

MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



POPE FRANCIS

December 17, 1936 - April 21, 2025

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, May 6

8:15 AM †Roy Feldpausch, including Celeste

Wednesday, May 7

6:00 PM † Ann Edinger, including the living and deceased members of the Pohl & Edinger families

Thursday, May 8

8:15 AM † Marvin Simon, including Don

Friday, May 9

8:15 AM † Leon & Marie Armbrustmacher, including living and deceased family members

Saturday, May 10

4:30PM Steve & Ann Schafer, on their 50th wedding anniversary

Sunday, May 11

8:30 AM People of the parish

10:30 AM †Margaret & Gerald Halfman, including living and deceased family members

Newly Baptized

Shepherd Feldpausch

Son of Jared & Joyce Feldpausch

Delaney Simon

Daughter of Ryan & Jean Simon

We welcome Shepherd & Delaney to our parish family!

From the Pastor's Desk

First Wednesday Adoration & Papal Conclave

This Wednesday, May 7, is our 1st Wednesday all-day adoration from 6am-6pm. It is providential that we will be having adoration at this time, as this is also the first day that the Cardinals will meet in conclave to elect the next pope. Please stop by the church anytime and ask the Lord to send us the saintly new Holy Father that we need to lead His Church!

Teacher Appreciation

This week is national teacher appreciation week, and so it is a good time to recognize our dedicated, faithful, and skilled school teachers! It is both a sacrifice and a privilege to teach in a Catholic school, and I thank God that our teachers said "yes" to His call to help form our children at MHT school. This is also a good reminder for all of us to continue praying for the Lord to send us a new middle school math teacher.

Mother's Day Carnations

Next Sunday, Mother's Day, Right to Life of Clinton County will have carnations available after Masses for a free-will offering. How appropriate it is that Right to Life is helping us to honor and thank the women who helped God to give us life!

Totus Tuus

Last Sunday, I made an announcement after masses about the Totus Tuus youth program coming to our parish **June 15-20**. "Totus Tuus" is a Latin phrase meaning "totally yours," and was a favorite motto of St. John Paul II, voicing his special consecration to the Blessed Mother. I helped lead the Totus Tuus program in another diocese when I was in the seminary, and I am very pleased that we now have it in the Diocese of Lansing. What makes this program unique in comparison to a typical vacation Bible school is that it is led by young adults (2 men and 2 women) who are on-fire for their faith, and who travel the diocese all summer putting on this program in different parishes for youth in grades 1-12. It is solidly Catholic in its content (based on the Catechism), incorporates daily Mass for the daytime program (grades 1-6), and is a lot of fun for the children! The evening program for middle and high school students is more relational in style and also includes adoration and confession. I highly encourage you to sign up your children for Totus Tuus today!

Easter Thanks

My sincere gratitude to those who dropped off goodies and cards at the rectory for Easter! I am also very grateful for your continued prayers and support as a very busy Lent has now moved into an equally-busy Easter season!

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:

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| Tuesday, May 6 | Study Session 3:00 - 4:00 |
| Tuesday, May 6 | Education Commission Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. |
| Thursday, May 8 | Mass @ 8:15 a.m. |
| Tuesday, May 13 | Study Session 3:00 - 4:00 |
| Thursday, May 15 | Mass @ 8:15 a.m. |
| Monday, May 19 | Middle School Field Trip |
| Tuesday, May 20 | Study Session 3:00 - 4:00 |
| Thursday, May 22 | Mass @ 8:15 a.m. |
| Friday, May 23 | 11:30 Dismissal |
| Monday, May 26 | No School/Memorial Day |

Education Commission Meeting: The last Education Commission meeting for the 2024/25 school year is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are open to the public. If you would like to speak at the meeting, please call the school office to get on the agenda.

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His faithful love endures forever. ~ Psalm 118:1

Principal, Anne Hufnagel

Christian Mothers Scholarship and Baccalaureate Reception

The Christian Mothers and Women's Association is honored to provide two graduating seniors of Most Holy Trinity Parish a \$250.00 scholarship to be used toward furthering their education after graduation. Graduating seniors must use the QR code to access and complete the application. The deadline for submissions is May, 13th.



Sunday, May 18th at the 8:30am Mass will be the Baccalaureate Mass. All graduating seniors and their families are invited to a coffee and donut reception put on by the Christian Mothers and Women's Association in the Activity Center following Mass.

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, May 6— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerry Klein
Reader Rosie Feldpausch

Wednesday, May 7—6:00 PM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader Luke Goerge
Servers Kennedy Weber

Thursday, May 8—8:15 AM

Sacristan Dean Schrauben
Reader MHT Students

Friday, May 9— 8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerome Pohl
Reader Deanna Pung

Saturday, May 10— 4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens
Reader James Bozung
Servers Ronald & Bethany Hufnagel, Hannah Halfman, Quinn Wieber
ExMHC Deanna Pung, Sharon Fink, **1 volunteer**
Ushers Gerry Arens, Lonnie Schueller, Joe Bodarko, **1 volunteer**

Sunday, May 11— 8:30 AM

Sacristan Paul Horak
Reader Clare Koenigsknecht
Servers Ella Hufnagel, Nolan Simon, Nicholas Smith, Charlotte Jandernoa
ExMHC Neil Hufnagel, Ann Hufnagel, **1 volunteer**
Ushers Robin, Kevin, Ryan, & Tim Koenigsknecht

Sunday, May 11— 10:30 AM

Sacristan Luke Goerge
Reader Paul Fahey
Servers Andrew & Logan Platte, Isaiah & Owen Epkey
ExMHC Cindy Halfman, Tonya McCarty, Ron Feldpausch
Ushers Duane Pung, Dale Koenigsknecht, Dennis Feldpausch, **1 volunteer**

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 5

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

Tuesday, May 6

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

Wednesday, May 7

6:00am Intercessory Adoration Begins
5:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Holy Hour for Vocations
6:00pm Intercessory Adoration Ends

Friday, May 9

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration
8:45am Confessions

Saturday, May 10

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration
3:00pm Confessions

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 5th – 8th 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 the following email address below. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Anne Hufnagel - principal@mhtparish.com

Sanctuary Candle Intention



In loving memory of Mike and Anne Sullivan



Luke Goerge

*Ordination
to Diaconate*

May 17th

10:30am @ St. Thomas
Aquinas in E. Lansing

May 18th

Mass of Thanksgiving
10:30am @ MHT
Reception to follow

Diaconate Reception

For Luke Goerge

The Christian Mothers and Women's Association will be hosting a reception to celebrate the diaconate ordination of Luke Goerge on Sunday, May 18th after the 10:30 Mass.

We are in need of volunteers to either work the event or donate items toward the meal. If you are able, please consider signing up using this QR Code.



K-12 Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation: Monday, April 28 was our last Monday night faith formation until September. A big thank to our parents and youth for participating and making a weekly commitment to knowing, loving and serving our Lord. I extend a heartfelt thanks to Mary Beth Armbrustmacher, Brenda Epkey, Scott Simon, Savannah Martin, Jordyn Watts, Madelyn Thelen, Ethan Young and Buddy Poljan for their incredible dedication as group leaders in passing on the faith to our youth. When you see them, be sure to say thank you. We look forward to the many new exciting events planned and your participation again in the fall.

Elementary/Middle School Faith Formation continues through the third week of May.

Totus Tuus - June 15 - 20: Registration is now open. Visit the parish website at mhtparish.com. TOTUS TUUS (Latin for "Totally Yours") is a week-long Catholic youth program held at the parish **June 15 - 20** for grades 1st - 12th (similar to vacation bible school). This faith-filled week is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through the Sacraments, Eucharistic Adoration, prayers, music and fun! Events like this are a beautiful reminder of the joy that comes from gathering together in faith and fellowship. The schedule for grades 1st - 6th is Monday - Friday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and grades 7th - 12th is Sunday - Thursday from 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. Totus Tuus is run by four trained, college-aged missionaries who devote their summer to bringing the joy of the Catholic faith to youth in parishes across our diocese. The goal of TOTUS TUUS is to help young people grow in their faith in Jesus Christ.

Baccalaureate Mass: All graduating seniors are invited to attend the 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 18th. We ask seniors to be in the back of the church by 8:15 am to be part of the opening procession. There will be a reception with light refreshments, put on by the Christian Mothers, in the Activity Center right after the Mass.

Aaron Epkey



Please Pray

For Our Friends and Relatives

A Special Intention
Michael Bozung
Davison Curtin
Bethany Fedewa
Mike Heeg
Therese Heeg
Fr. Bill Koenigsknecht
Greg Koenigsknecht
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

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.

TOTUS TUUS

Totally Yours

Join us for a fun and faith-filled week!

Learn about the Sacraments and the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord.

June 15-20

VBS Summer Schedule

Grades 1-6

Monday-Friday 9am-3pm

Grades 7-12

Sunday-Thursday 6:30pm-8:45pm



Register Now

Our Parish Stewardship

God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity

Apr. 20 Collection ..\$15,548.00
 Children's Collection ... \$149.08
 Online Giving..... \$5,127.79
 Total Collection\$20,824.87

Apr. 27 Collection \$11,885.15
 Children's Collection..... \$11.50
 Online Giving \$2,653.20
 Total Collection \$14,549.85

Wkly Amt. Needed ... \$15,865.38

Special Collections

Cemetery Care \$75.00
 ETF..... \$115.00
 Holy Land \$853.00
 Newspapers \$10.00

Cumulative Difference for the
 fiscal year: \$60,291.23

Special Collections

Cemetery Care..... \$30.00
 ETF \$260.00
 Newspapers..... \$10.00

INTERCESSORY

Adoration

To Jesus, With Jesus,
In Jesus

MAY 7TH



Steubenville Support

It is not too late to make a donation to support our youth in attending the Steubenville Youth Conference in June. Sponsorship forms are available at the entrances of the church.

In addition our youth will be selling coffee this weekend after all the Masses. Orders can also be placed until May 9 online at mhtparish.com or by picking up an order form available at all the entrances of the church. We receive a 50% return for every item sold. Checks are payable to Most Holy Trinity. If writing a check, please put "Coffee Fundraiser" in the memo line. Order forms/payments can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your support and generosity.



Funds will support our Steubenville trip

Rest in Peace, Sr. Pauline Schafer, SCC

Sr. Pauline Schafer, SCC, died on March 29, 2025, at the Convent of the Holy Spirit in Northfield, Ill. Pauline was born on Oct. 16, 1926, in Westphalia to Louis and Matilda (Schlicht) Schafer. She entered the Sisters of Christian Charity on Aug. 1, 1941 at age 14, and given the name Sister Lois. Sister pronounced her perpetual vows on Aug. 20, 1952. She earned a bachelor's in education from DePaul University, and began a teaching career that would take her to many schools in Minnesota, Missouri, and Illinois, as well as Detroit and Westphalia. In 1987, Sister was named Director of the Lay Associate Program, and continued as Director until her retirement in 2019.

Her Funeral Mass was said by Fr. Noah Thelen on April 10, 2025, at the Convent of the Holy Spirit. Sister Pauline is buried in Maria Immaculata Cemetery, in Wilmette, Illinois. She is survived by her sisters Sister Caroline Schafer, SCC, Irene Ayles, Helen Thelen, Julia Schueller, Mary (Dave) Antes.



Sponsor of the Week:

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Pray For Vocations



Rev. Mr. Joshua Luttig
Most Holy Trinity, Fowler



Sr. Maria Perpetua
Norbertine Canonesses of Bethlehem

“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.”

Music Ministry

Thank you to all of the children and youth who participated in the 1st Communion Mass Children's Choir! We had about 50 talented musicians in the choir loft between our cantors, choir and instrumentalists. We are truly blessed here at MHT!

Next up for our youth singers is the **Parish Festival Choir!** All students entering grades 2-8 for this upcoming school year are invited to sing in the Most Holy Trinity Children/Youth Choir at the MHT Parish Festival on Saturday, July 26th (likely ~6pm). This performance will also feature small group singers of youth entering grades 6 through 12. Stay tuned - more information to come!

The **Adult Choir** will continue singing 8:30am Masses through June 22nd before breaking for the summer. We would love to have you join us these last few weekends of our "choir season". Practice is on Wednesdays after 6pm Mass in the choir loft.

We are in need of **accompanists** and **cantors** for the summer weekend Masses. If you are interested in sharing your gifts during the months of July and August, please contact me via email. Schedule is flexible and based on your availability. Mass music is planned for you and provided in advance for practicing.

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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