

## Church of the Holy Spirit



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## Holy Trinity Church



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**OFFICE HOURS at HOLY TRINITY PARISH : Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**  
**OFFICE HOURS at HOLY SPIRIT PARISH: Monday & Wednesday 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**  
(Closed 12:00-P.M.-1:00 P.M. for lunch)

*Rev. Matthew Wetsel, Pastor*  
*Matthew.Wetsel@rcda.org*  
*Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus*



### 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.  
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in  
heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall  
be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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Liz Anderson, Office Manager  
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#### CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

David Connolly, Cemetery Director, Mt. Carmel Cemetery  
Rich Nigro & Ron Zimmerman, Trustees

#### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 P.M.  
Sunday - 11:30 A.M.  
Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 A.M.

#### HOLY TRINITY

George Buseck, Buildings & Grounds  
John Sefcovic, Cemetery Caretaker-St. Anthony's Cemetery  
Concetta Sager & Lynn Knowlton, Trustees

#### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday - 9:00 A.M.  
Daily Mass - Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 A.M.

#### LINKED PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

**"Inspired by the words of Holy Scripture and committed to serving others with love, our communities are called to be a light to the world."**

**BAPTISM:** First time parents are required to receive instructions. Call parish offices.

**RECONCILIATION:** 2:15 P.M. Saturday at Holy Spirit *AND* First Wednesday of the Month following devotions, alternating monthly between parishes.

**MATRIMONY:** Pre-Cana is expected. Call parish offices at least six months in advance.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):** Call the Parish Offices.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** If you are planning a surgery, ask one of our priests to celebrate the Sacrament after one of our weekend or daily Masses. Seriously ill or home bound should call the office. If you or a loved one are sick and not able to attend Mass, please make sure to call your respective parish office (the numbers are listed on the front of the bulletin) to let the office and Father Matt know so we can reach out as soon as possible.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL:** At The Church of the Holy Spirit.

**CEMETERIES:** Call parish offices.

**MOTHER TERESA'S CLOSET:** Emergency household and personal care items available at Holy Trinity Parish.

**DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT:** Items are available, free of charge, at Holy Trinity Parish for those in need.

**WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONS:** 3:00 P.M. –3:30 P.M.

In August the Wednesday Devotions will be at Holy Trinity Church with the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Prayer to Our Lady Undoer of Knots, Prayer for Vocations, Benediction, Divine Praise and closing prayer.

**WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:30 A.M.** Tuesday & Wednesday at Holy Trinity, Johnstown Thursday & Friday at Holy Spirit, Gloversville.

**FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 8:30 A.M.** Sites will alternate to coincide with the Wednesday Devotions.

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** Call the office to leave your name and phone number. Meeting times and location to be determined by the group.

**PROJECT RACHEL:** Call the 24/7 confidential help line at 518-312-3825 if you are hurting from an abortion. Men and women can find healing. Email [rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com).

As Catholics, our mission is clear—we are called upon to share our faith as disciples ourselves and disciple-makers as Jesus preached: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded of you.” (Matthew 28:19-20) Since each parish and the Diocese are partners in this work, robust support of parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal ensures the Church has the resources it needs to carry out its mission.

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isn't it a bit weird that Catholics call the Pope “papa,” father? This Sunday provides us with essential Scriptural background on the papacy, the petrine office. Jesus gives Peter the “keys to the kingdom of heaven,” after witnessing to the special grace Peter has to know Jesus’ true identity. Many have pointed out that the “keys” refer back to the figure of Eliakim, King David’s prime minister. True enough. But notice this is not mere authority or power. It’s a family relationship. The Lord says to Eliakim, “He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem” (Isaiah 22:21). David’s prime minister was a spiritual father to the family of Israel. Peter, and his successors, will be spiritual fathers in the family of the Church. This means we have a serious obligation to not only recognize the Pope’s authority, but also to love him with the affection of children for their papa. We should never speak about him with disrespect or rancor. We should listen to him with trusting hearts, and ignore the slander thrown at him in various media. When we show the world we are loving and obedient to our Holy Papa, perhaps they’ll see more clearly that the Church is indeed God’s beloved family.

— Father John Mui

## Mother Teresa’s Closet

With our monthly distributions to Fulton County families in need, our closet needs re-stocking. While we gladly accept un-opened bar soap, deodorant, feminine products, tissues, paper towels, laundry detergent, cleaners, toilet paper, shampoo, toothpaste, and baby wipes, our greatest needs are diapers and adult incontinent supplies. Monetary donations in memory of loved ones also welcome. Mail your donation to Holy Trinity Parish, 207 Glebe Street, Johnstown. Please include the name of the person that you would like remembered, and note ‘Mother Teresa’s Closet’ on the memo line. Volunteers are needed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month from 9am to 12:30pm in the Holy Trinity Parish Hall. We are very grateful for our volunteers and for all of the donors in our linked parishes that support this ministry, including the Helper’s Community Store.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

**Sunday:** Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20  
**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22  
**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29  
**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32  
**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 24:42-51  
**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13  
**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30  
**Next Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

AUGUST 27, 2023

The Church of the Holy Spirit  
Collection information



Holy Trinity Parish  
Collection information

Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 are \$350,447.00. The average weekly collections needed to meet our expenses (including income from other sources is \$6,739.37.) Thank you for your continued support.

Collection	8/13/23
Envelopes	\$1,897.00
Loose	\$824.00
Online	\$445.00
Total Weekly	\$3,166.00
Other	\$143.00
Total Income	\$3,309.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 148 11:30 A.M. 181

Collection	8/13/23
Envelopes	\$1,833.00
Loose	\$290.00
Total Weekly	\$2,122.00
Other	\$145.00
Total Income	\$2,268.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 124

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

**4:00 P.M.** Trina Zimmerman Rita Bravo  
Ron Zimmerman

**11:30 A.M.** John Stewart Michelle Downing  
Pam Bray

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

**9:00 A.M.** Gerard McAuliffe Bonnie Van Wie

**Sisters of the Holy Spirit Pie Sale**

Tis the season for the Sisters of the Holy Spirit Pie Sale to benefit the Senior Scholarship. Look for pie order forms in next weeks bulletin.

**Grief Sharing Support Group**

On Friday, September 8th we will begin a grief sharing support group. The group will meet 8 consecutive Fridays from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. It will take place at Spirit Central located in the School building at Church of the Holy Spirit. Please call either parish office with your contact information if you would like to attend. We look forward to supporting you through your grief journey in a confidential environment.

**Prayer for Students**

Dear Jesus,  
Thank you for the gift of learning!  
I want to grow closer to you in everything I do at school.  
In math and science, help me to see your beautiful plan in the world.  
Help me to discover new stories and values as I read and write.  
In arts and music, help me to be creative.  
In sports, help me to treat my teammates and my opponents fairly.  
Help me to learn new skills in technology.  
Jesus, you are the perfect teacher.  
Help me to listen with open ears, an open heart, and an open mind to all my teachers at school. Help me to treat my classmates with care, kindness, and respect. Thank you, Jesus, for school!  
Amen.

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL**

Our special collection this week is the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs.

**National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children**

The pro-life ministry at Holy Trinity and Holy Spirit will again participate in the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. This is our 11th year of gathering to honor the unborn on this occasion. Please join us for the rosary on Saturday, September 9th, in front of the Monument to the Unborn at the Auriesville Shrine at 10 am. Call Chris at 518-736-1558 with any questions.



**Welcome to Adoration of Our Lord**

*Everyone is invited to come and visit Jesus in the Adoration Chapel at anytime.*

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Holy Spirit.

**JESUS WAITS FOR US.** If you are interested in becoming an Adorer or a substitute, please call Ann: 518-725-5989 or Cindy: 518-725-3532.

Thank you for your continued support.

## THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator  
email: [holyspirit12078@gmail.com](mailto:holyspirit12078@gmail.com)



Our Combined Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 10th at the Concordia Club from 1pm to 4pm. Burgers, hotdogs, and sausage and peppers will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. We ask that you sign-up so we will know how much food to order. The sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of both churches.

### HOLY TRINITY ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Leading up to and in preparation for our Eucharistic Congress (October 20-22), we will be offering Fr. Michael Gaitley's 33 Days to Merciful Love, a video/discussion program. The program will run Saturday mornings from 10-12 beginning Saturday, September 9th and continuing through Saturday, October 14th. The program is open to all. Please call the offices to express interest so we have enough books.

### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

I once knew a very devout woman whose adult godchild had fallen away from the practice of the faith. This godchild still believed in God, and even felt a sense of belonging in the Church. He was a good and kind person. But poor catechesis and a society that confuses pleasure with joy had left him lax in practice, without an appreciation of the sacraments. He was making choices that threatened his soul. His godmother wanted more for him. She planned to speak with him about his life, hoping to encourage him to return to the practice of the faith. She knew that, when she brought this up, he would reply that it wasn't important to attend Mass or to receive the Eucharist, that was all just "extra." She told me that she was going to begin their conversation by asking him the question Jesus poses to Peter in Matthew 16:15 — the critical question in all our lives, the question whose answer will define what we become in this world and the next. Her godson knew the answer. She was confident, unshakably, that he did. He may have forgotten it or ignored it. He may have tried to convince himself he wasn't entirely sure. He may have refused to give an answer. But he knew it. He knew the answer. There is a reason that, after Peter's response, Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven. "Who do you say that I am?" Let our whole lives be our answer. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." — Matthew 16:16

### BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please follow the dates listed below when submitting **announcements** to be in the bulletin. Announcements need to be in the office no later than noon on the dates listed below. **Mass requests do not follow the same guidelines.** Masses must be requested at least two and a half weeks ahead of the requested date due to bulletin deadlines.

#### BULLETIN:

**SEPTEMBER 10TH**

#### DEADLINE:

**AUGUST 29TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON**

**Sisters of the Holy Spirit** will hold their next meeting on Monday, September 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome.

**NYS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS:** Catholics from across New York State are planning to come together at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on October 20-22, 2023 to celebrate the real presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The Congress will feature inspiring talks, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, opportunities for confessions, inspiring music and more. For details and to register, log onto <https://nyseucharisticcongress.org>

### EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

Fr. Dan Quinn and Fr. Stephen Yusko will lead a group on a four-day, three-night pilgrimage from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany to the Auriesville Shrine of the North American Martyrs. Along "The Way," pilgrims will encounter Christ anew as they walk almost 60 miles to the Eucharistic Congress (October 20-22), just as Christ encountered the disciples as they made their way to Emmaus, where He ultimately revealed Himself to them in the "breaking of the bread." For more information and to register log onto <https://wayofmartyrs.org>

If you are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive Communion or if you know of anyone who would like to receive, please call the Parish office with your contact information so we can arrange for one of our Eucharistic Ministers to bring Communion to you.



### HELPERS COMMUNITY STORE:

Hours are 12:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M.

Monday-Saturday. If you are interested in

volunteering or substituting at the store,

please call Richard or Christine at (518) 736-

1558. All donations should be dropped off at the store, 103 N. Main Street, Gloversville, NY. At this time, we are in need of small kitchen appliances.



## Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



“The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe.” And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father.” As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him. — Jn 6:63c-64a, 65-66

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### HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

**SAT. 4:00 P.M.**     **ARTHUR THOMAS MULHALL**  
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF IRENE MULHALL  
**CATHERINE LANDRIO**  
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN  
**ROBERT GOODEMOTE**  
REQUESTED BY MOM AND FAMILY  
**ANGELO LOMANTO**  
REQUESTED BY MR. & MRS. VINCENT LAPORTA

**SUN. 11:30 A.M**     **FR. DOMINIC OTTAVIANO**  
REQUESTED BY OTTAVIANO ESTATE  
**ELAINE VISCONTI**  
REQUESTED BY PAM BRAY  
**ROZ MELITA**  
REQUESTED BY LINDA WOOD  
**HEALING FOR ANTONE RALBOVSKY**  
REQUESTED BY ROLAND O'BRIEN-BILLS AND  
STEPHANIE AND THOMAS SCHMIDT

**MON.**                     **NO MASS**

**TUES. 8:30 A.M.**     **MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**

**WED. 8:30 A.M.**     **MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**

**THURS. 8:30 A.M.**     **ROGER ROONEY**  
REQUESTED BY DON & COOKIE FLEISCHUT  
**PHILIP C. VERTUCCI FAMILY**  
REQUESTED BY VIRGINIA V. FYFE ESTATE

**FRI. 8:30 A.M.**         **MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS**

**SAT. 8:30 A.M.**         **ELAINE VISCONTI**  
REQUESTED BY FRAN GARGUILO

**SAT. 4:00 P.M.**         **PHYLLIS BERGER**  
REQUESTED BY PHYLLIS OARE  
**DON HOWLAND SR.**  
REQUESTED BY DON AND COOKIE FLEISCHUT  
**HEALING FOR SARA KING**  
REQUESTED BY GINNI AND JOHN MAZUR  
**HEALING FOR JOHN RIZZO**  
REQUESTED BY JIM, KELLY, & SALLY LANDRIO

**SUN. 11:30 A.M.**     **ANGELO LOMANTO**  
REQUESTED BY PAM BRAY  
**ROGER ROONEY**  
REQUESTED BY FRIENDS FROM KNOX JR. HIGH  
**HEALING FOR ANTONE RALBOVSKY**  
REQUESTED BY ROLAND O'BRIEN-BILLS AND  
STEPHANIE AND THOMAS SCHMIDT

**SUN. 9:00 A.M.**         **MICHELE TRAVIS**  
REQUESTED BY WAYNE & MARILYN COLE AND  
FAMILY  
**HENRY STRAUSS**  
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN  
**CHLOE CORRELL**  
REQUESTED BY SCHULTZ FAMILY  
**JEAN POLACEK**  
REQUESTED BY DIANE & MANDY BRADSHAW

**MON.**                     **NO MASS**

**TUES. 8:30 A.M.**         **FR. JIM FITZMAURICE (1ST ANN)**  
REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN  
**CHLOE CORRELL**  
REQUESTED BY KINGSBORO GARDEN CLUB

**WED. 8:30 A.M.**         **IN THANKSGIVING**  
**HEALING FOR JOSEPH DATTORRE**  
REQUESTED BY PAM BRAY

**THURS. 8:30 A.M.**     **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**

**FRI. 8:30 A.M.**         **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**

**SAT. 8:30 A.M.**         **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**

**SUN. 9:00 A.M**         **ELEANOR DATTORRE**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**FR. JIM FITZMAURICE**  
REQUESTED BY CHRIS LASNICK  
**ANGELO LOMANTO**  
REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ  
**CHARLES CURTHOYS**  
REQUESTED BY DAVID AND JEN CONNOLLY



### BUILDING FUND DONATION

In Memory of Monica Kiernan by Kiernan Family.



Please remember in your prayers all those members of our parish family who are sick or suffering. All those in hospitals & nursing homes and all of our homebound. We pray for all those who have died recently. Remember the men and women serving in the armed forces and their families along with all first responders, & health care workers.