

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, April 14

8:15 AM † Robert Halfmann, 1 yr.
anniversary

Wednesday, April 15

6:00 PM † Tootie Weber, 10 yr.
anniversary, including living
and deceased family
members

Thursday, April 16

8:15 AM † Joe & Genevive Pung,
including Donna White &
Dan Pung

Friday, April 17

8:15 AM † Regina Martin 5 yr.
anniversary, including Frank
& Dora Weber

Saturday, April 18

4:30 PM People of the parish

Sunday, April 19

8:30 AM † Bob Halfmann

10:30 AM † Don & Joann Feldpausch,
including living and deceased
family members

From the Pastor's Desk

Divine Mercy Sunday

On this 8th day in the Octave of Easter, we recall especially the mercy poured forth on mankind by the Lord in the form of blood and water, as His side was pierced for our iniquities. It is also a fitting day to pray for peace, for we know peace is only found where there is mutual forgiveness. I'd like to offer this meditation from St. John Paul II on Divine Mercy:

"On Good Friday, as he hung on the Cross, Jesus bequeathed to us his testament of forgiveness: "*Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do*" (Lk 23: 34). Jeered and tormented, *he implored mercy for his torturers*. In this way his wide-open arms and pierced side became the universal sacrament of the fatherly tenderness of God, who offers forgiveness and reconciliation to all.

When he appeared to his disciples on the day of the Resurrection, the Lord greeted them with these words: "*Peace be with you*", and showed them his hands and his side with the marks of the passion. Eight days later, as we read in today's Gospel, Jesus once again came and stood among them in the Upper Room, and once again said to them: "*Peace be with you*" (cf. Jn 20: 19-26).

Peace is the gift par excellence of the crucified and Risen Christ, the result of the victory of his love over sin and death. In offering himself as an immaculate victim of expiation on the altar of the Cross, he poured out on humanity the beneficial flow of Divine Mercy. Jesus, therefore, is our peace, because he is the perfect manifestation of Divine Mercy. In the human heart, which is an abyss always exposed to the temptation of evil, he infuses God's merciful love.

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, we are celebrating *Divine Mercy Sunday*. The Lord is also sending us out to bring to everyone his peace, which is founded on pardon and the forgiveness of sins. This is an extraordinary gift, which he desired to link with the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. How deeply humanity needs to experience the effectiveness of God's mercy in these times marked by growing uncertainty and violent conflicts! May Mary, Mother of Christ our Peace, who received his testament of love on Calvary, help us to be witnesses and apostles of his infinite mercy." (St. John Paul II *Regina Caeli* address, 18 April 2004)

God bless you,
Fr John

JESUS
I TRUST IN YOU

Every day the Lord added
to their number those who
were being saved

Acts 2:47

Wedding Banns

Second Publication

Justin Nurenberg & Gabby Vincent

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:

Sun., April 12	Holy Spirit Encounter - 1:00pm
Thurs., April 16	All School Mass - 8:15am
	7th Grade Retreat at LCHS
Tues., April 21	6th Grade Vocations Day at LCHS
Sun., April 26	First Communion - 10:30am Mass
Fri., May 1	All School Mass - 8:15am May Crowning & Grandparent's Day celebration after Mass

FAITH
like a Child

April 12th

1:00pm

Receive prayer and words of encouragement from the MHT Middle School students

Holy Spirit Encounter—Sunday April 12 at 1:00pm

Join us this afternoon for our next encounter opportunity! Our middle school students will be leading us in music, sharing testimony to how God has worked in their lives, and sharing words of encouragement in prayer teams. Here's a short reflection from one of the middle school students: *"At our prayer practice, I was really touched by how the Lord worked through me and everyone else. All the words I felt God was giving me resonated in some way. My partner and I even got the same words as someone else had written down. I think it's really cool how the Lord can give us words in different ways."*

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, April 14— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerry Klein
Reader Linda Epkey

Wednesday, April 15—6:00 PM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader Craig Arens
Servers Annie Koenigsknecht, Charlotte Jandernoa

Thursday, April 16—8:15 AM

Sacristan Dean Schrauben
Reader MHT Students

Friday, April 17— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerome Pohl
Reader Jill Feldpausch

Saturday, April 18— 4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens
Reader Robert Orme
Servers Nicholas Halfman, Ronald Hufnagel, Remington & Kerrigan Schueller
ExMHC Sharon Fink, Luke Goerge, Rose Ann Feldpausch
Ushers John Pung, Joe Bodarko, Lonnie Schueller, John Hufnagel

Sunday, April 19— 8:30 AM

Sacristan Gerry Davis
Reader Vern Thelen
Servers Staci & Isacc Epkey, Donavan Wieber, Charlotte Jandernoa
ExMHC Luke Goerge, Neil & Ann Hufnagel, Vern Thelen
Ushers Bill Armbrustmacher, Tom O'Rourke, Bruce Schafer, Dean Schrauben

Sunday, April 19— 10:30 AM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader David Simon
Servers Owen & Isaiah Epkey, Davis Wieber, Ronnie Davis
ExMHC Tricia Goerge, Domik Feldpausch, Andrea Schneider
Ushers Kent Dell, Dennis Feldpausch, Duane Pung, Keith Weber

Cover Feature

Divine Mercy

Jesus appeared to Sister Faustina on February 22, 1931, and she saw Him just as He is represented in the image and He commanded her to paint His picture according to the vision. She wrote about this in her 'Diary': *"In the evening when I was in my cell, I saw Jesus clothed in a white robe. One of His hands was raised in a gesture of blessing, and with the other He was touching the robe on His chest. There were two big rays, one red and the other pale, emerging from a fold in the robe on His chest. ...After a while Jesus said to me, Make Me a picture of this image in the form that you see, with the inscription Jesus, I trust in You. I want this picture venerated first in your chapel, and in the whole world"* (Diary 47).

Church Cleaning

We are looking for volunteers who would like to freshen up the church. Any and all help is welcomed. We will begin cleaning on **April 24th at 9:15am**. Please bring a rag and a bucket. Thank you!

Music Ministry

If your 3rd-8th grade child is signed up to sing for the 1st Communion Mass on Sunday, April 26th, the two scheduled practices for this Mass are coming up! **The first practice is this Tuesday, April 14th 3:00-4:00pm in the choir loft.**

The Popcorn Choir will sing next on Sunday 4/19 at 10:30am Mass. Please join us in the choir loft at 9:45am for practice prior to Mass!

Please attend the MHT Middle School Encounter today at 1:00pm! In addition to participating in prayer teams, the middle schoolers will be singing for this event.

Online Giving

Wondering how to give online to MHT? Visit MHT's homepage at www.mhtparish.com. Scroll toward the bottom of the page and under "Parish Information", click on the "Online Giving" icon. You will then be directed to a webpage allowing you to set up your contribution - including the amount and frequency. Contact Trina Pline (Bookkeeper) at the parish office if you have any questions.

In addition, if you would like to receive contribution envelopes and are not, it's a simple call to the parish office and we can get you signed up to regularly receive contribution envelopes in the mail.

Position Opening

Cemetery Sexton We are seeking applications for a part-time sexton (12hrs/week). Responsibilities include coordinating burials with the parish office and the grave digger, locating and marking foundations and graves, maintaining all cemetery equipment, keeping the cemetery stocked with necessary materials and resources, coordinating with mowing crews, and general upkeep of the cemetery grounds.

If you feel the Lord may be calling you to this position, an application and detailed job description can be picked up at the parish office.



K-12 Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation will be held this Monday, April 13 from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm. Our last time meeting for this school year will take place Monday, April 20th.

Elementary/Middle School Faith Formation continues through May.

First Holy Communion will take place Sunday, April 26 at the 10:30 am Mass. Please keep our 2nd graders in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this special day.



DSA

Thank you for those who have already donated, we have reached **75% of our goal!** Your generous DSA contribution will support dozens of ministries that help people both spiritually and physically – bringing hope, comfort, and salvation to so many in our diocese.



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

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!



Pewamo Parish Picnic

Please Save the Date for St. Joseph Pewamo Parish Picnic Sunday, June 7th! A Parade at 11:30 am will kick off the event followed by games, great food, and more!

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 13

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

Tuesday, April 14

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

Wednesday, April 15

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

Friday, April 17

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration
8:45am Confessions

Friday, April 18

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration
3:00pm Confessions

Garage Sales

Fowler Area Garage Sales Sign up. Anyone interested in participating in the Fowler garage sales April 30th -May 2nd, please sign up via the Google sign up link, or email below, so we can add you to our list for the printed maps. Last day to register is Friday April 17th.

Google Sign up link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e>

Or Email—KrysK13@gmail.com. Please include your name and address.

Peace and Blessings,
Krysta
koenigsnecht



Our Parish Stewardship

God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity

Apr. 5 Collection\$19,316.25

Children's Collection.....\$51.00

Online Giving.....\$4,589.71

Total Collection\$23,956.96

FY26 Weekly Amount

Needed\$16,826.92

Cumulative Difference for Fiscal

Year 2025:\$68,156.14

Special Collections

Capital Improvements ... \$25.00

Cemetery Care \$591.00

Easter Flowers..... \$65.00

ETF \$60.00

Holy Land \$1,552.00

March Finance Report

All Sources.....\$87,081.36

Year to Date\$718,474.17

FY 25 Budget.....\$875,000.00

Percentage Collected Through March..... 79%



Catholic Charities 5 K

Catholic Charities IEC's 14th annual Run For Giving 5K race is scheduled for **April 25th at 9AM** at Brenke Fish Ladder. The annual Run for Giving supports the CCIEC Direct Assistance services to provide food, personal care items, and clothing for friends in need.

Sign up to run, walk, or sponsor.

Information is on the website CatholicCharitiesIEC.org or call Catholic Charities IEC to find our more information. 517-323-4734.

Saturday, April 25th, 9AM

Catholic Charities IEC's
RUN FOR GIVING



14th Annual • 2026
Providing Help • Creating Hope

Brenke Fish Ladder
Lansing River Trail
216 E. Grand River Ave.
Lansing, MI 48906

To register, scan here or visit:
runsignup.com/cciecrunforgiving5k

REGISTRATION
PRICING

\$25
until March 20th
\$30
from March 21st
to April 19th
\$35
one week
before the event



Sponsor of the Week:

T.H Miller Excavating, Inc.

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.

Position Opening

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish & St. John Student Center in East Lansing is seeking a full-time **Development Administrator**. This is a non-exempt position reporting to the Business Manager.

Candidates must have a love for Jesus, a desire to connect Catholic college alumni with the student parish/student center, and excellent organizational, communication and technology skills. Candidates also must be a practicing Catholic and active in a parish. Interested individuals may submit a cover letter, resume, and references online via the diocesan website or via email to spettit@elcatholics.org. Resumes will be accepted until the right candidate is selected.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

- Process and record all donations to the Parish, Parish School, and Student Center into the database.
- Reconcile monthly transactions with Parish Accountant/Director of Finance to ensure accuracy.
- Generate donor acknowledgement letters for monetary and in-kind donations within a timely manner.
- Review donation and constituent information on a regular basis to ensure accuracy and identify new, at-risk, and major donors.
- Work with the Business Manager to implement a plan for individual gifts, campaigns, and offertory giving.
- Prepare reports as needed for the Business Manager, Pastor, other staff, and Parish Finance Council.

Qualifications: Minimum of Associate Degree required. Bachelor's degree in a related field preferred. 2-3 years of administrative experience, especially with database management. Experience with CRM databases, highly desirable. Candidates must be highly organized and able to work with multiple deadlines. Must have good communication skills. Experience with Microsoft Word, Excel and Google Suite.



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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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