



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 26, 2025
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



30th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would
not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and
prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'" - Lk 18:13

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St. Francis Solanus

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Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap.

October 26, 2025

Thirtieth 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. There are several websites to help one know and understand the issue of abortion: abbyjohnson.org, abortion-facts.com, lifeissues.org, nucleusinc.com, abort73.com, prolifeacrossamerica.org, abortion.no.org, Afterabortion.org, abortionehd.org, and endthekillings.ca/video.

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.

Cemetery Clean-up:

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

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.

It is the custom that the names of one's beloved deceased be submitted to be remembered and prayed for on that day and throughout the month of No-

vember. Envelopes are available in the churches to record the names of those to be remembered and prayed for. The envelopes will remain on the altar for the month of November.

Cemetery Collection Next Weekend:

Next weekend is the second collection to benefit the Mary, Mother of Mercy parish cemeteries. Donations may also be made online using WeShare Online Giving.

Please note that the monetary donation to the cemetery can be specified either for St. James the Apostle or the Holy Cross cemetery. When the monetary donation is not specified, your donation is divided between the two cemeteries. Thank you for your help.

Sweet Sunday:

Next Sunday, and the first Sunday of every month, there is a social time following both the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. James the Apostle and the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross. All are welcome.

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 immmery.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. It was reported on October 18th that thirty-three parish households have pledged \$9,395 which represents 29.36% of the \$32,000 parish goal. 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.)

CROP Hunger Walk:

Trumansburg Area Churches (TAC) sponsored the annual Tom Lange Memorial CROP Hunger Walk on September 28th and reported that as of October 14th, \$10,667 was raised for Church World Service, CROP Hunger Walk. Twenty-five percent of this amount will go to the TAC Food Pantry. (CROP is an acronym for Christian Rural Overseas Program. The Program focuses on: Community Responses to Overcome Poverty and Hunger.) In a report of October 9th, parishioners from The Parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy contributed \$1,179. Thank you to all who participated in the Hunger Walk event.

Christmas Eve Mass Choir Rehearsals:

Calling all vocalists and instrumentalists! Be part of the music ministry for our Christmas Eve Mass at Holy Cross Church in Ovid. Rehearsals begin Monday, October 20 at 12:00 p.m. and continue every other Monday at Holy Cross Church. The Christmas Eve Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m. in Ovid. All musicians are warmly welcome—come share your gifts and help make this celebration joyful!

Holiday Songs at the Ovid Winter Festival:

Saturday, December 6 at 1:00 p.m., Papa Bear, Ovid. Enjoy popular Christmas songs from your favorite holiday movies, performed live by our Holy Cross Musicians. Let's come together to share the joy of the season and spread some holiday cheer!

Catholic Men's Conference:

The Diocese of Rochester presents annually the Catholic Men's Conference. This year the Conference will take place on Saturday, November 15th at St. Jude's Church in Gates, (Parish of the Holy Family). The presenter will be Rev. Fr. Gerard D'Souza, Abbot of the Abbey of the Genesee with the theme "Aspects of Hope." The cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Registration deadline is November 1st. To learn more and to register go to: www.stbernards,regfox.com/dor-catholic-mens-conference.

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!

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. 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>.

Come & See Weekends:

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

COLLIS Institute:

Mark your calendars! COLLIS Institute and Immaculate Conception Parish will be hosting an Ignatius Press Children's Book Fair at Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca on December 6 through December 8, with 10% of sales going to a Catholic kid's summer camp in 2026. The schedule is: December 6, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and 5:30-7:00 p.m.; December 7, 9:30-10:15 a.m.; and December 8 after the 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Masses. There will be family activities taking place during the fair on Dec. 6 (St. Nicholas Day), including a St. Nicholas Day storytime and visit from St. Nick!

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 26, 2025

First Reading:

The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. (Sir. 35:20)

Psalm:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. (Ps. 34)

Second Reading:

The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen. (2 Tm. 4:18)

Gospel:

“For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” (Lk 18:14)

MASS INTENTIONS

October 25–November 2, 2025

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
Frank and Theresa Sardone
from Santo Camobreco

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross

The intentions of Patricia A Werfelman
from Mary Ruckdeschel

Wednesday, October 29

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
The intentions of Patricia A Werfelman
from Mary Ruckdeschel

Saturday, November 1

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
The intentions of Patricia A Werfelman
from Mary Ruckdeschel

Sunday, November 2

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Rogelio Mendez Flores
from the Mendez family

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Parishioners and benefactors

**Parish Schedule
Week of October 26, 2025**

Sunday, October 26:

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

Monday, October 27:

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

Tuesday, October 28:

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

Wednesday, October 29:

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 30:

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

Friday, October 31:

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, November 1:

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 pm
- 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

Sweet Sunday!



Join us for a social time following Mass on
the first Sunday of each month!

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



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