3rd Sunday of Lent - March 3, 2024





Sunday, March 10 1:00-3:00pm MHT Activity Center



How to Create a Tech-Ready Home

- Understand how young, developing brains are impacted by today's technologies
- Learn from experts tips, tricks, & solutions
- Receive resources to ensure your family is prepared, balanced, and protected online



Mass Schedule

Tuesday, March 5

8:15am + Harold & Anna Pung,

including living and

deceased family members

Wednesday, March 6

6:00pm † Philip Simon

Thursday, March 7

8:15am † Loretta & Arthur

Rademacher, including living and deceased family

members

Friday, March 8

8:15am † Ellen Schomisch

Saturday, March 9

4:30pm + Roger Harr, including

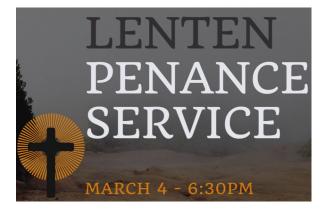
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members

Sunday, March 10

8:30am † Ellie Feldpausch

10:30am People of the Parish



From the Pastor's Desk

Parish Penance Service

Our parish Lenten Penance Service is on Monday, March 4 at 6:30pm in the church. I encourage you to attend this event, and not wait until just before Easter to go to confession, when the lines will be long. We plan to have 7 priests available to extend God's mercy. As a reminder, having your family photo taken for our parish pictorial directory is a wonderful penance for you and a gift to me!

Congratulations, Randy & Josh!

Our parish seminarians Randy Koenigsknecht and Josh Luttig were recently admitted as candidates for Ordination to the transitional Diaconate this Spring! They have been in priestly formation for almost 7 years now, so this is no small achievement! I was on the faculty of the college seminary when Randy and Josh first entered as freshmen, so this is a special moment for me as well to see how much they have grown over these years. I know all of us are very proud of them! I still recall them sharing how supportive their home parish was, long before I would have ever imagined that I would be pastor here someday. God is good! Please keep them in your prayers.

Diocesan Services Appeal

Speaking of seminarians, this weekend is commitment weekend for the Diocesan Services Appeal. Seminarian formation and education is just one of the many good works that our DSA gifts help to fund. I invite all members of our parish community to join in support of our annual appeal. Our parish goal is \$76,624. Every dollar donated helps those in our parish and in our unified efforts in the wider church. Further, one-half of all paid contributions received, over and above our parish goal, will be returned for our own parish use. DSA envelopes will be in our pews for the next few weekends. Those paying by cash or check are invited to return your completed pledge form, in the DSA envelope, to our parish office. Those who wish to pay by credit card or electronic funds transfer may enter your gift online at dioceseoflansing.org/dsa. Please be sure to credit our parish with your gift. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Protecting Young Eyes

Our Protecting Young Eyes presentation is on Sunday, March 10 from 1-3pm. If you did not register previously and would like to attend, there is a registration code on the bulletin cover to help us with planning, or you can call the office. We encourage all adults in the parish to attend.

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:

Thursday, March 14

Monday, March 4 Adoration 1:00 - 3:00

Tuesday, March 5 No School MHT Students/ Staff PD Mass @ 8:15 a.m. Thursday, March 7 Thursday, March 7 Study Session 3:00 - 4:00 Friday, March 8 Stations of the Cross @ 2:00 Monday, March 11 Adoration 1:15 - 2:45 Study Session 3:00 - 4:00 Tuesday, March 12 Thursday, March 14 Mass @ 8:15 a.m.

March 5: There is no school for MHT School students on Tuesday, March 5. The instructional staff will be hosting and attending a workshop on Catholic Liberal Arts education. This is a follow up workshop from the one in October.

Study Session 3:00 - 4:00

MHT School Registration: Registration for the 2024/25 school year is now open. You can register your child using the following

link: https://forms.gle/7BxtFfha4Z2YCWG76 or use the QR code. 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.



Lent: Our focus this Lent will be cultivating silent prayer. One of the ways we will do this is by practicing during weekly times of Adoration. We will also have a couple of school-wide Stations of the Cross. Anyone is welcome to join us for these events. Watch the bulletin for specific dates and times.

Christ's teaching will never let us down, while worldly wisdom always will. - St. Vincent de Paul

Anne Hufnagel, Principal

MHT SCRIP

The next scrip order will be placed on March 6th. 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.

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, March 5-8:15 AM

Sacristan TBD

Reader Rosie Feldpausch

Wednesday, March 6 -6:00 PM Sacristan & Reader Luke Goerge

Servers Camden Conner, Hope & Chevy

Phillips

Thursday, March 7—8:15 AM Sacristan Dean Schrauben Reader **MHT Students**

Friday, March 8—8:15 AM Sacristan Dean Schrauben Readers Linda Epkey

Saturday, March 9—4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens Reader **Carol Piggott**

Ronald Hufnagel, Isaac **Servers**

Koenigsknecht, Landon & Waylon

Dale Feldpausch, Sharon Fink & ExMHC

Jean Koenigsknecht

Ushers John Hufnagel, Joe Bodarko,

Lonnie Schuller & VOLUNTEER

Sunday, March 10 - 8:30 AM

Sacristan Paul Horak Reader Jill Feldpausch

Paige, Autumn, Carter & Sawyer Servers

Thelen

ExMHC Kevin Schafer, Angela Reed &

Cheryl Pung

Ushers Ryan, Kevin, Tim & Robin

Koenigsknecht

Sunday, March 10- 10:30 AM

Sacristan Gerry Davis Reader Tricia Feldpausch

Isaac, Olivia, Abigail & Eli Thelen Servers

ExMHC Nickie Thelen, McKenzie

Feldpausch & Tonya McCarthy

Ushers Stan Weber, Gene Messer,

Leon Schneider & Roy Witgen



Weekly Schedule

Monday, March 4

8:00am Holy Hour for an end to abortion

6:30pm Penance Service

Tuesday, March 5

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

Wednesday, March 6

6:00am Eucharistic Adoration

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

5:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Hour for Vocations

Thursday, March 7

9:00am Book Study

Friday, March 8

6:30am Eucharistic Adoration

8:45am Confessions

4:00-6:30pm Fish Fry in the Activity Center

6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 9

7:00am Eucharistic Adoration

3:00pm Confessions

Newly Baptized

Kirsten Feldpausch (OCIA, pictured below)

Wyatt Louis Frechen son of Benjamin & Cami Frechen

We welcome Kirsten and Wyatt to our parish family!



Fish Dinner

March 8 is the next date for our fish dinner. The Christian Mothers and Knights of Columbus will be hosting a fish dinner from 4:00-6:30pm at the Activity Center, 11159 W. Kent St. in Fowler. Dine in and carryout meals are available.

Thank you to all those who volunteered and helped for our February dinner.

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 fulltime 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.

Candidates for the Order of Diaconate

Randy Jarud Koenigsknecht and Joshua Thomas Luttig from this parish are scheduled to be ordained on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at St. Thomas Aguinas Parish, East Lansing for service to the Diocese of Lansing. Anyone knowing a serious reason which impedes his Ordination should make this known to Rev. Michael Cassar, Director of Seminarians, Diocese of Lansing, 228 North Walnut, Lansing, MI 48933, no later than April 1, 2024.





K-12 Faith Formation

High School Faith Formation will not be held Monday, March 4. Instead, we invite students to attend the Parish Lenten Penance Service beginning at 6:30 pm in the church. There will be multiple priests available for Confession.

3rd - 8th Lenten Confession Schedule

3rd grade: Thursday 3/14 12:10 pm to 1:00 pm 4th grade: Thursday 3/14 1:05 pm to 2:00 pm 2:10 pm to 3:00 pm 5th grade: Monday 3/11 6th grade: Wednesday 3/20 2:10 pm to 3:00 pm 7th grade: Tuesday 3/12 2:10 pm to 3:00 pm 8th grade: Tuesday 3/19 2:10 pm to 3:00 pm

Illuminate Steubenville Conference

Calling all high schoolers! Join us for the Steubenville Conference "Illuminate" the weekend of June 21-23. In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. This summer, join hundreds of Catholic teens to be illuminated by the light of Christ and the love that he has for us all. Registration for this event will open March 3rd. Stay tuned! We are in need of adult chaperones. If interested, please contact dre@mhtparish.com.

Aaron Epkey

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST Sponsored by: Fowler Fire & Rescue

When: March 17, 2024 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Where: Most Holy Trinity Activity Center

Menu: Pork Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Hash Browns, Fruit & Beverages

Price:

Adults (14 & Over) \$9.00 Kids (6 - 13) \$4.00 **Kids Under 6 Free**

Proceeds will be used for **Rescue & Firefighting Equipment**



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

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!

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.

We are also looking for volunteers to help on the days of photography. Your duties will simply be to help check in families when they come for their scheduled time. Please call the parish office to volunteer!

Pray For Vocations

Please keep Seminarian Mason Abbott & Sr. Amaris Salata 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."

Our Parish Stewardship

God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity



Feb 25 Collection ...\$15,771.13 Children's Collection.....\$53.00 Online Giving\$5,139.69 Total Collection......\$20,963.82

Wkly Amt. Needed .\$15,384.62

Cumulative Difference for the fiscal year: \$16,126.35

Special Collections

Capital Improvements \$50.00
Easter Flowers\$150.00
ETF\$20.00
First Offering \$20.00
Newspaper & Periodicals\$40.00

Soup Supper

Mark Your Calendar for the Religious Sisters of Mercy Soup Supper! Saturday, March 9th from 5:00 to 7:00 at St. Joseph parish hall in Pewamo for the RSM Soup Supper. This is a great opportunity to come and visit with many of the Sisters. There will be a wide variety of homemade soups, homemade macaroni & cheese, bread rolls and brownie sundaes. We hope you'll come!



Book Study

We will discuss chapter 4 of Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist on Thursday, March 7 at 9:00am in the Youth Center.

Sponsor of the Week:

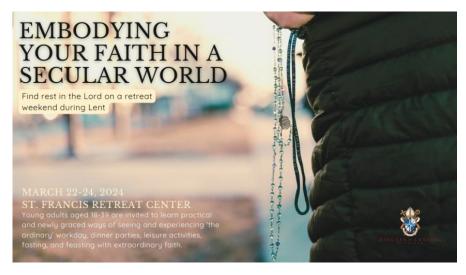
Main Street Pizza

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.

Young Adult Retreat

Friday, 03/22/2024 - 07:00 PM St. Francis Retreat Center

Cost: \$110



Thank You

We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation for all the prayers, cards, donations, and meals we've received after the loss of our son, Lucas. We are blessed to be surrounded by such strong faith communities providing us with prayer and support. The outpouring of generosity is truly humbling, thank you.

Jordan & Amber Spitzley & Family

Knights of Columbus

The Fowler Knights of Columbus is hosting a basketball tournament with the Pewamo, Westphalia, and Portland councils on Saturday March 9th at the Fowler Athletic Center. Games start at 9:00 am with a double elimination tournament. Championship game is scheduled at 12:45. Please come out and show your support for these teams. There will be a good-will offering for any spectators with all proceeds going to the Special Olympics of Clinton County.



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