

## Church of the Holy Spirit



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## Holy Trinity Church



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**OFFICE HOURS : Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**  
**(Closed 12:00-P.M.-1:00 P.M. for lunch)**

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### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 P.M.

Sunday - 11:30 A.M.

Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 A.M.

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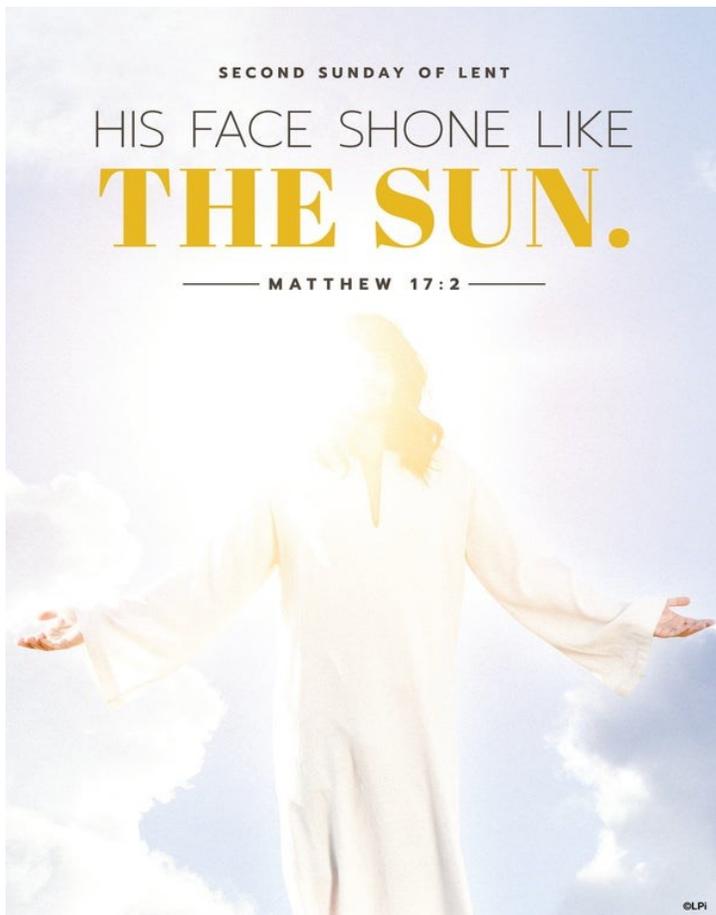
### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

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 Thursday of the Month following devotions, alternating monthly between parishes.

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

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA):** Call the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** If you are planning a surgery, call the parish office or Fr. Matt to make an appointment to receive Sacrament of the Sick. 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 the parish office (the number is 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:** Monthly distribution of 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.

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

In March the Thursday Devotions will be at Holy Spirit Church, Gloversville 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 Thursday 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.

## 2nd Sunday of Lent

When I sit down to answer emails or write a Gospel reflection or return a phone call, I sometimes wonder: Does any of this humdrum work matter? Maybe you ask the same thing about your daily labor. Today's Gospel, the Transfiguration, offers a surprising answer. Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a mountain. There, “his face shone like the sun face and his clothes become white as light” (Matthew 17:2). That detail regarding his clothes is worth considering. We know Jesus' body is inseparably united to the divine nature. But his clothing? That's something made by human hands. It's an artifact. And yet it shines with the same uncreated light. What does this detail mean? The early Church noted that Adam and Eve's first act after the Fall was to make clothing. This clothing symbolizes all human labor that supports our dignity. In Jesus' glorified garments, we see not just the redemption of our body, but of human effort to protect and uplift human dignity. Parents, your family is your work. Baristas, plumbers, nurses, accountants — your labor, your emails, your phone calls, your spreadsheets — can all become radiant when offered to God in love. The question isn't just do I believe in Jesus' glory, but do I believe he can share it with the work of my hands? Lenten Challenge: Identify the “artifact” you are making to uplift the dignity of others: your job, your home, your relationships. Consciously bring it to the Lord this Sunday at Mass. Offer it to share in His glory. It will begin to shine.

— Father John Muir

## Mother Teresa's Closet

Like everyone, Mother Teresa's Closet is feeling the effect of increased prices for many of the items that we keep stocked in the ‘closet’ – basic necessities for personal hygiene and cleaning supplies. We are very fortunate and grateful for our volunteers, the donors in our linked parishes and the Helper's Community store support in making our ministry to the needy a success. We have over 200 people registered for help with an average of 80 recipients attending each distribution on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Monetary donations can be made in honor of loved ones to continue to support this ministry. You may place a donation in the offertory or mail to the Parish office. Make checks payable to Holy Trinity Parish, with MTC in the memo line.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2026

**Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Next Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

MARCH 1, 2026

The Church of the Holy Spirit  
Collection information



Holy Trinity Parish  
Collection information

Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 are \$372,971.00. The average weekly collections needed to meet our expenses (including income from other sources is \$7,172.52.) Thank you for your continued support.

Collection	2/15/26
Envelopes	\$2,520.00
Loose	\$671.00
Online	\$683.00
Total Weekly	\$3,874.00
Other	\$933.00
Total Income	\$4,807.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 137 11:30 A.M. 116

Collection	2/15/26
Envelopes	\$2,909.00
Loose	\$322.00
Online	\$0.00
Total Weekly	\$3,231.00
Other	\$619.00
Total Income	\$3,850.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 131

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 8, 2026

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	Sue Cichy	Rita Bravo (H) Brian Farley (H) Andy LaPorta (C) Mary Buchanan (C)
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<b>11:30 A.M.</b>	Jamin Clemente	Karen Hoose (H) Benedetta Scarpa (C) John Czelusniak (C)
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**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	Gerard McAuliffe	Jennifer Connolly (H) Rebecca Weiderman (C) Renee Smith (C)
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**Wells House/Pineview Commons March 8 Diane Savage and Yvonne Major**

**Pizza Sales**

We will have both stuffed and fried on Friday, March 6th. Please come and support our Faith Formation/Youth Ministry program and the Sisters of the Holy Spirit. Ticket prices are as follows: Fried Dough \$6 and Stuffed Pizza \$8. Both come with a dessert. This event is eat in or take out. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office or at the door. Pre-sale tickets are advised since we usually sell out fast.

**Blessing of Hope**

In Your goodness Lord, bless us. Help us to know Your abundance and Your gifts. Help us to hear Your voice and know Your assurance. Help us remember what You have done, and look forward to what You will do. Amen.

**Sisters of the Holy Spirit** will hold their next meeting on Monday, March 2nd at 6 p.m. in the Bingo Hall at Holy Spirit. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome.

**Sisters of the Holy Spirit Scholarship**

Any high school senior who is an **active, participating** member of the Church of the Holy Spirit Parish and who plans to further his/her education next year may apply for this scholarship. Information flyers and applications are available beginning the weekend of March 1st at the Church entrances. Applications will also be available at the Church of the Holy Spirit business office during regular business hours Monday through Thursday 9:00 A. M. - 2:00 P.M .

**Lenten Journey**

Draw us closer to You, Lord, these 40 Days. Make our actions kinder, our words more merciful, our decisions more like Yours. Teach us what it means to be Your children, one day at a time. Amen.

**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.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### 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)

Youth Mass March 8th at 11:30 am at Holy Spirit Church for grades K-10. Please note that grades 7-9 still have class in the evening as well.

Candles are available at the church entrances with our Emmaus candidates and team names on them. Please pick one up to take home and light and pray for that person from now through the Emmaus Retreat weekend which is March 13-15. Teen Mass and Emmaus Closing will be held on Sunday, March 15th at 4:00pm at Church of the Holy Spirit. This Mass is for ALL parishioners, families as well as for teens who did not attend the retreat. Please come to welcome the Emmaus Candidates and team back from their retreat weekend and hear a little about their experience.

No classes the weekend of March 15th due to the Emmaus Retreat.

### 2025/2026 DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

#### Holy Spirit

Diocesan Assessment \$16,598.00  
Gifts/Pledges \$21,015.00  
Balance \$0

#### Holy Trinity

Diocesan Assessment \$24,340.00  
Gifts/Pledges \$11,569.00  
Balance \$12,771.00

We have an **email prayer line**: all prayer intentions are confidential and prayed for by many prayer warriors. All are welcome to join and or send petitions to: [lily.fiorenza@gmail.com](mailto:lily.fiorenza@gmail.com) or by phone 518-829-4079.

### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross are offered every Friday during Lent at 12:10 pm at Church of the Holy Spirit and at 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity Church. On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will be offered at 12:10 pm at Holy Spirit and 3:00 pm at Holy Trinity.

### 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.

#### BULLETIN:

**MARCH 8TH**

#### DEADLINE:

**MARCH 2ND  
NO LATER THAN  
10AM**

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.

### EWTN INSPIRED PRAYER MOMENT

Holy Mother please grant me the grace of holy remembrance that I may always recall the price Christ paid for my salvation.

### Extended Confessions

Fr. Matt will offer a period of extended confessions on Wednesday, March 18th from 2pm to 7pm at Holy Trinity in the church with the Blessed Sacrament exposed for prayer.

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

Today we are following Jesus up on a high mountain with Peter, James, and John. There they see Jesus "transfigured," his face like the sun and his clothes as white as light. Jesus is there conversing with Moses and Elijah. What are we to make of this image of Jesus, the earthly teacher of this small band of disciples? They were merely followers of a teacher, a rabbi. When they see this and hear a voice proclaiming, "This is my beloved Son..." they begin to realize this man is more than just a rabbi. However, Jesus tells them to keep this a secret until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead. Well, they have no idea what this means. Therefore, they continue to follow him as if he was just a human, a teacher. However, we live in the time after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead. Now it is we who must proclaim the good news of Jesus, the Son of God the Father. Take this week and think about how, in your own way, can proclaim through your words and deeds the Jesus is your savior, your teacher, and rabbi.



### HELPERS COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE:

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



Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. — Mk 9:7-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

### HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2026

<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>VINCE LAPORTA</b> REQUESTED BY HANK AND MARIE BORN <b>IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE DE LEON FAMILY</b> REQUESTED BY POLLAK FAMILY <b>ROBERT YACOBUCCI (18TH ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY SANDY AND ANTHONY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M</b>	<b>CHARLES ATKINSON</b> REQUESTED BY MELANY ATKINSON <b>GAIL PELLEGRINO</b> REQUESTED BY MELANY ATKINSON
<b>MON.</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUES. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY TRINITY</b>
<b>WED. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY TRINITY</b>
<b>THURS. 8:30</b>	<b>GRACE HAMMONS</b> REQUESTED BY LIZ ANDERSON
<b>FRI. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS</b>
<b>SAT. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>FOR THE PEOPLE</b>
<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>VINCE LAPORTA</b> REQUESTED BY KIM AND CAROL COLLAR <b>DR. JOHN AND JOAN ESPEL</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>BETTY ANADIO</b> REQUESTED BY MALAGISI FAMILY <b>CAROLYN TIERNEY</b> REQUESTED BY SHOBLON FAMILY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>SOPHIE CAPOROSSO</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>NICHOLAS DEROSA</b> REQUESTED BY JIM AND TONI

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2026

<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M</b>	<b>THOMAS HAUSER</b> REQUESTED BY JIM AND SHARON HILLIER <b>JOAN ROWBACK</b> REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, ROBERTA <b>PAT O'LUCCI (1ST ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY MARY LANDRIO <b>PRISCILLA CURTHOYS</b> REQUESTED BY MOTHER TERESA CLOSET COMMITTEE
<b>MON.</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUES. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>A SPECIAL INTENTION</b> REQUESTED BY MARY LANDRIO
<b>WED. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE GAY FAMILY</b> REQUESTED BY GEORGIA
<b>THURS. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT</b>
<b>FRI. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT</b>
<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M</b>	<b>PAT O'LUCCI (1ST ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY PETER, LINDA, JOSEPH & KAREN <b>PHILLIP SANTANGELO SR.</b> REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY <b>PRISCILLA CURTHOYS</b> REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN

#### Adult Faith Formation

God's Gift of Forgiveness, a 5 week program will begin on Wednesday Feb 25 from 4:00-5:30 in the meeting room at Holy Trinity Church Hall.

This program emphasizes God's forgiveness and grace through the Sacraments



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.

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