



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



St. Francis Solanus
3660 Orchard St.
Interlaken, NY

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

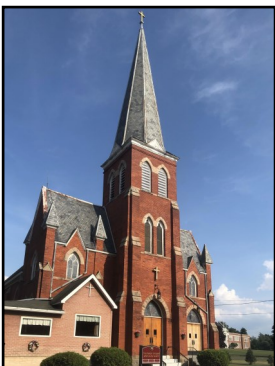
Weekday Mass:
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.



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

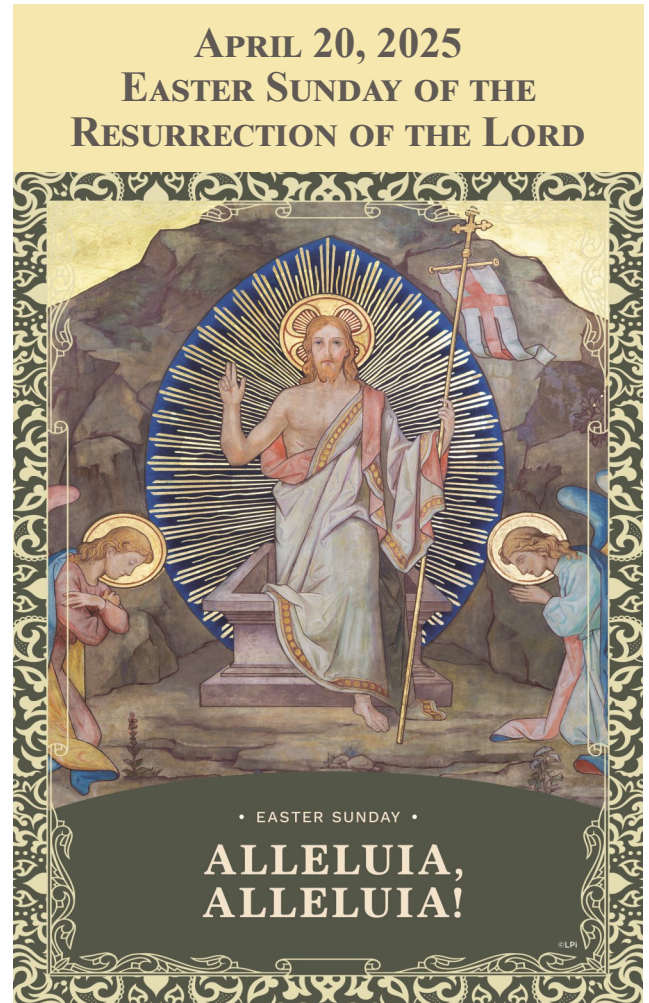
Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:

Fridays, 6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus,
with Father Bernard

To join the parish or to celebrate the sacraments of
baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick, or mar-
riage, please phone the Parish Center.

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



Parish Center :

St. Francis Solanus
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Interlaken, NY 14847

Office Hours:

M,W,Th: 2:00–5:00 p.m.
Sat: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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Pastor: Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.

In residence at St. Fidelis Friary:

Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

April 20, 2025
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
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
December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025
Theme: “Pilgrims of Hope”

Happy Easter:

The Lord has indeed risen, alleluia. Glory and kingship be his forever and ever. Enjoy this holy day and season rejoicing in Jesus's victory over death and the fact that he shares that victory with us. We have been promised heaven. May this promise always be a source of hope and strength in times of trouble. Rejoice and be glad.

Parish Easter Egg Hunts!

All are welcome to participate in the Easter egg hunts on Easter Sunday! There will be one after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle and the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross Church.



Parish Easter Offering:

There is one collection on Easter. In previous years parishioners generally increase their offering by being more generous on that day than usual. The parish has come to rely on the Easter offering collection. Please do what you are able. Thank you.

Divine Mercy Service:

Next Sunday, April 27, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, 113 N. Geneva Street, Ithaca, Deacon George Kozak will be leading a Divine Mercy Service with recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Rosary, and Adoration and Benediction. All are welcome.

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 March 5 - June 15). An "indult" is a license granted by competent Church authority for an exception from a particular norm of Church law.

Parish Card Ministry Volunteers Needed:

The Card Ministry has need for additional volunteers. The Card Ministry sends a note or a card to 15 homebound parishioners and to those in health care facilities.

Each volunteer is assigned one month out of the year. That month the volunteer sends each parishioner on the list a note or card. If the volunteer card sender would like to send out cards more frequently, that is certainly an option. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please call the parish office. The parish will cover the cost of postage if you wish. Thank you!

MMM Parish Spring Clean-up:

The spring season is upon us. All parish properties are in need of a seasonal clean up so grab your gloves and your tools; all help is appreciated.

All clean-ups begin at 9:00 a.m. In the event of rain, the clean up will be canceled.

- April 26: St. Francis Solanus Church
- May 3: Holy Cross Church
- May 17: St. James the Apostle Church

Coffee and Toast 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.

Blue Sunday - A Day of Prayer for Abused Children:

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. To remember the millions of children who are victims of abuse/neglect, Blue Sunday Child Abuse Prevention is asking the faith community to pray on Sunday, April 27. Visit www.bluesunday.org for resources and for more information.

Catholic Home Missions Collection:

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at usccb.org/home-missions.

“Thank you”:

The Interlaken Reformed Church sent a thank you note to the parish for donations. In it they wrote: “This is much appreciated and greatly needed at this time.

Catholic Ministries Appeal:

The parish received a letter from Bishop Matano. In it he states: “I write to express my sincere gratitude for exceeding your assigned goal in contributions and pledges for the 2024-2025 *Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)*, bearing the theme *Extending Christ’s Mission...* It is a demonstration of commitment to supporting the mission of our Diocese. ... I pray that Our Lord will continue to bless your parish family.

Our parish CMA given goal was \$31,000. The April 10th CMA report stated that 90 parish households pledged \$34,400 or 110.97% of goal.

Thank you to all how have made this possible. Pledges can continue to be made. The CMA Appeal returns to the parish half of what is over goal.

St. Catherine of Siena Performance:

On Tuesday, April 29, at 7:00 p.m., Sr. Nancy Murray, O.P. will perform a one-woman play on the great Dominican Mystic, laywoman and Doctor of the Church, St. Catherine of Siena! Sr. Nancy has given over 800 performances throughout the US and around the world. She comes from a family of actors, including her most famous brother, comedian Bill Murray. Please join us at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 309 Siena Drive, Ithaca, as we celebrate St. Catherine’s (and our) Feast Day on April 29 with this inspiring and unique performance!

Post Abortion Bible Study:

Forgiven & Set Free, is the theme of Zoom meetings being held on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. for those desiring healing from a past abortion. For more information phone or text Val at 315-521-9613.

New York State Catholic Conference:

A new session starts in the NYS legislature in Albany, now is a great time to sign up for legislative alerts through the Catholic Action Network. The CAN is sponsored by the NYS Catholic Conference. You will receive news of current issues in Albany that call for our voices, and easy ways to contact Your NYS elected officials. Join thousands of other Catholics advocating for “laws and policies

that pursue social justice, respect for life and common good.” www.nyscatholic.org.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

- May 2-4: Women’s Retreat “*Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope*” With Fr. Eugene O’Reilly, C.Ss.R., Sr. Joan Sobala, SSJ, Sr. Donna DelSanto, SSJ & Jodie Scordo
- May 13: Fill Your Soul Day “*Blessed Are You: A Closer Look at the Fundamental Message of Jesus*” With Sr. Carole Cimino, SSJ
- May 16-18: Women’s Retreat “*Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope*” With Fr. Philip Sutherland, SJ, Elena Kiley, Jodie Scordo

For more information visit notredameretreat.org

Employment:

Private live-in caregiver/companion/helpmate is available for the Summer of 2025. For more information, contact Sarah Wood, sarahswood@gmail.com or 607-379-0708.

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

There is an invitation in the empty tomb and the abandoned burial cloths. What great things could we accomplish, if we only believe that Christ has conquered death? Go forth this Easter season, boldly embracing the hope of the resurrection.

Catholic Quotes—Words to Inspire the Faithful:

“All I want to know is Christ and the power flowing from his resurrection.” —St. Francis of Assisi

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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.



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

First Reading:

He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps. 118)

Second Reading:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col. 3:1)

Gospel:

So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." (Jn. 20:2)

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

April 20-26, 2025

Holy Cross

Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran
from the Corcoran family

MASS INTENTIONS

April 19-April 27, 2025

Saturday, April 19

8:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Ruth Lucas
from Barbara Butterer

Sunday, April 20

9:00 a.m., St. James
Rodney Enoch Lewis
from Joe and Eileen Heptig

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
William and Dorothy Legott
from Gerry and Marilyn Frank

Saturday, April 26

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Barbara Zawko
from Scott and Robin Hamula

Sunday, April 27

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Sr. Helen Paul Starr, CSJP
from Rick and Barb Willers

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
George P. Gattullo
from Ed and Connie Conroy

Parish Schedule Week of April 20, 2025

Sunday, April 20: *Easter Sunday*

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

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

—Easter egg hunts to follow both Masses!

Monday, April 21:

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

Tuesday, April 22:

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

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

Wednesday, April 23:

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

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

Coffee and Toast: 9:00 a.m., St. Francis

Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 2:00 p.m., St. James

Book Study: 3:15 p.m., St. James

Thursday, April 24:

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

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

Friday, April 25:

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

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

Saturday, April 26:

Catholic Home Missions Collection

St. Francis Solanus Spring Clean-up: 9:00 a.m.

Mass: 4:00 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: May 6, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 pm
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: April 21, 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Community Pantry: Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 pm., Lodi Rod & Gun Club

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