

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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June 30, 2019

Mass Schedule:

Mon., Tues., & Fri. - 12:00 Noon held in our Chapel
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
Closed on Fridays through summer
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13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PROCLAIM

[Jesus] answered him,
"Let the dead bury their
dead. But you, go and
proclaim the kingdom
of God." - Lk 9:60

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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.



Rectory Summer Hours

The Rectory will be closed each Friday during summer. Noon Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel as usual. Office hours are:
Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm.

HOPE Appeal Update

To date SJB/HT Parish has a total of \$10,617.50 pledged/collected. Our HOPE Appeal goal is \$21,926.89. thank you to all who have prayerfully and generously given to the 2019 HOPE Appeal.



Independence Day Prayer

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

We all know these words by heart. They are from the United States Declaration of Independence. However, are these words held with the same reverence around the world as they are held here at home? Sadly, no. There are many places in the world where it is a life-threatening endeavor to practice one's faith, that faith that was given to each human by that Creator who endowed us with inalienable rights.

Let us take a moment to remember all those people in the world who are not free to seek life, liberty or happiness.

Let us pray...

O God, you willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors. You will that all people should be free to worship you without fear and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely, even if they have not yet found you. Grant that those of us who live in this great nation will thank you daily for our freedom, and work for the freedom of others around the world that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly.

We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds, and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage. We ask all this through Christ our Lord, who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross. Amen

13th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Have you ever heard that the Gospel is radical? In our times, we hear that word and think of fundamentalists, radical activists, or extremists - people who go beyond limits to achieve their goals and may not consider themselves bound by normal propriety or morality. Their ethos might not be so different from James and John in today's Gospel. "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" This isn't so foreign to some of the stories of the Old Testament. Yet Jesus rebukes them. He won't be exacting in the way his contemporaries expected. There will be no radical rain down of fire and brimstone. Jesus is radical in another way: the call to discipleship.

"The Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks back to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." These can be difficult passages to read. These are not normal things to hear! It can be easy for many of us to avoid the exacting nature of the Gospel, which might not be what we think it is. James and John wanted to set the bar high for others on the outside and to punish those who didn't meet that standard. Jesus sets the bar high for his disciples, those who say they want to follow him. He may be using some hyperbole, but it's only to send a clear message. This is a radical call, one that has a cost. To truly put God and others first, before ourselves, will involve sacrifice. How is Jesus asking you to be radical today?

Jesus knew that following him would not be easy. He could have made a lot of money. He could have had a beautiful home and a family to enjoy it with. Instead, Jesus chose to walk from town to town, teaching people about God. He gave up having nice things so that he could stay focused on God's work. That's what he asked his disciples to do, too.

Mission for the Week

I will love God more than all the things he has given me.



Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank you for giving up so much, so that I could grow close to God.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

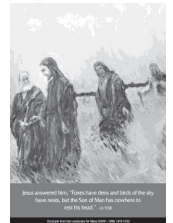
Today's Gospel reminds us once we set our 'hands to the plow' of parenting and marriage, "We cannot look back." This is what commitment means: we have said yes to what was, what is and to what can be.

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week



"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." Jesus' words may seem a bit harsh but are directly on target. The life of discipleship can be costly. Upholding the tenets of the Gospel can put us at odds, even with those most close to us. Jesus never misses an opportunity to spend time with outcasts and sinners. It matters little to him whether doing so breaks a Sabbath law. The Gospel may seem unrealistic, but it is the Gospel nonetheless. We respect the dignity of all persons, from conception to natural death. We work on behalf of justice, which calls us to be with the poor, lonely, confused, and broken. The old "eye for an eye" mentality no longer applies when it comes to dealing with those who hurt us. When Jesus asks you to follow him, will you go?

The month of June; We laid to rest from our parish community: Elizabeth McLaughlin, May your soul rest in the loving peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Saturday, July 6th & Sunday, July 7th

LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Annette Marchbanks

9:00AM ~ Ashley Murphy

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

9:00AM ~ Ben Chouinard, Luis Guerrero

EUCCHARIST: We will resume offering the Precious Blood, 1 minister in front of Baptismal font and 1 in front of pulpit.

5:30PM ~ A. Chouinard, J. LaVergne, M.A. Bergamo,

P. Serio, G. Larkin

9:00AM ~ J. Mott, C. Horton, E. Warren, B. Warren K. Fekete

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

Sat. - June 29, 2019 - Vigil - 13th Sunday In
Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Darlene Files - Sue Slack & Family

Sun. - June 30, 2019 - 13th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Patricia Wall - Jack & Patrick Wall

Shirley Fornito - Sue Slack

Patty Schramm - Charles & Sally Cole

Fr. Louis Aiello - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morga

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - July 1, 2019 - St. Junipero Serra, priest

12:00 Noon - We pray for peace throughout the world

Tues. - July 2, 2019

12:00 Noon - Joseph F., Johanna T., & Joseph A. Miller -
Patricia Miller

Wed. - July 3, 2019 - St. Thomas, apostle

Thurs. - July 4, 2019 - Independence Day

Fri. - July 5, 2019 - Sts. Anthony Zaccaria, priest,
Elizabeth of Portugal

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass

Sat. - July 6, 2019 - Vigil - 14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Joseph Tomczyk - The Larkins &
The Zaika's

Sun. - July 7, 2019 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Carol McGuire - Edward McGuire
Patty Schramm - Charles & Sally Cole

Guilia Cesario Palucci - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family

Maria Carmine & Joseph Papa - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

OLP/SP 11:00 am



There is NO NOON MASS on Friday, July 5th.

JULY EVENTS

Sun. June 30 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. July 7 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. July 14 Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. July 21 Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. July 28 Group 3 Money Counters

Tues. July 2 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Tues. July 16 Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree
7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Thurs. July 18 Washington Square Assoc.
Neighborhood Watch 7:00pm
SJB/HT Parish Center
Tues. July 23 Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Weds. July 24 Catholic Golden Ages
7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

Sunday Collection June 22nd & June 23rd

Regular collection\$1,980.25

Loose collection \$332.00

Vocation Blurbs

Many come to Jesus looking to follow him, but hesitations or other obligations prevent them from being "all in" as his disciple. The commitment to give our heart totally to Jesus may seem radical, but the reward that comes from living united to him produces freedom within us unlike any other. Freely surrendering our control in moments of anxiety or discernment can create a space for Jesus to enter in and fill us with his grace. For help in discerning God's call, visit 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, Lena Campanino, 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, 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.



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