

Having just graduated high school, this year's conference was my last chance to experience what the Steubenville Youth Conference had to offer. As the first talk of the weekend commenced, the speaker, Joel, provided a powerful message. Joel used the story of Bartimaeus. Bartimaeus was a blind beggar who cried for Jesus as Jesus walked by. Rebuked by the crowd at first, he continued to cry out. Jesus called for Bartimaeus. Bartimaeus threw off his cloak and ran to Jesus. Jesus asked Bartimaeus what He could do for him. His response was to regain his sight. Joel asked us how we would respond if Jesus asked us this same question. For me, this question seemed difficult to answer. There are many things I would ask, but I could not think of my deepest desire and want of the Lord.

While waiting for Saturday night adoration, I felt excited but also anxious and nervous. I reflected on what Joel had said and tried to calm myself. Tonight was the night I wanted to seek Jesus like Bartimaeus and give the Lord what I had. I thought about what I would have Jesus do for me. As the altar was being set up, one of the leaders came up and began to tell us something special was happening tonight. Over the past few weeks, the National Eucharistic Procession had been moving all across the United States. I had wanted to attend one of the stops they were going to make near Michigan, but I did not know if I would have the time. The leader told us that the same procession I so desperately wanted to be part of was here in Steubenville. The adoration happening was going to be held with the same priest, monstrance, and Eucharist that had been processed through the East Coast. At these words, I was overjoyed. The realization that I was going to be a part of a national movement, that God had made a way to satisfy this desire to seek Him through this procession, made me shed a few tears. As adoration began and the Eucharist began to process around, it came down the aisle closest to me. As it drew closer, I felt the Lord say to me, "This is my love that I come to you." Through this moment, Jesus had seen my desire. He met me there and had satisfied the desire in me.

This retreat is one I will remember. Not only did I encounter the Lord in adoration, but I was able to experience powerful messages from amazing speakers, spend time in small groups, and deepen relationships with people from the parish. This retreat has strengthened my faith and has challenged and pushed me to continue growing. I am forever thankful for the opportunity to go and hope many young people will take the chance to experience the conference and what the Lord has to offer through it.

### Mass Schedule

#### Tuesday, July 30

8:15am + Gerald Fox, including living and deceased

members of the family

#### Wednesday, July 31

**6:00pm** † Alvin Goerge, including

living and deceased members of the family

#### Thursday, August 1

8:15am † Donald Kramer, including

living and deceased members of the family

Friday, August 2

8:15am Special Intention

#### Saturday, August 3

4:30pm Vern & Bonnie Thelen, 50th wedding anniversary

#### Sunday, August 4

8:30am People of the Parish

10:30am + Sharon Hoerner,

one year anniversary

### **Masonry Restoration** & Tuckpointing Examples



### From The Pastor's Desk

#### **Ave Maria Radio**

We welcome a representative from Ave Maria Radio to our parish this weekend! As I mentioned earlier, the Bishop has asked all of the parishes in the area to support a new Catholic radio station being planned for the greater Lansing market. I am very excited that this long-desired project is moving forward.

#### **Church Masonry & Tuckpointing Project**

If all goes as planned, we will begin the long-awaited masonry restoration and tuck pointing project on the church this week! We anticipate this project being completed by the end of October. Hopefully the work won't disrupt the day-to-day operations of the church, but we can't say for sure. This project will be funded by the covid-era "employee retention credits" we received from the federal government.

#### **Roof and Window Update**

As I mentioned at Masses last weekend, we are moving forward with our roof replacement project! The next step is for an engineering firm to create the drawings needed so that we can solicit bids for the project. If all goes well, the roof will be replaced next summer!

We had initially hoped to replace the protective coverings on our stained glass windows this fall after the masonry work was completed (you may recall this was a Witness to Hope campaign project). However, upon further reflection, we determined that it would be wise to wait until after the roof is replaced to do the window project. If the new coverings were somehow damaged during the roof replacement project, it would be a big hassle to replace them yet again. The current window covers are still protecting the windows adequately (even if they are discolored) and so there is no danger in delaying this project a little longer. Thank you for your patience!

#### God bless you, Fr John



### **Position Opening**

#### **Parish Office Secretary**

Amanda Ingleright has taken a position at her home church, St. John's Lutheran Church in St. Johns. We thank her for all that she has done over the past two years at MHT. Amanda has done an outstanding job in her work, always bringing a kind and positive attitude with her. She will be greatly missed!

Due to her leaving, we are now seeking applications for a part-time (29hrs/wk) secretary at MHT. Responsibilities include greeting and referring visitors, answering phone calls and parish emails, preparing sacramental documents and record keeping, coordinating ministry volunteers, helping with the bulletin, and scheduling mass intentions, parish events, and sacraments.

Desired qualities include a deep love for the Lord and His Church, organizational skills, detail-oriented, proficiency in Microsoft products, fluent typing, team player, and strong communication skills.

If you feel the Lord may be calling you to this position, an application and detailed job description can be picked up next week at the parish office. The new hire will start as soon as possible. This position will remain open until filled.

### Parish Festival Events—Saturday, July 27

8:00 AM - 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

10:30 AM - 3:00 PM - Country Kitchen

11:30 AM - Parade

12:00 - 3:00 PM - Fancy Booth

12:00 - 3:00 PM - Inflatables

12:00 - 3:00 PM - Adoration

1:00 - 3:00 PM - Face Painting & Balloon Artist

1:00 - 3:00 PM - Children's Games

4:30 PM - Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

5:30 - 10:00 PM - Musical Entertainment

6:00 PM - Youth Choir Concert

6:30 PM - Raffle Drawing & Entertainment Continues After

### Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, July 30-8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerry Klein

Reader Rosie Feldpausch

Wednesday, July 31—6:00 PM

Sacristan & Reader Luke Goerge

Servers Kennedy Weber, Camden Conner

& Volunteer

Thursday, August 1-8:15 AM

Sacristan Dean Schrauben

Reader Deanna Pung

Friday, August 2—8:15 AM

Sacristan Jerome Pohl **Readers** Linda Epkey

Saturday, August 3—4:30 PM

Sacristan Craig Arens

Reader **Robert Orme** 

Servers Andrew & Logan Platte,

Waylon & Landon Simon

**ExMHC** Dale Feldpausch, Patty

Koenigsknecht & Kyle

Koenigsknecht

Ushers Gerry Arens, Kurt Koenigsknecht,

Lonnie Schueller & John Hufnagel

Sunday, August 4-8:30 AM

Sacristan Gerry Davis

Reader Kevin Schafer

Servers Aaron & Josie Simon,

Nate & Quinten Esch

ExMHC Jane Sisung, Vern & Bonnie

Thelen

Ushers Bill Armbrustmacher,

Tom O'Rourke, Bruce Schafer &

Dean Schrauben

Sunday, August 4—10:30 AM

Sacristan TBD

Reader Tricia Goerge

Servers Emma Davis, Dominic, Michaela,

Matthias Spitzley

**ExMHC** RoseAnn Feldpausch &

2 Volunteers

Ushers Don Martin, Keith Weber &

2 Volunteers

### Weekly Schedule

#### Monday, July 29

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

#### Tuesday, July 30

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

#### Wednesday, July 31

6:00am **Eucharistic Adoration** 

8:00am Holy Hour for an End to Abortion

5:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Hour for Vocations

#### Friday, August 2

6:30am **Eucharistic Adoration** 

8:45am Confessions

#### Saturday, August 3

**Eucharistic Adoration** 7:00am

3:00pm Confessions





The Adult Retreat will be held at the Retreat Center in DeWitt. You can register on the website or using the QR Code. You can pay online under the Online Giving tab, or you can drop off your money at the parish office, please label it Adult Retreat.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Br. Barnabas Luke of Fowler (Brian Ambrustmacher) and all the other newly invested novices to The Community of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal.



### K-12 Faith Formation

Faith Formation is about a person, a real person, who is very much alive and who is present to us now. For if we have faith, we can be truly present to this person and experience his love as though we were living with Him two-thousand years ago. This person is Jesus, the second person of the Blessed Trinity, the Lord of Lord, the King of Kings and the God Man who became one of us to redeem us. Faith Formation is about the life of God and the power of the witness that He desires each of us to have.

Visit mhtparish.com to explore our Catholic identity and faith by participating in K-12 Faith Formation. It is not too early to register your children. Kick-off is the week of September 16.

#### 2024-2025 First Reconciliation & First Communion Schedule:

#### **First Reconciliation Retreat**

Sunday, October 20, 2024 1:00pm to 3:00pm @ Activity Center

#### **Celebration of First Reconciliation**

Tuesday, January 28, 2025 6:00pm @ Church

#### **First Communion Retreat**

Sunday, February 23, 2025 1:00pm to 3:00pm @ Activity Center

#### First Communion Rehearsal & Pictures

Saturday, April 26, 2025 9:30am - 10:45am @ Church

#### **First Holy Communion**

Sunday, April 27th, 2025 10:30am Mass @ Church

### **MHT SCRIP**

The next SCRIP order will be placed on August 2nd. Please have your orders turned into the parish office by noon. Thank you!



### Please Pray

## For Our Friends

and Relatives **David Antes** Dane Armbrustmacher Marie Armbrustmacher James Becker 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 Mark Koenigsknecht Elaine Kramer Jennifer Ledger

Virginia Martin Arlene McCausev Mary McCausey **Bishop Mengeling** Toni Messer Steve Nobis Kevin Orth Frank Rademacher John Rademacher Steve Rademacher Rodney Robbe Julie Wieber-Schafer **Tracy Schmitt** Fay Schmitz

Josiah Ledger

David Maniez

Monica Lishko and baby

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 Jeff Wadell Chris Waldron Terry Waldron Elaine Weber **Douglas Werner** Dan

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#### **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.

## K of C Raffle Drawing

#### This week's \$100 winners:

Arlene Jandernoa

Neil and Rosemary Feldpausch

Rose Hafner

Jonathan & Kristie Thelen



### Let's Play Euchre!

The Fowler K of C are sponsoring weekly Euchre Parties from 12:30 - 3:00 on Wednesdays at the Fowler Hall 219 N. Main St, Fowler, MI

#### Open to the public, both men & women!

No partner is needed. \$5 per person entry Prizes to high score and most lone hands.

Proceeds will fund MHT Church projects

## **Employment Opportunity**

#### **Diocese of Lansing**

Are you interested in serving the Church in the Diocese of Lansing? We are currently accepting resumes for an Accounting Manager, Facilities Manager and two Administrative Assistant positions.

To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit the Diocese of Lansing Careers Page.

## Our Parish Stewardship

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

July 21 Collection \$8,898.00	Special Collections
Children's Collection \$57.22	Assumption \$10.00
Online Giving\$4,226.35	Capital Improvement \$275.00
Total Collection\$13,181.57	ETF \$5.00
	Newspapers \$25.00
Wkly Amt. Needed \$15,865.38	School Support \$10.00
	Solemnity of Mary \$20.00
Cumulative Difference for the	Roof Replacement Donations
fiscal year:\$1,865.95	to date \$1,167,264.00



## K of C Lugnuts Game

#### **Knights Family Night to Celebrate Vocations**

Join us for the 24th K of C Vocations Night at Jackson Field with the Lansing Lugnuts on Friday, August 2 at 7:00pm.

Tickets are \$14. Call, text, or email Neil Hufnagel for tickets by July 30 at 989-640-3231 or gk3027@mikofc.org.



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## Pictorial Church Directory

Since there are still a number of families that were unable to make an appointment, we are now accepting submitted photos.

### **Submitted Photo Instructions**

All photos must be submitted with \$25 and a Submitted Images Form that can be picked up at the parish office or printed from our parish website.

For best quality, please verify the photo resolution matches the requirements, otherwise your photo may not turn out.

\*Submitted Photos will be accepted until August 16\*



## Most Holy Trinity

#### Catholic Church

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Monday—Friday 9:00am-3:00pm (Closed from 12:00-1:00 pm for Lunch.)

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