

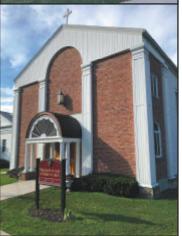
JANUARY 2, 2022 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



St. Francis Solanus 3660 Orchard Street Interlaken, NY

Weekday Liturgies: Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.

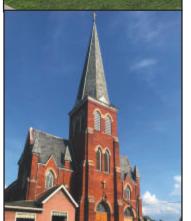
Weekend Mass: Saturday, 4:00 p.m.



St. James the Apostle

17 Whig Street Trumansburg, NY

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 9:00 a.m.



Holy Cross 7231 Main Street Ovid, NY

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Note: Weekday liturgies may be cancelled due to funerals or bad weather.

Parish Center:

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Pastor:

Rev. Bernard M. Maloney, OFM Cap.

Pastoral Year:

Br. Francisco Serrano, OFM Cap.

Office Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays, & Fridays 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or personal dialogue:

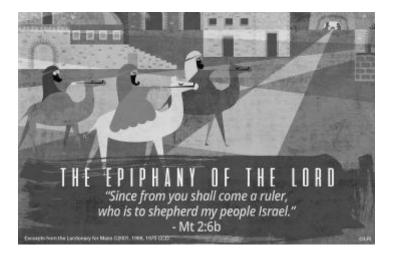
Fridays, 6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus, with Father Bernard

To join the parish community or to celebrate the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick, or marriage, please phone the Parish Center.

In residence at St. Fidelis Friary:

Rev. Richard Crawley, OFM Cap. Chaplain at Cayuga Correctional Facility, Moravia, NY Br. Antonine Lizama, OFM Cap.

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First Reading:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is. 60:1)

Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps. 72)

Second Reading:

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph. 3:5-6)

Gospel:

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt. 2:2)

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

Catholic Quotes—Words to Inspire the Faithful:

"Be attentive to the voice of grace."

~St. Elizabeth Anne Seton

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MASS INTENTIONS for the week of January 1–9, 2022		
Saturday, January 1	4:00 p.m. at St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors
Sunday, January 2	9:00 a.m. at St. James	Betty Beaton from Vivian Rose
Saturday, January 8	4:00 p.m. at St. Francis	Webb Rankin from Tim and Fran Maguire
Sunday, January 9	9:00 a.m. at St. James	Joan E., Stephen M., and Anne Mary Craig from Vivian Rose
	10:30 a.m. at Holy Cross	Joseph Carroll from the Carroll family

Upcoming Parish Events:

- Food Pantries:
 - Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m.
 - $^{\circ}$ Food truck: Next date TBD, 4:00 p.m., South Seneca high school parking lot
 - Interlaken Reformed Church: Fridays, 3:00–6:00 p.m.
 - °Trumansburg Food Pantry: Every other Monday (January 10) 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and 5:15–6:00 p.m., Methodist Church
- Family Hope Center: Tuesdays 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m., and Thursdays 4:00—6:00 p.m., Holy Cross
- Fr. Bernard is available: Fridays, 6:30–7:30 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
- Confirmation program: Sundays, 4:00 p.m., St. James

On-line Giving:

The WeShare online giving provides the opportunity for donors to pledge to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA).

Parish 2022 Calendars:

The parish 2022 calendars are available in the foyers of the churches. Please note one error. The time of the Saturday Vigil Mass is recorded as 5:00 p.m. Our parish Saturday Vigil Mass is 4:00 p.m.

Financial Support for the Parish:

There are several ways to financially support the parish:

- Boxes of Offertory Envelopes: For those who continue to use offertory envelopes and for those who requested them, check the church for the box with your name on it.
- Writing a check: If you support the parish with a check, there is no need to use boxes of offertory envelopes.
- On-line Giving WeShare Program: Confer with the weekly bulletin announcement, *Donating to Your Parish.*

Boxes of Offertory Envelopes:

Boxed offertory envelopes for 2022 are available in the foyers of the churches for parishioners who presently use the boxed envelopes or who have recently requested them. Parishioners wishing to have boxed offertory envelopes, please notify the Parish Office and a box of envelopes will be made available for pick-up.

Next Sunday:

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is next Sunday. This feast day marks the ending of the Christmas Season. After next Sunday the Christmas decorations are taken down and the beautiful Christmas carols that sing of the nativity of the Lord are held in our hearts until next year. Hope your Christmas Season was most enjoyable.

2022 Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:

Every two months the churches of Trumansburg and Jackson-ville take turns providing volunteers for the Trumansburg Food Pantry located in the Trumansburg United Methodist church. January is one of our months this year for Mary Mother of Mercy to provide volunteers (we will do this again in December 2022). Please consider helping by signing up on the list provided in the foyer, which also has a chart providing more details about each task. We especially need younger people to help carry boxes and bags up and down stairs. The dates are January 10 and 24. Don't forget to leave your phone number if you would like a reminder call. Start out your new year by following Jesus's example of caring for those in need.

"...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Mt. 25: 40). Thank you.

Food Donations at St. James:

Next Sunday, and every second Sunday of the month, please bring non-perishable food items to St. James Church. You may place the items in front of the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Monetary gifts are also welcome.

Prayers for our Parish:

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester sent Christmas greetings to our parish. They informed us they have a Prayer Ministry and Sr. Anne Marie Burns will be praying for the Parish of Mary, Mother of Mercy. We thank the Sisters for their thoughtfulness and kindness toward us. In our appreciation, please keep the Sisters of St. Joseph in your thoughts and prayers.

2021-2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal:

We received word on December 15, 2021 that 81 parish households have pledged \$17,930 toward our given goal of \$28,085. This represents 63.84% of goal. We are most appreciative of those who have made a pledge and encourage all our parish households to made a pledge according to their means. Participation is primary, what is pledged is secondary. CMA pledge envelopes are available in the foyers of the church. Please do what you can to support important programs, services, and ministries that strengthen our whole Church.

United States Saints:

This week we celebrate the feast days of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (January 4) and St. John Neumann (January 6). These two people did much to promote the well-being of our country and the church. Please do not hesitate to go on-line to learn of their devotion to God and how God was able to work through them in effecting so much good.

Synod Of Bishops, Rome, October 2023:

As you know, the diocesan phase of the Synod called by Pope Francis is underway! In the new year, the Diocese of Roches-

ter is offering Zoom sessions to answer any questions regarding logistics, possible formats for conversations, or any other concerns you may have. Below is the registration link. Please email Shannon Kilbridge at (Shannon.kilbridge@dor.org) or Elizabeth Johnston (Elizabeth.johnston@dor.org) if you have any questions. The East Deanery Synod Zoom is this Wednesday, January 5 from 1:30–3:00 p.m. https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/

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Help for Homeowners from Catholic Charities:

Homeowners in New York State who were financially affected by COVID-19 and who are behind on their mortgage or other housing payments/fees (property taxes, water, sewer, lot fee etc.) may be eligible for help from the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NY HAF). Contact Catholic Charities Elmira office at 607–734–9784 or visit www.cs-cc.org for more information. NYS HAF application window is only open from January 3–February 3, 2022.

Local Respect Life Events:

The annual Ithaca March For Life will take place Saturday, January 15 from 10:00–11:00 a.m. across the street from Planned Parenthood at 620 W. Seneca St, Ithaca. We hope the following week that leads to the National MFL on January 21, the Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, in Washington D.C., will encourage families and faith communities to educate and promote life affirming choices for the protection of the most vulnerable, the unborn.

Living Wage and Workers Rights:

The Church has been teaching about the importance of a living wage since the 1890s, and it is still a pressing issue today. The Tompkins County Workers' Center is one of the recipients of this year's Catholic Campaign for Human Development in the Diocese of Rochester, and they are partnering with parishes in Tompkins County to advocate for workers' rights. To learn more, please attend our Zoom info session on January 17 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting ID is 270 486 9117. Email April Michael with questions at amichael3@luc.edu.







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.

That's it! Your account will be created and you can put away your checkbook. If you experience any problems, please email Eileen at Eileen.heptig@dor.org.





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