

Church of the Holy Spirit



151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

Holy Trinity Church



22 E. Clinton Street, Johnstown, NY 12095

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Holy Trinity website: https://parishes.rcda.org/HolyTrinityJohnstown/

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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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

Michael Van Valkenburgh, Buildings & Grounds

John Sefcovic, Cemetery Caretaker-St. Anthony's Cemetery

Concetta Sager & Lynn Knowlton, Trustees

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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"



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die." - Jn 6:48-50

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 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.

WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONS:
3:00 P.M. –3:30 P.M.
In August the Wednesday Devotions will be at Holy Trinity Church, Johnstown 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.

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.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week we hear Jesus say, “He that believes in me, has eternal life” (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you’re like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life? To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain. What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this “good” possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let’s believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— 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 Office, 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 2nd 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 11, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/ 1 Cor 15:20-27/ Lk 1:39-56
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

The Church of the Holy Spirit
Collection information



Holy Trinity Parish
Collection information

Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 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	7/28/24
Envelopes	\$3,216.00
Loose	\$531.00
Online	\$493.00
Total Weekly	\$4,240.00
Other	\$326.50
Total Income	\$4,566.50
Maryknoll Mission	\$1,610.00
Peters Pence	\$410.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 102 11:30 A.M. 110

Collection	7/28/24
Envelopes	\$2,929.00
Loose	\$585.00
Total Weekly	\$3,514.00
Other	\$204.00
Total Income	\$3,718.00
Maryknoll Mission	\$605.00
Peters Pence	\$820.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 162

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 18, 2024

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Rita Bravo Ron Zimmerman (H)
Rich Nigro (H)
Judy Vickery (C)
Brian Farley (C)

11:30 A.M. Sandy Brower Jamin Clemente (H)
Martin Bilger (H)
Pam Bray (C)
Betsy Hastings (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M. Alan Spawn Karen Nellis (H)
Eva Van Alstyne (C)
Chris Nunn-Crane (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons August 25th Diane Savage and Yvonne Major



Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal year has begun and a mailing was sent in-home in October. As you contemplate your investment, please consider the role of the Catholic Church in your life and that of your family. Your support of both your parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal are the most fundamental ways to ensure the health and vitality of our entire Catholic community of 126 parishes in 14 counties, serving you in the day-to-day and milestone moments of your life. If you are eager to get started, you can make a gift or pledge online at

www.thediocesanappeal.org or set-up bill pay through your bank for recurring gifts (easier on your budget), asking the bank to make checks payable to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Be sure to include your name and the name & location of our parish. Thank you!

Our Parish assessments are as follows:

Holy Spirit \$28,755.00
Gifts/Pledges \$34,468.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$36,274.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$16,194.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$10,080.00



Our Combined Men's Group will not meet in the month of August.

Diocesan Marriage Jubilee

The 52nd Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 29th, 2024 at 3:00 PM at Christ our Light Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive in Loudonville. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 3:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Parish Hall at Christ our Light immediately following Mass. Please register through your parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.



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 NINETEENTH 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



SAVE THE DATE

Our Combined Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 8th 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.

The Sisters of the Holy Spirit do not meet in July or August. At our September 9th meeting, we will say thank you to our outgoing officers, Patty Franco, Ann Masala, Jean LaPorta and Barbara Rieth. We will install new officers, Jamin Clemente, Markie King and Pam Bray. Please join us at the next meeting, we are always looking for new members. Call or text Jamin at 518-848-0477 or via email, jamin31@gmail.com. Thank you and enjoy the summer!

Holy Trinity Rosary Society News

Cookbooks are still available. Please contact Veronica on Sundays after 9:00 Mass or talk to Tricia in the Parish Office on Monday or Tuesday. Cookbooks are \$15.00 and support the mission of the Holy Trinity Rosary Society.

What's Your Hearth Cake?

"Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." I've been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better. I don't know what it is exactly. Maybe it's just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it's about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we're all just nicer people when we're fed. This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven't fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly? Whatever it is, that's your hearth cake. That's your jug of water. Don't neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you."

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH

8:30 A.M. at Holy Trinity

12:10 P.M. at Holy Spirit

5:30 P.M. at Holy Trinity

The new Lector Books have arrived. They are located in the Sacristy of both churches. Lectors are encouraged to stop in the Sacristy after Mass and sign out your copy.

The New York State Ancient Order of Hibernians is organizing a local Division, to include Fulton, Hamilton, and Montgomery counties. Membership requires males to be sixteen years of age, being of Irish descent, and practicing Roman Catholicism. Learn more by coming to the Holy Trinity Hall, 207 Glebe Street, Johnstown on August 25th at 6:00 PM. Contact Dave Cummings at 518-366-4762.

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 THRIFT STORE: We thank everyone for your continued support and wonderful donations. However, because we are moving the store to S. Main Street beginning August 1, we ask you to please hold your donations for a little while.

Our warehouse is overflowing and we are not moving any new merchandise into the N. Main Street location. Please call Richard Crane at 518-736-1558 if you are interested in being a volunteer or if you can help us in the moving process.

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.

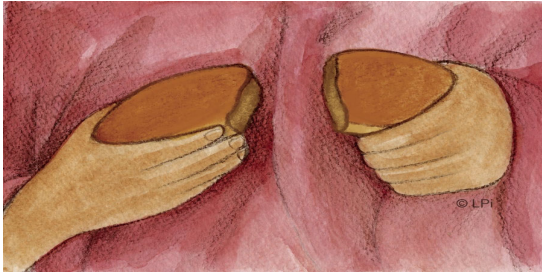
BULLETIN:

AUGUST 18TH

DEADLINE:

**AUGUST 12TH
NO LATER THAN
10 AM**

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” — Jn 6:51

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

HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 11, 2024

SAT. 4:00 P.M. **FRANCIS KOVAROVIC FAMILY**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF VIRGINIA FYFE
MARY AND SANTO RUSSO
REQUESTED BY PAPA FAMILY

SUN. 11:30 A.M. **ASSUNTA RIZZO**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE
CAROLE CRANE
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
MAC MCDONALD (B'DAY)
REQUESTED BY LOVING WIFE, URSALA

MON. **NO MASS**

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

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

THURS. 12:10 P.M. **FRANK A. VERTUCCI FAMILY**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF VIRGINIA FYFE

FRI. 8:30 A.M. **FOR THE PEOPLE**

SAT. 4:00 P.M. **JOHN LIGGERO JR.**
REQUESTED BY JERI AND FAMILY

SUN. 11:30 A.M. **FR. DOMINIC OTTAVIANO**
REQUESTED BY OTTAVIANO ESTATE
ANGELINA SAVAGE (6 MONTH ANN)
REQUESTED BY KIMBERLY MISENO
**HELPER STORE VOLUNTEERS AND
THEIR FAMILIES**

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 11, 2024

SUN. 9:00 A.M. **MICHELE TRAVIS (ANN)**
REQUESTED BY RON
FR. JOSEPH BARKER
REQUESTED BY FAGAN FAMILY

MON. **NO MASS**

TUES. 8:30 A.M. **FOR THE PEOPLE**

WED. 8:30 A.M. **FOR THE PEOPLE**

THURS. 8:30 A.M. **FOR THE PEOPLE**
THURS. 5:30 P.M. **FOR THE PEOPLE**

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

SUN. 9:00 A.M. **LISA J. POLLAK**
REQUESTED BY POLLAK FAMILY
MICHELE TRAVIS
REQUESTED BY WAYNE , MARILYN & FAMILY



Thank you to everyone for helping to make our 3rd Linked Parish **Community Fun Fest** a huge success!

COMMUNITY FUN FEST RAFFLE WINNERS

First Prize (\$500.00) — Josephine Rosmarino

Second Prize (\$250.00) — Jim and Kelly Landrio

Second Prize (\$250.00) — Downing Family

Third Prize (\$100.00) — Marge Fagan

Congratulations to all of the winners.

Why EWTN Should Matter to You

The silence is neither void nor empty, rather it is full and beautiful, a place of solace, where God can be found. What does Jesus wish to tell in that silence?
Programing schedules and information about EWTN can be found at our church entrances.



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.