

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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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"



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

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.

THURSDAY DEVOTIONS:
3:00 P.M. –3:30 P.M.
In September the Thursday 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.

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.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is a 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation? The words of this Sunday’s Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path. Jesus says, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me” (Mark 8:34). Today I see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn’t say “accept” or “endure” or “tolerate,” but “take up.” Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus, this is the path to “saving one’s life.” A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all. By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let’s not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That’s our only hope for saving our lives.

— 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 SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13
Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37



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	9/1/24
Envelopes	\$1,965.00
Loose	\$646.00
Online	\$688.00
Total Weekly	\$3,299.00
Other	\$606.00
Total Income	\$3,905.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 137 11:30 A.M. 94

Collection	9/1/24
Envelopes	\$2,603.00
Loose	\$362.00
Total Weekly	\$2,965.00
Other	\$0.00
Total Income	\$2,965.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 145

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Mark Amico Brian Farley (H)
Ron Zimmerman (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
John McCall (C)

11:30 A.M. Michele Downing Pam Bray (H)
Karen Hoose (H)
Mary Jablonski (C)
Roland O'Brien-Bills (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M. Gerard McAuliffe Rebecca Weiderman (H)
Renee Smith (C)
Liz Carey (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons September 22nd Anne Solar



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 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-FOURTH 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

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry classes will begin on Sunday, October 20th. More information and registration forms will be mailed in a couple weeks.



MONDAY, Oct. 7th, The Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their covered dish supper and meeting at 5:30 P.M. in the parish hall. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share. All women are invited and new members are always welcome!

Divine Mercy Devotions normally held on Wednesdays at 3:00 will be moved to Thursday at 3:00, at Church of the Holy Spirit, beginning on Thursday, Sept 12th. Please join us for this half hour devotion of prayer and song.

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.

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. We have closed our North Main St. location and are in the process of organizing at 53 South Main St. We hope to re-open in mid September.

Please call Richard Crane at 518-736-1558 if you are interested in being a volunteer.

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.



THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Our Special Collection next weekend supports the Catholic University of America. Support of this National Collection not only provides critical support to students but also helps the University serve dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as the Catholic Project which is an initiative that brings together clergy and laity to address the challenges that the Catholic Church faces in the U.S. contributing education, formation, research, events, and media, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers.

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.

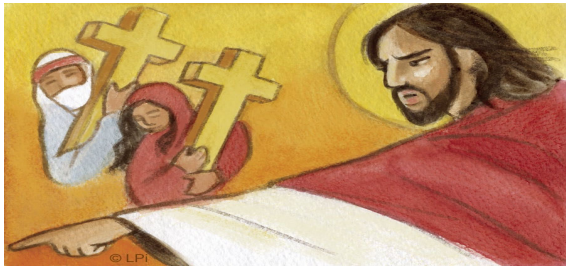
BULLETIN:

SEPTEMBER 22ND

DEADLINE:

**SEPTEMBER 16TH
NO LATER THAN
10 AM**

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." — Mk 8:33-34

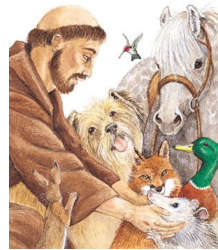
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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **BEATRICE PAPA**
REQUESTED BY PAPA FAMILY
ANGIE SAVAGE
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND FAMILY
BART CERASUOLO
REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **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.** **FOR THE PEOPLE**
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **FOR THE PEOPLE**
- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **CLARA A. SWARTS**
REQUESTED BY GINGER AND FAMILY
FRED AND ANNE MANCINI
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
DAVID MANCINI
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
FRANK AND PHYLLIS RUGGIERO
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
MIGUEL XAVIER JUARDO
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **CARMELO RIZZO SR.**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF ASSUNTA RIZZO
MARJORIE TAUSS
REQUESTED BY ED AND TRICIA
PATTY GARGIULO
REQUESTED BY KATHERINE COZZOLINO

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **MARIE GILBERT**
REQUESTED BY SISTER, FRAN AND FAMILY
RUDY RUSSO JR.
REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ
MICHAEL PIEHUTA
REQUESTED BY JOHN & MARY PRADELSKI & FAMILY
- 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**
- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **FR. RON MATULEWICZ**
REQUESTED BY CHRIS NUNN- CRANE
MRS. MAUREEN PAPA
REQUESTED BY SISTER, MARY ANN
LISE WILSON
REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY



The Annual Blessing of the Pets: Fr. Matt will offer the traditional blessing of the pets in honor of St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday, October 5th, at 10 am in front of the Holy Trinity Church campus in Johnstown on Glebe Street. Please bring your critter friends who bark, meow, cluck, whinny and scamper.

Dinner with Friends

Want some company while you eat dinner? Please join us for our first Dinner with Friends on Tuesday, October 8th at 5 pm in the gym at Holy Spirit. Please bring your dinner and drink. All are welcome!



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.