

Church of the Holy Spirit



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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)

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 P.M.

Sunday - 11:30 A.M.

Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 A.M.

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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.

2nd Sunday of Easter

It's common for Catholics to hear the question, “Why do I have to go to a priest to have my sins forgiven?” I've never liked that question because not only is it clunky (confession is the ordinary way for the pardoning of serious sins, not lesser ones). But it misses the larger context: the wonderful origins of the sacrament itself. And this context is deeply Jewish. Ancient Jews associated forgiveness of sins with priests offering sacrifices in the Jerusalem temple. It was a solemn, public, and tangible way to access God's mercy. So when the risen Jesus breathes on the Apostles and says, “Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained” (John 20:23), the upshot is remarkable: he is the new temple and his Apostles are the new priests. Jerusalem is no longer the place to find forgiveness from sin. Jesus' body, the Church, is. So why should we go to the Sacrament of Confession? For the same reason ancient Jews went to the temple in Jerusalem: to experience the intimacy, joy, and life-giving power of God's eternal forgiveness.

— 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 27, 2025

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-14/
Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

APRIL 27, 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 4/13/25

Envelopes	\$3,177.00
Loose	\$1,195.00
Online	\$428.00
Total Weekly	\$4,800.00
Other	\$357.00
Easter Flowers	\$1,151.00
Total Income	\$6,308.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 163 11:30 A.M. 168

Collection 4/13/25

Envelopes	\$1,732.00
Loose	\$533.00
Total Weekly	\$2,265.00
Other	\$0.00
Easter Flowers	\$1,121.00
Total Income	\$3,386.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 182

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MAY 4, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Trina Zimmerman Rich Nigro (H)
Ron Zimmerman (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
Robert Smida (C)

11:30 A.M. Jamin Clemente Karen Hoose (H)
Sandy Brower (H)
Benedetta Scarpa (C)
Betsy Hastings (C)
Cindy Kollar (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M. Anne Solar Mary Ann Armstrong (H)
Karen Nellis (C)
Eva Van Alstyne (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons May 4th John Sagan and Rebecca Weiderman

Prayer for Our Country

Good and gracious Father,
You created the human race as one human family,
yet formed a special people for Your own.
God of Abraham the Patriarch, God of King David,
watch over our nation!
May our government leaders be blessed with wisdom,
counsel, and prudent discernment
in creating just laws for our land.
May all service men and women be protected
as they defend our freedom and way of life.
May all citizens work together for the common good
and the protection of the least among us.
Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, it is in
Your coming kingdom that we place our trust.
Give us the grace here and now to love as you love
and to serve as you served.
Holy Spirit, inspire us to transform our communities
on earth as it is in heaven.
Amen.



**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 \$25,124.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$29,070.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$17,376.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$1,694.00



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.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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

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

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. We are in need of individual baked goods for our Chicken BBQ. If you can help, please contact Ann Simonson.

Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the Bingo Hall at Holy Spirit. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome.

Ziti and Meatball Dinner

Our Youth Ministry team is sponsoring a Ziti and Meatball Dinner on Saturday, May 10th from 5pm to 7pm in the Holy Spirit Gym. Take out only. Donation \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for kids 10 years and under. Tickets will be available in the Parish Office beginning Monday, April 28th. Proceeds ben-

We have an **email prayer line**: all prayer intentions are confidential and prayed for by many prayer warriors. All are welcome to join and or send petitions to: lily.foreza@gmail.com or by phone 518-829-4079.

The Basket Raffle fundraiser sponsored by the Youth Ministry Team has begun. Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses this weekend through May 11th. Winners will be drawn on Sunday, May 11th at 1:00pm. Tickets can also be purchased Monday-Thursday at the Parish's office with the exception of Monday, April 21st. Ticket prices are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Baskets will be available to see in the office or through photos on the boards at the churches. All proceeds will benefit the youth going to Breakaway Camp at the end of June.

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:

MAY 4TH

DEADLINE:

**APRIL 28TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**



Any high school senior who is an active, participating member of the Holy Trinity Parish and who plans to further his/her education next year, may apply for a Burda Scholar Award by emailing aniles207@gmail.com to receive an application. Completed applications must be emailed to aniles207@gmail.com on or before Monday, May 12th. If your application is received after May 12th, it will not be accepted.

The Holy Trinity Rosary Society will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, May 13th at 4:00 pm following recitation of the Rosary in the Church at 3:30 pm.

During the month of May, the Rosary Society will meet each Tuesday at 3:30 pm in the Church to pray the Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother. All are welcome!

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 Eucharistic Glory: May 14 through June 19

In a follow-up to Father Matt's Christmas present to all, 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory, this program will revolve around short daily readings and thought-provoking questions. We will meet once a week to share and discuss.

Program will culminate with our Consecration to the holy Eucharist at Mass on the Feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday, June 22nd.

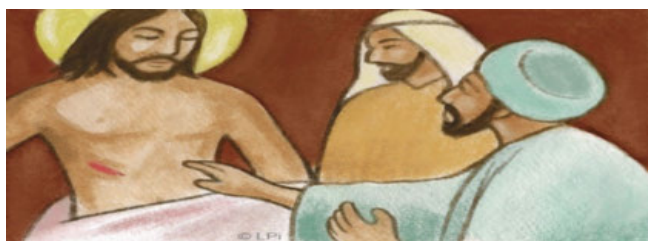


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Since we have relocated the store to 53 South Main Street, business has been wonderful! However, we are in need of more volunteers to take a shift at the store,

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



Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." — Jn 20:28-29

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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 27, 2025

SAT. 4:00 P.M.	LENA DEROSA (5TH ANN) REQUESTED BY CHILDREN BEATRICE PAPA REQUESTED BY CHILDREN SHARON ONDRISKA REQUESTED BY EILEEN RIZZO AND FAMILY TIM KEEGAN REQUESTED BY DON AND COOKIE FLEISCHUT
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	LUCILLE AND FRANK CRANE REQUESTED BY FAMILY FAY FARHART REQUESTED BY FAMILY PAT (PASQUALE) O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY ANDREA AND ERIC PATRICIA FITZGERALD REQUESTED BY LILY AND DOMINICK ROCCO
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.	NICHOLAS SYRON REQUESTED BY AUNT, BARBARA RIETH
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS
SAT. 8:30 A.M.	FOR THE PEOPLE
SAT. 4:00 P.M.	BRUCE MRHA REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY TIM KEEGAN REQUESTED BY JOHN AND PATTY FRANCO MAUREEN MCMASTER REQUESTED BY JOHN CRISMAN DOROTHY ROY REQUESTED BY UESALA McDONALD AND GUY AND JOAN CIACCIO
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	ANDREW GUGLIUZZA REQUESTED BY MIKE AND SUE SHRADER DOMINIC DIGRAZIA REQUESTED BY JAMIN AND PAM

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 27, 2025

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	PAT O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY JOHN DAVID AND AMY PRAUGHT BRUCE MRHA REQUESTED BY JOHN AND MARY PRADELSKI TIM KEEGAN REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY FRED POLACEK (B'DAY) REQUESTED BY DIANE AND MANDY BRADSHAW
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	ALICE ACKERKNECHT REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ SHARON ONDRISKA REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND RONNIE
WED. 8:30 A.M.	TIM KEEGAN REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND RONNIE FAMILY OF MR. AND MRS. RICHARD J. SMULLENS JR.
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.	WILLIAM L. KELLER JR. REQUESTED BY FAMILY KATE FAGAN REQUESTED BY FAMILY PAT O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY JORDAN FAMILY CAROL PIEHUTA (1ST ANN) REQUESTED BY JOHN & MARY PRADELSKI & FAMILY

Mother's Day Project

We are planning Mother's Day care packages for shut-ins from our parishes and are looking for donations to fill the packages. Items like small sizes of shampoo, hand lotion, dental hygiene products, deodorant, soap, chapstick, handkerchiefs, etc. Collection baskets will be in the back of both churches. Donations are needed by Sunday May 4th.

Jubilee Year 2025 : You are encouraged to check out the diocesan pages dedicated to the Jubilee <https://www.reda.org/jubilee-2025>
There is a wealth of resources to be discovered from our diocese as well as from the USCCB



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.

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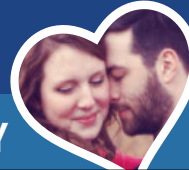
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