



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.



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.

November 3, 2024 Thirty-First 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 The names will not be published, however, over the next few months they will be prayed for during the Sunday Masses and at the beginning parish events. This prayer can be found in the Sunday bulletin. For the next two months we invite you to say this prayer daily. One hundred and ninety names have been submitted. During the Season of Advent, in some way, shape, or form, personal contact / invitations will be given to members of our parish family for whom we have been praying will return to the parish family and the Eucharist.

St. James Cemetery Cleanup:

This Sunday, November 3, at 1:00 p.m., there will be an opportunity to work together with fellow parishioners to clean up St. James the Apostle Cemetery. The cemetery is located at 95 Hector St., Trumansburg.

Cemetery Collection This Weekend:

This weekend is the 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.

Please note that the monetary donation to the cemetery can be specified either for St. James the Apostle or the Holy Cross cemetery. When the monetary donation is not specified, your donation is divided between the two cemeteries. Thank you for your help.

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.

Thank You:

Thank you to Gerry Frank, Duane Porterfield, and Ben Hamula. This summer, this crew of volunteers gave generously of their time to help maintain Holy Cross Cemetery. Thank you also to Bob Duthie and Karl Messmer for mowing at St. Francis Solanus. Their work greatly defrayed maintenance expenses and was a great help to the parish.

Sweet Sunday at St. James:

This Sunday there will be a social hour following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. There will be an opportunity for parishioners to plant Hyacinth bulbs by the Blessed Virgin Mary statue. All are welcome to attend.

Eucharistic Holy Hour – Encounter Night:

Spend time with Jesus in the *Eucharist*. *Encounter nights* provide an opportunity to gather in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, listen to Sacred Scripture, observe a sacred silence for reflection, encounter Jesus in a personal way, and conclude with Benediction. We believe Jesus hears our prayers and because of that our prayers are powerful.

The next *Encounter Night* will be this Thursday, November 7, from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church. For many in the parish it will mean making the sacrifice to travel. December's encounter night will be at St. James the Apostle.

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 16th topic: *The Saving Death and Resurrection of Christ*. These sessions are also helpful for people desiring to be received into the church and for Catholics to celebrate Confirmation and First Communion.

National Vocation Awareness Week:

November 3-9 is the National Vocation Awareness Week. The Diocese of Rochester has eight candidates in formation for ordination to the priesthood. During the week we pray especially for these candidates and pray that other men high school age to forty years of age reflect on a priesthood vocation. Our parish November 7th Encounter Night - Eucharistic Holy Hour – will focus on prayer for vocations to the priesthood.

Children's Liturgy of the Word & Family Faith Formation:

These events will be held next Saturday, November 9, during and after the 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Francis Solanus. All families and children are invited to attend.

Hot Chocolate and Trivia:

On November 10th, 1:00-3:00 p.m., at St. Francis Solanus, join us to find out who has the best recipe for hot chocolate. Bring a thermos of your finest (and maybe a few donuts to bribe the judges), and let the fun begin. Besides enjoying a hot cup of your best, we will indulge in holiday Trivia. If trivia is not your cup of chocolate, then how about a little Rummy Cube or cards?

Catholic Ministries Appeal:

As of October 24, 2024, thirty-two parish households have pledged \$10,310 to the CMA. We are at 33.26% 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.

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. Two rehearsals have been scheduled at Holy Cross Church from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on November 11 and December 9 - both dates are Mondays.

The Word Among us Booklet:

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

Thank You from the Tburg Food Pantry:

The Trumansburg Food Pantry is grateful for all parishioners who responded to serve during our Parish's months of service. From Carol Grove, coordinator of the pantry to our parish volunteers: "Thank you for all of your hard work! Come back any time!" Also greatly appreciated are the numerous members of our Parish who serve the pantry on a regular basis. Thank you!

Boxed offering envelopes:

2024 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.

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 who participate.

Christmas Concert:

The Trumansburg First Baptist Church is planning a Community Christmas Concert on December 1st at 4:00 p.m. The featured artist will be guitarist Loren Barrigar. All are invited to join a chorus that will perform three Christmas carols interspersed into the program. If interested, please notify Judith Christiansen at 607-873-1081or jchristi60@gmail.com.

Hurricane Relief:

Over the past weeks, we watched hurricanes and tornados move through the southeast causing severe damage and loss of life. Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA) is assisting in the aftermath through several local agencies on the ground and is providing support to those in need. All Catholic financial help is being directed through CCUSA to ensure that funds are available for critical relief efforts including shelter, food, and other humanitarian aid. Individuals may send hurricane relief directly to: Catholic Charities USA, 2050 Ballenger Avenue, Suite 400, Alexandria, VA 22314. Please mark the gift: HURRICANE RELIEF.

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.

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 November 3, 2024

Sunday, November 3:

Cemetery Collection

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

Sweet Sunday: 10:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle

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

Cemetery Cleanup: 1:00 p.m., St. James Cemetery

Monday, November 4:

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

Tuesday, November 5:

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

Wednesday, November 6:

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 7:

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

Eucharistic Holy Hour: 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 7:00 p.m., St. James

Friday, November 8:

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 9:

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word: During 4:00 p.m. Mass,

St. Francis

Family Faith Formation: 5:00 p.m., St. Francis

Sunday, November 10:

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

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

Cocoa and Trivia: 1:00 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: November 5, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00-6:00 pm
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: Nov.4, 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

Blood Drive: November 9, 7:30-11:30 a.m., Trumansburg American Legion, redcrossblood.org

Thiry-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading:

"Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength." (Dt. 6:5)

Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps. 18)

Second Reading:

But Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. (Heb. 7:24)

Gospel:

"The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than [this]." (Mk 12:31)

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions November 3–9, 2024	
Holy Cross	Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran from the Corcoran family

Mass Intentions

November 2–10, 2024

Saturday, November 2

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Shane Sharp and Marie Roloson from Pat and Karl Messmer

Sunday, November 3

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

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

Saturday, November 9 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus Parishioners and benefactors

Sunday, November 10 9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle The intentions of Annette Hade from Gerry Todi





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