

Church of the Holy Spirit



151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

Holy Trinity Church



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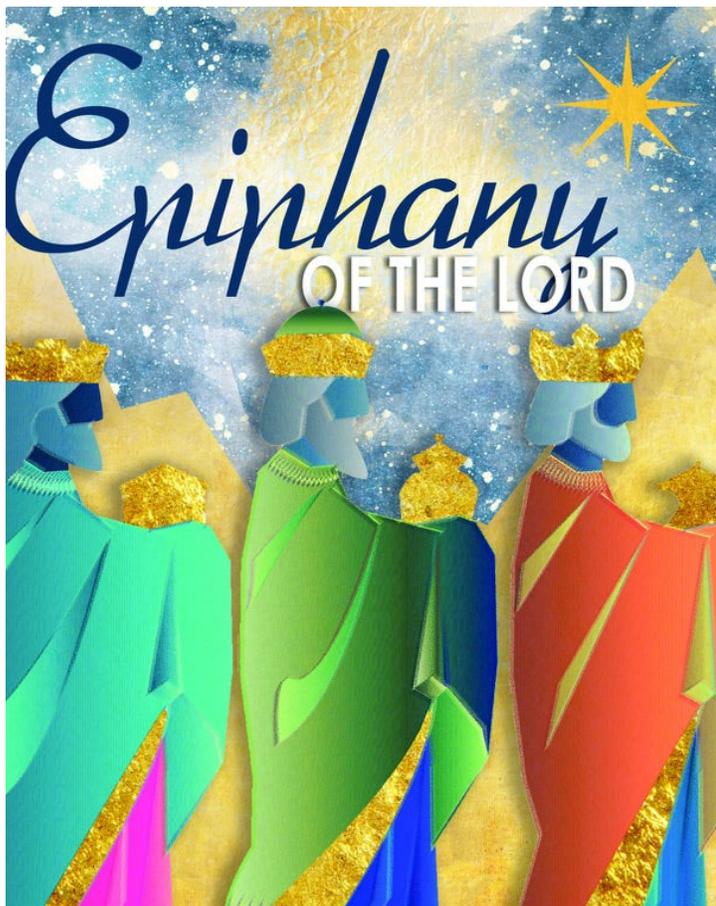
Holy Trinity website: <https://parishes.rcda.org/HolyTrinityJohnstown/>

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

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LINKED PARISH STAFF

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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

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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.”

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 January 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.

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.

The Epiphany of the Lord

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, “This place is boring. I want to go somewhere.” So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, “Where am I truly at home?” The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, “They were overjoyed at seeing the star.” This star will bring them home, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are. If you’re a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, “Follow me! I will take you home!” Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— Father John Mui

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 JANUARY 7, 2024

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42



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	12/24/23
Envelopes	\$4,654.00
Loose	\$552.00
Online	\$1,016.00
Total Weekly	\$6,222.00
Christmas	\$4,519.00
Other	\$397.00
Total Income	\$11,138.00

Attendance	4:00 P.M.	137	11:30 A.M.	90
Christmas Eve	4:00 P.M.	207	8:00 P.M.	114

Collection	12/24/23
Envelopes	\$2,055.00
Loose	\$327.00
Total Weekly	\$2,382.00
Christmas	\$2,614.00
Other	\$101.00
Total Income	\$5,097.00

Attendance	9:00 A.M.	135
Christmas Eve	4:00 P.M.	139
Christmas Day	9:00 A.M.	131

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 14, 2024

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Rita Bravo

Ginni Mazur
Rich Nigro

11:30 A.M. Matt Trainor

Pam Bray
Benedetta Scarpa

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M.

Tara Sweeney

Eva Van Alstyne

Wedding Feast & Epiphany

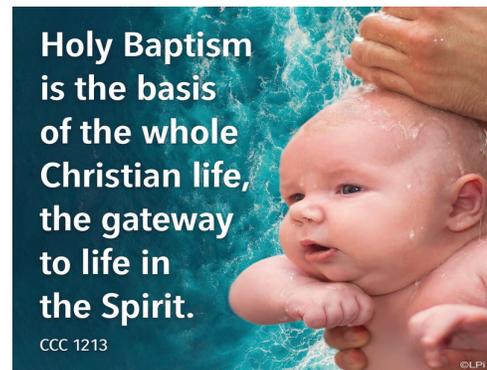
Question:

How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

Answer:

The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana. The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers. Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C. These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these "epiphany" moments in your life.

Our Combined Men's Group will hold their next meeting on Monday, January 15th 7:00 pm at Spirit Central located in the school building at Holy Spirit Church. All men are welcome to attend.



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 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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. 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.

January 14th **Retreat day** for Grades 6-8, 2:30—7:00pm at Holy Trinity with Teen Mass at 6:00pm. No regular classes. Grades K-5 will go to 11:30am Mass together at Holy Spirit.

January 21st Fr. Matt will bless the **Confirmation Candidates** at the 11:30am Mass at Holy Spirit.

First Reconciliation: Saturday, January 20th at 12:00 noon at Church of the Holy Spirit.

Emmaus Retreat: It's that time of year again to start planning for our Emmaus Retreat. Meetings will start next Sunday, January 7th at 2:00pm in the school building at Holy Spirit. If you are interested in joining our retreat team, please come to the meeting or contact Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986.

SAVE THE DATE: The Youth Ministry Program will be having it's Cafe Chocolate Fundraiser on Sunday, February 11th from 10am - 2pm in the Holy Spirit gym. We will be looking for donations of chocolate goodies. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Simonson 518-848-1986.

Our **special collection** to support our **Emmaus Retreat** will be **the weekend of January 21st**. This is an incredible experience for our youth. It is through your generous donations that more of our youth are able to attend the retreat. Thank you for your generosity.

2023 CONTRIBUTION REPORT

If you would like a copy of your **2023 Contribution Report**, please fill out this coupon and drop it in the collection basket, mail to the parish office or give us a call. Statements will be available after January 31st.

NAME _____

ENVELOPE # _____

ADDRESS _____

THANK YOU.

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.



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:

JANUARY 14TH

JANUARY 21ST

DEADLINE:

JANUARY 8TH
NO LATER THAN
12 NOON

JANUARY 11TH
NO LATER THAN
12 NOON



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.

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. — Mt. 2:10-11

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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2024

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2024

SAT. 4:00 P.M.	LOUIS DIGIACOMO (5TH ANN) REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, DIANE FRANK DEROSA REQUESTED BY GINGER TRIPPUDO & DAUGHTERS
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	WALTER AND CATHERINE TRAINOR REQUESTED BY MR. & MRS. JOSEPH NOONAN JOSEPH LEIBL REQUESTED BY KATHERINE COZZOLINO & FAM. AUDREY MARIE GARGUILO REQUESTED BY BARB HRYNIAK, SANDY TALLON AND RALPH VIOLA CAROLE CRANE REQUESTED BY FAMILY
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.	FRANK A. VERTUCCI FAMILY REQUESTED BY VERTUCCI ESTATE
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	AUDI GARGUILO REQUESTED BY STEPHEN AND CLARA SWARTS FRANK DEROSA REQUESTED BY PATTI AND JOHN FRANCO
SAT. 4:00 P.M.	SAL LANDRIO REQUESTED BY CHILDREN THERESA & RAMOND NELLIS (ANN) REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, LINDA PACIOLLA ANNE MARIE & TORY CLEMENTE REQUESTED BY RICHARD NIGRO AUDI GARGUILO REQUESTED BY RICHARD & BARBARA TUCCI
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	RAY CRANE REQUESTED BY FAMILY MARY BANNON AND FAMILY REQUESTED BY FAMILY PATRICIA & HELEN SCAFARIELLO REQUESTED BY FAMILY CLARA SWARTS REQUESTED BY MICHAEL AND DONNA MAZZEO

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	BRIAN PODOLEC REQUESTED BY CHRIS NUNN-CRANE RHONDA CALLERY REQUESTED BY MARY AND RUSS BARTER DOUG PELOSI REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND RONNIE QUINN RUTH CAREY REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	KIMBERLY SNYDER REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND RONNIE QUINN SPECIAL INTENTION
WED. 8:30 A.M.	TONY RALBOVSKY REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ IN THANKSGIVING
THURS. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
SUN. 9:00 A.M.	ELEANOR DATTORRE (13TH ANN) REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN RHONDA CALLERY REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY GARY STEFO REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ ROSE MARY WALSH REQUESTED BY JIM AND SHARON HILLIER



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.