

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 30, 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.

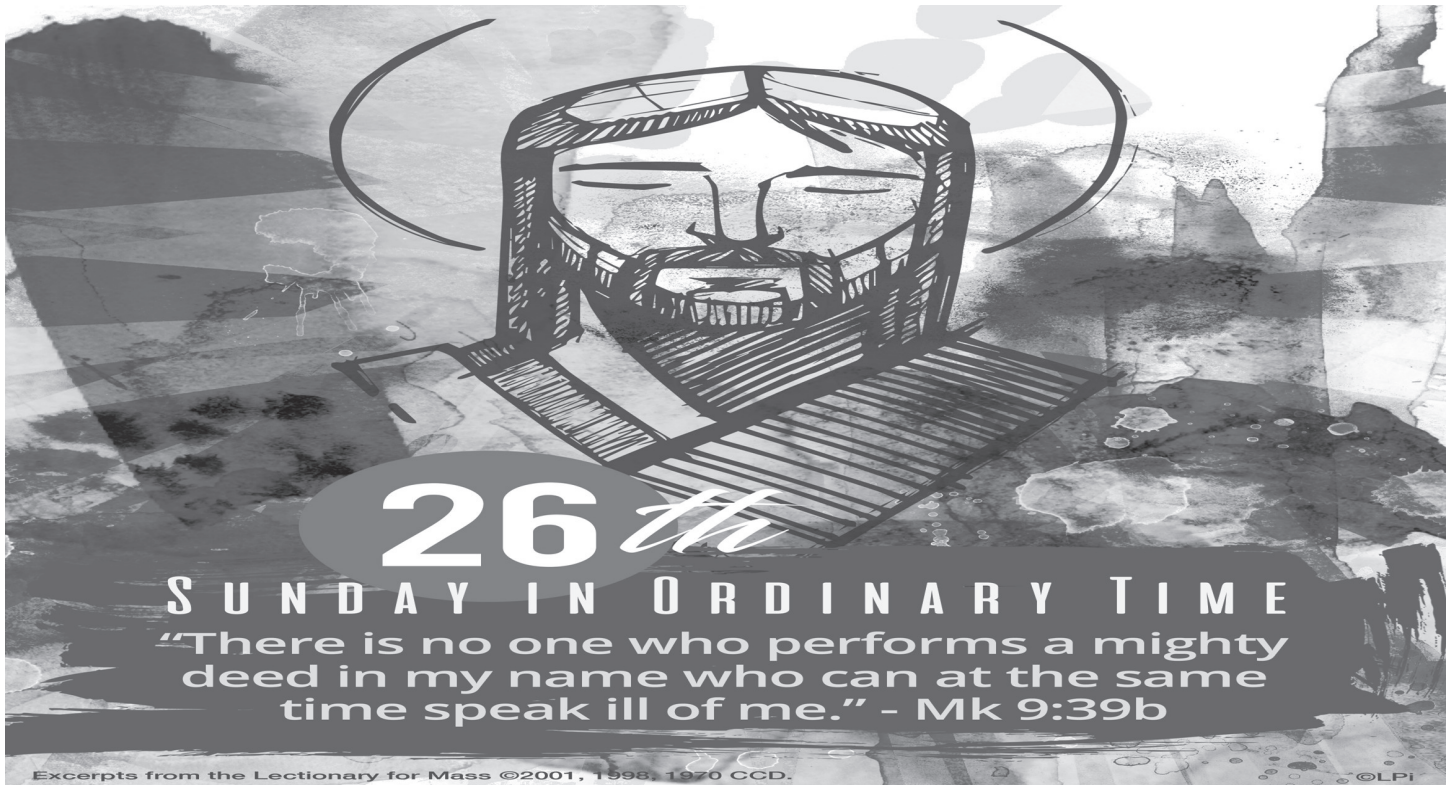
Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

As we go about our days, we necessarily label, classify, and prioritize. What's "in" and what's "out" on our priority list? Because humans are social beings, we tend to do the same thing with people. We can only invite six people to the dinner party. Our young child wants to invite certain friends to her birthday, but we're keenly aware of who the parents are, and the prospect of spending several hours with them is enough to give us pause.

In today's Gospel, Jesus' disciples face a classification problem. They've seen another person driving out demons in the name of Jesus. They recognize him, a non-Apostle, as clearly "out." And yet "Jesus replied, 'Do not prevent him. Whoever is not against us is for us.'" Jesus recognizes real faith in the would-be exorcist. In our own lives, Jesus invites us to recognize others' good intentions. They should not be cut off simply because they do not line up with all our personal preferences. What, then, is deserving of such a fate?

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off? if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out."

When his listeners blame others, Jesus tends to pivot the conversation to their own lives. In this case, the message is clear. What we really need to cut out is that which keeps us from Jesus. If over-commitment causes us to lose patience with our family, doubt God's providence, and become consumed with self-reliance, cut something out. If certain friendships lead us time after time into gossip and slander, cut it out. In today's Gospel, Jesus invites us to live intentionally in our discipleship. Are we ready?

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

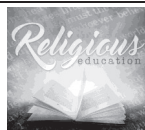
Call the Rectory to arrange for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist and cantor directly. Baptisms and hospital/home visits.

2019 Mass Book

The Mass Book for 2019 is open.

PLEASE DO NOT MAIL IN REQUESTS.

Intentions will be taken during office hours or we will take requests over the phone. There are more Saturday and Sunday intentions available this year, we have weekday, Monday, Tuesday and Friday, Noon Masses available. The Sanctuary Lamp is available and runs from Sunday through Saturday in memory of your loved one. Masses and Lamp are a \$10.00 donation. **Again please do not mail in requests.** Thank You.



Religious Education News

Our Religious Education Program is up and running for Pre K - Confirmation II. There is no class next week, Oct. 7, in observance of Columbus Day. We will resume class on Oct. 14. There is still room for more students if you have a child age 3 and up for Pre K - Confirmation II. We are also still looking for teachers, even if you can only teach part of the time. Please call Betty Warren for more information at 315-420-6357.

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

The words in today's Gospel, Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rulebook. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts." Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love...a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.



The disciples started to feel proud because they thought they were the "in" group of friends of Jesus. One day they saw a complete stranger working powerful miracles in the name of Jesus. The disciples told the stranger to stop because he was not part of their special group. The disciples should have encouraged him instead.

Mission for the Week

Pray for missionaries around the world who teach others about Jesus.



Prayer

Dear God, help me to work side-by-side with other people who love Jesus, no matter who they are.

St. Francis de Sales

1567-1622

Abandon the past to God's mercy, the future to Divine Providence, the present to your own fidelity.



FALL SWEEPSTAKES

1st prize \$25,000
2nd prize \$15,000
3rd prize \$5,000
10 prizes of \$500

Tickets: \$50 each
Saturday, November 10th
Doors open at 1pm

For more information: www.BishopLudden.org

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments



Whoever is not against us is with us. Is your image of God bigger than the labels and categories into which we often place Him? God has been acting in our world from the beginning of time and has been intimately wedded to creation for thousands of years before the creation of humanity. Did you ever consider that God was present when dinosaurs traveled the earth? God's presence surprises us, but He can be clearly seen when people, regardless of their faith or creed, rise to the occasion and do the right thing. We have seen this countless times throughout history when people have put their differences aside, sacrificing their own security and needs to help others. God is much larger than we make Him out to be. Try to be present and mindful and not miss God working in all moments of life. If we are not attentive, God's presence can go unnoticed.



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

My oldest son is named Nathanael. We used the biblical spelling of his first name, and he has spent his entire life of 20 plus years having to correct people who try to spell his name. Those who have not met him before have no idea for sure how to spell his name. Of course, when we named him, we gave him a name that not only his friends would know him by, but by which God would know him.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus tells Nathanael that he is "a true child of Israel." Nathanael wonders how Jesus knew him. Jesus knows him before he even speaks to him. Jesus knows us and calls us to believe in him. However, do we know him enough to be willing to follow him?

Many of our sons and daughters believe in Jesus. We believe in Jesus. He knows us all better than we know ourselves. But do we truly know him? Do we have a genuine relationship with him? Have we allowed him to transform our lives? I know my son believes in Jesus. I believe in Jesus. I hope and pray we both can grow to know Jesus at least half as much as he knows us.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



What Day Is National Smile Day?

World Smile Day is celebrated on the first Friday in the month of October every year. The idea of World Smile Day was coined and initiated by Harvey Ball, a commercial artist from Worcester, Massachusetts. Harvey Ball is known to have created the Smiley Face in 1963.

Saturday, Oct. 6th & Sunday, Oct. 7th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ Mary Barraco

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

EUCCHARIST:

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

9:00AM ~ J. Mott, R. Elderbroom, Michael Dykeman,
Michele Dykeman, P. Schramm, L. Argiro, M. Piazza

**Mass Schedule for
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity**

Sat. - Sept. 29, 2018 - 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Sept. 30, 2018 - 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Louis Cellini - The Family
Paul Feretti - Marilyn
Patrick Loperfido - The Family
Dorothy McGuire - The McGuire Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

**Mon. - Oct. 1, 2018 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus,
virgin & Doctor of the Church**

12:00 Noon - Pray for a bountiful Fall harvest

Tues. - Oct. 2, 2018 - The Holy Guardian Angels

12:00 Noon - Pray for our police and rescue personal

Wed. - Oct. 3, 2018

Thurs. - Oct. 4, 2018 - St. Francis of Assisi

Fri. - Oct. 5, 2018 - Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, priest

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confession

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Tommisina Carfagno -
The Twin Brothers

Sat. - Oct. 6, 2018 - 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP - 4:00 pm

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - Robert Schotthoefer - The Family
Robert Nicholas - Wife, Celine
Dominick Pirozzi - Wife, Pauline & Children

Sun. - Oct. 7, 2018 - 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Janet William - The Family
Robert Greenfield - The Family
Donald Bill - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am



Coffee and Donuts

We will be serving coffee and donuts on Sunday
Sept. 30 after the 9:00am Mass. Please join us for
a cup and a treat and some nice conversation with friends.

OCTOBER EVENTS

Sun. Sept. 30 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. Oct. 7 Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. Oct. 14 Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. Oct. 21 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Oct. 28 Group 4 Money Counters

Tues. Oct. 2 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Mon. Oct. 15 Parish Council Meeting 7:00PM
SJB/HT Rectory

Tues. Oct. 16 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Thurs. Oct. 18 Washington Square Assoc.
Neighborhood Watch
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Sat. Oct. 20 BUNCO 6:30PM
6:30PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Oct. 23 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Wed. Oct. 24 Catholic Golden Agers
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Louis Cellini
requested by Mary Cellini**

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



Remember: Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield,
Lorna Dodge Burton, Rosaria Campolo, Robert
Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini,
Linda Deapo, Theresa Deprimio, Kathy Deprimio,
Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Anthony Drenzo, 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, Mi-
chael Morga, Darlene Noyes, Jean Padden, Cathy Galutz
Sacco, Patty Schramm, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Ja-
son A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara
Traino, Shelly Visco, and Matthew Watkins.

Sunday Collection Sept. 22nd & Sept. 23rd

Regular collection\$2,344.35
Loose collection \$233.00

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