

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



MAY 1, 2022
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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:

Tuesdays & Fridays
9:00 a.m.–1:00 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.

May 1, 2022



First Reading:

“We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”
(Acts 5:32)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.
(Ps. 30)

Second Reading:

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing.” (Rev. 5:12)

Gospel:

Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. (Jn. 21:13)

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week:

What prevents us from seeing the Lord? We are not used to seeing Jesus in the ordinary, everyday events of our lives. We expect some kind of startling, extraordinary revelation to occur that definitely and unmistakably sends a signal that God wants our attention. We don't expect a visit from Jesus while we are having breakfast, doing the dishes, running after the kids, negotiating a deal at work, or taking a shower! Sometimes when God simply stands on the shore of our lives casually looking for us, we don't recognize him. Did we ever stop and think that God is really and truly interested in the routine, run of the mill events of our lives? So, “what did you do today?” God may ask. Maybe we don't think that God is concerned about such things, or we are so consumed with life's demands that we give it little if any thought. Perhaps we are determined to achieve our own success, desire to control things ourselves or not really sure what God cares about. God is there. One day, out of the blue, God will get our attention and ask, “Do you love me?”

MASS INTENTIONS

for the week of April 30–May 8, 2022

Saturday, April 30	4:00 p.m. at St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors
Sunday, May 1	9:00 a.m. at St. James	David Mouland from Gerry Todi
Saturday, May 7	4:00 p.m. at St. Francis	Parishioners and benefactors
Sunday, May 8	9:00 a.m. at St. James	Annette Maimone from Judith Wilson and Richard Maimone

Upcoming Parish Events:

- Food Pantries:
 - Ovid Federated Church: Mondays, 10:00 a.m.
 - Food truck: May 10, 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 (May 2), 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
- Prayer for Healing and Harmony: Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m.
 - St. James the Apostle: May 4 & 18
 - Holy Cross: May 11 & 25
- Spiritual Book Reading & Discussion: May 4 & 18, 3:15 p.m., St. James the Apostle
- Religious Education: May 1, 10:00 a.m., St. James

Parish Council Nomination Ballots Available:

The terms of five Parish Council members end this June. Parishioners interested in being on the Parish Council can now nominate themselves or be nominated by another parishioner. The selection of new Parish Council members for a three-year term and the selection of three alternates for a one-year term will take place on Sunday, May 29. Newly selected members will attend the June 9 Parish Council meeting. The term of membership begins July 1. There are no scheduled meetings in the summer.

The Parish Council is a council to the pastor. It is not a governing body nor board. Through the Parish Council committees (Word, Worship, Witness and Fellowship), the members become aware of what is happening in the parish. Parish Council members are assigned to one of the committees after they give their preferences. From what is being done or proposed in the parish, the members offer advice to the pastor. The council can meet between 4–8 times a year, and the meetings are held at the Parish Center, Interlaken.

Parish Council nomination ballots are now available for the submission of nominees' names. Parishioners, please consider being a Council member or nominating a parishioner. Thank you.

First Communion Sunday:

Elise Wright will be celebrating her First Communion on Sunday, May 15, 2022, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We thank all who have helped prepare Elise for this day.

Monthly Notes to Homebound Parishioners:

One of our parishioners wanted to express how much she appreciates the time and effort of the people who send cards and notes to our "at home" community. "It is so amazing to think that someone is taking the time to send me monthly notes. It means the world to me! God bless you."

Food Donations Needed:

On the second Sunday of each month, non-perishable food items will be received at St. James the Apostle Church and placed on a table in front of the Blessed Mother statue. They will be donated to the Trumansburg Food Pantry. Monetary donations are also welcome. (Please make checks out to Mary, Mother of Mercy, with "food pantry" in the memo line.) Thank you to all who contribute!

Our Call To Protect God's Creation:

In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis makes it clear that we have a moral obligation to care for the Earth. The *Laudato Si'* Action Platform is a new initiative by the Holy See calling all sectors of the Church, including families, parishes, and schools to participate in this crucial work. Learn more at laudatosiactionplatform.org. One area of focus for the Action Platform is ecological spirituality. We could start by praying this prayer from *Laudato Si'*:

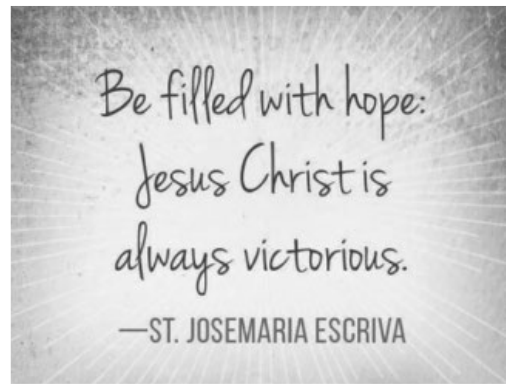
All powerful God, you are present in the universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with your peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations:

"Vocations are born in prayer and from prayers; and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit" –Pope Francis. May 8, 2022 has been designated as a day of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. For a vocation to the priesthood, one can take a discernment self-test and access a new "Nine Holy Hours to Discern the Priesthood" at GoPriest.com. For a list of all Vocation Directors in the U.S. go to Diocesanpriest.com.

LET US PRAY...

Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish who are in the hospital, sick at home, in a nursing home, or who have requested our prayers. We also ask you to pray for those who have died; that the Lord may comfort their family and friends during this difficult time. A full list of prayer requests may be found on our website: marymotherofmercy.com



2021-2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA):

Our parish has surpassed its assigned goal of \$28,085. This was accomplished by 105 parish households who have pledged \$29,750 to the CMA. Half of the amount over goal will be returned to the parish. The Appeal will continue until May 31. We are most appreciative to those who pledged to the Appeal and invite others to make a pledge to support the works of the Diocese and our parish. Pledge envelopes are available in the foyers of the church. Participation is primary, what is pledged is secondary. Every gift is appreciated greatly.

Prayer for Healing and Harmony:

You are invited to gather for a time of quiet prayer for healing and harmony. These gatherings are Wednesdays and begin at 2:00 p.m. The upcoming dates at St. James are May 4 and 18. At Holy Cross, there will be gatherings on May 11 and 25. Questions? Contact Sister Anne at 607-209-4206 or a.alder1980@gmail.com.

Camp Stella Maris:

Each year, Camp Stella Maris sends hundreds of kids to camp through the Charles M. Bayer Campership Program. Campership awards are extended to families who may not have the opportunity to send their children to camp. Camp Stella Maris awards more than \$150,000 to campers-in-need annually. For more information phone 585-346-2243.

Summer Academies & Girls Basketball Camp:

Notre Dame High School is accepting registrations. Visit: notredamehighschool.com/summer-camps-and-academies. All registrations will be taken online. Email: Michelle Barkley at barkleym@notredamehighschool.com with questions. All camps are held at Notre Dame High School, Elmira, NY.

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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