



# 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.*



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Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

## July 20, 2025

### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

#### Health Issue:

Please keep Fr. Bernard in your prayers as he recovers from an aortic valve replacement. Fr. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap. will be covering the 8:30 a.m. weekday Masses at St. Francis Solanus. Fr. Gerard Mulvey, OFM Cap. will be celebrating the July 19 and 20 weekend Masses.

#### Feast Day:

Friday, July 25, is the feast day of St. James the Apostle, the patron saint of our parish church in Trumansburg.

St. James, also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater, (born, Galilee, Palestine—died 44 AD, Jerusalem), was one of the Twelve Apostles, distinguished as being in Jesus's innermost circle and the only apostle whose martyrdom is recorded in the New Testament (Acts 12:2). James and his younger brother, St. John the Apostle, are designated Boanerges (from the Greek *boanerges*), or "Sons of Thunder" (Mark 3:17), perhaps because of their characteristic fiery zeal (Mark 9:38 and Luke 9:54).

With Saints Peter and Andrew, James and John were the first four disciples whom Jesus called (Mark 1:16–19). As a member of the inner circle, James witnessed the raising of Jairus's daughter from the dead (Mark 5:37 and Luke 8:51), the Transfiguration (Mark 9:2), and Jesus' agony in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mark 14:33 and Matthew 26:37). James was beheaded by order of King Herod Agrippa I of Judea; according to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, where his shrine attracts Christian pilgrims from all over the world.



#### Food Pantry Help Needed:

Our parish is asked to provide volunteers for the Trumansburg Food Pantry during the months of July and August of this year. It only takes a commitment of an hour or two on four Mondays (July 28, August 11 and 25). You won't be working alone. There is a wonderful team of regulars to help you and friendly people on both sides of the tables.

Sign up lists are in the foyer at St. James or email Kathleen at [kerourke8@gmail.com](mailto: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)

#### Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. James the Apostle:

On First Fridays beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is a Catholic devotion that implores the Father's mercy by invoking the merits Jesus has won for us through his redemptive Sacrifice of Calvary. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is typically prayed using Catholic rosary beads. The prayers in the Divine Mercy Chaplet come from the *Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska*, a Polish nun who received private revelations from Jesus in the 1930s.

#### Catholic Ministries Appeal – Parish Distribution:

Our parish received a check from the 2024-2025 *Catholic Ministries Appeal* in the amount of \$2,309. This amount represents 50% of what was above our given parish goal. Our parish goal was \$31,000 and our parish households donated \$35,618. Again, "Thank you" to all who participated in the Appeal. You are a blessing to the parish. God bless you.

#### 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, 2:00 p.m.; 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (August 5 & 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.

### Catholic Action Network:

Stay on top of the issues of concern to Catholics, get the latest news on our Bishops and Dioceses, find inspiring content to deepen your spiritual life and more. Visit: New York State Catholic Conference – the official voice of the Catholic Church in the Empire State.

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### 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.

### 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 months of **July and August**. Please take one for your home and for daily prayer.

### Lakeside Day Retreats:

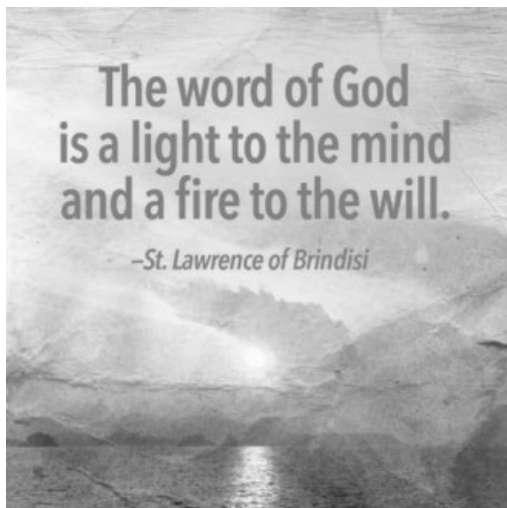
Branches Christian Rest and Renewal Centers, Inc. invites you for a day of rest and renewal at our Seneca Lake property.

- July 21: **"Our Lady of Sorrows"** facilitated by Heath Clemens

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call/text: (716) 901-4313, email: [branches1515@live.com](mailto:branches1515@live.com)

### Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

In life, there are so many "Marthas" — people and situations that distract us from God. But if we imitate Mary and sit calmly at the feet of Jesus, his Word will guard our hearts from the anxiety of the world.



### In Vitro Fertilization (IVF)

In February 2025, President Trump issued an executive order calling for policies to make *in vitro fertilization* less costly and more available. Our Bishops are urging ethical alternatives because IVF destroys human life. "As pastors, we see the suffering of so many couples experiencing infertility and know their deep desire to have children is both good and admirable; yet the Administration's push for IVF, which ends countless human lives and treats persons like property, cannot be the answer... The IVF industry treats human beings like products and freezes or kills millions of children who are not selected for transfer to a womb or do not survive. The executive order promoting IVF is thus fatally flawed and stands in regrettable contrast to the promising pro-life actions of the Administration..., Every human person is a precious gift with infinite dignity and worth, no matter how that person was conceived. People born as a result of IVF have no less dignity than anyone else. It is our moral responsibility to uphold the dignity of their brothers and sisters who are never given the chance to be born. For more assisted reproductive technology, including in vitro fertilization, please see: <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/reproductive-technology>. And for more on infertility, including ethical restorative reproductive medicine and research please see: <https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/infertility>.



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**July 20, 2025**  
**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:**

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."  
(Gn. 18:10)

**Psalm:**

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps. 15)

**Second Reading:**

It is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim. (Col. 1:27-28)

**Gospel:**

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." (Lk. 10:42)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

*July 19-July 27, 2025*

**Saturday, July 19**

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Dr. William Matthey  
*from Mary Ann Matthey*

**Sunday, July 20**

4:00 p.m., St. James the Apostle  
Parishioners and benefactors

**Thursday, July 24**

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus  
Shane Coats  
*from Liz Coats*

**Saturday, July 26**

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

**Sunday, July 27**

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

**Parish Schedule  
Week of July 20, 2025**

**Sunday, July 20:**

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

**Monday, July 21:**

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

**Tuesday, July 22:**

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

**Wednesday, July 23:**

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, July 24:**

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

**Friday, July 25:**

Rosary: 8:10 a.m., St. Francis  
Mass: 8:30 a.m., St. Francis  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: *Cancelled*

**Saturday, July 26:**

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



**Community Outreach:**

**Food Pantries:**

- Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m.
- Food Truck: Aug. 5, 4:00–6:00 p.m., South Seneca High School
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 pm
- Trumansburg Food Pantry: July 28, 3:30–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Lodi's Community Pantry: Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 pm. Lodi Rod & Gun Club

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





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