



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

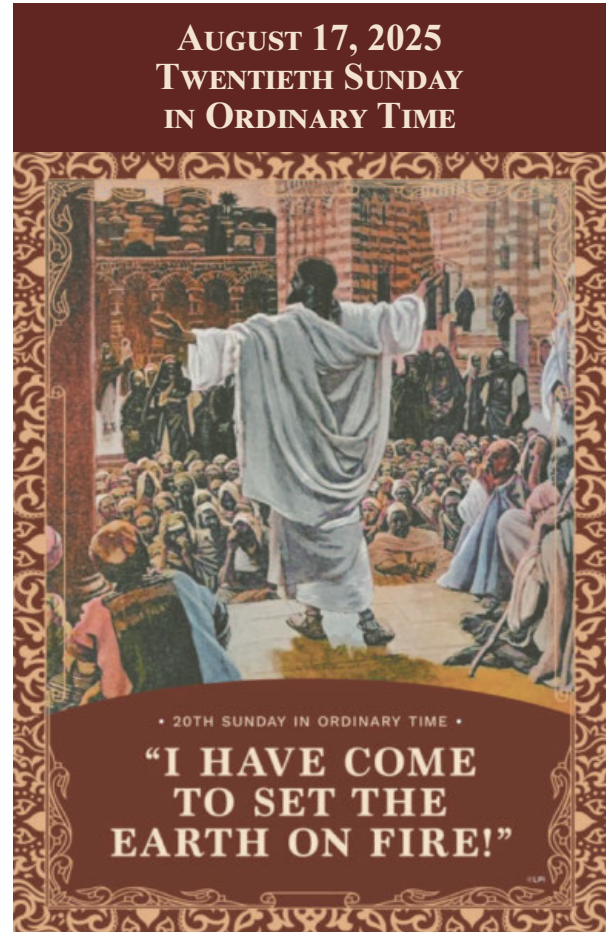
Weekend Mass:
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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 marriage, please
phone the Parish Center.

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



Parish Center :
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Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

August 17, 2025

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2025 Roman Catholic Church Jubilee/Holy Year
December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025
Theme: "Pilgrims of Hope"

First Holy Communion:

Frank Rovitz will celebrate his first Holy Communion this Sunday, August 17th, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg. A happy day for Frankie, the Parish and the Rovitz family.

Death Notice:

Fr. William Winters, OFM Cap, was pastor of Holy Cross and St. Francis Solanus Parishes from 2002-2008 and is fondly remembered. Until recent years, Fr. Bill returned to the friary and visited the area every summer for a couple of weeks. Fr. Bill died on July 29, 2025, at the age of eighty-seven. His Funeral Mass and burial took place at Sacred Heart Church, Yonkers NY on August 2, 2025.

"Fill the Holes" — Holy Cross Cemetery:

Over many years, erosion, animals, the removal of trees and the settling of land have caused the ground at Holy Cross Cemetery to become uneven and full of holes.

On Saturday, August 23rd, at 9:00 a.m., we will "fill the holes" at Holy Cross Cemetery. Volunteers are needed for this morning job. What is also needed are wheelbarrows and tools – shovels, rakes and whatever else you might use to move dirt from one location to another.

If you are able to help, please call the office by Monday, August 18, and leave a message or email susan.guydosh@dor.org. We need to know the number of volunteers in order to know how much "dirt" to order for the one-day job. Thank you in advance for your help, and we will fill as many holes as possible rain or shine!

Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. James the Apostle:

On First Fridays there will be a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg.

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.

Food Pantry Help Needed:

Our parish is asked to provide volunteers for the Trumansburg Food Pantry on August 25. Sign up lists are in the foyer at St. James or email Kathleen at kerourke8@gmail.com.

As Jesus told us, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

Holy Cross Church Steps:

Work has started on replacing the south steps at Holy Cross Church. After the south steps are completed, the main steps and concrete work will be completed. "Stay tuned" for more information!

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, 2:00 p.m.; 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (August 19), 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 — Following Jesus by Henri Nouwen: Wednesdays, 3:15 p.m.

Cemeteries:

The Parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy has two cemeteries, St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg, and Holy Cross, Ovid. To purchase the right to burial in a grave in the traditional part of the cemetery is \$900. To purchase the right to burial in the green section of St. James the Apostle cemetery is \$1,000. For the interment of a body in an already purchased plot is \$900 and for the interment of cremains in an already purchased plot is \$700. Regarding burials, between November 1 and April 1 there is an additional charge of \$100 and burials on any given weekend or holiday are an additional cost of \$250.

Ithaca Peace Festival:

Please mark your calendars for September 12-14 as you won't want to miss the Ithaca Peace Festival at St. Catherine of Siena parish. This three-day event will include presentations on peace-making, music and dancing with Jorge T. Cuevas and The Caribe Jazz All Stars, kid's activities and a concert by the

Dorothy Cotton Jubilee Singers. We'll also host a sing-along with songs from the peace movement. If you'd like to help plan the Festival or volunteer during the event, please contact Mary Crosley at crosley22@gmail.com or 516-319-6752. Come be part of building community and promoting peace.

Lector Workbooks:

New Workbooks for lectors, Year C, are in the sacristies at each church. Individual copies have the lector's name. Please pick up your copy at your convenience.

Lakeside Day Retreats:

Branches Christian Rest and Renewal Centers, Inc. invites you for a day of rest and renewal at our Seneca Lake property.

• September 6: **"Power of the Miraculous Medal"** facilitated by Louise Cymerman

For more information visit: branchescenter.org or call: (716) 901-4313

Notre Dame Retreat:

August 22-24: Couples retreat—*"Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope"*

For more information visit notredameretreat.org

Women's Program:

Magnificat Rochester invites all women to a meal at St. Pius X Parish Center, 3010 Chili Ave., on Saturday, September 13 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The speaker is Monique Moussot from Bronx, NY. Monique will share her experiences of how living a new life and learning how to say 'yes' to Jesus led to unexpected miracles.

Reservations are \$25.00; Student \$20.00. Deadline to register is Sept. 6. Registration required. To register, mail check to: Magnificat Rochester, PO Box 24787, Rochester NY, 14624. Include your name, address, phone number and email. You can also register via PayPal on our website at www.MagnificatRochester.org. For more information: call Janet Pontarelli at 585-451-1918, or email RochesterMagnificat@gmail.com.

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Pilgrimage:

Father Will Tarazza, OFM Cap., a priest of the Province of Saint Mary, is leading a pilgrimage December 7 - 13, 2025 to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe over the Feast Day—December 12. For a flyer or more information call Mike Milano at 631-569-2620. <https://www.206tours.com/cms/mandmtravel/mexico/>

Victims of Sexual Abuse:

The Diocese of Rochester reminds victims of sexual abuse to always report the abuse to the civil authorities and to receive help and guidance from the Diocese by contacting the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator, Deborah Housel, 585-328-3228, 1555 or by email to victimsassistance@dor.org.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

First Fridays

3:00 p.m.

St. James the Apostle

Trumansburg

August 1, September 5, October 3

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



August 17, 2025

First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer. 38:10)

Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps. 40)

Second Reading:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb. 12:1)

Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk. 12:49)

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

Jesus tells us that he has come to set fire to the earth. What can we give him as kindling? Let us look into our souls and see where the fire of Christ can be ignited, and pray that our souls may be consumed by its life-giving flames.

MASS INTENTIONS

August 16-24, 2025

Saturday, August 16

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

Sunday, August 17

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Fr. Bill Winters, OFM Cap.
from Rick and Barb Willers

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Henry and Ida Bromka
from the Bromka family

Thursday, August 21

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
Rae Arena
From Josephine Eells

Saturday, August 23

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

Sunday, August 24

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Fr. Eugene O'Hara, OFM Cap.
from Rick and Barb Willers

Parish Schedule
Week of August 17, 2025

Sunday, August 17:

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

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

Monday, August 18:

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

Tuesday, August 19:

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

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

Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 7:00 p.m., St. James

Wednesday, August 20:

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

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

Coffee and Pastries: 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, August 21:

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

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

Friday, August 22:

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

Mass: 6:00 p.m., Holy Cross

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

Saturday, August 23:

Fill the Holes at Holy Cross Cemetery: 9:00 a.m.

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



Food Pantries:

- Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.
- Food Truck: Sept. 2, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 pm
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: August 25, 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Community Pantry: Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 pm. Lodi Rod & Gun Club



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