

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

406 Court Street Syracuse, NY 13208  
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February 7, 2021

## 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](mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org)  
Web Site - [www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com](http://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

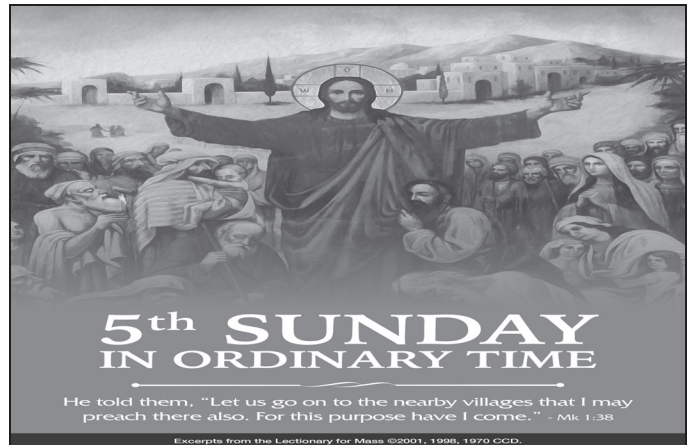
Saturday, 4:00pm  
Saturday, 6:00pm Vietnamese  
Sunday, 7:30am & 11:30am & 5:00pm  
Sunday, 9:30am Vietnamese  
Monday –Friday 9:00am in Church

## 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.



## Gospel Meditation - Encourage Deeper Understanding Of Scripture

February 7, 2021

5th Sunday In Ordinary Time

If I only knew then what I know now, how different life would be. This sentiment, expressed in myriad ways, is found on every human being's lips at one point or another. Life may have brought us to a vulnerable place where we see some of the poor choices we made and the effects they are having. Perhaps we fell into some destructive and dysfunctional relationships or behaviors and are finding how they held us captive. Our zeal and passion for life may have drifted away and we are waking up to the reasons apathy has taken hold. Life can be hard. In fact, some would describe their lives as a drudgery. They walk through each day with an anxious unsettledness, wondering when their restlessness will cease. There is a temptation to believe that what I see is all I will get. Mortality and hopelessness await the dawn. If I could only have known what would come in the future, I could have made better choices and avoided all of this misery!

Really? While we can certainly give into weakness, sin, impulsiveness, and idiosyncrasies that cause us to stumble over ourselves, life is really a journey. If we don't make the mistake of wallowing in the mire of self-pity and realize the new life God is calling us to, then there are thrills, adventures, surprises, and soul-searching graces we can surely miss. We are not tethered to our past nor are we bound to the ills life can bring upon us. We are never hopeless or helpless. The problem is that our myopic vision only allows us to see the misery and misfortune that is before us, not the potential that can come from choosing healthier and more life-giving options. Jesus came that we might have fullness of life. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet.

We need to allow God into our pain and heal our past. We have to wrestle with our histories, agonize and search and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. Job could not see how his story would end or trust the guidance of the God who called him. We live in that same blindness and suffer from the same lack of confidence. Once we allow ourselves to be touched by God's healing power, we begin to see that all of the pieces of our lives are necessary parts of a greater whole. Along the way of our lives, God uses our omissions and failures to create new things and possibilities. When doors close, others open and we can be amazed by the joyful and unexpected surprises we receive. Once we know the power of God's creative, healing, life-giving, forgiving, and dynamic presence, it is no wonder we want to put ourselves at the service of others and show them what life can be.



## ASH WEDNESDAY

### Ash Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday, February 17 is Ash Wednesday. Masses will be: OLP/SP - 9:00am and SJB/HT 12:00 Noon and 5:30pm.

**In keeping with the various health and safety precautions in place for the celebration of the sacraments during the COVID-19 pandemic, the distribution of Ashes will take place in the Diocese of Syracuse this year by way of the Roman custom, which entails sprinkling them on the crown of the head.**

### A Family Perspective Family Life Education



In today's Gospel Jesus went to the "house of Andrew and Simon" to relax but discovered that "Simon's mother-in-law was very ill. Like Jesus, we come home to relax but are confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon who "told Jesus about it at once."



### Live The Liturgy

Have you ever wondered what life would be like if you could see the future and know how things turn out? While it's intriguing to ponder what life would be like if we possessed this knowledge, actually knowing could easily rob us of the thrill, adventure, and soul-searching graces of our journey. Like Job, life does not always leave us on a happy note. Life experience can bring us face-to-face with our mortality and leave us with a profound sense of helplessness. We do not see the wholeness and fulfillment that will one day come and cannot grasp the certainty that a resolution to our plight will come our way. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet. Living a life of faith means realizing that we are not here to figure out life on our own. In order to drink deeply of what life presents us, we have to wrestle in the depths of our souls, agonize and search, possibly reach the lowest point of desperation, and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. It is no wonder that those who are touched by God's healing power want to then serve others and show them the deeper waters that can be explored. Knowing too much can rob us of joyful surprises.



### Contribution Statements

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2020 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, 315-478-0916, email at [nbergeson@syrdio.org](mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org) or 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: \_\_\_\_\_

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. — Mk 1:32-34





### Rectory Closed and No Noon Mass

In observance of Presidents Day Monday Feb. 15th, the Rectory will be closed and there is no Noon Mass this day.

### Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

#### Monday, Feb. 8, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Michael DelVecchio, Sr. - The Family  
12:00pm SJB/HT - Annette Cannavino - Georgiann Larkin

#### Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Antoinette Andaloro - Joseph Andaloro  
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

#### Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Charles & Anthony Cifra - Angie  
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

#### Thursday, Feb. 11, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Fannie Passafuime - Joanne Licitra  
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

#### Friday, Feb. 12, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Mr. & Mrs. Raffaille Solimini -  
Daughter-in-law, Maria  
Michael Ward - Mom & Dad  
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

#### Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021

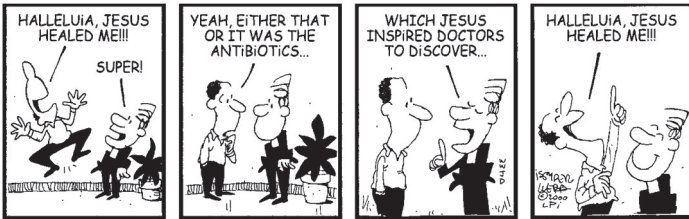
9:00am SJB/HT - No Intention  
4:00pm OLP/SP - Frank Crisalli - Wife, Jessie  
Matthew & Mary Sindoni - The Family  
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Carmine Carapella - Anna Giannantonio  
Antoinette Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe  
Joanne Merluzzi - Anthony Merluzzi & Debra Wade  
5:30pm SJB/HT - Karen Schotthoefter - Mother  
Raffaele DeMichele - Maria DeMichele & Family

#### Sunday, Feb. 14, 2021

7:30am OLP/SP - Esther Spadaro - Husband, Sam  
9:00am SJB/HT - For The People  
11:30am OLP/SP - Frances Guinto - Patrick & Linda  
Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances  
Isabella Losurdo - Mary Cellini  
Louis, Enrica & Peter Cellini - Mary Cellini  
Joseph & Salvatore Argiro - Louis & Madaline  
Ben & Celin Pisano - Daughter, Anita & Family  
5:00pm OLP/SP - The parishioners of OLP/SP & SJB/HT



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Liturgical Ministers- Feb. 6th & Feb. 7th Lectors

4:00pm OLP/SP: Michele Rourke  
5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen donovan  
7:30am OLP/SP: Maryann Iannettone  
9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Murphy  
11:30am OLP/SP: Merino Merola  
5:00pm OLP/SP: Fr. Caruso



**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, Kristen Fekete, Jack McAndrew, Matthew McAndrew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.**



**Please look over the parishioner prayer list and call the rectory if any of the names should be removed or if you would like someone listed.**



**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Margaret Brigandi, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Rosemarie Capriotti, Cheryle Cacchione, Rose Mary Connors, 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, 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, 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.

### Sacrificial Giving

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

Week Jan. 30th & 31st

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,566.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$6,703.00

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.

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