# A FATHER'S LOVE IS ETERNAL AND WITHOUT END.

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Mass Schedule

Tuesday, June 18

11:00am † Gladys Bengel

Wednesday, June 19

**6:00pm** † Gladys Halfmann, 45th

anniversary, including Brooke Becker, Louie & Esther Wirth and living & deceased family members

Thursday, June 20

8:15am † Norman Spitzley,

including living & deceased

family members

Friday, June 21

8:15am † Maynard Wirth, including

living and deceased family

members

Saturday, June 22

**4:30pm** † Robert Skriba, one year

anniversary

Sunday, June 23

8:30am People of the Parish

10:30am † Joan Epkey, one year

anniversary

# Wedding Banns

**Second Publication** 

Taylor Schmitt daughter of Kevin & Joyce Schmitt

Nicholas Spitzley son of David & Sandra Spitzley

# Mass Time Change

Mass on Tuesday, June 18 will be moved to 11:00am to accommodate for Vacation Bible School. There will be no 8:15am Mass that morning. Everyone is welcome to attend!

# From The Pastor's Desk

### Father's Day

A few years ago, I did some research (using secular sources) in preparation for a talk I was giving on the importance of fatherhood. These stats are revealing about not only the tragic legacy of the sexual revolution, but also the importance of fathers:

- •The US has the largest number of children under age 18 growing up in single-parent households in the world (typically without a father)--roughly 23% of all children
- •The average American boy spends an average of 30 minutes a week in a one-on-one conversation with his father, while spending 44 hours a week in front of a screen
- •Over half of all children living without a father at home live in poverty, a rate 5 to 6 times that of kids living with both parents
- •63% of youth suicides are from fatherless homes
- •72% of adolescent murderers and 60% of rapists grew up without fathers
- •71% of all high school dropouts come from fatherless homes
- •90% of all homeless and runaway children are from fatherless
- •85% of all children that exhibit behavioral disorders come from fatherless homes
- •Women who grow up without fathers at home are 111% more likely to have children as teenagers, 164% more likely to have a premarital birth, and 92% more likely to divorce

While there are many reasons why single parent households are a reality today (sometimes beyond one's control), we must acknowledge that fathers are critically important to the health of families. So let's not only thank our dads today, but pray for them too!

### Thank you, Tom

Our parish maintenance man, Tom Weber, has retired after nearly 13 years of service to our parish. Tom brought not only a wealth of knowledge and skill, but also an amazing work ethic to his trade, and we are sad to see him go. Thank you, Tom!

### **Mission Appeal**

Next weekend, June 22-23, we will have a 2nd collection for our annual mission appeal. Fr. Bosco Padamattummal from St. Mary's in Manchester will be speaking on the behalf of the Diocese of Kottapuram, India. Fr. Bosco has been serving in the Diocese of Lansing for many years, as we still do not have enough native-born priests to serve all of our parishes. Please welcome Fr. Bosco!

God bless you, Fr John

# MHT PARISH FESTIVAL INFORMATION

# Festival Parade

Most Holy Trinity Parish of Fowler invites you to join our parade as part of our Parish Festival on Saturday, July 27th. We are inviting businesses, organizations, or even groups of family/friends that wish to join the parade! The parade starts at 11:30. Line up starts at 10:45 under the water tower in Fowler. Please call or text Thomas Horak at 989-640-9033 with any questions or to confirm your participation.

### MHT 3 on 3

MHT 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament - Saturday, July 27th Registration forms are due on July 13th

Any questions contact Jonathan or Kristie Thelen at 989-640-3029 or email mht3on3@gmail.com

# Most Holy Trinity Festival 5K

### **And Kids Dash**



Thursday, July 25 Fowler, MI

Event Begins: 7:30 PM

\$20 Entry Fee (includes t-shirt)



# Volleyball & Fancy Booth!

We're happy to announce that both volleyball and the fancy booth will take place at the parish festival!

Volleyball will take place Friday, July 26 at 5:30pm The Fancy Booth will take place Saturday, July 27.

More information for both events will be in next week's bulletin!

# Ministry Schedule

### Tuesday, June 18-11:00 AM

Sacristan Jerry Klein Reader Deanna Pung

### Wednesday, June 19-6:00 PM

Sacristan & Reader Luke Goerge

**Servers** 3 Volunteers

### Thursday, June 20-8:15 AM

Sacristan Tom O'Rourke Reader Deanna Pung

### Friday, June 21—8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerome Pohl Readers Linda Epkey

### Saturday, June 22—4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens Reader Robert Orme

Servers Jamison, Remington, Donnivon &

Kerrigan Schueller

**ExMHC** Craig Arens, RoseAnn Feldpausch

& Dale Feldpausch

**Ushers** Joe Bodarko, John Hufnagel

Lonnie Schueller & Volunteer

### Sunday, June 23 - 8:30 AM

Sacristan Paul Horak

**Reader** Kevin Schafer **Servers** Staci Epkey, Ella Hufnagel,

Quinten & Nate Esch

**ExMHC** Anne Hufnagel, Angela Reed &

Tom O'Rourke

**Ushers** Neil Hufnagel, Kurt Thelen,

Glenn Esch & Mike Koenigsknecht

### Sunday, June 23— 10:30 AM

Sacristan Luke Goerge Reader Dan Spitzley

Servers Sophia Spitzley, Emma Davis,

Logan & Andrew Platte

**ExMHC** Jerome Pohl, Tricia Goerge &

Cindy Halfman

**Ushers** Don Martin, Duane Pung,

Keith Weber & Volunteer

# Weekly Schedule

### Monday, June 17

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School

### Tuesday, June 18

9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School

11:00am Mass

### Wednesday, June 19

6:00am **Eucharistic Adoration** 

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

9:00-11:30am Vacation Bible School

Confessions 5:00pm

Holy Hour for Vocations 5:00pm

### Friday, June 21

6:30am **Eucharistic Adoration** 

8:45am Confessions

### Saturday, June 22

**Eucharistic Adoration** 7:00am

3:00pm Confessions

# Newly Baptized

Hadley Kathleen Smith daughter of Joseph & Kimberly Smith

Weston Michael Epkey son of Nathan & **Brittany Epkey** 

Lane Michael Speers son of Jared & Kendra Speers

We welcome **Hadley**, **Weston**, and Lane to our parish family!

# Mary Statue

The statue of the Blessed Mother is located at the altar of Our Lady and is available for parishioners to take home, along with prayers for the parish. The sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule of the church on the pro-life bulletin board.

# **Knights of Columbus**

Help us make our goal to sell at least 300 Tickets!. As of 6/1/2024 we are at 260 tickets sold.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased or returned their raffle tickets for this year's Knights of Columbus Support the Faith Raffle. If you have not purchased or returned your raffle tickets, please do so as soon as possible so we know if we are going to make our 300 tickets sold goal this year.

Tickets for the raffle are \$20 and can be purchased at the rectory, or from any officer. Each K of C member was mailed two tickets and is encouraged to purchase or sell the tickets. We are requesting all tickets (sold/unsold) be returned by July 8th as the first of 20 cash raffle drawings will be July 8th. ALL entries will be eligible for ALL 20 drawings.

Scholarships and Stipends: All families whose children are registered for the 2024-25 education year will be eligible for the scholarships for MHT School and stipends for Faith Formation respectively. The selected families will have a credit with MHT School and/or Faith Formation.

Please don't hesitate to call or text with questions.

Kurt Koenigsknecht: 517-282-0343

Kurt Thelen: 517-281-8978

Co-chairpersons Support the Faith Raffle

# **Blood Drive Most Holy Trinity Church**

11144 W. Kent Street, Fowler

Monday, June 24, 2024 11:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 3027. To schedule an appointment, log onto RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: Fowler), or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

# **Baptism Class**

Will be held on Wednesday, June 26, 7:00pm in the Youth Center.

# K-12 Faith Formation

K-12 Faith Formation Registration Underway: As our Holy Father reminds us, discipleship is not a task to be checked off the list; it is the baptized Catholic's identity and way of life. While there are many ways to carry out our Lord's call, few are more important than the role parents play in helping their children grow in faith into true disciples of the Lord. By sharing the call to holiness and mission, we make an eternal difference from one generation to the next. Visit mhtparish.com to enroll your children in K-12 Faith Formation. We will resume from summer break the week of September 16.

Vacation Bible School will take place this week June 17-19 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am in the Activity Center. As part of VBS, children will attend Mass on Tuesday, June 18 at 11:00 am in the church. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. In addition to the Mass, we invite parents to join their children for lunch on the last day, June19 at 11:00 am at the Activity Center.

Steubenville "Illuminate" Conference is the weekend of June 21-23. Please keep our youth who are attending in your prayers. Once again, we sincerely thank the many people who have so graciously supported our youth through prayer and donations. In appreciation for your kindness, the 8:15 am Mass on July 23 will be offered for you. "Put all the good works in the world against one Holy Mass; they will be as a grain of sand beside a mountain." - Saint John Vianney

# Catholic Biblical School of MI

New classes starting this September at: Most Holy Trinity in Fowler (Mondays 7-8:30 pm), or Online (any day/time). Find out more at an Info Night at Most Holy Trinity: Tue Aug 27, 7-8pm. Or join a virtual info night July 14, 8-9 pm or Sun Aug 25, 8-9pm online (cbsmich.org/infonights). Through donations, CBSM is accessible to all with 100% of requests for financial aid granted.

Find out more at cbsmich.org or call/text 586-438-3085.



# Please Pray

### For Our Friends and Relatives

**David Antes** Dane Armbrustmacher Laurie Becker Mike Becker Lisa Clarizio **Davison Curtin** Sean Dush Bethany Fedewa Francis Feldpausch Ralph Feldpausch Stephen Fox Tracy Gaskill **Bob Halfmann** Ray Hamilton Mike Heeg Theresa Heeg Robert Hinkle Fr. Dennis Howard Carol Huhn Jenine Koeckner Elaine Kramer Jennifer Ledger Josiah Ledger Monica Lishko and baby David Maniez Virginia Martin Arlene McCausey Mary McCausey **Bishop Mengeling** Toni Messer **Steve Nobis Kevin Orth** Frank Rademacher John Rademacher Steve Rademacher

Rodney Robbe

**Tracy Schmitt** 

**Gary Schueller** 

**Fav Schmitz** 

Julie Wieber-Schafer

Jennifer Schrauben

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 Jeff Wadell **Chris Waldron** Terry Waldron Elaine Weber **Douglas Werner** Dan Sue Elese A special intention 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.

Please contact the office to add or remove a name from the list. Thank you.

# Mission Appeal

June 22-23

Situated in Kerala in the southwest region of India as it juts into the Arabian Sea, the Diocese of Kottapuram is geographically full of islands and villages with about 25,000 Catholic families out of a population of 100,000 families – Christians, Muslims and Hindus. With an economy based on fishing, and with monsoons and other fluctuations of weather, the people experience great hardships.

In love and charity the Diocese offers many programs to assist, support and empower children, women, fishermen, young, old, Catholic, and non-Catholic. Father Bosco asks, "On behalf of my Bishop Ambrose Puthenveetil I request your prayerful support and financial assistance to continue all the good works for the sick and suffering, irrespective of caste and creed, and to support the vocation to the priesthood."



# Congratulations

Father Joshua Fons and Father Riley O'Shea



# Our Parish Stewardship

**God's Treasure at Most Holy Trinity** 

June 9 Collection \$10,690.00 Children's Collection \$39.85 Online Giving \$3,659.61 Total Collection \$14,389.46	Special Collections  Cemetery Care
Wkly Amt. Needed \$15,384.62	
Cumulative Difference for the fiscal year:\$24,429.25	Roof Replacement Donations to date . \$491,522.25

# Rosary Rally

A rosary rally will be held at the depot at Noon on Saturday, June 29th. Let us make reparation for all the sins of our nation against the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



# Sponsor of the Week:

# Myers Homes & Exteriors

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.

# Job Posting

Teaching Position - St. Joseph Catholic School in St. Johns, MI is accepting applications for a full time Kindergarten teaching position. Candidates must hold a valid teaching certificate, with an Elementary Education endorsement (Reading and Language Arts preferred) for the 2024-2025 school year. To learn more about St. Joseph Parish and School, please visit www.school.stjoecatholic.com. Interested candidates should send a cover letter of application, resume' and credentials to: Chris Wells, Principal, principal@stjoecatholicschool.org., or send to the following address: St. Joseph Catholic School, 201 E. Cass Street, Saint Johns, MI 48879.

# Pictorial Church Directory New Dates Added!

**Thank you** to the everyone who has had their picture taken so far. **June 28 & 29** are now open for photography appointments!

To schedule your photography appointment, go to the Universal website, <a href="www.ucdir.com">www.ucdir.com</a>, click on the scheduling login box to the right of the page, enter <a href="mi1868">mi1868</a> in the Church Code field and enter <a href="photos">photos</a> in the Church password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your appointment. Enter your email when registering to 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.

### Volunteers needed

We are also looking for volunteers to help on Friday 6/28, and Saturday 6/29. Your duties will simply be to help check in families when they come for their scheduled time. 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.



# **Most Holy Trinity**

### Catholic Church

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### Office Hours

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