St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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November 29, 2020

Mass Schedule:

M,T,W,TH,F - 12:00 Noon Saturday 9:00 am & 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**

Web Site - www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com

St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

Saturday, 9:00am & 5:30pm Sunday, 9:00am Monday –Friday Noon in Church

Our Lady of Pompei/St.Peter Church

Saturday, 4:00pm Saturday, 5:00pm Vietnamese Sunday, 7:30am & 11:30am & 5:00pm Sunday, Vietnamese 9:00am Monday –Friday 9:00am in Church



Welcome:

Listed below are the safety measures that we have in place for our parishes, Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter and St. John the Baptist/ Holy Trinity. If you have not attended Mass recently but are thinking about returning, below are the guidelines we are following:

- The church is completely sanitized after each Mass/Funeral.
- Pews are taped off to ensure 6 feet social distancing.
- Ushers will seat you after you check in wearing your mask (required) and bring sanitizer (to be used before receiving Communion).
- When it is time for Communion, there will be ushers to help guide you one pew at a time, starting from front to back on one side and then from back to front on the other side. There are markings on the aisle floor for distancing from the person ahead of you and then you will go to the side aisle to return to your seat.
- Upon the conclusion of Mass, the ushers will guide you to the side aisles and exit out the front doors only. Please do not congregate in the Gathering Space.
- We request that you call the OLP/St.P. Parish Office at 315-422-7163 or St. J/HT, 315-478-0916 to register for the Mass you would like to attend. Please be assured that if you call the Parish Office and leave a message on the voice mail to register for Mass, that you will be accounted for.
- The Collection Basket can longer be passed so there is a collection box at the entrance of the main Church for your offering.

These precautions are taken for the safety of all parishioners. Thank you for your cooperation at this time.

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

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.



Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we begin our observance of Advent, one of the most beautiful seasons of the year. For me, much of its beauty comes from the fact that it approaches the next few weeks in such a different

way than the world around us does. The world "out there" is already decorated for Christmas; in fact, much of the world is already celebrating Christmas. We, however, as disciples of Jesus have just begun to prepare. While the secular world is being overwhelmed with the commercialism of the "shopping season", we are called to prayerfully prepare for the coming of Christ.

I think that we need to celebrate Advent more than ever. With the changes and disruptions to our lives this year due to the pandemic, we need to focus on the spiritual richness of our Faith. Too many of us have placed our hope and trust in this Material World and we were betrayed by this world and left empty. I think the emptiness we felt this year is a reflection of the emptiness that we often feel after Christmas Day has passed. It has the same cause — focusing on the material world and not on the spiritual. Our Hope is centered on the coming of Christ, both as an infant in Bethlehem 2000 years ago and His coming in Glory at the end of time. As so much is going to be different this December, and many of our family traditions may not be possible this year, I hope and pray that we can immerse ourselves in the Spirit of Advent to prepare for the two-fold Coming of Christ. The Gift of Salvation that He brings is far more precious than anything we will ever find under the Christmas tree.

As we begin our Advent journey, I assure you of my continued prayers for all of you; please keep me in your prayers.

In Christ's Peace,

Fr. Caruso





Conception The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, Dec. 8th, the Holy Day, we will celebrate Mass at 9:00am at OLP/SP and 12:00 Noon at SJB/HT.

Calling ahead for reservation to attend is very encouraged and appreciated.

The "Light Is On" Campaign

Again this year, the Diocese of Syracuse will be participating in the Light Is On For You Campaign. Priest will be hearing confessions in all churches throughout the diocese. This year confessions will be heard on 4 nights for the parishioners of SJB/HT & OLP/SP.

Wed. Dec. 2 OLP/SP 5:00-6:00pm Wed. Dec. 9 SJB/HT 5:00-6:00pm Wed. Dec. 16 OLP/SP 5:00-6:00pm Mon. Dec. 21 SJB/HT 4:00-7:00pm

Let us all take time to be reconciled to the Lord and to each other as we prepare to celebrate the dawn of our Salvation.



Little Sisters of St. Francis Collection

Thank you everyone who donated to Little Sisters. We will be sending \$811.00 to their mission.



SJB/HT Religious Education

There are no Religious Ed classes this week, Nov. 29, but classes will resume on Dec. 6. We offer classes from Pre K (4 years old) to Confir-

mation II. If you wish to have your child participate, please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357. Classes run from 9:45-10:45am.

We are following all CDC COVID 19 requirements to maintain the safety of all the students and teachers. If you have any concerns for your child's safety, please contact me so we can discuss your concerns.

I am confident if we all work together (parents, students, teachers and staff) we can provide a healthy and successful Religious Education program for your children. I would like to thank everyone in advance for their anticipated cooperation during this "new normal" process........Betty Warren, DRE

Live The Liturgy

Be watchful! Be alert! The core message of Advent cannot be more direct or simple. As those who are postured in a spirit of readiness



and anticipation, we must always be attentive and vigilant. We have to be ready not only for the anticipated arrival of our Lord, but watchful and attentive to the unexpected visit as well. While we know that the Christ is coming, we also do not know the exact time. Cultivating this expectant attitude is the purpose of this season. It is easy to grow slack, inattentive, and too self-assured. We can easily deaden ourselves to the wonder and surprise of God's presence. We get so absorbed in so many other distractions that it can seem like Christ's second coming, and even Christ's coming in time are of lesser importance. When it finally dawns on us that we have wandered far away from where we need to be, and lost our attentiveness and focus, we will wonder how this all happened. We may even try to put the onus on God and blame God for a lack of involvement or presence. We are the ones, who through our own choice, put the distance in our relationship and lost touch. Now it's time to come back and perk ourselves up a bit!



A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Today's Gospel tells us to "Be watchful." This comes natural to families. Parents are watchful of

their children's health, grades and friends. Children are watchful of parental moods. Today's Gospel encourages us to use this ability to see God acting in the innocence, tenderness, love and forgiveness of your family. "Be watchful," the Lord is already with you.

Lessons and Carols

OLP/SP will host Christmas Lessons and Carols on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 3:00pm. This prayer service consists of Advent Scripture Readings and Hymns which are sung. It is a very reflective and peaceful service. You are encouraged you to take the time and find the strength, beauty and peace of this joyful season of anticipation. Please call for reservation and wear mask, bring hand sanitizer and practice social distancing.

Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Monday, Nov. 30, 2020

9:00am OLP/SP - William M. Merriett - Paul 12:00pm SJB/HT - Edward M. Page - Georgiann

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020

9:00am OLP/SP - John Sgroi - Roe & Mike Calagiovanni

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020

9:00am OLP/SP - Antoinette DiScenna - Frances Borreggine

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020

9:00am OLP/SP - For the parishioners of OLP/SP

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Friday, Dec. 4, 2020

9:00am OLP/SP - Santa Sindoni - The Family

Frances Mallaro - Betty Toia

Frank & Orsola Razzano - Daughter, Anntoinette

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020

9:00am SJB/HT - No Intention

4:00pm OLP/SP - Barbara Milazzo - Sisters

Rose Campolo - Daughter, Famia

5:30pm SJB/HT - For The People

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020

7:30am OLP/SP - Brynn Levitsky - Linda & Ray

9:00am SJB/HT - Anna Wain - Norm & Pat Jaquin

Georgio DelVecchio - Anna & Family

Cesario Palucci - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family

11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - The Golden Agers

William Bowen - Wife, Carm Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances

Santa & Joseph Abbadi - Daughters

Leon Saya - Tony & Marie Pappalardo

Theodore & Catherine Barbuto - Daughter-in-law, Rose Frances Vigliotti Vick - Antimo, Maryann Vigliotti & Family

5:00pm OLP/SP - For the parishioners of OLP/SP



Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping."

— Mk I3:35-36

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

HOPE Appeal Update

To date SJB/HT has pledged/donated \$6,210.00. If you received a donation envelope in the mail already addressed to HOPE Appeal, you may mail it directly or you can put your donation into the collection box in a separate envelope marked for "HOPE Appeal". Thank you.

Liturgical Ministers—Dec. 5th & Dec. 6th Lectors

4:00pm OLP/SP: R. Scalzo

5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan

7:30am OLP/SP: J. Magnarelli 9:00am SJB/HT: John Robinson

11:30am OLP/SP: M. Merola 5:00pm OLP/SP: Fr. Caruso

Sacrificial Giving

Income shown is for the week of Sunday Collection Nov. 14th & Nov. 15th. Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,275.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$6,526.00

Thank you to all those parishioners who have faithfully been mailing their envelopes because they still cannot attend Mass. If you have been away or have been unable to attend Mass, please remember to send your donation to the Parish Office. We appreciate whatever you can do to help with expenses.





The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of Rosemary "Pat" Markert
Requested by The Family

Our Health Care Workers: Please pray for all health care workers of our parish serving in this crisis of COVID 19. That God helps to guide their decisions and to keep them safe as well. From our parish: Dr. Patrick Abt, Alisa Albanese, PA., Christopher Jacques, EMS, Lynda Keller, Nurse, Ross Mathewson, Joseph & Rita Nicoletti, Nurses, Robert C. Palucci, Nurse, Dr. Alyssa Toia, Stacy Toia, Nurse and Lauren Townley, Nurse.



Serving Our Country: Always keep in prayer all servicemen and women. From our parish: Anthony Cangemi, Richard L. Cooper, Jack McAndrew,

Matthew McAndrew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.

Remember: Christopher Aldrich, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Margaret Brigandi, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Rosemarie Capriotti, Cheryle Cacchione, Lucy Copani, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Peter DiBello, Gen DiMento, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Aaron Doty, Dan Fahey, Marilyn Ferretti, Beverly Frey, Ellen Gangemi, David Gehres, Gladys Graham, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Keith Horton, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Mattia Kinslow, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Madge Maffei, Peggy Miccinelli, Bill Moran, Michael Morga, Jean Padden, The Pavia Children, Sandy Pisani, Frank Procopio, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Samuel and Sue Wilson.



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