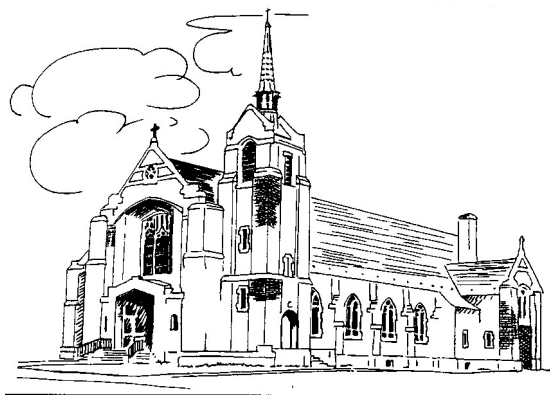


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Church of the Holy Spirit website: [www.HolySpirit12078.org](http://www.HolySpirit12078.org)

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)**

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Saturday Vigil - 4:00 P.M.  
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Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 A.M.

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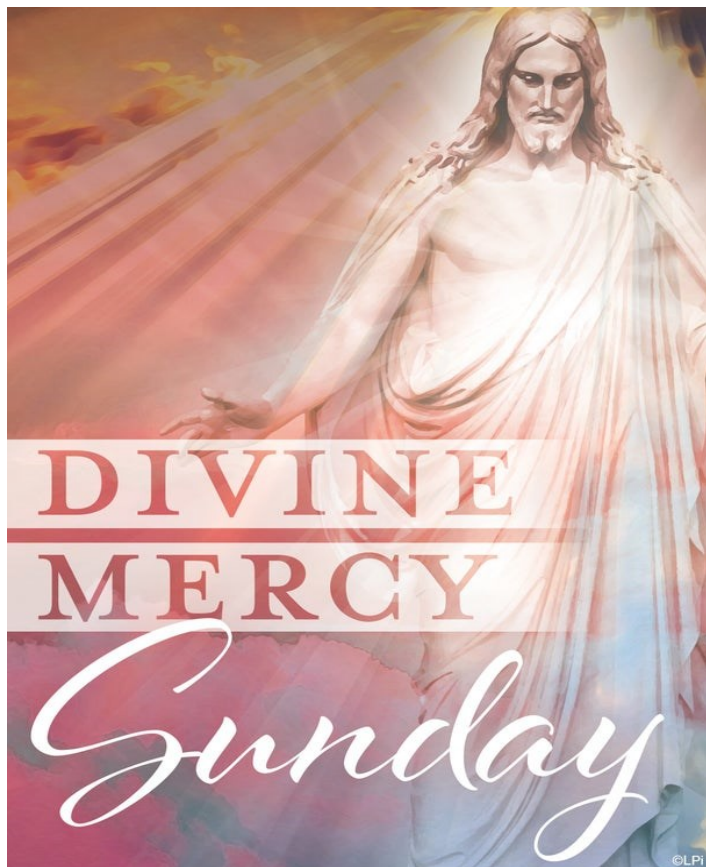
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Sunday - 9:00 A.M.  
Daily Mass - Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 A.M.

### 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.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA):** Call the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** If you are planning a surgery, call the parish office or Fr. Matt to make an appointment to receive Sacrament of the Sick. 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](mailto: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 (Sunday of Divine Mercy)**  
“Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.’” (John 20:27) In my early 20s, I volunteered at a parish youth group. I witnessed teens encountering Jesus with a fresh, romantic wonder that reminded me of my own teenage conversion. But something had changed in me. I was quietly jaded and cynical. When teens shared stories of encountering Christ, I’d want to sarcastically murmur, “Well, good for you.” I had grown suspicious of the zeal I once knew. Then we brought the group on a pilgrimage. I was standing in an old church in France, ignoring a long-winded tour guide. I found myself before a crucifix. In that moment, I heard something, not audibly, but unmistakably in my heart: “I came to be your friend... and you wish to be my enemy? Why do you stand far from me? I suffer gladly for you. I was pierced for you. Why do you run from me?” My heart opened. I saw how cold and cynical I had become. But Jesus had not given up on me. He had returned, and his mercy broke through. So I can relate to the scoffing — and transformation — of Thomas when the Risen Jesus presents his wounds for inspection. Thomas is not simply doubting; he is guarded, suspicious, even cynical. But Jesus comes to him. No lecture. Just understanding and mercy. He invites Thomas to touch his wounds. This burns away his cynicism like the morning mist. Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith. If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will.  
— Father John Muir

**Mother Teresa’s Closet**

Like everyone, Mother Teresa’s Closet is feeling the effect of increased prices for many of the items that we keep stocked in the ‘closet’ – basic necessities for personal hygiene and cleaning supplies. We are very fortunate and grateful for our volunteers, the donors in our linked parishes and the Helper’s Community store support in making our ministry to the needy a success. We have over 200 people registered for help with an average of 80 recipients attending each distribution on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Monetary donations can be made in honor of loved ones to continue to support this ministry. You may place a donation in the offertory or mail to the Parish office. Make checks payable to Holy Trinity Parish, with MTC in the memo line.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2026**

**Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/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:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21  
**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 are \$372,971.00. The average weekly collections needed to meet our expenses (including income from other sources is \$7,172.52.) Thank you for your continued support.

Collection	3/29/26
Envelopes	\$2,946.00
Loose	\$857.00
Online	\$403.00
Total Weekly	\$4,206.00
Other	\$370.50
Easter Flowers	\$1,261.00
Total Income	\$5,837.50

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 167 11:30 A.M. 205

Collection	3/29/26
Envelopes	\$2,753.30
Loose	\$544.00
Online	\$.00
Total Weekly	\$3,297.30
Easter Flowers	\$1,615.00
Total Income	\$4,912.30

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 205

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 19, 2026

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	Trina Zimmerman	Ginni Mazur (H) Ron Zimmerman (H) Diana Javerone (C) Brian Farley (C)
<b>11:30 A.M.</b>	Sandy Brower	Mary Jablonski (H) Cecilia Eagan (C) Cindy Kollar (C)

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH**

**LECTOR**

**MINISTER**

<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	Karen Nellis	Jen Connolly (H) Chris Nunn-Crane (C) Eva Van Alstyne (C)
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**Wells House/Pineview Commons April 19 John Sagan and Rebecca Weiderman**

**Holy Trinity Rosary Society** will have their April meeting on Tuesday, April 14 at 4:30 pm.

**Sisters of the Holy Spirit** will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 4th at 6 p.m. in the Bingo Hall at Holy Spirit. All women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome.

**The Basket Raffle** fundraiser sponsored by the Youth Ministry Team will begin this weekend. Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses this weekend through April 26<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be drawn on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Tickets can also be purchased Monday-Thursday at the Parish's office. Ticket prices are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6. 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 Break-away Camp at the end of June.

**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 scholarship. Information flyers and applications are available beginning the weekend of March 1st at the Church entrances. Applications will also be available at the Church of the Holy Spirit business office during regular business hours Monday through Thursday 9:00 A. M. - 2:00 P.M .

**Divine Mercy Blessing**

Dear Jesus,  
May your mercy flow over us,  
filling our gaps and healing our wounds.  
Open our hearts more deeply  
with knowledge of your love for us,  
understanding of the depth of your passion,  
and trust in your never-ending mercy.  
Amen.

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**Planned Giving:** Please consider a gift to your parish in your estate planning. In addition, your IRA may allow you to send a gift to your parish for tax benefits. Thank you for your generosity!



**Welcome to Adoration of Our Lord**

*Everyone is invited to come and visit Jesus in the Adoration Chapel at anytime.*

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**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.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator  
email: [holyspirit12078@gmail.com](mailto:holyspirit12078@gmail.com)

**First Communion** will be Sunday, May 17th 9:00 am at Holy Trinity and 11:30 am at Holy Spirit.

**Confirmation** will be held on Thursday, May 21 at 6:00 pm at the Auriesville Shrine.

### 2025/2026 DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

#### Holy Spirit

Diocesan Assessment \$16,598.00  
Gifts/Pledges \$21,732.00  
Balance \$0

#### Holy Trinity

Diocesan Assessment \$24,340.00  
Gifts/Pledges \$14,169.00  
Balance \$10,666.00



**Music Ministry Help Request:** Our faithful Mass musical ensembles are always looking for gifted vocalists and instrumentalists to consider joining us at our weekend liturgies to help lift our communities in joyful song to the Lord.

If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts at any of our three weekend liturgies, please contact the office at 518 725 3143 to connect with Paul Whitney (4 pm Mass coordinator) and/or Sue Shrader (11:30 am Mass coordinator). You may reach Mary Puznowski (9 am Mass coordinator) directly at 315-867-9020 or [mayorpuznowski@gmail.com](mailto:mayorpuznowski@gmail.com). Thank you for your interest!

### 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.

#### BULLETIN:

**APRIL 19TH**

#### DEADLINE:

**APRIL 13TH  
NO LATER THAN  
10AM**

### **Retreat, Explained**

Spiritual retreats are an act of removing oneself from one's daily life for a period of prayer and reflection, with the intent of returning to that daily life transformed. It was Christ himself who was the greatest and earliest advocate of spiritual retreat. In the Gospels, he is constantly depicted as withdrawing from other people to be alone in prayer. Likewise, participants in a modern retreat most often go somewhere like a retreat center to seek silence, solitude and communion with God. There are many different varieties of retreats; they can be guided and take place in a group setting, or they can be undertaken alone by just one person. Some are focused on a specific topic or theme; some are defined by periods of total silence. Though clerics are compelled by canon law to go on retreat regularly, all faithful are encouraged to make retreat part of their spiritual life.

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**Calendar Raffle Fundraiser-** our next fundraiser for Breakaway Camp will begin on May 1st. We will be selling calendars again that have a specific prize for each day. If your name is picked, you win the prize for that day. Your name then goes back into the drawing so there is opportunity to win multiple times. Tickets will be sold after all the weekend Masses starting May 2nd - 31st, at the parish office or by contacting a Youth Ministry team member. Drawings for the calendar raffle will be every day in the month of June. Tickets are \$10 for one chance and \$20 for 3 chances each day.

**The Sanctuary Candle** price is now \$15.00.



### **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

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



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 12, 2026

<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>FRANK AND ANNA LANDRIO</b> REQUESTED BY GRANDCHILDREN <b>ALEXANDER COLLAR JR</b> REQUESTED BY CAROL AND KIM COLLAR <b>JOAN ESPER</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY <b>DAVID ESPER</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M</b>	<b>NICHOLAS STAMPALIA</b> REQUESTED BY GALEA FAMILY
<b>MON.</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUES. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY TRINITY</b>
<b>WED. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY TRINITY</b>
<b>THURS. 8:30</b>	<b>PRISCILLA CURTHOYS</b> REQUESTED BY PARISH OFFICE STAFF
<b>FRI. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>LOUIS AND CONCETTA FERRARA</b> REQUESTED BY FERRARA FAMILY
<b>SAT. 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>CLEMENT LAPORTA</b> REQUESTED BY LAPORTA FAMILY <b>VINCE LAPORTA</b> REQUESTED BY JIM AND TONI AMBROSINO <b>LENA DEROSA (6TH ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY CHILDREN <b>FRANK DEROSA (87TH B'DAY)</b> REQUESTED BY CHILDREN <b>ANGIE AND TONY RUGGERI</b> REQUESTED BY JOEY
<b>SUN. 11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>CAROLE CRANE</b> REQUESTED BY FAMILY

### HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2026

<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M</b>	<b>JENNIE MAIELLO (30TH ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, SARAH <b>VINCE LAPORTA</b> REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ <b>JANET MILO</b> REQUESTED BY VERONICA AND KEVIN QUINN <b>BRUCE MRHA</b> REQUESTED BY HELPERS STORE <b>SHARON ONDRISKA</b> REQUESTED BY GEORGIA
<b>MON.</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUES. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>ELMER LAKATA</b> REQUESTED BY BEVINGTON FAMILY
<b>WED. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>JEANNINE SCHWARTZ (3RD ANN)</b> REQUESTED BY JOHN <b>ROBERT MARISSETTE AND</b> <b>ROSEANNE GANNAT</b> REQUESTED BY BOB AND ISABELLE WARNER
<b>THURS. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT</b>
<b>FRI. 8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT</b>
<b>SUN. 9:00 A.M</b>	<b>LOU GENTILE</b> REQUESTED BY WIFE, BOBBI, DAUGHTER, STACY AND FAMILY <b>PRISCILLA CURTHOYS</b> REQUESTED BY BETH DEROSA <b>EDWARD MAGILTON</b> REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ <b>MARY JANE KNAPP</b> REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY <b>SPECIAL INTENTION</b> REQUESTED BY GEORGIA



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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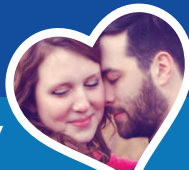
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