



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.

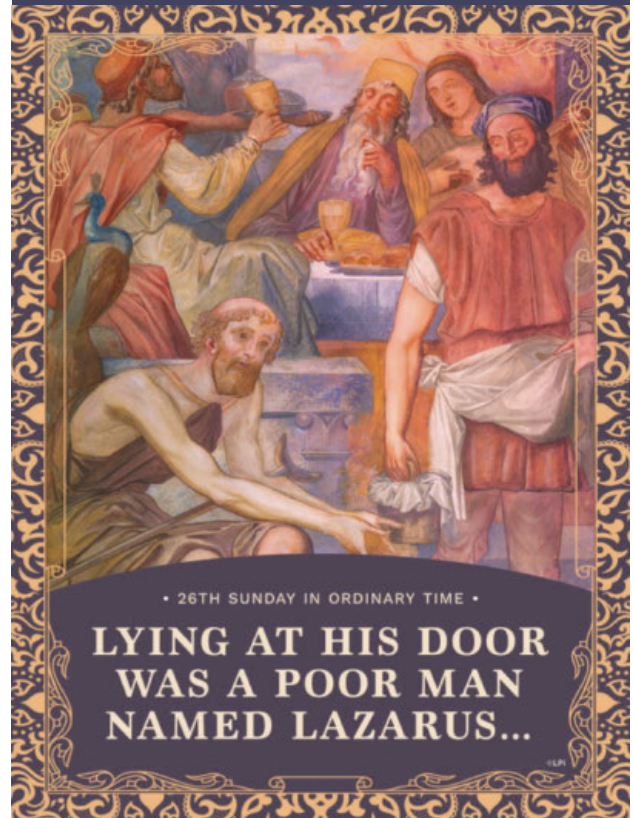
Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:

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 28, 2025
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

CROP Walk—This Sunday:

The First Baptist Church, 443 East Seneca Street is hosting the CROP Walk this Sunday, September 28 at 2:00 p.m. 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 Pictorial Directory—Final Steps:

Our parish pictorial 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.



Parish Annual Financial Report:

The parish fiscal year is July 1 – June 30. Last weekend the 2024-2025 annual financial report, which includes an income and expense statement, a balance sheet, and a summary report from our Diocesan Regional Finance Director, Rebecca Pizzurro, was provided for parishioners.

Respect Life Sunday:

On Sunday, October 5, 2025, united with all arch/dioceses throughout the United States, we will celebrate *Respect Life Sunday*, praying for a renewed respect for all human life from the moment of conception until natural death. Everyone is invited to join Bishop Matano in praying for peace, an end to violence and to respect others as children of God, at the **Respect Life Mass on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at the 11:15 AM Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart**. This year we keep in mind the tragic shooting of Annunciation Catholic School children in Minneapolis, Minnesota and Charlie Kirk – disregard for human life can never be justified.

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.

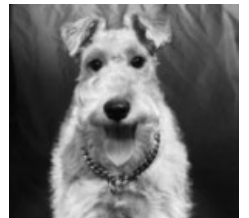
Eucharistic Holy Hour – Encounter Night:

Spend time with Jesus in the *Eucharist. Encounter nights* provide an opportunity to gather in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, listen to Sacred Scripture, observe a sacred silence for reflection, encounter Jesus in a personal way, and conclude with Benediction.

The next Encounter Night is this Thursday, October 2 from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at St. James the Apostle.

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. A St. Francis of Assisi pet tag will be offered to all pets!



Divine Mercy Chaplet—This Friday:

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 this Friday, October 3rd.

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.

Mass Music Settings:

This fall, St. Francis Solanus and St. James churches 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 hymnal. We appreciate your participation and patience as we introduce it to our worship.

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.

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.

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.

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 this Wednesday to Friday, October 1 -3. 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 Presentation:

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

Woman, A Gift of God:

Women of the Diocese of Rochester are invited to a morning of prayer, and reflection with Professor Lisa Lickona, STL. It is an event to give thanks, bring hope, and celebrate faith. The event will take place on October 18, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Parish of Holy Family (4100 Lyell Road, Gates, NY). To learn more and to register: www.stbernards.regfox.com/dor-womens-morning-oct-2025. A flyer is also posted in the foyers of the Churches. The flyer contains a QR code.

2025-2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

During this past week, parishioners should have received a letter from the Diocese of Rochester's Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) office announcing: a) the beginning of the Appeal, b) its necessity, and c) a pledge envelope. Parishes throughout the Diocese will launch the Appeal this weekend, September 28, 2025. Our parish given goal this year is \$32,000.



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.



September 28, 2025

First Reading:

Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile,
and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.
(Am. 6:7)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps. 146)

Second Reading:

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion,
faith, love, patience, and gentleness. (1 Tm. 6:11)

Gospel:

Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses
and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if
someone should rise from the dead.' (Lk. 16:31)

MASS INTENTIONS

September 27–October 5, 2025

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

Wednesday, October 1

8:30 a.m., St. Francis Solanus
Rae Arena
from Josephine Eells

Saturday, October 4

4:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
John F. Kuklo
from Carol Ann Kuklo

Sunday, October 5

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

10:30 a.m., Holy Cross
Mary Wilkins
from the Corcoran family

Parish Schedule
Week of September 28, 2025

Sunday, September 28:

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

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

Monday, September 29:

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

Tuesday, September 30:

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

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

Wednesday, October 1:

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 2:

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

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

Holy Hour/Encounter Night: 6:30 p.m., St. James

Friday, October 3:

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

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

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 p.m., St. James

Blessing of Animals: 6:00 p.m., St. Francis

Sacrament of Reconciliation/personal dialogue with Fr.

Bernard: 6:30-7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus

Saturday, October 4:

Cemetery Collection

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: Oct. 6, 3:30-6:00 p.m., Methodist Church

◦ Lodi's Food 4 All: Saturdays, 12:30-2:00 p.m., Lodi Rod & Gun Club

Prayer of St. Gertrude:

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious
Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the
Masses said throughout the world today, for all the
Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for
sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and
within my family. Amen.



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