



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.*

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



25th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with
dishonest wealth, who will trust you with
true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

Parish Center :

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September 21, 2025
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2025 Roman Catholic Church Jubilee/Holy Year
December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025
Theme: "Pilgrims of Hope"

Wedding:

Theodore Galgano III and Kathryn Heselden celebrated their wedding at St. James the Apostle Church on September 11, 2025.

Funeral:

A Funeral Mass was celebrated for Mary Wilkins at Holy Cross Church, Ovid on September 15, 2025. Mary died at the age of 93 on September 9, 2025. Mary was a devoted and lifelong parishioner at Holy Cross Church.

CROP Walk—Next Sunday:

The annual CROP Hunger Walk is on its way! The First Baptist Church, 443 East Seneca Street will be hosting it on September 28 at 2:00 p.m. We are looking for walkers to represent our parish. Twenty-five percent of what is raised goes directly to Trumansburg Food Pantry which serves over 100 families! You can donate online at events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/mary-mother-of-mercy-parish

Parish Directory—Final Steps:

Our parish directory is almost complete! If you did not have a photo taken and would like to submit your own, you may email it to the parish office at immmercy@dor.org. The cost is \$15.00 to submit your own photo.

We would love to have all families represented in the directory. If you did NOT have a photo taken, but would like your information to be included in the roster, please visit marymotherofmercy.com and use the link on our homepage or use this QR code to enter the information you choose to share.



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 for their church, 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 contact Fr. Bernard at Fr.Bernard.Maloney@dor.org.

Blessing of Animals:

On Friday, October 3, at 6:00 p.m. all creatures great and small are invited to St. Francis Solanus, Interlaken. Father Bernard will offer the Blessing of Animals in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.



Parish Picnic—Thank you:

We express our gratitude to the Fellowship Committee of the Parish Council: Dave Kaiser (chair), Pat Dickerson, Jacqueline Leidenfrost, and Sheila Ryan for their hard work planning and implementing this year's parish picnic. Thank you also to the many volunteers who stepped up and offered their time and energy to the success of this event. The rain held off, and all were comfortable in the boat-house and on the dock. The meal was great - thanks to all for the dish to pass selections. The socializing, as usual, excelled. A good time for the parish.

Mass Music Settings:

This fall, St. Francis Solanus and St. James will introduce the Mass of Spirit and Grace by Ricky Manalo for all Mass parts including the Gloria (Holy Cross has already used this setting). It will be used through the fall, Advent and Christmas seasons. Mass of Spirit and Grace can be found starting at 907 in the Breaking Bread Missal. We appreciate your participation and patience as we introduce it to our worship.

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.

Confirmation Preparation & Adult Study:

Students in eighth grade and above who have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation and adults desiring to celebrate Baptism, or Confirmation / First Holy Communion, and everyone desiring to know more about our faith are invited to attend classes on Saturdays (with one exception: the second Saturday of the month) from 5:15–6:30 p.m. in the St. Francis Solanus Annex.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development:

This weekend we'll be taking up a collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD addresses the root causes of poverty in America by supporting grassroots, self-help organizations of low-income people. Here in our Diocese, many life-changing community organizations have been funded with major CCHD national grants. They included a refugee organization, a small enterprise that provides employment to women in addiction recovery, and a land trust of low-income people becoming homeowners in inner city Rochester. In addition, 25% of the funds will remain in our diocese to fund smaller anti-poverty projects. By supporting this collection, you are standing with people on the margins and making positive social change.

Holy Cross Cemetery—Thank You:

Last Saturday, Gerry Frank, Duane Porterfield, Michael Fisher, Leo Kawczynski, Kevin Cornacchio, Liz Coats, Ben Hamula, David Wood, Tony Humulock, and Mitch Pizzarusso worked to level Holy Cross Cemetery. They used 10 tons of dirt to fill many holes that have appeared over time. Thank you to this phenomenal crew for this service to the parish.



Divine Mercy Chaplet:

On First Fridays there will be a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle, Trumansburg. The next recitation is Friday, October 3rd.

Season of Creation:

The Catholic Church participates annually in the *Season of Creation*, an ecumenical observance that begins on September 1 and concludes on October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This year's theme is "Peace with Creation." Pope Leo, together with faith, political and scientific leaders will gather for a Season of Creation conference on October 1 -3, 2025. The conference will celebrate

the 10th anniversary of *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis' landmark encyclical letter on the environment. If interested one can register for the livestream.

Divine Mercy:

The Knights of Columbus, Eucharistic Revival Committee, and parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church invite you to join them to hear Fr. Mark Baron's new perspectives on Divine Mercy. Events are at Immaculate Conception Church, 113 N Geneva St., Ithaca.

- Sunday, September 28, 6:00 p.m.: Understanding the Divine Mercy Image
- Monday, September 29, 6:00 p.m.: The Power of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Tuesday, September 30, 6:00 p.m.: Jesus, Mercy and the Eucharist: A Night of Encounter

For more information phone 607-227-6121 or visit thedivinemercy.org/events

Pax Christi USA & Conscientious Objection:

There has been no military draft since the Viet Nam War. It is important to consider it could be reinstated. Conscientious Objection, within the context of a military draft, is the practice of an individual's refusal to participate in war which they consider incompatible with their moral, religious, or ethical beliefs. Under United States law, all male citizens and immigrants residing in the US, including conscientious objectors, are required to register with the Selective Service System within 30 days of their 18th birthday. If there is a new draft, those who are "selected" by local draft boards will have the opportunity to make a claim for classification as a conscientious objector. If this status is granted, the CO will be offered either "Alternative Service" (which could include work in the public sector, education, healthcare, etc.) or non-combatant military service. In the event of a draft, written documentation or personal appearances by people who can attest to a CO's claims of nonviolent values are fundamentally vital to receiving CO status. The proclamation document would serve as valuable proof of one's longstanding beliefs regarding nonviolence. If you are a conscientious objector between the ages of 16-35, you may wish to sign a new Registry for Catholics that is being kept by Pax Christi USA. For more information contact the Parish Office.

2025-2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

The Diocese of Rochester's first CMA mailing to parishioners will be the week of September 22, 2025. Parishes will launch the Appeal on the weekend of September 28, 2025. Our parish given goal this year is \$32,000.

September 21, 2025

First Reading:

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Never will I forget a thing they have done!
(Am. 8:7)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. (Ps. 113)

Second Reading:

There is also one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as ransom for all. (1 Tm. 2:5-6)

Gospel:

“No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon.” (Lk. 16:13)

MASS INTENTIONS

September 20–28, 2025

Saturday, September 20

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

Sunday, September 21

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

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Henry and Ida Bromka
from the Bromka family

Saturday, September 27

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
The 10th anniversary of
Elizabeth and Blake Caudill
from Christine Nagel

Sunday, September 28

9:00 a.m., St. James the Apostle
Robert (Bird) Farrell
from Gerry Todi

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

Parish Schedule
Week of September 21, 2025

Sunday, September 21:

CCHD collection

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

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

Monday, September 22:

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

Tuesday, September 23:

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

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

Wednesday, September 24:

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, September 25:

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

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

Friday, September 26:

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, September 27:

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

Adult Faith Formation: 5:15 p.m., St. Francis

Food Pantries:

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

• Food Truck: Oct. 6, 4:00 p.m. until gone., South Seneca High School

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

• Tburg Food Pantry: Sept. 22, 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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