



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.

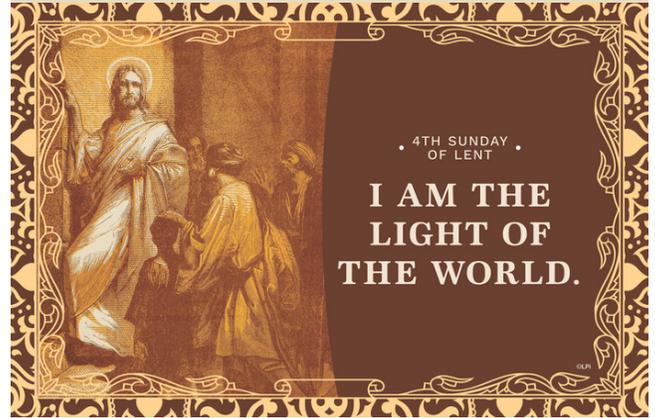
Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:
6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus, with Fr. Bernard

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.

March 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent



Parish Center :

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Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

March 15, 2026

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Stations of the Cross

- Holy Cross: Wednesdays, February 25-March 25, 6:00 p.m. with a soup supper to follow. If you would like to volunteer to bring soup, there is a sign up sheet in the back of Holy Cross.
- St. James the Apostle: Fridays, 3:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available for celebration every Friday at St. Francis Solanus Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. During the Season of Lent two other opportunities have been scheduled:

- March 17, 3:00-4:00 p.m., St. James the Apostle
- March 18, 3:00-4:00 p.m., Holy Cross

CRS Rice Bowl

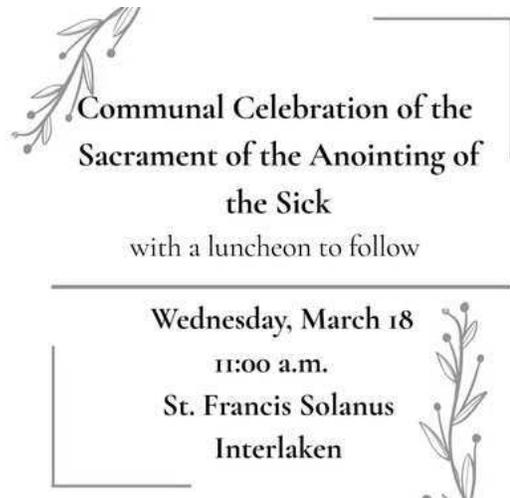
CRS Rice Bowl brings Catholics across the United States together each Lent to respond to global hunger and poverty through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. During this holy season, let us recommit to sharing bread for life with our global family so that all people can reach their God-given potential. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-2 to read this week's Story of Hope. And please make donating to your Rice Bowl a part of your Lenten observance.

Holy Week Schedule:

- April 2, Holy Thursday:
Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 p.m., St. James
- April 3, Good Friday:
The Passion of Our Lord, 3:00 p.m., Holy Cross
- April 4, Holy Saturday:
Easter Vigil, 8:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
- April 5, Easter Sunday:
9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Washing of the Feet Ritual

This ritual will take place during the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle Church. We need 12 adult parishioners to volunteer to participate in this rite. There are sign-up sheets in the foyers of the Church.



Communal Celebration of the
Sacrament of the Anointing of
the Sick
with a luncheon to follow

Wednesday, March 18
11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Solanus
Interlaken



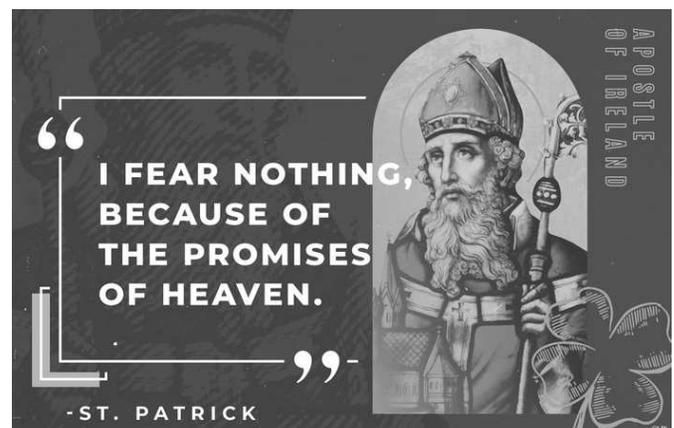
The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

There is 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.

Cemetery Clean-up

There will be a cemetery clean-up at St. James the Apostle Cemetery on March 28 at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to help. St. James Cemetery is located at 95 Hector St., Trumansburg.



“ I FEAR NOTHING,
BECAUSE OF
THE PROMISES
OF HEAVEN. ”

APOSTLE
OF IRELAND

- ST. PATRICK

Lenten Reminders

- The season of Lent runs from Ash Wednesday (February 18) until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (April 2).
- "Alleluia" is not sung or said from the beginning of Lent until the Easter Vigil.
- During Lent the altar is not to be decorated with flowers.
- Musical instruments may be played only to give necessary support to the singing.
- The readings for the Lenten Masses have been chosen in relation to the themes of baptismal renewal and conversion.
- The Easter celebration is: Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday - the Easter Triduum (Three Days of Easter).
- During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit of prayer, penance (conversion), and charity.

Fasting and Abstinence

- Day of fasting affects Catholics between the ages of 18 & 59. That is, no food may be eaten between meals. Only one full meal a day is allowed. Two other small meals are allowed with the total amount of food not exceeding the full meal.
- Abstinence: Catholics over the age of 14 abstain from eating meat.
- Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence, i.e. meatless days.

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.

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.



COLLIS Institute Event

Please join the COLLIS Institute for two events with sociologist Dr. Brandon Vaidyanathan from The Catholic University of America on March 19th and 20th on beauty and the changing Catholic priesthood. For more information and to register please go to collisinstitute.org/upcoming-events.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

- March 24, Lenten Day Retreat, "Do Not Judge Anyone: Desert Wisdom for a Polarized World": with Fr. Isaac Slater, OCSO
- March 31, 9:00a.m.-3:00 p.m., Sacred Day of Silence
- April 14, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., "Walking the Pilgrimage of Easter Faith in 2026" with Fr. Gerry McKeon, SJ

notredameretreat.org or 585-394-5700

The Catholic Relief Services Collection

This week is the Catholic Relief Services Collection. CRS funds six agencies working to reveal Christ's love to those in need overseas and here in the United States. The collection shares its name with the flagship international relief and development agency of the Catholic bishops of the United States, but it also supports other initiatives: the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Migration and Refugee Services department for resettlement; the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC), which helps immigrants with work permits, residency, family reunifications, and citizenship; the USCCB Secretariat of Justice and Peace for advocacy of human rights and education on Catholic social teaching; and the USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church, whose ministries address the unique pastoral needs of Catholics from a range of cultures as well as itinerant peoples. Finally, this collection supports the Holy Father's Relief Fund, through which the Holy Father aids people in distress worldwide.

Mass Intentions

March 14–22, 2026

Saturday, March 14

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

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
James Natalie
from Traci Bump

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Ellen Moore
from Kathleen Knapp

Sunday, March 19

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
William E. Matthey
from Mary Ann Matthey

Saturday, March 21

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

Sunday, March 22

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Colleen Johnson
from Traci Bump

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Dave and Ellen Moore
from Gerry Frank

Sanctuary Candle

March 15-21, 2026

Holy Cross

Glenn and Mary Rose Corcoran
from the Corcoran family

First Reading: Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. (1 Sm 16:13)

Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

Second Reading: “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.” (Eph 5:14)

Gospel: He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, “Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent — . So he went and washed, and came back able to see. (Jn 9:6-7)

Parish Schedule

Week of March 15, 2026

Sunday, March 15:

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

Monday, March 16:

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

Tuesday, March 17:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
3:00-4:00 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, St. James
7:00 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James

Wednesday, March 18:

11:00 a.m.: Communal Celebration of Anointing of the Sick and luncheon, St. Francis Solanus
1:30 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James
2:30 p.m.: Book study, St. James
3:00-4:00 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Cross
6:00 p.m.: Stations and Soup Supper, Holy Cross

Thursday, March 19:

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

Friday, March 20:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
3:00 p.m.: Stations of the Cross, St. James
6:30-7:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Personal Dialogue with Fr. Bernard, St. Francis

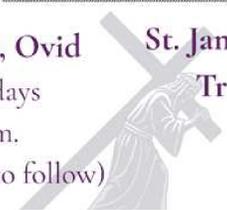
Saturday, March 21:

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

Stations of the Cross

Holy Cross, Ovid
Wednesdays
6:00 p.m.
(soup supper to follow)

St. James the Apostle,
Trumansburg
Fridays
3:00 p.m.





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