

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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May 8, 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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“I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one.” - Jn 17:22-23a

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7th Sunday Of Easter

"...That the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them." In this beautiful and heartfelt prayer to God the Father, Jesus expresses his deep desire for unity. He prays that "those who will believe in me... may all be one." This unity is meant to be an effect of the love that believers experience through their own unity with God. When we are filled with the love of God, we can truly be united to one another.

Why? Because God's love loves everyone. God's love sees the dignity of every human person, made in his own image. God's love does not allow room for grudges and schisms. It is always ready to forgive and embrace. This kind of love leads to the interpersonal unity that Jesus prayed we would have for one another.

But, alas, we get into fights. We argue, we criticize, we take revenge. We cause division where there ought to be unity. It's especially tragic when this happens among Christians. Whether it be petty infighting in a parish setting, family strife among those who practice the same faith, or animosity among Catholics and members of other Christian denominations, it matters little. All of these situations stand in stark contrast to the unity that Jesus desired for us. Being instruments of this true Christian unity begins in our own hearts. Instead of finding fault in others, we would do well to ask ourselves how open we truly are to God's love. Have we, like Jesus, prayed that this divine love would be in us? Have we tried to look upon others with the loving eyes of God? When we approach the inevitable conflicts in life with a heart full of God's love, we can begin to serve as ambassadors of the unity that Christ so deeply desired.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Administrator Father Daniel Caruso

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Office Assistant Mary Olmsted

Organist Melissa Berthelot

Cantor Jonathan Howell

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

Please join us this Sunday at 10:00AM for the May Crowning. This will be the last class of the year for all students. Reminder that there will be a First Communion parents' meeting next Saturday at 2:00PM in the Church. First Communion will be next Sunday at 9:00AM.



Mother's Day Blessing

The Synod on the Family was last October, and we now wait for Pope Francis to release his statement on what to do to strengthen the family in the twenty-first century. Many say that the family is under attack and we need to focus more intently on family values. One thing we may all agree on is the centrality of the figure of the mother in all families. It is that primary and central role of mother that draws family together. The mother is the glue that binds all families together. As we celebrate the tradition of Mother's Day, let us pray for our mothers, both living and deceased.

Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, creator of all good things in the universe, your Son, Jesus Christ, loved his Mother and modeled for us how we should love our mothers.

Bless all the women in our lives who model for us the love of a mother. Protect them and encourage them to love as you have loved us.

Bless and protect those men in families who have no female partners and give them courage and strength to love their children in the absence of a mother.

We ask all this in your name.
Amen.



HAPPY Mother's Day



Sharing The Gospel

If pieces are missing from a jigsaw puzzle, you cannot see the whole picture. If keys are missing from a piano, you cannot hear a whole song. When Christians do not work well together, the world cannot see how great and loving God is. Jesus prayed that all of us would stay close to God and to one another. Do your part. Encourage other Christians.

Prayer

God, I want the world to see how good you are. Help me to be good and loving to all Christians.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of you and other children from your church collecting food for the poor.

Mission for the Week

Plan a service project with children from another Christian church in your area. Collect food for a food pantry, or sing songs to the grandmas and grandpas in a nursing home.

7th Sunday of Easter

Parents of young children spend a lot of time teaching them manners. It is part of the socialization process in which three-, four-, and five-year-olds learn to come outside of themselves. They begin to recognize that there are others in the world, and that unlike in their infancy when all attention was focused on them, they now discover that they must interact with others who also have a claim on the social order. By teaching young children not only the words, but also the concepts of "please" and "thank you," parents assist their youngsters in finding a place in society. Children learn that they need to share, that not everything belongs to them. They discover that they must interact with others to get things to work properly. "Please" and "thank you" acknowledges that outsiders also have rights.



All this brings us to Sunday's Gospel. There are only a few places in the New Testament in which we actually hear Jesus pray. The Gospel today is one of those. As he addresses the Father he prays not only for the disciples gathered with him at the Last Supper, but he also prays for us. He asks that we may be one and that we may be brought to perfection. Across two thousand years of time, Jesus is asking his Father to take care of us today!

"Please" and "thank you" are key words in prayer. They are actually part of three of the four traditional forms of prayer. Petition (asking for ourselves) and Intercession (asking on behalf of others) are "please." A prayer of thanksgiving is, of course, "thank you." The fourth type of prayer is adoration or praise. In his prayer, Jesus is interceding for us with his Father. It is the kind of prayer we can emulate, getting us out of ourselves as we ask God to be attentive to the needs of so many others in this world.



Annual HOPE Appeal

The Annual HOPE Appeal will kick off next weekend in our parish. The programs, services and ministries supported by the Annual HOPE Appeal help meet the needs of people in our parish and diocese. The HOPE Appeal serves all of us in different ways. Your financial support is needed to further the good works of the Appeal.

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Jesus tells us today, "you are my witnesses" and guarantees the "promise of the Father" to "clothe us with the power" to accomplish this mission. It is not worldly power which dominates and manipulates. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.



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Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

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

SJB/HT 9:00 am - All Mothers Deceased

10:00 am - May Crowning

OLP/SP 10:30 am

Mon. - May 9, 2016

12:00 Noon - Fred Crinnin - Marian & Family

Tues. - May 10, 2016 - St. Damien de Veuster, priest

12:00 Noon - Poor souls in purgatory

Wed. - May 11, 2016

Thurs. - May 12, 2016 - Sts. Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras, martyr

Fri. - May 13, 2016 - Our Lady of Fatima

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Jim Grimes - The Family
William N. Rogers - Ralph Habib

Sat. - May 14, 2016 - Vigil - Pentecost Sunday

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Bridget Salanger - Mary Salanger
John Hessmiller - Mike Morga
Mark Riley - Mike Morga
Frances Crossman - Mr. & Mrs. Peter Starowicz

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - May 15, 2016 - Pentecost Sunday

OLP/SP 8:00 am

9:00 am - Salvatore Noto - Sal & Vick Campanino
John & Hannah Markert - The Family
Mary Kane - The Family
Maria Carello - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

OLP/SP 10:30 am

The Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn in memory of

Raffaele DeMichele

Requested by

The Family



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

Sunday Collection April 30th & May 1st

Regular Envelope collection	\$4,995.25
Loose collection	\$473.00
Poor collection	\$238.00
Fuel collection	\$177.00



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 14th & Sunday, May 15th

LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ First Communion Children

ALTAR SERVERS:

4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Nicholas & Matthew Lorenzo,
Luis & Aleda Guerrero

EUCHARIST:

4:00PM ~ P. Serio, G. Larkin, J. LaVergne, M.E. Cusano,
F. Sanzone, L. Sanzone, T. Bartorillo

9:00AM ~ M. Piazza, L. Argiro, J. Mott, P. Schramm,
K. Fekete, R. Elderbroom, Michael Dykeman



- 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 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 Agers 7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center



Remember: Christopher Aldrich, 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, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Carolyn Longo, Joanne Loughney, Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Bernice McClelland, Carol McGuire, David Miccinelli, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Jean Padden, Nancy Pompo, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Sister Theresa Thayer IHM, Barbara Traino, Richard Ventrone, Shelly Visco, Pat Wall and Eileen Weir.

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