

# MHT SCHOOL ADMISSION

## 2025/26



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**Registration Now Open**

**Schedule a Tour (989.593.2160)**

**OR**

**Register Online Today.**



**6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

## Mass Schedule

### Tuesday, February 18

8:15 AM † Catherine & Peter Schmitz

### Wednesday, February 19

6:00 PM † Roy Pung, including living and deceased family members

### Thursday, February 20

8:15 AM † Robert (Bob) LaBuda, including living and deceased family members

### Friday, February 21

8:15 AM † Chuckie Thelen

### Saturday, February 22

4:30PM People of the Parish

### Sunday, February 23

8:30 AM † Ben Platte

### Sunday, February 23

10:30 AM † Herb Thelen

## Newly Baptized

### Riley Koenigsknecht

Son of Ryan & Hannah Koenigsknecht

### Hayes Koenigsknecht

Son of Kevin & Olivia Koenigsknecht

*We welcome Riley & Hayes to our parish family!*

MAKE  
TIME FOR  
*God*  
THIS LENT

## From The Pastor's Desk

### Guest Presider Next Weekend

I will be out of town this week for a little time off before Lent, but the Mass and confession schedule will remain as normal. Next weekend, all of the Masses will be said by our diocesan vocation director, Fr. Mike Cassar. If you have a pastoral emergency at this time, please call the office for assistance during office hours, or call the closest neighboring parish after hours. As always, Sparrow and McLaren have priests in Lansing on call if you find yourself or a loved one in an emergency situation in the hospital.

### Ash Wednesday & Lent

Speaking of Lent, Ash Wednesday will be here soon: March 5. While we won't be offering a daily reflection for Lent as we did during Advent, we do plan to offer weekly reflections to help you grow closer to the Lord. In addition, please mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 23rd**, which is our **family ministry Lenten event** focused on prayer. Please see page 4 for more details!

### Vocations

And speaking of vocations, this is also a good reminder to keep our parish sons and daughters who are preparing for ordination or vows in consecrated life in your prayers! Deacons Randy Koenigsknecht and Josh Luttig are scheduled to be ordained to the priesthood on June 14. Luke Goerge is scheduled to be ordained to the permanent diaconate on May 17. Brother Barnabas Luke (Brian) Armbrustmacher is currently a novice with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Sr. Mary Luke (Brienne) Feldpausch is currently in temporary vows with the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma. And of course, please continue to pray for our young people to be open to God's call in their lives. With Deacon Josh and Deacon Randy getting ordained this summer, what a joy it would be to have new seminarians from our parish to take their places!

### Diocesan Services Appeal

Speaking of God's call in our lives, this year's annual Diocesan Services Appeal theme is "You are My Chosen Witnesses," reminding us of how all of us have an important part to play in building up the Body of Christ that is the Church! Because of the upcoming diocesan capital campaign for Catholic education (which we will be taking part in this fall—much more information to come), our DSA goal this year is unchanged from last year: \$76,624. Our parish exceeded our goal for 2024, contributing \$99,310. We receive back 50% of every dollar over our goal, which is a great help for the parish! The 2025 DSA Commitment Weekend will be March 1-2.

God bless you, Fr John

# Most Holy Trinity School

## Connecting Faith to Life

*Most Holy Trinity School, in partnership with the Church and our families, will provide a Catholic education to help our students become saints as they grow in wisdom, virtue, and faith.*

### Important Dates:

Monday, February 17	No School/Presidents' Day
Tuesday, February 18	Study Session @3:00
Thursday, February 20	Mass @ 8:15a.m.
Thursday, February 20	Study Session @ 3:00
Tuesday, February 25	Study Session @ 3:00
Thursday, February 27	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.
Thursday, February 27	Study Session @ 3:00

### MHT School Registration:

Registration for the 2025/26 school year is officially open. Students already attending MHT School are automatically enrolled for next year, but if you are a new family or have additional children attending next year, please use the QR code or visit the school website to register. If you are looking for more information, please contact the school office or schedule a visit.



**Thank You:** A huge thank you to all of you who have donated rosary bracelets and other religious items for one of our March is Reading Month prize boxes. We now have plenty of items - thank you so much!

**Attention MHT Parents:** We are seeking some volunteers to help out with decorations and snacks for March is Reading Month. Please check your emails for a link to sign up. Thank you!

*Let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Hebrews 12: 1-2*

Principal, Anne Hufnagel

# Palm Branches

WE WILL BE COLLECTING THEM IN BASKETS  
AT THE ENTRANCES OF THE CHURCH IF  
YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISPOSE OF THEM

## Ministry Schedule

### Tuesday, February 18— 8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Jerry Klein  
**Reader** Deanna Pung

### Wednesday, February 19—6:00 PM

**Sacristan** Jerry Klein  
**Reader** Jill Feldpausch  
**Servers** Camden Conner, Liam Simon

### Thursday, February 20—8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Dean Schrauben  
**Reader** MHT Students

### Friday, February 21— 8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Gary J Weber  
**Reader** Jill Feldpausch

### Saturday, February 22— 4:30 PM

**Sacristan** Craig Arens  
**Reader** Robert Orme  
**Servers** Bethany & Ronald Hufnagel, Liam Simon, Hanah Halfman  
**ExMHC** Kendra Speers, Sharon Fink, Jim Andros  
**Ushers** Gerry Arens, Lonnie Schueller, John Hufnagel, **1 volunteer**

### Sunday, February 23 — 8:30 AM

**Sacristan** Paul Horak  
**Reader** Vern Thelen  
**Servers** Clara, Jonah, & Leah Thelen, Lily Schrauben  
**ExMHC** Anne Hufnagel, Ron Feldpausch, Bonnie Thelen  
**Ushers** Bill Armbrustmacher, Jamey Myers, Paul Pung, Bruce Schafer

### Sunday, February 23 — 10:30 AM

**Sacristan** Gerry Davis  
**Reader** Paul Fahey  
**Servers** Andrew & Logan Platte, Nicholai, Schafer, Xavier Simon  
**ExMHC** Cynthia Wolker-Pung, Tonya McCarty, Cindy Halfman  
**Ushers** Duane Pung, Kent Dell, Dale Koenigsknecht, **1 volunteer**

## Weekly Schedule

### Monday, February 17

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

### Tuesday, February 18

After 8:15 7 Sorrowful Mysteries of the Mass  
Blessed Mother in the Church

### Wednesday, February 19

6:00am Eucharistic Adoration  
8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion  
5:00pm Confessions  
5:00pm Holy Hour for Vocations

### Thursday, February 20

9:00am Time for God Book Study

### Friday, February 21

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00am High School Bible Study  
8:45am Confessions

### Saturday, February 22

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration  
3:00pm Confessions

## Position Opening

### Principal Opening - Most Holy Trinity School

Most Holy Trinity School seeks a school principal, to begin in the summer of 2025. The principal, being a practicing Catholic, shares a zeal for learning and a passion for the Gospel, while embodying the school's mission of helping our students to become Saints. As a loving disciple of Jesus Christ, the principal will help lead the school in living out our Catholic faith through prayer, education, virtue, and service. The principal will foster a culture of vibrant Catholic education, by supporting our faculty and staff to inspire our students' love of learning and development of God-given talents. The principal will develop relationships of sincere care and trust with faculty, staff, parents, students, parishioners, and community members. The principal will exhibit administrative excellence, ensuring that school finances and records are maintained in good order, parish and diocesan initiatives are implemented, State requirements are met, and timely communications are maintained.

*Interested candidates are asked to please submit an online application at the position posting ([www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers)) and attach a cover letter, resume, transcripts, and two letters of recommendation. For more information, please contact Fr. John.*



## Fish Dinners

Friday, March 7th  
Friday, March 21st

4:00 - 6:30 P.M.

Most Holy Trinity Activity Center Fowler

### MENU

Baked and Fried Fish  
Baked and Scalloped Potatoes  
Macaroni and Cheese, Coleslaw, Corn and Dinner Rolls  
Dessert and Beverages

PRICES: ADULTS (11 & OVER) \$16.00  
CHILDREN (6-10) \$5.00  
CHILDREN (5 & UNDER) FREE  
TAKE OUT (DRIVE THRU ONLY) \$16.00

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus and Christian Mothers

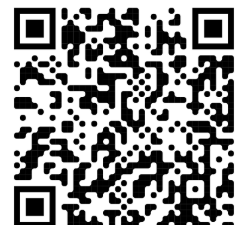


This event is for the whole family, and this week we are focusing on what families with young children can expect from this event!

- How to start introducing personal prayer to your children
- What are realistic expectations in prayer
- Ideas for family prayers or devotions that are age appropriate
- Resources that are available for families
- How families can grow in their faith together

Registration for our first ever Family Retreat is now open!

Use the QR Code to register.



# K-12 Faith Formation

**High School Faith Formation** will not be held this Monday, February 17. We will resume Monday, February 24.

**First Communion Retreat** is scheduled to take place Sunday, February 23 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Activity Center. The retreat is for all children who are preparing to receive First Communion. It is expected that at least one parent attends.

**High School Bible Study** will be held this Friday, February 21 from 7:00 am to 7:45 am in the Youth Center. All high school students are welcome to attend. It is never too late to begin joining us.

**Totus Tuus:** mark your calendars for June 15-20 for this years Summer VBS. This year will include grades 1st - 12th.

**Steubenville Youth Conference:** don't forget to register by February 28.

Aaron Epkey



**2025 CONSUMED**  
Inviting high-schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Christ!  
**JUNE 27-29, 2025**  
Contact Aaron Epkey at (989)593-2162 or dre@mhtparish.com for more information about attending!  
**Registration Available!**



SCAN ME



## Please Pray

### ***For Our Friends and Relatives***

Michael Bozung  
Bethany Fedewa  
Bob Halfmann  
Mike Heeg  
Therese Heeg  
Elaine Kramer  
Arlene McCausey  
Gabrielle (Olney) Meece  
Stan Pohl  
Daniel Pung  
Julie Wieber Schafer  
Hilary Schmitt  
Denny Smith  
Dennis Spitzley  
Janice Spitzley  
Janet Thelen  
Davison Curtin  
Marie Thelen  
Hunter Walter  
Elaine Weber

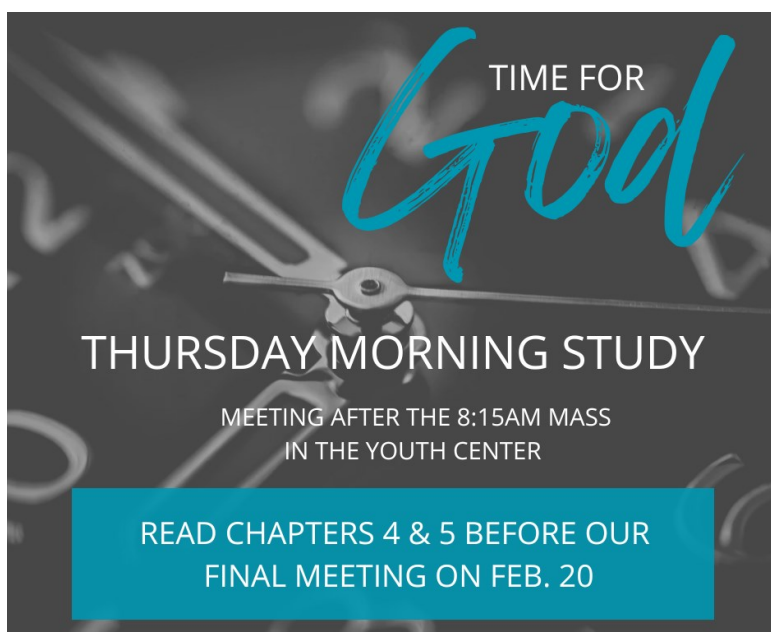
### ***Armed Services***

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

### ***Weekday Rosary***

The Rosary is prayed before the 8:15am weekday Masses. This week, we pray for those battling addiction & mental health struggles.

Please contact the office to add or remove a name from the list. Thank you.



TIME FOR  
**God**

**THURSDAY MORNING STUDY**  
MEETING AFTER THE 8:15AM MASS  
IN THE YOUTH CENTER

**READ CHAPTERS 4 & 5 BEFORE OUR  
FINAL MEETING ON FEB. 20**

## Reflect Retreat

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI on **February 21-23, 2025**.

Cost is \$230 for meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail - [reflect.michigan@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.michigan@gmail.com) or call (586) 770-1772 for details.

## Planned Giving

The brochure rack in the main church entrance contains a Planned Giving Brochure that was authored by the MHT Educational Trust Fund Committee. This brochure identifies many ways to include the Educational Trust Fund in your charitable giving estate plan. By including the ETF in your estate plan, you will help ensure that the Catholic educational programs at Most Holy Trinity Parish will continue in the future. Please help carry on this legacy by including a gift to the ETF through your will or estate plan. Thank you!

## Youth Bowling

The Catholic Order of Foresters is sponsoring a youth bowling event on Saturday, March 1, 2025 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the K of C Bowling Alley in Westphalia. All youth are invited to attend. You do not have to be a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters to attend.

Anyone interested (up to age 18), please contact Leanne O'Brien at 517-331-2751. You can leave either a voice message or a text message. A light lunch will be provided to all participants.

## Our Parish Stewardship

*God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity*

**Feb. 9 Collection.....**\$15,438.00  
Children's Collection.....\$6.00  
Online Giving.....\$4,325.36  
Total Collection.....\$19,769.36

Wkly Amt. Needed ..\$15,865.38

Cumulative Difference for the  
fiscal year: .....\$42,716.11

### **Special Collections**

Cemetery Care..... \$30.00  
Easter Flowers ..... \$20.00  
ETF ..... \$137.00  
First Offering..... \$12.00  
Newspapers..... \$118.00

# FATHER - SON BREAKFAST



**Sunday, March 9th**  
**9:30am**  
**Activity Center**

**Sponsored  
by council  
#3027**

## RSVP

**Dean Schrauben**  
**989-640-0341**  
**By March 1st**

**SPEAKER: RYAN KOENIGSKNECHT**

## Sponsor of the Week:

**McGeehan Funeral Homes and Keck-Coleman Chapel**

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### Pray For Vocations



**Joseph Kelly**  
*St. John the Baptist, Ypsilanti*



**Br. John Gregory Bischoff**  
*Dominican Friars*

“Heavenly Father, we give you thanks and praise for your Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit to inspire holy, faithful men to minister as priests, and women to become Brides of Christ and serve Your people. Lord, we pray for Your Grace to encourage and support our seminarians as they endeavor to become priests; and we pray that Your Love be enough for the women in discernment of consecrated life. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.”

## Thank You

The family of Adelene Martin would like to express our sincere gratitude for the prayers, visits, cards, and support; your kind words still echo in our hearts. A special thanks to Father Gary and Father Todd for the visits and blessings throughout Adelene’s journey and for the beautiful Mass and eulogy; Father Eric, Father Tyler, and Deacon Randy for joining in the celebration of the mass; Kelsey Hengesbach and Aubrey Feldpausch for the angelic music; cooks at Most Holy Trinity and everyone who contributed food for the delicious luncheon; and Lehman Funeral Homes for bringing us comfort during a difficult time.

May God Bless and Keep You!  
Sincerely, Martin Family

## Thank you

To everyone who sent cards, kind notes, flowers, and donations to the Westphalia Fire Department in honor of my dad, Delbert Thelen, during his illness and passing. Each act of kindness helped our family during this difficult time.

Tami and Bob Feldpausch and family

## Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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Monday 9:00 am—6:00 pm

Tuesday —Friday 9:00am-3:00pm

(Closed from 12:00-1:00 pm for Lunch.)

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