

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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August 20, 2017

Mass Schedule:

Mon., Tues. & Fri.—12:00 Noon

Saturday Vigil—5:30 pm

Sunday—9:00 am

Reconciliation: Fri. 11:30am. Or by appointment.

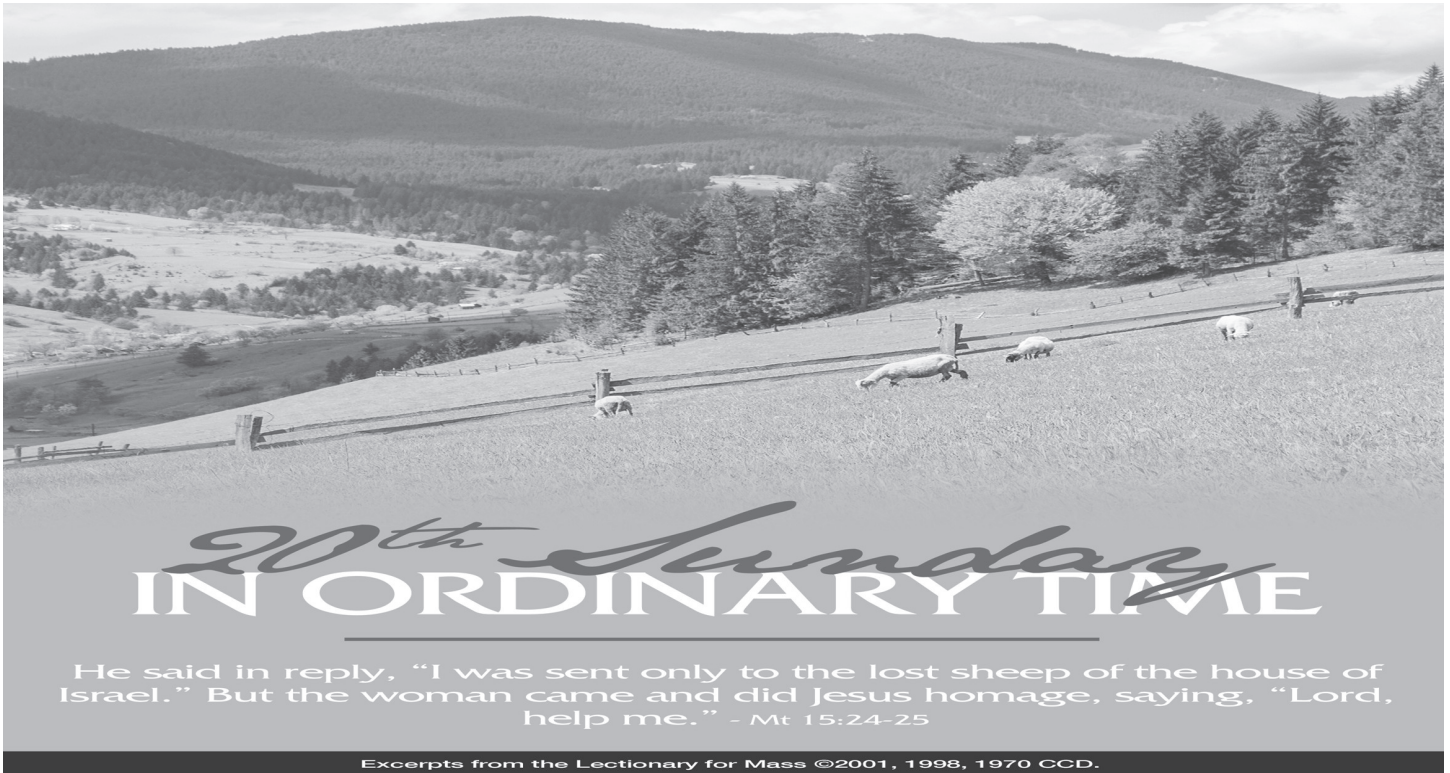
Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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20th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." - Mt 15:24-25

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." This woman was an outsider. She was a Canaanite, not an Israelite, and as such would have been considered ritually unclean. But she approached Jesus nonetheless and asked for his help. And Jesus used this opportunity to teach his disciples an important lesson.

In the verses directly before today's passage, Jesus had told Peter that what defiles a person comes from the heart, not from ignoring external purity practices. Then, Jesus traveled with his disciples from Galilee to the region of Tyre and Sidon where they were much more likely to encounter someone considered to be unclean.

At first it appeared that Jesus wasn't going to acknowledge the woman who begged for help. His comment, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs," was a common comparison between Jews (the children) and Canaanites (the dogs). But, in fact, Jesus said this only to go right ahead and break this social code! He showed by his actions that it did not matter whether someone was Jewish or not, what mattered was the faith in a person's heart. And this woman proved to Jesus and the doubting disciples that she had great faith. How many others would have even approached Jesus to ask for his help? How many others would have persevered when he appeared unresponsive? By pausing in his response, and first mentioning the standard reply, Jesus gave this woman the opportunity to demonstrate her great faith. And then, he answered her request and praised her extraordinary faith. What a lesson for his prejudiced disciples! And what a lesson for us, both to persevere in faith, and never to judge others on mere appearances.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso

Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson

Office Assistant Mary Olmsted

Organist Melissa Berthelot

Cantor Jonathan Howell

Cantor Ryan Boyle

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 met a woman who had amazing faith. She was brave. She was loud. She did not care what anybody else thought. Jesus was the Savior, and she knew he could heal her daughter. Jesus can help you with any problem you have, too. Be brave. Keep asking Jesus for help. God is strong. He can do anything.



Prayer

Jesus, help me to be brave. I know you can do anything.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of the brave woman asking Jesus for help.

Mission for the Week

If you know someone who is sick, be brave and pray about it. Jesus can do anything.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

The mother in today's Gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.

Invitation To

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters Parish Dinner and Show

Please join us for the 2017 Once a Pomeian, Always a Pompeian Dinner and Show. This year we are very happy and proud to be honoring The LeMura Family as distinguished alumni and Beloved Parishioners and Mario DeSantis the much loved "Music Man" of the Pomeian Players. All Community Champions who are very treasured are respected. We are sure you agree these honors are much deserving and hope you will want to be part of this exciting time in whatever way you can. The date is **Saturday, October 7** at LeMoyné College Special Events Center. The evening will start at 5:00pm with a wonderful cocktail/hors d'oeuvre hour with entertainment by the ever so talented Joey Nigro-Nielson and husband John. This will be followed by a fabulous dinner and show of many talents including (but certainly not limited to) the incredible Mario DeSantis Orchestra (with the amazing Maria DeSantis), the wonderful Pompei/St. Peter Choir led by Jim Stanley, the ever so talented LeMoyné student ensembles, numbers from our awesome school children, fantastic alumni and parishioner Betty Etheridge coming in from NYC to sing a very special song, and of course the forever cherished Pompeian Players will be performing numbers from a series of favorites!! The evening will be capped off following the show with an array of desserts and coffee. The cost of the dinner and show is \$100.00 per person. A cash bar will be available throughout the evening. It is sure to be an evening of great celebration, fond reminiscing, delightful company, great food, incredible show and a lifetime of treasured memories! Tickets/tables are on a first come first serve basis. If you are interested in tickets for the dinner/show, sponsorship opportunities or placing an ad or message in the program booklet, please give us a call the Parish offices at 315-422-7163.



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

Our relationships often need reconciling and healing. While it is easy to say, it is often difficult to achieve. Sometimes, reconciling requires that we take down the barriers that are sources of division, remove our prejudices, look beyond differences, and see the "sameness" that connects us one to another. Of course, each party has to be willing to do this in order for healing to occur. Our Gospel shows us the healing that can occur when both parties are willing participants.



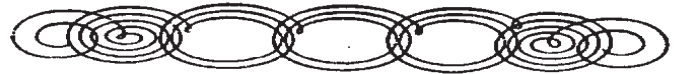
Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is now in the history books and looking back I wonder if I have been changed at all by the observance. Certainly the focus on mercy wasn't all about God's mercy toward me? Yes, I focused on my sin and the need for God's forgiveness and grace, but hopefully that changed how I live my life and how I offer mercy to others.

The mercy we receive from God is not something we are to keep bottled up or hidden from others. Jesus taught us to treat others the way we would like to be treated and to love everyone, even our enemies. When Jesus healed the Canaanite woman I wonder what she did next. I would hope she in turn offered mercy and healing to others. Of course, I know she was imperfect just like me so I am sure in no time she was back to needing the mercy of Jesus. Her demon was gone, but there is always a new evil around every corner.

However, the fact that we are a broken people always in need of mercy does not lessen the command for us to offer mercy. Mercy is a gift like so many others that God lavishes on us with great generosity. We are called to cultivate this and share it with others as well. If we cannot do that then what was the real effect of God's mercy in our lives? If we do not allow God to change us into more generous stewards ready to offer mercy and love to all, then perhaps we are fooling ourselves that we are true disciples of Jesus at all.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Remember: Christopher Aldrich, Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Paul Collins, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, Marilyn Ferretti, Norma Foody, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Gladys Graham, Vincent Gullotto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Carolyn Longo, Joanne Loughney, Maria Luisi, Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Bernice McClelland, David Miccinelli, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Darlene Noyes, Jean Padden, Nancy Pompo, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara Traino, Richard Ventrone and Shelly Visco, Peg Wulfert.



Saturday, Aug. 26th & Sunday, Aug. 27th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ Ashley Murphy

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ R. Copani, P. Serio, G. Larkin, J. LaVergne,
M.E. Cusano, L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone

9:00AM ~ L. Argiro, P. Schramm, J. Mott, R. Elderbroom,
C. Horton, E. Warren, M. Piazza



Sun. Aug. 20 Group 3 Money Counters

Sun. Aug. 27 Group 4 Money Counters

Fri. Aug. 25 Group 2 Altar Cleaners

Wed. Aug. 23 Catholic Golden Agers
SJB/HT Parish Center 7:00PM

3rd Banns of Marriage
Brook Adams and Andrew Abbot



Mass Schedule for
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - August 19, 2017 - 20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Marie Gruninger - The Family
Jean Santarelli - The DeMichele Family
DeMichele Family - Maria DeMichele & Family
Deceased of Pennacchia Family - The Family

Sun. - August 20, 2017 - 20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For the People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - August 21, 2017 - St. Pius X, pope

12:00 Noon - All Souls

Tues. - August 22, 2017 - The Queenship of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00 Noon - All who are terminally ill

Wed. - August 23, 2017 - St. Rose of Lima, virgin

Thurs. - August 24, 2017 - St. Bartholomew, apostle

Fri. - August 25, 2017 - Sts. Louis, Joseph Calasanz, priest

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Luella & Lucille Hatter -
Daughters, Susan & Nancy & Granddaughters

Sat. - August 26, 2017 - 21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For the People

Sun. - August 27, 2017 - 21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Paul Ferretti - Jerry Mott
Pat Wall - Marilyn
Vince & Shirley Visco - The family
Donald Bill - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am



Missionary Appeal Speaker

The weekend of August 26 & 27, we welcome Fr. Neal Pezzulo of the Glenmary Home Missioners who will be speaking at our Masses, telling us about the missionary work his Society is doing in serving the spiritually and materially poor people right here in the United States! This collection for Glenmary Home Missioners marks the annual Mission Awareness presentation promoted by our diocesan Society for the Propagation of the Faith (Mission Office).

Hundreds of U.S. counties do not have a resident priest, and in many of these counties the Catholic Church is not present. That means no celebration of the Eucharist, no sacraments, not even a parish community in which to find fellowship and support. Glenmary Home Missioners are working hard to fill the void, to bring the love of Jesus and His Church to the small towns and rural areas of our nation.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to hear of the Glenmary apostolate in Appalachia and the rural South, and to offer our prayers and financial support for their important ministry in the Church. Please be generous.

A second collection will take place at each Mass and there will be envelopes scattered throughout the pews for this collection.

Celebrating Summer And Life

Join us for a BBQ on the beautiful grounds of Christ the King Retreat House, 500 Brookford Rd. on Friday, August 25 from 5:30-8:00pm. In case of inclement weather, the BBQ will be held indoors. \$5.00 person, \$20.00 max/family, under 5 free. Hamburgers, hot dogs, mac & cheese, salad, drinks and dessert. Please register at <https://summerandlife.eventbrite.com> or call Mary Kortright at 315-472-6754. Sponsored by the Office of family/Respect Life Ministry. The pool will be open with a lifeguard on duty.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Paul Ferretti
requested by the Family.

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



Sunday Collection

Aug. 12th & Aug. 13th and Aug. 19th & Aug. 20th,
will be posted in the Aug. 27th bulletin.

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