



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



St. Francis Solanus
3660 Orchard St.
Interlaken, NY

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

Weekday Mass:
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 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

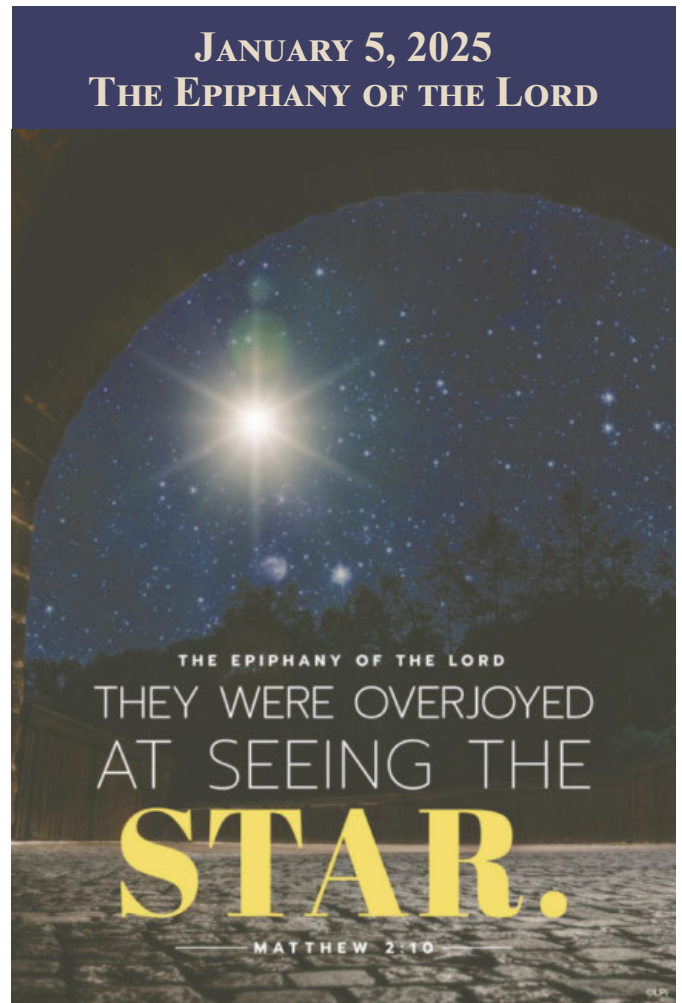
Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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



Parish Center :
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Tuesday–Friday
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Pastor: Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.

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

January 5, 2025
The Epiphany of the Lord
National Eucharistic Revival
June 19, 2022–Pentecost 2025
Year of Mission – Invite One Back Initiative
June 2024 – June 2025

2025 Roman Catholic Church Jubilee/Holy Year
December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025
Theme: “Pilgrims of Hope”

Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025:

The Ordinary Jubilee Year - the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord - began in all the dioceses throughout the world on Sunday, December 29th. It will conclude on December 29, 2025. A Jubilee Year has been proclaimed every twenty-five years since the thirteenth century. The theme for this Jubilee Year is “*Pilgrims of Hope.*” As pilgrims, they are anchored in their encounter with Jesus. As pilgrims of hope they bring Christ and his message of hope to the world by working for peace and an end to conflicts, promoting human life, showing amnesty to prisoners, upholding the dignity of migrants, healing the sick and accompanying the elderly – or even through the forgiveness of debts, a custom of jubilee years in the Old Testament. The celebration of jubilee years typically includes pilgrimages, processions, celebrations of Mass, and an invitation to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These celebrations are opportunities to receive the Lord’s mercy, and lead to the performance of works of mercy.

Christmas Season:

This Sunday, we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, many times referred to as “Little Christmas”. The Christmas Season always ends with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. This year that feast day occurs on Sunday, January 12, 2023.

Sweet Sunday:

This Sunday, and the first Sunday of every month, all are welcome to a social hour following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg.

Parish Council Meeting:

There is a parish council meeting this Thursday, January 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, St. Francis Solanus.

Adult Study:

Everyone desiring to know and discuss our faith are invited to attend classes on Saturdays (with one exception, the second Saturday of the month) at 5:00-6:15 p.m. at the St. Francis Solanus annex. These sessions are also helpful for people desiring to be received into the church and for Catholics preparing to celebrate Confirmation and First Communion. The January 18th topic: *The Church is One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic.*

Parish Pictorial Directory:

The Witness Committee of the Parish Council has arranged for Universal Church Directories to photograph families and individuals for the publication of a parish directory. Each family or individual will receive both a complimentary 8x10 portrait of their directory pose and a directory.

Universal Church Directories are scheduled to be in the parish from March 6 – 8.

- St. James the Apostle: Thursday, March 6, 2:00-8:30 p.m.
- St. Francis Solanus: Friday, March 7, 2:00-8:30 p.m.
- Holy Cross: Saturday, March 8, 12:00-5:00 p.m.

Pastor Will be Away:

Fr. Bernard will be away, from January 26 – March 4. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue held on Fridays from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church are cancelled while Fr. Bernard is away.

Coverage During the Absence of the Pastor:

Capuchin Franciscan Fathers Robert Phelps, Norbert DeSousa, and Jack Rathschmidt will periodically be covering the weekend Masses. Fr. Brendan Buckley will be covering the 8:30 a.m. Masses on Tuesday to Friday at St. Francis Solanus Church.

Kathleen E. Rourke will lead a communion service on Mondays at 9:00 a.m. at St. James the Apostle Church.

Find Our Parish Online:

The Mary, Mother of Mercy website has a new look. Check it out at marymotherofmercy.com. You can also find our parish on Facebook and Instagram: [@marymotherofmercyparish](https://www.instagram.com/marymotherofmercyparish).

Food Donations Needed:

St. James the Apostle Church: every second Sunday of the month non-perishable food and hygienic items can be placed on the table in front of the Blessed Mother statue.

Holy Cross and St. Francis Solanus: food and hygienic items can be placed at the foyers at any time. Monetary donations by check are accepted (Mary, Mother of Mercy with food pantry in the memo-line). Donations may also be made using WeShare Online Giving

Eucharistic Revival—Invite One Back Initiative:

To Catholics who have been absence from Mass, in a missionary spirit and in a hospitable way, personally invite them back to encounter Jesus in Holy Communion. You might encourage them to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession and have the assurance of reconciliation, forgiveness, and union with God who throws our sins behind us never to be remembered. We Catholics today are more aware than ever that we must be missionaries – be invitational, like Jesus. “Invite one back.”

Make a Gift From your IRA:

If you are 70-1/2 or older, you can give any amount (up to \$100,000) from your IRA directly to a charity of your choice, reducing your taxable income. Please consult with your tax or financial advisor.

Catholic Ministries Appeal:

As of December 19, 2024, sixty-five parish households have pledged \$18,495 to the CMA. We are at 59.66% of our \$31,000 given goal. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join the appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God’s great work.

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

The news of the Messiah unsettled Herod. We see his anxiety clearly in today’s Gospel. This is what Christ has come to do, after all. He has come to shake things up. Are we ready to be unsettled?

Victims of Sexual Abuse:

Victims should always report to the civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator: Deborah Housel, 585-328-3228, ext. 1555 or by email to victimassistance@dor.org.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

- January 10-12: “The Journey from Reformation to Transformation: The 12-Steps and the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola”
 - January 14, 9:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m. : “Reading God: the Practice of Lectio Divina”
 - January 17-19: Men’s Retreat, “Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope”
 - January 30-Feb 2: Men’s Retreat, “Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope”
- For more information visit notredameretreat.org.

God our Father,

You never cease to seek out your children—the lonely, the frightened, the hurt, and the lost. We pray for all our parishioners who have been missing from our parish community and Eucharistic celebrations. Through the intercession of Mary, please pave the way for conversations and invitations that welcome them back to the Catholic Church and our parish Community. We trust in your love and mercy for every one of your children. Amen.

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.

The Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is. 60:1)

Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps. 72)

Second Reading:

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph. 3:5-6)

Gospel:

“Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” (Mt. 2:2)

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

January 5-11, 2024

Holy Cross

Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran
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MASS INTENTIONS

January 4–12, 2025

Saturday, January 4

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Rita King

from John King

Sunday, January 5

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

Fr. Eugene O’Hara, OFM Cap.

from Carol Mann

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

John and Nellie Vreeland

from Carl and Gail Christensen

Saturday, January 11

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

E. Lee Davidson

from Mary Davidson

Sunday, January 12

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

Peter and Shane Coats

from Liz Coats

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Mike and Dolores Ragan

from Cynthia Stannard

Parish Schedule
Week of January 5, 2025

Sunday, January 5:

Mass: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle

Mass: 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Monday, January 6:

Communion Service: 9:00 a.m., St. James

Tuesday, January 7:

Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis

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

Wednesday, January 8:

Rosary: 8:10 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

Thursday, January 9:

Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis

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

Parish Council: 7:00 p.m., St. Francis

Friday, January 10:

Rosary: 8:10 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, January 11:

Mass: 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Family Faith Formation: 5:00 p.m., St. Francis

Community Outreach

Food Pantries:

◦ Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. and
Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.

◦ Food Truck: January 7, 4:00–6:00 p.m.,
South Seneca High School

◦ Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 pm

◦ Trumansburg Food Pantry: Jan 13, 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

AA: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis



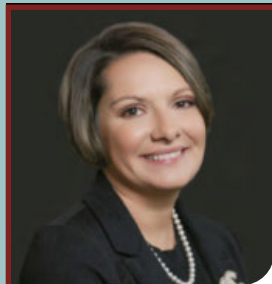
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