



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.





33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

- Mk 13:30-32

Parish Center:

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Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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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.

November 17, 2024 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Eucharistic Revival"Invite one back Initiative" Prayer:

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.

Eucharistic Revival-Invite One Back initiative:

Many Catholics have stopped participating in the Church. This year has been designated by the National Eucharistic Revival as a *Year of Mission* — that is in a hospitable way invite a parishioner back to encounter Jesus in Holy Communion.

We invite parishioners to record the name(s) on the forms provided in the pews, of a Catholic(s) (parishioner or not) who has stopped coming the Sunday Mass. The names will not be published. They will be prayed for during the Sunday Masses and at the beginning parish events. This prayer can be found in the Sunday bulletin. During the Season of Advent, personal contact / invitations will be given to members of our parish family for whom we have been praying return to the parish family and the Eucharist.

Adult Study:

Students in eighth grade and above and 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. The November 23rd topic: *The Revelation of the Spirit, Joint Mission of Son and Spirit.* These sessions are also helpful for people desiring to be received into the church and for Catholics to celebrate Confirmation and First Communion.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Bishop Matano appoints Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for a three-year term. In our parish the terms end in December 2024. A Bishop also informs a parish of the number of EM's allowed in a parish. Bishop Matano has informed our parish that ten parishioners can be selected for a three-year term, 2025-2028. Thirteen parish EM's responded requesting a renewal. Ten of the thirteen have been selected and their names have been submitted to the Diocese. Their appointment will be confirmed in December.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception:

The patronal feast day of the United States is December 8th. This year it falls on the Second Sunday of Advent which takes precedence over feast days. This year the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday, December 9th, together with the obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass.

There will be two Masses:

- 9:00 a.m. at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg, and
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross, Ovid.

Choir Rehearsals for Christmas Eve:

There will be an 8:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass at Holy Cross, Ovid. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. There will be a rehearsal on December 9 following the 6:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass.

Angel Tree Tags:

The Angel Trees are up at both St. Francis and Holy Cross Churches for the *Seneca County Community Christmas Project*! If you take a child's tag, the gifts must be returned no later than Sunday, December 8th. All presents will be picked up Monday morning, December 9th.

Please do not wrap the gifts – parents need to see what has been given for their children. Please include the tag information where it can easily be seen.

If you would like to participate but would prefer not to take a tag from the tree, gift cards from Walmart would be appreciated and would be going to families from our local communities.

If you have any questions, contact Gerry Frank at 607-869-5009 or *gfrank@ottcmail.com*.

Boxed offering envelopes:

2025 boxed offering envelopes are now available for pick up at each church. If you did not order a box and would like one, please contact the parish office.

November Word Among us Booklet:

The booklet titled, The Word Among Us, is available in the foyer of the church. The booklet contains daily meditations for November. Please take one for your home and for daily prayer.

Cemetery- Right to Burial Plot Cost:

Our parish has two cemeteries. As of January 1, 2025, the cost to purchase a right for burial in Holy Cross and St. James the Apostle cemeteries is \$900 for a traditional plot. St. James the Apostle Cemetery has a green section in the cemetery (no casket) and the cost for a right to burial plot is \$1,000.

Catholic Ministries Appeal:

As of November 7, 2024, thirty-nine parish households have pledged \$12,560 to the CMA. We are at 40.352% 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.

Proposal One – Equal Rights Amendment:

On November 5th, Election Day, the Equal Rights Amendment to the NYS Constitution was passed. However, a majority of counties across NYS opposed the Proposal. In the Diocese of Rochester, comprising of 12 Counties, ten Counties were in opposition to the Proposal.

Birthright in Need of Diapers:

Birthright of Ithaca is in need of diapers in the following sizes: Newborn, size 4, and size 5. If you can contribute a pack or a box of diapers, please leave them at one of the three churches. Thank you for your support.

Share the Warmth:

The Trumansburg Rotary Club has placed a collection bin on the front porch of the St. James rectory as part of their Share the Warmth campaign that runs through early December. Share the Warmth accepts all winter clothing in good repair: coats,

snow pants, boots, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, etc. Blankets also are welcome. All donations should be new or gently used, and clean for future recipients. Thank you to all.

Programs at St. James:

Sister Anne Alderman, SSJ facilitates two programs at St. James the Apostle.

- Prayer for Healing and Harmony: On the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. and every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., Sr. Anne leads a time of silent prayer. This provides an opportunity for personal reflection and healing.
- Book Study: Wednesdays at 3:15 p.m., all are invited to participate in a book study. The current book is <u>Essential Writings</u> by Joyce Rupp. If you have questions, contact Sister Anne at 607-209-4206 or a.alder1980@gmail.com

Notre Dame Retreat House:

December 6-8: Women in Recovery Retreat "Noel Retreat" with Susan Barber Skinner, PhD December 7: Advent Retreat "God Present & Coming: Hope for Creation" with Sr. Mary McGlone, CSJ

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

It sometimes feels like God is silent, like he sets himself apart from us and our struggles on earth. But Jesus reminds us of the fig tree, who can feel the coming of spring deep within itself. In the same intuitive way, we know the voice of God. Listen





Donating to Your Parish:

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- 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 November 17, 2024

Sunday, November 17:

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

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

Monday, November 18:

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

Tuesday, November 19:

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

Wednesday, November 20:

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 the Apostle

Thursday, November 21:

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

Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 7:00 p.m., St. James

Friday, November 22:

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

Father Bernard is available, no appointment necessary: 6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Saturday, November 23:

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

Adult Formation: 5:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Sunday, November 24:

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. and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.
- Food Truck: December 3, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- · Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 pm
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: November 18,
- 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

Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading:

"It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape." (Dn. 12:1)

Psalm:

You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Ps. 16)

Second Reading:

For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. (Heb. 10:14)

Gospel:

"And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." (Mk. 13:27)



Mass Intentions November 16–24, 2024

Saturday, November 16 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Parishioners and benefactors

Sunday, November 17

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle Fr. Eugene O'Hara, OFM Cap. from Clara Frantz

Saturday, November 23 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus James Hagen from Bill and Annette Reagan

Sunday, November 24 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle Jerilea Garfield Day

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10:30 a.m., Holy Cross Parishioners and benefactors





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