



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.



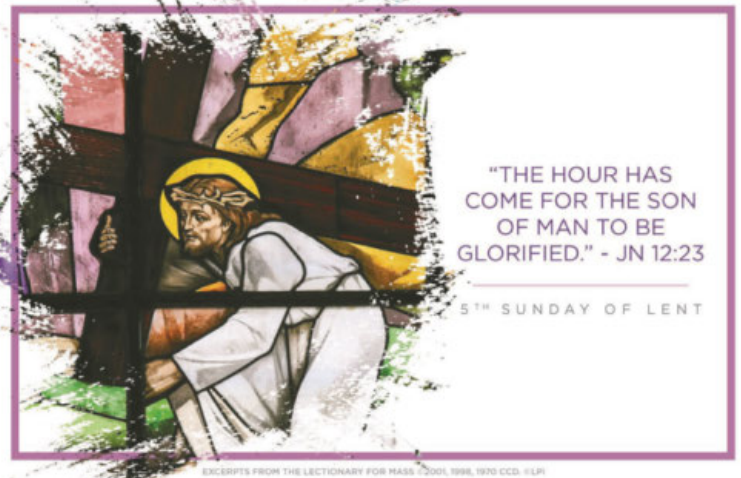
Holy Cross
7231 Main St.
Ovid, NY

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.

MARCH 17, 2024
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Parish Center :
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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 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Lent

*National Eucharistic Revival,
June 19, 2022–Pentecost 2025*

*Parish Eucharistic Revival
June 2023 – June 2024*

First Reading:

All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more. (Jer. 31:34)

Psalms:

Create a clean heart in me, O God. (Ps. 51)

Second Reading:

Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (Heb. 5:8-9)

Gospel:

“Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” (Jn 12:24)

Mass Intentions

March 16–24, 2024

Saturday, March 16

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

Sunday, March 17

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
John Lyon
from Eileen Heptig

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Dave Hofer

from Pat and Walt Collins

Saturday, March 23

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

Sunday, March 24

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Ted Tomandl
from Matthew Hall

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Cathy Langone
from Pat and Walt Collins

St. Patrick’s Day:

This Sunday, March 17th, is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. It is also the feast day of St. Patrick. However, St. Patrick’s feast day is not celebrated liturgically. Nevertheless, it is appropriate to wish everyone a “Happy St. Patrick’s Day.”

St. Joseph’s Feast Day:

Tuesday, March 19th, is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a great day in honor of St. Joseph.

Monday 8:30 a.m. Mass:

Regarding Mondays, from the last Monday in January until the first Monday of March 2024, there has been a Communion Service held at 9:00 a.m. at St. James the Apostle Church, Trumansburg and the 8:30 a.m. Monday Mass at St. Francis Solanus Church, Interlaken was cancelled. This practice will continue.

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

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.

Easter Vigil – Bishop Salvatore Matano:

We received the joyful news that our Bishop will be with us this Easter celebrating the Easter Vigil. The Easter Vigil (Saturday, March 30th) will be celebrated at St. Francis Solanus Church, Interlaken beginning at 8:00 p.m. All are invited.

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.

Funeral:

Our parishioner, Anna Marie Cafolla, died on March 5, 2024 at the age of 91. Her funeral Mass was held at St. Patrick’s Church, Seneca Falls, on March 11, 2024. Fr. Bernard was the celebrant.

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

March 17–March 23, 2024

Holy Cross

Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran
from the Corcoran family

Annual Easter Egg Hunt—Volunteers Needed:

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! We need volunteers next Sunday, March 24, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James to help fill the eggs. Your help is appreciated greatly.

Baptism / Confirmation / Holy Communion:

At the Easter Vigil the Gebhardt family will be celebrating Sacraments. Liana Gebhardt will be celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). Matthew Gebhardt will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Their two daughters, Poppy Holiday and Violet Jubilee, will be celebrating Baptism. This is a great day for Gebhardt's and the Church.

Jesus and the Eucharist Study:

Several of our parishioners have trained to facilitate small group discussions based on a series of videos provided by the organizers of the Eucharistic Revival. The videos are inspiring, well designed, and rich in content. Each one explores a different topic relating to the Eucharist.

Each facilitator will be offering seven sessions in which the group members will watch the videos and engage in a discussion. The schedule will be available soon.

2023-2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA):

It was reported on March 6, 2004 that ninety-two parish households have pledged \$26,382 which is 85.1% of our goal. "Thank you" to all who have made a pledge. We encourage all households to help us reach our given goal of \$31,000. Participation is primary, what is pledged is secondary. If you have lost your pledge envelope, know they are in the foyers of the churches or request one by phoning the parish office. We need everyone's help.

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).

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:
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 17, 2024

Sunday, March 17:

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

Monday, March 18:

Communion Service: 9:00 a.m., St. James
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 6:30 p.m., St. James

Tuesday, March 19:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross

Wednesday, March 20:

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 21:

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

Friday, March 22:

Recitation of the Rosary: 8:00 a.m., St. Francis
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis
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 23 Palm Sunday:

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

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday:

Mass: 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Easter Egg Hunt Preparation: 10:00 a.m., St. James
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*)



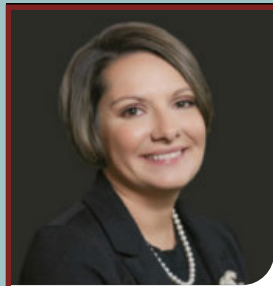
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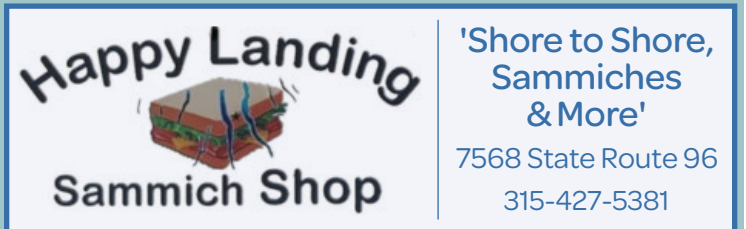
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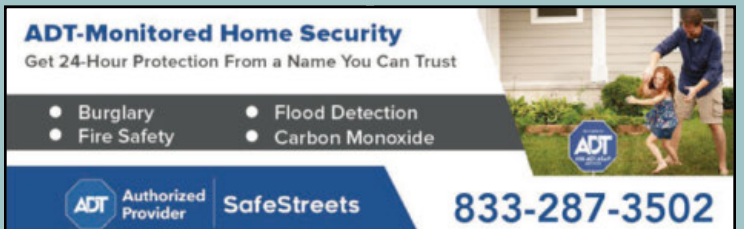


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