

Church of the Holy Spirit



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Holy Trinity Church



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(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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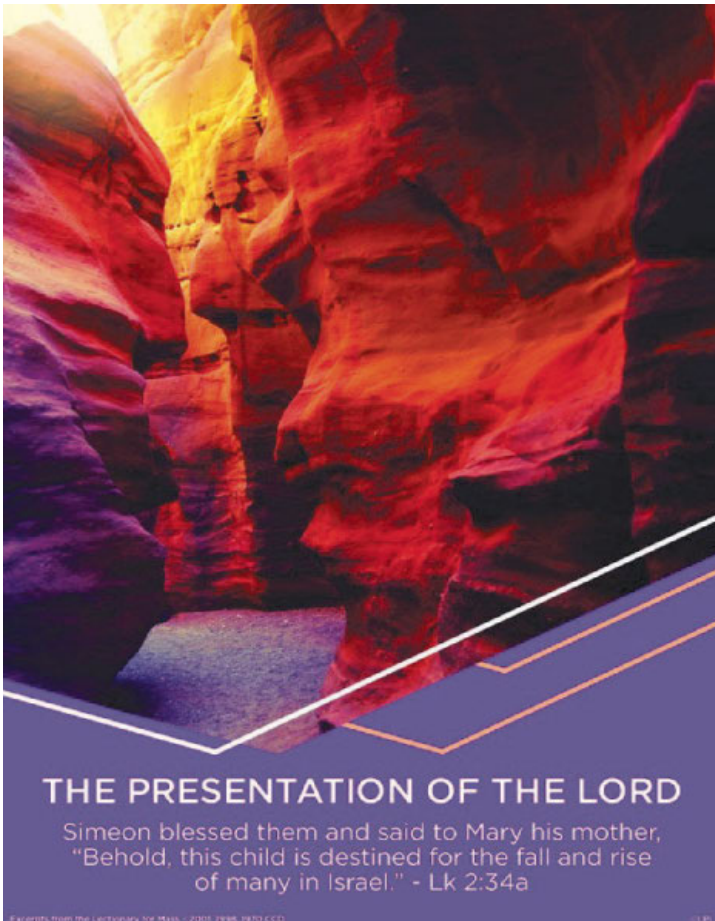
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LINKED PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

"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"



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,
"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise
of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34a

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 February 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.

Presentation of the Lord

What is the secret to sharing in God’s power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophecies that when her son faces opposition, Mary’s soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which “the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed” (Luke 2:35). What to make of this? Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant’s injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary’s pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace. This week, I invite us to ponder Mary’s pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son’s divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty.

— 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 FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

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	1/19/25
Envelopes	\$2,739.00
Loose	\$759.00
Online	\$968.00
Total Weekly	\$4,466.00
Other	\$283.00
Total Income	\$4,749.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 141 11:30 A.M. 130

Collection	1/19/25
Envelopes	\$2,143.00
Loose	\$303.00
Total Weekly	\$2,446.00
Other	\$350.00
Townsend Income	\$66,868.06
Total Income	\$69,664.06

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 131

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 9, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Rich Nigro

Robert Smida (H)
Ron Zimmerman (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
Brian Farley (C)

11:30 A.M. Karen Hoose

Benedetta Scarpa (H)
Pam Bray (H)
Mary Jablonski (C)
Cindy Kollar (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M. John Sagan

Mary Ann Armstrong (H)
Renee Smith (C)
Anne Solar (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons February 9th 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
Gifts/Pledges \$21,261.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$29,070.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$15,746.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$3,324.00

MONTH OF RAFFLES

Our Youth Ministry Program will be kicking off a “Month of Raffles” calendar fundraiser to be held the month of March. We will be selling chances for this fundraiser during the month of February so that we are ready for the drawings to begin on March 1st. One chance puts you in for each daily drawing for the entire month. Your donation of \$10 gives you one chance each day or your donation of \$20 gives you three chances each day. Tickets will be available at the parish office beginning Monday, February 3rd until Thursday, February 27th. Tickets may also be purchased by contacting Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986 or through our Parish Facebook pages using your Venmo account.



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 PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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

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

Emmaus 25 is here! If you are interested in joining the team, we meet every Sunday at 2pm. The weekend is March 14-16. Any questions, please see Ann Simonson or Jamin Clemente.

Café Chocolate: The Youth Ministry Program will be having it's **Cafe Chocolate Fundraiser** on Sunday, February 9th from 12:30 - 3:30pm in the Holy Spirit gym. We are looking for donations of chocolate goodies. In addition to chocolate goodies we will also have several basket raffles. Please contact Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986 if you are able to bake, donate a basket, or help at the event. Tickets for this event are available in the parish office and are \$5.00 each. Come stock up on sweets for your Super Bowl party!

February 9th Youth Mass at 11:30am at Holy Spirit for Grades K-10. Blessing of the First Communion Candidates at this Mass.

February 9th No evening classes

February 16th No classes. President's weekend.

Knights Coats: The Knights of Columbus recently donated 2 dozen kids coats to Mother Teresa's Closet and 4 dozen new kids coats and snow pants to the Gloversville Elementary Schools. If you would like to donate to this ministry you can drop your donation in an envelope labeled "Knights-Coats for Kids and place it in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the Parish Office. If you know of a kid who needs a coat or any men that would like to join the Knights in their mission to get coats to kids, please contact Ron Zimmerman at 518-775-3830.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT PERPETUAL MASS ENROLLMENT

Everyone entered on the Memorial Plaque is remembered at the 8:30 A.M. Mass each first Friday of the month in perpetuity. You can enter your loved one on the Memorial Plaque for \$100.00.

Sanctuary Candle for January 25 through February 7 is in Memory of Jim Lauria by Family

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:

FEBRUARY 9TH

DEADLINE:

**FEBRUARY 3RD
NO LATER THAN
10AM**

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

The Chosen Season 4... We are beginning a Chosen Season 4 bible study/discussion group on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:30pm. We will meet at Spirit Central at Holy Spirit Church. We will watch an episode of the Chosen season 4 every week and then follow with discussion. Any questions please call Karen Hoose...518-461-1217.

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 and Saturdays from 9:00 to 10:30am in the Holy Trinity meeting room. Please call Veronica at 518-762-3700 to express interest or call the office at 518-725-3143. Please specify Wednesday or Saturday preference.

Doors of Mercy: January 29 through March 19

An eight week video/discussion class. This bible study program will discuss God's Covenants with His people through salvation history from Adam to Jesus. Program finishes with the life of St. Faustina and the Divine Mercy message.



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. If you would like to assist us in this important ministry to the needy in our community, please call Richard at 518-762-1558.

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee. — Mk 1:27-28

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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2, 2025

- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **RICHARD COOK (6TH ANN)**
REQUESTED BY WIFE AND DAUGHTERS
JANE MEYERS
REQUESTED BY SISTER, BARBARA RIETH
BRUCE MRHA
REQUESTED BY PAUL & BONNIE STEENBURGH AND FAMILY
CHRISTOPHER MCGRAIL
REQUESTED BY RON AND GINA TOLLNER & FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **JOHN V. CASTIGLIONE**
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
TOM CALHOUN
REQUESTED BY SISTERS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
CATHY AND WALTER TRAINOR
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
FRANK AND LENA DEROSA
REQUESTED BY TONI AND JIM AMBROSINO
- 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.** **MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS**
- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **CHRIS MCGRAIL**
REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
ANTHONY PAPA
REQUESTED BY RON & GINA TOLLNER & FAMILY
GLADYS AND EDWARD ZILKA
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **ANNE BACON**
REQUESTED BY AUNT LORI AND UNCLE PAT
DOMENICO DIGRAZIA
REQUESTED BY JAMIE, NICOLA, DAMIANO, AND MATTEO

FOR SALE

2004 Ford F250xl Super Duty with plow and dump box. The truck has some rust and only 39,000 miles. Please call the parish office if you are interested.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

In Memory of Barbara Castiglione by Gary and Mary DiSanto-Rose

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2, 2025

- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **MARK VISCOSI**
REQUESTED BY MOM AND DAD
PATRICIA SWEENEY
REQUESTED BY ART AND MARY ANN STOCK
- MON.** **NO MASS**
- TUES. 8:30 A.M.** **BENNIE SILIGATO (B'DAY)**
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, FRAN AND FAMILY
- WED. 8:30 A.M.** **FOR THE PEOPLE**
- THURS. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- SUN. 9:00 A.M.** **BRUCE MRHA**
REQUESTED BY KATHERINE AND PETER HAND
FRED FAGAN
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
MARGARET C. MICHAELSON
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
MICHELE TRAVIS
REQUESTED BY DON AND MARI JEAN LANDRIO
SUSAN STOKES (1ST ANN)
REQUESTED BY MICHELE, DAN, AND CLAUDETTE

Lessons from EWTN

All is well with me, not because it is to my liking, rather, because it is in the hands of the Lord.

Please check the EWTN information corners at the Clinton Street entrance for information and inspiration.

DONATION BIN

A donation bin has been placed in the parking lot of the School at Holy Spirit Church. **It is for clothing and shoes.** Please keep in mind that new and gently used items should be donated to the Helpers Store. Other items for textile recycle can be placed in the bin. This is a church fund raiser.



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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