

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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January 14, 2018

## 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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2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# SEEK

Jesus turned and saw  
them following him and  
said to them, "What are  
you looking for?" - Jn 1:38a

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

## Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

"He first found his own brother Simon and told him, 'We have found the Messiah.'" After spending the day in the company of Christ, Andrew took action. He shared the good news! Instead of keeping his newfound friendship with Jesus all to himself, Andrew invited his brother into the fold. Andrew found Simon and "brought him to Jesus." This was no small matter because Simon would become Peter, the first pope! How important it is to bring others along with us to meet Christ!

Yet, how often do we reach out with the kind of confidence that Andrew had? Are we ready and willing to share our faith with our family and friends? Do we consider our relationship with Jesus a gift to be shared, or a fact to be safely hidden away in our personal prayer corner?

Part of our call as Christians is to evangelize others, to share with them the good news of salvation. Loving Jesus and following his moral commands is essential, of course, but it is not the end of the story. The Gospel message is meant for all people, and we are meant to be its messengers. Sometimes this requires us to step out of our comfort zone. It may mean speaking up when we'd rather be silent. It may mean inviting someone to Mass when they might say no. But it might also mean a conversion for someone we care about. It might mean a new minister for the Church. Ultimately, it might mean another saint in heaven.

None of that is up to us, however. What we can control is only whether we share our faith joyfully and extend the invitation to others to experience the peace that comes from knowing Christ.

### 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.



## Sharing The Gospel

Mexican families share a special treat called a Kings' Cake on January 6th. Hidden inside the cake is one tiny little doll shaped like the baby Jesus. If you find Jesus in your piece of cake, you tell everyone. In today's Gospel, Andrew met Jesus for the first time. Andrew was so excited to find the Savior, he ran to tell his brother he had found Jesus.

### Prayer

Jesus, help me tell my family and friends about you.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself telling a friend about Jesus' love.

### Mission for the Week

Ask your family if you could include Kings' Cake in your holiday celebrations next year.



## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

Jesus' question in today's Gospel is still valid today: "What are you looking for?" What do you want from your spouse, children or parents? Families are populated with imperfect people. To expect perfection is unreal. To expect and accept imperfection is wisdom.

## When The Weather Is Questionable

For our weekday Masses, please call the rectory if the weather is questionable to assure that Mass will be said or celebrated. Every effort is made to know by 10:00AM if Mass will be cancelled. If there is no answer in the rectory leave a message, then if you receive no call back know that the staff too made a good judgment call not to be in due to weather.



## Christ The King Retreat House

500 Brookford Rd.

Mardi Gras/Valentine's Dinner and Comedy Show, Tuesday, Feb. 13 begins at 6:00PM, Dinner 6:30PM Show 7:30PM. Offering is \$50.00 per person including social, dinner and show. Join us for a delicious dinner and laugh along with one of America's sharpest comedy acts. Dan will provide clean, uproariously humorous entertainment. Reservations and pre-payment required. Call 315-446-2680, email us at [ctkretreat@syrdio.org](mailto:ctkretreat@syrdio.org) or register on our website at [www.ctkretreat.com](http://www.ctkretreat.com)

## Contribution Statements

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2017 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, email us at [nbergeson@syrdio.org](mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org), fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or, save a stamp and put your request in a plain envelope and put it into the collection basket attention "Nancy".

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR REQUEST INTO YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Coffee And Donuts

Due to a scheduling conflict Coffee and Donuts had to be cancelled last week. Please join us this Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018 in the SJB/HT Parish Center for coffee and donuts after the 9:00AM Mass. Gather and chat for a bit with friends and family and see how the New Year has started!



## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

Sometimes it is difficult to hear God's call.

We are trained to listen attentively and to hear many things, but spiritual ones are often missed. God is calling us all of the time. He is calling us to drink deeply of the well of life and not get distracted by the superficial and short-lasting things we choose to cling to. Have we ever given a true spiritual life and relationship with God a chance? Jesus says to us today, "Come, and you will see." May we take Jesus up on his invitation and like Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, be able to exclaim: "We have found the Messiah."

## Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Have you ever been somewhere public and days later others said they saw you there? You can find yourself surprised that they saw you and didn't say hello. However, at least they saw you. You, on the other hand, didn't even have any idea they were around you. You may have been oblivious to what was going on or those crossing your path on that day. You may have been forsaking that moment thinking about another time to come down the road.



Imagine being one of those who first encountered Jesus as he began his ministry. Would you have noticed? I would like to think that I would have rushed over to him to introduce myself. But on that day when he passed on by I just might have been caught up in life, unaware of all that was intersecting with my place in the world.

An everyday steward strives to live mindfully. The more mindful we are of all that is around us, the more grateful we find ourselves because we take things less for granted and the more open we are to the call of Jesus Christ. Every day Jesus crosses our path in the form of others. They may be in need or they may have a gift to offer us. Either way, without living in the present and taking in all that God has provided for us in the day, we can miss it. I would not want to hear afterwards that Jesus saw me and I was not paying attention enough to what was around me to notice.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



## Robert Burns Celebration

Join the Ladies Douglas Lodge #126 in their Annual Robert Burns Celebration on Saturday, February 3 at SJB/HT Parish Center starting at 6:00PM. \$15.00 with reservation \$20.00 at door. RSVP [coleyjinx@aol.com](mailto:coleyjinx@aol.com) or Lori Weir at 315-766-7886. Reservations Required. To go options available, pants optional, must like haggis. Price includes, traditional Scottish dinner, address to a Haggis, toasts, musical and dance entertainment and raffles. All proceed will go towards the Daughters of Scotia 2018 Convention in Syracuse.

Saturday, Jan. 20th & Sunday, Jan. 21st

**LECTORS:**

5:30PM ~ Owen Donovan

9:00AM ~ John Robinson

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

**EUCCHARIST:**

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

9:00AM ~ J. Mott, P. Schramm, R. Warren, L. Argiro, Michael Dykeman, M.E. Cusano, M. Piazza

**Mass Schedule for**

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

Sat. - Jan. 13, 2018 - Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Jan. 14, 2018 - Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Francis A. Cooney - Fran & Judy Cooney

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Jan. 15, 2018

12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass

Tues. - Jan. 16, 2018

12:00 Noon - The Pope

Wed. - Jan. 17, 2018 - St. Anthony, abbot

Thurs. - Jan. 18, 2018

Week of prayer for Christian Unity begins

Fri. - Jan. 19, 2018

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Safe and warm shelter for the homeless

Sat. - Jan. 20, 2018 - Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Clem, Adele, Midge - Peter & Fran

Giuseppe Miglore - The Family

Vincenzo Abbatiello - The Family

Giusepina & Antonio Luisi - Mr. & Mrs. L. Luisi

Sun. - Jan. 21, 2018 - Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Clemente Vigliotti - Dominico Colantone

Patricia Wall - Jack & Patrick

OLP/SP 11:00 am

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



**Sunday Collection Jan. 6th & 7th**

Regular collection .....	\$2,458.00
Loose collection.....	\$554.00
Solemnity of Mary collection.....	\$115.00



Sun. Jan. 14                    Group 3 Money Counters  
 Sun. Jan. 21                    Group 4 Money Counters  
 Sun. Jan. 28                    Group 1 Money Counters

Sun. Jan. 14                    Coffee and Doughnuts  
    Following Mass SJB/HT Parish Center  
 Thurs. Jan. 18                Washington Square Association  
    Neighborhood Watch  
    SJB/HT Parish Center 7:00PM



**RECTORY CLOSED**

The Rectory will be closed on Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

**There is No Noon Mass for Monday.**

**Marriage Announcement**

We happily announce the marriage of Alex Minnoe and Emily Henrich. Parents of the groom are Patrick and Laura Minnoe and Denise Minnoe and the brides parents are Robert and Patricia Henrich of Lancaster, NY. Alex and Emily were married on Saturday, January 13, 2018 in Buffalo, NY at St. Joseph University Church.



**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

Unity. What does "unity" mean? For those of us who claim Christ as our model of living and savior of humanity, it means we are one. This year the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has as its theme the Scripture citation 2 Corinthians 5:14-20. The first line contains our mission statement... "For the love of Christ impels us, once we have come to the conviction that one died for all; therefore all have died." If that is not a mandate for unity, then there is none. We are one in the death of Christ and therefore live in unity with all other Christians.

God, who are unity in three holy persons

**--Father, Son, and Holy Spirit--**

you have called us to live in peace with all people.

You have also called us to work toward unity in purpose to spread the Gospel to all nations.

Graciously give us the courage and strength to work toward unity, and act toward each other as brothers and sisters.

We ask this in the unity of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Remember:** Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, Aaron Doty, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, David Galvagno, Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, 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, Matthew Watkins and Peg Wulfert.



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