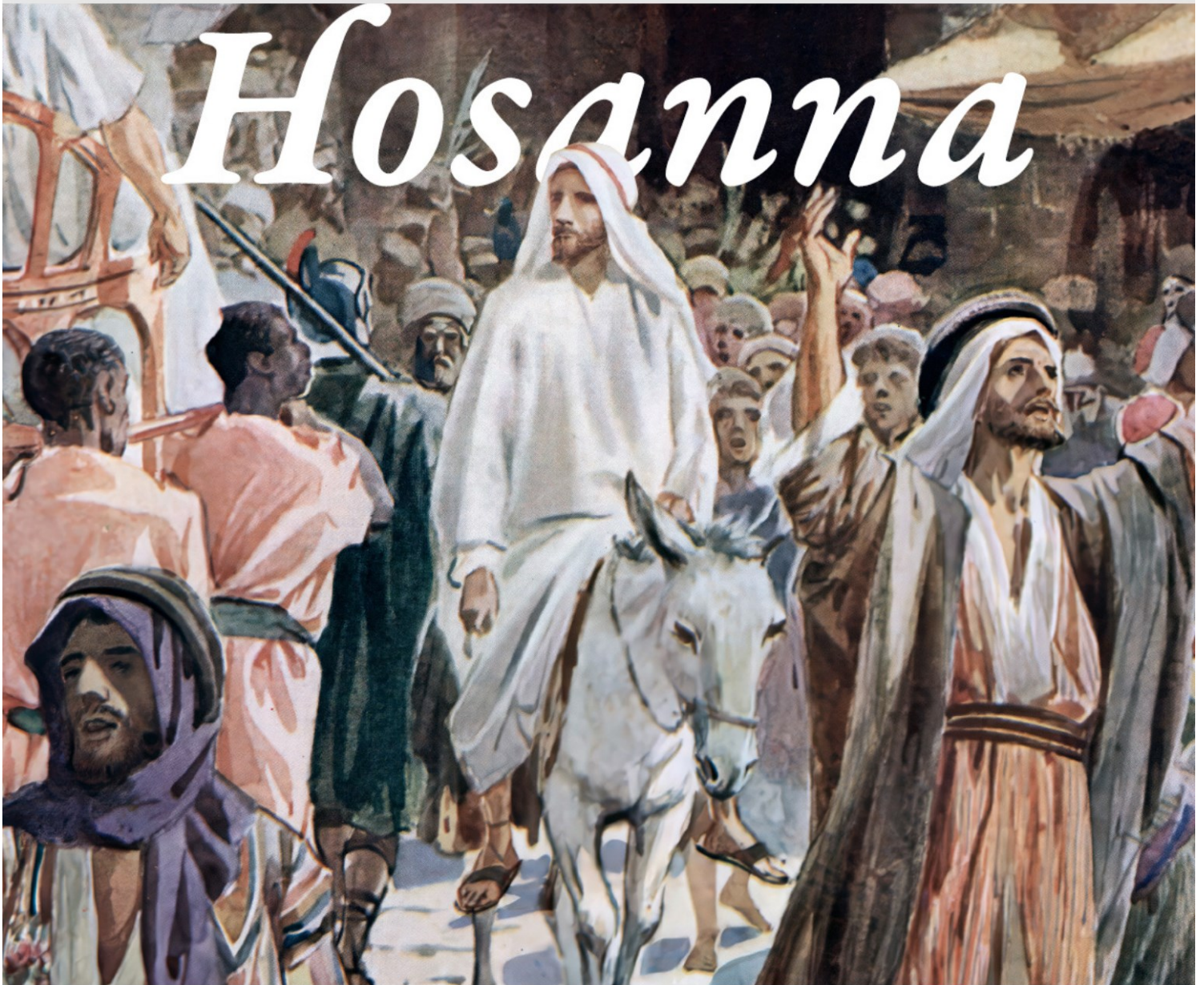


MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

# PALM SUNDAY



# *Hosanna*

**“BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES  
IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. PEACE IN  
HEAVEN AND GLORY IN THE HIGHEST”**

**LUKE 19:38**



## From the Pastor's Desk

### Holy Week Schedule

Please take note of the Holy Week liturgy schedule. If you have never experienced the liturgies of the Sacred Triduum ("three days") before, I highly encourage you to attend the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at 7pm, with "the nightwatch" (adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Youth Center) until 11pm. On Friday, we will have Stations of the Cross at noon, and the solemn liturgy on Good Friday of the Lord's Passion at 3pm. Good Friday is the only day in the year when throughout the whole world, no Mass is ever said. Also, as a reminder, there are no confessions on Good Friday or Holy Saturday (there will be one more chance for confession *this Monday at St. Marys in Westphalia at 6:30pm*). Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat, in honor of the sacred flesh of the Lord that was bruised for our iniquities. The parish office will be closed on Good Friday. The Triduum concludes with the Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter on Holy Saturday at 8:30pm, at which time the Alleluia returns and our Easter celebrations of the Resurrection of the Lord finally begin!

# Holy Week

## Palm Sunday

4/12 4:30pm - Mass  
4/13 8:30am & 10:30 am - Mass

## Holy Thursday

4/17 7:00 pm - Mass

## Good Friday

4/18 12:00pm - Stations of the Cross  
3:00pm - Solemn Liturgy

## Holy Saturday

4/19 8:30pm - Vigil Mass

## Easter Sunday

4/20 8:30am - Mass  
10:30am - Mass

Parish Office Closed  
Good Friday &  
Easter Monday

### Jubilee Year of Hope

As we consider the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection this week, it is fitting to recall that this is also a special "Jubilee Year" in the Church, as proclaimed by Pope Francis. The theme of this year is the virtue of hope, which is "the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit." Above all, we hope in the Lord's promise of the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Accordingly, we have the opportunity to receive a "plenary indulgence" during this jubilee. I encourage you to read Bishop Boyea's column in the April edition of FAITH Magazine (which all of our registered parishioners should be receiving as a free gift from the parish) to learn more about this opportunity.

You can also read the column online here: [faithmag.com/year-mercy-what-plenary-indulgence](http://faithmag.com/year-mercy-what-plenary-indulgence)

God bless you, Fr John

## Make Time for God This Lent

### *Pierced by God's Love*

**Prayer consideration:** *To pray well...the heart must be pierced by the love of God, wounded by thirst for the Beloved. (pg82)* This wound produced by love may take many different forms at different times.

**Prayer challenge:** This week, as we meditate on His ultimate act of love for us, ask the Lord for the grace of a deeper desire to love Him.

**Quote:** "What he does is done always with the aim of wounding us more deeply with his love." Fr. Jacques Philippe

# 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:

Tuesday, April 15	Mass @ 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 16	Stations of the Cross @ 9:15 a.m.
Friday, April 18	No School/Good Friday
Monday, April 21	No School/Easter Monday (MHT students)
Tuesday, April 22	Study Session 3:00 - 4:00
Thursday, April 25	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.

**Study Sessions:** Starting the week of April 14, 2025, study sessions will only be offered once a week on Tuesdays.

**Stations of the Cross:** MHT School 7th & 8th graders will be showcasing a Living Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, April 16, at 9:15 a.m. in the Church. All are welcome to attend.

**Easter Monday:** There is no school for MHT School students on Monday, April 21.

*Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the LIGHT of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in the darkness, because you will have the light that leads to LIFE."  
~John 8:12*

Principal, Anne Hufnagel

## Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the nice cards and gifts I received on my 85<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was all very much appreciated. Once again, thanks to all of you. Doris Goerge

## Ministry Schedule

### Tuesday, April 15— 8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Gary J Weber  
**Reader** MHT Students

### Wednesday, April 16—6:00 PM

**Sacristan** Luke Goerge  
**Reader** Luke Goerge  
**Servers** Kennedy Weber, Hannah Halfman

### Thursday, April 17—7:00 PM

**Sacristan** Luke Goerge  
**Reader** Luke Goerge  
**Servers** Tyson & Jayda Feldpausch, Ronnie Davis, **Volunteer**  
**ExMHC** Susie Koenigsknecht, Vern Thelen, Angela Reed, Andrea Schneider, Cathy Rowell

### Friday, April 18— 3:00 PM

**Sacristan** Paul Horak  
**Reader** Craig Arens, Susie Koenigsknecht  
**Servers** Bethany Hufnagel, Liam Simon, Ronnie Davis, **Volunteer**  
**ExMHC** Susie & Patty Koenigsknecht, Dan Feldpausch  
**Ushers** Kent Dell, Dean Schrauben, **2 Volunteers**

### Saturday, April 19— 8:30 PM

**Sacristan** Craig Arens  
**Reader** Krysta Koenigsknecht, Vern Thelen, Susan Koenigsknecht  
**Servers** Bethany Hufnagel, Liam Simon, **2 Volunteers**  
**ExMHC** Bonnie & Vern Thelen, Deanna Pung, Patty Koenigsknecht, Jean Koenigsknecht  
**Ushers** Kent Dell, **3 Volunteers**

### Sunday, April 20— 8:30 AM

**Sacristan** Paul Horak  
**Reader** Joy Stump  
**Servers** Hannah Halfman, Donovan Wieber, Logan & Andrew Platte  
**ExMHC** Jane Sisung, Tom O'Rourke, Dean Schrauben, Rosie Feldpausch, Vickie Wieber  
**Ushers** Robin, Kevin, Ryan, & Tim Koenigsknecht

### Sunday, April 20— 10:30 AM

**Sacristan** Luke Goerge  
**Reader** Gerry Davis  
**Servers** Annie Koenigsknecht, Isaiah & Owen Epkey, Novi Simon  
**ExMHC** Cindy Halfman, Jennifer Koenigsknecht, McKenzie & Ron Feldpausch, Dan Feldpausch  
**Ushers** Kent Dell, **3 volunteers**

## Mass Schedule

**Tuesday, April 15**

**8:15 AM** † Therese Thelen

**Wednesday April 16**

**6:00 PM** † Herb Thelen

**Thursday, April 17**

**7:00 PM** † Martin & Laurine Edinger,  
including living and  
deceased family members

**Friday, April 18**

**3:00 PM** Liturgy of Good Friday

**Saturday, April 19**

**8:30PM** People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 20**

**8:30 AM** † Tootie Weber, including  
living and deceased family  
members

**10:30 AM** Dan & Tricia Feldpausch,  
35th Wedding Anniversary

## Sanctuary Candle Intention



In loving memory of Lester & Laura Shepard

## Newly Baptized

**Bennett James Platte**

Son of Grant & Melanie Platte

*We welcome Bennett to our parish family!*

## Position Opening

### ***Middle School Teacher - Most Holy Trinity School***

Most Holy Trinity School in Fowler, MI, is looking for a middle school teacher, to start in the fall of 2025. The position is flexible and could be either full-time or part-time, depending on the needs of the applicant. Applicants who hold either an elementary or secondary teaching certificate from the State of Michigan are preferred.

We are looking for applicants who are highly qualified in mathematics as this position will be responsible for teaching 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics as well as two other classes, depending upon the applicant's qualifications and the school's scheduling needs. The successful candidate must be dynamic, energetic, and willing to work collaboratively in a team environment. Applicants should be practicing Catholics who are enthusiastic about incorporating the Catholic faith into their teaching.

The ideal applicant will be a teacher who has a genuine passion for teaching in a Catholic school, a commitment to joyful collegiality, an ability to communicate effectively with parents, and a strong foundation in subject matter awareness.

Interested candidates can submit resumes via email to **principal@mhtparish.com** by Friday, April 18, 2025.

Anne Hufnagel

## Music Ministry

Children in grades 3-8 who are signed up to sing 1st Communion Mass, our practices begin soon! Here is the schedule schedule:

Tuesday, April 15th 3-4pm

Tuesday, April 22nd 3-4pm

Mass on Sunday, April 27th at 10:30am --> please have children arrive by 10am.

If your child did not sign up, but would like to sing, please contact Kate at [KateD@mhtparish.com](mailto:KateD@mhtparish.com)

## Decorating the Church

Preparing the church for the Easter season will take place on Holy Saturday morning, April 19, beginning at 8:30 a.m. A listing of preparations is posted on the pro-life bulletin board in the vestibule of the church. As always, it is a delight to have so many parishioners volunteer their time and talent. Thank you for giving all for the greater honor and glory of God!

# K-12 Faith Formation

**High School Faith Formation** will be held this Monday, April 14 from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm. Remaining sessions: April 14, 28. No Faith Formation Monday, April 21 - Easter Monday.

**Steubenville Sponsorship**—We look forward to providing the current eighth grade and high school students with the opportunity to attend the annual Steubenville Youth Conference in Ohio June 27-29, 2025. This year’s theme “Consumed” will focus on allowing Christ to win over our hearts. From the grace of the Sacraments, worship, top-notch presenters and fellowship of the conference, many youth have been inspired to embrace a life of holiness.; living for the Lord, living for heaven.

Thanks to God’s grace, your prayers, dedicated support and generosity, this conference has been made possible. We invite you to support our youth once again this year. Envelopes marked “Steubenville Sponsorship Form” are available in the pews to sponsor an individual student or to make a general group donation. Sponsorship forms can be dropped off/mailed to the parish office. Make checks payable to Most Holy Trinity and put “Steubenville” on the memo line.

Your donation makes a big difference. Thank you for your help and connecting our youth to the love of Jesus; inspiring them to share His love with others. Please keep our youth in your prayers and be assured of our prayers for you.

**First Holy Communion** will take place Sunday, April 27th at the 10:30 am Mass.

Aaron Epkey

## DSA 2025

We have nearly hit our goal for the Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA)! Our parish goal is **\$76,624** and we’ve reached **\$75,278, 98% of our goal!**

Thank you so much for your generosity!



## Please Pray

### *For Our Friends and Relatives*

A Special Intention  
Michael Bozung  
Davison Curtin  
Bethany Fedewa  
Bob Halfmann  
Mike Heeg  
Therese Heeg  
Fr. Bill Koenigs knecht  
Greg Koenigs knecht  
Arlene McCausey  
Mary McCausey  
Gabrielle (Olney) Meece  
Stan Pohl  
Julie Wieber Schafer  
Hilary Schmitt  
Denny Smith  
Dennis Spitzley  
Janice Spitzley  
Janet Thelen  
Marie Thelen  
Hunter Walter  
Elaine Weber  
Gary A. Weber

### *Recently Deceased*

Elaine Kramer

### *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.

## Congratulations 2025 Confirmands!



## Weekly Schedule

### Monday, April 14

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

### Tuesday, April 15

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

### Wednesday, April 16

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

### Thursday, April 17

8:30-11pm Nightwatch in the Youth Center

### Friday, April 18

12:00pm Stations of the Cross

## Our Parish Stewardship

*God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity*

**Apr. 6 Collection.....**\$15,917.00

Children's Collection.....\$36.00

Online Giving.....\$4,477.92

Total Collection.....\$20,430.92

Wkly Amt. Needed ..\$15,865.38

Cumulative Difference for the fiscal year: .....\$56,869.36

### **Special Collections**

Cemetery Care ..... \$390.00

Easter Flowers ..... \$310.00

ETF ..... \$35.00

Maintenance Fund..... \$35.00

Newspapers ..... \$5.00

## March Finance Report

**All Sources.....**\$87,771.53

**Year to Date .....**\$671,392.37

**FY 25 Budget.....**\$825,000.00

**Percentage Collected Through March.....**81.38%

## Upcoming Events

**4/27** First Holy Communion at 10:30am Mass

**5/4** May Crowning at 10:30am Mass

**5/17** Luke Goerge Ordination to the Diaconate - 10:30am at St. Thomas Aquinas, E. Lansing

**5/18** Baccalaureate Mass at 8:30am, followed by reception

**5/18** Deacon Luke Goerge Mass of Thanksgiving at 10:30am, followed by reception

**6/8** (Pentecost) Fr. Leon Martin 50th Anniversary Mass at 10:30am

**6/10-6/11** Parish 40 Hour Devotion

**6/14** Priesthood Ordination - 10:30am at St. Thomas Aquinas, E. Lansing

**6/14** Fr. Josh Luttig Mass of Thanksgiving at 4:30pm

**6/15** Fr. Randy Koenigsknecht Mass of Thanksgiving at 11:30am

**6/15** Parish-wide buffet luncheon and open house in honor of Fr. Josh and Fr. Randy (1-4pm)

**6/16-6/20** "Totus Tuus" Vacation Bible School

**6/21** Diocese-wide Eucharistic Procession in Lansing



# Sponsor of the Week:

## **Clover Carpet Cleaning**

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.



## Pray For Vocations



**Jacob Derry**  
*St. John the Evangelist, Fenton*



**Sr. Francis De Sales Czeiszperger**  
*Dominican Sisters of Mary,  
Mother of the Eucharist*

“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.”

## Catholic Order of Foresters

Catholic Order of Foresters family fun day/night for all ages. Saturday April 19th at 3:30pm, E-Lanes in Fowler. Bumper bowling for kids, adult bowling, trivia, pizza & refreshments, and prizes. Any questions, please contact John 989-593-3373, Tami R. 989-295-0442 or email [johncr1@live.com](mailto:johncr1@live.com).



## Cemetery Clean Up

With nice weather approaching, it's time to remove Christmas decorations, grave blankets, wreaths, and any other items from the cemetery in preparation for spring clean up. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in doing this. Thank you!

The Cemetery Committee

## K of C Egg Hunt

The annual K of C Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 11am on Saturday, April 19th at Waldron Elementary. Children ages 0-10 are welcome to



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### Office Hours

Monday 9:00 am—6:00 pm  
Tuesday —Friday 9:00am-3:00pm  
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