



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

### ***Ascension of the Lord***

**Gladden us with holy joys,  
almighty God,  
and make us rejoice with  
devout thanksgiving,  
for the Ascension of Christ your Son  
is our exaltation,  
and where the Head has gone before  
in glory, the Body is called to follow  
in hope. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
your Son, who lives and reigns  
with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God,  
for ever and ever. Amen**

#### *From the Pastor's Desk*

This week we will hear from Mary Schomisch our new Youth Minister.

God bless,

**Fr. Dennis**



I am pleased to announce that I have been hired as the new Youth Minister! The Lord worked in a mysterious way that unexpectedly led me back to Most Holy Trinity.

Let me tell you a little about my journey. It wasn't until my sophomore year of high school I really started being actively involved with youth group. That year, I discovered how much the Father loved me in a powerful way during adoration at a Steubenville Youth Conference. My encounter with the Father's unconditional love changed my life. In response, I became very involved in many youth group activities. That year, it was not a question of if I was going to be involved; the question was how many people would also be piling in my car with me!

The past four years I made Aquinas College in Grand Rapids my home. There, I was involved in the leadership of a Catholic fellowship group on campus and for two years I was a Resident Assistant for freshman female students. And despite my involvement on campus, I made an effort to continue helping with different youth retreats offered by Most Holy Trinity.

As I started my final year at Aquinas, I started to discern what career path I should take to best use my degree in accounting and business administration. When Adam's new

position was announced in the beginning of December, a curveball was thrown at me. Ministry was a passion already present in my life, and I saw an opportunity to share my relationship with Christ. To confirm this calling, God closed the doors on some opportunities, took away my fears, and gave me peace with the thought of becoming a youth minister.

I'm excited to join the team as your new youth minister I want to continue providing the youth (and adults too) with opportunities to encounter Jesus. When I discovered that Christ desired a relationship with me, I wanted to know more and more about the faith. My vision for ministry is simple: provide opportunities for an encounter, feed a desire to learn more about the faith, and teach others how to share their faith in their personal relationships.

I'm blessed to join the team at MHT, and I'm excited to see what the Lord has in store for this parish.

**Mary Schomisch**

**Most Holy Trinity**

**May 17, 2015**

**Pastor - Fr. Dennis Howard**

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

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**Report from Fr. Dennis**

Hi everyone,

Thanks for your continued prayers. A special thanks to those praying the Novena till May 19<sup>th</sup>. I wanted to update everyone with my health situation.

It's been a long haul for sure! I went to see the Orthotics people this past Monday to be fitted with a "crow walker" which is a type of cast/boot which will allow me, once the foot is healed to walk again. The concern the doctor has with my condition, called "Charcot foot" (which is a disintegration of the bone in the foot) is that if not treated the bones would continue to break down and more problems would arise. So the "crow walker" will allow the foot to be protected and heal (the bones will eventually fuse back together) without putting undue pressure on the foot. So now is the critical time and why I have to be off my right foot for now.

I miss celebrating Mass in church and being able to drive and be about the work of the parish. I am still seeing parishioners, so don't hesitate if you need to talk or see me, to call the parish office. I'm trying to do everything possible outside of standing and putting any weight on the right foot. Trying to listen and obey my doctor.

Of course with the beautiful weather we've been having it's hard to be inside so much. Hard not to be gardening. A couple of generous parishioners have offered to push me around in my wheelchair, and a few of the young people have been helping me. Lots of folks have taken me to my doctor appointments, brought by food, and offered to help. Thanks to all of you for your generosity.

I'm trying to offer all of this up for your intentions and those who are far from the Lord. Let's continue to pray the Novena to Fr. Solanus Casey for my healing and for all the needs and intentions you may have as well.

Peace,

**Fr. Dennis**

**Announcements**

**Courage/Encourage** Courage is a spiritual support group helping Catholic men and women live in accordance with the Catholic Church's teaching on same-sex attraction. Courage members strive to develop lives of interior chastity in union with Christ, through participation in the sacraments, prayer, fellowship and moral support. For their latest information you can go online at: [http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/sites/default/files/files/courage\\_0515.pdf](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/sites/default/files/files/courage_0515.pdf)

**Sponsor of the Week**

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

**Miller Excavating**

**Dear Most Holy Trinity Parish,**

My name is Fr. Bob Roggenbuck, and I am the Pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Ypsilanti, and the founder of a program that I would like to introduce you too: *Schola Artium*.

Ypsilanti, very much like other inner-city communities in Michigan, suffers from widespread, and growing, poverty. In an effort to address that poverty, especially as it effects children, I began *Schola Artium* (Latin for "School of Arts") in 2011 to provide unique fine arts opportunities to the needy and at-risk student residents of Ypsilanti.

It all began with a summer program that offered daily violin instruction, participation in visual arts projects, and games and academic enrichment activities to 20 participants. Due to an overwhelming response by participating families, *Schola Artium* then expanded its program in September 2011 to include a four-day, after-school model.

After-school participants receive stringed instruments and instruction, daily homework help and academic enrichment activities, as well as a healthful light meal. All services and materials are provided to students free of charge. Most importantly, we seek to evangelize the students and their families. *Schola Artium* seeks to share the love of Christ with its participants while striving to alleviate the conditions that contribute to their difficult situations.

Now in its fifth year of programming, *Schola Artium* has served over 100 students in its summer camp and school-year programs. We now offer viola and cello instruments and instruction to our students, as well as daily transportation to families in need. Our students have shown marked improvement in grade point averages and increased standardized test scores. Most importantly, these students and their families are touched by the Lord Jesus through the services offered them by his Holy Catholic Church.

Your support and prayers are needed to continue this important ministry! I encourage you to take some time this weekend to look over materials and learn more about the program, and the available opportunities to sponsor a *Schola Artium* student. With your help, we can continue to provide free arts education and academic enrichment to underserved students of Ypsilanti and share with them the love that the Lord has for each one of them.

God bless you,

**Fr. Bob**

**Speaker Series**



In celebration of 25 years of marriage, Dan & Tricia Feldpausch recently made a week long pilgrimage to Rome. This trip had a profound impact on each of their lives, as well as their marriage. On Tuesday, **May 19th**, we have invited them to share about their experience for our May Speaker Series. Please join us at **7:00 pm** in Msgr. Koenigsnecht Hall to hear about how the Lord blessed them during their trip!

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

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

*MHT School – Connecting Faith to Life*

**Important Dates:**

Tuesday, May 19	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.
Friday, May 22	1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip
Monday, May 25	No School/Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 26	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.
Tuesday, May 26	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spanish Trip
Friday, May 29	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip
Monday, June 1	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation/Mass @ 7:00
Tuesday, June 2	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.
Wednesday, June 3	Last Day of School/ Family Barbeque

**Spring:** May and June bring about many non-school related outdoor activities that make our lives extremely busy. Please be mindful that we are still in school and will be until the early part of June. Students still have learning to do and will be required to complete work outside of school on occasion. We appreciate your support in helping them keep their priorities straight and reminding them of all of the different activities going on.

**Registration:** You can register your children at MHT School for the 2015/16 school year by using the QR code or checking the school page on the parish website ([www.mhtparish.com](http://www.mhtparish.com)) for the link to the online registration. If you have any problems with the registration process or would like to schedule a visit, please call the school office at 593-2616.



**Support the Faith Raffle:** The Knights of Columbus are once again sponsoring their 'Support the Faith' raffle. Tickets can be purchased in the school office or from members of the Knights of Columbus and cost \$20.00 each. Each ticket has multiple chances at cash prizes of \$100 or \$500. Proceeds from the raffle will generate scholarships toward tuition at MHT School!

*"What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God."* - Eleanor Powel Congratulations FHS Class of 2015!

**Religious Education:** 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](http://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.



**Vacation Bible School:** Vacation Bible School is happening once again! This year's VBS will be June 16-18, 9:00am - Noon for children currently in grades K - 4.

If you would like to register: Please visit the religious education page on our website (<http://www.mhtparish.com/religious-education>) and click the "VBS Registration Form" link. Or you can visit the parish office and fill out a paper form. We are asking for a \$5 donation per child to help offset our costs.

If you would like to volunteer: We are in need of helpers and leaders, high school and older, to help with the many activities that week. You can help one day or all three. You can help with the kids or behind the scenes. There's something for anyone who wants to help! Please contact me ([mhtdre@gmail.com](mailto:mhtdre@gmail.com), 593-3174 x1) if you are interested."

**Congratulations to the 2015  
Fowler High School  
Graduates!**

Troy Allan Armbrustmacher  
Derek Daniel Bengel  
Drew David Bierstetel  
Adam Robert Blackwell  
Bryce Robert Bongard  
Mackenzie Christine Braun  
Monica Irene Buhr  
Katherine Estelle Cole  
Austin Lee Cook  
Emily Therese Esch  
Alysen Annette Fedewa

Christopher Daniel Feldpausch  
Dana Alane Feldpausch  
Nolan Glen Feldpausch  
Sydney Brooke Feldpausch  
James Robert Geller  
Melanie Lynn Goerge  
Caitlyn Nicole Henning  
Allison Kay Hufnagel  
Jessica Lynn Johnson  
Jaxsen Duane Klein  
Joshua Richard Miller  
Preston Hugh Miller  
Danielle Marie Piggott  
Grant Thomas Platte  
Lyndie Lee Platte

Quincy Lynn Platte  
Hannah Danielle Pung  
Jacob Thomas Pung  
Michaela Mary Lou Rademacher  
Zachary James Rudat  
Lainie Louise Schaefer  
Kara Julia Schafer  
Brianna Rae Schmitt  
Aubrey Lynn Snyder  
Jessica Michelle Snyder  
Taven James Stover  
Justin Henry Stump  
Jordan Rene Thelen  
Alexis Marie Weber  
Tori Anita Wirth



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

**Children's Choir:** The children will be singing at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 24th. Please have your children in the choir loft 15 minutes before Mass time.

**News & Events From Our Parish & Other Areas**

**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Funeral Dinners**

It has been a MHT service to provide the cooking crews to prepare funeral dinners. For the last 10 years a four crew model has been used. The crews were led by Diane Kohagen, Bonnie Thelen, Pam Pohl, and Jill Feldpausch. After 52 funerals Diane has decided to step down as a leader of a crew. Thanks Diane for your dedicated service! We would like to maintain four crews. If new to cooking large funerals, one of the crews would be happy to have you alongside until you are comfortable enough to head a crew. Each crew is made up of 2 to 4 core personnel with the rest being volunteers. We have a number of regular volunteers (thank you so much volunteers) but would like to expand the field. If you would like to be a regular volunteer there is a sign-up sheet in the back of church or call a crew leader to let them know.

**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 [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) for a complete list. A wide range of gift cards are available in the Most Holy Trinity School office during school hours.

**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.

**Bulletin Advertising**

This week, Michael Lenz, a representative from our bulletin publisher, Diocesan Publications, will be seeking new and renewing present parish bulletin ads. If you are interested in advertising please call the parish office for contact information. We feel this is an excellent opportunity for local businesses to increase their visibility in the community. Advertising in the bulletin allows this publication to be printed each week at no cost to the parish.

**Casino Bus Trip**

Casino Bus Trip to Firekeepers in Battle Creek Friday, June 19th. \$35/person, receive \$25 of free play and food at the casino. Must be 21 and over. Bus departs from the Fowler water tower at 5:30pm; back at midnight. Contact Patty Feldpausch at 989-640-3658 for more details. Proceeds go to the Fowler Volleyball program. Let's fill that bus!

**sponsor a Schola Artium student**



This weekend, Fr. Bob invites you to sponsor a student of Schola Artium as a Schola Friend.

Materials are available with more information about the Schola Friends program and to pledge your support.

Thank you for sharing in our mission to serve the needy and at-risk students of Ypsilanti!

[www.scholaartium.org](http://www.scholaartium.org)

**SCHOLA ARTIUM**  
arts & enrichment for the under-served

**Youth Soccer**

The Fowler Youth Soccer League will be offering a soccer program again this Fall. Last year's program brought in 110 children from Fowler, Pewamo, St. Johns, and Westphalia. It's available to children four years old through 3rd grade who are interested in learning the rules of soccer and improving their skills through drills and scrimmages. Registration forms can be found online at <https://fowlersoccer.wordpress.com/>. If you have any questions, please email [fowleryouthsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:fowleryouthsoccer@gmail.com) or call Brett Thelen at (517) 230-1547.

  
**Senior Adults**  
On Thursday, May 21, at 10:00 a.m. we will be celebrating Mass at Hazel Findlay Nursing Home in St. Johns. Please come and join us.

Many thanks for the cards and well wishes from everyone for our 50th wedding anniversary.

**Jerry & Juanita Spitzley**



**Monday - May 18**

7:00 p.m. + Rita Schaefer (1st Anniversary)

**Tuesday – May 19**

8:15 a.m. + John & Helen Shannon & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

**Wednesday – May 20**

6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations

7:00 p.m. + Paul Fox

**Thursday – May 21**

8:15 a.m. + William & Adeline Rademacher & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

**10:00 a.m.** Mass at Hazel Findlay

**Friday – May 22**

8:15 a.m. + Paul Martin & the Deceased Members of the Herman Martin Family

**Saturday - May 23**

8:15 a.m. + Living & Deceased Members of the Bill Armbrustmacher Family

4:30 p.m. + Joseph & Regina Feldpausch, Including Sister Corrine & Marina

**Sunday - May 24**

8:30 a.m. + Lucille Martin & Living & Deceased Members of the Family

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

**Ushers for Saturday & Sunday, May 23 & 24**

4:30 p.m. – Claude Feldpausch, Jim Koenigsknecht, Luke Hufnagel, Kevin Feldpausch

8:30 a.m. – Dean Platte, Jerome Feldpausch, Alick Feldpausch, Cliff Thelen

10:30 a.m. – Joe Theis, Terry Theis, Tyler Theis, Jarud Koenigsknecht

**Mass Servers for Saturday & Sunday, May 23 & 24**

4:30 p.m. – Grant & Brandon Platte, Jaxsen Klein, Kendra Koenigsknecht

8:30 a.m. - Emily & Olivia Esch, Clayton & Owen Simon

10:30 a.m. – McKenzie Feldpausch, Christopher & Mariele Feldpausch, Nolan Feldpausch

**Mass Servers During This Week**

Mon., 7:00 p.m. - Ryan Snyder, Jack Vanneste

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

Wed., 7:00 p.m. - Camden & Preston Braun

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

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

Sat., 8:15 a.m. - Macy & Kylie Spicer

**Readings for the Week of May 17, 2015**

**Monday** Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; Psalms 68; John 16:29-33

**Tuesday** Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27; Psalms 68; John 17:1-11a

**Wednesday** Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38; Psalms 68; John 17:11b-19

**Thursday** Acts of the Apostles 22:30, 23:6-11; Psalms 16; John 17:20-26

**Friday** Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21; Psalms 103; John 21:15-19

**Saturday** Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30 -31; Psalms 11; John 21:20-25;

**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: \$38,830.**

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

**The Rosary** is prayed before the 8:15 a.m. weekday Mass. The intention for this week is to pray for those tempted to succumb to hopelessness and despair, that God’s gift of faith will dispel any cloud of darkness over them.

**Featured CD of the Week**

**Contemporary Sainthood – Mark Hart**

In this incredible double feature, Mark Hart illuminates what it means to seek sanctity in the 21st century. In the first presentation, Mark discusses unleashing the power of the Holy Spirit and becoming who we are meant to be: saints. In the second presentation, Mark talks about the dangers of putting human expectations on our supreme God. These two talks will be sure to jump start your spiritual life and shed some light on what it means to be a contemporary saint.

Cd’s are located in the back of church. Contact Adam Halfman for additional topics, CD’s or questions.

**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, 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, Roman Arens 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.*

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

Amount needed each week.....\$13,200.00  
 May 9 & 10 Collection..... 15,157.82  
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 Envelopes used: 198