

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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January 31, 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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He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

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

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury." Why were these folks furious? Because they didn't like what Jesus told them. They took offense at his teaching that "no prophet is accepted in his own native place." Jesus was implying that his fellow Nazarenes in the synagogue were blind to who he really was. And this made them mad. They didn't like being told that they were wrong. But Jesus told them anyway. He knew that these people needed to hear the truth, even if it meant that he would be unpopular. In fact, he spoke the truth even at risk of his own life. "They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong."

It can be tempting to confuse Jesus' kindness and goodness with passivity, mistakenly imagining him as a person who would never ruffle any feathers because he was so concerned about being "nice." This one-sided image of Jesus can lead us to excuse our own passivity about the falsehood and evil that surrounds us. We can justify our silence or inaction by convincing ourselves that we shouldn't upset anyone. But the fact is that Jesus upset people on a regular basis. That wasn't his goal, of course, but he was willing to deal with resistance for the sake of truth and justice. And we should be willing to do the same.

Our world is growing more and more hostile to the message of the Gospel. When we simply live our faith authentically, it makes some people angry. But we should not recoil from this reality. Jesus' witness made people furious too. But when they got mad, he didn't cave in. Whether people like it or not, the truth does not change.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Temporary 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.

Lenten Baked Fish Dinners
Fridays 4:00-7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center
February 12, 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18
Adults \$8.00/Children (5-12) \$4.00
Dinner includes two sides, roll & dessert
Fries, Cole Slaw, Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans
Additional sides \$1.50
Fish Sandwich w/side \$5.00
Toasted Cheese Sandwich \$2.00
New England Clam Chowder \$1.50 bowl
Soda \$1.00



Saturday, Feb. 6th and Sunday, Feb. 7th

LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ Fran Brimfield



ALTAR SERVERS:

4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

**9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Nicholas & Matthew Lorenzo,
 Luis & Aleda Guerrero**

EUCCHARIST:

**4:00PM ~ G. Larkin, L. Weir, R. Bartorillo, P. Serio,
 F. Sanzone, L. Sanzone, R. Copani**

**9:00AM ~ K. Fekete, R. Elderbroom, J. Barraco, E. Warren,
 Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman, L. Argiro**



Faith Formation News

There will be no classes this weekend. Classes will resume next week.

Reminder that February 28 will be our Lenten retreat & workshop from 10-12:30. All students in grades 2-Confirmation should be in attendance. The Pre-K/Kindergarten class will not attend.

Sharing The Gospel

Jesus did not expect everybody to like him. Jesus chose to follow God's plan, no matter what other people said. Even though some people wanted to hurt Jesus, he always spoke the truth. He always did what was right, no matter what.



Prayer

Dear God, help me to keep on doing what you want, no matter what other people say.

Something to Draw

Draw Jesus walking away from people who didn't like him.

Mission for the Week

Has anyone ever hurt your feelings because you love God? Pray for that person, and keep doing what is right.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village" all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words." But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.



4th Sunday In Ordinary Time

People who play the lottery are always hoping for that big chance to win a super jackpot. Against all odds (literally!) they imagine winning millions.

After all, someone has to win. It might as well be me. It's almost contradictory that lotteries have become part of state budgeting, when many Americans believe in the values of hard work and earning a living as opposed to the gratuitous windfall that a lottery would give someone. State income from lotteries exceeds that of tobacco excise taxes, but is less than the license fees states collect on motor vehicles. Everybody who wants something for nothing is involved. For the outlay of a miniscule amount of cash, a player dreams of an immense return. And the state gets a bonus to its income without having to tax its citizens more.

In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth are acting a bit like lottery hopefuls, with high expectations for a significant payout with the investment of very little. They've heard about all the great things that Jesus did in Capernaum, and now they are expecting to cash in on the local boy made good. Surely he has got to work some astounding miracles here.

But Jesus is not a lottery ticket. And faith in him is not a something for nothing proposition in which all the benefits are reaped with very little investment. As we will learn as we read from Luke's Gospel in the weeks and months ahead, Jesus is headed on a journey to Jerusalem. His destiny lies in that city where he will suffer and die, and finally, through his resurrection, he will usher in the era of the Spirit that is poured out on the church. For us, following Jesus is a lifelong journey to our own Jerusalem in which we empty ourselves in the service of others. It is no lottery that we hope to win, but a share in Christ's journey through death to resurrection.

A Book Club Starting

We are starting a Book Club here at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity. Our first book will be **The Name of God is Mercy**, by Pope Francis. We plan on meeting every 5-6 weeks to discuss our reading and we will be gathering in the rectory. Please join us for learning, fellowship, and fun. If you are interested, please contact Catherine Mackey at cmackey@syrdio.org or 478-0916. Date and time of our first meeting will be determined soon. Please let me know if you'd like to join us.



Contribution Statements

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2015 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, email us at nbergeson@syrdio.org, fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or, save a stamp and put your request in a plain envelope and put it into the collection basket attention "Nancy".

PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR REQUEST INTO YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES.

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Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Jan. 30, 2016 - 4th Sunday In Ordinary Time

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - For The People

P/P 4:00 pm

Sun. - Jan. 31, 2016 - 4th Sunday In Ordinary Time

P/P 8:00 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

P/P 10:30 am

Mon. - Feb. 1, 2016

12:00 Noon - Raymond Mnich - The Family

Tues. - Feb. 2, 2016 - The Presentation of the Lord

12:00 Noon - Frank Lane - Daughter

Wed. - Feb. 3, 2016 - Sts. Blaise, bishop & martyr,

Ansgar, bishop

Thurs. - Feb. 4, 2016

Fri. - Feb. 5, 2016 - St. Agatha, virgin & martyr

11:30 am - Confession

12:00 Noon - Shawn Tuttle Poole - Ed & Karin Airel

Sat. - Feb. 6, 2016 - 5th Sunday In Ordinary Time

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Josephine Ciero - Barbara Procopio

Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

Frank J. Mott - Carol & Ed McGuire

P/P 4:00 pm

Sun. - Feb. 7, 2016 - 5th Sunday In Ordinary Time

P/P 8:00 am

9:00 am - Josephine Ciero - Rosemary Lane

Antionietta Bovenzi - The Capria Family

Robert E. Lennon - The Capria Family

P/P 10:30 am



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

Remember: Christopher Aldrich, Judy Banky, Albert Bleskoski, Antonietta Briggs, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Mike Cannavino, Robert Capria, Paul Collins, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, Joan Dominic, 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, Carol McGuire, David Miccinelli, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Darlene Noyes, Shelby Ohstrom, 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, Pat Wall and Eileen Weir.



The month of January we laid to rest from our Parish Family;
Gloria Ferguson, Cosmo Lombardo and Genevieve Terry.



Sun. Jan. 31 Group 3 Money Counters

Sun. Feb. 7 Group 4 Money Counters

Sun. Feb. 14 Group 1 Money Counters

Sun. Feb. 21 Group 2 Money Counters

Sun. Feb. 28 Group 3 Money Counters

Mon. Feb. 1 Parish Council Meeting 7:00PM

SJB/HT Rectory

Wed. Feb. 10 Ash Wednesday 5:30PM Mass SJB/HT

9:00AM & 12:15 P/P

Thurs. Feb. 11 Parish Life Meeting 7:00PM

SJB/HT Parish Center

Fri. Feb. 12, 19, 26 Baked Fish Dinners

Fri. Mar. 4, 11, 18 4:00-7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Wed. Feb. 24 Catholic Golden Agers

7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



Altar Cleaning Schedule

Currently the schedule is being reworked. Ladies who are on the schedule will be contacted, if not already, and groups will be blended together. As soon as the group is set new schedules will be created.

Anyone who is interested in helping to care for the Altar please contact the rectory. Duties are light.

Sunday Collection Jan. 30th & 31st

Regular Envelope collection \$3,356.02

Loose collection \$328.17

Fuel collection \$112.00

Restoration collection \$285.05

Le Moyne College C. Y. O. Scholarship

The C. Y. O. Scholarships will be conferred again this year to eight deserving students in the geographical Diocese of Syracuse. The scholarships offered are eight \$4,000.00 scholarships (\$1,000 a year). Applications and information are available in the SJB/HT rectory. Completed applications must be in by February 15, 2016. You can call (315) 445-4300 if you have any immediate questions.



Sweet Cabaret - Guardian Angel Society

Sat. Feb. 6 from 7:00-11:30PM Drumlins Country Club
800 Nottingham Rd. Dining Dancing Desserts \$95 per person. For reservations/information call 422-7218.

Bishop Grimes News

Bishop Grimes will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, February 3rd from 5:30- 7:00 p.m. The Open House is open to all prospective students and their families. For more information, please contact scollins@syrdiocese.org. Bishop Grimes Jr./Sr. High School's entrance exam will be given to incoming 7th and 9th graders on Saturday, February 6th at 7:45 a.m. To register, please contact scol-lins@syrdiocese.org or call (315) 314-7157 ext. 143.



Basketball Camp

22nd annual CBA Co-Ed Basketball Camp will be held February 15-19. Enroll on-line at www.cbasyracuse.org or you can contact Coach B at 446-9365.

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