

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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Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus

FIFTH 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 & Mike Nichols, 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 & Greg Heroth, 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 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 April 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.

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.

5th Sunday Lent

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day. The center is what stabilizes a community’s identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim. Once you understand this, you’ll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is “left alone before him.” A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ. What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ’s forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— 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. Hours of distribution are 9:30 to noon. 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 APRIL 06, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

APRIL 06, 2025

The Church of the Holy Spirit
Collection information



Holy Trinity Parish
Collection information

Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 are \$360,892.00. The average weekly collections needed to meet our expenses (including income from other sources is \$6,940.23.) Thank you for your continued support.

Collection	3/23/25
Envelopes	\$1,992.00
Loose	\$660.00
Online	\$413.00
Total Weekly	\$3,065.00
Other	\$194.50
Total Income	\$3,259.50

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 130 11:30 A.M. 162

Collection	3/23/25
Envelopes	\$1,723.00
Loose	\$548.00
Total Weekly	\$2,271.00
Other	\$170.00
Total Income	\$2,441.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 134

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 13, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Rich Nigro

Cindy Krueger (H)
Cookie Fleischut (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
Kristin Farley (C)

11:30 A.M. Sandy Brower

Anthony Leo (H)
Roland O'Brien-Bills (H)
Betsy Hastings (C)
Cindy Kollar (C)
Jamin Clemente (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M.

Amanda Nellis
Concetta Sager

Anne Solar (H)
Chris Nunn-Crane (C)
Liz Carey (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons April 6th 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 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
Gifts/Pledges \$24,291.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$29,070.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$17,026.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$2,044.00

Sisters of the Holy Spirit and Youth Ministry Fish and Mac and Cheese Dinner will be held on Friday, April 11th from 4–6:30 pm at Holy Spirit. Fish, Mac and Cheese, coleslaw, roll, and dessert for \$15.00 or Mac and Cheese, coleslaw roll and dessert for \$10.00. Tickets will be sold after Masses the weekends of March 30th and April 6th. Tickets are also available at the Parish Office.

Sisters of the Holy Spirit Scholarship

Any high school senior who is an **active, participating** member of the Church of the Holy Spirit Parish and who plans to further his/her education next year may apply for this scholarship. For more information see flyer at all church entrances. Applications will be available at the Church of the Holy Spirit business office during regular business hours Monday through Thursday 9:00 A. M. - 2:00 P.M. beginning Monday, March 17, 2025 and also at all the church entrances.



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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator
email: holyspirit12078@gmail.com

April 13th and April 20th: No classes. School Break

First Communion: May 4th 9:00am Mass at Holy Trinity and 11:30am Mass at Holy Spirit

Confirmation: May 12th 6:30pm at Auriesville Shrine

Save the Date: May 16th Chicken BBQ at Whitey's in Johnstown. Look for more information soon

Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their next meeting on Monday, April 7th at 6:30 p.m. in the Bingo Hall at Holy Spirit. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome.

Stations of the Cross are offered every Friday during Lent at 12:10 pm at Church of the Holy Spirit and at 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity Church. A light meal and movie will follow in the Holy Trinity Parish Hall after the 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity Church.

Note: Stations of the Cross will be offered at 12:10 pm on Good Friday at Church of the Holy Spirit and 3:00 pm (instead of the

HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday Mass: 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity Church

Good Friday Stations of the Cross: 12:10 pm at Holy Spirit Church and 3:00 pm at Holy Trinity Church

Good Friday Service: 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity Church

Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00 pm at Holy Spirit Church

Easter Sunday Masses:

9:00 am at Holy Trinity

11:30 am at Church of the Holy Spirit

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. deadlines.

BULLETIN:

APRIL 13TH

APRIL 20TH

DEADLINE:

**APRIL 7TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**

**APRIL 10TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**

The **Holy Trinity Rosary Society** will meet on Tuesday, April 8th at 4:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Extended Confessions

A period of extended confessions will be offered on Wednesday, April 9th from 2pm to 7pm at Holy Trinity in the church with the Blessed Sacrament exposed for prayer.

HOLY THURSDAY COVERED DISH SUPPER

There will be a covered dish supper on Holy Thursday following the 5:30pm Mass at Holy Trinity Church. There are sign-up sheets located at both Churches. If you plan to attend the dinner, please sign up with the number of people attending and the dish you plan to share. Thank you.

Jubilee Year 2025 : You are encouraged to check out the diocesan pages dedicated to the Jubilee <https://www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025>

There is a wealth of resources to be discovered from our diocese as well as from the USCCB

Adult Faith Formation 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope

Hungry for Knowledge? Want to increase your faith? Join us for the following group studies.

We will meet Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:30pm in the Holy Trinity meeting room. Please call Veronica at 518-762-3700 to express interest or call the office at 518-725-3143.

33 Days to Merciful Love: March 26 through April 16

A six week guided retreat in preparation for consecration to Divine Mercy. Daily Reading and discussion questions. Consecration will be done at Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th.



HELPERS COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE:

Since we have relocated the store to 53 South Main Street, business has been wonderful! However, we are in need of more volunteers to take a shift at the store,

be on our substitute list, or help sort donations in our warehouse. Store hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 10-4 and Wednesday and Thursday 12-4. If you would like to assist us with this important ministry to the needy in our community, please call Richard at 518-736-1558.

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 06, 2025

- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **CLEMENTE LAPORTA**
REQUESTED BY LAPORTA FAMILY
JOAN ESER AND DAVID ESER
REQUESTED BY ESER FAMILY
MICHAEL J. GRIMALDI
REQUESTED BY RON & GINA TOLLNER AND FAMILY
CHARLES PAPA
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **MAJORIE TAUSS**
REQUESTED BY ED AND TRICIA
CATHERN HEISE
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER
CAROL BUDDLES
REQUESTED BY DON AND COOKIE FLEISCHUT
THOMAS LAUGHLIN
REQUESTED BY SISTER, JUDITH GISONDI
- 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.** **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
FRASCATORE FAMILY**
REQUESTED BY MICKI & LEE FRASCATORE
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **ALFONSO DEPASQUALE**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF EDITH DEPASQUALE
- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **BARBARA CASTIGLIONE**
REQUESTED BY CAROL CASTIGLIONE
**ANGIE AND TONY RUGGERI AND THE
FICILI FAMILY**
REQUESTED BY JOE RUGGERI
JOSEPH FERRARA
REQUESTED BY RON & GINA TOLLNER AND FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **CATHY AND WALTER TRAINOR**
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
BERNARD SOCHA SR.
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
JOYCE BROOKINS
REQUESTED BY FAMILY

Sanctuary Candle for April 5th through April 18th is in
Memory of Angie and Tony Ruggeri and the Ficili Family
by Joe Ruggeri

BUILDING FUND DONATION

In Memory of Dorothy Roy by Sandy Yacobucci

“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.” — Jn 12:24, 31-32

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HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 06, 2025

- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **JENNIE M. MAIELLO (29TH ANN)**
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTRE, SARAH
BRUCE MRHA
REQUESTED BY ROBERTA THOMAS
SHARON ONDRISKA (MONTHS MIND)
REQUESTED BY PAUL AND BONNIE STEENBURGH
AND FAMILY
PAT O'LUCCI
REQUESTED BY ART AND MARY ANN STOCK
THOMAS PRADELSKI (11TH ANN)
REQUESTED BY JOHN & MARY PRADELSKI & FAMILY
- MON.** **NO MASS**
- TUES. 8:30 A.M.** **IN THANKSGIVING**
- WED. 8:30 A.M.** **FOR FORGIVENESS**
- THURS. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **VERONICA NICHOLAS (11TH ANN)**
REQUESTED BY JUDY WORMUTH
JEANNINE SCHWARTZ (2ND ANN)
REQUESTED BY HUSBAND, JOHN
BRUCE MRHA
REQUESTED BY JIM AND SHARON HILLIER
PAT O'LUCCI
REQUESTED BY GERALDINE AND NICK CANNIZZO
ALICE ACKERKNECHT
REQUESTED BY MARGARET FAGAN



Lessons from EWTN

More inner peace can be found in surrendering to God, even during times of trial, then surrendering to worldly temptations.



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.