

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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October 30, 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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## Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." Zacchaeus was serious about following Jesus. Maybe at the start he was just curious when he ran ahead to scale that sycamore tree. But that curiosity developed into a life-changing experience when Jesus called him by name. At that moment, when the Lord chose Zacchaeus to be his host for the evening, the rich tax collector "came down quickly and received him with joy." And shortly thereafter came his promise of conversion and penance. Not only would he change his ways; he would make up for his former ones. And thus Jesus declared, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Penance isn't a popular concept in our modern era. We like to think about God's great mercy and forgiveness, but it's not so fun to think about the lingering effects of our sin. When Zacchaeus stole money, people suffered, especially the poor. His conversion to the ways of God wouldn't make up for the suffering he had inflicted on people. But his choice to go back and set things aright could make a difference. Sometimes, we are called to do something similar. Of course it is not always possible to go back and directly restore the relationships or situations that we have damaged through our sins. However, it IS always possible to offer a kind of sacrifice--often called "making reparation"--for our sin. We can do something virtuous and offer it to God as a kind of deposit in the universal "bank" of goodness to make up for the unjust withdrawals we have previously made. In this way, we too can show that we are serious about following the Lord.

## SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

**Administrator** Father Daniel Caruso

**Secretary/Bulletin** Nancy Bergeson

**Religious Education** Betty Warren

**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.



### Sharing The Gospel

Zacchaeus had gotten very rich by taking money from his neighbors, so nobody liked him. He was very lonely and sad. When Jesus talked to him, Zacchaeus felt special. When Jesus ate dinner with Zacchaeus, Jesus showed that he was a real friend. When Zacchaeus felt God's love, he was truly happy for the first time. Jesus gave him what he really wanted - friendship - so he gave extra money back to his neighbors.

#### Prayer

Dear God, help me to see that real happiness comes from loving Jesus, not money.

#### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Zacchaeus happily giving money back to his neighbors.

#### Mission for the Week

Read today's Gospel with your family. Write down three things you can do each day to spend more time with Jesus as your friend.

### A Family Perspective

#### Family Life Education

Jesus is saying to you what he said to Zacchaeus, "I must stay at your house today." It doesn't matter if in today's Gospel Jesus "intended to pass through Jericho to another town." In families we sometimes stop at the wrong places. It is wisdom to "pass through" annoying family situations so we can enjoy the goodness of each other.



### International Food Festival

Join us on Saturday, November 12 from 12:00 Noon - 7:00PM for our 10th Annual International Food Festival located in the SJB/HT Parish Center. Many traditional foods offered from our very talented Parish Chefs including, Polish, German, Scottish, Italian, Mexican and American cuisines. Samples are \$1.00 and dinners available from \$3.00-\$5.00. Soda is \$1.00. 50/50 Raffle, Turkey Raffles, Themed Gift Baskets and Baked Goods. We look forward to sharing this time with you. Always an outstanding time and fun for all!

#### Bakers, Baskets, Cooks

Please call the rectory if you would like to offer your cooking talents and recipe. If you would like to offer a gift basket, you may drop it in to the rectory anytime during office hours. We will accept baked goods on Friday, Nov. 11 from 9:00am-2:30pm in the rectory or Saturday morning 9:00am. Would you like to help us through out the day, please contact the rectory and join in on the volunteer FUN!



### Thanksgiving Mass/Liturgical Ministers

This year Thanksgiving Mass, November 24 9:00AM will be celebrated at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church. We will need Lectors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers. All Liturgical duties will be shared with Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters parishioners. A sign up sheet will be in the Sacristy. Or please call the rectory. From this list we will arrange the necessary Liturgical Ministers.

### Faith Formation News

We will be doing our Circle of Care, Child Safety presentation, for all students from Pre-K to Confirmation, on November 6th instead of today. If any parent does not want their child to participate in this class, they need to sign an Opt Out Letter. Please contact me as soon as possible and I will get the letter to you. Teachers and students are to gather in the center front vestibule at 10 am and students will be dismissed at the side parking lot exit at 11 am. All students must be picked up by a parent/guardian. Students can still be registered for classes by calling Betty Warren at 315 420 6357 or 315 478 0916.



### 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

Children have such great expectations. They often show an eagerness that marvels adults. They can't wait to get at the Christmas gifts. They race off to explore new vistas. They dive into new things with an energy that seems beyond imagining. This exuberant curiosity that characterizes childhood gets channeled over time into an exploration of one's place in the world as teenagers or young adults discover their own selves and decide what they want to do with their lives. Sometimes, the intense eagerness of childhood is restrained by the reality of the adult world in which real limitations are made manifest. Not everything is a game to explore anymore.

In this weekend's Gospel, we have a story of a man who had to face his own limitations. Zacchaeus was a short guy. He couldn't see above the crowd. But he used his own ingenuity in his attempt to see Jesus. He climbed up a sycamore tree and sat in its branches because he wanted to catch a glimpse of this prophet who had come to Jericho. Jesus in turn stops at the sycamore and invites Zacchaeus to come down. Whatever limitations Zacchaeus had because of his height, it didn't seem to affect his business acumen, for the Gospel tells us that he was a wealthy man. The people of Jericho seem to think that not all of his wealth was acquired legitimately. But Zacchaeus stands his ground, promising to over-compensate anyone whom he may have harmed.

As we move on in life, we may find ourselves at the point of having lost some of the enthusiasm for what got us to where we are. Our day-to-day experiences can sometimes feel like a rut that consumes our energy. The story of Zacchaeus reminds us that there can be a renewal of grace that enlivens us once again. We might consider where Jesus is walking by in our life, and if we have the eagerness to see him.

**The month of October we laid to rest from our Parish Family; Giuseppe Migliore, Rosemary Ponto, Nancy Sisto and Joseph Berda.**

**Congratulations and happiness to Patrick and Annina (Palucci) Dougherty on your wedding.**

### Sunday Collection Oct. 22nd and Oct. 23rd

Regular collection .....	\$2,980.65
Loose collection .....	\$414.95
Religious Education collection.....	\$160.00
World Mission Sunday collection .....	\$146.00

## Mass Schedule for

### St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Oct. 29, 2016 - 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - Gualitieri Family - Maria DeMichele

Rosalie Rivizzigno - Mother

Mary & Joseph Giordano - Joanne & Eric Drabog

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - Oct. 30, 2016 - 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 8:00 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Bennie R. Sobon - The Family

Anthony De.Vecchio - Ann Carruthers

Richard J. Foertch - Cathy & Polly Foertch

Mary Olszewski -

The Peter DiBello & Joseph Mehlek Families

OLP/SP 10:30 am

Mon. - Oct. 31, 2016

12:00 Noon - Fraccois Robillard - Celine Nicholas

Tues. - Nov. 1, 2016 - All Saints (Holy Day)

9:00 am - OLP/SP

12:00 Noon - SJB/HT (Mass in Church)

5:30 pm - SJB/HT

Wed. - Nov. 2, 2016 - Commemoration of

All the Faithful Departed

12:00 Noon - SJB/HT (Mass in Church)

Thurs. - Nov. 3, 2016 St. Martin de Porres, religious

7:00 pm - SJB/HT Remembrance Mass

Fri. - Nov. 4, 2016 - St. Charles Borromeo, bishop

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Donald V. McGuire, Jr. - Ed & Carol McGuire

Margaret Kilmer - Joseph & Patricia Galimi

Sat. - Nov. 5, 2016 - 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

SJB/HT 4:00 pm - For The People

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

Sun. - Nov. 6, 2016 - 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 8:00 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 10:30 am

### The Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn in memory of

Mary Olszewski

Requested by

The Peter DiBello & Joseph Mehlek Families



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

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## SJB/HT-OLP/SP Christmas Party

Saturday, December 3 **Traditions at the Links 5900**

**N. Burdick St. E. Syracuse** beginning at 5:30PM. \$30 per person, \$40 for steak dinner. Tickets will be sold after all Masses starting Saturday, Oct. 29. Cash or check, payable to St. John/Holy Trinity, and we will need to know your entrée selection.



Saturday, Nov. 5 & Sunday, Nov. 6

### LECTORS:

4:00PM ~ Pat Campagna

9:00AM ~ Lisa Primerano

### ALTAR SERVERS:

4:00PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis & Aleda Guerrero,

Nicholas & Matthew Lorenzo

### EUCCHARIST:

4:00PM ~ T. Bartorillo, R. Bartorillo, M.A. Bergamo,

J. LaVergne, F. Sanzone, L. Sanzone, P. Serio

9:00AM ~ J. Barraco, Michael Dykeman, R. Elderbroom,

K. Fekete, M. Piazza, R. Warren, L. Argiro

## November

Sun. Oct. 30 Group 2 Money Counters

Sun. Nov. 6 Group 3 Money Counters

Sun. Nov. 13 Group 4 Money Counters

Sun. Nov. 20 Group 1 Money Counters

Sun. Nov. 27 Group 2 Money Counters

Fri. Nov. 4 Group 4 Altar Cleaners

Fri. Nov. 11 Group 1 Altar Cleaners

Fri. Nov. 18 Group 2 Altar Cleaners

Fri. Nov. 25 Group 3 Altar Cleaners

Mon. Nov. 7 Parish Council Meeting 7:00PM  
SJB/HT Rectory

Sat. Nov. 12 International Food Festival 12:00-7:00PM  
SJB/HT Parish Center

Wed. Nov. 16 Catholic Golden Agers SJB/HT Parish Center  
5:00PM Thanksgiving Dinner 7:00PM Meeting

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



**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Albert Bleskoski, Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Mike Cannavino, Robert Capria, Paul Collins, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, Norma Foody, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Alan "Butch" Hierholzer, 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, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Sister Theresa Thayer IHM, Barbara Traino, Richard Ventrone, Michael Visco, Jr., Shelly Visco and Pat Wall.

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