

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 3, 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.

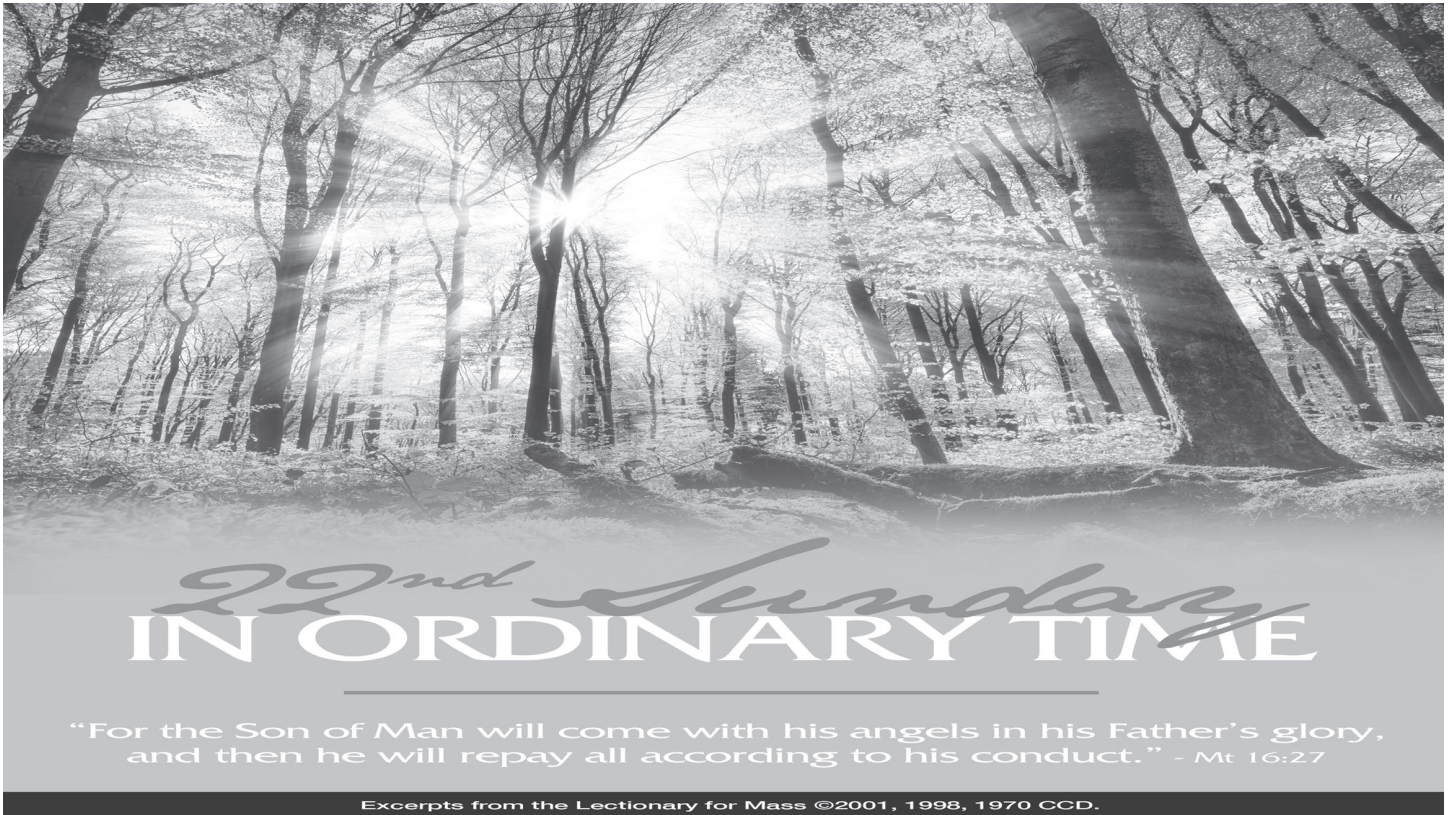
Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

"You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Peter had expressed horror at the prophetic words announcing that Jesus' suffering and death were imminent. Peter didn't want his friend and teacher to undergo this terrible ordeal. He wanted "no such thing" ever to happen to his Lord. But Jesus sharply rebuked Peter's response, comparing it to that of the tempter, Satan. Just as temptation becomes an obstacle to our doing what is right, so Peter was presenting an obstacle to Christ's mission. Suffering was part of it, like it or not. To deny this difficult element of Christ's work would be to deny the bigger plan of God. And so Jesus rightly told Peter that he wasn't thinking like God thinks.

Of course, since we are human, it's only natural that we should think as human beings do. We, like Peter, tend to recoil at the idea of facing unpleasant or painful circumstances. But clearly God sometimes allows such situations to take place for a greater good. Jesus understood this; even as he prophesied about his death, he also mentioned his resurrection.

Today's Gospel challenges us to think "as God does" by holding both of these elements together. Unlike Peter who only focused on the sad part of the story, we are called to recognize the Resurrection on the other side of the cross, and to be willing to do whatever is necessary to get there. In fact, Jesus tells us later in this Gospel to take up our cross and follow him. That is not the "human" way of thinking. It's the Godly way. Our natural response is to reject and scorn the trials and tribulations that we face, but Jesus wants us to embrace them patiently and "come after" him on the (sometimes rough) road to eternal life.

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.

Join The Fun! Chicken And Biscuit Dinner



Please join us for our Chicken and Biscuit Dinner on Saturday, Sept. 16 in the SJB/HT Parish Center from 3:00-7:00PM. Adults \$8.00, 5-12 \$4.00 under 5 free. Will include chicken biscuit, mashed potato, tossed salad, dessert, coffee, tea or water, soda is \$1.00.

Sharing The Gospel

If it were up to Peter, Jesus would never have died on the cross. Peter did not want to see his dear friend get hurt. It could have been tempting for Jesus to listen to Peter. But Jesus did not come to be happy or comfortable. Jesus came to die on the cross and rise again. He came to take your sins away. Jesus gave up his own life so that your life could be saved. He did it for you.



Prayer

Thank you, Jesus, for giving up your life to save mine.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus with a big heart pointing to the cross.

Mission for the Week

Every day firemen, policemen and soldiers give up their lives to protect yours. Thank God for them.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's Gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."

Traditional Account

The "Protoevangelium of James", which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. He and his wife Anne were deeply grieved by their childlessness. Pious accounts place the birthplace of the Virgin Mary in Tzipori, Israel where a 5th-century basilica is excavated at the site. Some accounts speak of Nazareth and others say it was in a house near the Sheep Gate in Jerusalem. It is possible that a wealthy man such as Joachim had a home in both Judea and Galilee.



Feast Day

Tradition celebrates the event as a liturgical feast in the General Roman Calendar and in most Anglican liturgical calendars on 8 September, nine months after the solemnity of her Immaculate Conception, celebrated on 8 December.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?"

— Mt 16:24b-26

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Live The Liturgy -

Inspiration For The Week



Even as people of faith we often find ourselves reasoning our way through our trials and difficulties. It makes a huge difference using our own eyes and not those of God. God knows that we live in an imperfect world filled with suffering, pain, difficulties, disappointments, and death; all part of the mix. Jesus shows us by example that when we encounter hardships God transforms them into something better. We do not need to despair. God gives us hope. When we view our lives through God's eyes and not our own this gift of hope and transformation becomes very apparent. We must lose our lives in order to gain them.



Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

How many public self-storage facilities can you find in your city or town? They seem to be popping up everywhere. One day I was talking to my neighbor and he was explaining that he just wanted to have his garage back again. He was thinking about moving everything to a storage unit so he could gain what he wanted more than all that stuff: space. We talked about the fact that if he chose to follow through with it there was no shortage of places to house all of it. Of course, we also agreed that it would be better to simply let go of all it. He could sell it or give it away. But, of course, it was good stuff! So good, in fact, one was tempted to rent a whole new space to house it!

I am not against stuff in principle, but I do realize that stuff can become a stumbling block to real freedom. Sometimes our possessions take on an importance that begins to dictate how we act or how we give of ourselves to God and others. An everyday steward seeks detachment from things of this world that will one day pass away. Things that we possess should be seen as pathways into experiences that glorify God, whether they allow us to serve others, enrich our lives lived daily for God, or even help make leisure and recreation time resting in God's presence easier. But the simpler the life, the fewer distractions there are from focusing on those we love and our relationship with God. And besides, do you really think a monthly payment to house stuff you don't really need is the best stewardship way of life?

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



Pray for our sick -

Saturday, Sept. 9th & Sunday, Sept. 10th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Jack Normoyle

9:00AM ~ Mary Barraco

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Noah & Lucas Smith, Grace Piazza

EUCCHARIST:

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

9:00AM ~ M. Piazza, R. Warren, L. Argiro, K. Fekete,
M.E. Cusano, Michael Dykeman



International Food Festival

Yes it is time to get ready for our 11th Annual International Food Festival on Saturday, November 11th! We will be looking for cooks who would like to share their favorite family recipe, bakers who would donate to the bake sale, themed baskets for our raffle table and volunteers to help throughout the day. Contact the rectory for information. More information will follow in the bulletin.

Rectory Office Closed/No Noon Mass

In observance of Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4th, the Rectory will be closed and there is no Noon Mass this day. Have a happy and safe long weekend.



Religious Education

Religious Education Program

The Religious Education Program is looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:

- Teachers for Third, Fourth, Seventh and Eighth grades at OLP/SP.
 - Substitute teachers for all grades for SJB/HT and OLP/SP.
- Please call the Parish office at 315-478-0916 if you are interested in volunteering. Registration for classes for both parishes will be after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2nd & 3rd and Sept. 9th & 10th.

Classes will begin for grades K-8 on Sunday Sept. 17th.

SEPTEMBER

Sun. Sept. 3	Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. Sept. 10	Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. Sept. 17	Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Sept. 24	Group 4 Money Counters
Sat. Sept. 16	Chicken & Biscuit Dinner 3:00-7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center
Thurs. Sept. 21	Washington Square Association Watch 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center
Wed. Sept. 27	Catholic Golden Agers Meeting 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Michael Aiello and James Caprilozzi
Requested by The Family



2nd Banns of Marriage
Natale Vannelli & Paul Fisher
Katelyn Rutherford & David Ingram
1st Banns of Marriage
Andrea Serbun & David Herzog

Sunday Collection Aug. 26th & 27th

Regular collection	\$2,373.25
Loose collection	\$455.00
Religious Education collection.....	\$183.00
Poor collection.....	\$96.00
Glenmary Home Mission collection.....	\$849.35

Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Sept. 2, 2017 - 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Larry Loughney - The Family
Anthony Geremia - Margaret & John Boyle
Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children
David McLaughlin & Maria Codello - Maria Princi

Sun. - Sept. 3, 2017 - 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Sept. 4, 2017

12:00 Noon - Labor Day No Noon Mass

Tues. - Sept. 5, 2017 - Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, religious

12:00 Noon - Those still displaced in Texas

Wed. - Sept. 6, 2017

Thurs. - Sept. 7, 2017

Fri. - Sept. 8, 2017 - The Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Safe and blessed school year

Sat. - Sept. 9, 2017 - 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Sept. 10, 2017 - 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Paul Ferretti - Marilyn Ferretti
Jenna Nichole Sweeting - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano
Giorgio DelVecchio - Anna Delvecchio & Children
Giulia Palucci - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

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



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