St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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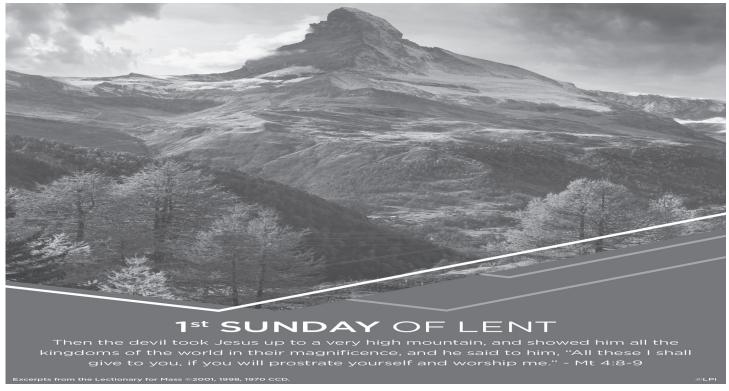
Mass Schedule:

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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First Sunday Of Lent

Life can easily spin us out of control. While there are so many wonderful opportunities before us, we can also get easily distracted and exhausted. There is always something to do, respond to, or check. The clutter of our lives can take us off course, and the best remedy for getting back on track is the experience of the desert. Here we can face our demons square on, resist them, and get back on course. We desperately need the season of Lent. This simple time of year forces us into greater awareness and grounds us in what is good and true.

What weighs you down and keeps you trapped? Maybe you are trying to do too much and please too many people. It could be that your fragile self-image is always pushing you to prove yourself and find success. Anxiety and worry, ultimately due to a lack of faith, can quickly tempt you with despair. It could be that you are listening to too many voices and allowing all of the negativity that is present erode the genuine goodness in your heart and in all of God's creation. Or maybe you struggle too much with fear. Perhaps so much so that you are far too preoccupied with your own agenda and goals and left with little psychological or spiritual room to consider and respond to the plight of your neighbor. Do anger, bitterness, stubbornness, and hatred have homes in your heart? How about greed, gluttony, pride, apathy, or lust?

For many, their passions and what can be found on the internet are their downfall, and they are robbed of their inner life and freedom. What is it, specifically, that tempts you away from a childlike trust in God? Define this and use the next few weeks to allow God to chart you a course away from them. Silence, being alone, grace, honesty, struggle, tears, and dryness are all found in the desert. You will also find God and your true self in this holy place. Ready to go?

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.



FORGET TO Spring Ahead

Next Saturday evening, March 7th, don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before bed. And also change the batteries in you

smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

First Sunday of Lent

Today we start the path of forty days to Easter. We are in the season of Lent. Our readings today speak about the desert ex-



perience of Jesus. Moreover, in order to understand the analogy of "desert" we need to know the origins of sin and death.

Sin is described in Scripture as the desire for the "forbidden fruit." We are made in the image of God and God desires only good for his creation. When we desire that which is not good for us, we term that sin. And when we desire so much that we lose sight of God, we die to the idea of goodness.

Jesus is tempted by the devil to turn away from God and to desire the earthly pleasures of wealth and power. Jesus is God and so is able to turn away from that temptation; we are not God, however, and oftentimes we give in to that desire and therefore sin against the goodness of God.

Through these forty days of Lent, let us look closely at our lives to see where we need to be more faithful to that which is good in our lives and concentrate on how to increase the goodness that God has put in our hearts.

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan!" — Mt 4:8-10a



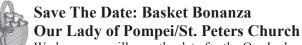




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If paying by check, please make checks payable to St. John		
the Baptist/Holy Trinity.		
Thank You for your support		



We hope you will save the date for the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters Basket Bonanza. It will be held on Saturday March 28th at 5:00pm in their school cafeteria! It's always a wonderful time with incredible baskets and silent auction items. The cost is only \$10.00 which includes your admission, chance to win door prizes and 2 free raffle tickets to use towards the 60+ baskets to take a chance on. It also includes incredible food and of course, as always, o0ts of fun and comradery! We hope you will be part of it. Tickets are now on sale after all Masses at OLP/SP, or by visiting or calling their parish offices at 315-422-7163. We know it will be another fantastic Bonanza with great opportunities to win incredible items. Hope you will join in!

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.

~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.)

Faith Formation Classes SJB/HT

Welcome back to our Pre-K to 8th students. Confirmation 1 classes will resume on 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.



A Family Perspective Family Life Education

In today's Gospel Jesus cautions it is not enough to provide food for our children; "one does not

live on bread alone." Let Lent 2020 be a time when you are "led by the Spirit" to explore new ways to be a moral guide to your children.



No Baptisms During Lent

During the weeks of Lent, no baptisms will be scheduled. Lent starts Wednesday, Feb. 26th through dusk on Holy Thursday, April 9th.



Saturday, March 7th & Sunday, March 8th LECTORS:

5:30PM ~ Jack Normoyle **9:00AM** ~ Chet Wisniewski

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30PM ~ Mary Elizabeth Cusano

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

EUCHARIST:

5:30PM ~ A. Chouinard, J. LaVergne, P. Serio
9:00AM ~ L. Argiro, M.E. Cusano, Michael Dykeman
****With cold and flu season upon us, we have
suspended the Precious Blood.****

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sat. - Feb. 29, 2020 Vigil - 1st Sunday Of Lent OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Angie Brauchle - The Family Anne & Bob Paris - The Paris Family

Sun. - March 1, 2020 - 1st Sunday Of Lent OLP/SP 7:30 am SJB/HT 9:00 am - For the People OLP/SP 11:00 am

Mon. - March 2, 2020 SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Angie Brauchle - The Family

Tues. - March 3, 2020 - St. Katherine Drexel, virgin SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - The Pope and all religious

Wed. - March 4, 2020 - St. Casimir

Thurs. - March 5, 2020

Fri. - March 6, 2020 SJB/HT Confession 11:30am SJB/HT 12:00 Noon - Our silent intentions SJB/HT 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

Sat. March 7, 2020 Vigil - 2nd Sunday Of Lent OLP/SP 4:00 pm

SJB/HT 5:30 pm - Gioacchino & Tina Bruno - The Family Vincenzo & Angela Abbatiello - The Family Alfred Mastriano, Sr. - Wife, Gloria & Children Mario Fiacchi - Cindy Massara Hughes & Family

Sun. - March 8, 2020 - 2nd Sunday Of Lent OLP/SP 7:30 am

SJB/HT 9:00 am - Frances Lawless - Sherrie Johnson Bernie Sobon - Norm & Pat Jaquin Donald Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Cooney Giorgio DelVecchio - Anna DelVecchio & Family

OLP/SP 11:00 am



There is an 8x10 photo at the rectory for Larry Hampson. I have no phone number for you if you could call the rectory to pick up your picture please. 315-478-0916.

March

Sun. March 1 Group 2 Money Counters
Sun. March 15 Group 3 Money Counters
Sun. March 15 Group 4 Money Counters
Sun. March 22 Group 1 Money Counters
Sun. March 29 Group 2 Money Counters

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

Fri. Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27 & Apr. 3

Lenten Baked Fish Dinners SJB/HT Parish Center 4:00-7:00pm

Tues. Mar. 3 & 17 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

Thurs. Mar. 19 Washington Square Assoc. Neighborhood Watch Meeting 7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center

Tues. Mar. 24

4th Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting

7:00pm SJB/HT Parish Center



From Assumption Church

The Franciscan Place Chapel in Destiny USA will offer Confessions on Wednesday evenings of Lent from 5-7pm followed by Mass at 7pm. The Franciscan Place is located on the Commons level between the Burlington and DSW stores.

Sunday Collection Feb. 22nd & Feb. 23rd	
Regular collection	\$2,319.25
Loose collection	\$262.00
Poor collection	\$73.00



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 De-Yulio, Peter DiBello, Gen DiMento, Cathy DiPrimio, Anthony Direnzo, 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 Noves, 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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