

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 May 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.

5th Sunday of Easter

I’ve always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words “I love you” or “I will always love you” (a la Dolly Parton’s song). Why doesn’t Jesus say, “I love you”? Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, “As the Father loves me, so I love you” (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, “Love another as I have loved you” (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren’t there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great “I love you” to us. His love is also hedged in a command: “Love one another.” So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: “Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.” The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII’s practical method of following Jesus’ great commandment of love. It’s a splendid way to say, “I love you.”

— 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 MAY 18, 2025

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

MAY 18, 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	5/4/25
Envelopes	\$2,915.00
Loose	\$875.00
Online	\$683.00
Total Weekly	\$4,473.00
Other	\$536.00
Total Income	\$5,009.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 132 11:30 A.M. 263

Collection	5/4/25
Envelopes	\$1,923.00
Loose	\$474.00
Total Weekly	\$2,397.00
Other	\$85.00
Total Income	\$2,482.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 146

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MAY 25, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M.	Trina Zimmerman	Anthony Leo (H) Brian Farley (H) Mary Buchanan (C) Rita Bravo (C)
11:30 A.M.	Michael Rubscha	Roland O'Brien-Bills (H) Mary Jablonski (H) Benedetta Scarpa (C) John Czelusniak (C) Pam Bray (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M.	John Sagan	Girard McAuliffe (H) Liz Carey (C) Karen Nellis (C)
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Wells House/Pineview Commons June 1 Diane Savage and Yvonne Major

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!

The Rosary Society will hold their **Indoor Picnic** on Tuesday, June 10th. Mass will begin at 5pm in the Parish Hall with dinner to follow.

Save the Dates

Rosary Society will host a **coffee hour** after the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, June 1. Come join us for coffee and more in the hall.

Plan on joining us for an **ice cream social**, in and outside the hall, on Tuesday, July 8 from 6-8.



**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 \$25,167.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity \$29,070.00
Total Payment/Pledge \$19,506.00
Townsend Trust \$10,000.00
Balance \$0



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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

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

Blessing of the graduates: Fr. Matt will be offering a blessing for this year's graduates on Sunday, June 15th at the 9:00am Mass at Holy Trinity in Johnstown and the 11:30am Mass at Holy Spirit in Gloversville. Congratulations to all!

Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their Summer Picnic on Monday, June 9th at 5:30 p.m. in the gym at Holy Spirit (notice the time change because this is a meal). This is our last meeting until September. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome. Annual dues of \$10 can be paid at the meeting or placed in the collection basket marked "Sisters of the Holy Spirit."

Our Annual Cemetery Memorial Day Mass will be offered this year on Monday, May 26th, 8:30 am at Mt. Carmel Cemetery. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated at Holy Trinity Church.

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.

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

For general **Catholic regional young adult group** updates and info – contact the regional YA groups directly.
Diocesan Young Adult Website: <https://www.rcda.org/youbelong>

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 18TH

DEADLINE:

**MAY 12TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**

If God is good, why is there evil in the world?

Answer:

The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things from happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love. One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision — good or bad — is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!

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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.



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 MAY 18, 2025

SAT. 4:00 P.M. FRANK J. RUGGIERO
REQUESTED BY SISTER
JOSEPH LAPORTA
REQUESTED BY LAPORTA FAMILY
FRANK AND ANNA LANDRIO
REQUESTED BY GRANDCHILDREN
BILL DIANA
REQUESTED BY MR. & MRS. THOMAS GAROFALO

SUN. 11:30 A.M. CAROLE CRANE
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
HERMAN & THERESA DELCOSTELLO
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
LOUIS SALVIONE
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
THOMAS CALHOUN
REQUESTED BY MIKE AND SUE SHRADER

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. LOUIS AND CONCETTA FERRARA
REQUESTED BY FERRARA FAMILY

SAT. 4:00 P.M. MARY AND HERMAN CARBONELLI
REQUESTED BY PAPA FAMILY
JOANNE KICHTON
REQUESTED BY BARBARA RIETH

SUN. 11:30 A.M. JOYCE BROOKINS
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
CAROL VISCONTI
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND SHARON POLING
MARTY GILL
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND SHARON POLING
FRANK AND HELEN SCAFARIELLO
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
JOSEPH LEIBL & HELEN D'ERRICO LEIBL
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, LYNN GARSKI

“**R**emain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.” — Jn 15:4-5

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HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MAY 18, 2025

SUN. 9:00 A.M. DALE KELLER
REQUESTED BY MICHELE AND DAN
STEVE HLADIK
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND MARY PRADELSKI
PAT O'LUCCI
REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ
DAVID PHILIP GOEBEL
REQUESTED BY BILL AND PAM AIKEN
KARI BARTLETT MEADOWS
REQUESTED BY MARLENE BARTLETT

MON. NO MASS

TUES. 8:30 A.M. BETTE K. SMULLENS
HEALING FOR JAMES WOOD
REQUESTED BY FAMILY

WED. 8:30 A.M. ELEANOR ADEBAHR
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
IN THANKSGIVING

THURS. 8:30 A.M. MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT

FRI. 8:30 A.M. MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT

SUN. 9:00 A.M. FR. RON MATULEWICZ
REQUESTED BY JOHN AND MARY PRADELSKI
SHARON ONDRISKA
REQUESTED BY MTC COMMITTEE
PAT O'LUCCI
REQUESTED BY JOHN SCHWARTZ
JOSEPH VILLONE
REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY

Our **Special Collection** this weekend is for Catholic Charities.



Spanish classes will be available after the 11:30 am Mass. They will be held in the school building. All are welcome to attend.

A donation was made to Church of the Holy Spirit in memory of the Leo and De Simone Families by Stephanie De Simone Bollam.



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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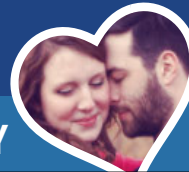
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