

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

Matthew.Wetsel@rcda.org

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LINKED PARISH STAFF

Liz Anderson, Office Manager

Michele Miller, Administrative Assistant

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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 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 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.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope’s fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation. Jesus says this week to us: “When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, ‘My friend, move up to a higher position.’ Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table” (Luke 14:10). This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition. Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We’ll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

— 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 Helpers Community Store.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

AUGUST 31, 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 8/17/25

Envelopes	\$4,037.00
Loose	\$560.00
Online	\$678.00
Total Weekly	\$5,275.00
Assumption	\$805.00
Other	\$344.00
Total Income	\$6,424.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 129 11:30 A.M. 119

Collection 8/17/25

Envelopes	\$2,394.00
Loose	\$362.00
Online	\$.00
Total Weekly	\$2,756.00
Assumption	\$515.00
Other	\$100.00
Total Income	\$3,371.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 131

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Mark Amico

Judy Vickery (H)
Cindy Krueger (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
Kristin Farley (C)

11:30 A.M. Michele Downing

Jamin Clemente (H)
Sandy Brower (H)
Benedetta Scarpa (C)
John Czelusniak (C)
Pam Bray (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M.

Gerard McAuliffe

Jennifer Connolly (H)
Rebecca Weideman (C)
Chris Nunn-Crane (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons September 7 Anne Solar

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE:

The Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 14th, 2025, at 3:00 PM, at Christ Our Light Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive, in Loudonville. Couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th, or any special wedding anniversary are invited to attend this celebration, which honors the enduring bond of love, and strengthens the sense of community among couples within the Albany Diocese! Bishop Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 3 p.m. and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Parish Hall at Christ Our Light immediately following Mass, with an opportunity for photos with each couple. Please register through your parish office or you may e-mail Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org. **Deadline is September 7.**

Power of One Hour Video Series – Teaching about the Catholic Mass: This is a 5-part video series is **FREE OF CHARGE** and **EASY TO ACCESS** on the diocesan website <https://www.rcda.org/powerofonehour>. It includes study guides and can be used for school kids, faith formation, and adult faith formation.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN

Please join us in honoring the unborn on Saturday, September 13th. We will gather at 10am for the Rosary in front of the Monument to the Unborn at the Auriesville Shrine. Please contact Chris Nunn – Crane at 518-736-1558 with any questions. All are welcome!

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses will be cancelled Tuesday, September 16th through Friday, September 19th due to the Priest Retreat.

Adoration webpage <https://www.rcda.org/adoration> This page includes a Guide to Eucharistic Adoration, a link to Adoration Hours across our diocese, and information on the many blessings that come from spending time adoring our Lord in the Eucharist.



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.

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

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry: There will be an **Ice Cream Social Registration Day** on Sunday, September 14th at Holy Spirit Church in the gym from 12:30-2:00pm. Come and meet the teachers, register your children, and enjoy an ice cream cone. Calendars will be available at registration.

The Sisters of the Holy Spirit will meet on Monday, September 8th at 6:30 pm in the downstairs bingo hall. Annual Dues are \$10. New members always welcome.

2024/2025 ASSESSMENT & INSURANCE

Holy Spirit

Diocesan Assessment \$16,598.00
School Assessment \$17,288.00
Insurance \$57,669.00

Holy Trinity

Diocesan Assessment \$24,340.00
School Assessment \$12,385.00
Insurance \$32,915.75

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

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:

SEPTEMBER 14TH

DEADLINE:

**SEPTEMBER 8TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**



Our **Linked Parish Picnic** will be held on Sunday, September 7th from 1-4 pm at the Concordia Club. Burgers, hotdogs, and sausage and peppers will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. We ask that you sign-up by August 31st so we will know how much food to order. The sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of both churches

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.fiorenza@gmail.com or by phone 518-829-4079.

Fonda Fair Family Life Booth

The 2025 Fonda Fair will run from August 27 – September 1. We have been invited to help cover the Family Life Booth. This is an interdenominational public witness to proclaim the sanctity of life from birth to death and we have been participating and supporting it for many years. Please contact Chris Nunn-Crane at 518-736-1558 for more information.



HELPERS COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE:

We are always in need of volunteers to help sort donations, take a shift at the store, or become a substitute. Our new location at 53 S. Main St. is air conditioned! Call Richard at 518-736-1558

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.



Victoria Russo
(216) 325-6825 x6283 VRusso@4lpi.com

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.

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



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 SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

SAT. 4:00 P.M.	LISA J. POLLAK REQUESTED BY POLLAK FAMILY PAT O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY JIM AND KELLY LANDRIO IN HONOR OF JOHN AND PATTY FRANCO ON THEIR 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY REQUESTED BY RUSS AND MARY BARTER
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	FOR THE PEOPLE
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.	CHARLES "BUMPPPO" GREGORY REQUESTED BY PATTY & JOHN FRANCO AND ED KEVIN SLOAN REQUESTED BY COOKIE AND DON FLEISCHUT HEALING FOR MARGARET LAWSON REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
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 ZACHARY & ELIZABETH ZAMBRI REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, ROSE BEATRICE JASEWICZ REQUESTED BY JIM AND KELLY LANDRIO DEDE KWIATKOWSKI REQUESTED BY GRACE NASELLI
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	CATHY AND WALTER TRAINOR REQUESTED BY FAMILY

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	HENRY STRAUSS REQUESTED BY CHILDREN FRANK MERCANDANTE REQUESTED BY THE BOYS MIKE ZAMBELLA REQUESTED BY THE BOYS CHRISTINE REYNOLDS REQUESTED BY VERONICA AND KEVIN
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	WAYNE GREGORY "PETE" POMBRIO REQUESTED BY CHRIS AND RICHARD CRANE CHRISTEL LAKATA REQUESTED BY GLORIA BEVINGTON 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 AND FAMILY JIM SAMEK AND FRED GUZLIEK REQUESTED BY GUZ BALL JOE BARTLETT (91ST B'DAY) REQUESTED BY MARLENE CHRISTINE REYNOLDS REQUESTED BY JOHN AND SHARON POLING



Wine and Hosts for September are in Memory of Liz and Jim Lauria by Family

Building Fund Donation in Memory of Midge DeMagistris by Richard and Barbara Tucci

Lessons from EWTN

Of all the things that I can put on today, it is humility that will make me most attractive.



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.