

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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August 6, 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.

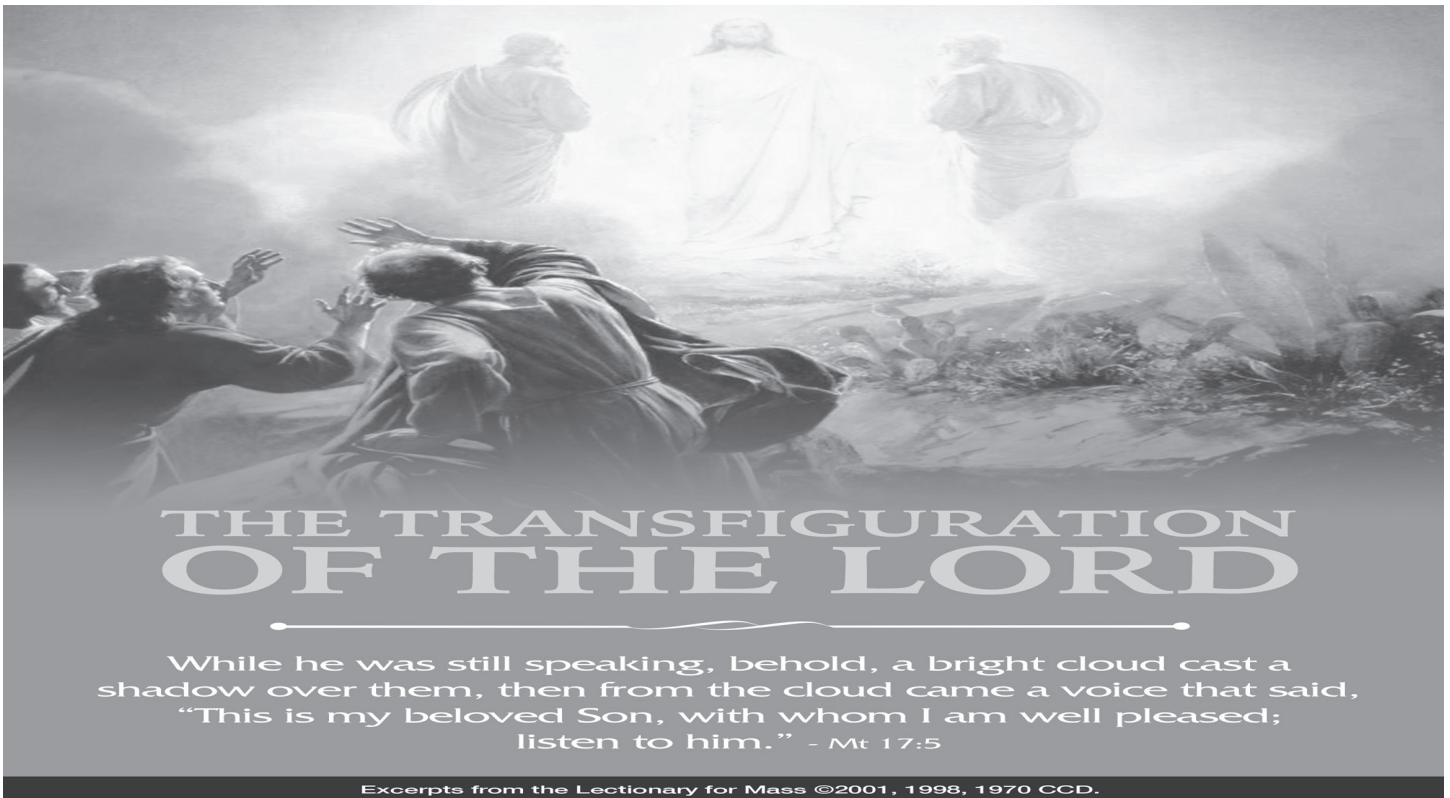
## Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5

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### The Transfiguration Of The Lord

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Oh, to be on that mountain! What a priceless experience for Peter, James, and John. If they had ever doubted, if they wondered whether Jesus was really who he said he was, their confidence surely got a boost on the day of the Transfiguration. Before their very eyes, Jesus' divine beauty radiated gloriously while the two ancient prophets also appeared in miraculous manner. And to top it off, the voice of God the Father spoke from the heavens and confirmed that it was all true: Jesus really is the Son of God!

Why did Jesus reveal himself in such a remarkable way to these men? Perhaps we have an answer in today's epistle. Peter writes, "We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain." Peter mentions this fact in order to confirm his credibility as a preacher as he goes on to say, "We possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it." Because of the mission that Peter had to help shape and nurture the Church in its earliest days, his position as an "eyewitness" to the Transfiguration helped to gain the attention, and the faith, of his hearers.

So although we were not there during this holy apparition, we have the benefit of it. We, and the faithful through the ages, have heard the testimony that Jesus is truly our God from those who saw in person that it was for real. In this way, the Transfiguration is able to bolster the faith of many, not just the three men who were there that day. May we have the grace to allow the feast we celebrate today to truly deepen our faith.

### 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.

## Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, when Peter, James, and John were given a glimpse of the Glory that was to come on the other side of the Resurrection of Jesus. It was meant to comfort and strengthen them to help them to remain strong in order to journey with Jesus to Jerusalem and the Cross. When Peter tells Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here", he is absolutely correct; it is always good to be in the presence of the Lord. Peter's mistake is wanting to stay there instead of following Jesus on His journey, a journey that would lead to the cross, to death, but ultimately to Resurrection and New Life. I think there is an important lesson there for all of us, especially this year as we at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity are officially linked with our sisters and brothers at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter. What is "good" for us is to be in the presence of Lord, following Him on the journey which He has set for us; a journey that also leads to the cross but, more importantly, to a share in Resurrection and New Life.

I hope that everybody is having an enjoyable summer. I want to thank all those who attended the clambake last month and those who worked so hard to make sure it was such a success. It was a wonderful day and I look forward to our gathering again next year (hopefully with more people joining us).

You are always in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

In Christ,  
Fr. Caruso

## Sharing The Gospel

Previews give us a quick peek at a movie, in hopes that we will want to see more. In today's Gospel, we celebrate Jesus' Transfiguration. That's when God gave Peter, James and John a preview of the risen Jesus, the Jesus they would see again one day. Jesus glowed brightly. Moses and Elijah came to talk with Jesus. Then a great cloud covered everyone, and God said Jesus was his Son. Jesus was the Savior that God's people had been waiting for.



## Prayer

Dear God, thank you for showing us through your Word that Jesus is our Savior. Amen.

## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus glowing on top of the mountain.

## Mission for the Week

Read today's Gospel with your family. What would have surprised you most about seeing Jesus like that on top of the mountain?



## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

The apostles were just being practical when they asked Jesus to "dismiss the crowds to go buy food." Jesus knew there is always enough when we place our trust in the Father, even with just 5 loaves and fishes. Trust is the bridge to miracles.



FROM  
THE  
PASTOR

## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

Today our Gospel presents us with the story of the transfiguration of Jesus. We hear God say, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Because of our baptism, we share in the same intimate relationship with the Father that Jesus has. This intimate relationship we have with God can transform us, just as it transformed Jesus. We, too, can radiate with love and newness of life and then help in transforming and positively impacting the lives of others. How has your relationship with God transformed you?



## Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

There are times in our lives that we get the chance to see a glimpse of heaven. It may be through the love of another loved one or stranger. Sometimes it may even be an event that seems unexplainable, perhaps even supernatural. These occurrences may be the answer to prayer or they may surprise us by coming out of nowhere. But no matter their nature or origin, they give us hope and strength to carry on through life.

When we journey on a pathway of stewardship, we are bound to experience moments of grace where we see even the smallest seeds we planted grow into something amazing. At these moments, we are reminded that God is real and that our stewardship is not in vain. The giving of our gifts and talents is not just a response to God's calling. The giving is one way that God breaks through into the lives of others. As we use what God has given us for his glory, he uses us as instruments of grace to be truly present to others.

The greatest example of this occurs at the Mass. Through the hands of an ordained priest taking the gifts of bread and wine, God is really present with us. When we then take Christ into our bodies, we accept the offer to take him into the world to others. The world cannot see Jesus in us with human eyes, but through our works of stewardship, they can see Jesus in us. One could say they even have a chance to see a glimpse of heaven.

--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.



Pray for our sick

## Sunday Collection July 29th and July 30th

Regular collection .....\$2,566.25  
Loose collection ..... \$534.30

Saturday, Aug. 12th & Sunday, Aug. 13th

**LECTORS:**

5:30PM ~ Pat Campagna

9:00AM ~ John Robinson

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

**EUCCHARIST:**

5:30PM ~ R. Bartorillo, T. Bartorillo, G. Larkin, M.E. Cusano, M.A. Bergamo, L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone

9:00AM ~ L. Argiro, K. Fekete, R. Elderbroom, M.E. Cusano, E. Warren, C. Horton, Michele Dykeman



**Mass Schedule for**

**St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity**

Sat. - August 5, 2017 - Vigil - The Transfiguration of the Lord

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Jeanette Hill - Alice Carroll  
Chuck & Margaret McManus - The Family  
Anthony Geremia - Margaret & John Boyle  
Dominick Pirozzi - Wife Pauline & Children

Sun. - August 6, 2017 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - August 7, 2017 - Sts. Sixtus II, pope & companions, martyrs, Cajetan, priest

12:00 Noon - Frank Marzullo - Ron Haag

Tues. - August 8, 2017 - St. Dominic, priest

12:00 Noon -

Wed. - August 9, 2017 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin & martyr

Thurs. - August 10, 2017 - St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr

Fri. - August 11, 2017 - St. Clare - virgin

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon -

Sat. - August 12, 2017 - 19th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For the People

Sun. - August 13, 2017 - 19th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Rosalind Pascarella - Daughter  
Kay & Tony Cresho - The Grimes Family  
George Jaquin - Mr. & Mrs. Norman Jaquin  
Guiseppeina & Guiseppi DelVecchio -  
Anna DelVecchio & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

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



**August 15th Holy Day Of Obligation**

Tuesday, Aug. 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass is as follows:



**Mon. Aug. 14 - 5:30 pm Vigil Mass OLP/SP**

**Tues. Aug. 14 - 9:00 am Mass OLP/SP,**

**12:00 Noon SJB/HT and 5:30 pm SJB/HT.**

Lectors and Eucharist ministers are needed if you are able to assist please call the rectory.



**Sun. Aug. 6** Group 1 Money Counters

**Sun. Aug. 13** Group 2 Money Counters

**Sun. Aug. 20** Group 3 Money Counters

**Sun. Aug. 27** Group 4 Money Counters

**Fri. Aug. 11** Group 4 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. Aug. 18** Group 1 Altar Cleaners

**Fri. Aug. 25** Group 2 Altar Cleaners

**Sat. Aug. 12** BUNKO SJB/HT Parish Center 6:30PM

**Thurs. Aug. 17** TNT Neighborhood Watch Meeting  
SJB/HT Parish Center 7:00PM

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



**The Sanctuary Lamp**

Will burn in memory of

**Michael Aiello and James Capriozzi**

Requested by **The Family**

**1st Banns of Marriage**

**Brook Adams and Andrew Abbot**



**Bunko Date - Sat. Aug. 12**

Anyone interested in playing Bunko with our group that meets approximately every 2 months in the SJB/HT Parish Center on Saturdays 6:30PM, please contact Betty Warren by Wed. Aug. 9 for details. Phone is 420-6357 or email at [warrenbeliz@yahoo.com](mailto:warrenbeliz@yahoo.com).

**PLEASE, contact Betty if playing as it is important to the set up of the game.**

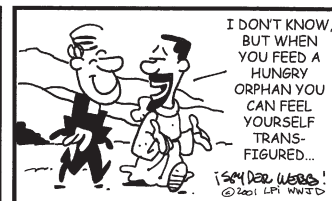
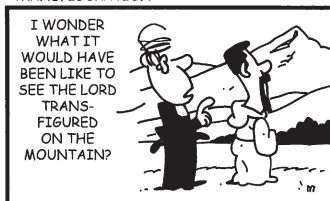
**Next Bunko night is Sat. August 12**

**HOPE Appeal**

Envelopes for the HOPE Appeal are still available in the Church pews. Your HOPE Appeal donations are still being accepted. You can mail or put them in the donation basket, PLEASE do not add HOPE Appeal to regular Church envelopes as well as do not add regular envelope to HOPE Appeal. Thank you to all who have made a donation so far.



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