

151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

Holy Trinity Church

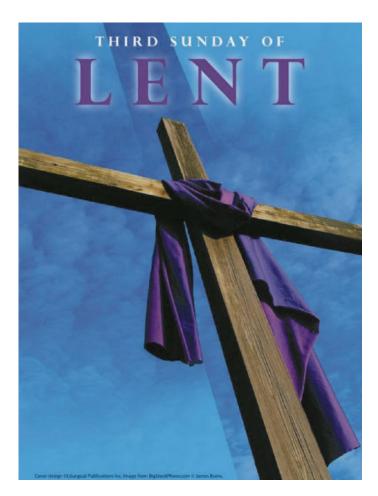


22 E. Clinton Street, Johnstown, NY 12095

Offices for Church of the Holy Spirit and Holy Trinity Church are located at 153 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078 Phone: 518-725-3143 ~ Fax: 518-725-7245 Rectory: 205 Glebe Street, Johnstown, NY 12095 Rectory Phone: 518-762-2011 Church of the Holy Spirit Email: HSGlover@rcda.org Holy Trinity Email: HTJohnst@rcda.org Church of the Holy Spirit website: www.HolySpirit12078.org 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 Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus



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

> **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** 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 March 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.

3rd Sunday of Lent

My childhood best friend was Xander Price. He was the fastest runner in school, an excellent baseball player and Jewish. Though his family wasn't intensely religious, I felt totally at home with them despite our religious differences. Everything about their Judaism seemed to undergird and strengthen my own experience of being a Catholic. I knew they didn't believe in Jesus like my family did, but I intuited somehow that Jesus was "hiding" in their religion. Like a cat moving under a blanket, ready to emerge at any moment, the Lord was hidden there in a special way. In the Gospel for this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus says, "For if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me, for he wrote of me" (John 5:46). Stunning words, those. Moses wrote about Jesus. The way therefore that we come to know and believe in Jesus is to discover him lurking in Moses' writings. The Hebrew Scripture is the wonderful womb in which Jesus gestates within a host of images: Adam, Isaac, David, Melchizedek, the Temple, sacrificed lambs, prophets and so on. Right now, in your parish's OCIA program, soon-to-be baptized people are carefully studying where Jesus is in the writings of Moses, so that they may believe in him. This works for all of us, too, who wish to deepen our knowledge and love of Jesus. Lenten challenge: Take some time to prayerfully study one of the images of Jesus listed above in the Old Testament. Identify which one you find compelling and consider why this is so. If you don't know where to start, begin with the prophet Jeremiah as an image of Jesus.

Father John Muir

(1)/Eph 5:8-14/

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 MARCH 23, 2025

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5 -8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14 Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

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| 4:00 P.M. | Barbara Rieth | Rich Nigro (H) Ginni Mazur (H) Mary Buchanan (C) Robert Smida (C) | 9:00 A.M. | Lynn Knowlton | Renee Smith (H) Karen Nellis (C) Liz Carey (C) |
| 11:30 A.M. | Karen Hoose | Roland O'Brien-Bills (H) Mary Jablonski (H) Benedetta Scarpa (C) John Czelusniak (C) | Wells House/P | ineview Commons . | April 6th Patty Lorence |
| Dioces | The Diocesan Appea template your invest of the Catholic Chur family. Your support and the Diocesan Ap ways to ensure the h Catholic community serving you in the da ments of your life. If | and Cheese Di 6:30 pm at Hol desert for \$15.0 \$10.00. Tickets 30th and April S Any high | 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 desert 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 | | |

Appeal you can induce a gift of picege offine 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. Albapy, NY 12203 Be sure to include w

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 \$24,021.00 Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$29,070.00 Total Payment/Pledge \$16,876.00 Townsend Trust \$10,000.00 Balance \$2,194.00 Monday through Thursday 9:00 Å. 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

scholarship. For more information see flyer at all church

Holy Spirit business office during regular business hours

entrances. Applications will be available at the Church of the



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 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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

Pizza Sale: The Sisters of the Holy Spirit and the Faith Formation Team will be having their annual fried dough sale on Friday, March 21st and Friday, March 28th in the Bingo Hall at Holy Spirit from 4-6pm. There will be stuffed and plain available. Tickets will be available in the parish office beginning Monday, March 10th. Ticket prices are \$5 for plain and dessert and \$8 for stuffed and a dessert.

Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their next meeting on <u>Mon-</u> <u>day, April 7th at 6:30 p.m.</u> 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 usual 5:30 pm) at Holy Trinity Church.

"Women of Grace: Living the Abundant Life" will be coming soon. Anyone interested please contact Lily at 518-829-4079 or email at lily.fiorenza@gmail.com

Next week our parishes will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection**. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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:

DEADLINE:

MARCH 30TH

MARCH 24TH NO LATER THAN 10AM

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.

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

We are in need of donated items for our Thrift Store. Specific items needed are small household appliances, kitchen utensils, silverware, and knick knacks.



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



HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 23, 2025

- SAT. 4:00 P.M. ALICE ACKERKNECHT REQUESTED BY KIM COLLAR CAROL VISCONTI REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY PAT O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY PATTY AND JOHN FRANCO
- SUN. 11:30 A.M THOMAS MELLIS (2ND ANN) REQUESTED BY LOVING WIFE KAREN AND FAMILY CAROLE CRANE REQUESTED BY FAMILY PAUL DIGIACOMO REQUESTED BY BROTHER AND FAMILY NICOLE FARHART REQUESTED BY FAMILY
- 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. FOR THE PEOPLE

SAT. 4:00 P.M. ALICE ACKERKNECHT REQUESTED BY RON & GINA TOLLNER AND FAMILY CAROL VISCONTI REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND THOMAS BEEBIE HEALING FOR FR. DON CZELUSNIAK REQUESTED BY LANDRIO FAMILY CLARA SMITH REQUESTED BY JIM AND KELLY LANDRIO

SUN. 11:30 A.M. GINA BACHNER REQUESTED BY PETER KIERNAN AND FAMILY ANNA SALVIONE REQUESTED BY CHILDREN JOYCE BROOKINS REQUESTED BY FAMILY Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. <u>– 18 21128-158</u>

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SUN. 9:00 A.M HENRY STRAUSS REQUESTED BY CHILDREN BRUCE MRHA REQUESTED BY PAM AND JIM LATHERS BENNIE SILIGATO (22ND ANN) REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, FRAN AND FAMILY DOMINIC MALATINO REQUESTED BY FAMILY ROSE CELLARY REQUESTED BY TIM AND CAROLYN CELLARY

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- SUN. 9:00 A.M ALICE ACKERKNECHT REQUESTED BY LAGRECA FAMILY PAT O'LUCCI REQUESTED BY THOMAS AND JANET GAROFALO BRIAN PODOLEC (B'DAY) REQUESTED BY MOM & DAD AND FAMILY CAROL PIEHUTA (B'DAY) REQUESTED BY HUSBAND, MICHAEL AND CHILDREN, LISA AND CHRIS



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.





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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