

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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October 7, 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.

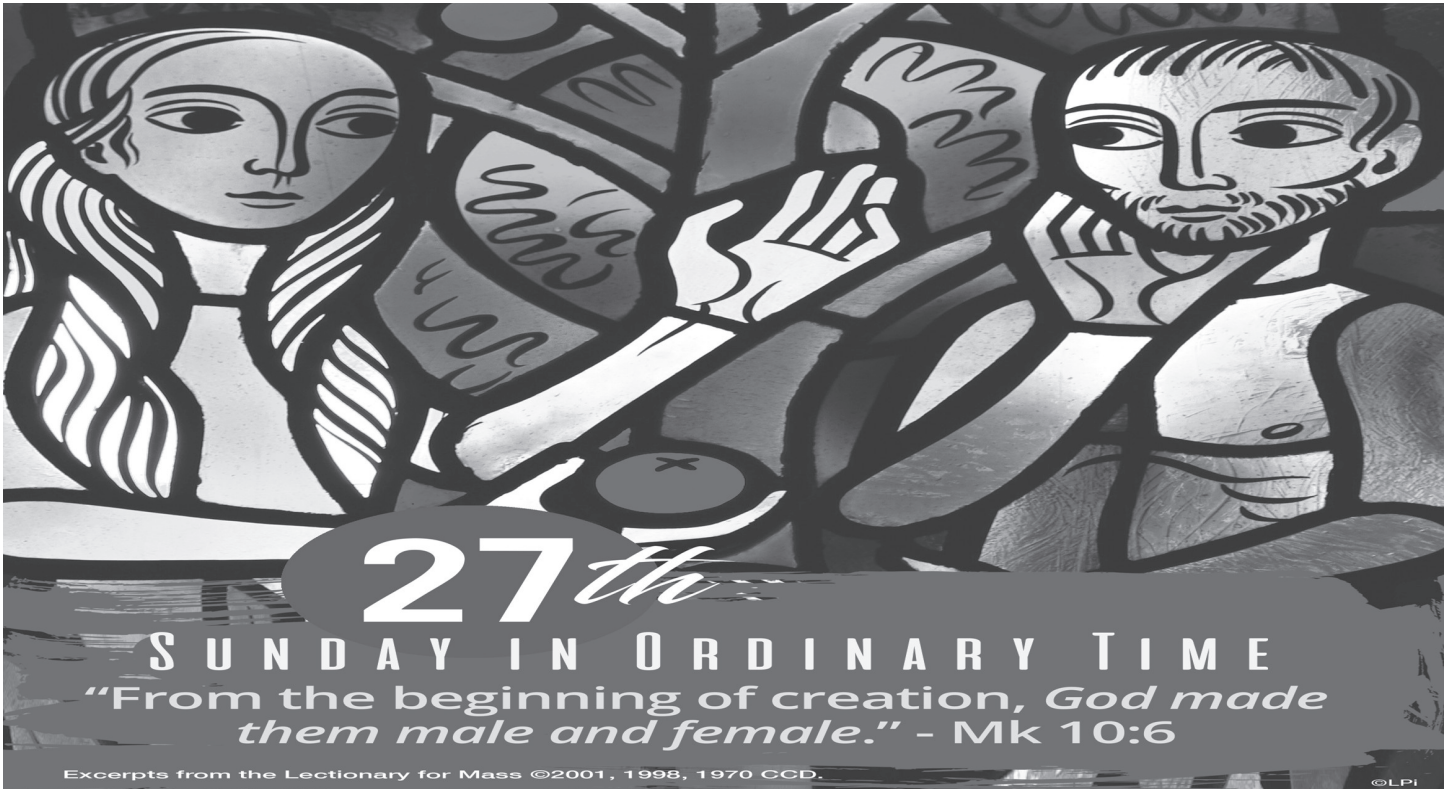
Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." This verse is part of a beautiful reflection on childlike faith. We're reminded of the innocence of children, how eager they are to experience life and how quick they are to trust. Rarely do we hear it with the story that immediately proceeds it. The Pharisees question Jesus on the lawfulness of divorce! Hardly the sort of thorny moral conversation one typically has in front of children. Yet here we are.

Jesus' response goes further back than the Mosaic law. "From the beginning, God made them male and female ... the two shall become one flesh ... what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Jesus cites a particular set of passages from Genesis 1 and 2, before the Fall in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve possessed original innocence. How eager they were to encounter one another and to explore the garden! How immediate their initial trust in God. We no longer live in Eden. As we age in our fallen world, our childlike trust is wounded and betrayed. We become hardened to the beauties of life. We're quick to find a way around difficult moments.

In brief, things become complicated as we lose our innocence. The teachings of Christ and the Church on sexuality become more challenging or more objectionable. Jesus recognizes this in today's Gospel. His invitation is not to compromise with our broken reality. It is a return to beauty, to the fullness of life as it was meant to be. We can affirm our trust in God. We can view life with gratitude. We can experience healing of our lost innocence. This is possible today -- now! -- by grace. Indeed, "the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

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

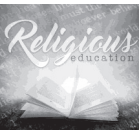
Call the Rectory to arrange for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist and cantor directly. Baptisms and hospital/home visits.

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

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

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

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 refection of God's faithful and selfless love...a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.



In the beginning, when God created Adam and Eve, he created marriage to be good and holy. God wanted husbands and wives to love

God and to help one another. Because of sin, some marriages started to fall apart. Divorce is difficult for everyone.

God always wants marriage to be good and holy.

Mission for the Week

Pray for kids you know who have been hurt because their parents are not living with each other. Ask God to heal their broken hearts.



Prayer

Dear God, help people who are married to love you and care for each other.



From St. Vincent's Church, Syracuse

ATTENTION ALL St. VINCENT'S

ALUMNI! We are looking for you! Whether you graduated from St. Vincent's, attended for only a

year, or attended religious instructions classes, the alumni committee needs to hear from you. Please send your name and contact information to vdepaul@twcny.rr.com, and put "Alumni" in the Subject line. We would also appreciate if you could give us the names of your classmates and year(s) you attended. Thank you for your help.

St. Vincent de Paul 1580-166

What was the life of Christ but a perpetual humiliation.



Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

As a disciple, an extremely important question must always take precedence in decision making. What does God want me to do? In discerning answers to life's questions and difficulties, it doesn't matter what humans permit or even what popular choice dictates. It is what God says that matters. God's will is often dismissed, even by those who claim to believe in Him. We discern God's will by developing a strong and mature prayer life, listening to Scripture and church teaching, consulting church tradition, paying attention to the rhythms of life, and seeking His presence in all we experience and observe. As Jesus realized in his final hours, it is "not my will but yours be done." Are we ready to follow his example and give ourselves over to what God wants?

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week



People can spend their entire lives looking for their most suitable partner. Some have an unattainable ideal in their minds that makes the search impossible. Others may choose a different partner over and over again without any real discernment, leading to a long series of breakups and heartache. Perhaps the greatest obstacle for people lies in their assumption that the most important criteria for choosing a partner is that the person they choose to love needs to be devoted to them and be faithful to them above all others. The truth is that if you want to have a suitable partner who you find yourself drawing ever closer to as the years go by, then the focus of both people involved needs to be on a much more important being than the two of you.

When I was a teenager, I remember seeing a triangle used as a visual aid in explaining how true love works. God is the top point and the two lovers, friends, or family members involved are the bottom points. If the two involved in the relationship love God more than each other, than in time it will be their love for the Divine that will bring them ever closer, like how a triangle narrows at the top point.

The more I give of myself to my God, the greater I find my love is for my wife, my children, and my friends. A stewardship way of life will eventually strengthen all our relationships, for a surrender to the One who is love means an increase in the love we have to give to others. For those who continue to search for the "one," pause, pay attention, and see the One who has always loved you and will do so forevermore.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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

Saturday, Oct. 13th & Sunday, Oct. 14th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Owen Donovan

9:00AM ~ Lisa Primerano

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ M.E. Cusano, G. Larkin, L. Sanzone, F. Sanzone, J. LaVergne

9:00AM ~ M.E. Cusano, J. Mott, R. Elderbroom, R. Warren, K. Fekete, Michael Dykeman, C. Horton

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

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

Mon. - Oct. 8, 2018 - Columbus Day

12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass Office Closed

Tues. - Oct. 9, 2018 - Sts. Denis, bishop & companions,
martyrs, John Leonardi, priest

12:00 Noon - All Souls

Wed. - Oct. 10, 2018

Thurs. - Oct. 11, 2018 - St. John XXIII, pope

Fri. - Oct. 12, 2018

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confession

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - John Wagner, Sr. The Family

Sat. - Oct. 13, 2018 - 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP - 4:00 pm

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - Vincenzia Sicola -
Mr. & Mrs. L. Sanzone

Sun. - Oct. 14, 2018 - 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am



Sunday Collection Sept. 29th & Sept. 30th

Regular collection\$2,837.00

Loose collection \$353.00

OCTOBER EVENTS

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

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 BUNKO 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



Bunko Date - Sat. Oct. 20

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. Oct. 17 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. Oct. 20

**1st Banns of marriage
Jennifer Ohlsen and Thomas Stone**



**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Michael Aiello & James Caprilozzi
requested by The Family**

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 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, 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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