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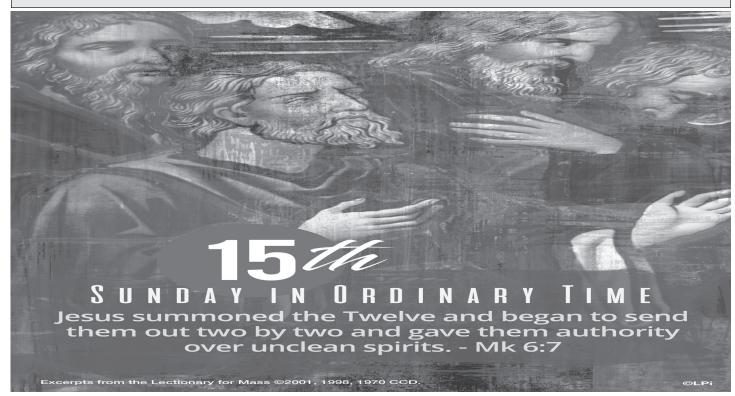
July 15, 2018

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 E-mail - <u>nbergeson@syrdio.org</u> Web Site - <u>www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com</u>



Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"He summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two." This Sunday we read the first sending of the Apostles to preach, teach, and heal. For many of us, it can be easy to think we "just don't have enough" to be disciples and evangelists ourselves. We don't have enough education and training. We don't have enough experience talking to people about Jesus. We don't pray enough. We don't have enough faith.

If you look at the Apostles in today's Gospel reading, they didn't have much either. "No food, no sack, no money in their belts." They didn't plan out their itinerary or book their lodging in advance. From what we know of the Apostles, they were not the religiously trained and educated ones. They were fisherman, tax collectors, and political activists. But what does being a fisherman require? Someone like Peter needed a strong work ethic to rise at strange hours. He needed patient calm to wait for the catch. Once ashore, he needed a savvy mind to fetch a good price for his labors.

As Peter became a fisher of men, he would need diligence to persevere through the hard journeys, long days, and persecution that awaited him. He would need patient calm with those who disagreed with him. As the leader of the Apostles, he would need a savvy mind to navigate challenges facing the early Church. From one perspective, Peter has nothing to offer the mission of Jesus. Thinking more creatively, one can see that -- joined with faith and love -- perhaps Peter had everything he needed.

Jesus sends you as well. As you take stock of your own talents, consider how they might be offered as a gift to others. Maybe you already have more than enough.

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff Pastor Father Daniel Caruso Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson Office Assistant Mary Olmsted

Senior Priest in Residence Fr. Lester Smith Music Director/Organist James Stanley Cantor Jonathan Howell **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.

SJB/HT & OLP/SP Clam Bake

The joint Parish Clam bake is Wednesday July 25 from 1:00-5:00PM at Hinerwadel's 5300 W. Taft Road. \$50.00 per person, children . Includes Raw Little Neck Clams. Res-

ervations will be taken at the rectory or after Masses (when available to do so). **NO reservations accepted at the door or after July 16.** Raffles and 50/50 will be available. Call the rectory, 315-478-0916, with any questions or for reservations. Join us for the fun!

A Family Perspective Family Life Education

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Jesus sent out His apostles without many "things" **HILLS** because things distract. We collect, argue about and protect our "things." Garage sales only transfer "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to do. What "things" are separating you from your family

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus prepared his disciples for a mission trip, where they would help the people in area towns and teach them about God. Before they left, Jesus asked his disciples to travel light-they were to bring no food or clothes or money. They could not survive without God's help. Jesus also asked them to heal people. They could not heal without God's power, either. God provided everything they needed for their mission trip.

Mission for the Week

Choose one friend you know who needs to hear about God's love. Ask your parents if you could offer a ride to that friend, and invite him or her to church with you.



Prayer

Dear God, help me always to remember that it is your power that turns people's lives around. Amen.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha

On July 14th, we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American woman to be canonized. Orphaned by a smallpox out-



break, Kateri survived with severe scarring and impaired eyesight. Despite tragedy, she was a devout girl at a young age, often building crosses from sticks in the woods. When she was 18, she began secret instruction in the Catholic faith with French missionaries. Her commitment to Christianity and vow of virginity was misunderstood and ridiculed by her fellow villagers. She escaped to a nearby mission, where she attended daily Mass, taught the children, and cared for the sick and the elderly. Sometimes the greatest misunderstandings can come from those closest to us. Like St. Kateri, God invites us to be faithful to our commitments of faith and to always respond in love.

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Do you describe yourself as a holy person? For many, becoming holy may not be seen as a desirous goal. We are all called to be



holy but maybe not in the way we often imagined. Holiness is nothing more than doing ordinary things with great love and faith. St. Teresa of Calcutta says, "Holiness is not something extraordinary. Holiness is for every one of us as a simple duty -- the acceptance of God with a smile, at all times, anywhere and everywhere." Holiness has to do with understanding that our faith has a lot to do with how we see and live life. It is that simple. Are you willing to go about

the simple business of your life and be holy?

Live The Liturgy -Inspiration For The Week

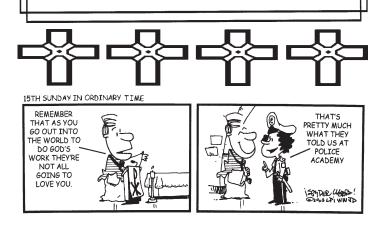
I recently got into an Uber car for a ride to the airport. I like talking with drivers if I sense

they are open to it. On this particular day, the driver was very talkative and told me about how he was an inventor. He had several patents and was about to sell one of his inventions for a ton of money. We had a wonderful conversation, and he was such a warm and interesting person. I asked him why, with his good fortune with inventions and all the work he was doing aside from Uber, he was still driving. He smiled and said, "There are still some people I haven't met yet. I never know who is going to get into my car next."

What an amazing answer! Too often we live our lives in semi-solitude, walking around with blinders on so we don't make eye contact. We have our family and friends, but we don't get up each day wondering with excitement who we will meet that day.

God puts people into our path all the time. Maybe we need them or they need us. But we do not walk through this world alone. If we choose to not be mindful of who is in our midst, we miss the chance to receive whatever gifts they may have to give. In the same vein, they miss out on what we have to share with them if we stay closed and quiet. Pay attention to those around you. God may come to you in the words of a friend, the request of a homeless man, or in the wisdom of an Uber driver.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



| Saturday, July 21st & Sunday, July 22nd LECTORS: 5:30PM ~ Owen Donovan 9:00AM ~ Chet Wisniewski ALTAR SERVERS: 5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano 9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero EUCHARIST: 5:30PM ~ J. LaVergne, Available Ministers 9:00AM ~ J. Mott, M. Piazza, R. Elderbroom, K. Fekete, Michael Dykeman, C. Horton, M.E. Cusano | Sun. July 15 Group 1 Money Counters Sun. July 22 Group 2 Money Counters Sun. July 29 Group 3 Money Counters Thurs. July 19 Washington Square Assoc. Neighborhood Watch SJB/HT Parish Center 7:00PM Wed. July 25 SJB/HT & OLP/SP Clam Bake Hinerwadel's 1:00-5:00PM |
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| Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Sat July 14, 2018 - 15th Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 4:00 pm SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Larry Loughney - The Family John Castle - Pauline Pirozzi | Memorials For Hymnals A reminder that Memorials, that will appear on the inside cover of the Hymnals, are still available in memory of loved ones for \$20.00 per request. You may use the below form or call the office for further assis- tance. There is no information on when requests already made will be printed but all have been submitted. In Memory of: 1) |
| Sun July 15, 2018 - 15th Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am SJB/HT 9:00 am - Frances Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Cooney Albert Viggiano - Mary & Chet Wisniewski OLP/SP 11:00 am Mon July 16, 2018 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel 12:00 Noon - Mary McAullife - Mary Salanger Katherine Kerwin - Mary Salanger | 2) Requested by: Phone number: Amount enclosed: |
| Tues July 17, 2018 12:00 Noon - Bill Kwasigroch - Jane Kwasigroch Wed July 18, 2018 - St. Camillus de Lellis, priest Thurs July 19, 2018 Fri July 20, 2018 - St. Apollinaris, bishop & martyr SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confession | Sunday Collection July 7th & July 8th Regular collection \$3,046.00 Loose collection \$395.00 Fuel collection \$469.00 |
| SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - All Souls Sat July 21, 2018 - 16th Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP - 4:00 pm SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People Sun July 22, 2018 - 16th Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am SJB/HT 9:00 am - Mary Hennessy - Ed & Karin Airel 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. |
| A bird sitting on a tree is never afraid of the branch breaking, because her trust is not on the branch but on its own wings. Always believe in yourself. ~Unknown~ | Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Direnzo, Aaron Doty, Louise Epolito, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti, Shirley Fornito, Beverly Frey, Ellen Gangemi, David Galvagno, Trudy (Sobon) German, Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Joanne Loughney, Maria Luisi, Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Bernice McClelland, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Dar- lene Noyes, Jean Padden, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Jason A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, and Matthew Watkins. |

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