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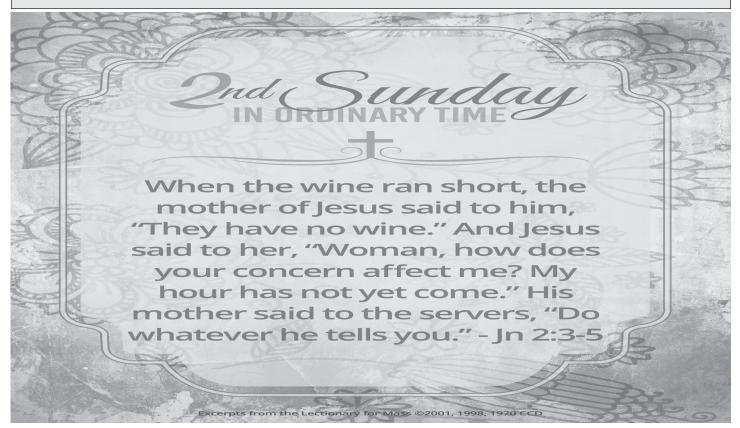
January 20, 2019

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>



Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

When you think of being Catholic, what do you think of? Perhaps you grew up with your only associations being fasting, nuns with rulers, and "Catholic guilt." Our faith can sometimes have the connotation of restriction and absence, not abundance. Who is God in your life? Is He the divine law-giver, the judge punishing the rule-breakers? These are certainly attributes of God. But the laws don't exist for themselves alone. They exist to help us love one another as God loves us. And this loving God is the author of abundance and joy.

Did you hear today's Gospel? "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee." Here at this wedding, Jesus would perform "the beginning of his signs...and so reveal his glory." This first sign isn't a miraculous healing. He didn't raise someone from the dead. He kept a party going! "There were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons...the water...had become wine." The wine has run out. Jesus creates somewhere between 120 and 180 gallons to help his friend save face. We may not have such momentous miracles in our lives, but God is watching out for us. The string of green lights when you're running late. The sale on the replacement appliance you need. The friend who calls at just the right time. These are the little moments of God's abundance. We just need to look for them!

Not only does Jesus surprise, but the guests point out to their host: "You have kept the good wine until now." The divine wine is better than the earthly variety. God's goodness is better than what we can grasp at for ourselves. Isn't that how it always goes?

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.

Drivers To Deliver Fish Dinners Needed

WE NEED During our Lenten Baked Fish Dinners, we deliver **VOLUNTEERS** to our Homebound Parishioners who very much appreciate these dinners. This year we are in need of a few more drivers who would be willing to make a few deliveries. If interested, please contact the office, 315-478-0916, for further information. Baked Fish Dinners are March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5 & 12. Deliveries are ready to go by 4:00PM.

Religious Education News



There are no classes this week in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Classes will re-

sume on Jan. 27th for Pre-K to 8th. There is no Confirmation class on the 27th. Please continue to pray for our children, especially those preparing for Sacraments this year.

Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." That's the smartest thing any of us can do.

Mission for the Week

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.

Praver

Dear God, help me to do everything you say.



A Family Perspective **Family Life Education**

At Cana we get a good insight into Mary's parenting style, She did not plead, argue, demand or manipulate. She merely pointed out the situation and trusted her son would make the best decision.

Live The Liturgy -**Inspiration For The Week**



Did you ever consider that God takes great delight in you? We are by no means second

or afterthoughts of God. As the master artisan, God takes delight in every fabric of our being and every single component of who we are. We are intentionally and lovingly designed! God gets much joy out of every child He creates. and He does not abandon us. God is definitely in charge! God can take a painful past or an apparent dead-end and turn it into a glorious future. He can transform nothing into something and is always eagerly ready to give us the gifts of faith, hope, and love. We are never bound by the past and never without options. All we have to do is listen to Him. Are we willing to give up the controls and allow Him to do what He does best?

Sunday Collection Jan. 12th & Jan. 13th

Regular collection	\$2,156.50
Loose collection	
Fuel collection	

Contribution Statements

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2018 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, 315-478-0916, email us at nbergeson@syrdio.org, fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Svr. 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.**

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Address: ____

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St. Margret's School Open House

Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 12:00-2:00 PM. Come and see all that our wonderful school has to offer. Pre K-6 grade teachers will be on site to



answer questions and share information about our program. Please extend this invitation to anyone who may be looking for a faith filled educational experience.



E Courtesy Announcements

... Water Color Classes for Young Adults to Energetic Seniors - Introductory Water color Class on Tuesdays: March 12, 19, 26 and April 2

from 9:30-11:30AM or 1:30-3:30PM at Franciscan Art Studio 7770 Green Lakes Rd., Fayetteville, NY 13066 with Sister Joselle Orlando, OSF. Register 315-634-6991. Brochures are available on all Church bulletin boards.

... Christ The King Retreat House 500 Brookford Rd. - 1) Woman's Retreat with Kathy Meus, February 8-9, Friday, 5:00PM to Saturday 7:00PM. "Faith A Gift From God." Retreat begins at 6:00PM with dinner on Friday 8th and ends with dinner on Saturday the 9th. A snack or beverage to share is requested, if possible. Offering is \$105.00 Commuters \$75.00. 2) Valentine's Day Thursday, Feb. 14. A CTK Fundraiser. Treat your Valentine and or yourself to a delicious dinner and be amazed by a renowned magician. Join us for this memorable evening and support Christ the King Retreat House in our continued efforts to bring growth, healing and peace. Social begins at 6:00PM, dinner at 6:30, magic show following dinner. Offering: \$55.00 per person. ****For both** events call 315-446-2680, email ctkretreat@syrdio.org or website www.ctkretreat.com.

... Holy Family School's Irish Hooley - Family friendly food, fun and entertainment that supports the children of the school. Saturday, March 2 from 4:00-9:30PM 130 Chapel Dr. 315-487-8515 or www.holyfamilyschoolsyr.org. Adults \$8.00 Seniors \$6.00 Children \$3.00 Family \$20.00. Tickets available in the school office or at the door.



Saturday, Jan. 26th & Sunday, Jan. 27th LECTORS: 5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer 9:00AM ~ Chet Wisniewski

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

EUCHARIST: 5:30PM ~ M.A. Bergamo, M.E. Cusano, J. Lavergne 9:00AM ~ P. Schramm, L. Argiro, Michele Dykeman

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Jan. 19, 2019 - Vigil - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time OLP/SP 4:00 pm SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Ralph Smith - The Smith Family Vincenzo Abbatiello - The Family Terry Connors - Rose Mary Connors Helen Kwasigroch - Rose Mary Connors

Sun. - Jan. 20, 2019 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Chester Wisniewski, Sr. - The Family Frances A. Cooney -

Fran & Judy Cooney To honor the Irish founders of SJB -Ancient Order of Hibernians

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Jan. 21, 2019 - St. Agnes, virgin & martyr Martin Luther Kings, J. Holiday No Noon Mass - Rectory is closed

Tues. - Jan. 22, 2019 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 12:00 Noon - The unborn children at risk

Wed. - Jan. 23, 2019 - Sts. Vincent, deacon & martyr & Marianne Cope, virgin

Thurs. - Jan. 24, 2019 - St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church

Fri. - Jan. 25, 2019 - The Conversion of St. Paul, apostle SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - The Pope and all religious

Sat. - Jan. 26, 2019 - Vigil - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time OLP/SP - 4:00 pm SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Jan. 27, 2019 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time OLP/SP 7:30 am SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People OLP/SP 11:00 am





JANUARY EVENTS Sun. Jan. 20 Group 4 Money Counters Sun. Jan. 27 Group 1 Money Counters Mon. Jan. 21 SJB/HT Rectory Closed No Noon Mass Tues. Jan. 22 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree 7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our



womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, you blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure. Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.



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, Nancy Campagna, 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, 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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