

Church of Saint James the Apostle

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Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

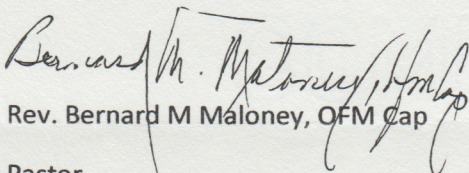
Dear Parishioners,

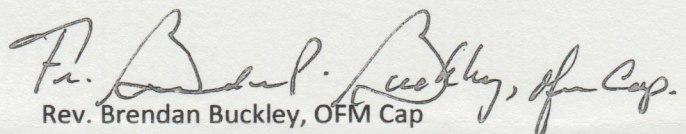
The peace of the Lord be with you.

On the weekend of October 4th a letter from our Bishop Salvatore Matano was read at all the Masses. (The letter is enclosed). In the letter Bishop Matano expresses his desire for the merging of the Churches of St. James the Apostle, St. Francis Solanus and Holy Cross into one faith community. The date for the completion of the merger is June 2016. In the letter you will notice that Bishop Matano gives the reasons for the merging and briefly outlines the directions the parishes should take to reach the goal. Our Bishop also expresses the positive effect this has had on other churches that have merged throughout the Diocese.

All parishioners are welcome to a meeting on Sunday October 18, 2015 at St. James the Apostle Church Trumansburg at 5:00 PM for a presentation on what it means to be merged and what is involved to accomplish the merge of forming one faith community.

Sincerely,


Rev. Bernard M Maloney, OFM Cap
Pastor


Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap
Parochial Vicar

Please note:

The Bishop makes a reference that the savings of St. Francis Solanus Church Interlaken have decrease by more than half during the past two years without stating why this has happened. The decrease was not because the ordinary income of the parish was shrinking but rather that St. Francis Solanus Church used \$86,000 of its savings for an addition to the church building.