



St. Francis Solanus 3660 Orchard St. Interlaken, NY

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

Weekday Liturgies: Daily, 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.



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

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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. Rev. Regis Armstrong, OFM Cap.

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

National Eucharistic Revival, June 19, 2022–Pentecost 2025

Parish Eucharistic Revival June 2023 – June 2024

First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. (2 Chr. 36:15-16)

Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps. 137)

Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph. 2:4-5)

Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn. 3:16)

Mass Intentions

March 9–17, 2024

Saturday, March 9

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

Parishioners and benefactors

Saturday, March 16

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

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Sunday, March 17

900 a.m., St. James the Apostle

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Lenten Daily Mediations and CRS Rice Bowls:

Booklets, *The Word Among Us,* are available in the foyers of the Church. The booklets contain a meditation for each day of Lent. All are welcome to make a free will offering toward the cost of the booklets.

CRS rice bowls are also available in the foyers of the Church. 75% of donations are used globally, and 25% of donations go to our local food pantries.

Stations of the Cross:

- Holy Cross: Thursdays in Lent, 6:00 p.m., followed by a soup supper
- St. James the Apostle: Fridays in Lent, 3:00 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting:

There is a Parish Council meeting on March 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center, St. Francis Solanus Church, Interlaken.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available for celebration every Friday at St. Francis Solanus Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. During the Season of Lent two other opportunities have been scheduled:

- March 18, 6:30 p.m., St. James the Apostle
- March 19, 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross

Holy Week Schedule:

- Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, March 28, 7:00 p.m., St. James the Apostle
- Good Friday: The Passion of Our Lord, March 29, 3:00 p.m., Holy Cross
- Easter Vigil: March 30, 8:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
- Easter Sunday: March 31
 - 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
 - 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Washing of the Feet Ritual:

On March 28, this ritual will take place during the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle Church. We need 12 adult parishioners to volunteer to participate in this rite. There are sign-up sheets in the foyers of the Church.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt:

All are welcome to participate in the Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle! Join us!

Annual Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Collection:

This weekend our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Easter Duty:

(Church Law #920) All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. The precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at some other time during the year. In reference to this law the Easter season is considered from the First Sunday of Lent until Trinity Sunday (this year May 26).

Lenten Reminders:

- The season of Lent runs until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (March 28).
- "Alleluia" is not sung or said from the beginning of Lent until the Easter Vigil.
- During Lent the altar is not to be decorated with flowers.
- The readings for the Lenten Masses have been chosen in relation to the themes of baptismal renewal and conversion
- The Easter celebration is: Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday *the Easter Triduum* (Three Days of Easter).
- During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit of prayer, penance (conversion), and charity.

2023-2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA):

We thank those who have given generously to the Catholic Ministries Appeal and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. Participation in the Appeal is primary. What is pledged is secondary. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in many ways. Our given parish goal is \$31,000.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

- "Lenten Change Maker Series:" free evening with a simple supper followed by a talk on a Social Justice Issue; March 18
- "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God": Solar Eclipse Retreat, April 5 and/or 6

For more details visit notredameretreat.org.

4th SUNDAY OF LENT







Online Giving:

WeShare online giving provides the opportunity for parishioners to give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA), Easter Flowers, Easter collection, and the CRS Rice Bowl. Also, a Mass Intention Request form is now available on WeShare.

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 March 10, 2024

Sunday, March 10:

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

Mass: 10:30 a.m., Holy Cross CRS Second Collection

Monday, March 11:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis

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

Tuesday, March 12:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis

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

Wednesday, March 13:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis

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

Prayer for Healing and Harmony: 2:00 p.m., St. James

Book Study: 3:15 p.m., St. James

Thursday, March 14:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis

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

Stations of the Cross and soup supper: 6:00 p.m.,

Holy Cross

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

Friday, March 15:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis

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

Taizé Prayer: 1:00 p.m., St. James

Stations of the Cross: 3:00 p.m., St. James Father Bernard is available, no appointment is necessary: 6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Saturday, March 16:

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

Sunday, March 17:

Mass: 9:00 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.
- Food Truck: April 2, 4:00-6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 p.m.
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: March 18, 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Community Pantry: Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 p.m., Lodi Rod & Gun Club

Family Hope Center:

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., Holy Cross (Cancelled until April)





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