

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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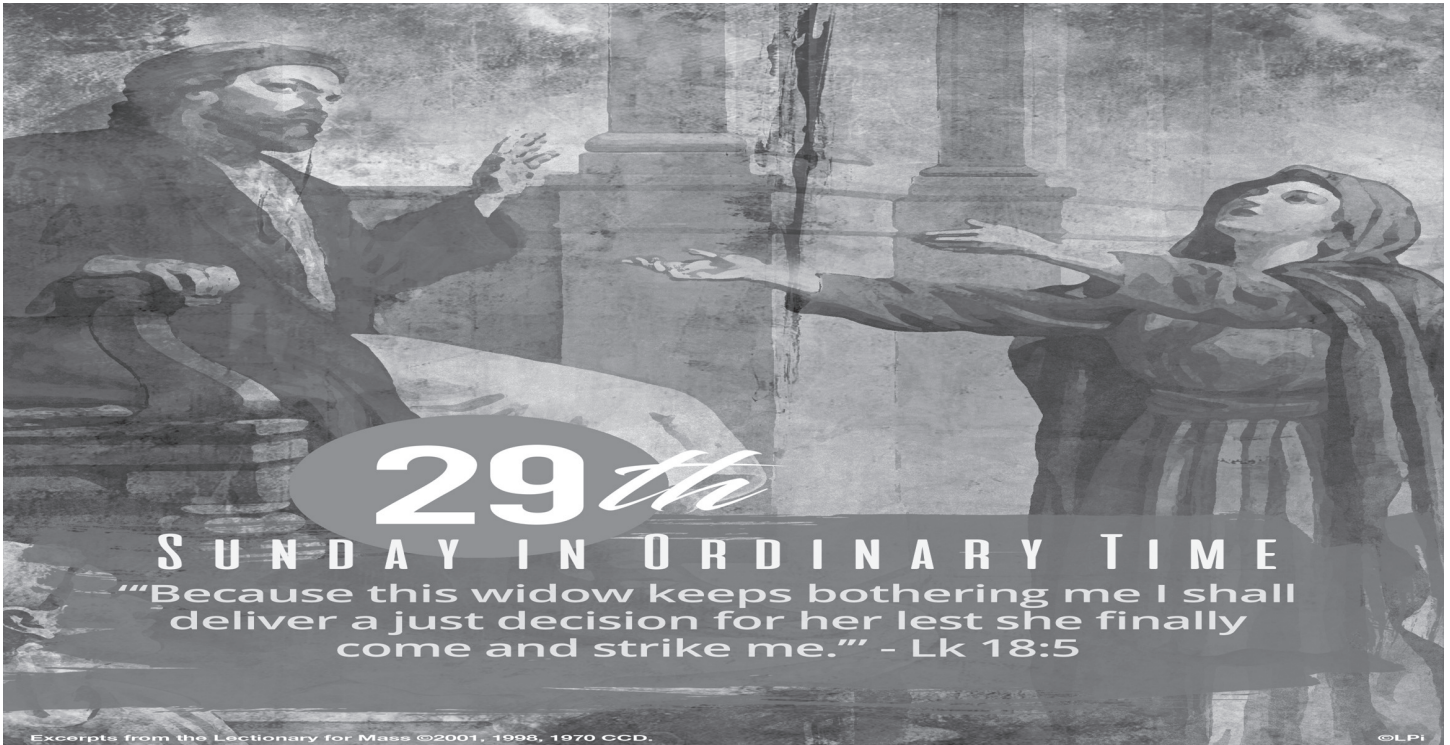
October 20, 2019

## 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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## 29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

“Render a just decision for me against my adversary.” Today’s Gospel features a persistent widow who ekes out justice from a notoriously cold-hearted judge. Why does she win the day? “Because the widow keeps bothering me.” Jesus’ recommendation to the disciples is to be persistent in prayer, because surely God the Father is far more attuned to their needs than this judge. If only it were that easy, right? We’ve all experienced the unanswered prayer, the silence after our cries. When this continues, sometimes it can be difficult to have faith in God or believe He answers prayers. It can be easy to lapse into a sense of His distance. We want Him to do something “fair,” which — in our limited view — typically means that something works out in our favor.

There are, of course, many legitimate cries for justice. We live in a fallen world filled with flawed human beings. We hurt each other, sometimes grievously, and our efforts to remake the world in our image can result in unjust, inhumane systems. Faced with the problem of evil, we may wonder how God will “secure the rights of his chosen ones.” Sometimes, He may well seem “slow to answer them.

In the face of these very real questions, it’s important to recall the words of the prophet Isaiah, that God’s thoughts “are not [our] thoughts.” His ways are not our ways. God respects the freedom He has given us. When we see what free will has wrought, perhaps we question God’s better judgment! Yet somehow, we hear that He mysteriously works all things for our good. No matter what situation we find ourselves in, we are always free to love. We are invited to be persistent in our prayer, to continue bringing our concerns before God in trusting surrender. We are invited to love well in the circumstances we find ourselves in, to be a light in the darkness. No matter when — or if — our prayers are answered the way we would like, we are nonetheless invited to witness to “faith on earth.”

### 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 - Update

Completed are the Court St. and the Park St. (near choir loft) doors. Due to chilly weather and stain not able to dry well all remaining doors will be attended to when weather permits. Thank you to Bob Warren and all who leant a hand with this task; Bob, Jack Wall, John Robinson, Vince Aldrich, Jim, Jerry and Max Fekete.



## Faith Formation Classes SJB/HT

Reminder, we will be having our Safe Environment Class for all grades on Oct. 27th. You should have received a letter advising you of this class and directions as to opt your child out, should you choose to do so. Please be sure to return the opt out letter on or before Oct. 27th. If you have any questions, please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357. There is still room for more students age 4 & up for Pre-K to Confirmation 1. Any questions please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357. Please pray for our youth and our Faith Formation Program.

## HOPE Appeal Pledge Deadline

Deadline to complete pledges and send in one time donations is November 30th. **Please note**  
\*\*\*\* Any donations given after that date will go towards the 2020 campaign.\*\*\*\*



## Sunday Collection Oct. 12th & Oct. 13th

Regular collection .....	\$3,934.25
Loose collection .....	\$604.00
Fuel collection.....	\$503.00
Poor collection.....	\$124.00

## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

The widow in today's Gospel is praised for her perseverance. In our homes perseverance is a critical ingredient to resolving differences and teaching lessons and skill to children. Perseverance is always an act of faith in the goodness of the other person.



## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

As we live out our life of faith, it is easy to lose heart and lose confidence in God's power and effective presence. We can fall into apathy. Given the immensity of the concerns that abound, we feel powerless and can become unmotivated to persevere. To combat this weariness, Jesus tells his friends to pray always. Persisting in prayer allows us to find the determination, strength, and conviction to continue on course even when presented with difficulties. If we are determined in our pursuit of God, we will eventually find God breaking through our darkness with the light of His presence, gifting us with contemplative sight so that we can see as He sees and love as He loves. It is only when we take on the person of Christ that we are able, with God's help, to touch the world's pain and loneliness.

The widow in Jesus' story never gave up. She needed help. She kept asking for help over and over until the judge gave her what she needed. God is so much more loving than the judge in Jesus' story. If you need help, you can ask God over and over. Don't give up. Tell God when you are hurt. Tell God when you need help. He will listen carefully to you. He enjoys helping children who love him.

## Mission for the Week

Many children do not have homes or shoes or beds. Ask God to show you how to help them.



## Prayer

Dear God, thank you for caring about me and listening to my prayers.

## International Food Festival Saturday, Nov. 16 ~ Noon-7:00PM SJB/HT Parish Center



## International Food Festival Sponsor

Would you like to sponsor in memory of someone or for a special request? We have available 3 levels of sponsoring. \$10.00, \$20.00 and you will be given one (1) food ticket or \$30.00 and you will be given two (2) food tickets. Tickets will be waiting at the door the day of the event for you. Please use the slip provided and return to the rectory before Nov. 11th.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of or special request:

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Thank you for your consideration and generosity.



## International Food Festival:

We are still accepting "CHEFS" who will create and serve a family traditional recipe. Please call the rectory for further information. Calling all "BAKERS" your baked good donations are always a hit at the festival. If you would like to bake you will be able to drop off your goods on Friday, Nov. 15th from 9:00am-2:30pm in the rectory or Saturday, Nov. 16th 10:00am in the Parish Center. Donations for "THEMED BASKETS" can be dropped at the rectory anytime from now until the event during office hours. As always we look to "VOLUNTEERS" who can lend a hand to help set up and take down on Thursday, Nov. 14th, Friday, Nov. 15th and Sat. Nov. 16th.

29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Saturday, October 26th & Sunday, October 27th  
LECTORS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Annette Marchbanks  
**9:00AM** ~ Chet Wisniewski

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano  
**9:00AM** ~ Ben Chouinard

**EUCCHARIST:**

**5:30PM** ~ A. Chouinard, G. Larkin, P. Serio, M.A. Bergamo  
**9:00AM** ~ R. Elderbroom, D. William, C. Horton,  
J. Cooney, J. Mott

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

**Sat. - Oct. 19, 2019 - Vigil - 29th Sunday In  
Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - Martin O'Grady - Tim & Mary Reid  
Kevin Donovan - Georgiann Larkin

**Sun. - Oct. 20, 2019 - 29th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - William Rush - Wife & Children  
Chester Wisniewski Sr. - The Family  
Bennie Sobon Sr. - Morn & Pat Jaquin  
Carol McGuire - The McGuire Family

**OLP/SP 11:00 am**

**Mon. - Oct. 21, 2019**

**12:00 Noon** - Kevin Donovan - Ralph & Janice Mott

**Tues. - Oct. 22, 2019 - St. John Paul II, pope**

**12:00 Noon** - World Peace

**Wed. - Oct. 23, 2019 - St. John of Capistrano, priest**

**Thurs. - Oct. 24, 2019 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop**

**Fri. - Oct. 25, 2019**

**SJB/HT 11:30 am** - Confessions

**SJB/HT 12:00 Noon** - Our own special intentions

**Sat. - Oct. 26, 2019 - Vigil - 30th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - Annette Cannavino - Sister

**Sun. - Oct. 27, 2019 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Larry James - Janet Coria  
Shirley Fornito - Ed & Karin Airel  
Rosemary Conte Grosso - Anna DelVecchio  
Gertrude Sobon German - Norm & Pat Jaquin

**OLP/SP 11:00 am**



**OCTOBER EVENTS**

<b>Sun. Oct. 20</b>	Group 3 Money Counters
<b>Sun. Oct. 27</b>	Group 4 Money Counters
<b>Tues. Oct. 22</b>	Knight of Columbus 4th Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center
<b>Wed. Oct. 23</b>	Catholic Golden Agers 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

**craft fair**

**Saturday, November 2, 2019**  
from 10am to 4pm  
at Bishop Ludden Jr-Sr High School  
815 Fay Road, Syracuse NY, 13219

Crafts, Jewelry, Art, Clothing,  
Housewares, Sweet Treats, Food,  
Drinks, Raffles and more!

If interested in being a vendor,  
please email Sara at  
srounds@syrdiocese.org

**BISHOP LUDDEN**  
**BL**

**Sunday, October 20th 1-3pm**  
**OPEN HOUSE**

Visit us at [www.bishopludden.org](http://www.bishopludden.org)

**SCHOLARSHIP EXAM:**  
Nov. 16th or Dec. 7th

**SHADOW DAYS:**  
Oct. 24th, Oct. 30th, Nov. 13th, Nov. 21st, Dec. 5th  
or by appointment

For more information, contact [ccorcoran@syrdiocese.org](mailto:ccorcoran@syrdiocese.org)

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The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of  
**A Special Intention**  
Requested by **Mary Cellini**

**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, Gen DiMento, Cathy DiPrimio, An-  
thony 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 Lim-  
eri, 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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