

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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October 8, 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.

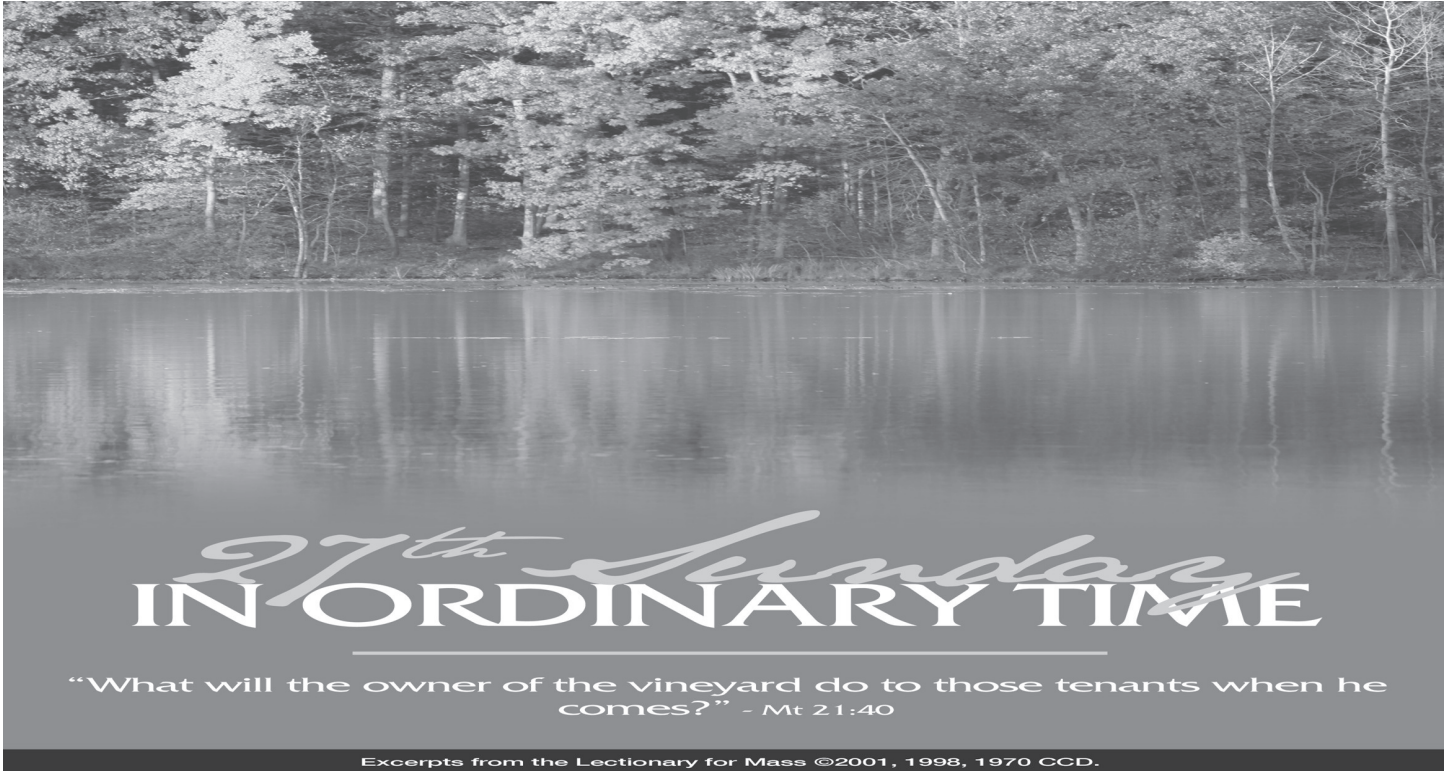
## Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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## 27th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" - Mt 21:40

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### 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance." The tenants in today's parable murdered because of their greed. They had no respect for either the servants or the son of their landlord. Motivated only by their desire to own the property they cultivated, they did whatever was necessary to further their cause. But they were fools. They only thing they inherited was a death sentence in return for their wickedness.

Greed can act like poison to an otherwise healthy mind. Instead of allowing one to think clearly, an obsession with having "more" can cloud a person's judgment. Certainly it won't always lead to murder, but more often than not it leads to using people for our own ends or dismissing those who cannot help us get what we want. Treating others this way is never acceptable. It is an offense to human dignity and to God who made us in his own image. Greed can also have a blinding influence, preventing us from seeing the blessings that surround us. When our focus is on what we want instead of what we have, the tendency is to forget that we have anything at all. The only thing we can see is that which we don't yet possess.

Ultimately, greed makes us miserable. It fosters discontent for our life and disrespect for the lives of others. It is certainly not a fruit of the kingdom of God. Belonging to this heavenly realm means living a life of generosity instead of greediness. It means looking for ways to share what we have to improve the lives of others instead of hoarding more to "improve" our own lives. Jesus tells us that his kingdom belongs to those who produce its fruit. May we root out the weed of greed and instead cultivate generosity in the vineyard of our hearts.

#### **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.



**FROM  
THE  
PASTOR**

### From Fr. Caruso

Dear Parishioners,  
Sometimes we take for granted the blessings God bestows upon us. I think that is especially true with the people He places in our lives. For the past 18 years we have been blessed by the presence of Melissa Berthelot as our church organist, first at Holy Trinity Church and presently here at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity. As we work with our sisters and brothers at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter to share staff wherever possible and thus to conserve our limited financial resources, I am sad to announce that Melissa will be leaving her current position. Her last weekend with us is next week, October 14-15. We are very grateful for all that Melissa has done for us over the years as she has shared her God given talents with us. There will be a reception after the 9:00 Mass next week to give the community the opportunity to thank Melissa in person for her ministry in our community.

Jim Stanley, the organist/choir director/music director at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter will become the new organist/music director at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity. Jim is a very gifted man who will also, I am sure, be a blessing to our community here. I hope we will open our arms to receive him with joy.

I hope all are enjoying this beautiful Fall weather (I for one am glad it's finally here!). You are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.



In Christ,  
Fr. Dan

### Sharing The Gospel

You are God's child. He made you and he loves you. Make sure you act like God's child. He created a beautiful world for you to live in. God expects you to take care of it. God also created people to live around you. Love them. Then you will make God happy.



### Prayer

Dear God, help me to take care of your world and love the people around me.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself picking up your room.

### Mission for the Week

Recycle paper, plastic and glass at home, instead of throwing it away. Recycling is a great way to take care of God's world.



### A Family Perspective

#### Family Life Education

Every family is visited by difficult times which can unite or divide. These hardships, which we would quickly reject, hold the potential to be the unifying "cornerstone" where we drop our pettiness and defenses and pull together, linked by a common bond and love for one another.

### Sunday Collection Sept. 30th & Oct. 1st

Regular collection .....	\$3,582.25
Loose collection .....	\$270.35
Fuel collection .....	\$87.00
Respect Human Life collection .....	\$196.00

### Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

How often do we find ourselves wanting what is not ours? Greed, envy, and even gluttony lead us to a bad end. We live in a world that feels very entitled. Many people believe that wants and needs ought to be provided or simply given to them, without any work or effort. It is easy to feel that we have received the short end of the stick or less than what we deserve. However, feeling shortchanged makes it impossible to walk with gratitude in our hearts and feel a sense of responsibility, the two essential elements of the spiritual life. Are we grateful?



### Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

You know how the story goes. Your son or daughter swears that while you were gone he or she only invited two friends over to watch a movie and eat popcorn. How those other twenty-five people got there with beer is still a mystery. They were not invited but your young host felt pretty uncomfortable just kicking them out. You did teach them about good hospitality after all.

That sure is a twisted view of hospitality, perhaps, but it does make me reflect on those I am willing to welcome into my home and those I am not. Who is my neighbor? Would I extend hospitality to the person that is alone? I have done so for holidays. But I have known them well. Would I invite someone into my home that I did not know? It could be unsafe. But what if I found myself alone somewhere without any connections. Where would I turn? Who could I trust?

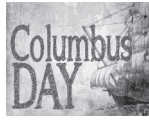
There are no simple answers here but I wonder if we should really have the luxury of not asking the question. If the Christian will not invite in the lost and forsaken, who will? In the coming days, I suggest we all reflect on those in our midst who seem to be alone. Who can we invite into our lives who need something much more important than a party? Who is out there who simply need friends? They may not need a physical shelter but they do need the warmth of Christian hospitality and the kindness of others.

-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 Dizenzo, Marilyn Ferretti, 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, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara Traino, Richard Ventrone, Shelly Visco and Peg Wulfert.



In observance of Columbus Day the Rectory will be closed Monday, October 9 and there will be no Noon Mass this day.



**Saturday, Oct. 14th & Sunday, Oct. 15th**  
**LECTORS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Jack Normoyle  
**9:00AM** ~ Patrick Minnoe

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano  
**9:00AM** ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

**EUCCHARIST:**

**5:30PM** ~ M. E. Cusano, G. Larkin, L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone, T. Bartorillo, R. Bartorillo  
**9:00AM** ~ M. E. Cusano, J. Mott, R. Elderbroom, R. Warren, K. Fekete, Michael Dykeman, C. Horton

**Mass Schedule for**

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

**Sat. - Oct. 7, 2017 - 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - For the People

**Sun. - Oct. 8, 2017 - 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Robert Nicholas - Wife, Celine  
Robert Greenfield - The Family  
Janet William - The Family  
Donald Bill - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family  
**OLP/SP 11:00 am**

**Mon. - Oct. 9, 2017 - Columbus Day**

**12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass**

**Tues. - Oct. 10, 2017**

**12:00 Noon** - Bill Slack - Jerry Mott

**Wed. - Oct. 11, 2017 - St. John XXIII, pope**

**Thurs. - Oct. 12, 2017**

**Fri. - Oct. 13, 2017**

**11:30 am** - Confessions  
**12:00 Noon** - John Wagner, Sr. - The Family

**Sat. - Oct. 14, 2017 - 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - Caroline McGuire - Edward McGuire  
Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

**Sun. - Oct. 15, 2017 - 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - For The People  
**OLP/SP 11:00 am**

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



**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](mailto: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. 8** Group 2 Money Counters
- Sun. Oct. 15** Group 3 Money Counters
- Sun. Oct. 22** Group 4 Money Counters
- Sun. Oct. 29** Group 1 Money Counters
- Mon. Oct. 9** Parish Council Meeting 7:00PM  
SJB/HT Rectory
- Sat. Oct. 14** BUNKO 6:30PM SJB/HT Parish Center
- Thurs. Oct. 19** Washington Square Assoc. Meeting  
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center
- Sun. Oct. 22** Coffee and Doughnuts  
After 9:00AM Mass SJB/HT Parish Hall
- Wed. Oct. 25** Catholic Golden Agers Meeting  
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



**Bunco Date - Sat. Oct. 14**

Anyone interested in playing Bunco 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. Oct. 11 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 Bunco night is Sat. Oct. 14**

**An Afternoon Of Praise**

Dr. Joan Hillsman (JHMN, Inc.) along with the Syracuse Community, Syracuse Chapter of Gospel Music Workshop of America (SGMWA) presents "An Afternoon Of Praise" sing-a-long. Sunday, October 22 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in The Sanctuary, 1601 Park St. 4:00-5:00PM. Refreshments to follow in Lounge.



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