Allison Vander Ploeg at 616-393-8001 Ext. 110.

La organización Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity necesita voluntarios para su tienda ReStore que puedan reparar los muebles que son donados. ¡Si a usted le gusta renovar muebles, lo necesitamos! El horario para ser voluntario es entre 9 a.m. y 5 p.m. de Lunes a Sábado. Llame a Allison Vander Ploeg al 616-393-8001 ext. 110.

Family and Adult Faith Formation/Formación de Fe Familiar

Becoming Catholic

Sessions for those interested in becoming Catholic have started this fall. They are held on Sundays after the 10:30 am Mass. Contact Ricardo Valdez, Director of Family and Adult Faith Formation, in the parish office to learn how to get into this process. Information about our process (rvaldez@stfrancisholland.org), called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults), is available online at www.stfrancisholland.org/node/632.

Our youth and adult faith formation programs have started. See more pictures on the parish website.



Formation for Adults

There are a number of adult formation offering this fall. Below is a brief list. Visit the parish website for more details including registration details at : www.stfrancisholland.org/adult_formation.

- Bible Study (September) - Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom, Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- Bible Study (September) - Matthew: The King and His Kingdom, Wednesdays, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- Bible Study (TBA) - Quick Journey through the Bible
- Study (October) Catholicism Series, Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.
- Study (October) Spiritual Autobiographies, Wednesdays, 9:15 to 11:00 am
- Retreat - Toward a Deeper Spiritual Journey, November 1 at Our Lady of the Lake

Community / Comunidad

Mexican Consulate, "Consulado Móvil," will be in Holland on Nov. 15th at Macatawa Bay Middle School, 3700 140th Ave. Clients must sign up for an appointment; no walk-ins will be accepted. Call 1-877-639-4835 or sign-up online at: http://sreweb.mexitel.com.mx/mexitel_web/login/auth.



El Consulado Móvil de México estará en Holland el 15 de Noviembre en la Escuela Secundaria Macatawa Bay, 3700 140th Ave. Debe de hacer una cita, no se admitirán a personas sin cita. Para hacer su cita llame al 1-877-639-4835 o hágala por el internet en: http://sreweb.mexitel.com.mx/mexitel_web/login/auth.

Project Rachel is a confidential healing ministry for the many people, both women and men, who have been impacted by an abortion decision(s). We have specially trained therapists and priests who can aid you in your healing journey. We also facilitate **Rachel's Vineyard Retreats**. Our next retreat is scheduled for **November 21-22, 2014**. For more information for yourself or a loved one contact Maggie Walsh at (616) 340-1824 or email, mwalsh@ccwestmi.org.

Marriage, relationship and family counseling are available through Catholic Charities West Michigan's (CCWM) Behavioral Health Department. We encourage you to call us toll free at 1-877-359-6523 for more information about our counseling services or to make an appointment with one of our highly qualified counselors. Catholic Charities West Michigan will provide you with a safe and confidential opportunity to address your pain to find hope and healing.

Free Adult English Classes are being offered at **Engeddi Church**, 710 Chicago Drive, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Orientations are every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Classes will also be held at **VR Tech (Van Raalte School)**, 461 Van Raalte Ave., on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Orientations are every Monday at 5:30 p.m. There will be 2 levels of classroom instruction. For more info contact Christina or Brenda at 616-494-8803.

Clases gratis de inglés para adultos: se están ofreciendo estas clases en la Iglesia Engeddi, 710 Chicago Drive, los martes, miércoles y jueves de las 8:30 a.m. a las 11:30 a.m. Hay orientación cada miércoles a las 10 a.m. También se ofrecen estas clases en la Escuela Van Raalte, 461 Van Raalte Ave. Los lunes, martes y miércoles de las 8:30 a.m. a las 11:30 a.m. o de 5:30 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m. Hay orientación cada lunes a las 5:30 p.m. Para mas información llame a Christina o a Brenda al 616-494-8803.



Infant Baptism - Bautismos de Infantes

Baptismal Preparation Class:
**October 7, 2014 from
 5:45 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.**

Próxima sesión de preparación
 bautismal: **7 de octubre 2014 de
 5:45 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.**

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To Your Health

Martha Kuyten, Parish Nurse

Be active at least 2.5 hours a week. By doing so a person can have a healthy weight, they reduce their risks of high blood pressure, diabetes, heart attack, stroke, pain from arthritis or other disabilities, falling, and depression and anxiety. This will also allow children to have healthy growth and development as well as lifestyle habits (Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 2014).

A Su Salud

Martha Kuyten, Enfermera de la Parroquia

Manténgase activo/a cuando menos 2.5 horas a la semana. Haciendo esto, una persona puede tener un peso saludable, reducir sus riesgos de presión arterial alta, diabetes, infartos, embolias, dolor por la artritis u otras enfermedades, reducir también las caídas, la depresión y la intranquilidad. El mantenerse activo también deja que los niños se desarrollen y crezcan saludables y al mismo tiempo crea buenos hábitos para toda la vida.



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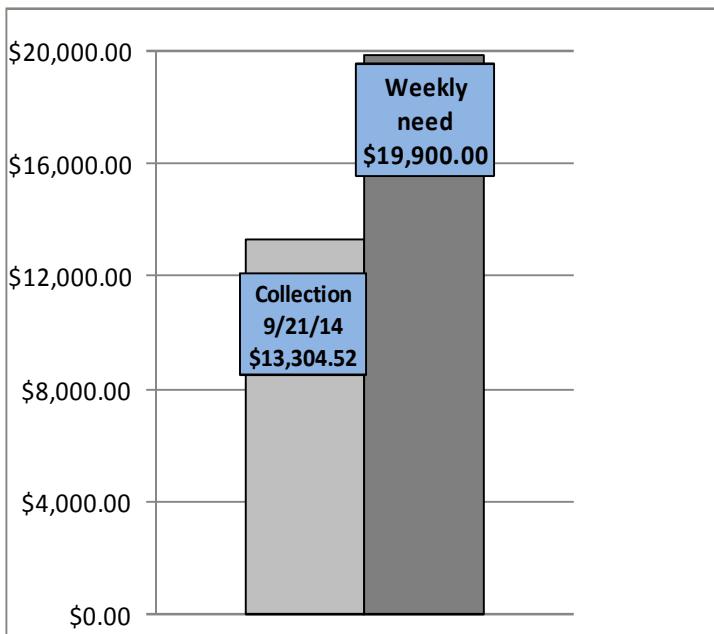
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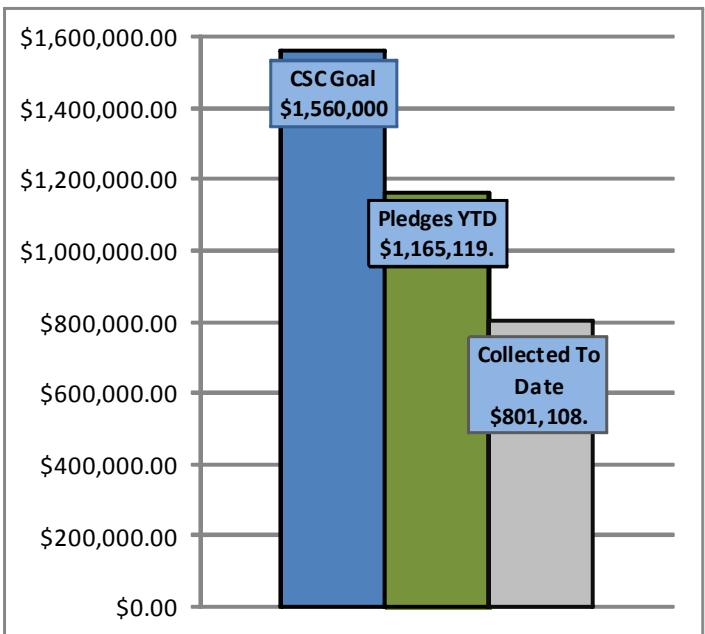


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Weekly Tithes



Capital Stewardship Campaign



Weekly Tithe : Habitat for Humanity