



Happy 25th Anniversary Fr. Dennis

April 28th 1990

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In the service of the Lord and His Church

**Christ is Risen!
Truly He is Risen!**

From the Pastor's Desk

Ad multos annos! Many years!

First of all I want to thank the Lord who called me to the Sacrament of Holy Orders. It began with my parents, Henry Albert Howard and Jeannette Anna Blais Howard, who brought me into this world. But it cannot be taken for granted. Biological life is a gift, but it becomes a true gift and finds purpose only when we are baptized and immersed in the Divine life of God. So I thank my parents for the gift of baptism and introducing me to Jesus Christ. This great Sacrament therefore, makes every day a gift, and offers us an opportunity for us to give thanks, by living each in the Lord and to be His servants. I have many reasons to give thanks.

I want to thank all the people in my life, growing up, who had a big impact on me and my ability to respond to God's calling. My godparents, Lloyd and Lucille Monforton, my uncles and aunts and cousins, for the teachers I had growing up, the Ursuline Sisters who taught me in High School. Many of them simply by the witness of their lives and dedication to the religious life and to teaching were powerful witnesses for me.

I thank God for the priests who touched my life and my family life. Fr. Marentette, a missionary priest, who only stayed a short time in our parish, but had a big impact on me as a young boy. Fr. Bob Anderson, my pastor and teacher in High School who had a major impact on my decision to enter the seminary; Fr. Clare Coleman, my internship pastor, who is a wonderful priest and taught me a lot during my time with him at St. Martin's parish in London, Ontario. Fr. Dan Havron OFM, my spiritual director during my last years of seminary, who sadly died a few years ago, much too young, whose joy and love for evangelization inspired me. I want to thank as well, the priests who have befriended me and shown me so much support, in particular I want to thank Fr. Martin Nyland, Fr. Graham Keep, Fr. Bob Roggenbuck and Fr. James Conlon.

And I thank God for all of you, my friends and parishioners of St. Ursula's in Chatham, the parish where I grew up, and all the subsequent parishes where I have served: St. Vincent de Paul in Windsor, Ontario, St. Anne's in Tecumseh, Ontario, St. Paul's in LaSalle, Ontario, Mt. Zion Catholic Pastoral Center, in Flushing, Michigan, St. Pius X in Flint, Michigan, and now here at Most Holy Trinity Parish in Fowler. There are so many wonderful people I have had the privilege of meeting and working together with to build the Kingdom.

I ask our Lord's blessings on all of you who have made these past 25 years very rich.

God bless,

Fr. Dennis



The Rosary is prayed before the 8:15 a.m. weekday Mass. The intention for this week is to pray for our First Communicants and their families that they will continue to grow closer to God.

First Holy Communion

We continue to pray for our young people who will celebrate their first Holy Communion on Saturday, May 2nd. Please pray for these young people and their families.

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| Anna Andros | Charlie Miller |
| Seth Armbrustmacher | Holly Miller |
| Gavin Badgett | Scott Parks |
| Addison Bedaine | Ford Phillips |
| Amber Epkey | Kelcie Pung |
| Aubrey Epkey | Grant Rademacher |
| Elizabeth Epkey | Emily Schafer |
| Brady Feldpausch | Nicholai Schafer |
| Olivia Feldpausch | Madelyn Sillman |
| Alexander Halfmann | Aaron Simon |
| Jacob Halfmann | Nolan Simon |
| Cole Hufnagel | Louis Smith |
| Elizabeth Hufnagel | Katherine Spicer |
| Megan Hufnagel | Nathan Spicer |
| Chloe Hyland | Augustine Spitzley |
| Conner Katich | Jackson Thelen |
| Asher Koenigsnecht | Kenneth Thelen |
| Jonathan Koenigsnecht | Noleigh Thelen |
| Benjamin Kohagen | Taylor Thelen |
| Hunter Martin | Addison Weber |
| | Brooke Weber |



Diocesan Service Appeal



“For everything is from you and what we give is what we have from you”

We continue to take up our annual DSA which provides the Diocese with much needed support for vocations, assisting refugees and families in crisis, and supports the Diocesan ministries.

There is a link on our parish website if you want to know more about the DSA.

Our goal: 61,275

Given so far: \$33,140.00

Thanks to all who have given. God bless you for your generosity

Readings for the Week of April 26, 2015

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| Monday | Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18; Psalms 42; John 10:1-10 |
| Tuesday | Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26; Psalms 87; John 10:22-30 |
| Wednesday | Acts of the Apostles 12:24—13:5a; Psalms 67; John 12:44-50 |
| Thursday | Acts of the Apostles 13:13-25; Psalms 89; John 13:16-20 |
| Friday | Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33; Psalms 2; John 14:1-6 |
| Saturday | Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52; Psalms 98; John 14:7-14 |



Fr. Dennis

Congratulations on your 25 years of priestly ordination. Thank you for the many years of leading God's flock and for being a strong promoter of evangelization. You have been a blessing to our parish family. May God sustain you as you continue to celebrate the sacraments, proclaim the gospel, and consecrate your life to God for the good of the people entrusted to your care. We pray that Mary, our loving mother, will keep you close to her because of the responsibility which you have received to carry on the work of Christ in the world.

Msgr. Esper Council Knights of Columbus

Congratulations, Fr. Dennis!

I remember when I first met you. I was in high school and after coming to some of your apologetics classes I remember thinking how smart you were - I was easily impressed then :) Seriously though, I have learned much from working with you these past few months, and I enjoy the lightheartedness you bring to the ministry team and the parish. And, most importantly, I appreciate your relationship with Christ and your faithfulness to His Church, because that is clearly what inspires and sustains your ministry.

May Christ bless you for at least another 25 years!

Paul Fahey
Director of Religious Education

*Congratulations
Fr. Dennis!*



On behalf of the **Christian Mothers** of Most Holy Trinity, we would like to express our joyful and sincere congratulations to Father Dennis Howard on 25 years of faithful service to the priesthood. May God bless and guide you as you continue to be a shepherd of the Catholic faith.

Teresa Pline - President
Nickie Thelen - Vice President
Marcy Myers - Secretary
Renee Hufnagel - Treasurer
Melissa Spitzley - Spiritual coordinator

Happy 25th Anniversary!

On behalf of the Adult Faith Formation and Evangelization committee I would like to congratulate Father Dennis on his 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. I am very grateful to have the opportunity to work for the parish, under the leadership and pastoral guidance of Fr. Dennis. Thank you for everything you do for this parish!

**Andrea Schneider and
The Adult Faith Formation & Evangelization Team**



The MHT Music Department would like to congratulate Fr. Dennis on his 25th Anniversary to the priesthood!

Eduardo Guerra
Adult Choir
Youth Band
Children's Choir

Happy 25th Anniversary Fr. Dennis

The students and staff at Most Holy Trinity School would like to congratulate Fr. Dennis on this special anniversary. He is an important part of our faith journey here at school. Thank you for sharing your love of God with us in so many wonderful ways. We love your visits to our classrooms that bring zeppole, paczki, knowledge of Spanish, fish and plants. We look forward to many more years of Las Posada and All Saints' Day celebrations. May God continue to bless you and your ministry.



News & Events From Our Parish & Other Areas

MHT Scrip

Graduation, Mother's Day, Father's Day and Summer Vacation are fast approaching. MHT Scrip offers a wide variety of gift cards for all of your gift giving and vacation needs; gas, shopping, dining, entertainment and hotels. Visit shop-withscrip.com for a complete list. A wide range of gift cards are available in the Most Holy Trinity School office during school hours.



50/50 Support the Faith Club

The Knights of Columbus are excited to announce our annual '50/50 Support the Faith Club' fundraiser. This is a cash raffle with various cash prizes and the proceeds will provide scholarships for families that are sending their children to MHT School. Tickets for

the raffle are \$20 and can be purchased at MHT School, the parish office, and any officer. Each KC member was mailed two tickets and is encouraged to purchase or sell the tickets. We are requesting all tickets (sold/unsold) be returned by July 1st as the first of 20 cash raffle drawings will be July 6th. ALL entries will be eligible for ALL 20 drawings. The scholarships will be provided for the next school year.

Scrip - Kroger Community Rewards

It is time to re-enroll your Kroger Plus Card to continue supporting MHT School. Even if you have previously signed up for this reward program, you must re-enroll after **April 1st** to continue earning rewards during the coming cycle, May 2015 to April 2016. Simply visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com, click on "Michigan" and click on "Enroll". Please use code **82831** to have your rewards credited towards MHT School. Please remind and encourage family and friends to enroll or re-enroll. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

Part Time Youth Ministry Position

We have started the process of hiring a new youth minister to replace Adam Halfman as he continues to transition to his new role at the parish. This position will be part time, without benefits, and requires a faithful Catholic who is familiar with the New Evangelization and willing to lead our youth in the established vision that we have here at MHT. Anyone who is interested in applying should email their resume to Adam Halfman at mhtyouth@gmail.com. by Monday, April 30th.

Most Holy Trinity

April 26, 2015

Pastor - Fr. Dennis Howard

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

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Box Tops Collection

MHT School is collecting Box Tops, Tyson Project A+, Campbell Labels for Education, used ink cartridges and cell phones. These items can be placed in boxes found at all the entrances of the church or brought to the school office.

Quilters

Quilters needed to complete a quilt for the 2015 parish festival. Quilting will begin on Monday, April 27 at 10am in the Msgr. Esper room. For further information, call Loraine at 593-2136.

Director of Religious Education
Paul Fahey—mhtdre@gmail.com—593-3174

If you would like to enroll your child in next year's Religious Education classes, you will need to register by visiting www.mhtparish.com/religious-education and clicking the "2015/2016 Registration Form" link to our online form. *Paper registration forms are also available in the parish and religious education offices if you would prefer.

After you complete the form you will need to submit a check for the appropriate tuition fees to the school office, religious education office, parish office, or collection basket during Mass.

The 2015/2016 tuition for Religious Education is:

\$125 for one student

\$225 for two students

\$300 for three or more students

However, if registration and payment are received by May 31, 2015, there is an early registration discount of \$20.

If you are absolutely unable to pay the full religious education fee, please let me know and I would be glad to work with you on a payment plan. No one will be denied religious education because of an inability to pay.

Director of Music Ministry
Eduardo Guerra - eddieguerra@icloud.com

Children's Choir: The children will be singing at the 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, May 2nd. (First Communion Mass) Please have your children in the choir loft 15 minutes before Mass time.



Thank You! I would like to thank all our volunteers especially the 8:30am Adult Choir and the Children's Youth Choir along with the Youth Band and cantors who helped out during our Lenten and Easter season! We filled the church with a beautiful sound and I want to thank you for all your hard work!

Sponsor of the Week

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

Wieber Lumber

Most Holy Trinity Parish Festival

Save the date for the Most Holy Trinity Parish Festival
July 24, 25 & 26



Theme: The Wonderful World of Disney in Fowler

Raffle Prizes

Woodcraft item donated by Dean Plate

50" HD TV

**Bird Bath decorated by Waldron & MHT
5th - 8th grade students**

Please pray for our friends and relatives who are sick or recovering especially: Frieda Gallagher, Sally Foster, Becky Hicks, Scott Foster, Dennis Smith, Carl Stump, Regina Martin, Sean Dush, Dewey Torok, Evan Pung, Charlene Thelen, Davison Curtin, Irene Weber, Adam Schaefer, Sarah Fox-Klein, Jeffrey Lee Thelen, Luke Martin, Chuck McCausey, Sara Sanchez, Melissa Schulye, Therese Trierweiler, Marla Thelen, Kenny Briganti, Jenny Scott, Jeff Pline, Gary McNamara, Sharon (Thelen) Droste, Pete Kurnz, Theresa Fox, Marie Hengesbach, Edward Wohlscheid, Eugene L. Thelen, Linda Rogala, Dawson Thelen, Sarah Weber, Jean Schafer, Marian Rademacher, Don Simon and a special intention.

Please contact the parish office to inform us when we can add or remove a persons 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.

Parish Festival Chairs Needed

The 2015 festival committee chairs would like to remind everyone that if you are willing to chair an event that you are only committing to ONE year and you do NOT have to find your own replacement when you step down. It is certainly appreciated if you are willing to participate beyond one year but it is no longer required. With that being said, we are looking for chairs for 3 on 3 basketball, and volleyball. Please call Ken or Kay Pohl at 989-587-4109 if you are able to help out.

Heart of **Jesus**
Holy Hour
"Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est"
Where there is love, there is God
6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.
The Thursday before the first Friday of each month.
CONFESSION
ADORATION
PRAYER TEAMS



Masses For The Week

Monday - April 27

7:00 p.m. + Clem & Pauline Armbrustmacher & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

Tuesday - April 28

8:15 a.m. For the intentions of Fr. Dennis on the Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood

Wednesday - April 29

6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 p.m. + Leon Schafer

Thursday - April 30

8:15 a.m. + Joseph & Pauline Martin & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

6:30 p.m. Praise, Worship, Adoration & Confession

Friday - May 1 - First Friday

8:15 a.m. + Julius & Martha Schmitt & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

Saturday - May 2 - First Saturday

8:15 a.m. + Emily Goerge

4:30 p.m. For the First Communion Candidates & their Families

Sunday - May 3

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. + Clem Thelen & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

Ushers for Saturday & Sunday, May 2 & 3

4:30 p.m. - Mike Halfman, Tony Schafer, Jerome R. Thelen, Lonnie Schueller

8:30 a.m. - Bill Armbrustmacher, Tom O'Rourke, Bruce Schafer, Volunteer

10:30 a.m. - Don Martin, Chris Conner, Steve Spitzley, John Rademacher

Mass Servers for Saturday & Sunday, May 2 & 3

4:30 p.m. - Caleb Feldpausch, Jaxsen Klein, Kaitlyn & Holly Schmitz

8:30 a.m. - Allison & Tony Hufnagel, Jace & Tricia Feldpausch

10:30 a.m. - Danielle & Kaitlin Piggott, Kody Taylor, Nolan Feldpausch

Mass Servers During This Week

Mon., 7:00 p.m. - Austin Vandegriff & Drew Armbrustmacher

Tues., 8:15 a.m. - MHT School

Wed., 7:00 p.m. - Nolan Wirth, Braeden Andros

Thur., 8:15 a.m. - Jacob, Hannah & Andrew Irrer

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

Sat., 8:15 a.m. - McKenzie & Josie Koenigsnecht

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

Amount needed each week.....	\$13,200.00
April 118 & 19 Collection.....	10,650.55
Shortage.....	-2,549.45
Envelopes used: 184	



Wedding Banns

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