

## Church of the Holy Spirit



151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

## 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)**

*Rev. Matthew Wetsel, Pastor*

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*Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus*

### LINKED PARISH STAFF

Liz Anderson, Office Manager

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Tricia Tauss, Office Assistant

### 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.”**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

“Come, you who are blessed by my Father.  
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the  
foundation of the world.” - Mt 25:34

**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 November the Wednesday Devotions will be at Holy Spirit 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.

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

In May 2023, for the first time in almost three quarters of a century, a monarch was crowned in England. A few days later a friend of mine scoffed, “What a waste of time and energy! What is the point of a king?” I’m a proud American who wants neither theocracy nor monarchical restoration. I like our democratic republic. But the coronation of King Charles reminded me of something needed in every person and community: confidence in the future. The king’s most basic role is to symbolize the unity of the nation. In England, the parliament members handle many of the practical duties of governance. But the king or queen can do what they cannot: embody in a single person the reality and future of a whole nation. To say, “this is our king” is to say, “we exist as a community, and we have a future.” Kingship isn’t primarily about the power of one person or family. It’s about the enduring identity and unity of the whole. To say Christ is our King is to say we exist as a people. We are one in him. We are, and we will be as long as he is. And since he will be our risen king forever, together we have a future filled with hope. Even the best countries will finally fall. But Christ and his Church will endure forever. What good news! It’s not a waste of time to crown a king. We do it all the time. Let’s be sure to crown the right one — the one whose kingdom never ends.

— Father John Muir

## 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, 153 S. Main Street, Gloversville. 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 NOVEMBER 26, 2023

**Sunday:** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

**Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

**Friday:** Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

**Next Sunday:** Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

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	11/12/23
Envelopes	\$2,569.00
Loose	\$773.00
Online	\$358.00
Total Weekly	\$3,700.00
Other	\$310.00
Total Income	\$4,010.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 135 11:30 A.M. 175

Collection	11/12/23
Envelopes	\$1,713.00
Loose	\$389.00
Total Weekly	\$2,102.00
Other	\$525.00
Total Income	\$2,627.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 151

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 3, 2023

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

**4:00 P.M.** Sue Cichy Ginni Mazur  
Ron Zimmerman

**11:30 A.M.** John Stewart Sandy Brower  
Mary Jablonski

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

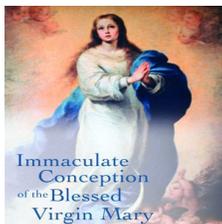
**9:00 A.M.** Renee Smith Mary Ann Armstrong

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The King Comes Holding a Mirror

Of all the many wonderful, thorough examinations of conscience I have come across, the one I normally utilize is very simple, and perfectly suited to someone like me who is not capable of profound thought at the end of the day. It's just one very short question: Which Christs did I not recognize today? The King always comes in disguise, and I know I miss him in so many ways every single day. I miss him in people ignored or dismissed. I miss him in opportunities avoided and in moments that could have turned into prayer but instead turned into phone-scrolling. I miss him when he is right in front of me, holding up a mirror and calling my name, begging for my conversion of heart. The Christian life calls us to constant self-scrutiny. It's not a comfortable life, always thinking about what you could do better, but the Lord shepherds us rightly. His pastures have nothing to offer those who are perfect and strong. He has gone in search of the lost. He has reclaimed those who have strayed, healed those who were injured, given rest to those who were weary. We can't be followers of Christ if we are not willing to own our sins. God's mercy does not dismiss our sins, as if they never existed and were not important. No, it does something far, far better — God's mercy absolves our sins. It sets us free from them. But to be truly free, you have to understand the tyranny of what once enslaved you.



**Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Friday, December 8th.**

**Mass Schedule:**  
**8:30 A.M. Holy Trinity**  
**12:10 P.M. Holy Spirit**  
**5:30 P.M. Holy Trinity**

**Our Combined Men's Group** will hold their next meeting on Monday, December 18th 7:00 pm at Spirit Central located in the school building at Holy Spirit Church. All men are welcome to attend.

**PART TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE**

Holy Trinity Parish is looking for a part time maintenance person for 18 hours a week. If you are interested, please call the parish office.

We still have a professional desk for sale that was left to our parishes as part of an estate. Please call Chris or Richard if you are interested. 518-736-1558.



**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.

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## 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)

**Faith Formation and Youth Ministry classes:** Grades K-5 meet from 10:20 - 11:20am on Sunday mornings at Holy Spirit in the school building. Please note the slight time change! Youth Ministry classes are held on Sunday evenings with grades 6-8 meeting from 6:00-7:00pm and grades 9&10 meeting from 7:15-8:15pm also in the school building at Holy Spirit.

**Vendor/Craft Fair:** Our annual Vendor/Craft Fair will be held on Sunday, December 3rd from 10:00am-2:00pm in the gym at Holy Spirit. If you would like to be a vendor/crafter please contact Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986 to reserve your spot.

**Art Show and Bake Sale** at Holy Trinity Parish Hall on December 6th from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

**No classes on November 26th.** Happy Thanksgiving!

### Patron Saints

#### Question:

Why are some saints honored as "patron saints"?

#### Answer:

Each person is unique and each of us has different gifts, interests, talents, and, yes, even struggles and areas where we need to grow. This is no less true of those holy women, men, and children who have been canonized or beatified. Because we believe that the saints and blessed are both models of faith and intercessors, Christians have looked to certain holy people as role models and heavenly protectors for occupations, spiritual charisms, and even places. Although the Church sometimes names a person as a patron saint (e.g. Saint Philip Neri as the patron of Rome, Saint Clare of Assisi as the patroness of television, or Saint Aloysius Gonzaga as the patron of youth and young adults), more often it is popular devotion that inspires lay Christians to turn to a particular saint or blessed for heavenly help and support. This is how, for example, Saint Cecilia came to be honored as the patroness of musicians, Saint Toribio Romo as patron of migrants coming into the United States, and Saint Gertrude of Nivelles as patroness of cat lovers. Although there are official and unofficial lists of patron saints, we should always feel free to ask any and all the saints to give us their patronage and protection in whatever it is that we need.

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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.

### Holy Trinity Rosary Society News

The Rosary Society will hold their Christmas Gathering at 4:00pm on Sunday, December 10th at Sam's Steak House. Please RSVP by calling Ronnie at 58-762-3700.

### 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:

#### DEADLINE:

DECEMBER 10TH

DECEMBER 4TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON

DECEMBER 17TH

DECEMBER 7TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON

DECEMBER 24TH

DECEMBER 13TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON

DECEMBER 31ST

DECEMBER 20TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON

JANUARY 7TH

DECEMBER 29TH  
NO LATER THAN  
12 NOON

### SNOW REMOVAL

**Part time** position available at Holy Trinity Parish for snow removal. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

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



### HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 2023

<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>CHARLES PAPA</b> REQUESTED BY CHILDREN <b>SANDY LUNKENHEIMER</b> REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY <b>HEATHER LYNN YERINA</b> REQUESTED BY CHRISTINE BAGNARDI <b>TAMMY YACOBUCCI (3RD ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY HUSBAND, ANTHONY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>JAMES F. ROSSI</b> REQUESTED BY SON, JOSEPH ROSSI <b>SALVATORE ZARRELLI</b> REQUESTED BY WIFE, CATERINA ZARRELLI
<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 A.M.</b>	<b>ROSARIO SCHEPIS</b> REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF ROSE SCHEPIS <b>GERALD RIETH</b> REQUESTED BY SISTER, BARBARA
<b>FRI. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS</b>
<b>SAT. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY TRINITY</b>
<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>DAVID MANCINI</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>KRISTEN BRADT</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>WALTER AND CATHERINE TRAINOR</b> REQUESTED BY VINCE AND JEAN LAPORTA <b>ANTONE "TONY" RALBOVSKY</b> REQUESTED BY GRETCHEN & ROLAND O'BRIEN-BILLS <b>CLARA A. SWARTS</b> REQUESTED BY LINDA HILL <b>JOSEPH LEIBL</b> REQUESTED BY SANDY YACOBUCCI, MARGUERITE GOODEMOTTE AND EMILIA COONS

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.” — Mk 13:26-27

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

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 2023

<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>MARY FAGAN POLETO</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>ROBERT SALLUZZO</b> REQUESTED BY JON, BETH & JONATHAN ADAMS <b>MIKE VACEK (18TH ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY CHRIS NUNN-CRANE <b>ROBERT SCHAFER</b> REQUESTED BY MAJOR FAMILY
<b>MON.</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUES. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>DR. HELEN BLANCHARD</b> REQUESTED BY JUDY WORMUTH <b>WILLIAM WORMUTH</b> REQUESTED BY JUDY WORMUTH
<b>WED. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>JIM REISCH</b> REQUESTED BY JUDY WORMUTH <b>BOB SALLUZZO</b> REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ
<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>SAT. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>FOR THE PEOPLE</b>
<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>FR. JIM FITZMAURICE (B'DAY)</b> REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN <b>BOB SALLUZZO</b> REQUESTED BY DEDE KWIATKOWSKI <b>GARY STEFO</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>BRIAN PODOLEC</b> REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY



### SAVE THE DATE

December 31st “Midnight at Nine”

Come and enjoy dinner and ring in the New Year with us!  
Be on the lookout for more information for this fun event.

Memorial Plaque Mass enrollment for Sandra M. Clark by Christopher Lasnick.



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.