



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.*

OCTOBER 19, 2025
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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October 19, 2025

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2025 Roman Catholic Church Jubilee/Holy Year

December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025

Theme: "Pilgrims of Hope"

Respect Life Month:

Every October, The Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month. As Catholics, we are called to welcome, care for, and protect God's gift of human life, with special concern for those who are most vulnerable.

Needed, Maintenance Coordinators:

Are you handy with odd jobs and willing to donate just an hour or so of your time during the week to help your parish? Man or woman, we are looking for a separate maintenance coordinator for each of our churches. This person would be the point person to handle small jobs that come up, and work with the parish office to contact our vendors for larger repairs/maintenance items. We prayerfully ask you to consider this position, and if you feel the call, please speak with Fr. Bernard or email him at Fr.Bernard.Maloney@dor.org.

World Mission Sunday—This Weekend:

World Mission Sunday, promoted by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith – was established by Pope Pius XI in 1926 as the day of prayer and giving for missions. From its inception, this day has been rooted in the work of its foundress, Blessed Pauline Jaricot, who established prayer circles and collections through which she sent thousands to the Church in the United States throughout the 19th century. The World Mission Sunday collection supports 1,124 mission territories – places where the Church is young, growing, poor, persecuted and in need of support. This collection funds the formation of seminarians, catechists, and religious sisters, builds churches and schools, and sustains healthcare and social outreach programs.

This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Leo XIV invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and parts of Europe. This year's theme, "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples." Please be generous in this week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

Cemetery Clean-up:

Please have summer decorations and American flags removed from the parish cemeteries by November 15.

40 Days for Life:

The 40 Days for Life Campaign has started! To sign up to pray at Planned Parenthood in Ithaca for mothers, babies and an end to abortion, or for more information, go to the 40 Days for Life Ithaca website: 40daysforlife.com/en/Ithaca. You can also call Carol Barriere at 607-277-3843 if you have any questions. Thank you!

November 1 – The Solemnity of All Saints:

This Solemnity falls on a Saturday and in accord with church practice in the United States it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

November 2 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed:

Also called "All Souls Day" falls on a Sunday this year. It will take precedence over the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time and therefore the Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. (November 1) and the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses (November 2) will liturgically celebrate All Souls Day.-

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.

2025-2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

The active phase of our parish CMA continues. By now you should have received a special letter in the mail with a personalized pledge card. If you have not received a mailing, pledge envelopes are available in the foyer of the Church. Thank you to everyone who has responded with a gift or pledge. If you have not yet responded, please prayerfully consider a gift. The CMA provides funding for important programs, services and ministries that strengthen our whole Church. Every gift to the CMA helps those in need, supports the mission of the Church, and comes back to help our parish. Thank you. Let us continue to pray for the success of our efforts. (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 CMA24-25 will be awarded \$1,000.)



Food Pantry Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who helped out at the Trumansburg food pantry in July and August. During those months 80–90 households were served at each pantry. As the pantry coordinator, Donna Holzbaur, wrote about our parish volunteers: “Thank you to MMM/St James Catholic Church who were with us during the HOT months of July and August—we so appreciate all of your help!!”

Thanks also to those of those from our parish who participate in the T’burg pantry on a regular basis throughout the year. As Donna also wrote: “It really does take the whole village to pull this off every two weeks—and we couldn’t do it without your help!” Thanks also to all of you who help out at all the other pantries in our parish. You are doing God’s work.



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 **October**. Please take one for your home.

Notre Dame H.S. Open House:

Notre Dame High School, Grades 7–12, is hosting an Open House on Wednesday, November 5, from 6:00–7:30 p.m. for prospective students and their families. Open House is your chance to tour the campus and explore the many opportunities your child can have as a student of Notre Dame. Notre Dame is a college preparatory school that provides an inclusive environment rich in the traditions of the Sisters of Mercy. Notre Dame H.S. is located at 1400 Maple Avenue, Elmira, and offers a transportation option for students residing in Ithaca and the surrounding areas. To RSVP for the Open House, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/NDHSOpenHouse25>.

Notre Dame Retreat House:

“Walking in Friendship with God: Pilgrims of Hope”:

- Men’s Retreat: October 24–26
- Men & Women Semi Silent Retreat: November 14–16

“The Body & Soul’s Journey through Grieving”: November 18th

For more information visit notredameretreat.org

Come & See Weekends:

Men between the ages of 18 and 40, experience the renowned Franciscan hospitality as you explore Cap-

uchin Franciscan Life. The next “Come & See Weekend” is November 8 & 9 in Boston, MA. Start your exploration here: capuchin.org and/or email: vocations@capuchin.org. Capuchin Franciscans strive to follow the example of Christ and St. Francis, to live a life of joyful service to God and all people.

All Saints’ Day Celebration:

The local Knights of Columbus, Council #277, invites kids and adults of all ages to an All Saints’ Day Mass and Celebration at Immaculate Conception Parish in downtown Ithaca on Saturday, November 1. Mass will begin at 9:00 a.m. followed by a Saints Parade, a round of “Guess the Saint” game, and festive “holy” food. If you’d like to participate in the game, please dress as your favorite saint and be prepared to share a few sentences about them to the audience so we can guess! Everyone is welcome.

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.

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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
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.

October 12, 2025

First Reading:

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight. (Ex. 17:11)

Psalm:

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Ps. 121)

Second Reading:

Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. (2 Tm. 3:14)

Gospel:

"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Lk. 18:7-8)

MASS INTENTIONS

October 11–19, 2025

Saturday, October 18

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
Janice Pratt
from Scott and Robin Hamula

Sunday, October 19

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Betty and Jack Swartz
from Debbie Swartz

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

Mary Liberatore
from Rita Woodard

Saturday, October 25

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
The intentions of the Vail family
from Christine Nagel

Sunday, October 26

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Parishioners and benefactors

Parish Schedule Week of October 12, 2025

Sunday, October 19:

World Mission Sunday Collection

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

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

Monday, October 20:

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

Tuesday, October 21:

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

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

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

Wednesday, October 22:

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, October 23:

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

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

Friday, October 24:

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 Solanus

Saturday, October 25:

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

Food Pantries:

• Ovid Federated Church: Mon. 10:00 a.m. & Thurs. 5:00 p.m.

• Food Truck: Nov 4, 4:00 p.m. until gone., South Seneca High School

• Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays., 3:00–6:00 p.m.

• Tburg Food Pantry: Oct. 20, 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



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