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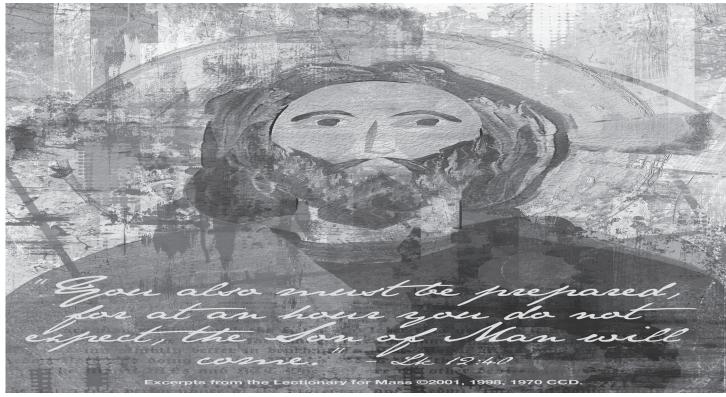
August 7, 2016

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>



Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." The only thing we really know about when Jesus will come again is that we won't be expecting it. As Jesus instructs us today, the best plan of action is thus to be prepared at all times. We need to be ready and waiting to meet Jesus so that when he does return, it won't catch us off guard.

A little thought experiment might be helpful here. Let's imagine that the doorbell rings this evening after dinner. We open the door and find Jesus standing there. He asks to come in. Are we ready for this honored guest? What will he find when he steps in unannounced? Is everyone at peace around the house? Is everyone speaking with love and acting with generosity? Is there anything in our home that, in his presence, we might be ashamed of--books, shows, movies, or music that aren't appropriate? Pictures, Facebook posts, or a record of Internet history that we hope he won't discover?

Now, imagine that he came unannounced into our HEARTS this evening. What would he find there? Are our hearts ready to welcome Jesus? In truth, we need not wait for the second coming to have Jesus in our hearts. He wants to live there already today!

So regardless of the timing of the second coming of Christ, we would do well to follow the traditional spiritual practice of a daily examination of conscience to see where we are doing well and where we need to make changes. Taking such a deliberate spiritual inventory is an excellent way to help us be ready for Jesus like those servants "who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."

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.



SJBA Class of 1976 40th Year Reunion

The graduating class of St. John the Baptist 1976 is holding their 40th year reunion on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 6 PM. Contact: annbeanne@aol.com or call/text her at 315-727-9182 for information.

Sharing The Gospel



One day Jesus will come back from heaven. He could come back any day now - nobody knows when. So, you and I need to be ready. Put God first

in your life. Love God with your whole heart. Live every day in a way that will make Jesus smile. Be ready to go to heaven!

Prayer

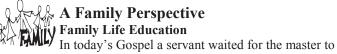
Dear God, help me to stay close to Jesus.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus coming back in the clouds.

Mission for the Week

Every day I will read, play, and listen to things that make God happy.



return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

Altar Cleaning Schedule

The schedule for Sept. - Dec. 2016 can be picked up in the front vestibule of the Church.





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 Nov. 12 on your calendar to attend.

St. John The Baptist Academy Alumni



St. John the Baptist is looking to update it's Alumni records. If you attended and graduated SJBA or attended a few years we would like to hear from you.

Please call Mary at the rectory 478-0916 Mon.-Fri. from 9:00am-12:00 noon, send information addressed to 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or email at molmsted101@yahoo.com. Please include name (maiden name please), address, phone number, email and year that you graduated or years attended.

Sunday Collection July 30th and July 31st

Regular Envelope co	ollection	 \$2 737 75
Loose collection ····		



19th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Consider the variety of ways we use the word "service" to describe the work of different people. Those who work in government are said to have

given themselves to public service. Members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines are all part of the armed services. Hotel and restaurant employees are said to work in the service industries, along with barbers, hair dressers, flight attendants, and entertainers, although it is a bit of a stretch to imagine folks like Jimmy Kimmel, Jay Leno, or Stephen Colbert in the same category as the hotel housekeeping staff. Every one of these service-oriented groups also has its caricature of the lazy, inefficient provider. There's the often joked about drivers' license examiner. There's Beetle Bailey of cartoon fame. And comedy skits about airline stewardesses or hotel maids abound. Yet all of these professions continue to distinguish themselves, despite the occasional "bad apple" that may turn up.

In the Gospel this weekend Jesus makes it clear that a servant (that is, a believer) must be constantly vigilant. Peter asked directly, "Is the parable meant for us or for everyone?" Jesus didn't answer him directly, but went on to add another parable describing the prudent, industrious servant and the lazy one.

We do not know when the Lord will return, and so we cannot rest on our laurels as though one good deed or one proclamation of the Gospel is enough. Yes, we have our employment, our family, our personal needs that we must attend to. But we are also servants of the Lord. When we get up in the morning, while we are preparing for the day and running through in our heads the list of everything we must accomplish that day, one of the things we can ask ourselves is, "What kind of a servant of God am I going to be today?" That can give us a sense of what can guide our actions as we work though the day.

Are You Being Called to Serve the **Church as a Commissioned Lay Minister?**



The Formation for Ministry Program in our diocese prepares individuals to exercise their Baptismal commitment to serve as commissioned lay ministers. This exciting program offers courses, workshops, retreats and supervised field experience which prepare persons to serve as commissioned lay ministers in a wide variety of ministries. Courses are six weeks long and are offered five times a year throughout the Diocese. For more information contact Fr. Vavonese at formation@syrdio.org or (315) 470-1491.



Material Request

Looking for material to cover three of the bulletin boards in the vestibules of the Church. Court St., Park St., and the parking lot entrances. Material that is being requested should be a light solid color (not white or cream) or very simple pattern. The material does not show the pin holes and will remain neater. If you have material please contact the rectory. Thank you.





Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Aug. 6, 2016 - Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Ann Morga - Son, Michael George Lopes - The Dias Family Caroline McGuire - Bill & Sue

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - Aug. 7, 2016 - Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 8:00 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Rosalind Pascarella - The Family August & Julia Loperfido - The Family George Tibbetts - Wife, Sally & Family George Francischelli - Anna DelVecchio & Family OLP/SP 10:30 am

Mon. - Aug. 8, 2016 - St. Dominic, priest 12:00 Noon - The unborn at risk babies

Tues. - Aug. 9, 2016 - St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin & Martyr 12:00 Noon - Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

Wed. - Aug. 10, 2016 - St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr

Thurs. - Aug. 11, 2016 - St. Clare, virgin

Fri. - Aug. 12, 2016 - St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious 11:30 am - Confessions 12:00 Noon - The Pope and all religious

Sat. - Aug. 13, 2016 - Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time SJB/HT 4:00 pm - For The People OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - Aug. 14, 2016 - Twentieth 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 Ca-

pria, 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, David Miccinelli, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Darlene Noyes, 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, August 13th & Sunday, August 14th LECTORS: 4:00PM ~ Sue Retschle 9:00AM ~ John Robinson

ALTAR SERVERS: 4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano 9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Grace Piazza

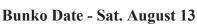
EUCHARIST:

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

9:00AM ~ L. Weir, J. Mott, P. Schramm, E. Warren, Michele Dykeman, K. Fekete, M.E. Cusano



Sun. Aug. 7	Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. Aug. 14	Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Aug. 21	Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. Aug. 28	Group 1 Money Counters
Fri. Aug. 12	Group 4 Altar Cleaners
Fri. Aug. 19	Group 1 Altar Cleaners
Fri. Aug. 26	Group 2 Altar Cleaners
Sat. Aug. 13 Thurs. Aug. 18 Wed. Aug. 24	BUNKO 5:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center TNT Neighborhood Watch 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center Catholic Golden Agers 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



Anyone interested in playing Bunko with our group that meets approximately every 2 months in the SJB/

HT Parish Center on Saturdays 5:00PM, please contact Betty Warren by Wed. August 10 for details. Phone is 420-6357 or email at <u>warrenbeliz@yahoo.com</u>.

> PLEASE, contact Betty if playing as it is important to the set up of the game. Next Bunko night is Sat. August 10.

Our Lady Of Pompei

Our Lady of Pompei is having a 'Once A Pompeian Always A Pompeian' school and Pom-



peian Player reunion! This wonderful event invites everyone Pompei. It is being held on Saturday, October 8th at the events center at LeMoyne College, 5:30-9:00PM. The cost of the evening is \$100.00 per person. The event is not only a fundraiser for the Church and school but surely an evening that will be long remembered and treasured. Reservations are on a first come first serve basis. Please call the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Parish offices at 422-7163 for tickets, and further information or questions.



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