



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



**St. Francis Solanus**  
3660 Orchard St.  
Interlaken, NY

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

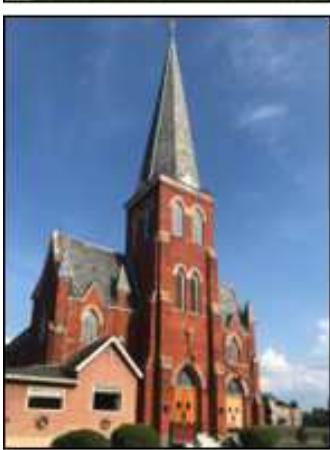
**Weekday Mass:**  
Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.



**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

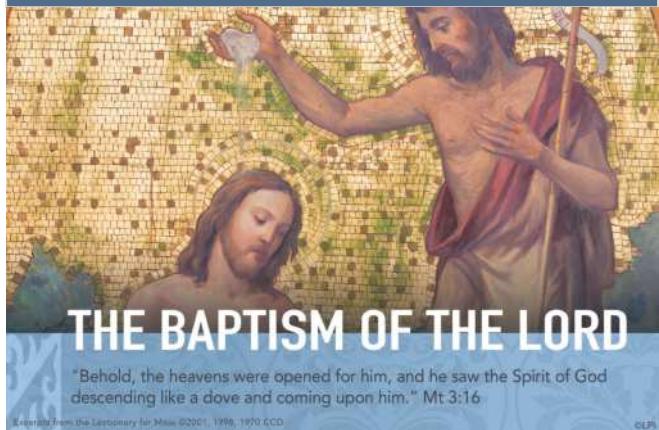
**Weekend Mass:**  
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

**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.*

**January 11, 2026**  
**The Baptism of the Lord**



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"Behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him." Mt 3:16

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## **Funeral:**

Marilynn R. Frank, died on December 24, 2025, at the age of 80. A Funeral Mass was held on January 3, 2026, at Holy Cross Church, Ovid.

## **Parish Educational Opportunity--This Wednesday:**

This Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 9:30 a.m. at St. Francis Solanus Church, St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry On The Road, will be sending from Rochester to our parish Dr. Matthew Kuhner who will give a presentation on *Evangelization and Catechesis: Proclaiming the Truth of the Gospel with Joy, Humility, and Love.*

Dr. Kuhner loves teaching, and he has a special way of presenting Catholic thought and history in a profound, yet down-to-earth style.

This event is coordinating with the Wednesday 8:30 a.m Mass and the 9:00 a.m. coffee and pastries social. Plan to attend and bring a friend. Thanks to the Parish Council Word Committee for planning this event.

## **Saturday Classes:**

All those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, including those hoping to celebrate Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist, are invited to classes with Fr. Bernard following the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays at St. Francis Solanus. (The exception is the second Sunday of the month.) This is an excellent opportunity to discuss a variety of topics related to Catholicism and Jesus Christ.

## **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.

## **Catholic Ministries Appeal:**

On December 30, 2025, it was reported that our parish has surpassed the given goal. Ninety-one parish households have pledged \$34,545 to the CMA. This represents 107.95% 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. The CMA helps our Church and our parish. (This year there is a Diocesan effort to increase the number of donors over CMA 24-25. The parish with the greatest percentage increase in number of donors will be awarded \$5,000. For every parish that increased the number of donors by 10%+ over CMA 24-25 will be awarded \$1,000.)

## Food Pantries—Thank you:

In 2025, Mary, Mother of Mercy parishioners gave \$1,095 to our local food pantries. Thank you to all who donated. In this new year, may we remember our blessings and continue to share with our neighbors in need.

## “SouperBowl” Sunday—February 8:

SouperBowl Sunday is a national ecclesiastical event. It draws attention to those experiencing the need for food in our communities. All food items gathered and funds raised in our parish go to the local food pantries located in Interlaken, Ovid, and Trumansburg.

## Food Pantries--Ways to Donate:

- Envelopes are available in the foyers of the churches if you wish to make a monetary donation. The envelopes may be placed in the collection baskets. Checks may be made out to Mary Mother of Mercy with food pantry in the memo line.
- Donate online at [marymotherofmercy.com/giving](http://marymotherofmercy.com/giving).
- Food items may be brought to St. Francis and Holy Cross at any time and to St. James on the second Sunday of the month.

## 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](http://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](mailto:eileen.heptig@dor.org).



## 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 January. Please take one for your home.

## 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, 1:00 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, 2:15 p.m.

## 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. Please register to participate by contacting [immmercy.religioused@dor.org](mailto:immmercy.religioused@dor.org).



**Mass Intentions**  
January 10 – 18, 2026

**Saturday, January 10**  
4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Sally Guydosh  
*from Eileen and Joe Heptig*

**Sunday, January 11**  
9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle  
Barbara McMahon  
*from Mary Szymanski*  
  
10:30 a.m., Holy Cross  
Ruth Lucas  
*from the Corcoran family*

**Saturday, January 17**  
4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Sally Guydosh  
*from Rick and Barb Willers*

**Sunday, January 18**  
9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle  
Connie Bates  
*from Mary Szymanski*  
  
10:30 a.m., Holy Cross  
Marilynn Frank  
*from the Corcoran family*

**Food Pantries:**

- Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10:00 a.m. & Thurs. 5:00 p.m.
- Food Truck: Feb. 3, 4:00 p.m. until gone., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays., 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- Tburg Food Pantry: Jan. 12, 3:30-6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Food 4 All: Saturdays, 12:30-2:00 p.m., Lodi Rod & Gun Club

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

**Parish Schedule**

Week of January 11, 2026

**Sunday, January 11:**

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

**Monday, January 12:**

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

**Tuesday, January 13:**

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

**Wednesday, January 14:**

Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis  
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis  
Coffee and Pastries: 9:00 a.m., St. Francis  
Presentation with Dr. Kuhner: 9:30 a.m. St. Francis  
Prayer for Healing/Harmony: 1:00 p.m., St. James  
Book Study: 2:15 p.m., St. James

**Thursday, January 15:**

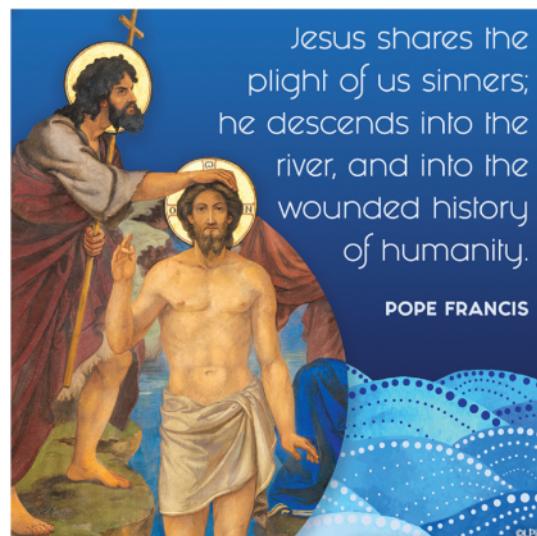
Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis  
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis

**Friday, January 16:**

Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis  
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis  
Sacrament of Reconciliation/personal dialogue with Fr. Bernard: 6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Francis

**Saturday, January 17:**

Mass: 4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Adult Formation: 5:15 p.m., St. Francis





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