

# Christ is Risen!



Christ has triumphed over sin and death.

May He who came forth from the dead, rise in your hearts  
so that you too may live now and forever.

I want to express to all of you on behalf of our parish staff  
our prayers and heart-felt wishes for a Blessed Easter.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Truly He is Risen

### *From the Pastor's Desk*

This week I have asked Andrea Schneider to share with us. God Bless, **Fr. Dennis**



Mark 2:1-12 Is the story of the paralytic. The friends of the paralytic seek Jesus out to help their friend. This was not easy, as the crowds were thick, people everywhere. They couldn't reach Jesus. Jesus was talking to those that were gathered in a home, but the group was so large it says "there was no room left, not even outside the door." Instead of giving up and going home, the guys friends

were persistent and went to the roof of the house. They made an opening in the roof and lowered their friend in. "When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, *Son your sins are forgiven.*" Many of us will focus on the paralyzed man who was healed by Jesus, but lets not forget his friends, for they play a major role in this story. His friends believed in God and his power, so much they were willing to go to extreme measures to bring him to Jesus. Mary Healy in her book "Healing" share this perfect example of intercessory prayer.

Intercessory prayer has a major role in parish ministry. Since starting my job at the parish we have looked at ways to revamp the prayer ministry here at MHT. One of the first things we did was cover each family at MHT in daily prayer. We split up all the families and divided them up for people to pray for. We felt this would be a powerful way to help intercede for the people we see at Mass each week as well as those who may not regularly attend, but consider themselves as part of the parish.

We also started being more intentional in praying for events we put on at the parish. We make sure these events are covered in prayer. We have a group of people who are discerning Intercessory prayer as a possible charism praying for the intentions of the staff and events we put on. We have really seen the fruits of this. Some of our recent events have been pretty powerful, and seemed to have helped bring about healing and peace for those who have attended. The adult retreats, the healing service, 8th grade retreat, the Mission retreats our high school students attended, just to name a few examples.

*Here is a short testimony from Kristie Thelen.*

I went to the healing service here at MHT on March 8 and while being prayed over by a prayer team I encountered physical healing. I have a history of chronic ear infections and eardrum ruptures. Leading up to service I was having significant ear pain and what I believe was the beginnings of an infection. When I went up to be prayed over I mentioned my ear pain and they began to pray. Almost immediately my ear began to feel hot. I fell in the spirit and while I was resting I had a wonderful sense of peace and stillness. My ear continued to feel warm and pulsating as if it was two sizes bigger and my pain was significantly less as they continued to pray. The next morning my ear pain was totally gone and I no longer needed to take pain medication or the other medicine the doctor had me taking to help prevent the infections when I feel one coming on. Praise be to God!

Another area within prayer ministry that has grown is those willing to pray with people. When I first started working here, prayer teams consisted almost solely of staff members. In the short 3 years since we have branched out considerably. We have parishioners who are involved in Unbound prayer ministry. We now have multiple prayer teams that include adults that either lead or intercede. We had a handful of parishioners that were involved at our most recent healing service. It's been amazing to see this ministry grow and take off in the last few years. I know it's because of these prayers and our efforts that we have seen the Lord work in so many areas of ministry and in the lives of our parishioners.

*Sue Thelen shared her thoughts on intercessory prayer.*

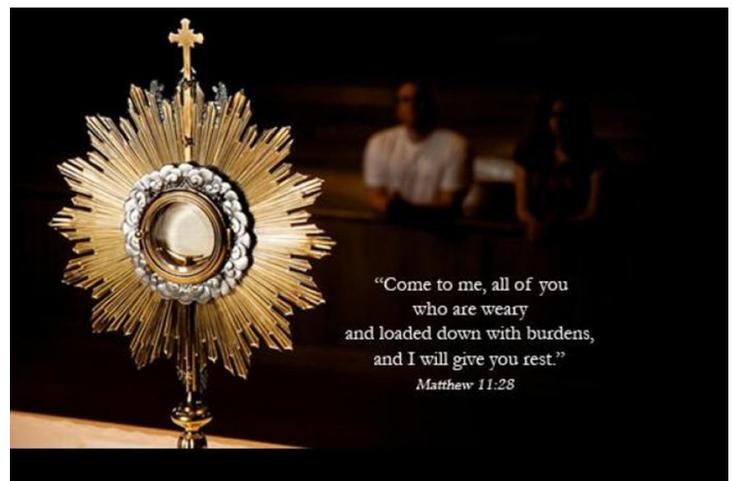
I personally feel one of the greatest gifts you can give to someone is praying or interceding for them on their behalf. When I pray for others I know God will hear and answer, on Gods time either by giving that person strength, peace, healing, or hope. Most people are just overwhelmed that someone actually cares about them enough to take the time to pray for them. It gives great comfort and peace in my heart knowing by just stopping what I'm doing to pray, light a candle or offer something up will touch someone.

Your practice of praying persistently will eventually make a vast difference in you.

"The prayer of a righteous person had great power in its effects." James 5:16

We have an updated list of the families registered here at MHT. We would like to re-distribute the updated list of families and parishioners. The goal is that we would have enough people so every family is being covered in prayer on a daily basis. If you are interested in being sent a new set of families to pray for, please contact me at: [adult-faithmht@gmail.com](mailto:adult-faithmht@gmail.com)

God Bless,  
Andrea Schneider



"Come to me, all of you  
who are weary  
and loaded down with burdens,  
and I will give you rest."  
*Matthew 11:28*

**Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.**  
**Eucharistic adoration,**  
**prayer teams, confessions**

## Mark your calendars!



### Most Holy Trinity Parish Presents: Sacred Relics of the Saints Treasures of the Church With Fr. Carlos Martins



**Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.  
(after evening Mass)**

Fr. Carlos Martins of the Community of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to talk about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Blessed Mother, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the true Cross in the world.

Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church's history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many people have been healed through this ministry. Don't miss this opportunity. Bring your devotional articles (rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and photos of friends and family members who are ill which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.

Principal of Most Holy Trinity School  
Anne Hufnagel—AnneH@mhtparish.com

#### MHT School – Connecting Faith to Life

*By connecting our Catholic faith to life, we at Most Holy Trinity School seek to fulfill Christ's mandate to proclaim the Gospel, restore all things in Him, strive to lead our students to the Truth for the betterment of this world and prepare them for the age to come.*

#### Important Upcoming Dates:

Monday, April 2	Spring Break Begins
Monday, April 9	School Resumes
	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.

**Homework sessions:** The middle school homework sessions for the week of April 9, 2018, are scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday after school until 4:00 p.m. Please check your emails and the school website for schedule revisions and updates.

**Spring Break:** Spring break is the week of April 2 through April 8. School resumes on April 9. Students will have Mass that day to celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord.

**Faith:** *Faith is not the price that buys God's blessing, it is the hand that receives His blessing. The price was paid for us by Jesus Christ on the cross. – Joyce Meyer*

Christ  
the Lord  
is risen  
today

alleluia

### Mass at Hazel Findlay

**Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.**



**Come and join our shut in's and  
pray with them.**

#### Sponsor of the Week

*Our thanks to the many businesses that make it possible for the bulletin to be cost-free to our parish.*

**Quality Carpet**

News & Events From Our Parish & Other Areas



Regional Divine Mercy Celebration
Sunday April 8th
St. Therese Parish, Lansing
2:30 pm. Eucharistic
Exposition and confessions

Blessed Mother Statue

The statue of Mary is available to take home on the weekends. Take this opportunity to enter into prayer and closeness with our Blessed Mother. Use the sign up sheet in the back of church.



Save the Date

Please join the Knights of Columbus as we celebrate vocations family night at Cooley Law Stadium! Mark your calendars for Friday, August 10 at 7:00 pm.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Monday, April 9th at 9:00 am (weather permitting)



Bring your gloves and rakes. If you don't have a rake we do have a few of them for your use.

Members Raffle



A new Stihl chainsaw will be raffled off to one registered K of C member. Along with this saw will be a Vera Bradley purse for the lady in your life. You must be a member by April 15, 2018 (drawing date). No proceeds from the Knights fund were used to purchase these gifts. Thank you for being a Knight.

Scrip

Support our School!

Spring Break Scrip Sales

MHT Scrip - Spring Break Schedule - There will be no order placed during Spring break., April 2-6. Scrip that is kept in stock will be available at the rectory during regular hours.

ScripNow and Reload orders will be processed and delivered while we are closed.

First Communion Dresses



There is a parishioner who has two clean, gently used First Communion dresses that need a good home. They are both size 6. Please call the parish office if interested. If there is overwhelming interest, names will be drawn

Holy Hour to End Abortion

Please join us in church on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00 am. for a holy hour to pray for women thinking about having an abortion.



April 15, 2018
Activity Center

Registration - 11:45am
Lunch Included
Tournament begins at 12:15pm

-2 Divisions
7th - 12th grade: \$10
18 and up: \$25

-Individual tournament
-Quarter per set
-Prizes for top 5 places



Proceeds benefit MHT Youth Ministry



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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesdays at 8:00am



**Second Publication:** Christopher Feldpausch & Mackenzie Braun

**Third Publication:** Adam Jutila & Jessica Smith



**The Rosary** is prayed before the 8:15 a.m. weekday Mass. The intention for this week is to pray that .persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church

**Please pray for our friends and relatives who are sick or recovering especially:** Frieda Gallagher, Regina Martin, Sean Dush, Charlene Thelen, Davison Curtin, Jeffrey Lee Thelen, Luke Martin, Sara Sanchez, Melissa Schulte, Theresa Fox, Marie Hengesbach, Edward Wohlscheid, Linda Rogala, Sarah Weber, Julie Wieber Schafer, Irene (Luttig) Weber, Bill Barns, Bob Marshall, Dennis Smith, Sandy Herta, Dick Rehmann, Janet Simmon, Scott Kus, Steve Thelen, Tracy Schmitt, Gregg Platte, Frank Hufnagel, Lynda Esch, Janet Armbrustmacher (Allan), Marie Weber, Jenine Kloeckner, Jennifer Ledger, Josiah Ledger, Adam Pohl, Jordy Wohlscheid, Sharon Becker, Jennifer Grace Schrauben, Janet Simon, Dale Young, Brent Baese, Shane Grinnell, Richard Bushamp, Janet (Ray) Armbrustmacher, Alan & Therese Kramer and a special intention.

**Please contact the parish office to inform us when we can add or remove a person's name from the list. Thank you.**

*Let us also keep in our prayers all those from the Parish Community who are in the Armed Services.*

**Our Parish Stewardship  
God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity**

**March 24 & 25 Collection.....\$14,769.58**

**Special Collections**

Newspapers.....	7.00
Capital Improvements.....	70.00
Catholic Relief.....	80.00
Easter Flowers.....	313.00
First Offering.....	5.00
Cemetery.....	10.00
Easter Offering.....	5.00

**Readings for the Week of March 25, 2018**

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalms 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Matthew 28:8-15
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 2:36-41; Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; John 20:11-18
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 3:1-10; Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Luke 24:13-35
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 3:11-26; Psalms 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Luke 24:35-48
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 4:1-12; Psalms 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; John 21:1-14
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 4:13-21; Psalms 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mark 16:9-15



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**



**Monday - April 2**

7:00 p.m. + John & Helen Kramer & Lawrence & Arlene Mueller

**Tuesday - April 3**

8:15 a.m. + Geraldine Geller (1st Anniversary)

**Wednesday - April 4**

6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 p.m. + MaryAnn Esch & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

**Thursday - April 5**

8:15 a.m.. + Steve Spicer, Including Tricia & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

6:30 p.m. **Holy Hour with confessions**

**Friday - April 6 - First Friday**

8:15 a.m. + Richard VanElls

**Saturday - April 7 - First Saturday**

1:00 p.m. Wedding of Adam Jutila & Jessica Smith

4:30 p.m. People of the Parish

**Sunday - April 8**

8:30 a.m. + Terry Schafer

10:30 a.m. + William & Matilda Hufnagel & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

**Ushers for Saturday & Sunday, April 7 & 8**

4:30 p.m. -Gary Weber, Keith Weber, Jerome Klein, Clare M Thelen

8:30 a.m.. - Jerome Spitzley, John Hufnagel, Kurt Thelen, Volunteer

10:30 a.m.- David Klein, Brent McCarty, Roy Witgen, Neil Feldpausch

**Mass Servers for Saturday & Sunday, April 7 & 8**

4:30 p.m. - Brooke, Emily & Amber Epkey, Volunteer

8:30 a.m. - Jena, Nick, Grace & Rachel Epkey

10:30 a.m. - Preston & Camden Braun, Sidney & Dominic Horak

**Mass Servers During This Week**

Mon., 7:00 p.m. - Chloe Hyland, Volunteer

Tues., 8:15 a.m.- Adult Volunteer

Wed., 7:00 p.m.- Peter & Xavier Simon, Jonathan Fowler

Thurs., 7:00 p.m.- Adult Volunteer

Fri., 8:15 a.m. - Adult Volunteer

Sat., 8:15 a.m. - No Mass

April 1, 2018

Pastor - Fr. Dennis Howard

**Parish Office Hours  
8am-12pm & 1pm-3pm**

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