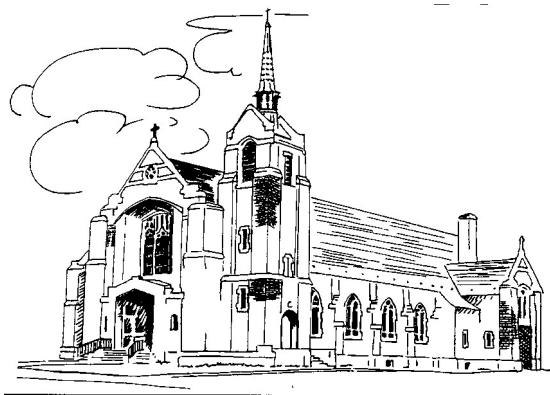


Church of the Holy Spirit



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

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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

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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"



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8

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 July 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.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness. Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: “Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you” (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope. We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

— 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 Helpers Community Store.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

JULY 27, 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	7/13/25
Envelopes	\$2,970.00
Loose	\$465.00
Online	\$523.00
Total Weekly	\$3,958.00
Other	\$258.00
Total Income	\$4,216.00

Attendance 4:00 P.M. 121 11:30 A.M. 126

Collection	7/13/25
Envelopes	\$1,958.00
Loose	\$554.00
Online	\$0.00
Total Weekly	\$2,512.00
Other	\$283.00
Total Income	\$2,795.00

Attendance 9:00 A.M. 141

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF August 3, 2025

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LECTOR

MINISTER

4:00 P.M. Trina Zimmerman Ron Zimmerman (H)
Rich Nigro (H)
Mary Buchanan (C)
Judy Vickery (C)

11:30 A.M. Karen Hoose Anthony Leo (H)
Sandy Brower (H)
John Czelusniak (C)
Benedetta Scarpa (C)
Pam Bray (C)

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

LECTOR

MINISTER

9:00 A.M. Anne Solar Mary Ann Armstrong (H)
Eva Van Alstyne (C)
Karen Nellis (C)

Wells House/Pineview Commons July 27 Donna Calhoun and Jane Sitterly

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE:

The **Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration** will be held on **Sunday, September 14th, 2025, at 3:00 PM**, at **Christ Our Light Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive, in Loudonville**. Couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th, or any special wedding anniversary are invited to attend this celebration, which honors the enduring bond of love, and strengthens the sense of community among couples within the Albany Diocese! Bishop Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 3 p.m. and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Parish Hall at Christ Our Light immediately following Mass, with an opportunity for photos with each couple. Please register through your parish office or you may e-mail Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org. **Deadline is September 7.**

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH**

8:30 A.M. at Holy Trinity

12:10 P.M. at Holy Spirit

5:30 P.M. at Holy Trinity

Farewell to Seminarian Anthony Leo:

Our linked parish seminarian, Anthony, will be departing from us after the weekend of Sunday, August 3rd. Anthony will be heading to St. Francis De Sales Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Please join us after the weekend Masses held on Sunday, August 3rd for receptions and opportunities to wish him well.

Gift Card Bingo: The Youth Ministry Program is sponsoring a Gift Card Bingo night on Thursday, August 14th. This event will be held at Holy Spirit Church in the Bingo Hall. Doors open at 5:15pm and the game starts at 6:00pm. Bingo cards will be sold at the door – 10 games for \$20. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, a basket raffle, pizza, cookies/brownies and drinks available for purchase at the event. All funds will benefit the youth going to NCYC (National Youth Conference) in November.



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.

SEVENTEENTH 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

Our combined Parish **Summer Fun Fest** will be held on **Saturday, August 2nd** from 4-8pm at Holy Spirit. Come and enjoy some games, food, and music. The festival committee sent twenty five raffle tickets to parishioners. Each household has the option of either selling the tickets to friends and family or outright purchasing the tickets themselves. If you have not turned in your raffle tickets please return them to the parish office. Thank you for your support.

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.fiorenza@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>
There is a wealth of resources to be discovered from our diocese as well as from the USCCB

Wine and Hosts for the month of August are in memory of Sal and Catherine Landrio by their children.

Interfaith Bible Study

Interfaith Bible Study led by Rabbi Susanne Schermerhorn (Kneseth Israel Synagogue, Gloversville) and Father Matt Wetsel on Thursday, July 31st at 7pm in the Gym at Holy Spirit.

Fonda Fair Family Life Booth

The 2025 Fonda Fair will run from August 27 – September 1. We have been invited to help cover the Family Life Booth. This is an interdenominational public witness to proclaim the sanctity of life from birth to death and we have been participating and supporting it for many years. Please contact Chris Nunn-Crane at 518-736-1558 for more information.

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:

AUGUST 3RD

DEADLINE:

**JULY 28TH
NO LATER THAN
10AM**

PARISH PICNIC

Our **Linked Parish Picnic** will be held on Sunday, September 7th at the Concordia Club.

Bakers Needed

Our Linked parish Community Fun Fest will be held on Saturday, August 2nd at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Once again this year we will have a **bake sale table**. We are looking for cookies, brownies, and small loaves of quick breads. **Gluten free** items would be great as well. If you love to bake, please consider helping in this way. Bagging your items is very helpful! Please drop off your baked goods on **Friday, August 1st from 3pm-6pm** and **Saturday morning, August 2nd** in the church hall. Please call the church office for more details.

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E-Newsletter from Fr. Matt: Fr. Matt has plans to begin a semi-regular emailed newsletter. Please send him an email if you would like to be included in the distribution list. His email address can be found on the cover of the bulletin.

Baked Goods & Pastries Sale: Any remaining baked goods and pastries from the linked parish Fun Fest will be made available for purchase after the 11:30 am Mass at Church of the Holy Spirit on Sunday, August 3rd in the breezeway of the school building. Thank you in advance for supporting this endeavor.



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



When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. — Mk 6:34

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HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

SAT. 4:00 P.M.	ROSE SCHEPIS REQUESTED BY ESTATE MADELINE AND LOUIS FRANCO REQUESTED BY PAPA FAMILY JOHN & ANGIE SAVAGE (56 WED. ANN) REQUESTED BY FAMILY
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	MARY BIESEL REQUESTED BY NANCY AND BOB MCALEESE JEANETTE ST. PETER REQUESTED BY HANK AND MARIE BORN
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.	GERALD RIETH REQUESTED BY SISTER, BARBARA BETTY YAWMAN REQUESTED BY DON AND COOKIE FLEISCHUT
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MEMORIAL PLAQUE MASS
SAT. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY TRINITY
SAT. 4:00 P.M.	DUANE PINCHAK REQUESTED BY KALAC FAMILY
SUN. 11:30 A.M.	MARY LOU BELKNAP REQUESTED BY FAMILY DEDE KWIATKOWSKI REQUESTED BY MICHAEL AND DONNA GENDRON

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

SUN. 9:00 A.M.	JILL CALLERY REQUESTED BY FAMILY ELIZABETH MCPHAIL REQUESTED BY DIANE SMITH MICHELE TRAVIS REQUESTED BY COLE FAMILY
MON.	NO MASS
TUES. 8:30 A.M.	SPECIAL INTENTION
WED. 8:30 A.M.	IN THANKSGIVING
THURS. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
FRI. 8:30 A.M.	MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT
SAT. 8:30 A.M.	FOR THE PEOPLE
SUN. 9:00 A.M.	JOSEPH VILLONE REQUESTED BY SUSAN VILLONE MICHELE TRAVIS (WEDDING ANN) REQUESTED BY HUSBAND, RON DIANNE SPAWN REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAMILY



Fun Fest Grill Raffle

Purchase your raffle ticket to win a new **Blackstone Grill** and gift certificate to **Bowman's Market** for your first barbecue meal! Tickets are \$5 for one, or five tickets for \$20. Drawing will be at 7:30 pm at the Funfest. Tickets are available at the Parish Office and will be available at

MONTH OF RAFFLES

Our Youth Ministry Program is once again holding a “**Month of Raffles**” calendar fundraiser to be held the month of September. We will be selling chances for this fundraiser during the month of August so that we are ready for the drawings to begin on September 1st. One chance puts you in for each daily drawing for the entire month. Your donation of **\$10 gives you one chance each day** or your donation of **\$20 gives you three chances each day**. Tickets will be available at the parish office beginning Monday, August 4th through Thursday, August 28th. Tickets may also be purchased by contacting Ann Simonson at 518-848-1986. All funds will benefit the youth going to NCYC (National Youth Conference) in November.

Lessons from EWTN

Of all the things that I can put on today, it is humility that will make me most attractive.



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.