

The Parish of **MARY** MOTHER OF **MERCY**



JANUARY 9, 2022
THE BAPTISM 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.

Parish Center :

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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.

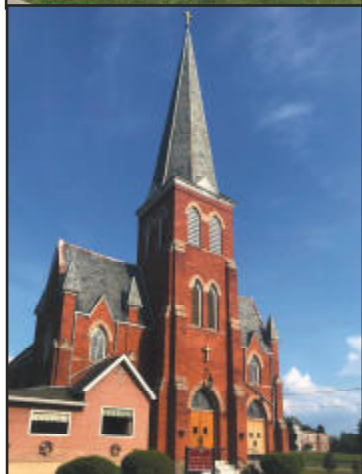


St. James the Apostle

17 Whig Street
Trumansburg, NY

Weekend Mass:

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.



Holy Cross

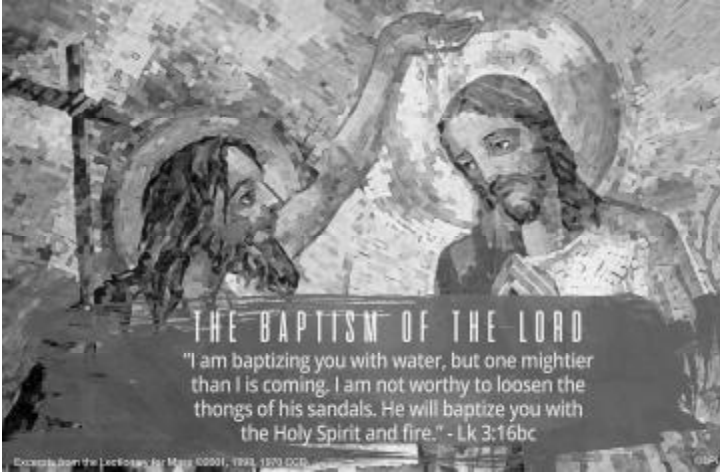
7231 Main Street
Ovid, NY

Weekend Mass:

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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

January 9, 2022
The Baptism of the Lord



First Reading:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (Is. 40:5)

Psalm:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps. 104)

Second Reading:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti. 3:5)

Gospel:

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. (Lk. 3:22)

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

Catholic Quotes—Words to Inspire the Faithful:

“The chief service I owe you, O God, is that every thought and word of mine should speak of you.” ~St. Hilary

MASS INTENTIONS for the week of January 8–16, 2022		
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
Saturday, January 15	4:00 p.m. at St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors
Sunday, January 16	9:00 a.m. at St. James	Raymond Ackley from Linda and Mark Scibilia-Carver

Upcoming Parish Events:

- Food Pantries:
 - Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m.
 - 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
- Religious Education: January 9, 10:00 a.m., St. James
- Parish Council meeting: January 13, 7:00 p.m., St. Francis Solanus
- Prayer for Healing and Harmony: January 19; February 2 & 16; 2:00 p.m., St. James the Apostle, Pine Room
- Spiritual Book Reading & Discussion: January 19; February 2 & 16; 3:15 p.m., St. James the Apostle, Pine Room

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*.

Christmas Season Ends:

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is this Sunday. This feast day marks the ending of the Christmas Season. 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.

Funeral:

Niles J. English Sr. died on December 21, 2021 at the age of 94. Niles's Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. James the Apostle Church on December 28.

Baptism:

Tucker William Robertson was baptized on December 30, 2021 at St. James the Apostle Church.

Parish Council Meeting:

The Council will meet this Thursday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center, St. Francis Solanus, Interlaken.

2022 Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:

Every two months the churches of Trumansburg and Jacksonville 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.

2021-2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal:

We received word on December 29, 2021 that 92 parish households have pledged \$23,065 toward our given goal of \$28,085. This represents 82.13 % of goal. We are most appreciative of those who have made a pledge and encourage all our parish households to make 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.

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.

Prayer for Healing and Harmony:

In this time of unrest, violence, and disease when our society is so polarized, you are invited to gather for a time of quiet prayer for the healing and harmony of each of us and all of God's creation. The format will include self-introductions, a

brief opening reflection, about 30 minutes of silent shared prayer, and a brief closing. The extended time of shared silence provides an opportunity for quieting personal reflection and healing. You do not need to attend every session. The gatherings begin at 2:00 p.m. and will take place at St. James on the first and third Wednesday of each month: January 19; February 2 & 16; and March 2 & 16. The Holy Cross gathering dates are on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month and will begin March 9. Any questions? Call or email Sister Anne at 607-209-4206 or a.alder1980@gmail.com.

Spiritual Book Reading and Discussion:

Sister Anne Alderman, SSJ is facilitating a discussion of the book Hope Against Darkness by Richard Rohr & John Feister on the first and third Wednesday of each month at St. James in the Pine Room at 3:15 p.m. The upcoming dates are January 19 and February 2 & 16 and will run through June. Please come with your own copy of the book. Suggested Donation: \$2 or \$3 (Not required. Benefits the Sisters of St. Joseph)

Joining the Conversation:**An Interactive Celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.:**

On Sunday, January 16 from 2:00–4:00 p.m. at the Trumansburg Conservatory of Fine arts, 1 Congress St., Trumansburg, the public is invited to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy of nonviolence through hands-on education, art, writing activities, and discussion for people of all ages. There will be open mic readings of Martin Luther King Jr.'s speeches, an interactive art activity for teens, and various organizations offering a variety of materials and presentations. This is a free event and all are welcome. Masks are required.

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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.

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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