

# The Parish of MARY MOTHER 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.

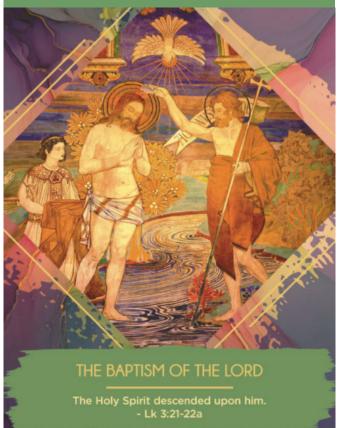
# Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:

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 marriage, please phone the Parish Center.

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

# JANUARY 12, 2025 The Baptism of the Lord



**Parish Center :** St. Francis Solanus P.O. Box 403 Interlaken, NY 14847 **Office Hours:** Tuesday–Friday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

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Pastor: Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.

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

#### January 12, 2025 The Baptism 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 29<sup>th</sup>. 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.

# **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 18<sup>th</sup> topic: *The Church is One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic.* 

#### 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.

# **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.

#### Find Our Parish Online:

The Parish of 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.

#### **Eucharistic Revival–Invite One Back:**

To Catholics who have been absent 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."

#### **Catholic Courier**

The Diocesan Catholic newspaper is mailed to all Diocesan Catholic households at a cost to the parishes. Our parish bill is \$430 monthly. The cost to the parish is \$13.60 annually for each household. Our parish has an annual second collection to help defray the cost. The collection will be taken up on the weekend of February 9<sup>th</sup> and a suggested offering is \$11.00 per household. Whatever help you can give be is appreciated.

# **Priesthood Vocations:**

The Diocese of Rochester has made available a new Vocations website for everyone to view: dorvocations.org. It focuses on the promotion of vocations to the priesthood.

# **Catholic Ministries Appeal:**

As of January 2, 2025, sixty-nine parish households have pledged \$20,985 to the CMA. We are at 67.69% 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.

# **Notre Dame High School Open House:**

There is an open house for prospective students in grades 7-12 and their families on January 27 from 6:00 –7:30 p.m. Registration begins at 5:45 p.m. Notre Dame is a college preparatory school offering an inclusive environment that is rich in the traditions of the Sisters of Mercy and academic excellence. Notre Dame H.S. is located at 1400 Maple Avenue, Elmira, and a transportation option is available for students residing in Ithaca and the surrounding areas. Visit notredamehighschool.com to RSVP or for more details.

# 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 victimsassistance@dor.org.

# Notre Dame Retreat House Men's Retreats:

Jan 17-19 or Jan 30-Feb 2:"Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope"

For more information visit notredameretreat.org.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD



# MASS INTENTIONS

January 11–19, 2025

# 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

# Saturday, January 18

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Victor Jakubowski from Felix Jakubowski

# Sunday, January 19

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle Sr. Marciana Koesterer, SSJ from Catherine Small

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross Janice Scarrott from Mr. and Mrs. Michael Scarrott

# **Prayer of St. Gertrude:**

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners every where, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. 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.



#### Parish Schedule Week of January 12, 2025

Sunday, January 12: Mass: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle Mass: 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Monday, January 13: Communion Service: 9:00 a.m., St. James

**Tuesday, January 14:** Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis

Wednesday, January 15: 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 16:** Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis Parish Council: 7:00 p.m., St. Francis

Friday, January 17: 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 18: Mass: 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Adult Study: 5:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

# **Community Outreach**

# **Food Pantries:**

Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.
Food Truck: February 4, 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

# The Baptism of the Lord

#### First Reading:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Is. (40:5)

#### Psalm:

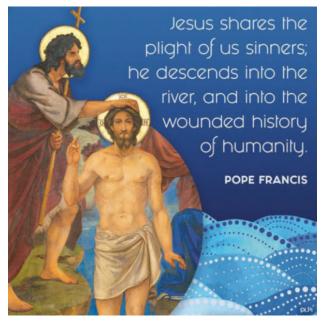
O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps. 104)

#### **Second Reading:**

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti. 3:5)

#### **Gospel:**

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. (Lk. 3:22)



# 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 cele-

brations. 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.



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