

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 15, 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
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm
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24th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:7b

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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.

Church Doors

Over the next month or so, each set of Church doors will be removed and will be stripped and stained to help bring them to their beautiful wood finish. Currently the Court Street doors have been removed and plywood has been put up. No entry or exit for this area at this time. Please use Park Street or parking lot doors. Watch for updates in the bulletin. And, during this inconvenience, Thank You for your understanding.



GOOD NEWS
FOR EVERYONE

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

We all struggle with worshipping things that are not God. These are things that we place in our lives and reverence more than God himself. Things such as our self

-image, power, status, possessions, securities, and even ideologies can be allowed to make great claims on us. Sometimes, who "god" is for us is what we make this "god" out to be. Our self-constructed gods serve little purpose, other than placating us and making us feel better about ourselves and our world. This is not the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, nor the God whom Jesus called Father. The true God challenges us out of our comfort zones and pushes us to discover our potential. But, He does so patiently and with great love. He knows how fickle we can be and is always eager to welcome us home.

HOPE Appeal Update

To date SJB/HT Parish has a total of \$14,697.50 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. It is not too late to donate. Donation envelopes can be found at all entrances of the Church. Extra envelopes are in the office. Call the rectory if you need any assistance.



24th Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain..." In this Sunday's Gospel, we learn the context for the forthcoming parables about the lost and found. A great mixed crowd surrounds Jesus. The religious elite are present, along with all manner of local lowlifes. The Pharisees seem a bit upset that this wasn't the lecture series they were hoping for. Why would Jesus welcome sinners?

Jesus responds as if it's the most obvious thing in the world. "Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep ... rejoice because I have found the coin that I lost ... let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine ... was lost, and has been found!" Each of the parables features a dramatic example. Of 99 sheep, one has gone astray. Of 10 coins, one has gone missing. The welcomed son has previously been a covetous scoundrel. Jesus' point to the Pharisees is clear. If the Gospel really is "good news," if our faith really has the power to save, why wouldn't we want everyone drawing near? Why wouldn't we do everything in our power to eke out that possibility for every single person, no matter where they have wandered? After all, if this message is not of value to everyone, why is it of value to anyone?

Our Christian faith is not a matter of rule adherence for the perfectionist elite. In our own ways, each of us is the lost sheep, the prodigal son. There is no one who "has no need of repentance." The Church is a mixed crowd. And we are mixed people. And the Gospel has good news for each of us today! There is no one Jesus doesn't go after, no one he does not catch sight of "while ... still a long way off," no one to whom he does not run to embrace and welcome home.

Faith Formation Classes SJB/HT

Our Faith Formation Program starts on Sept. 15. We have 16 students from Pre-K to Confirmation 1. We have 4 returning teachers, Pat Jaquin, Karen Fekete, Mary & Chet Wisniewski, 2 new teachers, Lisa Johnson and Nikki Varre, and 1 new teacher assistant, Luis Guerrero. If you see any of these people, please thank them for taking the time out of their busy lives to share their faith with our Parish's youth. Please pray for our youth and our Faith Formation Program. There is still room for more students age 4 & up for Pre-K to Confirmation 1. Any questions please call Betty at 315-420-6357.



Sunday Collection Sept. 7th & Sept. 8th

Regular collection	\$3,062.20
Loose collection	\$486.20
Fuel collection	\$402.00

Jesus was kind to people who were lonely. Jesus forgave people who were sorry for their mistakes. Jesus ate dinner with people who needed God's love. They sinned. Everybody knew it. But Jesus knew that God's love could turn their frowns into smiles. If there are kids in your class who don't have many friends, be kind to them like Jesus. When other kids make mistakes, forgive them like Jesus.

You'll make Jesus smile.

Mission for the Week

When you go outside to play at school, look for someone who is alone. Offer to be a friend and play together.



Prayer

Dear God,
help me to
show
kindness like
Jesus did.



A Family Perspective

Family Life Education

Parents are like that shepherd in today's Gospel for they don't give up and can't rest if one of their children has wandered away. A parent's persistent love provides a glimpse of the unconditional love for each of us by God, Our Father. A parent is a window to the Divine.



Saturday, September 21st & Sunday, September 22nd
LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Jack Normoyle

9:00AM ~ Patrick Minnoe

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

EUCCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ A. Chouinard, R. Copani, M.E. Cusano

9:00AM ~ L. Argiro, M. E. Cusano, Michele Dykeman,
Michael Dykeman, M. Piazza

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Sept. 14, 2019 - Vigil - 24th Sunday In
Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Sept. 15, 2019 - 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - For The People

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Sept. 16, 2019 - Sts. Cornelius, pope
& Cyprian, bishop, martyrs

12:00 Noon - For all who are suffering from addictions

Tues. - Sept. 17, 2019 - St. Robert Bellamine,
bishop & doctor of the Church

12:00 Noon - We pray for our Pope and all the religious

Wed. - Sept. 18, 2019

Thurs. - Sept. 19, 2019 - St. Januarius, bishop & martyr

Fri. - Sept. 20, 2019 - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest
& Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions, martyrs

SJB/HT 11:30 am - Confessions

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - All Souls

Sat. - Sept. 21, 2019 - Vigil - 25th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Joan Dominic - Daughter, Jean Lawless
Giuseppe Migliore - The Family
Rosemary Conte Grosso - Immacolata Migliore

Sun. - Sept. 22, 2019 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Thelma Kieffer - Joan LaVergne
Grace Piazza - Timmy & Jenny Brazell
Trudy German - Sue Slack

OLP/SP 11:00 am



There is no Noon Mass on
Tuesday, September 24th.

AUGUST EVENTS	
Sun. Sept. 15	Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. Sept. 22	Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. Sept. 29	Group 4 Money Counters
Tues. Sept. 17	Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Thurs. Sept. 19	Washington Square Assoc. Neighborhood Watch 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Tues. Sept. 24	Knights of Columbus 4th Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
Wed. Sept. 25	Catholic Golden Agers 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Dear Heavenly
Father
Please put a hand of
protection this school
year on all the
Children
Teachers
And
Staff
Watch over them
Protect them
Love them
We Thank you
God
For all you do
Amen



3rd Banns of Marriage
Stephanie Ingram & Robert Vault

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



Remember: Nancy Bailey, Antonietta Briggs,
Bob Brimfield, Lorna Dodge Burton, Lena Cam-
panino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Cath-
erine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank De-
Yulio, Peter DiBello, Cathy DiPrimio, Anthony Drenzo,
Aaron Doty, Louise Epolito, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti,
Beverly Frey, Chris Gabriell, Ellen Gangemi, David Gal-
vagno, 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 Sher-
wood, Jason A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino,
Shelly Visco, Brian Warren and Matthew Watkins.



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