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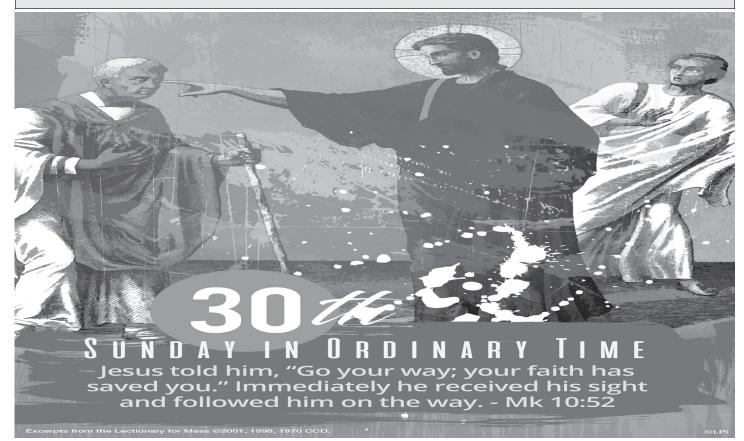
October 28, 2018

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>



Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Son of David, have pity on me!" Has the cry of Bartimaeus ever escaped your lips? Today's Gospel tells the story of a blind man with a difficult lot in life. He made a living by begging coins off passing travelers. When word reaches him that Jesus will be passing by, this is when he begins is shouts for mercy. Jesus hears Bartimaeus' cry and beckons him forward.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Last week, Jesus asked a similar question to James and John. Their response was a clutch for fame. Bartimaeus' response is much humbler. "Lord, I want to see." How strange this interaction must have seemed to the onlookers. The man is blind! Of course he wants to see! But Jesus is always teaching us. By asking us what we want, Jesus reveals the dispositions of our hearts. God already knows them, but do we? By asking James and John to name their ambition, their selfishness is exposed to the other disciples. By asking Bartimaeus to name his longing, his faith is exposed to the entire crowd. Jesus invites participation in our own redemption. He doesn't save us without us!

Take some time in silent prayer today. Place yourself in this story of Bartimaeus. Imagine yourself there on the dusty, crowded roadside. Jesus is calling you! When you stand before him, his focus is on you and you alone. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asks. Search your heart. How would you respond? What part of your heart is Jesus asking you to expose? He has come to heal and to restore. May we, too, be sent! "Go ... your faith has saved you."

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.

Inter National Food Festival Saturday, November 17 Noon - 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Please join us on Saturday, November 17th in the SJB/HT Parish Center for our 12th Annual Inter National Food Festival. Festivities start at 12:00 Noon - 7:00PM. If you are interested in cooking a family favorite, donate a Baked Good or a Gift Basket for raffle, please call the rectory 315-478-0916 or Patty Schramm 315-569-9806 for information. Also, we always need and appreciate those who volunteer to help set up, work during and clean up after this event. We will have many wonderful dishes for \$1.00 samples or \$3.00-\$5.00 dinners, Baked Good table, Gift Basket raffle, 50/50 and Turkey raffle. (Turkeys are frozen 10-12 lbs.).

Thank You WEGMANS James St. for donations towards the Turkey Raffle.



Religious Education News

This weeks class will be our Safe Environment Class for all grades on Oct. 28 at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters at 301 Ash St. at 9:50-

10:50AM. Classes will resume here next week at 9:45. There is still room for more students if you have a child age 3 and up for Pre K to 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



When Jesus asked the blind man, "What do you

want from me?" he asked for sight. If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Okay, that is your prayer.

Sunday Collection Oct. 20th & Oct. 21st

Regular collection	\$3,122.25
Loose collection	\$327.00
Fuel collection	\$152.00
Poor collection	\$110.00
World Mission Sunday collection	\$130.00

Bartimaeus may have been poor and blind, but he sure was smart! He had the kind of faith that made Jesus smile. Bartimaeus knew exactly who Jesus was-the Messiah. And Barti-

maeus knew Jesus had the power to make him see. When Jesus called him, Bartimaeus left everything behind-even his coat-just to follow Jesus.

Mission for the Week

Wear a blindfold at home, and ask your family members to talk to you as usual. Just by the sound of each voice, you know who is talking, right? Talk about how being blind did not stop Bartimaeus from recognizing Jesus, either.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for helping Bartimaeus see you and follow you. Help me to follow his example.



A Message From Fr. Daniel Caruso

This coming Thursday, November 1st, is the Solemnity of All Saints. It is a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**. It is important for us to remem-



ber what we celebrate when we observe this feast. To come together to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is a wonderful way to celebrate the holy lives of those men and women, unknown to us, who are enjoying everlasting life with God. It is a celebration of what we ourselves should aspire to. In our observance of that day, let us pray to all the saints, asking them to pray for us, that we may give witness to others of the joy in our lives that comes from our hope of Heaven.

Friday, November 2nd, is the Commemoration of All Souls. It is a day to remember, and pray for, all of the faithful departed. Indeed, it is important to remember that the whole of November is traditionally dedicated to prayer for the dead. It is a tradition in many Catholic cultures to visit a cemetery on All Soul's Day. While it may not be possible for everybody to do this on November 2nd, I would like to encourage everybody to visit the cemetery during the month of November and to pray for those who are buried there.

During this month of prayer for the dead, those of us who have lost loved ones know the great comfort that comes from the knowledge that others are praying for our departed loved ones. On Monday, November 5th, at 7:00PM, we will be celebrating a special Memorial Mass for all the members of our parish who have died during this past year. We are all brothers and sisters in the Lord; we need to be there for one another. I hope you will join us in prayer on November 5th.

Please pray for all our young parishioners who will be out trick or treating on Wednesday. You are all in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

In Christ's Peace Fr. Caruso

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments



As Pope Francis has reminded us, it is in living the Beatitudes that we find the path to holiness. The Beatitudes are not a list of do's and don'ts. Rather, they are a road map to finding our way to others and to the kingdom of God. It is when we enter into the human condition with all of its pain and sorrow that we discover again the creative presence of God guiding us to greater wholeness. Being poor in spirit? being meek and humble? mourning our sorrow and losses and walking with others through theirs ? hungering and thirsting for righteousness ? being merciful ? maintaining a clean heart ? pursuing peace ? daily taking up the challenge of the Gospel. All bring us into the mystery of humanity and indeed into the mystery of God. The pathway to our relationships and the blueprint detailing our responsibilities are revealed. Are we ready to roll up our sleeves and get dirty?

Happy and Safe



Holloween!

Saturday, Nov. 3rd & Sunday, Nov. 4th **LECTORS:** 5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer 9:00AM ~ Patrick Minnoe

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano 9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Lucas & Noah Smith

EUCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone, J. LaVergne, M.E. Cusano 9:00AM ~ E. Warren, R. Elderbroom, M. Piazza, M.E. Cusano, Michele Dykeman, Michael Dykeman

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Oct. 27, 2018 - 30th Sunday In Ordinary Time **OLP/SP 4:00 pm**

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Rosalie Rivizzigno - The Family Noreen Humberstone - Sue Slack & Family Frances Militi - Amy & Mike Militi & Family

Sun. - Oct. 28, 2018 - 30th Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - William Kelly - Allan Chouinard Chester Wisniewski, Sr. - Rosemary Lane Jenna Nichole Sweeting - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Oct. 29, 2018 12:00 Noon - Alois Achter - Your Daughter

Tues. - Oct. 30, 2018 12:00 Noon - All who are at the end of life

Wed. - Oct. 31, 2018

Thurs. - Nov. 1, 2018 - All Saints 9:00 am - OLP/SP 12:00 Noon - SJB/HT 5:30 pm - SJB/HT

Fri. - Nov. 2, 2018 - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) SJB/HT 11:30 am - No Confession SJB/HT 12:00 Noon (in Church) - For The People

Sat. - Nov. 3, 2018 - 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time **OLP/SP - 4:00 pm** SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Nov. 4, 2018 - 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Bernie R. Sofon, Sr. - The Family Anthony DelVecchio - Anne Carruthers Chester Wisniewski, Sr. - Charlie & Sally Cole/ 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.

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NOVENBER EVENTS





To Our Snowbirds



Please, as you cancel your mailings, let the office know when you will be leaving and returning so that I can temporarily stop your contribution envelopes. As they are not mailed first class, they will come back to this office for postage due. Thank you and safe and happy warm travels.



Day Light Savings Ends Sunday, Nov. 4

Next Week Day Light Savings ends. Before bed on Saturday, November 3rd turn your clocks back one hour. This is also a good time to change all batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms.

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 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, Michael Morga, Darlene Noyes, Jean Padden, Sharon Peparata, 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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