

## 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*

### 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**



## 26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At that time, John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us.” Jesus replied, “Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me.” - Mk 9:38-39

**BAPTISM:** First time parents are required to receive instructions. Call parish offices.

**RECONCILIATION:** 2:15 P.M. Saturday at Holy Spirit *AND* First Thursday 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 October the Thursday 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 Thursday 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.

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Maggots, grubs, worms. When I imagine one or many of these nasty slimy buggers living inside my body — unseen, feeding off my flesh, slowly rotting me out — I feel deeply disgusted. If I knew I had a worm, I would do anything to remove the alien invader, and fast. But what if I couldn't ever get it out? This is precisely the image Jesus uses to describe those who cause others to sin and fail to cut out what leads them to sin. He contrasts the kingdom of God with Gehenna, “where the worm does not die.” If we can stomach it for a moment, there is much wisdom in this nauseating metaphor. First, sin is always parasitic. It feeds on what is good like a worm in a host. It's not symbiotic or additive, as virtue and love always are. Sin invades, devours, and damages the sinner. Second, sin is always social. No matter how hidden, it quietly eats away at others — usually the most poor and vulnerable, the “little ones,” as the Lord says. How healthy it is for us to acknowledge this! Our gossiping, greed, over-indulgence, lying, pride, laziness, lust for power and reputation, and so on ... they do not add anything to life. They are worms eating away at others and ourselves. We cut out these filthy parasites through genuine repentance and bold action. Imagine the peace and relief that follows the removal of a sickening worm from your body. How much greater is the peace we enjoy when the spiritual worms are gone for good. We'd never wait to act against physical parasites. Neither should we with the worms of sin.

— 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 29, 2024**

**Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Monday:** Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday:** Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Thursday:** Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday:** Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (see 5)/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12



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	9/15/24
Envelopes	\$2,655.00
Loose	\$545.00
Online	\$793.00
Total Weekly	\$3,993.00
Other	\$221.00
Faith Formation	\$373.00
Total Income	\$4,587.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 110 11:30 A.M. 101

Collection	9/15/24
Envelopes	\$2,004.00
Loose	\$374.00
Total Weekly	\$2,378.00
Other	\$365.00
Total Income	\$2,743.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 143

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 6, 2024

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

**4:00 P.M.** Rita Bravo Ron Zimmerman (H)  
John McCall (H)  
Mary Buchanan (C)  
Robert Smida (C)

**11:30 A.M.** Karen Hoose Sandy Brower (H)  
Pam Bray (H)  
Betsy Hastings (C)  
Martin Bilger (C)

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

**9:00 A.M.** Karen Nellis Gerard McAuliffe (H)  
Rebecca Weiderman (C)  
Eva Van Alstyne (C)

**Wells House/Pineview Commons October 6th John Sagan**



**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, October 21st 7:00 pm at Spirit Central located in the school building at Holy Spirit Church. All men are welcome to attend.

**Ancient Order of Hibernians**

The newly forming Tryon County Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) will be meeting at 5:00 P.M., September 29, 2024, upstairs at the Nick Stoner Inn in Caroga Lake. Please bring your application form if you haven't already provided it to Dave Cummings. Please RSVP. 518-366-4762, or [cummindm@aol.com](mailto:cummindm@aol.com).



**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-SIXTH 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)

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!



### 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:

The grand re-opening of our new facility at 53 S. Main Street will be at 10 am on Monday, September 30th. As of that date you may begin to drop off donations during store hours. If that is not convenient, call Christine at 518-736-1558 to arrange for drop off at the warehouse next to the Church at Holy Spirit.

### 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.

**Holy Trinity Rosary Society** will be saying the Rosary each Tuesday in October at 4 pm in the Church. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8th at 4:30 pm in the parish hall. All women are welcome to attend.

**Save the Date: Holy Trinity Rosary Society** Community Breakfast. Sunday, November 10th after the 9am Mass. More details to come.

### Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy,  
we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood.

You have called these men to be set apart  
and to shepherd your people,  
as you shepherd your entire church.

We pray for them in their daily work.

Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace,  
so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand.

Lead them not into temptation  
and protect them from the grasp of the evil one.

It is through the sacraments they confer  
that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way.

May your church never lose sight of these,  
your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ,  
never fail to cherish the gift of their lives,

which they have freely given to you and your holy church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son.

Amen.

### 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.

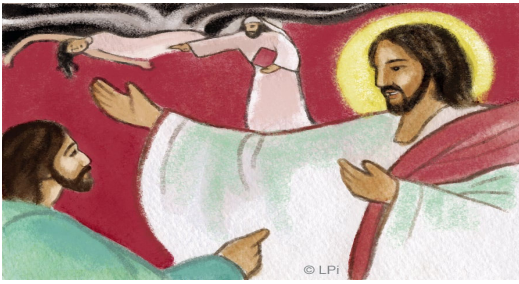
### BULLETIN:

**OCTOBER 6TH**

### DEADLINE:

**SEPTEMBER 30TH  
NO LATER THAN  
10 AM**

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



Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." — Mk 9:39a, 40-41

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

### HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

- SAT. 4:00 P.M.**     **CATHERINE LANDRIO (8TH ANN)**  
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN  
**SARAH BURGESS**  
REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M**   **SUSAN STOKES**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**HELEN AND JOE LEIBL**  
REQUESTED BY KATHERINE COZZOLINO  
**PATRICK ROBERT SMALL**  
REQUESTED BY LIZ AND MICHELE  
**MARK MOLZON**  
REQUESTED BY SARITA FERNANDEZ
- 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.** **BERNARDO & CARMELLA DIPERNA**  
REQUESTED BY ESTATE
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.**     **MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS**
- SAT. 8:30 A.M.**     **MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**
- SAT. 4:00 P.M.**     **THE SCOTT FAMILY**  
REQUESTED BY ROBERT AND ROSE PELOSI  
**KERRY THURSTON**  
REQUESTED BY MOM AND DAD
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **LUCILLE AND FRANK CRANE**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

- SUN. 9:00 A.M.**   **HENRY AND ELIZABETH STRAUSS**  
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN  
**HENRY KLARMANN**  
REQUESTED BY DIPALO FAMILY  
**MARK MALE**  
REQUESTED BY DAD AND FRAN  
**LARRY AND DONNA STEWART**  
REQUESTED BY FRAN AND DAVE MALE
- 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.**     **FOR THE PEOPLE**
- SUN. 9:00 A.M**     **RITA ANN BACON**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**ERNEST & OLIVIA DAVIS**  
REQUESTED BY FAMILY  
**MAUREEN PAPA**  
REQUESTED BY MARY AND RUSS BARTER  
**GARRETT HADCOCK**  
REQUESTED BY HEROTH FAMILY



### Grief Support Group

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.



### 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!



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.