

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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March 3, 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

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8th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME



"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye." - Lk 6:42

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Emails. Carpools. Shopping lists. Home repairs. It can seem like we move so quickly from one thing to the next. Our news comes in sound bites and headlines. How often do we take time for silence, for prayer, for reflection, for wisdom? Jesus warns us of stumbling through life without an adequate sense of where we're going. "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?" This Sunday's Gospel isn't about fumbling along but offers a self-check on our own motivations.

"Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Without adequate self-reflection, it's easy to become blind to our own faults. We go through life's motions as our bad habits linger or even increase. We may become increasingly impatient, we may avoid important tasks, we may neglect the emotional needs of our spouse. Perhaps, in the process, we find fault with those around us. In the words of Jesus, "remove the wooden beam from your own eye first."

So how do we know? How can we notice the hidden faults in our lives? "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of store of evil produces evil." Do you notice certain relationships that have become strained, or situations where you know you don't act your best? Perhaps this is an area where you are acting out of sin, rather than virtue. The truth is, all of us are a mixture of light and dark, vice and virtue. We can't pretend we're perfect! But we also need to take time to pause and prayerfully examine the fruit we're bearing.

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.

Religious Education News

Classes resume on March 3 for Pre-K-8th. Confirmation students will be off for an additional week this weekend. **There will be a mandatory Confirmation Retreat on March 9 from 9:00am-2:00pm at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters' Convent.** Then the Confirmation students will be off on March 10th, but Pre-K-8th will have classes as usual. Please continue to pray for our children, especially those preparing for Sacraments this year.



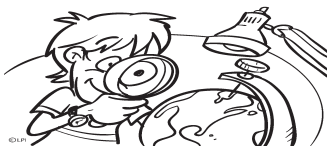
Let's pretend we're looking through a "blind" eye with a log stuck in it. You see how good you are compared to everybody else. You see other people stuck in sin, and you avoid them or hurt them with your words. Now let's take that log out and look through a good eye. You see your own sins, and you know you need God's kindness and forgiveness. You see other people stuck in sin, and you show God's kindness and forgiveness to them.

Mission for the Week

When you catch someone in sin (stealing, lying, using hurtful words) be kind. Remember your own sins, and show God's forgiveness.

Prayer

God, keep my eyes open to see my sins and your kindness.
Give me a good heart.



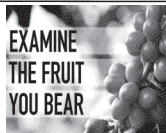
A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Today Jesus tells us: "Why do you seek the speck in someone else's eye but miss the log in your own eye?" It's always easier to try to change someone else than face the things in ourselves which need change. What a waste of time for we can't change anyone but ourselves.

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

How quick are we to point out the faults of others? It is so easy to see what others are doing wrong and much harder to see ourselves for who we are. Many want to see themselves as one of the privileged and the saved and are quick to condemn those who choose to do things differently. We can be so hypocritical while at the same time proclaiming to be so spiritual. What we speak reveals the true thoughts of our minds and intention of our hearts. We fool no one but ourselves. Rather than being defensive, critical, and exclusive, does it not make more sense to help each other and work together for the kingdom of God? We may have to leave something behind, but in turn, we'll gain much more.



8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Idea's for sponsorships for the "PaFISHioner" could be in memory of a loved one, help with our shut-ins dinners, special intentions, anything you would like. Becoming a sponsor is an added fundraiser to our Baked Fish Dinners. And every bit of the donations goes towards the parish. We are grateful for your generosity and support.



PaFISHioners Sponsoring Baked Fish Dinner

Would you like to be a "PaFISHioner Sponsor" for our famous Baked Fish Dinners? Available for \$25.00, we will add your name to our sponsorship line-up for the 2019 year. Please fill in the slip below, you can mail it or put it into the collection basket marked "PaFISHioner Sponsor". Dinners are Friday's March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5 & 12 in our Parish Center from 4:00-7:00PM.

HOOK me up as a "PaFISHioner Sponsor"!

Name: _____

I would like to make a donation in the following way:

Requested By: _____

If paying with check, please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.

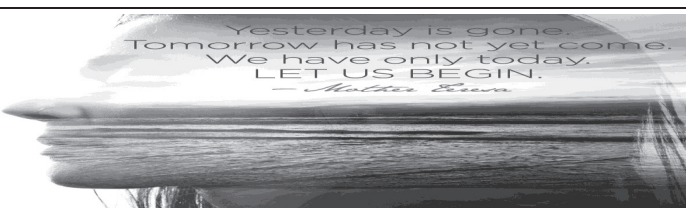
Thank You for your support.

Amazonsmile

If you have signed up with and have shopped on Amazon, we are happy to report that since December we have earned \$23.16 as an Amazonsmile beneficiary. Every bit helps. If you have not yet please consider doing so. It costs nothing and it changes nothing in your Amazon ordering. Please spread the word to family and friends who shop with Amazon. Follow the instructions below to sign into Amazonsmile.

Amazonsmile

We are seeing some cash back results with AmazonSmile and SJB/HT. If you are an Amazon OnLine Shopper please remember to sign into AmazonSmile and choose St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity as your charity of choice. Here is how you can do it. 1) Visit smile.amazon.com 2) Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials 3) Choose a charitable organization to receive donations, or search for the charity of your choice US! We are listed as St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity 4) Start shopping 5) Add a bookmark for smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.



If you require a Contribution Statement for the year 2018 taxes, please contact the rectory for a copy.

Saturday, Mar. 9th & Sunday, Mar. 10th
LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Jack Normoyle
9:00AM ~ Lisa Primerano

ALTAR SERVERS:

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

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ M.A. Bergamo, G. Larkin, M.E. Cusano
9:00AM ~ M. Piazza, R. Warren, M.E. Cusano

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Mar. 2, 2019 - Vigil - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
OLP/SP 4:00 pm
SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Anthony Mattarazzo III -
Mother, Yolanda

Sun. - Mar. 3, 2019 - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
OLP/SP 7:30 am
SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People
OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Mar. 4, 2019 - St. Casimir
12:00 Noon - Michael Salanger - Mary Salanger

Tues. - Mar. 5, 2019
12:00 Noon - Patty Schramm - Marilyn Ferretti

Wed. - Mar. 6, 2019 - Ash Wednesday
OLP/SP - 9:00 am
SJB/HT - 12:00 Noon - For The People
SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People

Thurs. - Mar. 7, 2019 - Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs

Fri. - Mar. 8, 2019 - St. John of God, religious
SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions
SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Bill Slack - Sue Slack & Family
Frances Lawless - Sherrie Johnson

Sat. - Mar. 9, 2019 - Vigil - 1st Sunday of Lent
OLP/SP - 4:00 pm
SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - Alfred Mastriano, Sr. -
Wife, Gloria & Children
Vincenzo & Angela Abbatiello - The Family

Sun. - Mar. 10, 2019 - 1st Sunday of Lent
OLP/SP 7:30 am
SJB/HT 9:00 am - Barbara Russo - Her Daughters
Donald Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Cooney
Pasquale & Margherita DelVecchio -
Anna DelVecchio & Family
OLP/SP 11:00 am



Day Light Savings

Day Light Savings starts on Sunday, March 10. Clocks will be set ahead, Spring Forward, by one hour and remember to replace the batteries in your carbon monoxide detectors and smoke alarms.



MARCH EVENTS

Sun. Mar. 3 Group 2 Money counters
Sun. Mar. 10 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Mar. 17 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. Mar. 24 Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. Mar. 31 Group 2 Money Counters

Tues. Mar. 5 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Fri. Mar. 8, 15, 22 & 29 Apr. 5 & 12
Baked Fish Dinners 4:00-7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Mar. 19 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Thurs. Mar. 21 Washington Square Assoc.
Neighborhood Watch 7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Mar. 26 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Girl Scout Cookies Available

During the March 8, 15 & 22 fish dinners, again this year the Girl Scouts will be selling cookies.



Sunday Collection Feb. 23rd & Feb. 24th

Regular collection	\$1,794.25
Loose collection	\$312.00
Poor collection.....	\$114.00



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

Please take a moment while you pray for our parishioners and let the office know if any changes should be made to this request list.

Remember: Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Nancy Campagna, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Cathy DiPrimio, Anthony Dizenzo, 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, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Jason A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Reita Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, and Matthew Watkins.



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