

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



MARCH 3, 2024  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## **St. Francis Solanus**

3660 Orchard Street  
Interlaken, NY

### **Weekday Liturgies:**

*(January 29–March 5)*  
Tuesday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.  
*(Recitation of the Rosary  
at 8:00 a.m.)*

### **Weekend Mass:**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.



## **St. James the Apostle**

17 Whig Street  
Trumansburg, NY

### **Weekend Mass:**

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

### **Communion Service:**

*(January 29–March 4)*  
Monday, 9:00 a.m.



## **Holy Cross**

7231 Main Street  
Ovid, NY

### **Weekend Mass:**

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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

## **Parish Center :**

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## **Pastor:**

Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.  
*(Father Bernard is away January 29–March 5)*

## **Office Hours:**

Tuesday–Friday  
9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.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 community or  
to celebrate the sacraments of baptism,  
confirmation, anointing of the sick, or  
marriage, please phone the Parish Center.

## **In residence at St. Fidelis Friary:**

Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.  
Rev. Regis Armstrong, OFM Cap.

**March 3, 2024**  
*National Eucharistic Revival,*  
*June 19, 2022–Pentecost 2025*  
*Parish Eucharistic Revival*  
*June 2023 – June 2024*



**First Reading:**

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: “I, the LORD am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me.” (Ex. 20:1-3)

**Psalm:**

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. (Ps. 19)

**Second Reading:**

We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. (1 Cor. 1:23-24)

**Gospel:**

Jesus answered and said to them, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” (Jn. 2:19)

**Lenten Reminders:**

- The season of Lent runs from Ash Wednesday (February 14) 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.
- Musical instruments may be played only to give necessary support to the singing.
- 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.

<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b> for the week of March 2–10, 2024		
Saturday, March 2 <i>First Saturday</i>	4:00 p.m. St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors
Sunday, March 3	9:00 a.m. St. James	Robert Carlisle from Barb and Rick Willers
	10:30 a.m. Holy Cross	Frank Locascio from Ed and Connie Conroy
Monday, March 4	9:00 a.m. St. James	<i>Communion service</i>
Saturday, March 9	4:00 p.m. St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors

**Upcoming Parish Events:**

- Food Pantries:
  - Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m.
  - Food Truck: First Tuesday of the month (March 5), 4:00-6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
  - Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 p.m.
  - Trumansburg Food Pantry: Every other Monday (March 4), 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
  - Lodi’s Community Pantry, Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 p.m., Lodi Rod & Gun Club, 9382 Lodi Center Rd
- Family Hope Center: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Holy Cross (*Cancelled until April*)
- Fr. Bernard is available Fridays, 6:30–7:30 p.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church.
- Recitation of the Rosary: Tuesday–Friday, 8:00 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
- 2023-2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA): Pledges are being accepted. Parish goal is \$31,000.
- Prayer for Healing and Harmony: St. James the Apostle
  - Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m.
  - March 14, April 11 & 25; 7:00 p.m.
- Book Study: Wednesdays, 3:15 p.m., St. James
- Taizé Prayer: March 15, 1:00 p.m., St. James
- Cemetery Collection: March 2/3
- Sweet Sunday: March 3, 10:00 a.m., St. James
- Encounter Night—Eucharistic Holy Hour: March 7, 6:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
- Family Faith Formation: March 9, 5:00 p.m., St. Francis

**Sweet Sunday:**

This 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.



### **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 Cemeteries Second Collection This Weekend:**

This weekend there is a 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. Thank you.

### **Eucharistic Holy Hour – Encounter Night:**

Spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist. Encounter Nights create the opportunity for a personal encounter with Our Lord. They are monthly opportunities to experience a powerful form of worship as a parish. The next Encounter Night will be Thursday, March 7, from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at St. Francis Solanus.

### **Family Faith Formation Gathering:**

Saturday, March 9, families with children in grades K-7 are invited to partake in a dish-to-pass meal and children's activity. Please RSVP for planning purposes by contacting Susan at [susan.guydosh@dor.org](mailto:susan.guydosh@dor.org) or phoning the parish office. The gathering begins at 5:00 p.m. at St. Francis Solanus.

### **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, and
- March 19, 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross.

### **The Pastor Will Be Away:**

Fr. Bernard is away until March 5. There is no 8:30 a.m. Mass this Monday at St. Francis Solanus. Instead, there is a communion service at St. James the Apostle at 9:00 a.m. led by Kathleen Rourke.

### **Food Pantry Donations Needed:**

- St. James the Apostle Church: Every second Sunday of the month, 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.

### **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. They are most useful for private and family

gathering use. 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. The sacrifices we make to support the CRS Rice Bowl during Lent have the power to change lives. 75% of donations are used globally, and 25% stay local.

### **Make the CRS Rice Bowl part of Lenten Almsgiving:**

In Akwangagwel, Uganda, the climate is very hot and dry. Farmers in this region depend on the rainy season for a successful harvest. But lately—due to the changing climate—the rain has been coming later and is more inconsistent. Sometimes, when it does rain, it causes flooding and ruins crops. Learn how farmers have taken matters into their own hands, implementing new techniques they learned from a Catholic Relief Services program. Visit [crs-ricebowl.org](http://crs-ricebowl.org) to read this week's Story of Hope from Uganda.

### **Fasting and Abstinence:**

- *Day of fasting* affects Catholics between the ages of 18 & 59. That is, no food may be eaten between meals. Only one full meal a day is allowed. Two other small meals are allowed with the total amount of food not exceeding the full meal.
- *Abstinence*: Catholics over the age of 14 abstain from meat.
- *Fridays of Lent* are days of abstinence, i.e. meatless days.

### **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. On January 24, 2024, it was reported that eighty-seven parish households have pledged \$23,665 which is 76.34% of goal.

### **Notre Dame Retreat House:**

“Lenten Change Maker Series:” Four free evenings with a simple supper followed by an inspirational talk on a Social Justice Issue; March 4 & 18

For more details visit [notredameretreat.org](http://notredameretreat.org) or phone 585-394-5700.

### **COLLIS Institute:**

“Words, Images, Reality: A Symposium on Living with AI”: March 7-8, Cornell University or via Zoom. See [collisinstitute.org/ai-symposium](http://collisinstitute.org/ai-symposium) for event details.

### **Donating to Your Parish:**

Online giving by WeShare is safe, simple and convenient. Visit [marymotherofmercy.com/giving](http://marymotherofmercy.com/giving) for more information. If you experience any problems, please email Eileen at [eileen.heptig@dor.org](mailto:eileen.heptig@dor.org).





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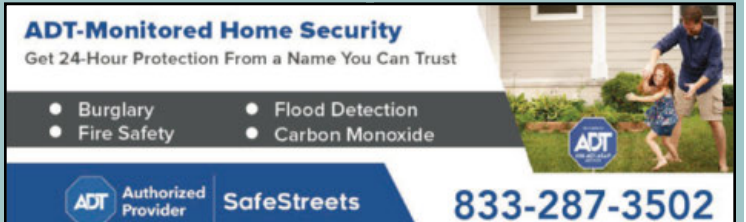
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