



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

April 12, 2026

**Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy**



St. Francis Solanus
*3660 Orchard St.
Interlaken, NY*

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

Weekday Mass:
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.



St. James the Apostle
*17 Whig St.
Trumansburg, NY*

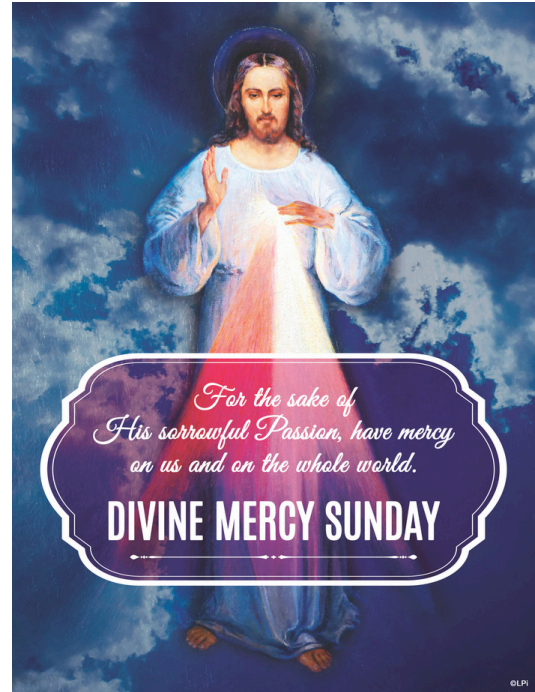
Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Communion Service:
Monday, 9:00 a.m.



Holy Cross
*7231 Main St.
Ovid, NY*

Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.



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Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:
6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus, with Fr. Bernard

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.

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Pope Leo XIV: 2026 Year of St. Francis--
800th anniversary of his death

Thank You

The parish extends its gratitude to all who helped create a most blessed Holy Week and a joyous Easter Sunday. We thank our sacristans, musicians, ushers, altar servers, decorators, lectors, Eucharistic ministers and all other volunteers.

Priests' Convocation

Priests in the Diocese of Rochester will be meeting this Monday afternoon until Wednesday morning. The Convocation is an annual event. This year the meeting will take place in Watkins Glenn with Bishop John Bonnici, our new Bishop.

Study Opportunity

“Peace Making and Non-Violence” a six-session study course sponsored by the Threshold Bible Study is being offered in our parish. A book will be provided for each participant for a weekly study before the weekly session takes place. If interested the study, please notify the Parish Office. The six sessions will be facilitated by Mr. Mark Scibilia-Carver.

Cemetery Thank You

Thank you to Liz Coats, Gerry Frank, Ben Hamula, and Normal Hummel for volunteering the clean-ups at St. James and Holy Cross cemeteries on March 28.

As a reminder, our cemeteries are maintained by volunteers. Please kindly remember to remove plants and decorations at the end of each season. Please also note, flowers and ornamentation may become damaged as a result of weather or regular maintenance, and the cemeteries reserves the right to remove items that hinder maintenance.

Parish Educational Opportunity: Wednesday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. at St. Francis Solanus

St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry On The Road, will be sending Professor Lisa Lickona who will give a presentation entitled Encountering the Heart of Jesus. This event is coordinating with the Wednesday 8:30 a.m Mass and the 9:00 a.m. coffee and pastries social. Thank you to the members of the Word Committee for coordinating this event.

Professor Lisa Lickona, S.T.L. will offer a ninety-minute interactive presentation, Encountering the Heart of Jesus. Her presentation will invite us to ask ourselves, “What is our devotion to the Sacred Heart and how can our devotion to Our Lord deepen our life of prayer?” Professor Lickona will explore the Sacred Heart Devotion through the writings of the saints and through Pope Francis’ encyclical, Dilexit Nos---“He Loved Us.”

In addition to being an Assistant Professor in Systematic Theology at St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry (Pittsford, NY), Lisa Lickona has extensively researched and written on the lives of the saints. Each month, at the St. Bernard’s School, she offers to the public a half-day reflection and call to prayer where each person has the opportunity to learn about one of the saints, ask questions, and spend an hour in adoration. Professor Lickona has published essays in Humanum, Catholic Social Science Review, and Ave Maria Law Review. She has also been involved with the Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine in Emmitsburg, MD, especially as a speaker during the Shrine’s anniversary celebrations last year.

Please start your day on April 22, 2026, by coming to the Mass and breakfast followed by Professor Lickona’s presentation/discussion.

Mentors Needed

Parishioners interested in mentoring (educating one on one) students preparing for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation please volunteer by phoning the parish office. Education materials will be provided. Mentors, and all teachers in Catholic educational programs must participate in the Diocesan Safe Environment Program.

Celebrating First Communion!

Sunday, July 12, 10:30 AM, Holy Cross Church

Our parish is joyfully celebrating five children receiving their First Communion this year! We invite you to share in this moment of faith and community. A reception will follow at the Lodi Volunteer Fire Company ([8557 NY-414, Lodi, NY 14860](https://www.911.com/lookup/8557%20NY-414%2C%20Lodi%2C%20NY%2014860)).

If you would like to contribute refreshments for the reception (breads, salads, drinks), please refer to the sign up sheets placed in the back of the church and contact Kathy Sinkiewicz at 607-869-2285 by June 30.

We look forward to welcoming parishioners from all three churches as we celebrate this special day together!

Easter Duty:

Church law number 920 states: a) 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, b) This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at some other time during the year. Please note, however, that the United States has been granted an indult of extending the time for the annual reception of Holy Communion from the beginning of Lent through the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (this year February 18 - May 31). An "indult" is a license granted by competent Church authority for an exception from a particular norm of Church law.

Daily Mediations

Booklets, *The Word Among Us*, are available in the foyers of the Church. The booklets contain the daily readings and meditations. Please take one for your home.

Coffee and Pastries at St. Francis Solanus

On Wednesdays following the 8:30 a.m. daily Mass at St. Francis Solanus, take time to connect with your fellow parishioners over a light breakfast in the Annex.

Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

On March 17, 2026, one hundred two parish households have pledged \$36,375 to the CMA. This represents 113.67% of our given parish goal. The parish goal was \$32,000 We thank those who have given generously. We encourage parish households who have not yet made a pledge to prayerfully consider doing so. After reaching our given parish goal, our parish will be given a rebate. The rebate is half the amount over goal.

Programs at St. James:

Sister Anne Alderman, SSJ facilitates these programs at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg. If you have questions about any of these programs, contact Sister Anne at 607-209-4206 or a.alder1980@gmail.com.

· Prayer for Healing and Harmony: Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.; 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

This time of silent prayer provides an opportunity for personal reflection and healing. The session closes with a time to share any reflections that came to you. You do not need to attend every session.

· Book Study —Gift of Years by Joan Chittister: Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m.

Program at COLLIS Institute

Please join the COLLIS Institute for two events with Fr. Justin Brophy, OP from Providence College on April 13 and 14 on the philosophy of love for the former and Alasdair MacIntyre's concept of tradition and the place of the Catholic intellectual tradition in secular universities for the latter. For more information and to register please go to collisinstitute.org/upcoming-events.

Notre Dame Retreat House

- May 1-3, Women's retreat, "*Holy and Beloved*," with Fr. Jim McDonald, Suzette Norris, Jodie Scordo notredameretreat.org or 585-394-5700

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If you experience any problems, please email eileen.heptig@dor.org.



Parish Schedule

Week of April 12, 2026

Sunday, April 12: Divine Mercy Sunday

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

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

Monday, April 13:

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

Tuesday, April 14:

No Mass

Wednesday, April 15:

No Mass

1:30 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James

2:30 p.m.: Book study, St. James

Thursday, April 16:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis

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

Friday, April 17:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis

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

6:30-7:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation/
Personal Dialogue with Fr. Bernard, St. Francis

Saturday, April 18:

4:00 p.m.: Mass

Food Pantries:

- Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10 am & Thurs. 5 pm
- Food Truck: May 5, 4 pm until gone., South Seneca HS
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fri., 3-6 pm
- Tburg Food Pantry: Apr. 20, 3:30-6 pm, Methodist Church
- Lodi's Food 4 All: Sat., 12:30-2 pm, 8446 Main St.

AA: Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Mass Intentions

April 11–April 19, 2026

April 11

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

Parishioners and benefactors

April 12

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

Deceased members of the Rourke family
from Kathleen Rourke

April 18

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

Parishioners and benefactors

First Reading:

They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. (Acts 2:46-47)

Psalm:

Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps. 118)

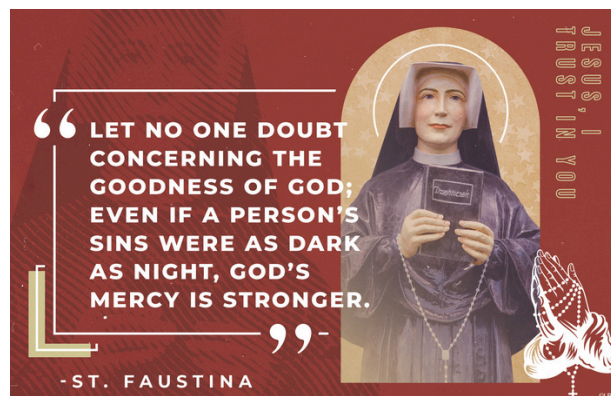
Second Reading:

Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls. (1 Pt. 1:8-9)

Gospel:

Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

(Jn. 20:29)





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