



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

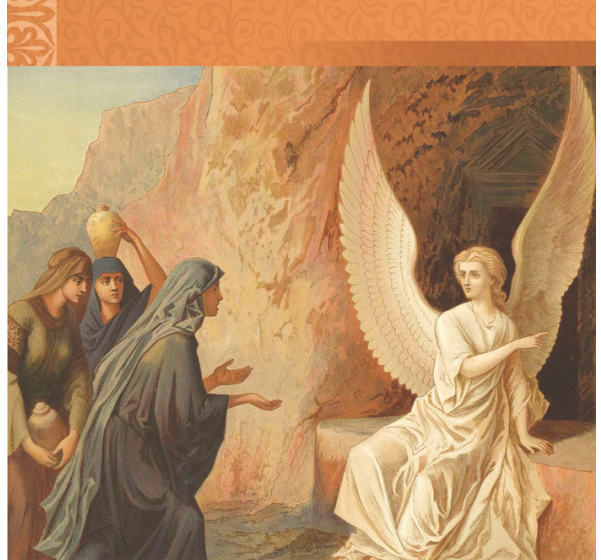
Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:
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.

April 5, 2026
Easter Sunday



EASTER SUNDAY

"The angel said to the women in reply, 'Do not be afraid!'" Matthew 28:5

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April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Pope Leo XIV: 2026 Year of St. Francis– 800th
anniversary of his death

Happy Easter

The Lord has indeed risen, alleluia. Glory 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.

Baptism

Next Sunday, April 12th, at 9:00 a.m. Mass, the child of David & Kaitlyn O'Shea, Louis James O'Shea will be Baptized during the Mass.

Funerals

J. Barry Roach, died on January 27, 2026 at 90 years of age. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Friday, April 10th at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Cross Church, Ovid. Mary Kammer Casseti, died November 4, 2025 at 93 years of age. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, April 11th at 11:00 a.m. at St. James the Apostle Church, Trumansburg.

Cemetery Collection This Weekend

This weekend is the second collection to benefit the Mary, Mother of Mercy parish cemeteries. 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Food Donations Needed:

St. James the Apostle Church: every second Sunday of the month non-perishable 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.

No Sweet Sunday

There is no Sweet Sunday on Easter Sunday, April 5th.

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.



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.

Daily Mass

To be able to celebrate daily the word of God and one's union with Jesus in Holy Communion is most helpful in our daily Christian living. For those who are able, our parish Mass schedule is Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church.

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.

Notre Dame Retreat House

- April 14, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., "*Walking the Pilgrimage of Easter Faith in 2026*" with Fr. Gerry McKeon, SJ
- May 1-3, Women's retreat, "*Holy and Beloved,*" with Fr. Jim McDonald, Suzette Norris, Jodie Scordo

notredameretreat.org or 585-394-5700

Quote of Pope Saint Paul VI

"If you have lost the taste for prayer, you will regain the desire for it by returning humbly to its practice."

Donating to Your Parish:

Online giving by WeShare is safe, simple and convenient.

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.heptig@dor.org.



Mass Intentions

March 28–April 5, 2026

April 4

8:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Sally Guydosh
from Phil Sicuro

April 5

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Elizabeth Sicuro
from the Guydosh family

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Marilynn Frank
from the Guydosh family

April 7

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
The intentions of Adam Drake
from Carol Ann Kuklo

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

Sanctuary Candle

April 5-11, 2026

Holy Cross

Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran
from the Corcoran family

Parish Schedule

Week of April 5, 2026

Sunday, April 5: Easter Sunday

9:00 a.m.: Mass, St. James
10:30 a.m.: Mass, Holy Cross

Monday, April 6:

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

Tuesday, April 7:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
7:00 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James

Wednesday, April 8:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
9:00 a.m.: Coffee and Pastries, St. Francis
1:30 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James
2:30 p.m.: Book study, St. James

Thursday, April 9:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis

Friday, April 10:

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 11:

4:00 p.m.: Mass w/ Children's Liturgy of the Word,
St. Francis
5:00 p.m.: Family Faith Formation

Food Pantries:

- Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10 am & Thurs. 5 pm
- Food Truck: Feb. 3, 4 pm until gone., South Seneca HS
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fri., 3-6 pm
- Tburg Food Pantry: Apr. 6, 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

First Reading:

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name. (Acts 10:43)

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:

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. (Jn. 10:1)



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