

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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November 19, 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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33rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'" - Mt 25:20

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

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"But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money." This servant was scared. He didn't want to take any risks and just wanted to play everything safe. As he confesses to his master, "Out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground." And the master was not pleased. The other servants who invested the money he gave them were richly rewarded for their efforts to produce more. But this servant was punished for letting his fear rule the day.

What factors are keeping us from making a return on God's investment in us? He has given us all life, and each of us also has a special collection of "talents" to make use of. We have certain gifts, skills, experiences, resources, and abilities that (though we may not often think about it) come from God. He calls us to make the most of these things, not just to take them for granted or bury them in the ground, so to speak. Our gifts are meant not just for our own enjoyment, but to help others, to spread truth and goodness and beauty to the world around us.

Sometimes, however, we fail to really capitalize on our potential. Laziness, distraction, or self-pity can get in the way if we are unwilling to put in the hard work to improve our natural gifts, if we allow ourselves to zone out with entertainment or frivolous pastimes instead of making good use of the time entrusted to us, or if we wallow in negativity by focusing on what we don't have instead of embracing what we do.

Each moment is a gift from God. May we seize every opportunity to multiply the investment God has made in us so that we may be worthy to hear God tell us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso

Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson

Office Assistant Mary Olmsted

Music Director/Organist James Stanley

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.

Fathers Message

Dear Parishioners,

This Thursday, November 23rd, we as a nation celebrate Thanksgiving Day. As Catholics, we celebrate Thanksgiving whenever we celebrate the Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving." This doesn't mean, however, that we can't share in a special national day of Thanksgiving. Indeed, because we are thanksgiving people, we are obligated to set an example to others on how to celebrate Thanksgiving Day. I encourage you to take time on Thanksgiving morning to join your sisters and brothers in Christ to offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, the Eucharist. **This year, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Church at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day. This celebration is for both the Pompei/St. Peter and the St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity communities.** It is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to come together and thank the Lord for the blessing of the Northside Catholic community. I hope you will join in celebrating Mass that day. Remember: it can't truly be a day of Thanksgiving without taking the time to thank the One who is the origin of all our gifts.



It is a Thanksgiving tradition in many homes for individuals to share with others what they are thankful for. I am grateful, as always, for the gifts of life, faith, family, friendship, and the Priesthood. I am also thankful for the opportunity to continue to serve at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity. It is a place of tremendous blessings. I am thankful for the wonderful staff, the caring and generous people, and for the marvelous opportunity for all of us to grow in God's Grace together.

Please note that the rectory offices will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in order to allow the staff some needed time for rest and renewal as well as the opportunity for them to celebrate Thanksgiving with their families.

On behalf of the staff, Petey and Mary the Wonder-Puppies, and myself, I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving. You all remain in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

In Christ's Peace,
Fr. Dan



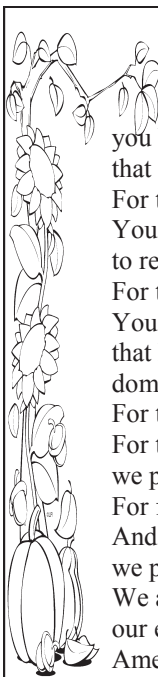
Thank You All

Last Saturday, Nov. 11, we held our annual International Food Festival. And, it was another smashing success. The coming together of parish family was, as always, the main event. The very delicious foods from around the world so expertly cooked were outstanding. Each and every recipe made with love and joy for all to taste. As with each year the baked goods and the themed baskets out did themselves and we thank you all who so thoughtfully donated. Congratulations to all the turkey, basket and 50/50 winners. We would like to acknowledge our local **James Street Wegmans** once again for so generously donating the turkeys for our festival. A very big thank you to all, and there are so many, "ALLS", who volunteered time before, during and after this event to make it possible. Looking forward to next year, so are we!



Thanksgiving Prayer

Almighty God,
you bring forth bountiful food from the earth
that our loved ones may never grow hungry.
For this, we give thanks.
You give us families that meet at this time
to reunite and be one with each other.
For this, we give thanks.
You have let us live in a land
that has unbridled opportunity and unparalleled freedoms.
For this, we give thanks.
For those who are hungry today,
we pray for their fulfillment.
For families that are separated, we pray for their unity.
And for people who live in the midst of persecution,
we pray for their deliverance.
We ask all these things through Christ,
our ever-risen Lord.
Amen.



SJB/HT And OLP/SP Christmas Party

Please join us for a lovely evening at Traditions at the Links 5900 North Burdick St. on Saturday, December 2 starting at 5:30PM. Sit down dinner with choice, contact rectory for menu, mingle with family and friends, listen to live music provided by "Old Friends" and dance and sing. \$30.00 per person (steak choice \$10.00 extra). Last chance to get tickets is after each Mass this weekend. You may also call the rectory during business hours. Table reservations can be made for 8 to 10 people. Monday, November 20 is the dead line for reservations.



Sharing The Gospel

You can choose to waste your time, your money and your special talents. You can be selfish with them, too. Or, you can use those gifts from God to spread good news about Jesus. When you choose to use your gifts for God, and he will fill your heart with joy.

Prayer

God, help me to use my time, my money and my special talents for you.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself helping a younger child learn how to tie their shoes.

Mission for the Week

God has given your family money. Use some of it to buy food for a needy family.

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

As the man in today's Gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has "entrusted" our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.



Saturday, Nov. 25th & Sunday, Nov. 26th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Annette Marchbanks

9:00AM ~ John Robinson

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ R. Copani, M.E. Cusano, P. Serio, G. Larkin,
J. LaVergne, T. Bartorillo, R. Bartorillo

9:00AM ~ Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman, E. Warren,
M. Piazza, J. Mott, C. Horton, P. Schramm

Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Nov. 18, 2017 - 33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For the People

Sun. - Nov. 19, 2017 - 33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Raymond Chouinard - Allan Chouinard

George Tibbetts - The Family

Anthony Geremia - Margaret & John Boyle

Rosa & Antonio Pettrone - Anna DelVecchio & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Nov. 20, 2017

12:00 Noon - Vivian Harrison - Tish DeSalvo

Tues. - Nov. 21, 2017 - The Presentation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00 Noon - Tommasina Carfagno - Twin Brothers

Mary Kane - Husband

Wed. - Nov. 22, 2017 - St. Cecilia, virgin & martyr

Thurs. - Nov. 23, 2017 - Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am OLP/SP

Fri. - Nov. 24, 2017 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac,

priest & companions, martyrs

11:30 am - No Confessions

12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass

Sat. - Nov. 25, 2017 - Vigil - Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Rosemary "Pat" Markert - The Family

Patrick Desimone - John & Diame Desimone

Cesario Palucci - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci

Pietro Paolo & Filomena Tomaino - Antonio & Antonia Mazza

Sun. - Nov. 26, 2017 - Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Sun. Nov. 19 Group 4 Money Counters

Sun. Nov. 26 Group 1 Money Counters

Thanksgiving Holiday Office Hours

The rectory will be closed on Wednesday, November 22nd, Thursday, November 23rd & Friday, November 24th. There is no Noon Mass or confessions on Friday, November 24th.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

This year please join us for Thanksgiving Day Mass which will be celebrated at OLP/SP at 9:00am.



Live The Liturgy -

Inspiration For The Week

Every one of God's children is a unique creation with talents and gifts that are found in no one else.

Each of us is asked to bring our special "twist" to life and to living the Gospel, leaving our impact on the world in a way that no one else can. Are we ever afraid to use our gifts or to be who we are? Fear can cripple us and prevent us from discovering the profound and creative ways in which we can become the person God meant us to be. We like our comfort zones and do not like to be stretched and challenged. Yet this is necessary if we are going to produce the fruit we are capable of producing and live the radical message of the Gospel. For serious Christians, the status quo has got to go!

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory

Vivian Harrison

Requested by **Tish DeSalvo**



Sunday Collection Nov. 11th & Nov. 12th

Regular collection	\$2,923.25
Loose collection	\$252.55
Fuel collection.....	\$511.00
Poor collection.....	\$115.00

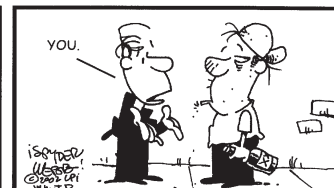


Remember: Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, Marilyn Ferretti, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, 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, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara Traino, Richard Ventrone, Shelly Visco and Peg Wulfert.

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



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