

Church of the Holy Spirit



151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

Holy Trinity Church



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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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Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus

FIRST SUNDAY OF

LENT



LINKED PARISH STAFF

Liz Anderson, Office Manager

Michele Miller, Administrative Assistant

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator

Adam Valachovic, Buildings & Grounds

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

Adam Valachovic, 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 February 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

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.

1st Sunday of Lent

When I feel down, I sometimes watch the famous “Double Rainbow” video on YouTube to feel better. It’s hilarious. A young man camping in Yosemite Park sees two rainbows stretching across the sky. He bursts into a kind of ecstasy. “Double rainbow, all the way! Oh my God!” he announces. Then he starts to weep. He cries out, “What does it mean?” Beneath the humor of his glorious overreaction is the deep intuition we all have, I think, when we see the colorful bow in the sky. This Sunday, God sends a rainbow to Noah, and to us. What does it mean? Long before YouTube had the double rainbow, Dante’s medieval poem *The Divine Comedy* featured one in his image of paradise. Seeing two rainbows, he muses that one is born of the other. The bow is God’s promise of peace. For Dante, it’s even more: nature’s encrypted image of the Trinitarian God. One visible rainbow (God the Son) is begotten of another usually invisible one (God the Father) united by invisible light between them (God the Spirit). Like invisible light, Trinitarian glory surrounds us in every moment — but Jesus has made it visible in his glorious body. **Lenten challenge:** This might seem silly, but this Lent I invite you to find a rainbow and meditate on it. You might have to make one yourself, like this current desert-dweller will. Gaze on it. See there a natural gift from the Creator, saying to you, “Here I am! I will love and protect you, surrounding you in My glory.” This Lent let’s embrace that with confidence, rain, or shine.
— 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 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 FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10



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	2/4/24
Envelopes	\$5,111.00
Loose	\$482.00
Online	\$586.00
Total Weekly	\$6,179.00
Other	\$1,297.00
Total Income	\$7,476.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 103 11:30 A.M. 152

Collection	2/4/24
Envelopes	\$2,298.00
Loose	\$328.00
Total Weekly	\$2,626.00
Other	\$0.00
Fuel	\$1,070.00
Total Income	\$3,696.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 135

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 25, 2024

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Mark Amico

Ginni Mazur
Ron Zimmerman

11:30 A.M. Matt Trainor

Jamin Clemente
Benedetta Scarpa

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M.

Renee Smith Liz Carey



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 \$31,231.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$36,274.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$11,129.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$15,145.00

Our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is having an invitation information weekend at the February 10/11 masses.

Lent begins February 14...
Prayers and Pray-ers Needed!!
Are you interested in spending more time conversing with God?
"Do yourself a favor"!!
Answer the invitation to spend an hour or two away from your busy schedule...

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel.

INVITATION

Yes, I am willing to spend one hour once a week with Jesus in the Chapel.

Name _____

Phone _____

Drop in the collection basket or return to the office. A Committee member will call you. Thank you!
You will be glad you did.



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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator
email: 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. 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.

February 18th: No classes. Winter break.

February 25th: First Communion Candidates will be blessed at the 11:30am Mass at Holy Spirit Church.

March 2nd: Confirmation Class for all students getting Confirmed this year from all 4 parishes will meet at Spirit Central in the school building at Holy Spirit Church from 12:30 to 5:00pm. The class will attend Mass together at 4:00pm at Holy Spirit Church. Parents and sponsors are asked to join us for Mass.

March 3rd: Adoration for grades 6-9 at Holy Spirit Church from 6-7pm. No regular evening classes. Adoration is the class.

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, February 19th** for Presidents Day.



FRIED PIZZA SALES AT HOLY SPIRIT

Stuffed Pizza \$8.00 Fried Pizza \$5.00
Including dessert. Eat in or take out.

Sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Spirit and Youth Ministry
Friday, Feb. 23rd and Friday, March 1st from 4:30-6 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are offered every Friday during Lent at 12:10 pm at Church of the Holy Spirit and 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity Church (with the exception of Good Friday stations which will be offered at 12:10 pm at Holy Spirit Church). Pizza and a movie will follow in the Holy Trinity Parish Hall after the 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross in the Holy Trinity Church.

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. We thank everyone for their continued support and great donations. We are now in need of small appliances.

Unique and vintage items are always in demand. If you wish to volunteer at the store or rectory/warehouse, please call Richard at 518-736-1558. All donations should be dropped off at the store, 103 N. Main Street, Gloversville, NY.

Our Combined Men's Group will hold their next meeting on Monday, February 19th 7:00 pm at Spirit Central located in the school building at Holy Spirit Church. All men are welcome to attend.

This weekend our **Special Collection** is for **Black, Native American & Latin American Missions**. Your gifts will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life projects, seminarian education, and many other necessary programs.

Holy Trinity Rosary Society News

Holy Trinity Rosary Society will hold its next meeting on **Tuesday, March 5 at 4:00** in the meeting room at Holy Trinity Church Hall. New members are always welcome.

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.

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:

MARCH 3RD

DEADLINE:

**FEBRUARY 26TH
NO LATER THAN
12 NOON**

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18, 2024

SAT. 4:00 P.M.	AUDREY GARGUILO REQUESTED BY VINCE AND JEAN LAPORTA LOUISE CARUSO REQUESTED BY BARBARA RIETH PATRICIA WALKER QUINN REQUESTED BY SISTERS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT DR. JOHN ESPER REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	PAT QUINN REQUESTED BY PAM BRAY BOB TEKIN REQUESTED BY DON AND COOKIE FLEISCHUT CLARA SWARTS REQUESTED BY JOHN AND SHARON POLING ALEXANDER COLLAR REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, KIM SPECIAL INTENTION
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.	LOUIS AND CONCETTA FERRARA REQUESTED BY THE FERRARA FAMILY
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	FOR THE PEOPLE
SAT. 4:00 P.M.	JOSEPH AND JO ANNE ROSSI REQUESTED BY A FRIEND ROBERT FALANGA REQUESTED BY MR. & MRS. THOMAS GAROFALO PATRICIA WALKER QUINN REQUESTED BY JANE POLLAK DR. JOHN ESPER REQUESTED BY SANDY YACOBUCCI
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	MARY SIMBOLI REQUESTED BY GEORGE AND VINCIE AUDREY GARGUILO REQUESTED BY BOB AND SHARON POLING

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

In memory of Dominic DiGrazia by Patty and John Franco
 In honor of Bruce Mrha on his 90th Birthday from Patty and John Franco

Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their first meeting of the year on Monday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall at Holy Spirit. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome. Annual dues of \$10.00 can be paid at the meeting or placed in an envelope marked "Sisters of the Holy Spirit" and placed in the collection basket at a weekend Mass.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." — Mk 1:14-15

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

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18, 2024

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	RHONDA CALLERY REQUESTED BY LORI AND PAT BACON FRANK DEROSA REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND VERONICA ALBERT J. DOYLE REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN JOHN HLADIK REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND RONNIE
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	SR. ANN SAKAC OP REQUESTED BY CHRIS NUNN-CRANE
WED. 8:30 A.M.	ELIZABETH STRAUSS REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
THURS. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
SUN. 9:00 A.M.	LEIGH G. ADEBAHR REQUESTED BY TOM, HOLLY, AND GEORGIA RHONDA CALLERY REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ DOLORES YVARS REQUESTED BY CYNTHIA WYZYKOWSKI AND KAREN MURCRAY HELPER STORE VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

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.