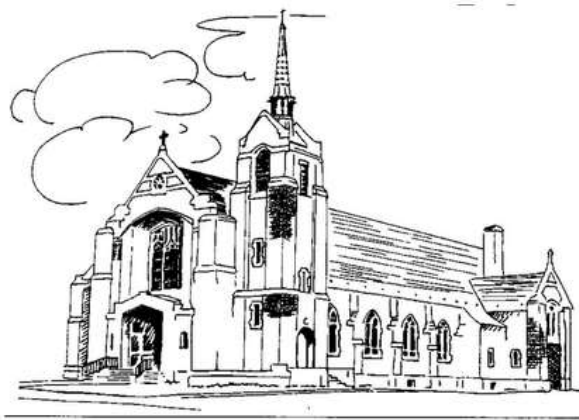


Church of the Holy Spirit



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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM

Sunday - 11:30 AM

Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM

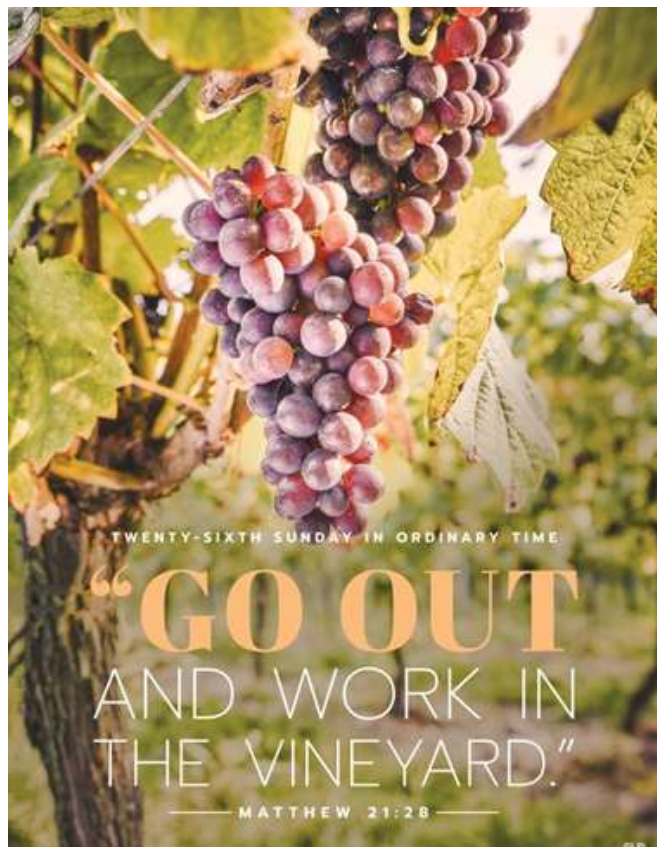
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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Sunday - 9:00 AM

Daily Mass - Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 AM



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.*

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 Offices.

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 October 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 helpline 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.

This Sunday, Jesus tells a short, uncomfortable story. A father asks two sons to go work in the vineyard. One says no, but later goes. The other says yes, but never shows up. It is a parable so simple, we almost miss how sharp it is. Jesus is clear about who it is for. This is not aimed at pagans or outsiders. It is aimed squarely at religious people, people who know the right words and sound obedient. Jesus is not condemning unbelief so much as disobedience. The polite hypocrisy that says the right things while quietly resisting the Father's will. St. John Chrysostom put it bluntly, "Not words, but deeds, are what God requires. Nothing so exasperates Him as insincere obedience, while nothing so delights Him as repentance." Every disciple must face that mirror. Do I publicly profess faith in Christ while privately resisting what He asks of me? It is easy to say, I believe in God in my heart. But if faith never becomes action, it slowly becomes an illusion. Jesus does not expose hypocrisy to shame us. He reveals it to heal us. He wants our hearts and our deeds to speak the same word, to let our yes truly mean yes. Like the second son who initially refused but afterwards changed his mind and went, Jesus invites us to step into the Father's will, however late, however imperfectly. Challenge: Where are your public faith and private obedience divided? Where do you say, I will go, but never enter the vineyard? Go, get to work, even if it is late. The Father's vineyard is still open.

— 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 2nd 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. At this time we have a need for infant/toddler diapers size 1— size 7.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43



COLLECTION INFORMATION

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Spirit 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	9/13/26
Envelopes	\$2,281.50
Loose	\$566.00
Online	\$378.00
Total Weekly	\$3,225.50
Other	\$193.00
Rent	\$1,803.00
Total Income	\$5,221.50

Collection	9/13/26
Envelopes	\$2,577.00
Loose	\$367.00
Online	\$.00
Total Weekly	\$2,944.00
Other	\$35.00
Total Income	\$2,979.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 118 11:30 A.M. 131

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 169

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 4

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>MINISTER</u>
4:00 PM	Sue Cichy	Ron Zimmerman (H) Cookie Fleischut (H) Mary Buchanan (C) Judy Vickery (C)
11:30 AM	Jamin Clemente	Karen Hoose (H) Pam Bray (H) Betsy Hastings (C) Marion Clemente (C)

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>MINISTER</u>
9:00 AM	Gary McCoy	Rebecca Weiderman (H) Eva Van Alstyne (C) Liz Carey (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons October 4 Diane Savage and Yvonne Major

Monday, Oct. 5th, The Sisters of the Holy

Spirit will hold their covered dish supper and meeting at 5:30 P.M. in the parish hall. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share. All women are invited and new members are always welcome!

Holy Trinity Altar Rosary Society News

During October the Rosary will be prayed at 3:30 in the church on Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20 and 27. All are invited to pray with us.

On Tuesday, October 13, the monthly meeting will be held at 4:00 following the Rosary. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Roman Catholic Diocese will offer a Convalidation Ceremony on Sunday, November 29, 2026, at 2 PM, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church, 125 Eagle Street, Albany. If you and your spouse desire holy matrimony in the Catholic Church, you are invited to convalidate your marriage through your parish at a date of your choosing or join Bishop Mark O'Connell together with other couples at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany on November 29. Please speak to your parish clergy, then register by calling the Office for Discipleship Formation at 518-453-6660. Families and friends are invited to attend! *Please note: the ceremony will include the Liturgy of the Word and the Celebration of Matrimony but is not a Mass.



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.

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!

THE TWENTY-SIXTH 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 and Youth Ministry News: The first day of classes will be on Sunday, September 27th. This first class will be an open house style class where parents can register their students, parents and students can meet the teachers, and visit classrooms. Each classroom will have an activity for their students to do also. Grades K-6 will meet on Sunday mornings from 10:20 – 11:20am in the school building at Holy Spirit Church in Gloversville. Please use the second set of doors at the back of the building marked “Spirit Central”.

Grades 7-10 will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30pm. We will start in the gym every week for social/game time and then move to the classroom side of the building. The teens will come in the first set of doors leading to the breezeway and be dismissed out the second set of doors toward the back of the building marked “Spirit Central”.

All paperwork and calendars will be available on this day. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986.

Why We Are Asked to Be Quiet Before Mass

We are asked to be quiet before Mass to create a reverent atmosphere, help us prepare our hearts for prayer, and honor the sacredness of the moment.

Reverence and Respect for the Sacred Space

Church buildings are considered sacred spaces where we gather to be in the presence of God. Silence before Mass helps maintain a respectful atmosphere, allowing everyone to focus on the liturgy rather than being distracted by noise. This is not just a rule, but a way of showing respect for people around you, the liturgy, and the Eucharist present in the Church.

Before Mass, silence is also a way to recollect ourselves—to pause, pray, and prepare spiritually for the Word of God and the Eucharist. It is a time to turn away from daily concerns and to enter into a shared act of worship.



The Annual Blessing of the Pets: Fr. Matt will offer the traditional blessing of the pets in honor of St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday, October 3rd, at 10 am in front of the Holy Trinity Church campus in Johnstown on Glebe Street. Please bring your critter friends who bark, meow, cluck, whinny and scamper.

"The National Collection for the Catholic University of America Serving the Church and Nation September 26-27, 2026

Your gift to the special collection will support Catholic University of America students who go on to serve the nation and transform the world. Catholic University serves dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as the Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the current crisis in the Church, an online Child Protection Certificate Program, a Master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers. Please be generous."

Fr. Matt

BULLETIN DEADLINES

To place an announcement in the bulletin, email your written announcement to HSGlover@rcda.org.

Please keep in mind that submissions may be edited due to space. Due to the publication dates for the bulletin, announcements **must be received two weeks prior** to publication. Thank you!

New Lector Books have arrived and are in the Sacristy of both churches. Lectors are asked to please sign out your copy.



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.



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

Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." — Mk 9:39a, 40-41

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- SAT. 4:00 PM** CATHERINE LANDRIO (10TH ANN)
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
MARJORIE TAUSS
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
ROSMARINO FAMILY
REQUESTED BY PAULINE AND JOSIE
SHERRY COLLAR
REQUESTED BY CAROL COLLAR
- SUN. 11:30AM** MARY SOCHA
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
NICHOLAS CARUSO
REQUESTED BY SHARON AND JOHN
POLING
- TUES. 8:30AM** MASS AT HOLY TRINITY
- WED. 8:30AM** MASS AT HOLY TRINITY
- THURS. 8:30 AM** FOR THE PEOPLE
- FRI. 8:30AM** MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS
- SAT. 8:30AM** MASS AT HOLY TRINITY
- SAT. 4:00 PM** OLGA KELLER
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
FRED BRICKNER
REQUESTED BY JOSIE AND PAULINE
NICHOLAS CARUSO
REQUESTED BY JOHN & PATTY FRANCO
CARL AND MARY ALBANESE
REQUESTED BY LOVING DAUGHTER
BRIAN PODOLEC
REQUESTED BY LOVING MOM & DAD
AND GREG AND TIFFANI
- SUN. 11:30AM** THA VAN VO
REQUESTED BY PARISH STAFF

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

- SUN. 9:00AM** HENRY AND ELIZABETH STRAUSS
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
KEN "POPPY" VANWIE
REQUESTED BY NOAH, OLIVIA, SAM,
AND ISAAC
BOB SCHULTZ
REQUESTED BY KRESSE FAMILY
BRENDA BILLA
REQUESTED BY SHARON PINAHA AND
STEVE KEMMER
BILL FURMAN
REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND VERONICA
QUINN
- TUES. 8:30AM** ADEBAHR-GAY FAMILY
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
IN THANKSGIVING
- WED. 8:30AM** BOB SCHULTZ & SCHULTZ FAMILY
REQUESTED BY MR & MRS JAMES THUR
- THURS. 8:30AM** MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
- FRI. 8:30AM** MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
- SAT. 8:30AM** FOR THE PEOPLE
- SUN. 9:00AM** THA VAN VO
REQUESTED BY PARISH STAFF
ERNEST AND OLIVIA DAVIS
REQUESTED FAMILY
CARMELO & FRANCES SILIGATO
REQUESTED BY FRAN AND FAMILY
BRENDA BILLA
REQUESTED BY KEVIN AND VERONICA
QUINN



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.