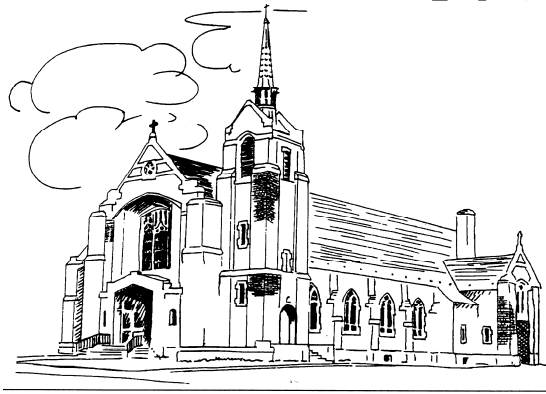


## Church of the Holy Spirit



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*

*Matthew.Wetsel@rcda.org*

*Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus*

### **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**

Michael Van Valkenburgh, 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 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 September the Wednesday Devotions will be at Holy Spirit Church, Gloversville 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.

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Purity isn't popular at the moment. Or is it? Look at a rack of health magazines or at popular podcasts. You'll see an infinite ocean of regulations and rituals of diets, intermittent fasting, morning sun rituals, intense juice detox practices, lists of dangerous foods, mental practices, as well as long lists of dos and don'ts for the proper cleaning of clothes, dishes, cars, houses, pets, and children. Like it or not, we long to be pure, clean, and without blemish. This question of purity haunted people in Jesus' day, too. The Pharisees and scribes (the leading purity authorities of the day) criticize Jesus, asking, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” (Mark 7:5). Jesus responds by saying, “There is nothing outside the person that can defile him if it goes into him; but the things that come out of the person are what defile the person” (Mark 7:15). What does he mean, and how can it help us be pure? We've probably all heard the somewhat shopworn interpretation that Jesus replaces the ritual, exterior notion of purity with a moral, interior one. Christianity is thus seen as a kind of moral re-tooling, as if religion doesn't make us pure. Good moral intentions do. But this doesn't take the rest of Jesus' ministry seriously enough, nor our obsession with purity. The better reading is that Jesus audaciously offers himself as the ultimate source of human purity — from within each human heart. Both our religious ritual practices and our moral actions are meant to flow from this encounter with Jesus the Lord. When we are in friendship with him, everything becomes pure for us.  
— 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 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 SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

**Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
**Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30  
**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37  
**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11  
**Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5  
**Next Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



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	8/18/24
Envelopes	\$3,142.00
Loose	\$700.00
Online	\$508.00
Total Weekly	\$4,350.00
Other	\$341.00
Assumption	\$781.00
Total Income	\$5,472.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 143 11:30 A.M. 98

Collection	8/18/24
Envelopes	\$2,029.00
Loose	\$316.00
Total Weekly	\$2,345.00
Other	\$744.00
Total Income	\$3,089.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 142

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

4:00 P.M. Barb Rieth

Rich Nigro (H)  
Brian Farley (H)  
Judy Vickery (C)  
John McCall (C)

11:30 A.M. Karen Hoose

Jamin Clemente (H)  
Martin Bilger (H)  
John Czelusniak (C)  
Roland O'Brien Bills (C)

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

9:00 A.M. Renee Smith

Liz Carey (H)  
Gerard McAuliffe (C)  
Karen Nellis (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons September 8th Patty Lorence



**Diocesan Appeal**

The Diocesan Appeal year has begun. 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](http://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 for 2024/2025 are as follows:**

Holy Spirit \$19,161.00  
Holy Trinity \$29,070.00

**Insurance Premiums 2024/2025**

Holy Spirit \$60,590.00  
Holy Trinity \$34,294.00

**School Assessments 2024/2025**

Holy Spirit \$16,845.00  
Holy Trinity \$12,715.00

**Our Combined Men's Group** will hold their next meeting on Monday, September 16th 7:00 pm at Spirit Central located in the school building at Holy Spirit Church. All men are welcome to attend.

**Combined Mens Group Chicken BBQ**

Friday, September 20th from 4:00-6:30 pm  
Whitey's Deli 204 N. Perry St. Johnstown. Pick-up only.  
Dinner includes a half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, roll, and dessert.  
Donation \$15.00  
Tickets available at the Parish Office.



**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 TWENTY-SECOND 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](mailto: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 by September 1st** 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 will meet on Monday, September 8th at 6:00 pm in the downstairs bingo hall. We will be honoring our outgoing officers, Patty Franco, Ann Masala, Jean LaPorta and Barbara Rieth. We will also be voting in the new officers. Please join us for the meeting and a dessert reception. Annual Dues are \$10. New members always welcome.

### 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.

### 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? Programming schedules and information about EWTN can be found at our church entrances.

**AVAILABLE NOW!**  
**PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES**

**Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!**

Victoria Russo from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



**LPi** Victoria Russo  
(216) 325-6825 x6283 [VRusso@4lpi.com](mailto:VRusso@4lpi.com)

### National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Please join us again this year as we honor the unborn. Rosary will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 14. We will assemble in front of the Monument to the Unborn at the Auriesville Shrine. Bring a lawn chair or blanket if you like. All are welcome!

### 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](mailto:Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org).

### 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:

SEPTEMBER 15TH

#### DEADLINE:

SEPTEMBER 9TH  
NO LATER THAN  
10 AM

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 53-55 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.

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



### HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

**SAT. 4:00 P.M.**    **JO ANN LEGGIERO-CLUTE (40TH ANN)**  
REQUESTED BY SISTER, KATHY

**SUN. 11:30 A.M.**    **ALEXANDER JOHN DEFORTE**  
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND JANET HOOSE

**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.**    **FRANCES SIMEK**  
REQUESTED BY KUCERA ESTATE

**FRI. 8:30 A.M.**        **MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS**

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

**SAT. 4:00 P.M.**        **ROSE DIGIACOMO (B'DAY)**  
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, DIANE  
**FRANK LAPORTA**  
REQUESTED BY LAPORTA FAMILY  
**DOMINIC AND ANGELINE PAPA**  
REQUESTED BY PAPA FAMILY  
**ZACHARY AND ELIZABETH ZAMBRI**  
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, ROSE

**SUN. 11:30 A.M.**    **CATHY AND WALTER TRAINOR**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**MARY BANNON AND FAMILY**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**ALICE, FRED, AND JOE EMOND**  
REQUESTED BY GRANDDAUGHTER, LINDA PACIOLLA

**Wine and Hosts** for the Month of September are in Memory of Liz and Jim Lauria by family.

#### **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery Project Update:**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery is grateful for a gift that was recently received in the amount of \$4,000 by an anonymous donor that expanded the water piping of the property. We are thankful for all of the generous benefactors who have given of their resources to beautify the burial grounds.

He summoned the crowd again and said to them,  
"Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that  
enters one from outside can defile that person; but  
the things that come out from within are  
what defile." — Mk 7:14-15

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### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

**SUN. 9:00 A.M.**    **ELEANOR DATTORRE**  
REQUESTED BY MICHELE DAN, AND JOE  
**HAROLD AND SHIRLEY MILLER**  
REQUESTED BY DAN AND MICHELE  
**MARIE VTZIG**  
REQUESTED BY VERONICA AND KEVIN

**MON.**                    **NO MASS**

**TUES. 8:30 A.M.**    **SPECIAL INTENTION**

**WED. 8:30 A.M.**    **IN THANKSGIVING**

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

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

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

**SUN. 9:00 A.M.**        **ADOLPH MONTINI (B'DAY)**  
REQUESTED BY LOVING WIFE, EVA AND FAMILY  
**MONTA CASSONE**  
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, MARY NERI AND  
GRANDDAUGHTER, LINDA CONROY  
**JIM SAMEK AND FRED GUZIELEK**  
REQUESTED BY GUZBALL  
**JOSEPH BARTLETT (90TH B'DAY)**  
REQUESTED BY MARLENE BARTLETT



Feeling like there is a dark cloud over you after the loss of a loved one? We have a support group for you. This is not grief counseling, this will be a pathway through the darkness and into the light. You just need to be open to the reality of death being a transition not an end, and how our loved ones never leave our side. If you are interested in joining our group please contact the office. Our group will be meeting for 8 weeks beginning late September.



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.