

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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July 10, 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.

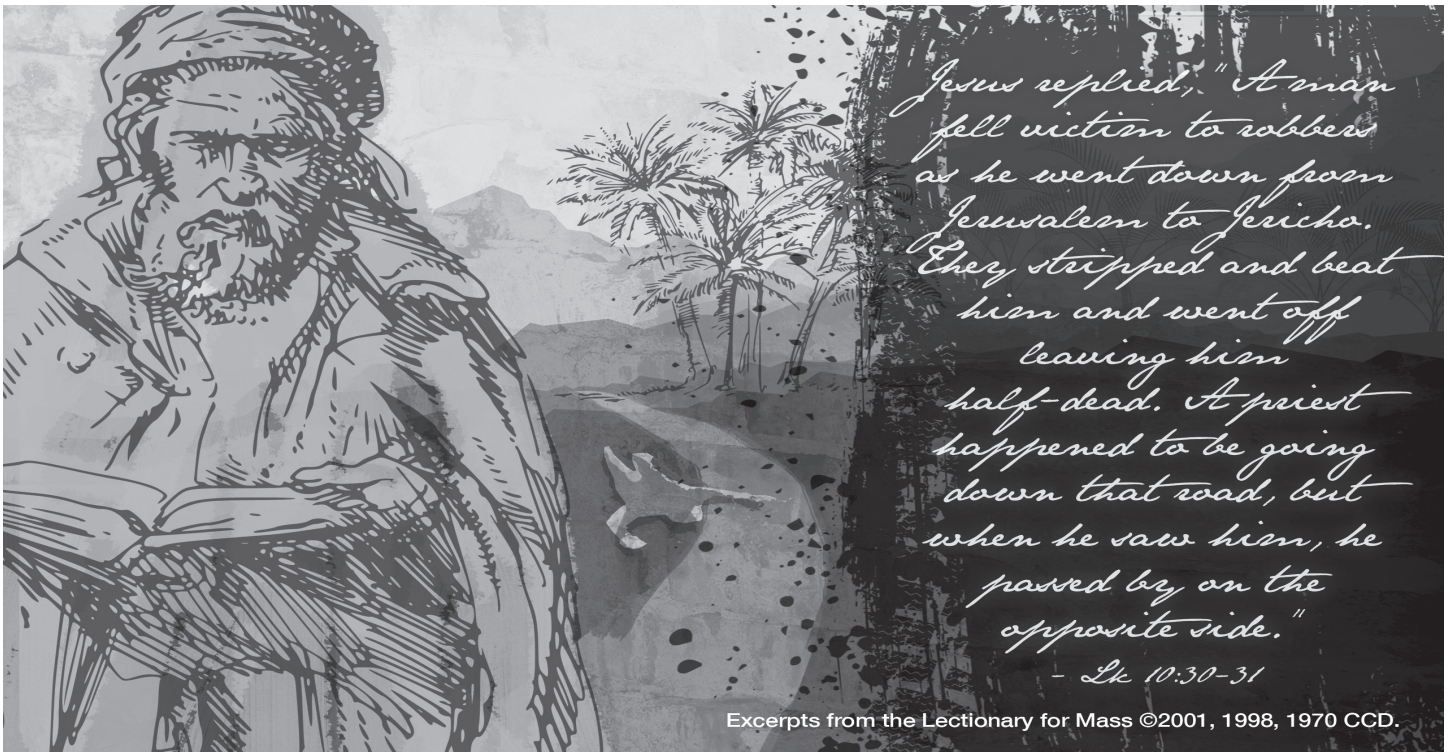
## Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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## Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"He replied to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this and you will live.'" In today's Gospel a scholar questions Jesus about how to gain eternal life. In case anyone ever wonders whether heaven is within reach, one only needs to refer to this Gospel. Jesus provides a clear answer that gives us a clear plan of action: We are to love God with all that we are, and also to love our neighbors. Really, it's that simple.

The scholar, however, complicated things to make himself look better. Instead of accepting the simplicity of Jesus' instruction, he wanted to split hairs, asking, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied with the story of the Good Samaritan-and the lesson that our neighbors are not just those we know or love. Rather, our neighbor is the person that needs our help, the person whom we would rather ignore, the person whom God puts in our path. In short, everyone is our neighbor and we are called to treat everyone with mercy. This is part of how we gain eternal life.

But this flows from the first element of Jesus' answer. First and foremost, Jesus instructs us to love God "with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind." When we love God in this way, truly as the Lord of our life, then loving our neighbors becomes the easy part. When our hearts and minds are full of the love of God-who loves all people-then it will necessarily follow that we too will desire to share that love with others and not count the cost.

The Good Samaritan is an excellent example of this kind of love. Without hope of repayment, he gave of his time and his money to help the poor victim. But in return, the Samaritan will surely "gain eternal life."

## 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.

## Sharing The Gospel

Jesus wants you to love your neighbors. He wants you to help your neighbors. You could help the people who live next door, or the people that go to your church. But Jesus wants you to think bigger than that. Jesus wants you to help people all around the world - no matter where they live, and no matter what they believe.



### Prayer

Dear God, show me how to help others around the world.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of people holding hands all around the world. They are all our neighbors.

### Mission for the Week

Ask your parents if your family could give money to help the missions in another country.



## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the good Samaritan, or do they see you avoiding others like the Levite in today's Gospel. Worry more about what your children see in your life than what they see on TV.

## SJBA Class of 1976 40th Year Reunion

Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 6 PM

Contact: [annbeanne@aol.com](mailto:annbeanne@aol.com) or

call/text 315-727-9182 for information.

We are looking for the following classmates, John Hughes, Laura Dauenhauer Donegan, Kathy Hess Cszakowski, John Papini, Lisa Rivera & Mike Sommers. Please contact Anne Pascarella Piraino with any information.



## Men In Black Softball Game

Sunday, August 7th at 6pm, the Men In Black team of priests and seminarians will play a softball game against the parish of St. James in Syracuse to raise vocation awareness. The game will be held across from the parish at Meachem Field. As parishes combine and the number of priests in the diocese decreases, it is important for young people to see that priesthood is a healthy and fun option for their lives. Most people only meet their parish priest at church on Sundays. This game is aimed at opening their eyes to new possibilities, and creating a positive environment where they can say yes to the call of God. Choosing priesthood today can be a difficult choice, but it is much easier if family and friends support that decision. Fun for the whole family. Admission is free.

## 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"\*\*\*

## 15th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Lawyers don't always fare so well in popular culture. Even the television shows that exalt some aspects of the legal profession (like Law & Order or The Good Wife) also have some lawyers that are less than noble in both their personal and professional lives. Even in Shakespeare's time this ambivalence toward lawyers was evident in Henry VI, Part 2 when Dick the butcher, one of the rebels, proposes to kill all the lawyers since by their arguments they can have a man condemned as easily as freed. Still, every day people turn to lawyers seeking their help with a host of problems. The love-hate relationship continues.



In the Gospel this weekend, the scholar of the law is looking for the way to life. His question is sincere. He is trying to understand what is required of him. He can quote the law, indeed, probably even lives by it. But the question of who is a neighbor is one of legal precision. The interpretation of the Mosaic law based the fact of one being a neighbor on a covenantal relationship. Those who worshipped the one God were considered as one's neighbor. In the time of Jesus this narrow interpretation was being reconsidered. Some religious scholars suggested that a more universal application was needed, while others held to the tradition that Samaritans, foreigners, and those outside the law were not neighbors under the law. Jesus makes his position clear, although by coming at it from the other direction. It is the Samaritan who shows himself to be a neighbor.

Maybe that is where the argument lies for us today. We cannot define with legal precision who is going to be a neighbor to us. All we can do is decide to be neighborly toward others, that is, to show them the very love with which we love ourselves. And then rely on God's mercy that someone will be there for us as a neighbor in our time of need.



## Bishop's Vocations Picnic

The Bishop's annual Vocations Picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 10th, 5pm at St. Joseph Church in Lafayette. Bishop Cunningham invites high school and college students to spend some time with religious sisters, brothers, priests and seminarians. There will be a BBQ dinner and activities to assist in vocation discernment. For more information or to RSVP (by Aug 4th, please), contact Father Joe O'Connor at 315-470-1468 or [jocconnor@syrдио.org](mailto:jocconnor@syrдио.org).

## From Emmaus Ministry

A great parish or family service opportunity to help the homeless! "EMMAUS MINISTRY'S-TO THE STREETS WALK/RUN EVENT" on July 23 begins and ends at Columbus Circle. 7AM Registration - runners begin at 8AM; walkers at 8:15AM. For more information or to sign up go to [EMMAUSMINISTRY.ORG](http://EMMAUSMINISTRY.ORG) or call Sheila Austin at 315-256-1982.



## Sunday Collection July 2nd and July 3rd

Regular Envelope collection .....	\$4,446.75
Loose collection .....	\$709.47
Poor collection .....	\$189.00





## Mass Schedule for

### St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

**Sat. - July 9, 2016 - Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**SJB/HT 4:00 pm** - Frances Bleskoski - Bill & Sue Judge

Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

Deceased members Campagna & Ventre Families -

Pat & Nancy Campagna

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**

**Sun. - July 10, 2016 - Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 8:00 am**

**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Chuck McManus - The Family

Stella Sobon - The Family

Larry Loughney - The Family

Maria Papa - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

**OLP/SP 10:30 am**

**Mon. - July 11, 2016 - St. Benedict, abbot**

**12:00 Noon** - Bill Kwasigroch - Wife

**Tues. - July 12, 2016 -**

**12:00 Noon** - Mary McAuliffe - Mary Salanger

Katherine Kerwin - Mary Salanger

**Wed. - July 13, 2016 - St. Henry**

**Thurs. - July 14, 2016 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin**

**Fri. - July 15, 2016 - St. Bonaventure,**

**bishop & doctor of the Church**

**11:30 am - Confessions**

**12:00 Noon** - The Pope and all priest and religious

**Sat. - July 16, 2016 - Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

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

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**

**Sun. - July 17, 2016 - Sixteenth 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 Drenzo, 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, 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 and Pat Wall.



## Rectory Closed

On Tuesday, July 19 the rectory will be closed at 12:00 Noon due to the SJB/HT and OLP/SP clambake.

**There is still a scheduled Noon Mass.**

**Saturday, July 16th & Sunday, July 17th**

### LECTORS:

**4:00PM** ~ John Normoyle

**9:00AM** ~ John Robinson

### ALTAR SERVERS:

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

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

### EUCCHARIST:

**4:00PM** ~ L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone, R. Bartorillo, T. Bartorillo,

J. LaVergne, G. Larkin, M.E. Cusano

**9:00AM** ~ E. Warren, M. Piazza, R. Elderbroom, M.E. Cusano,

F. Brimfield, K. Fekete, P. Schramm



**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 15** Group 4 Altar Cleaners

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

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

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

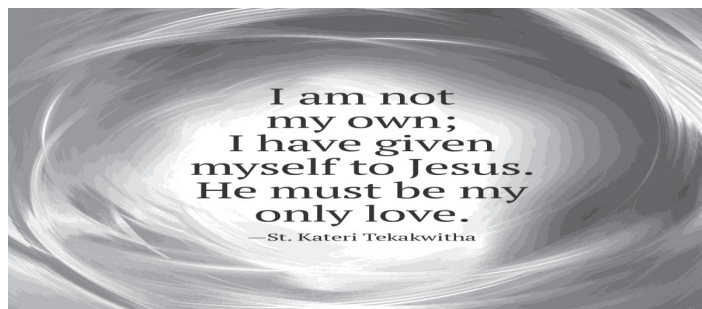
**Thurs. July 21** TNT Neighborhood Watch 7:00PM  
SJB/HT Parish Center

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



## Office Of Youth And Young Adult Ministry

As part of the Year of Mercy celebrations being hosted by our diocese, Bishop Cunningham is offering a holy hour of prayer for our youth. We invite the youth and families of your parish to join Bishop Cunningham at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, July 17 from 2:00-3:00pm to give thanks for our young people and to entrust their lives to His mercy.



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