

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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May 26, 2019

Mass Schedule:

Mon., Tues., & Fri. - 12:00 Noon
Saturday Vigil - 5:30 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
Reconciliation Fri. 11:30 am. Or by appointment.

Office Hours for SJB/HT

Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:30pm
Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm
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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." - Jn 14:27

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Sixth Sunday Of Easter

Theology has two words to describe the space between God and us - transcendent and immanent. When we say God is transcendent, we speak of the One whose ways are not our ways, the placer of stars and maker of mountains. This is God who transcends our understanding, whose being goes beyond what we can know. When we say God is immanent, we mean His nearness to us. This is the way Jesus speaks of himself in today's Gospel. "Whoever loves me keeps my word...and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

The Hebrews saw God as intimately involved with the fate of their people. But for all His care, God was still distant to most. He spoke through prophets and was represented in blazes of fire and pillars of cloud. Priests offered animal sacrifice to atone for the nation's sins. While we still know that God is transcendent - any morning's resplendent sunrise confirms this - Jesus introduces us to himself in a new way. Not only does Jesus walk among us, but the Holy Spirit dwells within us. "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit...will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you!"

How do you tend to view God? For many of us, the transcendent sense of a distant God might fill our perception. Today's Gospel reminds us of something altogether different, something more intimate. Our God remains with us. He overcomes the confusion of the world and speaks peace to our troubled hearts. Our God is not far from us. The more we remain connected to Him and love as He loved, the more we will experience His nearness. We can have confidence in His presence and rest in His encouragement: "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

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.

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter. It is amazing how quickly time seems to pass. As we continue to celebrate this great season of the Lord's Resurrection, I hope we are all taking time to reflect on His tremendous love for us and His desire for us to share in His great victory.



On Monday, May 27th, we as a nation will celebrate Memorial Day. I remember when I was growing up that some of the older members of my family called it "Decoration Day", recalling the custom of decorating the graves of those who lost their lives defending our freedom. It has become the custom of many today to visit the cemetery on Memorial Day and to decorate the grave of a loved one (not just veterans). What a wonderful tradition and, while this is a civic holiday, maybe we can learn something from it. We should spend some time praying in thanksgiving for the gift of our freedom and for the souls of those who made the ultimate sacrifice to defend that freedom. May we never forget their sacrifice, and may we always seek to follow their example to give all we have serve others. We should also see in this holiday a reminder of our need to pray for all the faithful departed. Praying for the dead is a **SPIRITUAL WORK OF MERCY**. Let us not forget.

A reminder that this Thursday, May 30th, is The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. On Ascension Thursday we celebrate our hope that we will one day follow the Lord to the fullness of His Kingdom. Please make this day special – celebrate some way and please plan on making Mass part of the day's observance. Masses at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter will be at 5:30PM on Wednesday (Vigil Mass) and 9:00AM on Thursday. Masses at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity will be at Noon and 5:30 on Thursday.

Please know that you are on my prayers; please keep me in yours.
In Christ's Peace,
Fr. Caruso

The Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 30th. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass schedule; Wednesday, May 29th Vigil, OLP/SP 5:30PM, Thursday May 30th OLP/SP 9:00AM, SJB/HT 12:00 Noon & 5:30PM.



Save The Date Info

Fr. Caruso Celebrates 25 years of Priesthood

On June 4th, Father Caruso will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination. We will use this occasion to celebrate a special Liturgy at the 11:00AM Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's on Sunday, June 2nd, in which we will thank God for the gift of Priestly Ministry and to ask His blessing upon his faithful priests. An Open House in the school cafeteria will follow from Noon to 3:00PM. For planning purposes, please call the rectory 315-478-0916 to let us know you will be joining in the celebration that day.

A Family Perspective

Family Life Education



Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.

Jesus wants you to love him so much that you will always do what he asks. Jesus knows that if you put God first, you will have peace. Instead of wanting more toys, you will be happy to share them. Instead of wanting to get your own way, you will enjoy taking turns. You will feel good helping other people.

Mission for the Week

I will invite a friend over to play. I will share and take turns.



Prayer

Dear God, change my heart so that I want to put you and other people first.

Memorial Day

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Christians are no strangers to sacrifice. Jesus lays down his life for our redemption, martyrs remain faithful to the end, and every believer faces "deaths" in the spiritual life when love requires a re-ordering of preference and priority.



On Memorial Day, we honor those who laid down their lives for their nation and for the values we espouse - freedom, justice, and a better world for our children. In a day that often fills with barbeques and boat launches, remember to take some time in prayer! Intercede for those who have died and for the loved ones they left behind, and pray for peace on earth.

Sunday Collection May 18th & May 19th

Regular collection\$1,944.00
Loose collection \$346.10



Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week



To listen openly and be willing to dialogue are the most effective ways to discern how to solve a problem. We must be open to the Holy Spirit and, under his guidance, allow our opinions to be challenged and changed. Learning to trust the active work of the Holy Spirit in all things releases us from fear and brings us closer to living in the peace Jesus promised. Scripture, Church teaching and practice, the wisdom of others in our community, our relationship with God, and the promptings and stirrings of our hearts all have to be weighed when making important decisions. This is how the Holy Spirit keeps us faithful to Christ and the Gospel and the way the Church brings resolution to questions that inevitably arise.

Saturday, June 1st & Sunday, June 2nd

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Jack Normoyle

9:00AM ~ Fran Brimfield

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Noah & Lucas Smith

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ P. Serio, M.A. Bergamo, M.E. Cusano

9:00AM ~ R. Elderbroom, Michael Dykeman, R. Warren

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

Sat. - May 25, 2019 - Vigil - 6th Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Dominick Pirozzi - Pauline, & Children

Sun. - May 26, 2019 - 6th Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Mark Ferretti - Mother

Shirley Fornito - Mr. & Mrs. R. Marsh

Albert Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Cooney

Georgio DelVecchio - Anna DelVecchio & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - May 27, 2019 - St. Augustine of Canterbury,

bishop

12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass/Rectory Closed

Tues. - May 28, 2019

12:00 Noon - Remember all our service men & women

Wed. - May 29, 2019 - Vigil - The Ascension of the Lord

OLP/SP - 5:30 pm

Thurs. - May 30, 2019 - The Ascension of the Lord

Holy Day of Obligation

OLP/SP - 9:00 am

SJB/HT - 12:00 Noon - For The People

SJB/HT - 5:30 pm - For The People

Fri. - May 31, 2019 - The Visitation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Remember those terminally ill

Sat. - June 1, 2019 - Vigil - 7th Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Dominick Pirozzi - Pauline & Children

Nick LaRose - Rose Mary Connors

Sun. - June 2, 2019 - 7th Sunday of Easter

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Patty Schramm - Tish DeSalvo

Shirley Fornito - Carol & Fred David

Don Knight - Chet & Mary Wisniewski

Sharon Peparata - The Fannetti Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am



**Monday, May 27 No Noon Mass and the Rectory
is closed in observance of Memorial Day.**

Important Information

Starting Friday July 5th and each Friday through August 30th, the Rectory will be closed. Noon

Mass will still be celebrated in the Chapel. Rectory Office hours will be Monday - Thursday from 9:00am-4:30pm.



MAY EVENTS

Sun. May 26 Group 2 Money Counters

Mon. May 27 No Noon Mass & Rectory closed

Tues. May 28 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center

Dunn Day is a fundraiser for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in honor of Al Dunn. Al and his family have been parishioners of Holy Trinity, now with us here at St. John/Holy Trinity. It will be Sunday June 2, 2019 from 2:00 to 6:00pm at the American Legion 135 W. Manlius St. East Syracuse. Food, raffles and music by Letizia & the Z Band. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance & \$15.00 at the door. Contact Melanie Dunn for tickets 315-472-2441.



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, Lena Campanino, 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, 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, Antonio McLaughlin, Peggy Miccinelli, Helen Mnich, Bill Moran, Michael Morga, Darlene Noyes, Jean Padden, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Jason A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Brian Warren and Matthew Watkins.



The month of May;

We laid to rest from our parish community: Roseann Fiacchi, Grace Piazza, Joseph Anastas and Shirley Kimpel. May your souls rest in the loving peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

We are very happy to announce those newly baptized at SJB/HT; David Thomas Ingram, Jr., Lilly Joanne Varre and Ella Nicole Keenan.

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