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May 22, 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 E-mail - <u>nbergeson@syrdio.org</u> Web Site - <u>www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com</u>



"He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you." - Jn 16:14-15

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The Most Holy Trinity

"The Spirit of truth... will take from what is mine and declare it to you." Jesus says in today's Gospel that the Spirit declares something to US. We actually have a kind of share in the blessed life of the Trinity through this spiritual declaration. In particular, God gives us the gift of his truth. Traditionally, we say that God--the Blessed Trinity--is the source of all truth, beauty, and goodness. Today's reading reminds us that truth exists, that it comes from God, and that we can know it, hear it, and live according to it. "But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

This is so important to remember in today's cultural climate. These days, the very idea of truth is a touchy subject. Because there is so much focus on tolerance and not offending anyone, we tend to shy away from discussions about "absolute" truth. Instead, we hear a lot of talk about "what's true for me" or "what's true for you." Too often we get confused about how to respect others' differing beliefs while still maintaining our own. Instead of embracing the fact that there is real truth--like, for example, the truth that God became man and was born of Mary--it is more popular to refer to "beliefs" and "traditions" and "practices," emphasizing that these things differ among people. Yes, those things differ. But truth does not change. Either Jesus is God, or he isn't. Either his claims were true or they weren't. It's not a matter of personal opinion.

The Holy Spirit helps to convince us of what is really right. But we needn't fear that this will lead us to be intolerant. It is this same Spirit within us that brings the fruits of love, peace, patience, kindness, and generosity.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff Administrator Father Daniel Caruso Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson Religious Education Catherine Mackey

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

We would like to congratulate our **Cathy Mackey** on receiving her certificate as a Director of Faith Formation from Bishop Cunningham at Pathways to Ministry on June 8. She will also be recognized by the dio-

cese for having 5 years of service as a Catechetical Leader. Well done and a big Thank You Cathy from SJB/HT parish.

Sharing The Gospel



The disciples learned a lot from Jesus, but he knew they still needed to learn more. That's why Jesus asked God the Father to send the Holy Spirit to his

friends. Jesus knew that the Holy Spirit would stay with them, to teach them everything Jesus wanted them to know.

Prayer

Dear God, I want the Holy Spirit to teach me more about Jesus, too.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of a large triangle. Inside of it, write these words: Father, Son, Spirit.

Mission for the Week

As you read a Bible story tonight before bed, ask the Holy Spirit to teach you what Jesus wants you to learn.



The words of Jesus in today's Gospel, "I have many things to say to you, but you cannot hear them now," could have been said by any parent. It can be frustrating because our desire to guide is often misinterpreted or poorly received. We con not program our children. We can only teach, lead and trust the Spirit of truth will guide them.

Annual HOPE Appeal

Remember to return your pledge card to the parish today. You may place completed pledges in the collection basket or mail them to the rectory. **PLEASE make all checks payable to HOPE Appeal.** Many thanks to all of you who are retuning your pledge cards this weekend. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at <u>www.syrdio.org.</u>



All Faiths Food Pantry Donations

Your non perishable food donations can still be brought and left in the Food Wagons in the vestibules of the Church.

If you would like to make a monetary donation please make checks payable to ***"All Faiths Food Pantry"***

The Most Holy Trinity

In the run-up to this Memorial Day weekend you've probably seen veterans out and about holding donation canisters and sporting little paper reproductions of poppies. It was Canadian Lt. Col.



John McCrae's famous World War I memorial poem, "In Flanders Fields," which inspired the remembrance poppy that is seen at this time of year. While McCrae popularized the red poppy that grew in the cemeteries of France, another man used a different plant to help people remember. Patrick, Apostle to Ireland, used a shamrock, a three-petal leaf to offer a visual explanation of the Holy Trinity, a theological concept that can be difficult to comprehend. Since the leaf is really one, even though it has three lobes, it was a perfect example of the triune God-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, three persons in one God.

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus illuminates the mystery of the Trinity by telling his disciples that the Holy Spirit will guide them to the truth. Jesus indicates that the Holy Spirit shares what is his and he shares what is the Father's. Through centuries of reflection and theological discussion, the church slowly came to perceive the mystery of the Trinity as three persons in one God. While the Father is not the Son, and the Son is not the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit is not the Father, all are God.

Patrick's shamrock was his attempt to help people gain an insight into what is essentially a mystery beyond our understanding. What we do believe is that this God who is three persons is also pure and undivided love. On this weekend when we honor those who gave the full measure of their devotion by wearing red poppies, we also celebrate the One whose love and devotion to his people is undivided and unending. That One is God, the eternal loving Father, the Son who gave his life for us, and the Spirit that is poured into our hearts.

Joseph's House Golf Tournament

Maine's cash and carry has a great give back program

Second Annual Birdies For Babies Monday, June 13 at Drumlins Country Club. Captain and Crew \$125 per person includes golf, lunch and dinner. Dinner only \$50.00. Contact Joe Convertino Jr. at jconvertinojr@chinsurance.cc or call 727-4201 or 288-0319 for questions. For more information or register on line go to <u>http://jhfw.org/birdies4babies/</u>

Attention Maine's Shoppers



that St. John's/Holy Trinity is a part of. When you sign up you are given a card that you present at the check out that the cashier will scan. **5% of EACH PURCHASE** is then donated to St. John's/Holy Trinity quarterly. There is no cost to you and sign up is easy. You can ask for a **MEMBER APPLICATION** at the service desk at the store in North Syracuse, or visit <u>www.Mainesource.net</u> and go to non-profits, then give back program, and you can fill out the form and submit it online or contact the rectory as we have forms available.



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Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - May 21, 2016 - Vigil - The Most Holy Trinity SJB/HT 4:00 pm - For The People OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - May 22, 2016 - The Most Holy Trinity OLP/SP 8:00 am SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People OLP/SP 10:30 am

Mon. - May 23, 2016 12:00 Noon - Catherine Mott - The Family Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

Tues. - May 24, 2016 12:00 Noon - All those affected by recent tornados

Wed. - May 25, 2016 - Sts. Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor of the Church, Gregory VII, pope, Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, virgin

Thurs. - May 26, 2016 - St. Philip Neri, priest

Fri. - May 27, 2016 - St. Augustine of Canterbury 11:30 am - Confessions 12:00 Noon - Victims of all violence

Sat. - May 28, 2016 - Vigil - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Albert V. Bleskoski - Ed & Carol McGuire Francis & Loretta Cooney - The Family Anne Grosso - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morga

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - May 29, 2016 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ OLP/SP 8:00 am

9:00 am - Rosalind Pascarella - The Family Giorgio DelVecchio - Anna DelVecchio & Kids Salvatore Noto - Mr. & Mrs. L. Sanzone Michael J. Rafferty & Mary Rafferty -Michael W. Rafferty Dianne-Martell-Rafferty



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

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SJB/HT Web Site

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

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.

Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, the rectory office will be closed and there will be **NO NOON MASS.**



Saturday, May 28th & Sunday, May 29th LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ John Normoyle **9:00AM** ~ Lisa Primerano

ALTAR SERVERS:

4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano 9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Nicholas & Matthew Lorenzo, Luis & Aleda Guerrero

EUCHARIST:

4:00PM ~ R. Copani, R. Bartorillo, T, Bartorillo, L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone, M.E. Cusano, J. LaVergne

9:00AM ~ M.E. Cusano, E. Warren, K. Fekete, F. Brimfield, Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman, P. Schramm



Group 3 Money Counters Group 4 Money Counters
Group 1 Altar Cleaning
Catholic Golden Agers 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center Office Closed - Memorial Day No Noon Mass



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 Direnzo, 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.

Sunday Collection May 14th & May 15th

Regular Envelope collection\$3,399.33
Loose collection \$455.98
Fuel collection \$57.00

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