

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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July 17, 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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*The Lord said to her
in reply, "Martha,
Martha, you are
anxious and
worried about many
things. There is need
of only one thing.
Mary has chosen the
better part and it will
not be taken from
her." - Lk 10:41-42*



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Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Martha was caught up in a whirlwind of her own making. She stressed herself out with all the tasks and chores she thought she had to do to host Jesus, but Jesus wasn't the one who expected all of that. He just wanted Martha's presence, her company and friendship. His only expectation was that Martha would prepare for him her heart, but she was fixated on preparing her home instead.

How often do we create a similar whirlwind in our lives? How often do we fixate on external details, on making a good impression, on having all appearances looking just so, but forget what really matters? How often do we make ourselves "anxious and worried" about all we think we have to do? In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to stop the frenetic activity of our lives, to pause and listen, imitating Mary "who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak."

This can seem impossible. We look at our calendars and our to-do lists and cannot find a single slot in which to squeeze quiet prayer or silent spiritual listening. But Jesus asks us to reorganize our priorities. He tells us, "There is need of only one thing." Really, Jesus? Have you seen our lists!? What can we possibly eliminate? Don't we need to do all of this?

The Lord says no. What we need to do is to make time to be with him. The same Lord who turned water into wine and fed five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish can also multiply our time. So instead of being like Martha who tried to tell Jesus what to do—"Tell her to help me"—let's be like Mary who listened to what Jesus had to say.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Administrator Father Daniel Caruso

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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

God created work for each of us to do, and it is important to do it. But Martha was upset because she forgot to stop and make time for Jesus. Mary had the right idea. She took a break from her work to listen to Jesus. Time with Jesus is precious, so we need to make time to rest and enjoy his love.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for reminding me to stop and enjoy time with you.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself sitting next to Jesus in your favorite chair.

Mission for the Week

Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible or praying at meal time.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Cell phones, emails, faxes, texts and voice mails can reduce our lives to a continual series of interrupted moments. Listen to Jesus in today's Gospel: "You are anxious about many things" robbing us of the precious time needed to be with others. Quality time is Quantity time.

SJBA Class of 1976 40th Year Reunion

Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 6 PM

Contact: 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.



St. Stephen Lutheran Church

Dave Hanlon's Cookbook has been playing its high-energy Rhythm and Blues dance music throughout the Northeast for the last 30 plus years.

Cookbook has won three of the highly prestigious SAMMY awards and Dave Hanlon has won the SAMMY Hall of Fame Award. Join them at St. Stephen's on Sunday, August 14, 4:00PM, 873 DeWitt Street. Good music, good dancing and good fun with an outdoor barbeque! Inquiries: 479-9912.

The Arts & Music festival ministry at St. Stephen provides a safe environment for all people to come together and enjoy entertainment, education, food, fun and fellowship. A suggested donation of \$10 for adults; children are free.

Triduum To St. Anne

St. Vincent de Paul Church, 342 Vine Street, Triduum to St. Anne is July 24, Mass at 7:00PM, July 25, Healing Ceremony at 7:00PM, July 26 Blessing of the children and feast day at 12:00 Noon and Outdoor procession with rosary (weather permitting at 7:00PM).



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.

16th Sunday In Ordinary Time

In any household with more than one child, parents have to deal with sibling rivalry. The more benign forms find expression in simple competition, in which one child strives to do better than another in contests or sports. At other times, the rivalry shows itself in a negative light, offering up comments on who's not doing what, whether that is schoolwork or household chores. The supposedly aggrieved child has a heightened sense of justice, often proclaiming that the other child seems to get away with doing less.

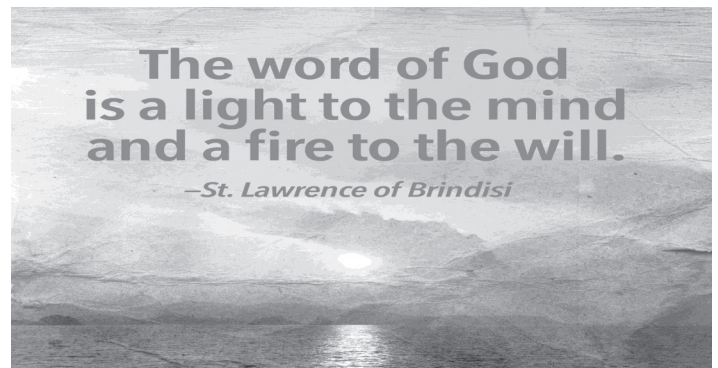


It almost seems as though this is what is playing out in the Gospel story today between Martha and Mary. Martha wants Jesus to be the arbiter of the dispute, much as if she would be running to Mom or Dad. Mary seems to have found the sweet spot, sitting at the Teacher's feet. Plenty of German-inspired stained glass windows show exactly that, portraying Mary with an almost beatific quality to her face, while Martha stands in the background with a rather sour grimace. Jesus sits between them as though he is the referee between the two feuding sisters.

Since the time of Augustine the story of Martha and Mary has often been interpreted as a commentary on the difference between the active and contemplative life-with the contemplative winning out. It's hard to imagine that a Gospel such as Luke's, so filled with stories of compassion and assistance, would profess that view. It is Luke's Gospel that includes the story of the good Samaritan, the classic example of active love of neighbor. Maybe a better way for us to understand the story of Martha and Mary is this: Mary's example is a reminder that we must clearly hear what Jesus is teaching. We cannot just run about acting as we always have. Rather, we need to take his teaching to heart, and in that way ensure that our actions are based on his commands.

Sunday Collection July 9th and July 10

Regular Envelope collection	\$4,421.25
Loose collection	\$349.00
Fuelcollection	\$548.00



Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

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

Mon. - July 18, 2016 - St. Camillus de Lellis, priest
12:00 Noon - Marian Crinnin - Marie Schotthoefer

Tues. - July 19, 2016
12:00 Noon - Rose Egle - The Family

Wed. - July 20, 2016 - St. Apollinaris, bishop & martyr

Thurs. - July 21, 2016 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi,
priest & doctor of the Church

Fri. - July 22, 2016 - St. Mary Magdalene
11:30 am - Confessions
12:00 Noon - Recently deceased of our parish family

Sat. - July 23, 2016 - Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Frances Bleskoski - Ed & Carol McGuire
 Willard Sanderson - The Family
 Eileen Weir - Joan LaVergne
 Carol McGuire - Mary Hennessy

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - July 24, 2016 - Seventeenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
OLP/SP 8:00 am
SJB/HT 9:00 am - Giulia & Chet Palucci - The Palucci Family
 Teresa Grady - Tish DeSalvo
 Pat, Mary, Janet & Joan - The BUNKO Group
 The Schramm Family - The Schramm & King Family
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.

Saturday, July 23rd & Sunday, July 24th

LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ Annette Marchbanks
9:00AM ~ Lisa Primerano

ALTAR SERVERS:

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

EUCCHARIST:

4:00PM ~ J. LaVergne, G. Larkin, M.A. Bergamo, P. Serio,
 G. Mastriano, R. Copani, M.E. Cusano
9:00AM ~ J. Mott, P. Schramm, Michele Dykeman, L. Argiro,
 Michael Dykeman, K. Fekete, M.E. Cusano,



Sun. July 17 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. July 24 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. July 31 Group 1 Money Counters

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 Agers 7:00PM
 SJB/HT Parish Center

St. Mary Magdalene

July 22 is the feast of Mary Magdalene. Who was she and is it true that she was a prostitute who followed Jesus around in his ministry?



Recent biblical scholarship has been trying for a long time to correct Mary Magdalene's misconstrued reputation as a prostitute. Biblical information reveals her as one of the most important disciples of Jesus, following and financially supporting him during his ministry. She is also a faithful witness both to the Crucifixion and the first to see the risen Jesus. Further, in John's Gospel, she is commissioned by the risen Jesus to announce the good news to his disciples. Thus, she becomes the first evangelizer and proclaimer of the risen Lord.

Her reputation as a prostitute arose from the misunderstandings of certain texts in Luke. Luke 8:2 reports Mary as being a follower of Jesus "from whom seven demons had gone out." This passage follows Luke's story of the sinful woman, a prostitute, who bathed Jesus' feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. Since that woman is not named, there came to be an association of that woman with Mary Magdalene, "from whom seven demons had gone out." Thus Mary became known as a prostitute.

The readings and prayers for her feast day make no mention of her reputation as a sinner. Rather, they emphasize and highlight her role as the first witness to the risen Lord, and the first one commissioned by Jesus to tell of the good news to the disciples. Let us continue to be Mary Magdalene to the world.

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