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MICHAEL LONG

Michael Long has been employed as a clinical neuropsychologist at Sunnyview Hospital in Schenectady since obtaining his Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Siena College in 1984 and his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the New School in NYC in 1992. Dr. Long has been on our joint Pastoral Council for several years now. He and his wife Stephanie have 3 children; Emily, Colleen, and Donald, who all completed their 1st communions at Holy Trinity and who are currently completing their undergraduate & graduate educations.



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MIA FRANKO

Mia Franko is a 2016 graduate of Johnstown High School and a fourth-generation member of Holy Trinity Parish, where she was involved in faith formation, Living Stations, retreat team, and the Italian festival. She received both a bachelors and an MBA from Le Moyne College, where she was heavily involved in Campus Ministry. She serves on the Emmaus retreat team, the festival committee, and in digital outreach. She frequents local masses and RCDA young adult events with her parents, sister, and boyfriend.



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DAVID CONNOLLY

David Connolly has been a parishioner at The Church of the Holy Spirit since 2000. He has been married to his wife, Jennifer, since 2001. He is currently the cemetery director at Mt. Carmel.



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ANGELA VEEDER

In addition to being on parish council, Angela Veeder regularly plays flute with the music ministry team at Sunday Mass and helps on the team for the yearly Emmaus retreat. Professionally, Angela supports individuals with disabilities and works with high school students as a professional tutor at Amsterdam High School. For fun, she enjoys taking car rides, embroidery, and reading novels.



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GARY MCCOY

Gary McCoy was born in Gloversville and raised in Johnstown. He attended St Patrick's School grades 1-6, graduated from Johnstown High School in 1973, and SUNY Cobleskill in 1975 with an AAS in Fisheries and Wildlife technology. Gary has been a parishioner of St. Patrick's (now Holy Trinity) for most of his life and served as an altar boy. Now he is a member of the Joint Parish Men's Club, a lector, and a frequent volunteer at various functions, all of which he enjoys immensely. Gary has 2 daughters and 4 granddaughters.



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SAL GIARRIZZO

Sal Giarrizzo is a graduate of Johnstown High School, and was originally a parishioner at the Immaculate Conception Church in Johnstown. He has lived in Johnstown continuously since 2004, along with his wife and family.



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JULIE POPP



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PAM BRAY

Pam Bray has been the owner of The Dollhouse Salon since 1970. She has been married to her husband Mel since 1971; they have 2 children and 5 grandchildren. In her spare time, Pam volunteers at the Senior Center and Elks Lodge, and follows her grandchildren in their activities. In her Ministry at Church of the Holy Spirit, Pam serves as sacristan, Eucharist Minister, decorator, chair of Friday's Table, volunteer for the Youth Ministry team, and as a Catechist.



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JAMIN CLEMENTE

Jamin Clemente was born and raised in Gloversville, and is currently employed full time for a NYS Agency. She is a volunteer for the Faith Formation Program as well as a Sacristan, Lector, and Eucharistic Minister. She is currently the President of the Sisters of the Holy Spirit and assists in administering the Friday's Table Program. When she's not at church Jamin is usually walking her Great Dane Nova, at a sporting event, or spending time with her Godchildren.



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RON ZIMMERMAN

Ron Zimmerman has been a member of Church of the Holy Spirit and predecessor parishes for almost 50 years. Married to Petrina, they have two children: daughter Amy and son Sam, daughter-in-law Jessica, grandsons Kyle Matthew and Kolbe Adam. Ron serves as a trustee, Eucharistic Minister, altar server, Eucharistic Adorer, & Friday's Table captain, and on finance council, Bereavement Ministry, Homebound Visitation Ministry, Holy Name Society, & Joint Parish Men's Club.



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FR. MATT WETSEL

Fr. Matt Wetsel is a 1999 graduate of Schalmont High School, a 2003 graduate of Siena College, and a 2010 graduate of St. Mary's Seminary & University. Fr. Matt was ordained to the priesthood for the Albany Diocese on June 12, 2010. Fr. Matt had previously been assigned to St. Peter's Church (Saratoga Springs), St. Joseph the Worker (Richfield Springs & West Winfield), Our Lady of the Valley (Middleburgh) & Our Lady of Fatima (Delanson), and currently to Holy Trinity (Johnstown) & Holy Spirit (Gloversville) since the fall of 2018. He enjoys the wealth of ministry opportunities that the priesthood generously offers as well as hanging out with his faithful sidekicks Carter the Tuxedo Cat, Gimli the Russian Tortoise, and Max, Finn, Poe, and Salvy the Parakeets.



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CONCETTA SAGER

Concetta Sager and her husband Richard are long-time Johnstown residents and have two daughters & four grandchildren. She attended the former Our Lady of Mt Carmel School through 8th grade and graduated from the former Bishop Burke Catholic High School in 1973. She possesses a Business Administration degree from FMCC, and Bachelors of Professional Studies & MBA from Empire State College. Concetta retired from a long career in telecommunications and currently works part-time at Caroga Arts Collective. She is a Trustee, Lector, and member of the Finance Council for Holy Trinity.



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GREG HEROTH

Greg Heroth has been a parishioner of the Johnstown Catholic Churches since 1986. He and his wife Lori have been married since 1988 and have been blessed with four children & three grandchildren. Greg has been a teacher in the Gloversville School District since 2007, and for 9 of those years was an adjunct chemistry instructor at FMCC. Prior to his teaching career, he was employed at various industries as a process engineer & a research associate. He holds an air frame & power plant license issued by the FAA, and early in his career journey was employed by Rockwell Aerospace and American Airlines. In his free time, Greg enjoys doing just about anything on his tractors at their family farm just outside of Johnstown, or at their home on Green Lake.



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MICHAEL NICHOLS



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RICH NIGRO

Rich Nigro was born in Millbrook, Dutchess County. His family relocated to Averill Park where he attended high school and met his wife Christine. They moved to Gloversville in 1976, and began attending St Mary's Church and raised two sons. Rich and Christine both kept active in Parish life, first at St Mary's and then at Holy Spirit; Christine passed away in 2011. Rich lives in Gloversville with his beagle, Baguette.



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ANN SIMONSON

Ann Simonson serves as the Youth Ministry Director for the Fulton County Catholic parishes and the Faith Formation Director for Holy Trinity and Holy Spirit, but it wasn't until she was 30 years old that she felt her true calling and purpose to bring God to our youth and teens. Saying yes to God was the best decision she ever made: she is very passionate about what she does and feels truly blessed to have a job that she loves. Ann went to SUNY Cobleskill for Early Childhood Education. She has been married since 1989 and has one son who recently got married. She likes to spend time with my family and friends, camping, traveling and photography.