

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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April 7, 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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Fifth Sunday of Lent

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle." The episode of the woman caught in adultery is a powerful story. We have perhaps all felt as the woman has at some point in our lives, surrounded by those who would condemn us. The beauty of Christ's mercy at the end is clear? and a welcome relief as we all struggle to be good and holy people. But have we ever imagined ourselves on the edge of the circle? Have we pictured ourselves in the sea of dusty robes? Perhaps, we hope, we're hovering at the edge of the circle of judgment. But we've all been there.

How easy it is to be righteous when someone else's reputation is at stake. When the small child is acting up in the grocery store or on the plane. When another company has a scandal break or a major error sets back their profits. Could it be easy to pick up the stone and feel its weight and heft in our hands? Because if we've got a stone in our hands, our own righteous category is clear. Our judgment is our insurance that we won't be on the receiving end of the criticism. If we can point out a wrong, surely we are firmly in the right.

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her'? they went away one by one." This Lent, not only are we invited to receive God's mercy, but to show God's mercy. As the season begins to wind to a close, consider those in your life you tend to judge the most harshly. What is one concrete way you can drop your stone?

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,

I can't believe how quickly time passes. It seems like Ash Wednesday was yesterday yet here we are, just two weeks away from Easter. If any of us have let these days pass without entering into the disciplines of this Holy Season, it is not too late. Each of us could spend a little more time in prayer, embrace the call to fast, and generously share our gifts and blessings with those in need and thus bring Lent to a fruitful conclusion.

There are also still plenty of opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent. I will be hearing Confessions from 4:30 – 6:00PM at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter on Monday, April 8th through Friday, April 12th and at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity on Tuesday and Wednesday April 16th & 17th. On the evening of April 15th, the Diocese will be participating in the "Light Is On For You" campaign and I will be hearing confessions at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity from 4:00 – 7:00. I pray that all of us will take the time to celebrate this beautiful Sacrament of God's Mercy and Forgiveness.

You are all in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

In Christ's peace,
Fr. Caruso



Religious Education News

Confirmation students will have their interviews with Fr. Dan today during their class. Letters to the Bishop are also due today. Our Religious Education school year is quickly coming to an end. Our confirmation students only have 2 more classes and our Pre-K to 8th grade have 3 more classes over the next couple of months. 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 they eyes of the Church. There are no classes on April 14 & 21 in observance of Spring Break and Easter. Last Confirmation II class will be on April 28th. Last class for Pre-K to 8th will be May 12th.



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

We are all sinners, and we all need mercy. If met with sincerity and true repentance of heart, an encounter with God's unconditional and all-forgiving love will lead to true conversion and a new life of grace. There is no point to condemnation or excessive punishment. We do not need to wag fingers or make people feel inferior. Jesus met the woman caught in adultery with compassion. He did not condemn her. People have not always been faithful to God. We have not always been faithful to God. Yet, God waits for us to return and trusts that His seeds of forgiveness and mercy will take root. We do not know if the woman left Jesus and sinned no more. It's not important.



The following bulletin announcements pertain to the Holy Week and Easter Schedule.

Holy Week

~ Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper April 18 ~ 7:30PM SJB/HT. Church will remain open until 11:00PM for quiet visitation.
~ Good Friday, Passion of the Lord April 19 ~ 3:00PM service at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's. 7:00PM Stations of the Cross St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.
~ Blessing of Easter Food, Saturday, April 20 ~ 12:00 St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church.
~ Easter Vigil, April 20 ~ 8:00PM at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's.
~ Easter Sunday, April 21 ~ 9:00AM Mass St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity. Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's ~ 7:30AM and 11:00AM.



Ministers For Holy Week

Needed Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Week;

1 Lector for 3:00PM Friday, April 19 at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters.

1 Lector and 2 Eucharistic Ministers for 8:00PM Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 20 at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's. If you are able and would like to help please contact the rectory at SJB/HT. Thank You.

Holy Thursday Morning Breakfast Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Thursday, April 18 at 9:30AM

Please join us for prayer and a wonderful light breakfast Thursday April 18 at 9:30AM in the school Cafeteria. We do ask that you RSVP with SJB/HT office 315-478-0916 by Monday, April 15. This is a free breakfast with a good will offering request.



Easter Flowers For The Altar

If you would like to make a donation for the flowers please fill out the form below and send it in to the rectory separate from your weekly collection donations please. You can put them in the collection basket marked "Flowers" or mail them back to the rectory. Donations should be in by Monday, April 15, 2019.

Donor _____

Phone _____ Donation _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Sunday Collection Mar. 30th & Mar. 31st

Regular collection	\$2,199.67
Loose collection	\$193.50
Religious Education collection	\$148.00

Easter Sunday TV Mass Schedule

WSYR - Ch. 9 Syr. Sun., Apr. 21 at 6:00AM
Spectrum Cable Syracuse Ch. 98 Sat. Apr. 20 7:00PM
Sun. Apr. 21 at 2:30PM

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

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Annette Marchbanks

9:00AM ~ Fran Brimfield

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ M.E. Cusano, R. Copani, J. LaVergne

9:00AM ~ K. Fekete, L. Argiro, R. Warren

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - April 6, 2019 - Vigil - 5th Sunday of Lent

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Mary Kwasigrock - Rose Mary Connors
The D'Avirro Family - Maria DiMichele

Sun. - April 7, 2019 - 5th Sunday of Lent

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - April 8, 2019

12:00 Noon - We pray for all our military men and women

Tues. - April 9, 2019

12:00 Noon - Terminally ill children

Wed. - April 10, 2019

Thurs. - April 11, 2019 - St. Stanislaus, bishop & martyr

Fri. - April 12, 2019

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Marie Summerwood - The Family

OLP/SP 12:15 pm Stations of the Cross

SJB/HT 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Sat. - April 13, 2019 - Vigil - Palm Sunday

OLP/SP - 4:00 pm

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - Anthony Sansone - The Family

Sun. - April 14, 2019 - Palm Sunday

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Enrica & Louis Cellini - The Family

Peter Cellini - The Family

Loretta Cooney - Fran & Judy Cooney

Teresa & Olaverio Natale - Anna DelVecchio & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am



APRIL EVENTS

Sun. Apr. 7 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Apr. 14 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. Apr. 21 Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. Apr. 28 Group 2 Money Counters

Fri. Apr. 12 Baked Fish Dinners 4:00-7:00PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Sun. Apr. 14 Coffee and Special Treats with
the Easter Bunny after the 9:00AM Mass
SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Apr. 16 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Thurs. Apr. 18 Washington Square Assoc.
Neighborhood Watch Group
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Wed. Apr. 24 St. John Catholic Golden Agers
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Sat. Apr. 27 BUNCO 6:30PM
SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Apr. 30 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for a special
intention requested by Mary Cellini
And for Michael Aiello and James Caprilozzi
Requested by The Family

Lent Schedule For Confessions

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters will offer confession April 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 from 4:30pm-6:00pm. "The Light Is On" will be at St.



RECONCILIATION

John the Baptist/Holy Trinity on Monday, April 15 from 4:00-7:00pm. Also, confessions at SJB/HT April 16 & 17 from 4:30-6:00pm.



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, Darlene Files, Beverly Frey, Chris Gabriell, Ellen Gangemi, David Galvagno, Trudy (Sobon) German, Gladys Graham, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigrock, 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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