

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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June 26, 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 answered him, “Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head.” - Lk 9:58

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## Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." What have we left behind? What have we traded in to become faithful followers of Christ?

The answer is different for all of us. Some of us can tell the tale of a dramatic conversion story, leaving behind a life of blatantly selfish indulgence or obviously sinful behavior in order to embrace the call of Jesus. Others of us have been Christians since the day of our baptism as infants and have always walked the path of belief, but perhaps can trace certain moments when we embraced a deeper commitment and resolved to abandon particular behaviors, relationships, or worldly priorities that were in conflict with our faith. Whatever the case, Jesus instructs us today not to look to "what was left behind." Instead, we are called to keep our focus on what lies ahead, namely, life in Christ and the ultimate hope of union with him in heaven.

Keeping this focus can be quite a challenge. So often, it's tempting to think that the grass is greener somewhere else. As Christians, we can fall into the trap of imagining that it might feel better to be ... something else. Perhaps, seeing others around us whose lives are not shaped by their faith, we might think they have it easier than we do. Or perhaps we get lost in reminiscence about the way things were in the good old days, and thus get distracted from the mission that stands in front of us today. But thoughts like these are not fit for our new life as disciples of Christ. As St. Paul says in today's epistle, "For freedom Christ set us free." May we embrace the gift of this true freedom and follow Christ without looking back.

## 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.



## SJB/HT-OLP/SP Clambake

Tuesday, July 19 from 1:00-5:00PM. Hinderwadels 5300 West Taft Road. \$40.00 per person.

We will be taking reservations at all Masses or at the rectory until July 7. NO reservations will be taken at the door. Call the office with any questions. There will also be a 50/50 and basket raffles as well. The menu is endless.

## Sharing The Gospel

Jesus knew that following him would not be easy. He could have made a lot of money. He could have had a beautiful home and a family to enjoy it with. Instead, Jesus chose to walk from town to town, teaching people about God. He gave up having nice things so that he could stay focused on God's work. That's what he asked his disciples to do, too.



## Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank you for giving up so much, so that I could grow close to God.

## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus walking with his friends.

## Mission for the Week

I will love God more than all the things he has given me.

## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

Today's Gospel reminds us once we set our "hand to the plow" of parenting and marriage, "We cannot look back." This is what commitment means: we have said YES to what was, what is and to what can be.

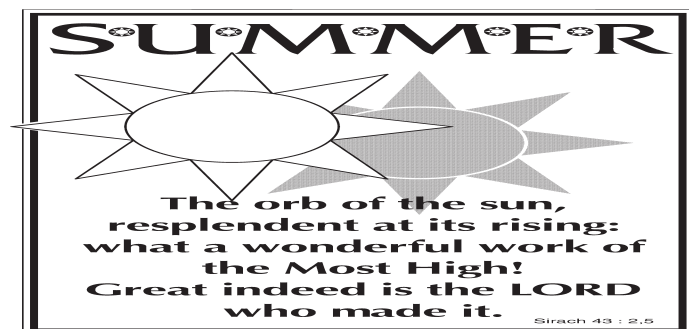


## Annual HOPE Appeal

If you have not yet responded to the HOPE Appeal, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge to help support the needs of our diocese. **Remember to please make out your checks directly to HOPE Appeal.** You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at [www.syrдио.org](http://www.syrдио.org).

## Peter's Pence Collection

With the Peter's Pence envelope, we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, this collection is an opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. We ask that you prayerfully make a donation.



## International Food Festival

Mark your calendars for the SJB/HT International Food Festival on Saturday, November 12. Our parish chefs will create their delicious dishes! Baked good, 50-50, basket and turkey raffles will also be on hand. If you would like to be a chef or make a baked good donation call the rectory to sign-up. We will accept donations for the basket raffle here at the rectory anytime. The International Festival has always been an amazing amount of fun and gathering for our community. Please put November 12 on your calendar to attend.



## 13th Sunday In Ordinary Time

We all have our disappointments in life. They can range from the inconsequential (the store is out of the brand of laundry soap that I have a coupon for) to the very significant (a diagnosis of cancer or another serious illness). And we all deal with disappointments in different ways. Young children are very good at "catastrophizing" a disappointment. Mom's refusal to get that wanted candy bar in the grocery checkout line can lead to a tantrum. But as any mother knows, not giving in to a child's tantrum is teaching a lesson on how to deal with the inevitable disappointments that are part of each person's life.

In this weekend's Gospel, James and John certainly weren't happy that a Samaritan village was not very welcoming to Jesus and his band of disciples. Recall that Samaritans believed that the place to worship God was on Mt. Gerizim, and because Jesus and his disciples were on the way to Jerusalem, the Samaritans were not interested in aiding his mission. Almost like five-year-olds at the candy display in the grocery checkout line, James and John were ready to call down fire from heaven to wipe out the Samaritans. Jesus did not hesitate to rebuke them for their outburst. On the other hand, even Jesus seemed to express his own sense of disappointment when he says in the Gospel to someone who wants to follow him, "The Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head" (Lk 9:58).

How we deal with disappointment is a sign of maturity. Jesus makes the point in the Gospel that we have to move forward. Letting go of regrets and looking to the future is wholesome everyday advice. But putting those ideas into the realm of faith means that we confess our sins and seek absolution (the letting go) and direct our lives to God's kingdom. It is looking toward our ultimate future, which is eternal life in heaven.

*And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." — Lk 9:61-62*

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## Sunday Collection June 18th and June 19th

Regular Envelope collection .....	\$3,207.12
Loose collection .....	\$448.00
Religious Education collection .....	\$199.25
Mission collection .....	\$891.50



## Mass Schedule for

### St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

**Sat. - June 25, 2016 - Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**SJB/HT 4:00 pm** - Alfred Mastroiano, Sr. - Daughter, Diana

Richard Cooper - Ed & Carol McGuire

Tony Spina - The DeMichele Family

Mr. & Mrs. William Hatter - Daughter, Susan & Family

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**

**Sun. - June 26, 2016 - Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 8:00 am**

**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Anthony DelVecchio - Wife & Children

Pat DeSalvo - The Family

Joseph Gangemi - Mary, Ellen & Michael

Salvatore Noto - Mr. & Mrs. Edward McCormick

**OLP/SP 10:30 am**

**Mon. - June 27, 2016 - St. Cyril of Alexandria,  
bishop & doctor of the Church**

**12:00 Noon** - The sick of our parish

**Tues. - June 28, 2016 - St. Irenaeus, bishop & martyr**

**12:00 Noon** - The end of all terrorist attacks

**Wed. - June 29, 2016 - Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles**

**Thurs. - June 30, 2016 - The first martyrs of the  
Holy Roman Church**

**Fri. - July 1, 2016 - Blessed Junipero Serra, priest**

**11:30 am - Confessions**

**12:00 Noon** - The Pope and Church

**Sat. - July 2, 2016 - Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**SJB/HT 4:00 pm** - For The People

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**

**Sun. - July 3, 2016 - Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 8:00 am**

**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - For The People

**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.**



**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Albert Bleskoski, Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, 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.

## Rectory Closed

The Rectory will be closed on Monday, July 4 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday. There is **NO NOON MASS** either.



**Saturday, July 2nd & Sunday, July 3rd**

### LECTORS:

**4:00PM** ~ Lori Weir

**9:00AM** ~ Ashley Murphy

### ALTAR SERVERS:

**4:00PM** ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

### EUCCHARIST:

**4:00PM** ~ L. Weir, M.E. Cusano, T. Bartorillo, R. Bartorillo, R. Copani, P. Serio

**9:00AM** ~ Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman, F. Brimfield, E. Warren, P. Schramm, R. Elderbroom, C. Horton



**Sun. June 26** Group 4 Money Counters

**Sun. July 3** Group 1 Money Counters

**Sun. July 10** Group 2 Money Counters

**Sun. July 17** Group 3 Money Counters

**Sun. July 24** Group 4 Money Counters

**Sun. July 31** Group 1 Money Counters

**Fri. July 1** Group 2 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. July 8** Group 3 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. July 15** Group 4 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. July 22** Group 1 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. July 29** Group 2 Altar Cleaners

**Wed. June 29** Catholic Golden Ages 7:00PM  
SJB/HT Parish Center

**Tues. July 19** SJB/HT-OLP/SP Clambake 1:00-5:00PM  
Hinderwadel's

**Wed. July 27** Catholic Golden Ages 7:00PM  
SJB/HT Parish Center

## The Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn in memory of

**Pat DeSalvo**

Requested by

**Tish DeSalvo**



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