

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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February 16, 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  
E-mail - [nbergeson@syrdio.org](mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org)  
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# GOOD

“Do not take a false oath,  
but make good to the  
Lord all that you vow.”

MATTHEW 5:33B

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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## Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word “commitment” mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus’ teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else’s decision. But we can’t be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life’s journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.

### **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

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.

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Thank You for your support.



## A Family Perspective

### Family Life Education

To experience the peace which Christ promises we must shed our grudges, jealousy and feelings of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's Gospel warns, if you want peace in your heart and home, get rid of your anger. Anger is too costly.

## Faith Formation Classes SJB/HT

There are no classes today or next week, Feb. 23rd due to Presidents' Day and Winter recess.

Enjoy your time off. Pre-K to 8th will resume on March 1st but Confirmation 1 classes will not resume until March 22nd. 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## Lenten Baked Fish Dinners

Our famous and our delicious Baked Fish Dinners will begin on Friday, Feb 28 and March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3. Dinners are served in the St. John/Holy Trinity Parish Center from 4:00-7:00PM. We run a 50/50 raffle each night and the Girl Scouts will be here selling cookies, each Friday except April 3. If you are interested in helping please call the rectory. We need a hand setting up the cafeteria, help during dinners inside and outside the kitchen and clean up.



## Ash Wednesday Schedule

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 26th.

The following is the schedule of Masses with Ash distribution;

**OLP/SP 9:00am**

**SJB/HT 12:00 Noon & SJB/HT 5:30pm**

Lectors will be needed for SJB/HT, if you are available please call the rectory. Thank you.



## The Census Starts In March 2020

**Make sure that you and your community are counted to get your fair share of resources and representation!**

Every 10 years, the U.S. government counts every person living in the U.S. The census questionnaire is short, and your personal responses are confidential. YOU are the best, most trusted messenger to your friends and family. Help your community by talking with your friends and family about the census:

**The census is important to me because...**

\*The census count helps determine how much money goes to services like schools, hospitals, and highways -- the more people counted in our community, the more funding we receive.

\*Census results determine political representation, including how many seats in Congress our state will get and how districts are drawn for state and local government.

Government, businesses, and community organizations use census data to allocate money, resources, and services to our communities and to decide where to invest.

**Census participation is safe.**

\*Our census responses are confidential. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share our answers with anyone, including federal, state, and local government agencies or immigration enforcement.

**Census participation is simple.**

\*Make sure to count everybody that lives in the house on April 1, 2020, regardless of their relationship to you! This includes babies, small children, relatives, roommates, and friends. ALL people are counted in the census.

\*You will receive a link to fill out the census online in mid-March 2020. You can also call the Census Bureau to give your response by phone. If you do not respond online or by phone, the Census Bureau will send you a form in the mail.

\*If you do not respond to the census, the Census Bureau will send a census taker to your house to collect your information in person -- so if you don't want to be visited by a census taker, respond to the census as soon as you can!

Please help us spread the word about how important it is for all of us to make sure we are counted in the 2020 Census!

You can find more information about the census at

[www.countusin2020.org/resources](http://www.countusin2020.org/resources).

~Menu~

**Baked Fish Dinners w/2 sides \$9.00**

**Fish Sandwich w/1 side \$5.00**

**Toasted Cheese Sandwich \$2.00**

**New England Clam Chowder \$1.50 Sides: fries, cole slaw, mac & cheese or baked beans (additional \$1.50 ea.)**

Saturday, February 22nd & Sunday, February 23rd

**LECTORS:**

5:30PM ~ Cathy Schotthoefer

9:00AM ~ Mary Barraco

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

**EUCCHARIST:**

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

9:00AM ~ J. Mott, R. Elderbroom, D. William

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

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

Sat. - Feb. 15, 2020 Vigil - 6th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Feb. 16, 2020 - 6th Sunday In Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Louis Aiello, Sr. The Family  
George F. Capria - Betty Brant  
Philip Junior Lorini - Jake & Pat Jaquin  
Raffaele DeMichele - Maria DeMichele & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - Feb. 17, 2020 - The Seven Holy Founders

of the Servite Order

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - No Noon Mass

Tues. - Feb. 18, 2020

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - All who are terminally ill

Wed. - Feb. 19, 2020

Thurs. - Feb. 20, 2020

Fri. - Feb. 21, 2020 - St. Peter Damian, bishop & doctor of the Church

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Silent Intentions

Sat. Feb. 22, 2020 Vigil - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - For The People

Sun. - Feb. 23, 2020 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Teresa Greenfield - The Family  
Maria Limongi - Son Egerio & Family  
Albert J. Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Cooney  
Patricia Wall - Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Smola & Pat & Jack

OLP/SP 11:00 am



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

**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. 16 Group 4 Money Counters  
Sun. Feb. 23 Group 1 Money Counters

Mon. Feb. 17 Rectory Office Closed & No Noon Mass in observance of Presidents Day  
Tues. Feb. 18 Knights of Columbus  
3rd Degree 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center  
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

**Sunday Collection Feb. 8th & Feb. 9th**

Regular collection .....	\$3,205.01
Loose collection .....	\$448.00
Fuel collection .....	\$176.00
Poor collection.....	\$240.00



**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Nancy Bailey, Antonietta Briggs, Bob Brimfield, Christopher Brown, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Frank De-Yulio, 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 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, and Matthew Watkins.



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