

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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February 2, 2020

## 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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IT IS THE  
**LORD!**

PSALM 24

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## Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.” Very often, having more light is not something we desire as it forces us to confront something we really do not want to see. There can be comfort found in darkness. It has an eerie sense of security to it. We do not have to challenge ourselves or be challenged and can simply exist in some fabricated state of self-fabricated blissfulness. Jesus came to bring light, and it is a light that is resisted by many and hated by some. It is a light that causes us to see things as they really are and not as we would want or need them to be.

It is no wonder then that Simeon boldly and honestly proclaims to Mary, “Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” We have to take the Gospel message as it is and not just use those parts that are useful to us or more palatable. Taking Jesus at face value can and will lead to turmoil and dissention. Hearts will be pierced. Whether we like it, Jesus’ proclamation of what the world God created really ought to look like has real and absolute social implications.

It has a lot to say about how we treat our brothers and sisters: spiritually, personally, economically, and globally. It has everything to do with the poor, the immigrant, the scared, the unborn, the vulnerable, the sick, and the broken. The light opens us to a challenging, table-turning experience that may not be something we want to see but shows us where we need to be.

### 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.

## PaFISHioners Sponsoring Baked Fish Dinners

Once again, would you like to be a "PaFISHioner Sponsor" for our famous Baked Fish Dinners? Available for \$25.00, we will add your name to our sponsorship line-up for the 2020 year. (\*Any donation you would like to make will be gratefully appreciated). Please fill in the slip below, you can mail it or put it into the collection basket marked "PaFISHioner Sponsor". If you wish you may become a sponsor in memory of a loved one, or to help with the free dinners sent to our shut-ins, a special intention you pray for. Becoming a sponsor is an added fundraiser to our Baked Fish Dinner with every bit of the donations going towards the parish. We are grateful for your generosity and support. Reminder; last year we did receive from parishioners alone over \$800.00. BLESSED!

### Hook me up as a "PaFISHioner Sponsor"!

1) I would like to sponsor in memory of:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

2) I would like to sponsor the dinners for our shut-ins.

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

3) I would like to just be a sponsor:

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

If paying by check, please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.

Thank You for your support.



## Faith Formation Classes SJB/HT

There is no Confirmation 1 class this week, but will resume on Feb. 9th. Pre K - 8th will meet today as normal. Our 2nd graders were not able to make their First Penance in December so they will be making it next week, Feb. 9th. You can call Betty Warren with any concerns or questions at 315-420-6357. Please pray for our youth, especially those preparing for Sacraments this year and our Faith Formation Program.



## Contribution Statements

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2019 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, 315-478-0916, email us at [nbergeson@syrдио.org](mailto:nbergeson@syrдио.org), fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or, save a stamp and put your request in a plain envelope and put it into the collection basket attention "Nancy".

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR REQUEST INTO YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES.**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

C/S/Z: \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope Number: \_\_\_\_\_



## Blessing Of Throats

Monday, Feb. 3rd is Feast of St. Blaise and on Sunday, Feb. 2nd following the 9:00am Mass, throats will be blessed.

## SJB/HT Famous Baked Fish Dinners



Our Famous Baked Fish Dinners will begin on Fridays, Feb. 28, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, and Apr. 3 in the SJB/HT Parish Center from 4:00-7:00pm. Our menu, Baked Fish Dinner with 2 sides, fries, cole slaw, mac & cheese or baked beans, dessert & roll \$9.00, \$5.00 children 5-12, additional sides \$1.50. Fish sandwich w/ 1 side \$5.00. Toasted cheese sandwich \$2.00. New England Clam Chowder \$1.50. Soda \$1.00. Coffee, tea, hot coco are free.



## Girl Scout Cookies Sale

Girl Scouts from Troop 10053 will be selling their cookies during the Baked Fish Dinners again this year, except on April 3rd. All cookie flavors are \$5.00 a box. If you purchase 5 or more you will be put into a drawing for a trip to Sicily! All sales for this troop will help towards a NYC trip to go see the Broadway show Aladdin.

When Joseph and Mary brought baby Jesus to the temple, they dedicated Jesus to God. An old man named Simeon was also in the temple that day. As soon as Simeon saw and held baby Jesus, he praised God. He knew that Jesus was going to bring God's love to all people, including you.

### Mission for the Week

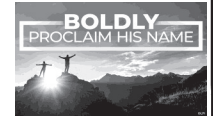
Ask the Holy Spirit to show you how special Jesus is.



### Prayer

God, I thank you for sending Jesus to save all people from sin.

## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week



Today's celebration can be seen as another "epiphany" of sorts, whereby Jesus is recognized as the one who will fulfill the Jewish people's messianic expectations. Jesus is the one who comes to purify and refine humanity and provide us with proper direction and focus. Jesus also presents himself to each one of us. Will we accept him as he is or only as we want or need him to be? The Gospel message is meant to be heard whole and entire. When it is, it is always a very challenging, table-turning experience that can make even the holiest among us feel a bit uncomfortable. Being purified and refined never comes easy and requires that we give ourselves fully to God and His design. Are we willing to do so?



## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

Family life provides opportunities to grow in holiness. We are never perfect on this side of Heaven. Each of us has areas that could be presented to the Lord for purification. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your family in finding those areas and offering them to God.

**Saturday, February 8th & Sunday, February 9th  
LECTORS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Jack Normoye  
**9:00AM** ~ Patrick Minnoe

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**5:30PM** ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano  
**9:00AM** ~ Ben Chouinard, Noah & Lucas smith

**EUCCHARIST:**

**5:30PM** ~ A. Chouinard, J. LaVergne, G. Larkin  
**9:00AM** ~ J. Mott, C. Horton, R. Warren

\*\*\*\*With cold and flu season upon us, we have  
suspended the Precious Blood.\*\*\*\*

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

**Sat. - Feb. 4, 2020 Vigil - 4th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Paris -  
Children & Grandchildren

**Sun. - Feb. 2, 2020 - 4th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Philip (Junior) Lorini -  
Norm & Pat Jaquin  
James Cole - Mary & Chet Wisniewski

**OLP/SP 11:00 am**

**Mon. - Feb. 3, 2020 - Sts. Blaise, bishop & martyr,  
Ansgar, bishop**

**12:00 Noon** - John P. Wagner - Class of 1955

**Tues. - Feb. 4, 2020**

**SJB/HT 12:00 Noon** - For all who need proper  
shelter from the cold

**Wed. - Feb. 5 - St. Agatha, virgin & martyr, 2020**

**Thurs. - Feb. 6, 2020 - St. Paul Miki & companions,  
martyrs**

**Fri. - Feb. 7, 2020**

**SJB/HT 11:30 am Confession**  
**SJB/HT 12:00 Noon** - Our silent intentions

**Sat. Feb. 8, 2020 Vigil - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 4:00 pm**  
**SJB/HT 5:30 pm** - John P. Wagner - Mike Morga

**Sun. - Feb. 9 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**OLP/SP 7:30 am**  
**SJB/HT 9:00 am** - Brian Warren - Nancy & Paul  
**OLP/SP 11:00 am**



**Sunday Collection Jan. 25th & Jan. 26th**

Regular collection .....\$1,912.01  
Loose collection ..... \$304.00  
Fuel collection ..... \$70.00

**Rectory Closed - No Noon Mass**

In observance of President's Day, Monday,  
Feb. 17th, the rectory will be closed and there  
is no Noon Mass for this day.



*February*

**Sun. Feb. 2** Group 2 Money Counters  
**Sun. Feb. 9** Group 3 Money Counters  
**Sun. Feb. 16** Group 4 Money Counters  
**Sun. Feb. 23** Group 1 Money Counters

**Tues. Feb. 4 & 18** Knights of Columbus  
3rd Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

**Mon. Feb. 17** Rectory Office Closed &  
No Noon Mass in observance of Presidents Day

**Thurs. Feb. 20** Washington Square Assoc.  
Neighborhood Watch  
7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

**Tues. Feb. 25** Knights of Columbus  
4th Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

**Wed. Feb. 26** Ash Wednesday  
Masses: OLP/SP 9:00am,  
SJB/HT 12:00 Noon & 5:30pm

**Fri. Feb. 28, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, Apr. 3 & 10**  
SJB/HT 7:00pm Stations of the Cross

**Fri. Feb. 28, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27 & Apr. 3**  
Lenten Baked Fish Dinners  
SJB/HT Parish Center 4:00-7:00pm

**THE CATHOLIC SUN**

IN A DIOCESE AS LARGE AS OURS, MY  
CATHOLIC SUN COLUMN IS ONE IMPORTANT  
WAY I AM ABLE TO TALK TO AND  
ACCOMPANY THE FAITHFUL ENTRUSTED TO  
MY CARE....

I HOPE, LIKE ME, YOU WILL BE  
AN AVID SUPPORTER AND READER  
OF OUR DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER.  
— BISHOP LUCIA

SUBSCRIBE TO THE CATHOLIC SUN  
TODAY!

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

**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Nancy Bailey,  
Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Christopher  
Brown, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo,  
Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini,  
Linda Deapo, Frank DeYulio, Peter DiBello, Gen DiMento,  
Cathy DiPrimio, Anthony Drenzo, Aaron Doty, 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, Rosemary Radlowski,  
Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Jason  
A. Smith, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco,  
and Matthew Watkins.

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