

# They received the Holy Spirit

Acts 8:17



Lisbeth Camacho - Cabrera  
Anthony Lee Epkey  
Quinten Joseph Esch  
Olivia Catherine Feldpausch  
Sophia Ann Feldpausch  
Isabella Maria Halfmann  
Alison Ann Hufnagel  
Jesse Daniel Hufnagel  
Carson Lee Hyland  
Noelle Corinne Krepps  
Karstyn Lynne Lackscheide  
Kerigan Claire Pung  
Payton Caroline Rademacher  
Joseph Jerome Schafer  
Nadia Mae Schafer  
Jamison Joseph Schueller  
Noelle Marie Simon  
Addison Ann Thelen  
Carter Jerome Thelen  
Isaac Joseph Thelen  
Drew Steven Weber

## 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

## From the Pastor's Desk

### Confirmation

Please keep in your prayers our 21 young people, listed on the cover, who will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this afternoon (Sunday) at St. Mary Cathedral. I am so grateful to Aaron Epkey, our Director of Faith Formation, and the many catechists who assist him in our high school faith formation program for preparing our students for this special outpouring of and sealing with the Holy Spirit!

### Penance Service

Don't forget our parish Penance Service is **Monday, April 7, at 6:30pm**. Confessions will begin immediately at 6:30, and we plan to have 7 confessors available. If you can't make it this Monday, there will be two other opportunities in the next week: on **Thursday, April 10 at 6pm at St. Joseph's in St. Johns** in the church, as well as at **St. Mary's in Westphalia on Monday, April 14 at 6:30pm**, starting in their church or gymnasium. Please don't wait until just before Easter to receive the Sacrament of Penance as the lines are sure to be long. As a reminder, there are no confessions scheduled on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

### Holy Week Schedule

Please take note of the Holy Week liturgy schedule found on page 7 of this bulletin. As of this writing, we are still in need of many liturgical ministers for the Triduum and Easter, so please sign up on MSP if you can help.

### Looking Ahead

Please also take note of the many exciting events we have coming up in the parish this spring, as listed on page 6 of this bulletin. Also, I am pleased to announce that soon-to-be-Fathers Josh Luttig and Randy Koenigsknecht will be assigned as parochial vicars (assistant pastors) to St. Andrew in Saline, and St. John in Jackson, respectively, for their first priestly assignments! I am also looking forward to having soon-to-be-Deacon Luke Goerge assigned to serve our parish. Please keep these men in your prayers.

God bless you,  
Fr John



## Make Time for God This Lent

### Loving Communion

**Prayer consideration:** *"We can only possess everything by giving everything."* (pg35) Is there anything you are withholding from God?

**Prayer challenge:** Ask the Lord in prayer this week if there is any part of my life that I have not offered to Him like pride or self-reliance that keeps me separated from a loving union with Him. Consider bringing this or any other self-attachment to the Sacrament of Reconciliation at our Penance Service this week.

**Quote:** "To love is to give everything and to give oneself." St. Therese of Lisieux

# 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, April 7	School Resumes
Monday, April 7	Parish Penance Service 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 8	Study Session 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 9	7th Grade Retreat @ Lansing Catholic HS
Thursday, April 10	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.
Thursday, April 10	6th Grade Vocations' Day @ Lansing Catholic HS
Thursday, April 10	Study Session 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday, April 11	Lansing Catholic Art Lesson (1 - 4)
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)

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

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

*Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin. All hope consists in confession. In confession there is a chance for mercy. Believe it firmly, do not doubt, do not hesitate, never despair of the mercy of God. ~ St. Isidore of Seville*

Principal, Anne Hufnagel



**Mark your calendars!**

Celebrating our roots with German food, fun, & traditions

## Ministry Schedule

### Tuesday, April 8— 8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Jerry Klein  
**Reader** Rosie Feldpausch

### Wednesday, April 9—6:00 PM

**Sacristan** Luke Goerge  
**Reader** Luke Goerge  
**Servers** Chevy & Hope Phillips

### Thursday, April 10—8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Jerry Klein  
**Reader** MHT Students

### Friday, April 11— 8:15 AM

**Sacristan** Jerome Pohl  
**Reader** Sandy Pillard

### Saturday, April 12— 4:30 PM

**Sacristan** Craig Arens  
**Reader** Krysta Koenigsknecht, Dale Feldpausch  
**Servers** Donnivon, Remington, Jamison, & Kerrigan Schueller  
**ExMHC** Rose Ann Feldpausch, Jean Koenigsknecht, Dale Feldpausch  
**Ushers** Joe Bodarko, John Hufnagel, Kurt Koenigsknecht, Lonnie Schueller

### Sunday, April 13— 8:30 AM

**Sacristan** Paul Horak  
**Reader** Lyle Simon, Sandy Pillard  
**Servers** Drew, Kerigan, & Kelcie Pung, Joseph Epkey  
**ExMHC** Rosie Feldpausch, Vern & Bonnie Thelen  
**Ushers** Neil & Ralph Feldpausch, Randy Wirth, Gerry Schomisch

### Sunday, April 13— 10:30 AM

**Sacristan** Luke Goerge  
**Reader** Dan Spitzley, Luke Goerge  
**Servers** John, Sophia, Thomas, & Augustine Spitzley  
**ExMHC** Tricia Goerge, Ron Feldpausch, Tonya McCarty  
**Ushers** Stan Weber, Kent Dell, Keith Weber, **1 Volunteer**



## Mass Schedule

### Tuesday, April 8

**8:15 AM** † Aimee Antes, including living and deceased family members

### Wednesday April 9

**6:00 PM** † Deanna Piggott, including living and deceased family members

### Thursday, April 10

**8:15 AM** † Jim Farley

### Friday, April 11

**8:15 AM** † William & Matilda Hufnagel, including living and deceased family members

### Saturday, April 12

**4:30PM** † Charles Miller, including living and deceased family members

### Sunday, April 13

**8:30 AM** † Mary Heeg including Doug, and living and deceased family members

**10:30 AM** People of the Parish

## Sanctuary Candle Intention



In loving memory of Mike Shepard

## DSA 2025

This Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) is underway! Our parish goal is **\$76,624** and we have reached **\$74,623** putting us at **97% of our goal!** Thank you so much for your generosity!

## 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

## 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 participate.

## Thank You

I would like to say "Thank You" to my classmates, friends, and family for all the "Get Well" cards I received after my appendix surgery.

Ronald Hufnagel

## 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).

# K-12 Faith Formation

**High School Faith Formation** will resume from spring break this week Monday, April 7 from 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm. Remaining sessions for this school year: 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.

Aaron Epkey

## 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!



## 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  
Elaine Kramer  
Arlene 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** Sr. Pauline Schafer

### **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.

INTERCESSORY

*Adoration*  
To Jesus, With Jesus,  
*In Jesus*



### **April Intercessory Adoration Petitions**

- For an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our Confirmation students.
- For our 2nd graders as they prepare for their 1st Holy Communion.
- For good candidates to apply for the middle school teaching position.
- For those entering the Church this Easter.

## Weekly Schedule

### Monday, April 7

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

### Tuesday, April 8

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

### Wednesday, April 9

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

### Friday, April 11

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00am High School Bible Study  
8:45am Confessions  
6:30pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, April 12

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration  
3:00pm Confessions

## Our Parish Stewardship

*God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity*

### Mar. 30 Collection..\$10,018.25

Children's Collection.....\$35.00

Online Giving.. .....\$1,858.04

Total Collection.....\$11,911.29

Wkly Amt. Needed ..\$15,865.38

Cumulative Difference for the fiscal year: .....\$52,318.82

### *Special Collections*

Capital Improvements ... \$60.00

Cemetery Care ..... \$30.00

Easter Flowers ..... \$720.00

ETF ..... \$265.00

Maintenance Fund..... \$160.00

Newspapers ..... \$40.00

School Support ..... \$10.00

## 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

## 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 K13 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:

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## Pray For Vocations



**Ryan Ferrigan**  
St. Martha, Okemos



**Sr. Talia Tetmeyer, Postulant**  
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.”



### 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

**By Grace**  
you have been saved  
- EPHESIANS 2:5

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are in need of volunteers for Masses during Holy Week, please sign up using Ministry Scheduler Pro.

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### Office Hours

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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