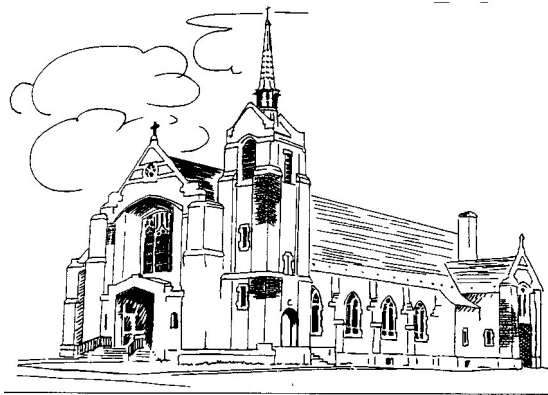


Church of the Holy Spirit



151 South Main Street, Gloversville, NY 12078

Holy Trinity Church



22 E. Clinton Street, Johnstown, NY 12095

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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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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

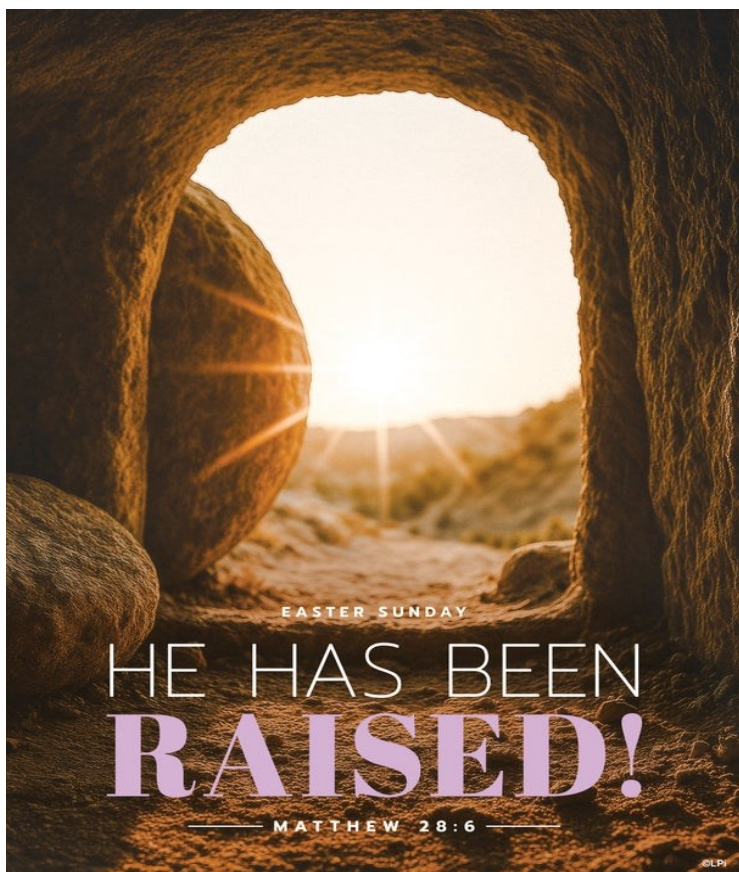
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Concetta Sager & Greg Heroth, Trustees

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.

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.

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.

Easter Sunday

Zander Price was the fastest kid at my grade school. He won every race on Field Day. To me, his swiftness meant he was the greatest. Zander was the best. It's the same with the speediest Apostle on Easter morning. John tells us he “ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.” (John 20:4) But only after Peter entered did John go in, see the burial cloths, and believe. Here is a symbol of two dimensions of the Church. John, the beloved disciple, represents the contemplative, mystical life: affection, prayer, intimacy. Peter, the rock, represents the Church's institutional life: steady, authoritative, structured...but slower. Of course, John runs faster! Love is the heartbeat of Christian faith, so love will always arrive first. Peter's role is, in a sense, secondary. He arrives later, but is still very much needed. John waits for him. The Church must be built, balanced, protected, and led. Love without structure can vanish; structure without love becomes lifeless. This dynamic is not just historical — it is personal. In you, there is a John who longs to run to the tomb in love. Let him run! Pray, sing, love Jesus. There is also a Peter, who eventually gets to the tomb and takes charge. The Risen Christ wants both. Remember: if you want to get to the mystery of Jesus' resurrection fast...love him, for love is best.

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2026

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



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	3/22/26
Envelopes	\$2,705.00
Loose	\$778.00
Online	\$358.00
Total Weekly	\$3,841.00
Other	\$237.00
Total Income	\$4,078.00
CRS	\$528.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 147 11:30 A.M. 175

Collection	3/22/26
Envelopes	\$2,262.00
Loose	\$279.00
Online 2/26	\$.00
Total Weekly	\$2,541.00
Other	\$55.00
Total Income	\$2,596.00
CRS	\$941.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 110

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 12, 2026

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>MINISTER</u>
4:00 P.M.	Mark Amico	Rita Bravo (H) Rich Nigro (H) Andy LaPorta (C) Ginni Mazur (C)
11:30 A.M.	Michael Rubscha	Pam Bray (H) Betsy Hastings (C) Michele Downing (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>MINISTER</u>
9:00 A.M.	Renee Smith	Liz Carey (H) Rebecca Weiderman (C) Mary Ann Armstrong (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons April 5 Anne Solar and Edele Theodule

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

Sisters of the Holy Spirit Scholarship

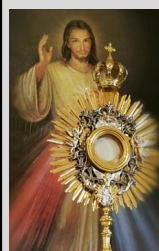
Any high school senior who is an **active, participating** member of the Church of the Holy Spirit Parish and who plans to further his/her education next year may apply for this scholarship. Information flyers and applications are available beginning the weekend of March 1st at the Church entrances. 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 .

Women's Faith Sharing

The group comes together weekly, to participate in diverse opportunities to deepen our faith and grow in joy as daughters of God. All women are welcome! Please drop in any Thursday evening to observe or join in a discussion and meet the group!
Thursdays 4:30pm - HS Cafe
Lily Fiorenza lily.fiorenza@gmail.com Phone 518-829-4079

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Hurting from an abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 29-31, 2026 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. The cost is \$195. Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, 518-222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh or e-mail: rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com. For a complete listing of retreat dates and locations contact: 1-877-HOPE-4 ME or visit the Rachel's Vineyard website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.



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.

EASTER SUNDAY

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

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

No classed the weekend of April 5th. Happy Easter!

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 \$21,534.00
Balance \$0

Holy Trinity

Diocesan Assessment \$24,340.00
Gifts/Pledges \$12,519.00
Balance \$11,821.00

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 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**

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.

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



At Easter, we celebrate that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, conquered death, rose from the dead, and remains very much alive. To the world of non-believers: what!? It is quite a big reality to swallow. But for the believer, it is a reality that inspires us to the point where we find ourselves constantly sharing the Gospel with everyone we meet! Right? So what does Easter mean to you? The question is not what do you believe. The question is what impact does Easter have on you? How do your actions demonstrate the power of Easter? What does it mean we you hear that we, the Church, are an Easter people? You may be saying right now that you have no intention of becoming an evangelist, passing out Bibles to all you meet. But I would like to suggest that you actually have a more powerful way of evangelizing others: everyday stewardship. Actions speak louder than words and the way you live your life can be a great testimony to all those you encounter. By acknowledging the gifts you have been given, cultivating those so they grow to an increase, and then sharing them fully with God and with others in God's name will give testimony to your belief that Jesus is alive and seeking a relationship with each of his people. If more of us won't live our lives in this manner, then non-believers and non-intentional disciples will ask the question, "What difference does Easter make anyway?" Jesus died and rose for you and me. To be sure, it DOES make a difference.



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



He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

— Jn 20:5-7

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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2026

SAT. 8:00 P.M.	MASS AT HOLY TRINITY
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	ROSE MARY DEDOMINICK NOYES REQUESTED BY LYNNE AND DON RUBSCHA MARGARET AND JOHN COLLIER REQUESTED BY JOHN AND JANET HOOSE ALEXANDER JOHN DEFORTE REQUESTED BY JOHN AND JANET HOOSE
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.	FRANCIS KOVAROVIC FAMILY REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF VIRGINIA FYFE
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS
SAT. 4:00 P.M.	FRANK AND ANNA LANDRIO REQUESTED BY GRANDCHILDREN ALEXANDER COLLAR JR. REQUESTED BY CAROL AND KIM COLLAR JOAN ESPER REQUESTED BY FAMILY DAVID ESPER REQUESTED BY FAMILY
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	NICHOLAS STAMPALIA REQUESTED BY GALEA FAMILY

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2026

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	PRISCILLA CURTHOYS REQUESTED BY HELPERS STORE EVELYN KNOWLTON REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY CAROL PIEHUTA (B'DAY) REQUESTED BY JOHN AND MARY PRADELSKI CHARLES KORTZ REQUESTED BY FAMILY
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	FOR THE PEOPLE
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.	JENNIE MAIELLO (30TH ANN) REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, SARAH VINCE LAPORTA REQUESTED BY BOB AND JEAN SCHULTZ JANET MILO REQUESTED BY VERONICA AND KEVIN QUINN BRUCE MRHA REQUESTED BY HELPERS STORE SHARON ONDRISKA REQUESTED BY GEORGIA



Email Prayer Line for prayer requests. All petitions are kept confidential. There are over 60 members from all walks of life; who offer up prayers for the needs of others. People send in requests, which are sent to the volunteer prayer warriors. All are welcome. Open to new prayer partners.

Lily Fiorenza lily.fiorenza@gmail.com or phone 518-829-4079



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.