



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.

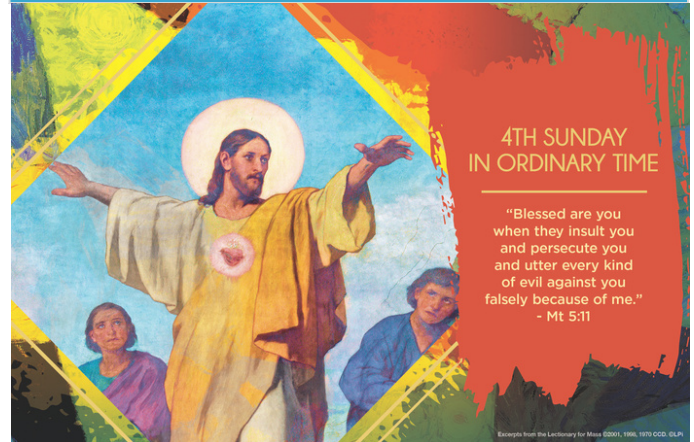
Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:

Canceled while Father is away, will resume March 6

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.

February 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time



4TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you
when they insult you
and persecute you
and utter every kind
of evil against you
falsely because of me."
- Mt 5:11

Parish Center :

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Father is away until March 3

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Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

February 1, 2026

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Dates - Pastor Will be Away

Fr. Bernard will be away Thursday, January 29, through Wednesday, March 4th. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue held on Fridays from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church is cancelled while Fr. Bernard is away. Adult formation is also cancelled.

Coverage During the Absence of the Pastor

Those covering the weekend Masses are:

Fr. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap. (January 31/February 1) ; Fr. Daniel Condon, Chancellor of the Diocese of Rochester (February 7/8 and February 14/15); and Fr. Norbert D'Souza, OFM Cap. (February 21/22 and February 28/March 1).

Fr. Brendan Buckley will be covering the 8:30 a.m. Masses on Tuesday to Friday at St. Francis Solanus. Kathleen Rourke will lead a communion service on Mondays at 9:00 a.m. at St. James the Apostle Church.

Confession Offerings while Pastor is Away

- Immaculate Conception, Ithaca:
Saturdays, 2–3:30 pm
- St. Benedicts Church, Watkins Glen:
Saturdays, 3:30–4:30 pm
- Our Lady of Peace Chapel, Geneva:
Monday–Friday, 11:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- St. Francis deSales Church, Geneva:
Saturdays, 3:30–4:15 pm

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.



Church Pictorial Directories Have Arrived!

If you had your photo taken for the church directory, it is now available for pick-up in the churches.

Directories will be labeled with the household that it belongs with.

There are a limited amount of church directories. If you took a directory with someone else's name on the sticker, please kindly return it. Thank you!

The Catholic Courier Collection Next Weekend

The Diocese of Rochester requires all parishes to financially support the publication of The Catholic Courier. The annual bill for our parish is over \$4,900.00, and we are prayerfully asking our parishioners to help defray this cost. Whatever help you can give will be appreciated greatly. Thank you.

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.

Sweet Sunday

This Sunday, and the first Sunday of every month, there is a social hour following the Sunday Masses.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

This Friday, and the first Friday of every month, there is a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. James the Apostle beginning at 3:00 p.m.

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.

SouperBowl of Caring 2026

Sunday, February 8th, is Super Bowl Sunday, and across the nation it is also SouperBowl of Caring. The parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy is participating in this one-day event. The idea is to collect donations of non-perishable food items and cash that would go directly to the local food pantries in our parish. Food items may be brought to the churches any time, but the monetary collection will be taken February 7/8. Checks may be made out to Mary Mother of Mercy with Food Pantry in the memo line. You may also donate online at marymotherofmercy.com/giving. Please be as generous as you possibly can – all items and monies collected will stay local to help those in need!

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

The Worship Committee of the Parish Council is planning a communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for Wednesday, March 18, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church with a luncheon to follow. Parishioners with a serious illness and others 80 years and older, with health issues, are eligible for the celebration of this Sacrament. The celebration is seen particularly as a time for our senior parishioners to gather for prayer and a social. Those needing transportation please notify the Parish Office at 607-294-0064.

Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

On January 20, 2026, it was reported that our parish has surpassed the given goal. ninety-seven parish households have pledged \$34,925 to the CMA. This represents 109.14% 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.

Children and Family Faith Formation

Families with children in grades K-6 are invited to join our parish Family Faith Formation program. The program includes preparation for First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation. immmercy.religioused@dor.org for information.

New Book

Stephen Binz has written a new book entitled Peacemaking and Nonviolence. This book has had positive endorsements from several Catholic leaders and discusses ways to peace and justice through active nonviolence.

Learn more about this and Binz's other books at bridge-b.com/threshold-bible-study

Wisdom & Witness

On Tuesday nights from 7:00 -8:00 p.m. beginning January 27, Church of the Epiphany in Trumansburg will be hosting a Zoom conversation series. If you've been feeling a growing knot in your chest about what's happening in our country right now, you're not alone. Many of us are carrying a mix of concern, grief, anger, and uncertainty—and it can be hard to know what to do with all of it in a faithful way. For more information about this conversation and for the Zoom link, please visit epiphanytrumansburg.org.

Knights of Columbus Event (for all ages!)

The Knights of Columbus, Council #277, invites you to a fun, community-building Catholic English Country Dance on February 21 from 2-5 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Ithaca. There will be live music, a live caller, hors d'oeuvres, and photo booth.

Food Pantry Thank

Our parish received a thank you from the Tburg Food Pantry for a donation of \$220. "We are grateful for the support from such a caring community." Thank you for supporting our pantries.

Mass Intentions

January 31 –February 8, 2026

Saturday, January 31

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

Parishioners and benefactors

Sunday, February 1

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle – Linda Loma Wight
from Joanne Molino and Barry Hayes

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross – Marilynn Frank
from Joe and Eileen Heptig

Tuesday, February 3

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus – Sophie Kuklo
from Carol Ann Kuklo

Wednesday, February 4

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus – Marlene Reitz
from Carol Ann Kuklo

Saturday, February 7

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

Parishioners and benefactors

Sunday, February 8

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle – Linda Loma Wight
from Joanne Molino and Barry Hayes

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross – Marilynn Frank
Ray and Lee Ann Fox

First Reading:

But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly. (Zep. 3:12)

Psalms:

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Ps. 146)

Second Reading:

Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong. (1 Cor. 1:27)

Gospel:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” (Mt 5:3)

Catholic Quotes – Words to Inspire the Faithful:

“May God deliver you from every disease of the throat and every other illness.”

– Traditional blessing on the Feast of St. Blaise

Parish Schedule

Week of February 1, 2026

Sunday, February 1:

Cemetery Collection

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

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

~Sweet Sunday to follow both Masses!

Monday, February 2:

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

Tuesday, February 3:

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

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

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

Wednesday, February 4:

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

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

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

1:00 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James

2:15 p.m.: book study, St. James

Thursday, February 5:

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

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

Friday, February 6: First Friday

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

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

3:00 p.m.: Divine Mercy Chaplet, St. James

*Sacrament of Reconciliation/personal dialogue
with Fr. Bernard: Will resume March 6*

Saturday, February 7: First Saturday

Catholic Courier and Food Pantry collections

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

Adult Formation: Will resume March 7

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: Feb. 9, 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



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