



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.



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May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

Pope Leo XIV: 2026 Year of St. Francis—
800th anniversary of his death

Pentecost Sunday:

Today Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, the end of the Easter Season and the celebration Jesus's followers being gifted with the Holy Spirit.

Permanent Diaconate Ordination

Matthew Hall, a parishioner, will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate by Bishop John Bonnici on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The Church has two kinds of Deacons: Transitional, deacons who will be ordained priests, and Permanent, deacons who will not be ordained priests. Diaconate ordination is the sacramental ceremony in which a man is consecrated as a deacon, committing to a life of participating in the Church's mission of serving God and the community. Diaconate is the first of three orders in the Sacrament of Holy Orders, preceding priesthood and episcopacy. Their duties include proclaiming the Gospel, assisting at the Eucharist, baptizing, witnessing marriages and engaging in pastoral and social outreach. Matthew's permanent diaconate ordination is a blessing to the parish.



Soap for Hope

Personal care and hygienic products may always be left with our food pantry donations, but this month we are paying special attention to the collection of them. Food stamps/SNAP does not cover the cost of hygiene items. This is an added strain on the budgets of our friends and neighbors. There is a collection site at each church for personal care and hygienic products. These items include: Bar Soap, feminine hygiene products, laundry detergent, toothbrush/toothpaste, dish soap, facial tissue, toilet paper, moisturizing lotion, deodorant, shampoo, razors, and shaving cream.

Thank you

Tim O'Boyle, a parishioner who will be moving in June, has served as a collection counter and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion in our parish for the last several years. We offer our gratitude to Tim for generously and reliably giving his time to this in ministry to the parish. He will be missed.

Collection Counter Needed

Our parish needs a collection counter and substitute collection counters. As a new counter, you would be assigned to an existing count team, and the count team would teach you the procedures. Each team counts once every 3 weeks. Counting usually takes place at St. James the Apostle following the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. The entire process takes less than an hour. If ever you are unable to count, a substitute will be found.

Substitute counters are greatly appreciated as well. They are not assigned to a team and are only called to fill in as needed.

Please consider serving in this ministry. It is an enormous help to the parish. Your help is greatly appreciated. Contact Susan Guydosh at the parish office: 607-294-0064, cell: 607-280-3884, or email: susan.guydosh@dor.org. You may also email Eileen.Heptig@dor.org.

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

The parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy/St. James the Apostle is asked to provide volunteers for the Trumansburg Food Pantry on June 1, 15, and 29. Sign up sheets are in the foyer at St. James. Remember Jesus's words: "...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Mt. 25: 40). Thank you.

MMM Parish Spring Clean-up:

The spring season is upon us. All parish properties are in need of a seasonal clean up so grab your gloves and your tools; all help is appreciated. The clean-ups begin at 8:00 a.m. In the event of rain, the clean up will be canceled.

- May 30: Holy Cross Church

Parish Council Nominations:

Parishioners interested in being on the Parish Council can now nominate themselves or be nominated by other parishioners. The selection of new Parish Council members for a three-year term and the selection of three alternates for a one-year term will take place Sunday, May 31st, Trinity Sunday. Newly selected members will attend the June 11th Parish Council meeting. The term of membership begins July 1.

There are no scheduled meetings in the summer. The Parish Council is a council to the pastor. It is not a governing body nor board. Parish Council members are assigned to one of the standing committees (Word, Worship, Witness and Fellowship). The Committees meet sometime before the scheduled meetings.

The council usually meets every other month at the Parish Center, Interlaken. Parishioners, please consider being a Council member or nominating a parishioner. Thank you.

Nomination ballots are available at the back of the churches.

Trumansburg Area Churches (TAC)

Our parish is a member of TAC which is run by the laity of the area community churches. TAC supports our local food pantry, the Lange/CWS CROP walk and provides communication of TAC events. The benefits are communication, coordination of events, support in advertising each church's events and collaboration on projects. Parishioners interested in representing our parish, (and we do need representatives) please contact the parish office. The next TAC meeting is Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Ulysses (FPCU Fellowship Hall.)

Daily Mediations

Booklets, The Word Among Us, are available in the foyers of the Church. The booklets contain the daily readings and meditations. Please take one for your home.

Easter Duty:

Church law number 920 states: a) All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year, b) This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at some other time during the year. Please note, however, that the United States has been granted an indult of extending the time for the annual reception of Holy Communion from the beginning of Lent through the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (this year February 18 - May 31). An "indult" is a license granted by competent Church authority for an exception from a particular norm of Church law.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

In a newsletter from the CMA, it was reported that our parish leads the Diocese in achieving a 9.68% increase donor count over last year – that is, new donors from the previous year. As an incentive to acquire new donors every parish that increases the number of donors by 10% + over CMA 24-25, will be rewarded with \$1,000. We are very close to reaching 10%. Please encourage anyone who has, in the past, not made a pledge to please do so. Pledge envelopes are available in the foyer of the Church.

Internet Scam Alert:

The Diocese of Rochester sent a notice to alert everyone to an ongoing scam affecting parishes. Scammers are pretending to be priests or parish staff and contacting people by email or text asking for urgent help or gift cards. Please know that your priest or parish staff will never ask for gift cards or money in this way. If you receive a message like this, do not respond and please contact the parish office directly. When in doubt, slow down and verify before taking any action.

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.



Mass Intentions

May 23–31, 2026

May 23

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

May 24

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
The intentions of Marguerite Lester
from Gerry Todi

May 26

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
Rogelio Vargas
from Carol Kuklo

May 30

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

Parish Schedule

Week of May 24, 2026

Sunday, May 24:

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

Monday, May 25:

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

Tuesday, May 26:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
7:30 p.m.: AA Meeting, St. Francis

Wednesday, May 27:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
9:00 a.m.: Coffee and pastries, St. Francis
1:30 p.m.: Prayer for Healing/Harmony, St. James
2:30 p.m.: Book study, St. James

Thursday, May 28:

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

Friday, May 29:

8:10 a.m.: Rosary, St. Francis
8:30 a.m.: Mass, St. Francis
6:30–7:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation/
Personal Dialogue with Fr. Bernard, St. Francis

Saturday, May 30:

8:00 a.m.: Spring Clean-up, Holy Cross
4:00 p.m.: Mass, St. Francis

Food Pantries:

- Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10 am & Thurs. 5 pm
- Food Truck: June 2, 4 pm until gone., South Seneca HS
- Interlaken Reformed Church: Fri., 3-6 pm
- Tburg Food Pantry: June 1, 3:30–6 pm, Methodist Church
- Lodi's Food 4 All: Sat., 12:30–2 pm, 8446 Main St.

First Reading:

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 2:3-4)

Psalm:

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)

Second Reading:

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. (1 Cor. 12:12)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn. 20:21)

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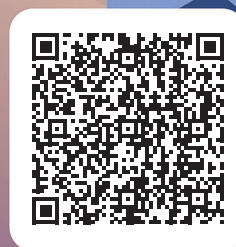
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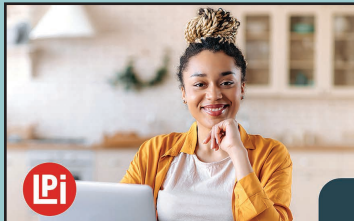
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