

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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April 21, 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.

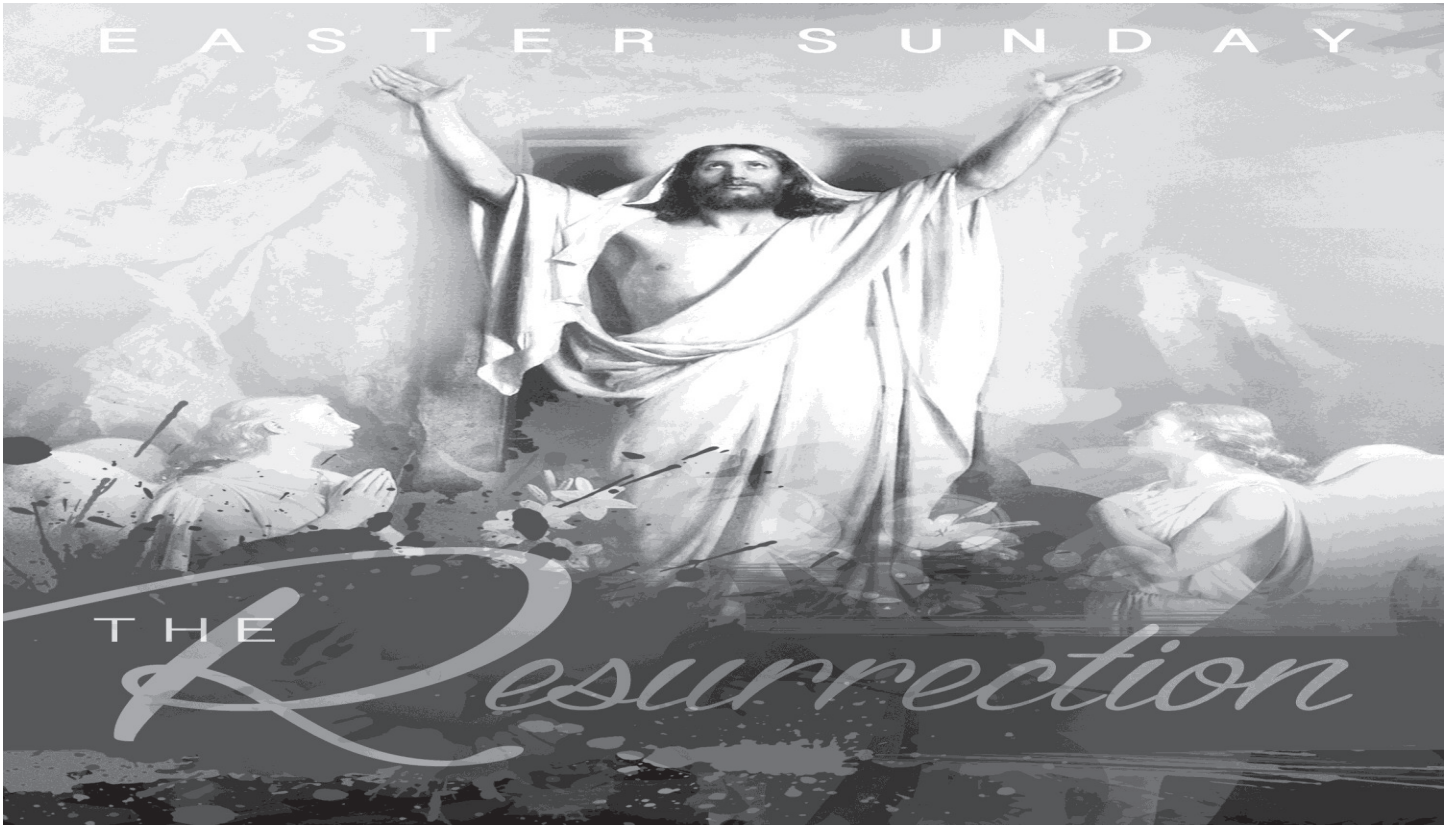
## Office Hours for SJB/HT

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

Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

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## Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord

Can you imagine that moment? Can you imagine the stomach drop with dizzying realization: "It's all true. All of it is true! The past three years weren't a dream that ended horribly wrong." Can you imagine all the doubts and despair of the past days chased away like smoke on the wind by a rolled up burial cloth? By an empty tomb?

It didn't start that way, of course. "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." This frantic news from Mary Magdalene would have been another unexpected blow. After all that happened, now his body has been stolen? The love and devotion in Peter and John is apparent. They don't wait to collect more information or stop by the tomb when they have a chance. They run to the site. When is the last time you ran for something? This isn't a run for exercise, but a huffing and puffing bolt fueled by desperation. Can you imagine that moment? The fear pounding in their temples, matching their accelerated heart rate. Can you imagine the impatient affection of John, who outruns Peter but refuses to enter the tomb alone? And then, upon entry, "He saw and believed."

This is the drama of our great feast! The promise that seemed lost has been found. The dead are raised. Long before the Easter eggs and ham, we are invited to meditate on this divine reality. We are invited to feel the desperation and joy of that first Easter Sunday deep in our bones. Because it is not just Mary's story. It's not Peter and John's story. It's our story. From the greatest defeat can come the most awe-inspiring victory, and this is true not just for our God, but for each one of us. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### **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.

## Message From Fr. Caruso

Dear Parishioners,  
 Christ has Risen, Alleluia! This is the joyous message proclaimed throughout the world today. Christ, once crucified, has been raised; sin and death have been defeated; our salvation has been won. This is the cause of our celebration today and throughout the fifty days of the Easter season. It is my prayer that each of us, as we gather for the Eucharist, will be moved by the awesome mystery that we celebrate. Christ's triumphant victory over sin and death must be something we rejoice in, not just at Church, but also with the very living of our lives. If we believe what we say about the true meaning of Easter, then we must proclaim the Good News to others. We are called to share the joy and majesty of our Easter celebrations with the world around us.

On Behalf of Mary & Petey the Wonder-Puppies, the staff, Fr. Major, Fr. Smith and myself, I wish you all a very Happy and Blessed Easter. May the Risen Lord continue to pour forth His Grace upon us all.

Rejoice, for He is Risen.



In the peace of the Risen Christ,  
 Fr. Caruso



## Religious Education News

There are no classes today in observance of Easter. **HAPPY EASTER! LET US REJOICE, OUR SAVIOR HAS RISEN!** Our Religious Education school year is quickly coming to an end. Our confirmation students only have 1 more class and our Pre-K to 8th grade have 2 more classes over the next few weeks. Please continue to pray for our students, especially our 3 students receiving Sacraments this year. Confirmation will take place on Tuesday, April 30th at 7:00PM at St. Margaret's Church. If you can, please join us to support our 2 candidates as they become adults in the eyes of the Church. Last confirmation II class will be on April 28th.

We will be celebrating First Communion and May Crowning on Mother's Day, May 12th. Please consider joining us for this triple celebration. We will have practice for this celebration on April 28th and May 5th. The last class for Pre-K to 8th will be on May 12th.



## A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Millions of Christians around the world celebrate the Resurrection today. It all began simply on the first Easter with one person telling another: "Mary told Peter" and "they believed." Faith is passed on person to another; it is caught, not taught and parents are the most effective persons to pass faith to their children.

## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

Alleluia! Christ is risen! We are called, by how we live our lives, to celebrate the risen Christ. How do we do that? Our faith in the resurrection gathers us here today to celebrate this incredible event. The good news is that the doors of eternity are open! We can now understand that the fullness of who we are will be discovered when we one day meet God face-to-face in heaven. Our faith in the truth of who God is and who we are affects how we live our lives and the decisions we make. We are called to love our neighbor...to love those who hurt us...to work on behalf of the poor and the weak...to be people of justice, integrity, and hope... to practice compassion and mercy above anything else. Our lives are meant to be oriented around the axis of the Gospel. Are they?



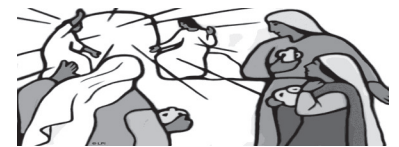
It was very early in the morning on Sunday. The tomb stone was rolled away. Jesus was gone. All that was left inside were the strips of linen cloth. When John and Peter saw it, they were amazed. They did not understand all the promises the prophets wrote about Jesus yet. However, they knew he was alive. He had risen from the dead!

### Mission for the Week

Bake Resurrection Cookies with your family tonight. You can find the recipe online at <http://homehearth.virtualave.net/rescookie.html>.

### Prayer

God, I thank you for bringing Jesus back to life.



## Basket Bonanza OLP/SP

We hope you will join us at OLP/SP on Saturday, April 27th for our Basket Bonanza. It will begin at 5:00PM. About 65 baskets of various themes will be raffled by placing tickets in the gags of your choice. There will also be a few silent auctions and door prizes. Tickets are \$10.00 which include 2 free tickets for raffle baskets (additional tickets are \$2.00 each), and delicious food and desserts. Soda, water, coffee, beer and wine available at separate cost. You do not need to be present to win.



## Bunco Date - Sat. April 27th

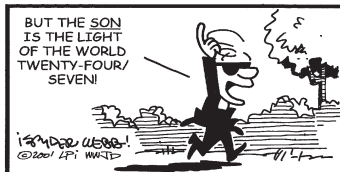
Anyone interested in playing Bunco with our group that meets approximately every 2 months in the SJB/HT Parish Center on Saturdays 6:30PM, please contact Betty Warren by Wed. April 24th for details. Phone is 315-420-6357 or email at [warrenbeliz@yahoo.com](mailto:warrenbeliz@yahoo.com).

**PLEASE, contact Betty if playing as it is important to the set up of the game.**  
**Next Bunco night is Sat. April 27th**

Due to early transmit of bulletin the collections for April 13th, 14th and 20th & 21st will be in the April 28th bulletin.



EASTER



Saturday, Apr. 27th & Sunday, Apr. 28th

**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 ~ L. Sanzone, J. LaVergne, M.A. Bergamo

9:00AM ~ M. Piazza, J. Mott, K. Fekete

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

Sat. - April 20, 2019 - Easter Vigil

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon Blessing of the Easter Food

OLP/SP 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sun. - April 21, 2019 - Easter Sunday Of

**The Resurrection Of The Lord**

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - April 22, 2019

12:00 Noon - Pat & Nancy Campagna - The Cutugno Family

Tues. - April 23, 2019

12:00 Noon - Jenny Annesi - Daughter, Carol Wallace

Wed. - April 24, 2019

Thurs. - April 25, 2019

Fri. - April 26, 2019

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Don Knight - Mary Anne Bergamo

Fr. Lou Aiello - The Family

Sat. - April 27, 2019 - Vigil - 2nd Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Ruth Smith - The Smith Family

Martin Schotthoefner - Mother

Anthony Matarazzo, Jr. - Mother, Yolanda

Sun. - April 28, 2019 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 7:30 am

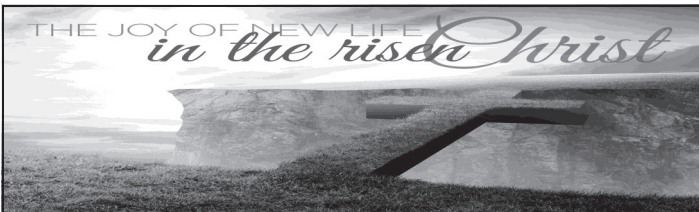
SJB/HT 9:00 am - Shirley Fornito - Peter & Maureen White

Patty Schramm - Max & Karen Fekete

Lorraine & Angelo Coppola - The Family

Rocco & Maria Rosano - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

OLP/SP 11:00 am



APRIL EVENTS

Sun. Apr. 21

Group 1 Money Counters

Sun. Apr. 28

Group 2 Money Counters

Wed. Apr. 24

St. John Catholic Golden Agers

7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Sat. Apr. 27

BUNKO 6:30PM

SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Apr. 30

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree

7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

**HOPE Appeal**



The 2019 HOPE Appeal Commitment weekend will begin on Saturday and Sunday, May 18th & 19th. With your help, we can assure the continued support of many important programs that help thousands in our diocese each year; education of our children, college and seminary students, evangelization, Catholic Charities services, and more. Please respond generously when asked to pledge.



**The Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham  
Bishop of Syracuse Golden Jubilee**

With gratitude to Almighty God the Church of the Diocese of Syracuse joyfully announces a celebration in honor of the Golden Jubilee of The Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham Bishop of Syracuse. You are invited to celebrate at Mass on Sunday, May 26 at 2:30PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 259 East Onondaga St. Syr. NY. A reception will follow immediately at the Marriott Syracuse Downtown.

**Vocation Blurbs**

Alleluia, He is Risen! The first disciples experienced the joy of the empty tomb on Easter Sunday. They then shared the joy of the Resurrection to the world. For help in discerning God's call, visit [www.vocations-syracuse.org](http://www.vocations-syracuse.org) or call 315-470-1468.



**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, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Cathy DiPrimio, Anthony Drenzo, Aaron Doty, Louise Epolito, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti, Beverly Frey, Chris Gabriell, 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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