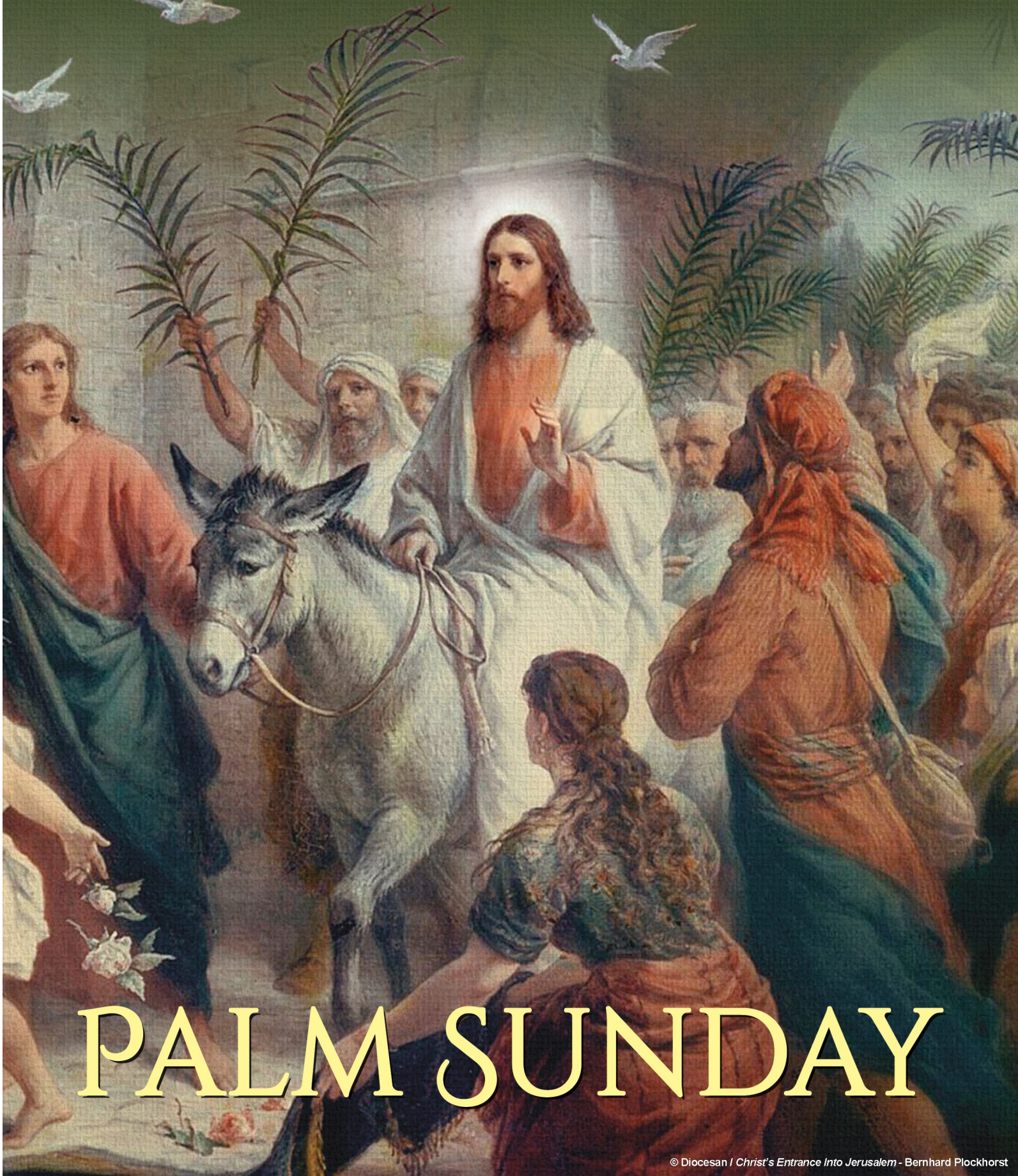


**“Blessed is He who comes in the name
of the LORD!”**

Mark 11:9



PALM SUNDAY



Mass Schedule

Tuesday, March 26

8:15am † Robert Skriba,
including living and
deceased family members

Wednesday, March 27

6:00pm † Terry Miller, including
living and deceased family
members

Thursday, March 28

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

Friday, March 29

3:00pm † Doris Wieber

Saturday, March 30

8:30pm † Jim & Tonya Platte,
including Carol and living &
deceased family members

Sunday, March 31

8:30am † Juliann Miller, including
living and deceased family
members

10:30am People of the Parish

MHT SCRIP

The next scrip order will be placed on April 3. Please have orders submitted by 9:00 a.m. If you would like to learn more about the scrip program and how you can use it to help defray the cost of a Catholic Education please visit the MHT Parish website or contact the school.

From The Pastor's Desk

Holy Week

The Season of Lent comes to an end this week on Wednesday night, and gives way to the Sacred Paschal Triduum. These are the holiest 3 days of the whole liturgical year.

Holy Thursday begins with the morning Chrism Mass at the Cathedral, where the holy oils (Oil of Catechumens, Sacred Chrism, Oil of the Sick) for the year are blessed and distributed by Bishop Boyea, and priests renew their priestly promises. We then celebrate the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, where we recall the Lord's Passover and institution of the Most Holy Eucharist.

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. We will walk the way of the Cross, and then have the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with its solemn intercessions and veneration of the Cross. This is the only day all year when Mass is not celebrated, as we distribute consecrated hosts from Mass the night before. **Please note that there are no Confessions or morning Adoration on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.**

Holy Saturday is a day of quiet preparation and anticipation for the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night. While we will not have any baptisms at the Easter Vigil this year, we will still walk through salvation history and make our Easter proclamation that has been silent these past 40 days—Alleluia! Finally, our Easter joy spills into Easter Sunday. Please join us for as many of these powerful liturgies as you can!

Protecting Young Eyes Follow up

Thank you to those who came to our protect young eyes event last Sunday. For those who were not able to attend, the presentation is available on our website. I highly encourage you to watch it. We also have the book "Equipped" available for all families located at all the entrances of the Church, as well as other resources located in the back of church on our literature rack to help families create safer digital spaces.

DSA

Thanks to all of you who have already made your pledge to the 2024 Diocesan Services Appeal! We still have quite a way to go to meet our goal. As we highlighted in the bulletin last week, the DSA helps to fund many different ministries that no parish can possibly offer on their own. No gift is too small, so please support the DSA today!

God bless you,
Fr John

Most Holy Trinity School

Connecting Faith to Life

By connecting our Catholic faith to life, we at Most Holy Trinity School seek to fulfill Christ's mandate to proclaim the Gospel, restore all things in Him, strive to lead our students to the Truth for the betterment of this world and prepare them for the age to come.

Important Dates:

March 25 - March 29	Spring Break
Monday, April 1	No School—Easter Monday
Tuesday, April 2	School Resumes
Thursday, April 4	Study Session 3:00 - 4:00
Friday, April 5	Mass @ 8:15 a.m.

MHT School Registration: Registration for the 2024/25 school year is still open. You can register your child using the following link: <https://forms.gle/7BxtFfha4Z2YCWG76> or by contacting the school office. You can also find the link on our school website. Not sure yet and want to learn more about MHT School, please contact the school office (989-593-2616) to schedule a tour or stop in and pick up an inquiry folder to learn more.

Enrollment & Staffing News: MHT School Registration remains open, but we are pleased to announce that we already have 18 incoming 1st graders registered. This will put the combined total for grades one and two up to 28 students that are currently registered. In order to ensure that we are meeting the needs of all our students, we will be adding an additional teacher. The 1st and 2nd grade class will be taught separately for at least half of the day. If more students register, we will consider separate classes for the entire school day. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school principal.

Scrip Volunteer: Due to IRS regulations our scrip program has to be managed by a volunteer not a school employee. For the last five years, we have been blessed to have Kathy Feldpausch volunteering her time in that capacity. We can't thank Kathy enough for those years of service. We are looking for a new volunteer to take over. The job involves coming into the school to place orders once a month. Once the order comes in, it needs to be sorted and dispersed. It will take approximately 2 - 3 hours per month. Training will be provided and the days and times can be flexible. If you are interested, please contact the school office (989-593-2616).

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." - John 3:16

Anne Hufnagel, Principal

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, March 26—8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerry Klein
Reader Rosie Feldpausch

Wednesday, March 27—6:00 PM

Sacristan & Reader Luke Goerge
Servers **3 VOLUNTEERS**

Thursday, March 28—7:00 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens
Reader Luke Goerge
Servers Augustine, Thomas & Sophia Spitzley & Camden Conner
ExMHC Susie K-13, Luke Goerge, Josh Luttig & Randy Koenigs knecht

Friday, March 29—Noon

Servers Joe, Andrew & Anthony Epkey

Friday, March 29—3:00 PM

Sacristan Gerry Davis
Readers Craig Arens & Susie Koenigs knecht
Servers Jayda, Tyson, Dexton & Amry F-10
ExMHC Josh Luttig, Randy K-13 & Rosie Feldpausch
Ushers Neil Feldpausch **& 3 VOLUNTEERS**

Saturday, March 30—8:30 PM

Sacristan Criag Arens
Reader Luke Goerge, Carol Piggott, Ron Feldpausch & Vern Thelen
Servers Isaac K-13, Dexton & Amry F-10
ExMHC Jean K-13, Randy K-13, Josh Luttig, Vern & Bonnie Thelen
Ushers Neil Feldpausch **& 3 VOLUNTEERS**

Sunday, March 31— 8:30 AM

Sacristan Paul Horak
Reader Denise Thelen
Servers Quinn Wieber , Anthony, Andrew & Jonathan Epkey
ExMHC Susie K-13 , Josh Luttig, Rosie F-10 & **VOLUNTEER**
Ushers Neil Feldpausch **& 3 VOLUNTEERS**

Sunday, March 31— 10:30 AM

Sacristan Gerry Davis
Reader Joy Stump
Servers Annie K-13, Brynn Loynes, Tyson & Jayda Feldpausch
ExMHC Randy K-13, Jennifer K-13, Kristin Phillips, Andrea Schneider & **VOLUNTEER**
Ushers Hilary Stump & **3 VOLUNTEERS**

Weekly Schedule

Monday, March 25

8:00am Holy Hour for an end to abortion

Tuesday, March 26

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

Wednesday, March 27

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

Thursday, March 28 Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00pm Solemn Liturgy

Saturday, March 30 Easter Vigil

8:30pm Mass

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who supported the fish dinners by working a shift and/or purchasing a meal. For each dinner, it takes about 90 people working various shifts to make it successful, so we want express our gratitude to everyone who helped! For the 1st fish fry (2/23/24), we served 204 drive through/to-go meals and 176 dine-in meals, for a total of 380 meals. For the 2nd fish fry (3/8/24), we served 176 drive through/to-go meals and 238 dine-in meals, for a total of 414 meals. Between both fish fries, we raised a total profit of \$6,749.40. The proceeds from the dinners are split between the Christian Mothers and the KofC. The leftover food was donated to The Basic Needs Center in St. Johns. The Basic Needs Center provides support for families in Clinton and Gratiot Counties. Thanks again to everyone who supported this year's fish fries! We are blessed to have a community of volunteers and supporters!

-The Christian Mothers and K of C

Decorating the Church

Preparing the church for the Easter season will take place on Holy Saturday, March 30, beginning at 8:30 a.m. A sign-up sheet, which includes a listing of what needs to be accomplished, is posted on the pro-life bulletin board. Thank you for sharing your time and talent for the greater honor and glory of God!

Job Opening

Maintenance Worker -Tom Weber, our parish and school maintenance worker, has decided to retire this summer. We are so incredibly grateful for his 13 years of service to our parish and he will be greatly missed!

Due to his retirement, we are seeking applications for either one full-time or two part-time maintenance workers. Responsibilities include maintenance of all parish facilities and equipment, lawn, landscaping, and snow removal duties, safety/regulation compliance, as well as janitorial duties at the school.

Desired qualities include plumbing, electrical/HVAC, and carpentry skills and knowledge, experience working in a skilled trade, being physically capable to lift heavy items, and a strong desire and dedication to serve the Lord.

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. The new hire(s) start date would ideally be June 1, 2024. This position will remain open until filled.



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

3/23 - 4:30pm

3/24 - 8:30am

3/24- 10:30am - Procession

Holy Thursday

3/28 - 7:00pm

Good Friday

3/29 - Stations of the Cross - Noon

Solemn Liturgy - 3:00pm

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

3/30 - 8:30pm

Easter Sunday

3/31- 8:30am & 10:30am



K-12 Faith Formation

Your Invited to a Life Changing Encounter with Christ: Calling all high school youth and eighth graders going into high school! Join us for the Steubenville Conference "Illuminate" the weekend of June 21-23. **Registration is now open:** Visit mhtparish.com homepage and click on the Steubenville icon for more details and to register. In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, and security. Don't miss out in joining hundreds of Catholic teens to be illuminated by the light of Christ and the love that he has for us all.

2023 Steubenville Youth Conference Testimony: The monstrence came close by, and I started crying, and then, I stopped crying, then I started crying because I stopped crying!" This was shared by one of the young men in our group that went to Steubenville last summer. When we encounter God, we never know how we will react to the experience. But while in the "moment" we very strongly feel His presence and do not want it to stop. The wonder and beautiful experience that Steubenville provides is the perfect environment for an Encounter with God. I believe it is our duty to pray for encounters with God as our entire life should find us seeking to know Him better; that we may fall in love with Him. The Steubenville experience has borne tremendous fruit for our parish. I would encourage all High School students to make themselves open to letting God have an encounter with them. It will bring meaning to your faith. By: Vern Thelen



NO K-12 Faith Formation this week. All grades will resume after holy week/spring break the week of April 1st.

Aaron Epkey



Please Pray

For Our Friends and Relatives

David Antes
Dane Armbrustmacher
Laurie Becker
Mike Becker
Lisa Clarizio
Davison Curtin
Rosanne Davis
Sean Dush
Bethany Fedewa
Dexton Feldpausch
Francis Feldpausch
Ralph Feldpausch
Stephen Fox
Tracy Gaskill
Ray Hamilton
Mike Heeg
Theresa Heeg
Bernard Hengesbach
Fr. Dennis Howard
Carol Huhn
Jenine Koeckner
Jeff Koenigsknecht
Elaine Kramer
Jennifer Ledger
Josiah Ledger
David Maniez
Virginia Martin
Arlene McCausey
Mary McCausey
Bishop Mengeling
Steve Nobis
Kevin Orth
Frank Rademacher
John Rademacher
Steve Rademacher
Rodney Robbe

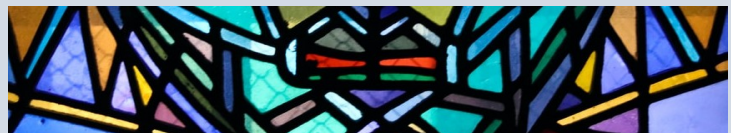
Julie Wieber-Schafer
Tracy Schmitt
Fay Schmitz
Jennifer Schrauben
Gary Schueller
Mindy Simon
Dennis Smith
Shirley Stump
Rita Snyder
Dennis Spitzley
Charlene Thelen
Dale L. Thelen
Gary L Thelen
Janet Thelen
Jason Thelen
Steve Thelen
Russell Tiedt
Dane VanElls
Jeff Wadell
Chris Waldron
Terry Waldron
Elaine Weber
Douglas Werner
A special intention
A special intention
A special intention,
& for unity within our parish family.

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.



Pictorial Church Directory

Registration Now Open!

Thank you to everyone who has already had their picture taken. We have opened up 2 more date for people to sign up for, they are May 3 and 4.

To schedule your photography appointment, simply go to the Universal website, www.ucdir.com, click on the scheduling login box to the right of the page, enter **mi1868** in the **Church Code field** and enter **photos** in the **Church password field**. Follow the prompts to schedule your appointment. We encourage you to enter your email when registering so you will get a reminder the week of your scheduled appointment.

If you have 5 or more in your family, please register for 2 consecutive time slots.

If you would like help, please call the parish office at 989-593-2162 or visit during business hours: Monday—Friday from 9:00 am—3:00 pm.

ETF

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to the MHT Educational Trust Fund last quarter which totaled \$9,999.35. The ETF was established in 1986 and provides an annual income to MHT Parish and MHT School for educational purposes. Please consider giving to the ETF as part of your stewardship and estate planning. Thank you!

Easter Egg Hunt

The annual **K of C Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at 11am on Saturday, March 30th, at Waldron Elementary. Children ages 0-10 are welcome to participate.

Our Parish Stewardship

God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity



March 17 Coll\$11,531.50
Children's Collection.....\$33.00
Online Giving\$2,566.32
Total Collection.....\$14,130.82
Wkly Amt. Needed . \$15,384.62
Cumulative Difference for the
fiscal year: \$13,686.49

Special Collections

Capital Improvements . \$285.00
Easter Offering..... \$240.00
Easter Flowers \$242.00
Maintenance Fund.....\$437.00
Newspaper &
Periodicals\$.....\$60.00

Pray For Vocations

Please keep Seminarian William Ulmer & Sr. Solana Wegienka in your prayers this week!

“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.”

Parish Festival

This year's parish festival will be on **Friday, July 26, and Saturday, July 27**. We plan to have Saturday contain nearly all the events that were previously held on Sunday. A few of the leaders who ran festival events so well in past years informed us that they have decided to step down. So **we need your help!** Particularly, we need someone to lead **the inflatables, food & drink stands, and the parade**. If you feel the Lord may be calling you to steward your time in this way, please contact Jordan Spitzley at the parish office. Thank you!

Cemetery

All winter and Christmas 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 out our amazing cemetery crew!

Sponsor of the Week:

Les Miller & Sons Aggregates 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.

DSA Update

Thank you to all who have given to this year's DSA Appeal! We have already reached **42% of our parish goal** of \$76,624, with a total of **\$32,471 pledged!**

If you have yet to donated, please prayerfully consider what you can give to this year's appeal. Donations can be made by envelope or online. Thank you!



Children's Choir

Children and youth in grades 3-8 are invited to sing for the 1st Communion Mass on Sunday, April 28th at 10:30am. Information about practice days and times can be found in the registration link. If your child sang for Christmas Eve, you do not need to re-register him/her. If you have a child who would like to sing for 1st Communion mass and did NOT sing for Christmas Eve mass, please sign them up by Monday, April 8th at this link: <https://forms.gle/eGS9nvRLZfaZNASV7>. This form is also located on the website home page. Any questions can be directed to Kate Davis at kated@mhtparish.com.

Thank You

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, donations, food and masses that Delanie and we received during the time Delanie's husband, Haydn Johnson, was in the ICU and his subsequent passing. We are so appreciative of everyone's kindness and generosity during this difficult time, and we are grateful that we live in such a loving and supportive community. Also, a big thank you to Father John for coming up to the hospital and for speaking at Haydn's celebration of life. Delanie (Braun) Johnson, Matt & Peggy Braun and family

Benefit Breakfast

The Catholic Order of Foresters along with the family will hold a benefit breakfast for Josie Platte, the daughter of Chase and Lani Platte, granddaughter of Scott and Dana Platte and Russ and Shelly Rau on Sunday April 7 from 8 am to noon in the St. Mary's Hall, Westphalia, MI. For breakfast benefit questions, you may contact Becky Wellman at 517-285-0988 or Leanne O'Brien at 517-331-2751.



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