

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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October 22, 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.

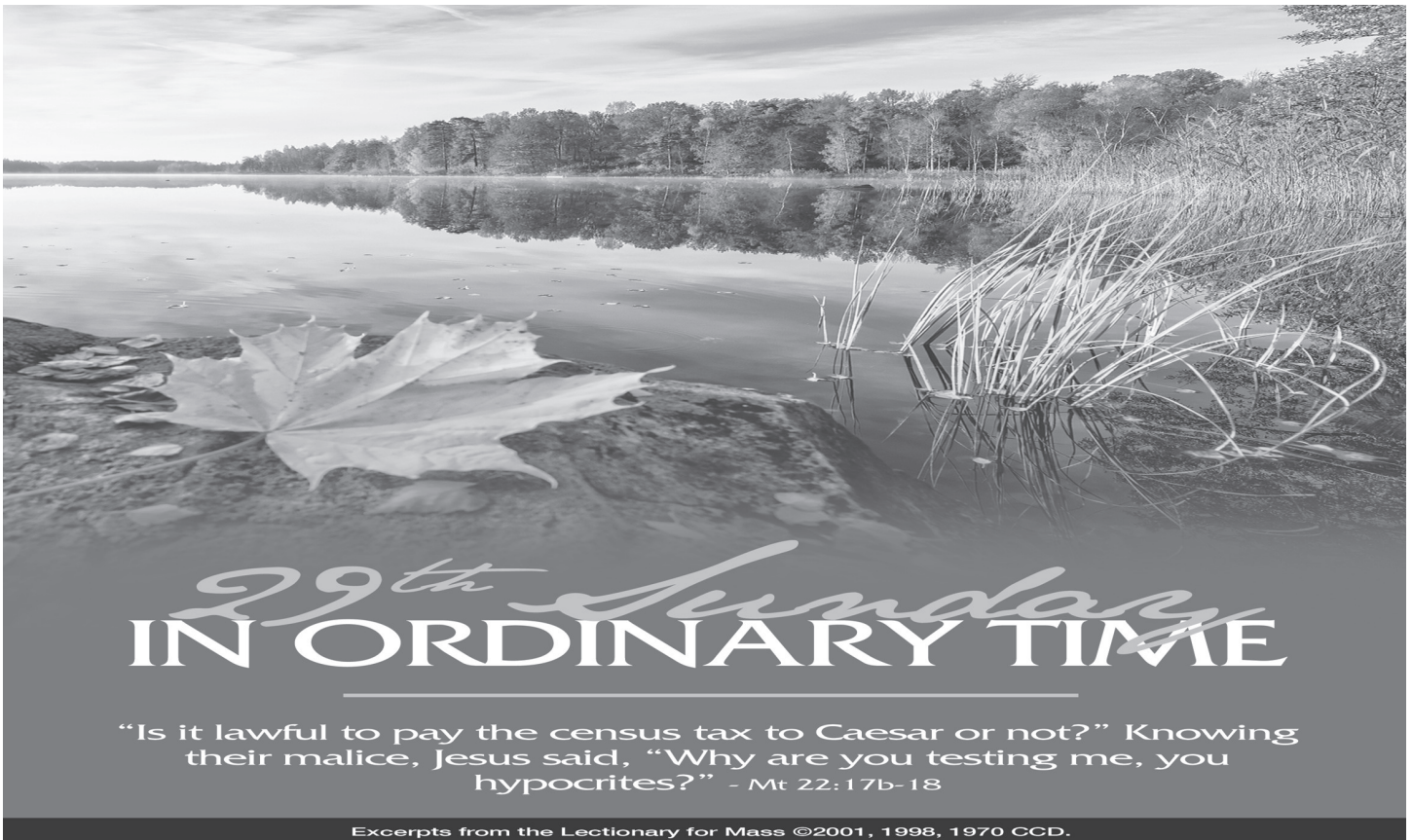
Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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"Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?" - Mt 22:17b-18

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29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." The Pharisees, full of malice, were trying to "entrap Jesus in speech." They concocted a question that flattered him, saying, "You teach the way of God in accordance with the truth," but which also put him in a position to be in big trouble if he challenged the Roman laws. Jesus, of course, escaped the trap with his brilliant reply. We can appreciate the wisdom of his response, but more importantly, we can appreciate what it means for us.

To repay to Caesar, in this case, meant to give appropriate allegiance to the secular authorities. We too are under such authority, and although Uncle Sam is different than Caesar in countless ways, the fact remains that as constituents of this country who enjoy its many benefits, we are also called to extend a certain kind of tribute to our government. Taxes, yes, but more than that too. The loyalty and patriotism that offers our gifts in service to the good of our nation is also a tribute we Christians should make in good faith. Only when a law of our land contradicts the moral principles of God do we have to follow our primary allegiance instead, namely, our allegiance to Christ. Unfortunately, in our day we live under certain national laws that do conflict with the truth about human dignity, and thus a tension exists for us. But the course is clear. We must repay "to God what belongs to God" by defending the truth even when it may be unpopular. This kind of courage is what built the Church in those early centuries of persecution when practicing our faith was against the law. Heaven forbid this should ever happen to us. But if it does, we know what must be done.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso

Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson

Office Assistant Mary Olmsted

Organist Jim 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.

Sharing The Gospel

When you grow up and earn money, you will have to pay taxes. Taxes pay for many good things that keep us safe and healthy. When you grow up in your faith, you will want to give God some of the money you earn, because all you have is a gift from God.



Prayer

God, teach me to use money wisely so my community and my church can grow.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself putting money in the collection at church.

Mission for the Week

Take care of God's world. Together as a family, clean up trash that's lying around in.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Jesus was exasperated when he scolded: "Why do you put me to the test?" It is natural for children to test parents; this is how they learn and how we teach limits, rules and values. Be like Jesus in today's Gospel; he was firm, honest and direct.

Bishop Ludden Fall Sweepstakes

All proceeds benefit the school's tuition assistance program for students in grades 7-12. Tickets: \$50 each & only 2,000 tickets being sold! Drawing is Saturday, Nov. 11. Contact Andrea Marshall: amarshall@syrdio.org.



St. Daniel Church Harvest Festival

St. Daniel's Harvest Festival is Nov. 4th from Noon to 9:00PM in the parish gymnasium at 3004 Court St. Syracuse. \$15,000 giveaway! Donations: \$25 or 5 for \$100. 1st Prize: \$10,000, 2nd: \$2,000, 3rd: \$1,000, 4th & 5th: \$500 each, 6th - 10th: \$200 each. Need not be present to win... but please join us for great food, basket raffles, pull tabs, spirit wheel, bake sale, kids games & crafts, casino games in the evening, wine tasting from 4:30 - 9:00PM and entertainment by Elvis Impersonator Tom Gilbo from 5:00 - 6:00PM. Free admission! Call 315-454-4946 for more information.



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 Direnzo, Marilyn Ferretti, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Gladys Graham, Vincent Gulotto, 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.

Traveling Snow Birds

Parishioners who are getting ready to travel to warmer destinations, it is very much appreciated that when you stop your mail here, please remember to let me know in the rectory for your contribution envelopes. As these do not get mailed first class they are returned for postage due to the office. We will stop them for the time that you are away, restarting upon your return. Thank you all so much and have safe travels.



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

If the coin belongs to Caesar, then give it to him. Paying taxes is often unpleasant, but requires little self-investment. We know that a portion of our income must go back to the government, but what then, exactly, belongs to God? God does not seek our financial resources. What belongs to God is something that we sometimes want to keep to ourselves or divide in different places. What belongs to God is our hearts. We owe everything to God, even our very being. Without God we are nothing. God patiently continues to tell the world: "I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me." How do we unite the varied allegiances of our hearts into one under God?

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Many years ago, during faith formation in my parish, one of the children wrote something that wasn't very nice on a textbook that belonged to someone else. Being the pastoral associate that oversaw the program, I began the investigation immediately. Slowly I began eliminating suspects until it became obvious who the perpetrator was. He denied he was the one, but after much pressure he broke down and confessed. Of course, I derived no satisfaction from finding out the culprit. Of course, it was my own son.



My son didn't want to come clean because he naturally feared what I would say and do when I found out. He also knew that our pastor would find out as well. He felt accountable for his actions and that made it very difficult for him. He realized he let himself, others that loved him, and God down. It was a lesson learned that wasn't much fun to go through. What I was grateful for was the fact that he felt the weight of what he had done. If he hadn't, things would have been very different.

That was a long time ago and when I reflect on it, I think about how often we all do things we regret and then have to face the consequences. But that's what being accountable is all about. We are accountable to those we love, to our neighbor, and to our God. When we begin to slide into a worldview that focuses too much on ourselves, we can easily make decisions that hurt others. We must always seek to do what is good in the eyes of God and that respects others. When we are children this is easier said than done. Alright, let's be honest--it isn't always so easy as adults either.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Saturday, Oct. 28th & Sunday, Oct. 29th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Pat Campagna

9:00AM ~ Fran Brimfield

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST:

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

9:00AM ~ R. Warren, C. Horton, M. Piazza, L. Argiro,
Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman, M.E. Cusano

Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Oct. 21, 2017 - 29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Oct. 22, 2017 - 29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Paul Ferretti - John Wall

Anthony Geremia - Margaret & John Boyle

Frank & Josephine Dattola - Daughter, Margaret

William & Edna Jaquin - Mr. & Mrs. Norman Jaquin

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Oct. 23, 2017 - St. John of Capistrano, priest

12:00 Noon - Shelter for the homeless

Tues. - Oct. 24, 2017 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop

12:00 Noon - For those victimized in any way

Wed. - Oct. 25, 2017

Thurs. - Oct. 26, 2017

Fri. - Oct. 27, 2017

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - The orphaned and forgotten children

Sat. - Oct. 28, 2017 - 30th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Donald McGuire, Jr. - Carol & Ed McGuire

Rosalie Rivizzigno - The Family

Robert Panizzi - The Falcone Family

Jean Troendle - Bill & Sue Slack

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



Sunday Collection Oct. 14th & Oct. 15th

Regular collection\$3,518.25

Loose collection \$469.75

Fuel collection \$113.00

No Coffee Doughnut Sunday

We are sorry for any inconvenience to this late update, but there will be no coffee and doughnut hour after Sunday morning Mass.



International Food Festival - Sat. Nov. 11th

If you are planning to cook or would like to be added to the "CHEFS" list for the festival please email **Patty Schramm at patty.schramm@aol.com** or call and leave a message with her at **315-454-5511**. We do ask that as a chef you serve and stay with your food through out the day. Raffle baskets can at any time be brought to the rectory and it is your choice of theme. We have a very popular baked goods table and on Friday, Nov. 10 or Saturday, Nov. 11 we will be happy to receive your donated baked goods. One very important part of our International festival are the volunteers who work hard to set up, work during and later clean up the cafeteria. We are also asking for volunteer workers to assist through out the day.

The International Festival is

Saturday, November 11

12:00 Noon - 7:00PM

SJB/HT Parish Center.



Join us for great food, socialization and FUN!



Sun. Oct. 22 Group 4 Money Counters

Sun. Oct. 29 Group 1 Money Counters

Wed. Oct. 25 Catholic Golden Ages Meeting
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

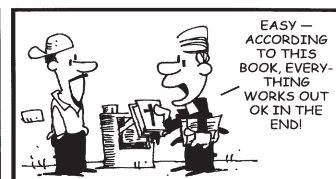


TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith - leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even "chat" with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at

ChatWithThePope.org

Chat - Pray - Give this World Mission Sunday.

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