



# 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.

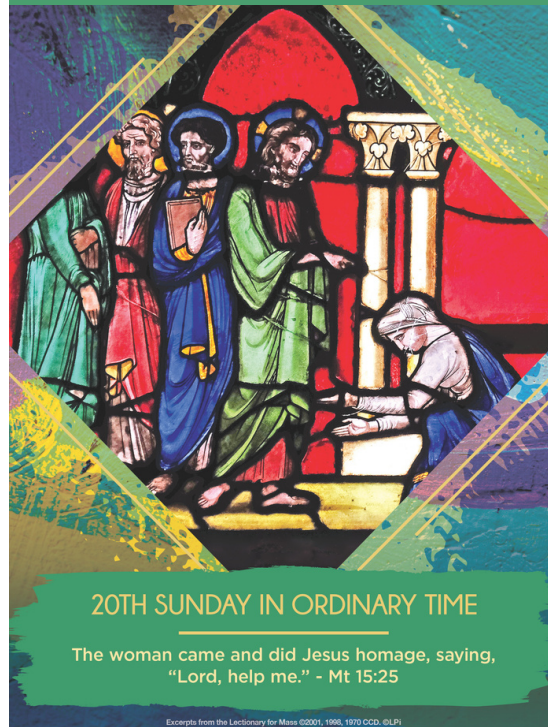
### **Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:**

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.*

August 16, 2026  
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying,  
"Lord, help me." - Mt 15:25

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### **Parish Center :**

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**In residence at St. Fidelis Friary:**

Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

**August 16, 2026**

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pope Leo XIV: 2026 Year of St. Francis– 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death

**Fr. Bernard – retirement**

The Province of St. Mary of the Capuchin Franciscan Order announced on July 24th that Fr. Bernard will have senior status in the Province. Fr. Bernard is 84 years old. ‘Senior Status’ means that Fr. Bernard will be relieved of all administrative duties while also being available for priestly ministry when and where a need arises. He will continue to reside at St. Fidelis Friary, Interlaken, NY. The Province has nominated to Bishop John Bonnici, Fr. Robert Lasrado, OFM Cap to be the pastor of The Parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy. These changes will take place on September 1, 2026. Fr. Bernard has completed twelve years of pastoral ministry for St. James the Apostle, St. Francis Solanus and Holy Cross churches.

**Parish Cemeteries**

To purchase the right to burial plot at St. James the Apostle Cemetery, Trumansburg, and Holy Cross Cemetery, Ovid is nine-hundred dollars (\$900). St. James the Apostle Cemetery has a green section, that is, burial without a casket and vault, the cost is one-thousand dollars (\$1,000). At the time of burial, the opening and closing of the grave is nine hundred (\$900) for a traditional burial and for cremains is seven hundred (\$700). Additional charges: for burials between November 1 and April 1 is one-hundred dollars (\$100) and for burials on weekends and holidays is two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

**The Word Among Us Booklets:**

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

**Parish Picnic, Mary, Mother of Mercy Feast Day and Father’s Retirement:**

The parish picnic will be held Sunday, August 30, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the St. Fidelis Friary boathouse.

This year we gather in gratitude as Father Bernard retires. Father Bernard has ministered to our three churches: St. James the Apostle, St. Francis Solanus, and Holy Cross, for 12 years. Thank you, Father Bernard, for this faithful service and dedication to our parish. The picnic is a dish-to-pass. The parish will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and beverages. There will be a basket for cards to Father Bernard.



Mary, Mother of Mercy  
**Parish Picnic**

This year we gather in gratitude as Father Bernard retires after 12 years of ministry to St. James the Apostle, St. Francis Solanus, And Holy Cross.



Sunday, August 30  
1:00-3:00 PM  
St. Fidelis Friary Boathouse  
7793 County Rd 153, Interlaken

**Dish-to-Pass**  
Hot dogs, hamburgers,  
and beverages provided

### Retreat Day

This Thursday, August 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Branches Christian Rest and Renewal Center, 8251 Lower Lake Road, Lodi, is sponsoring Deacon Ward Nolan and Jayne Badano-Bidwell in a presentation on Partakers of the Divine Nature with a Communion Service. The presenters will explore what Sacred Scripture, the Catechism, Church Fathers and the Saints state about one's intimate sharing in Christ's Divinity. For more information: [www.branchescenter.org/event-1/partakers-of-the-divine-nature-retreat-with-communion-service](http://www.branchescenter.org/event-1/partakers-of-the-divine-nature-retreat-with-communion-service).

### 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](mailto: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.

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### First Reading:

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. (Is. 56:1)

### Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps. 67)

### Second Reading:

For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom. 11:32)

### Gospel:

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

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### Back to School Event:

The First Baptist Church will be hosting the 3rd Annual Back to School Event at the Farmers Market in Trumansburg on August 19, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. All are being invited to donate school supplies that will be distributed to families that do not have funding to purchase school supplies. The school supply examples are: Crayola crayons 24 pk, colored pencils, cap erasers, handheld pencil sharpeners, lined paper with margins, dry-erase markers, composition notebooks, glue stick, paper towels, reusable water bottles, 2-pocket plastic folders, highlighters, etc.

### Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua:

*Holy and Beloved Retreat:*

- Couples: August 21–23

Fr. Peter Sousa, C.Ss.R, Sharon and John Bednarczyk, Jodie Scordo

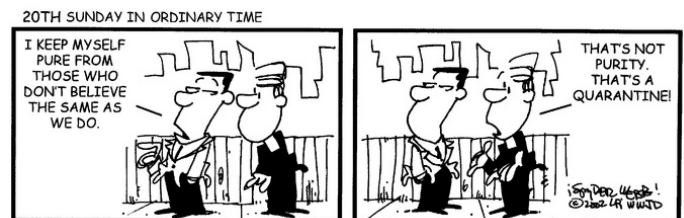
- Men's: September 18–20

Fr. Michael Cunningham, C.Ss.R., Deacon Gary Terrana, Jodie Scordo

*Fill Your Soul with Contemplative Prayer:*

September 22, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., with Laura Pasquale, Ph.D.

For more information visit [notredameretreat.org](http://notredameretreat.org)



### Food Pantries:

- ° Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10 am & Thurs. 5 pm
- ° Food Truck: 9/8, 4 pm, South Seneca HS
- ° Interlaken Reformed Church: Fri., 3-6 pm
- ° Tburg Food Pantry: August 10, 3:30–6 pm, Methodist Church
- ° Lodi's Food 4 All: Sat., 12:30–2 pm, 8446 Main St.

### **Mass Intentions**

August 15–August 23, 2026

#### **August 15**

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

#### **August 16**

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle  
Roger Mills  
*from Russ Wedemeyer*

#### **August 18**

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Richard William Schade  
*from Melody Ray*

#### **August 19**

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Richard William Schade  
*from Melody Ray*

#### **August 20**

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Richard William Schade  
*from Melody Ray*

#### **August 21**

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Richard William Schade  
*from Melody Ray*

#### **August 22**

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Mary Pell  
*from Rick and Barb Willers*

#### **August 23**

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle  
Noah Mobili  
*from Bob Russell*

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

### **Parish Schedule**

Week of August 16, 2026

#### **Sunday, August 16:**

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

#### **Monday, August 17:**

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

#### **Tuesday, August 18:**

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis  
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis  
7:00 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James  
*AA Meeting at St. Francis postponed until 9/8*

#### **Wednesday, August 19:**

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, August 20:**

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

#### **Friday, August 21:**

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, August 22:**

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





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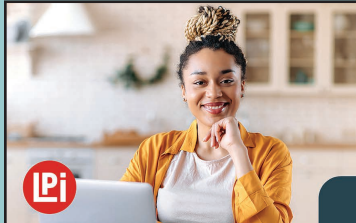
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