

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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May 1, 2016

Mass Schedule:

Mon., Tues. & Fri.—12:00 Noon

Saturday Vigil—4:00 pm

Sunday—9:00 am

Reconciliation: Fri. 11:30am. Or by appointment.

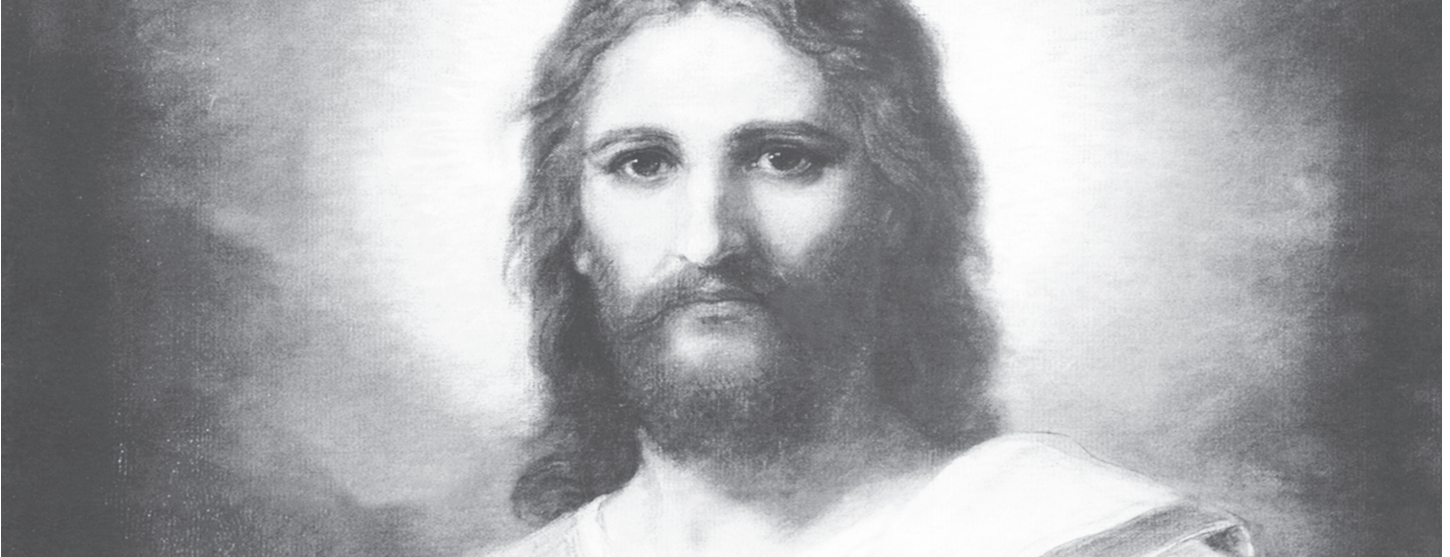
Office Hours for SJB/HT

Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:30pm

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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Jesus said to his disciples: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

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6th Sunday Of Easter

"Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." Can we hear Jesus saying these words to us? It's often easier for us to imagine the apostles hearing this consoling command and following it, than to think of it really applying to us. After all, Jesus was standing right there with them. Can he really expect US, two thousand years later, not to be troubled by the cares of life? But the fact is that the gift Jesus was giving to his disciples, he has also given to us: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name."

Jesus told them that peace would be theirs, and it can also be ours. Peace is, in fact, one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, along with love, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity. These fruits don't come from us. They aren't just for people with certain cheery personalities. These fruits come from God straight into our souls through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. Through our baptism and confirmation, Jesus gives us the gift of his Spirit. And then his peace, and so many other gifts can truly become ours if we open our hearts to them.

This is a reality that we can contemplate whenever worry or anxiety strike. Whatever may be disturbing our inner peace--whether it be a family feud, some kind of physical suffering, or a difficult decision to make at work or school--we can take comfort in knowing that we can find peace even in the midst of the problem. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you," Jesus says. But he continues, "Not as the world gives do I give it to you." In other words, God doesn't promise to take away the struggle in an instant. But he does promise to give us his peace even in the midst of life's trials and tribulations.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

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Call the Rectory to arrange for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist and cantor directly. Baptisms and hospital/home visits.



Faith Formation News

Classes resume this week. Mark your calendars: May Crowning will be May 8 at 10:00. All are welcome! May 8 will be the final class day for all students. First Communion will be May 15 at 9:00. The parent meeting and practice for First Communion will be Saturday, May 14 at 2:00 in the church. All First Communion parents and students must attend.

Sharing The Gospel

Jesus wants you to love him so much that you will always do what he asks. Jesus knows that if you put God first, you will have peace. Instead of wanting more toys, you will be happy to share them. Instead of wanting to get your own way, you will enjoy taking turns. You will feel good helping other people.



Prayer

Dear God, change my heart so that I want to put you and other people first.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself giving one of your own toys to a child who has none.

Mission for the Week

I will invite a friend over to play. I will share and take turns.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.



May 3rd, National Teacher Appreciation Day, also known as National Teacher Day, is celebrated on Tuesday of the first full week in May. This day is part of Teacher Appreciation Week which is the first full week in May of each year. The National Education Association describes National Teacher Day "as day for honoring teachers and recognizing the lasting contributions they make to our lives". Teachers play a critical role in educating and shaping our children: the future leaders of our country. They are kind, patient, hard-working, dedicated and understanding professionals that mold our children's lives in a positive direction. We entrust our children with the teachers and they affect their lives on a daily basis. It is time to say "Thank You" to the special teachers that you know. Let them know that they are appreciated for all that they do.

Golf Tournament

3rd annual captain & crew golf tournament Holy Family Children's Home at Liverpool Golf & Country Club Saturday, July 30. Cost per golfer \$85 \$340 team includes green fees, 18 holes, golf cart, lunch, buffet dinner & prizes. Registration 11:00am shotgun start 12:00 noon. For more information and registration form email hfhcdn@gmail.com or contact Mary Ellen 430-2712.



6th Sunday of Easter

The housing market is often used as a leading indicator of economic recovery because so much money is invested in this segment of the economy. Construction of new homes provides jobs, and the purchase of existing homes leads to additional consumer spending as homeowners move in, repair, and renovate. Analysts use a baseline that they consider a "normal" market, and then measure improvement from there. In the dark days of the housing collapse five years ago new construction starts were less than one-third the desired level of 1.5 million a month. Just three years ago, mortgage delinquency and foreclosure rates were almost triple what is considered an acceptable rate of 5.25%. These are dark and dismal figures if you are a banker or construction worker.

In the Gospel this weekend Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper describing the relationship between himself and the Father and the Holy Spirit. Those who love Jesus will keep his word and he and the Father will come and make their dwelling with the disciple. This image of dwelling speaks to the abiding presence of God in the followers of Jesus. God is always with them.

Owning a home was long considered a part of the American dream. If a family could purchase a place of their own, then they would consider themselves to have "made it." Home ownership is still a value many people cling to, but its luster has dimmed since the collapse of the housing market. We are six Sundays away from Easter now, and maybe the joy of that feast has also dimmed a bit in our hearts. Maybe we've slipped back into some of our usual patterns and lost some of the fervor of our baptismal commitment. Even the Christian life is occasionally subject to a certain buyer's remorse. Jesus tells us in the Gospel not to be troubled or afraid. He and the Father are with us in a dwelling that is forever.

Annual HOPE Appeal

The 2016 Annual HOPE Appeal Commitment weekend will be on Saturday, May 21 and Sunday, May 22. A letter will be sent to all families asking for support. We are all called to consider our gifts and to return a portion of them for good works.



Put Your Faith In Action

Single women between the ages of 18 and 45 are invited to join the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities as we travel to David, Kentucky July 15-23 to repair homes for people in need through our Franciscans in Action service retreat. While giving of your time and talent, you'll also experience personal and spiritual growth in the Franciscan tradition. To register, please contact Sister Karen Krebs, OSF, at 412-965-1247 or kkrebs@sosf.org. More information: www.sosf.org.

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - April 30, 2016 - 6th Sunday of Easter

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Ruth Smith - The Smith Family
David Frank McLaughlin - Mother
Maria Condello - Niece

Ernest & Wilamina Capmpagna - Nancy & Pat Campagna

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - May 1, 2016 - 6th Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 8:00 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Lorraine & Angelo Coppola - The Family
Josephine Ciero - Micholas & Patricia Smola

OLP/SP 10:30 am

Mon. - May 2, 2016 - St. Athanasius,

bishop & doctor of the Church

12:00 Noon - Robert Buston - Dick Sheerian

Tues. - May 3, 2016 - Sts. Philip & James, apostles

12:00 Noon - William Rogers - Ralph Habib

Wed. - May 4, 2016

OLP/SP 5:30 pm - Vigil - The Ascension of the Lord

Thurs. - May 5, 2016 - The Ascension of the Lord

OLP/SP - 9:00 am

SJB/HT - 12:00 Noon

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm

Fri. - May 6, 2016

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Don Cox - The Family

Sat. - May 7, 2016 - 7th Sunday of Easter

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Raffaele DeMichele - Wife & Children
Antonio & Maria Princi - Daughter

Domenico & Pierina Ventre - Nancy & Pat Campagna

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - May 8, 2016 - 7th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

OLP/SP 8:00 am

9:00 am - All Mothers Deceased

10:00 am - May Crowning

OLP/SP 10:30 am



Serving Our Country Always keep in prayer all servicemen and women. From our parish: **Rob Smith and Bryan M. Oakes.**

Sunday Collection April 16th & 17th

Regular Envelope collection \$3,821.75

Loose collection \$556.13

Poor collection \$95.00

Fuel collection \$70.00

Sunday Collection April 23rd & 24th

Regular Envelope collection \$3,132.25

Loose collection \$485.22

Fuel collection \$517.00

Catholic Home Mission collection \$251.00



SJB/HT Web Site

Our web site has been officially launched. You can find us at www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com.

You will find the weekly bulletins, Mass schedule, staff information and faith formation site. As time goes on we will be adding more information to the site. Enjoy what is offered and please let us know how we are doing.

Saturday, May 7th & Sunday, May 8th

LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ Sue Retschle

9:00AM ~ Ashley Murphy

ALTAR SERVERS:

4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Noah & Lucas Smith, Grace Piazza

EUCCHARIST:

4:00PM ~ R. Copani, J. LaVergne, M.E. Cusano, G. Larkin,
T. Bartorillo, R. Bartorillo, M.A. Bergamo

9:00AM ~ F. Brimfield, R. Warren, Michele Dykeman,
M. Piazza, M.E. Cusano, J. Barraco, E. Warren



Sun. May 1 Group 4 Money Counters

Sun. May 8 Group 1 Money Counters

Sun. May 15 Group 2 Money Counters

Sun. May 22 Group 3 Money Counters

Sun. May 29 Group 4 Money Counters

Fri. May 6 Group 2 Altar Cleaning

Fri. May 13 Group 3 Altar Cleaning

Fri. May 20 Group 4 Altar Cleaning

Fri. May 27 Group 1 Altar Cleaning

Sun. May 8 May Crowning 10:00AM

Sat. May 14 First Communion rehearsal 2:00PM

Sun. May 15 First Communion 9:00AM

Thurs. May 19 TNT Neighborhood Watch Group 7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Wed. May 25 Catholic Golden Ages 7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center



Remember: Christopher Aldrich, Judy Banky, Albert

Bleskoski, Antonietta Briggs, Lorna Dodge Burton,

Rosaria Campolo, Mike Cannavino, Robert Capria,

Paul Collins, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini,

Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Dizenzo,

Norma Foody, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Jim Gouchie,

Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Alan "Butch" Hierholzer,

Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rose-

mary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Carolyn Longo, Joanne Loughney,

Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Bernice McClelland, Carol

McGuire, David Miccinelli, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich,

Shelby Ohstrom, Jean Padden, Nancy Pompo, Patty Schramm,

Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Sup-

pes, Sister Theresa Thayer IHM, Barbara Traino, Richard Ven-

trone, Shelly Visco, Pat Wall and Eileen Weir.



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