

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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February 11, 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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Web Site - www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CLEANSSED

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." - Mk 1:44

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

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

We may not like it, but generosity and risk often go hand-in-hand. At least, that's what Jesus shows us in today's Gospel as a leper approaches him for healing. Until the nineteenth century, lepers were shunned to the margins of society for fear of spreading the disease. To touch a leper was to risk becoming unclean yourself. In today's Gospel, Jesus defies convention. "Moved with pity, he reached out his hand, [and] touched him." The leper is healed! But this is not the only risk Jesus takes.

Before Jesus heals the man, he knows full well the desperate nature of his situation. Jesus knows that this man will be overjoyed upon being healed and that he just might tell everyone he knows. For a Messiah looking to temporarily fly under the radar, healing this particular leper might not be the best idea. Jesus heals anyway.

It can be easy to become calculated in our giving. If I go out of my way to help this person, how will it affect my reputation? How will this charitable donation affect my budget? How could I possibly make time to volunteer regularly? In today's Gospel, Jesus casts these concerns aside. He touches the untouchable. He reaches the unreachable. For his efforts, he receives a betrayal of his request for silence. "The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter." Before long "it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly." Jesus is forced to remain "outside in the deserted places." It would appear, perhaps, that he is unable to accomplish his mission.

When we take a risk to be generous, things might not follow the prescribed path. We might be disappointed. We also might be surprised! Our witness to radical generosity is attractive to a world in desperate need. Indeed, when Jesus took risks for love, "People kept coming to him from everywhere."

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.

Note To Liturgical Ministers

Thank you to all who helped during the Christmas/ New Year Masses. So very grateful for your help. Fast approaching is Easter. March 29th Holy Thursday, March 30th Good Friday, March 31st Easter Vigil and Sunday April 1st Easter Sunday. While the final plans on Churches and times have not yet been determined, please keep watch in the bulletin for Lector, Altar Server and Eucharistic Minister needs. We will have Easter Sunday Mass 9:00AM at SJB/HT and I will take first volunteer for all Liturgical needs. Thank You!



From James Stanley - Choir Request

Calling all former choir members of St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity: Those who would like to join the choir of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter for our combined Holy Week Services are welcome to attend rehearsals beginning Thursday, February 15, 6:30-7:30PM at Our Lady of Pompei Church. Rehearsals will be held each Thursday evening during Lent. Holy Thursday Mass (March 29) will be held here at SJB/HT; Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil (March 31) at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter.



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

We never marginalize or turn our backs on those who suffer violence, oppression from unjust systems, poverty, illness, or disease. Jesus never turned anyone away, but always extended a hand of healing and compassion. He would insist on extending God's merciful and unconditional love to all, even if it meant breaking the Sabbath or civil law. Does the way we treat others, especially those who are different than us, reflect the freedom, joy, love, and good news of the Gospel?

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

If you witnessed a miracle, wouldn't you want to tell everyone? If you saw the sun dance in the sky, a crippled man walk, or the Virgin Mary appear in front of you, wouldn't you just want to shout about it from a rooftop so all could hear? Maybe you would be afraid others would not believe you. You might choose instead to keep it to yourself to avoid criticism and ridicule. At least, if you saw a miracle, you would have a choice: to tell or not to tell.

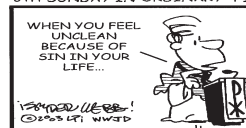


Yet, at every Mass we witness a miracle. We witness bread and wine as it becomes the true presence of Jesus Christ. It isn't a saint or Mary appearing before us; it is actually Jesus! When was the last time you told anybody about that miracle?

It might not be easy for us to always talk about our faith, but we can show them. When we receive the Eucharist into our bodies, we become one with Christ. We go forth from the Mass as a living testimony of the miracle that occurred at Mass. People will not be able to simply look at us and see the evidence. We need to demonstrate to them the reality of this miracle by our good deeds and profound acts of charity. That is stewardship. That is bearing witness to the truth of our God being truly present to us. It is something we should want to share with everyone.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Read the Gospel and Color



It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

Prayer

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

Mission for the Week

Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share. Give them something to read. Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

The apostles were "afraid" when Jesus was transfigured in front of them. CHANGE is often frightening, especially in relationships, but inevitable. The child grows up, a parent ages and people mature. The only constant is our commitment to one another.



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, 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: _____

C/S/Z: _____ Envelope Number: _____

Sunday Collection Feb. 3rd & 4th

Regular collection	\$3,194.01
Loose collection.....	\$427.25
Fuel collection.....	\$469.00

Rectory Closed/No Noon Mass

In observance of Presidents Day the Rectory will be closed on Monday, Feb. 19.

There is No Noon Mass this day.



Saturday, Feb. 17th & Sunday, Feb. 18th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ Mary Barraco

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ R. Bartorillo, T. Bartorillo, M.E. Cusano,
M.A. Bergamo, J. LaVergne

9:00AM ~ Michael Dykeman, R. Elderbroom, M. Piazza,
Michele Dykeman, J. Mott, K. Fekete, C. Horton

Mass Schedule for

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Feb. 10, 2018 - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Mom & Dad Bonocora - Pete & Fran
Raffaele DiMichele - Maria & Family
Edward Michael Airel - The All Faith Food Pantry

Sun. - Feb. 11, 2018 - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Feb. 12, 2018

12:00 Noon - The homeless

Tues. - Feb. 13, 2018

12:00 Noon - All Souls

Wed. - Feb. 14, 2018 - Ash Wednesday

OLP/SP 9:00 am

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - For The People

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People

Thurs. - Feb. 15, 2018

Fri. - Feb. 16, 2018

11:30 am - Confessions

12:00 Noon - Families that are in crisis

Sat. - Feb. 17, 2018 - First Sunday Of Lent

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Feb. 18, 2018 - First Sunday Of Lent

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Louis Aiello - The Family

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.**



FEBRUARY

Sun. Feb. 11 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Feb. 18 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. Feb. 25 Group 1 Money Counters

Thurs. Feb. 15 Washington Square Assoc. 7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Mon. Feb. 19 Rectory Closed and No Noon Mass

Fri. Feb. 16 & 23 Baked Fish Dinner 4:00-7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center



Homebound

In Need Of Ashes/Communion

Please call Cathy Horton at 315-546-3898 if you or someone you know is homebound and can not come to Church to receive Ashes and Communion on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th. You may also call the rectory between 9:00-4:30 Mon.—Thur. 9:00-2:30 Fri. for assistance.

Baked Fish Dinner's Begin



It's Baked Fish Dinner time! Schedule is; Friday February 16, 23 March 2, 9, 16 and 23 from 4:00-7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center. Please join us for delicious dinner and fellowship.

~Dinner Menu ~

Baked Fish w/two sides, roll and dessert \$8.00 Adults - \$4.00 children 5-12. sides; French fries, cole slaw, mac & cheese or baked beans. Additional sides \$1.50. Fish Sandwich w/one side \$5.00. Toasted cheese sandwich \$2.00. New England clam chowder \$1.50. Soda's \$1.00. 50/50 raffles.



Bunko Date - Sat. Feb. 24

Anyone interested in playing Bunko 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. Feb. 21st. for details. Phone is 315-420-6357 or email at warrenbeliz@yahoo.com.

PLEASE, contact Betty if playing as it is important to the set up of the game.

Next Bunko night is Sat. Feb. 24



Remember: Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Mary Elizabeth Cusano, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Theresa Deprimio, Kathy Deprimio, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Dizenzo, Aaron Doty, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, Ellen Gangemi, 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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