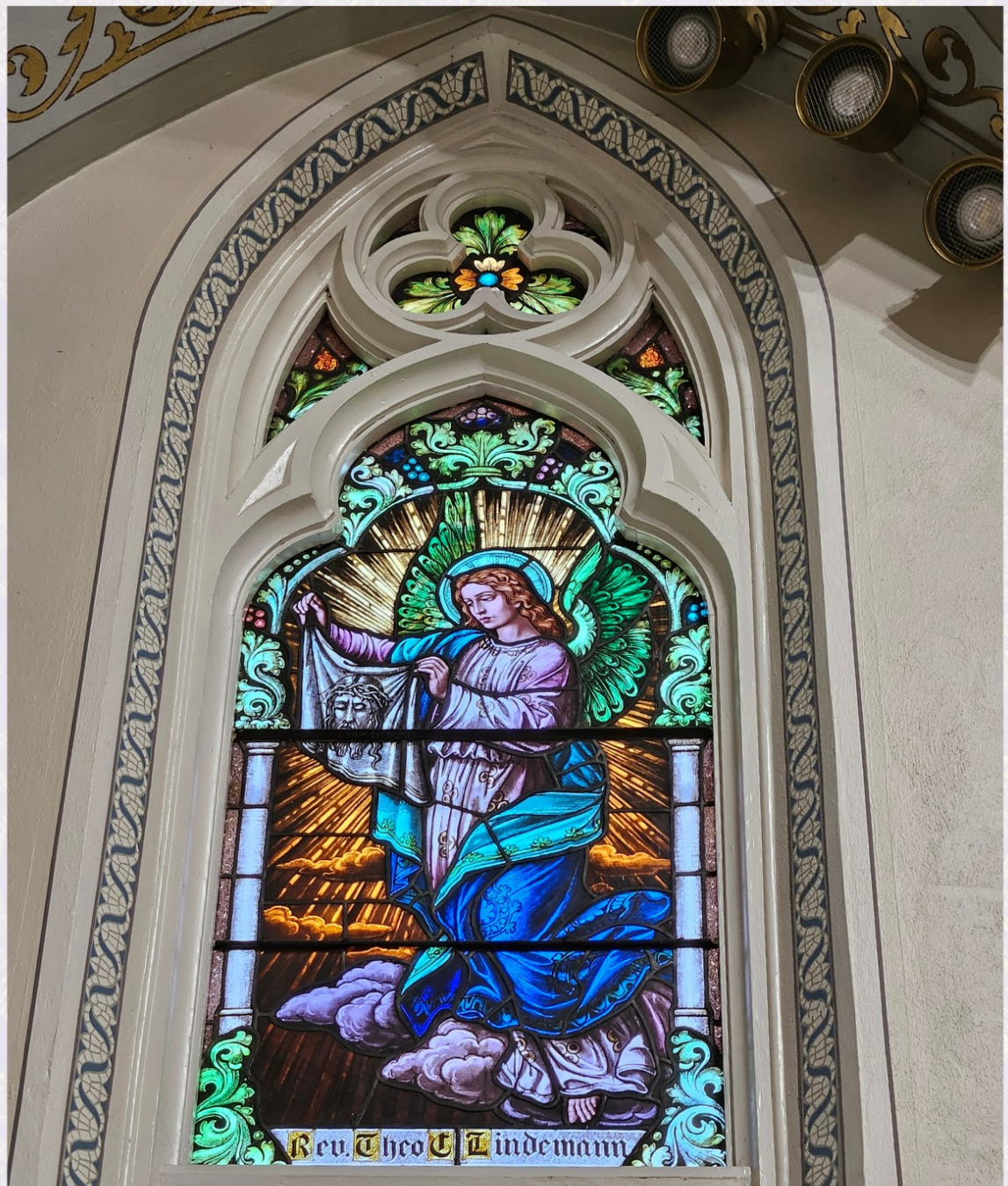


Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, March 24

8:15 AM † Grace Goerge

Wednesday, March 25

6:00 PM † Juliann Miller, including living and deceased family members

Thursday, March 26

8:15 AM † Emily Goerge, including living and deceased family members

Friday, March 27

8:15 AM † Geraldine & Roman Geller, including living and deceased family members

Saturday, March 28

4:30 PM † Ron & Julia Spitzley, including living and deceased family members

Sunday, March 29

8:30 AM † Jane Platte, including the living and deceased members of the Platte family

10:30 AM The people of the parish

From the Pastor's Desk

Welcome to MHT, Kim!

This weekend, **Sunday March 22 at 1:00pm**, we welcome **Kim Zember** to our parish to share her testimony to the power of God's transforming love and mercy in the midst of our human brokenness. Our culture today has a deep confusion about the meaning and sacredness of our God-given sexuality, and Kim will help us to navigate this issue with both truth and charity. This talk will be beneficial for all of us, high school age and up, and I really hope you will attend!

Sacrament of Confirmation

Please keep our 17 Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they receive this special Sacrament on Tuesday, March 24 at St. Joseph Parish in St. Johns. I am very grateful to Aaron Epkey and all of our high school catechists and mentors for all they have done to prepare them for this Sacrament. Unfortunately, sometimes people see Confirmation as "Catholic graduation," which is the exact opposite of its purpose. Rather, Confirmation is only the beginning of a new adventure, where we are given a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit in order to send us *on mission* to proclaim the Good News! And we are fortified for this great adventure principally through our attendance each week at Sunday Mass, as we are nourished with God's Word and the Sacrament of the Lord's own body and blood.

In addition, we must not see Confirmation as the end of our Catholic education. Far too often, people do not intentionally seek to further their faith formation after Confirmation. And then life happens, and they seek to answer difficult adult questions with answers that were proposed to them in their youth, and they conclude that our faith is lacking. This is very sad, because our faith truly does offer an endless opportunity for learning and growth to help us navigate all the storms of life. Jesus Christ truly is the answer to all of our longings, if we only give Him a chance.

On a side note, this may be our last group of young people to receive Confirmation from Bishop Boyea, as he turns 75 next month and so is required by canon law to submit his letter of resignation to Pope Leo. Of course, the Pope has the liberty to not accept the resignation until he so chooses, so Bishop Boyea may still be our shepherd for a few more years. But his retirement will come eventually, and so it is not too early to be praying for his eventual successor!

God bless you,
Fr John



Sanctuary Candle Intention



In honor of the Church decorating volunteers and the parish gardeners

THE SIGN OF JONAH



FORETOLD

FINDING HOPE IN GOD'S PROVIDENCE



Monday, March 23 - We will watch the next episode at 9:00am in the Youth Center. You can also find these videos on Formed by scanning the QR Code.

Cover Feature

Angels of the Lord's Passion

In this stained glass the angel is holding on to the cloth that was used to wipe Jesus' face on his way to Calvary. This stained glass window was donated by Rev. Theodore C. Lindemann.

GUEST SPEAKER
KIM ZEMBER

Talk @ 1:00pm
Q & A

MARCH 22

ACTIVITY CENTER

Sponsored by: Christian Mothers

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of LOVE
Family Ministry



Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, March 24— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Tom O'Rourke
Reader Deanna Pung

Wednesday, March 25—6:00 PM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader Carol Piggott
Servers Levi & Quinn Wieber

Thursday, March 26—8:15 AM

Sacristan Dean Schrauben
Reader MHT Students

Friday, March 27— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Gerry Arens
Reader Tricia Feldpausch

Saturday, March 28— 4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens
Reader Robert Orme
Reader Vern Thelen
Servers Bethany Hufnagel, Hailey, Waylon & Landon Simon
ExMHC Kyle Koenigsknecht, Luke Goerge, Sharon Fink
Ushers John Pung, Lonnie Schueller, Joe Bodarko, John Hufnagel

Sunday, March 29— 8:30 AM

Sacristan Paul Horak
Reader Lyle Simon
Reader Sandy Pillard
Servers Jonathan, Andrew, Anthony & Joseph Epkey
ExMHC Kendra Speers, Luke Goerge, Ralph Feldpausch
Ushers Ralph Feldpausch, Tom O'Rourke, Dean Schrauben, Bruce Schafer

Sunday, March 29— 10:30 AM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader Tricia Feldpausch
Reader Tricia Goerge
Servers Levi, Jonah, Leah & Clara Thelen
ExMHC Luke Goerge, Jennifer Koenigsknecht, Jerome Pohl
Ushers Gene Messer, Leon Schneider, Stan Weber, Roy Witgen



“What we GIVE is
what we have FROM
The Lord” 1 Chronicles 29:14

DSA contributions are restricted to fund the ministries, programs, and services that offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes, schools, and affiliated Catholic organizations. These include, but are not limited to:

- Adoption and Foster Care Services
- Care for our Priests – Active and Retired
- Consecrated Vocations
- Evangelization Initiatives
- Faith-Based Counseling
- FAITH Magazine
- Marriage and Family Programs
- Seminarian Education and Formation
- Young Adult Vocational Formation
- Youth Formation

Music Ministry

The Popcorn Choir is an adult choir that typically sings more praise and worship style music. They will sing next on March 29th at 10:30am Mass. To sing, please meet in the choir loft at 9:45am for practice prior to Mass.

Cemetery Clean Up

All Christmas and winter decorations placed in the Cemetery will need to be removed in preparation for our annual spring cleanup day. Use this as an opportunity to visit our beautiful cemetery, pray for your loved ones, and help our amazing cemetery volunteers!

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:

Tue., March 24	7th Grade Confessions
Wed., March 25	8th Grade Confessions
Thur., March 26	All School Mass 8:15am
Fri., March 27	11:30 Dismissal; End of 3rd Qtr; Spring Break Begins!
Mon., April 6	NO School - Easter Monday off
Fri., May 1	All School Mass 8:15am—May Crowning Grandparent’s Day celebration after Mass
Mon., June 1	8th Grade Graduation Mass - 6:00pm
Wed., June 3	Family BBQ; Last Day of School

Thank you to Jenna Epkey and the Platte Family for sharing your story of Josie with us!



Photo Credit: Michael Black
Faith Magazine

Special Readers: This past week we had Kyle the Cougar from Lansing Catholic High School read to the 3rd/4th graders and Rep. Tim Kelly read to the 1st/2nd graders. Thank you for helping make March Is Reading Month special!

K-12 Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation schedule:

March 22: All high school Faith Formation students are expected to attend the Kim Zember talk this **Sunday at 1:00 pm in the Parish Activity Center.** It will be an inspiring afternoon with Kim, who will share a powerful message of faith, identity, and hope. This event will take the place of Monday night Faith Formation on April 23.

March 30: Spring Break - No Faith Formation

April 6: Easter Monday - No Faith Formation

April 13: Groups

April 20: Groups/Last Day

Sacrament of Confirmation: Our 10th grade confirmation candidates will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, March 24, 6:30pm, at St. Joseph Parish, St. Johns. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Mark Your Calendars: Totus Tuus (Summer Camp) is returning to MHT for Grades 1st - 12th **June 14 -19th.**

Day Program: Grades 1-6, Mon-Fri, 9:00am-2:30pm.

Evening Program: Grades 7-12, Sun-Thur, 6:30pm-8:30pm. Registration will open in early spring. We hope your children will join us for a fun, faith filled week.



Holy Week

- Sunday** Palm Sunday Mass: 3/28 - 4:30pm
3/29 - 8:30am & 10:30am
- Thursday** Holy Thursday Mass: 4/2 - 7:00pm
Altar of Repose until 11:00pm in the Y.C.
- Friday** Stations of the Cross: 4/3 - 12:00pm
Solemn Liturgy - 3:00pm
- Saturday** Easter Vigil Mass: 4/4 - 8:30pm
- Sunday** Easter Sunday Mass: 4/5 - 8:30am & 10:30am

Please Pray

For Our Friends and Relatives

2 Special Intentions

Michael Bozung

Merle Braun

Davison Curtin

Brett Dillon

Bethany Fedewa

Claude Feldpausch

Mike Heeg

Therese Heeg

Kim Humphrey

Elaine Irrer

Fr. Bill Koenigsnecht

Fr. Dennis Howard

Terry Luttig

Arlene McCausey

Mary McCausey

Diane Mussell

Steve Nobis

Megan Parsons

Stan Pohl

Alex Pung

John Rademacher

Steve Rademacher

Julie Wieber Schafer

Hilary Schmitt

Michelle (Jeff) Schmitt

Kay Sillman

Joan Simon

Denny Smith

Dennis Spitzley

Janice Spitzley

Francis Thelen

Janet Thelen

Jeanette Thelen

Charles Trierweiler

Hunter Walter

Gary A. Weber

Deceased

Alice Becker

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!

Preparing for Easter

Preparing the church for the Easter season will take place on Holy Saturday morning, April 4, beginning at 8:30 a.m. If you are available, please come! Thank you for sharing your time and talents for the greater honor and glory of God! God bless you!



Weekly Schedule

Monday, March 23

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion
 9:00am *Foretold* in the Youth Center

Tuesday, March 24

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

Wednesday, March 25

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

Friday, March 27

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration
 8:45am Confessions
 6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 28

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration
 3:00pm Confessions

Our Parish Stewardship

God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity

Mar. 15 Collection ..\$13,416.50
 Children's Collection.....\$11.00
 Online Giving..\$2,818.54
Total Collection\$16,246.04
 FY26 Weekly Amount
 Needed\$16,826.92

Special Collections

Capital Improvements . \$100.00
 Easter Flowers..... \$485.00
 ETF \$325.00
 Maintenance Funds \$200.00
 Newspapers \$35.00

Cumulative Difference for Fiscal
 Year 2025:\$59,487.46

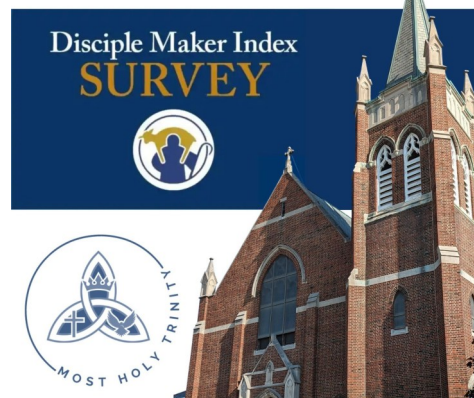
K of C Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 4th at Waldron Elementary. Event starts at 11:00am sharp. Children ages 0-10 are welcome to participate.

Disciple Maker Index

The Disciple Maker Index (DMI) is an anonymous survey of parishioners that provides insights into the level of missionary discipleship in the parish in addition to the effectiveness of the Mass experience, preaching, and other aspects of the parish. The survey should take 10 - 15 minutes to complete. Your responses are kept confidential.

Share Your Voice



Thank You

We want to express our gratitude to Fr. John Whitlock, Fr. Fred Thelen, Kate Davis, the choir and all those who helped with the beautiful funeral mass. We also appreciated the wonderful luncheon and all those involved with its preparation. We are so thankful for all the kind words, cards and visits by family and friends. Your support has meant so much to us.

Family of Nick Thelen

To fill out this survey, you can scan the QR Code or go to our website. There are hard copies of the survey available at the parish office, these can be turned into the Parish Office once completed.



DMI Survey

Sponsor of the Week:

Smith Family Funeral Homes

To see their full advertisement, see the back page of the bulletin. An remember to patronize all of our sponsors, as they make the bulletin possible.



Volunteers Needed

Parish festival basketball 3-on-3 tournament.

This is a beloved event at our parish festival! In fact, we've had record-setting numbers of teams in the past couple of years for the 3-on-3 basketball tournament. Without volunteers to run the event, we will not be able to provide it this year. If you're interested in leading the 3 on 3, please contact Jordan Spitzley at the parish office (989-593-2162). Thank you!

Calling All Gardeners

MHT green thumbs! We need volunteers who would be willing to help with the gardening at the parish. You can do as little or as much as you would like. We need planters in the spring and waterers in the summer. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Rosie at 989-593-3549.



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