



The Parish of **MARY** MOTHER OF **MERCY**



St. Francis Solanus

3660 Orchard St.
Interlaken, NY

Weekend Mass:
Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgies:
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.
(*Recitation of the
Rosary at 8:00 a.m.*)



St. James the Apostle

17 Whig St.
Trumansburg, NY

Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Communion Service:
Monday, 9:00 a.m.



Holy Cross

7231 Main St.
Ovid, NY

Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

To join the parish or to celebrate the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick, or marriage, please phone the Parish Center.

Note: Weekday liturgies may be cancelled due to funerals or bad weather.



Parish Center :
St. Francis Solanus
P.O. Box 403
Interlaken, NY 14847

Office Hours:
Tuesday–Friday
9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Phone: 607-294-0064
Email: immmercy@dor.org
Website: marymotherofmercy.com
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Pastor: Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or
personal dialogue:**

Fridays, 6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus,
with Father Bernard

In residence at St. Fidelis Friary:
Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

August 25, 2024
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

National Eucharistic Revival
June 19, 2022–Pentecost 2025
Year of Mission – Invite One Back Initiative
June 2024 – June 2025

Parish Census Email:

This past week the Parish Census began. Those who have emails have hopefully received a link allowing them to complete the parish census digitally. For those who do not have an email, did not receive the email, or prefer a paper form, there will be an in-pew opportunity to update their parish census. This in-pew opportunity will take place at the Masses on September 14 & 15.

Anyone wishing to assist with the in-pew portion in two weeks should phone the parish office: 607-294-0064.



Children and Family Faith Formation:

Families with children in grades K-6 are invited to join our parish Family Faith Formation program beginning **Saturday, September 14**, at 5:00 p.m. This program includes preparation for First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation.

To ensure books are available on September 14, please register by next Monday. The registration link can be found at marymotherofmercy.com.



St. Francis Solanus Work Party:

On Saturday, August 31, at 9:00 a.m., all are invited to help clean up the property at St. Francis Solanus. Cleanup includes weeding, pruning shrubbery, and removing sumac.

There are big jobs and little jobs, and any help is appreciated. So please get your tools and a pair of gloves and come out on August 31 to lend a hand. Light refreshments will be provided. Contact Susan at susan.guydosh@dor.org or phone the parish office for more information. (Holy Cross and St. James the Apostle work party dates TBD.)

Sweet Sunday:

Next Sunday, and the first Sunday of every month, parishioners are invited to a social time following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg.



Parish Picnic:

Mark your calendars. All are invited to the annual Parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy Picnic to celebrate our parish feast day, Mary, Mother of Mercy. The picnic is Sunday, September 8, at 1:00 p.m. at the St. Fidelis Friary Boathouse, 7790 County Rd 153, Interlaken. The Fellowship Committee needs volunteers to assist with set up and clean up. Please contact the parish office at 607-294-0064 if you would like to help. Thank you!

Confirmation Preparation & Adult Study :

Students in eighth grade and above who have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation and adults desiring to celebrate Baptism, or Confirmation / First Holy Communion, and everyone desiring to know more about our faith are invited to attend classes on Saturdays (with one exception: the second Saturday of the month) at 5:15–6:15 p.m. in the St. Francis Solanus Annex. The first class is on September 7th.

Anyone wishing to learn more about Jesus of Nazareth or Catholicism are welcome.

Tburg Food Pantry:

Our parish needs volunteers to help at the Trumansburg Food pantry for the months of September and October. The dates are Mondays, September 9 & 23, and October 7 & 21. For more details, phone the parish office or see the sign-up sheets in the foyers of the churches.

Cemetery Collection:

Next weekend is the second collection to benefit the Mary, Mother of Mercy parish cemeteries. The cemeteries do not generate regular income and do not have a fully funded Permanent Maintenance Fund. Please give what you are able as this collection helps to defray costly maintenance expenses. Donations may also be made online using WeShare Online Giving.

Please note that the monetary donation to the cemetery can be specified either for St. James the Apostle or the Holy Cross cemetery. When the monetary donation is not specified, your donation is divided between the two cemeteries. Thank you for your help.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



Children's Liturgy of the Word:

On the second Saturday of each month, children are invited to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

After the opening prayer, children are dismissed with their adult leaders to the Annex to hear and reflect on the readings in age-appropriate formats. As time permits, children engage in activities reinforcing the message of the readings such as singing songs, coloring, or acting out a skit. Children will return to their families during the offertory procession. The next gathering is **September 14th**.

Wedding:

Hunter Gordon and Abigail Kelly celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on August 3, 2021 at Holy Cross Church, Ovid. Fr. Aaron Kelly, the brother of the bride, officiated at the wedding.

Proposal One – Equal Rights Amendment:

This year's election ballot will feature Proposal One, also known as the "Equal Rights Amendment." ERA proposes an amendment to the NYS Constitution. In short, Prop One would make abortion at any stage a state constitutional right and could infringe on parent's right to make medical decisions for their children. The NYS Catholic Conference strongly urges to vote "NO" to Prop One this November. Get more information about how Prop One will infringe on parental rights: <https://www.protectkidsny.com>. Read the full proposed legislation: <https://legislation.nysenate.gov/pdf/bills/2023/S108A>

Branches Christian Rest & Renewal:

A retreat day: Saturday, September 28, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. The presentation theme will be *I Came to Cast Fire Upon the Earth*. The presenter will be Rocco Fortunato a Catholic speaker, evangelist and founder of "Spread the Blaze." Branches is located on Seneca Lake, 8251 Lower Lake Rd. Lodi, NY. More information at branchescenter.org.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

Just as You Are retreats:

- Women: September 13-15 & September 27-29
- Men: September 20-22 & October 25-27

For more information phone 585-394-5700, email staff@notredameretreat.org, or visit notredameretreat.org.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Donating to Your Parish:

Online giving by WeShare is safe, simple and convenient. It's as easy as 1, 2, 3:

1. Visit the parish website's giving page: marymotherofmercy.com/giving
2. Follow the directions under the "Donate Online" section.
3. Set up your donation or payment.

If you experience any problems, please email Eileen at eileen.heptig@dor.org.



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

“Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.” (Jos. 24:18)

Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps.34)

Second Reading:

This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church. (Eph. 5:32)

Gospel:

Simon Peter answered him, “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” (Jn. 6:68)

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

Many followers of Jesus could not accept his teachings. To those that remained, he posed a simple question: “Do you also want to leave?” He asks us the same, every moment of every day. Let us answer with confidence, in all that we do: “Only you have the words of eternal life.”

Mass Intentions

August 24–September 1, 2024

Saturday, August 24

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Parishioners and benefactors

Sunday, August 25

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Patricia Ann Fardette
from the Holy Cross musicians

Saturday, August 31

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Members of the Ryan and Bragg families
from Karyn Marion

Sunday, September 1

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Barb Willers
from Kathleen Rourke

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Marie Roloson

Parish Schedule
Week of August 25, 2024

Sunday, August 25:

Mass: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Mass: 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Monday, August 26:

Communion service: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle

Tuesday, August 27:

Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis

Wednesday, August 28:

Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis
Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 2:00 p.m., St. James
Book Study: 3:15 p.m., St. James the Apostle

Thursday, August 29:

Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis

Friday, August 30:

Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis
Father Bernard is available, no appointment necessary:
6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Saturday, August 31:

Cemetery Collection
Parish Property Work Party: 9:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Sunday, September 1:

Cemetery Collection
Mass: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Sweet Sunday: 10:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Mass: 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Community Outreach:

Food Pantries:

- Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.
- Food Truck: September 3, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 p.m.
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: August 26, 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Community Pantry: Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 pm., Lodi Rod & Gun Club

Family Hope Center: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Holy Cross

Alcoholics Anonymous: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis

Red Cross Blood Drives:

August 31, 9:00a.m.–2:00 p.m., Sampson State Park
September 14, 7:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m., Trumansburg American Legion
Redcrossblood.org or 1:300-733-2767 to schedule



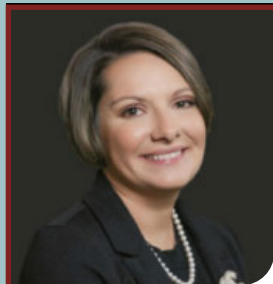
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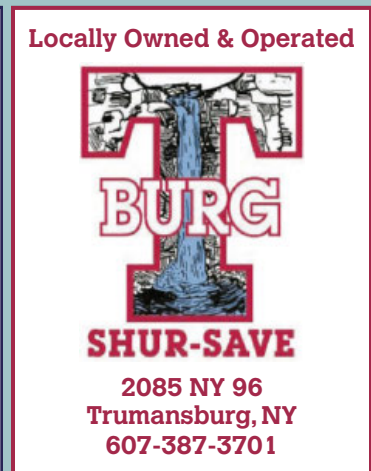
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