

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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April 18, 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
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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

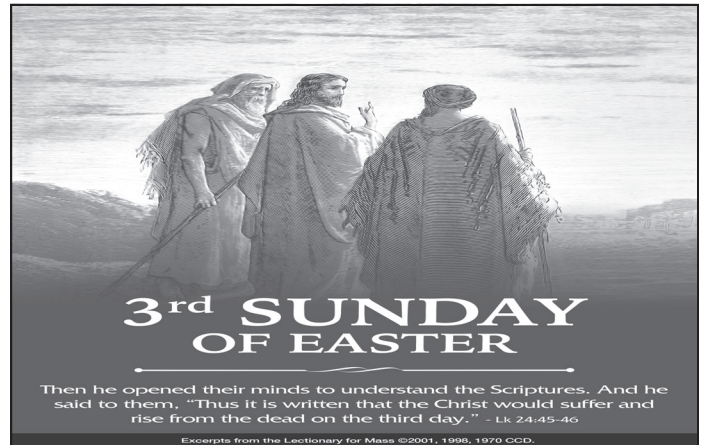
Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson

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.





Dear Parishioners,

As we continue our Easter journey, I want to tell you how pleased I was that so many of our parish family were able to gather together on Easter Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. I realize that there are many changes to our gathering at this point; there are so many requirements that I know are inconvenient for all of us. I was moved that so many were willing to suffer those inconveniences in order to be together to worship our God and to be nourished by His Body and Blood. It was a wonderful reminder that nothing should ever get between us and the Lord. I don't know how long it will be before we return to the way things were before the pandemic, but I hope we will still continue to make the celebration of the Eucharist a priority.

I want to also thank you for your continued generous support of our parish. Throughout this last year, when there has been so much uncertainty, including financial concerns for so many of us, you have continued to generously support the work of our parish. The staff has worked hard in helping me to keep our expenses at a minimum while maintaining a high level of pastoral ministry; despite this, there have been times when I have been concerned about our ability to meet our parish financial commitments. I have been praying a lot, asking the Lord to provide for His flock in our community. I believe He heard my prayers and has responded through all of you. Your generosity in the Easter collection was incredible. Practically speaking, it helped us to get current with our financial obligations; more importantly, however, I see it as a reminder of the generosity of God and the goodness of His people. May God Bless you for your goodness.

Please know you are all in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

In the Peace of the Resurrected Lord,
Fr. Caruso



Gospel Meditation - Encourage Deeper Understanding Of Scripture April 18, 2021 Third Sunday of Easter

We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

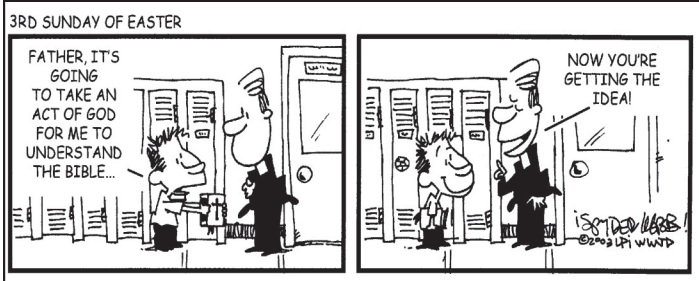
Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented. Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.



Live The Liturgy

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.



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

Monday, April 19, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - For the people
12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Nicolangelo & Pasgualina Pallotta -
Angela & John Cappuccilli
12:00pm SJB/HT - Mark Ferretti - Mom, Marilyn

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Mary Kolska - Son, Paul
12:00pm SJB/HT - Lucy Cannavino - Georgiann Larkin

Thursday, April 22, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Peter Corasaniti -
Bill & Mary Beth Donovan & Family
12:00pm SJB/HT - Rose Mary Connors - Rosemary Lane

Friday, April 23, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Robert Kalska - Son, Paul
Carmelina Salvino - The Salvino Family
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Saturday, April 24, 2021

9:00am SJB/HT - No Intention
4:00pm OLP/SP - Pat Barilla - Jessie Crisalli
Sharon Wade - Sister, Debra
Robert Blasi - Mom, Marietta
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Vittoria Giannantonio - Anna Giannantonio
Anthony "Midnite" Silvaggio -
Wife, Ally & Sons, Jeff & Tony

5:30pm SJB/HT - Ruth Smith - The Smith Family
Martin Schotthoefner - Mother
Antonio & David McLaughlin -
Uncle Rocco & Virginia Cannata

Sunday, April 25, 2021

7:30am OLP/SP - Elanor Zaccaria -
Cousins Frances Borrizzini & Anna Selicato
9:00am SJB/HT - For the people
11:30am OLP/SP - Joseph Lostumbo - Daughter, Ginnie
Carmelina Salvino -
Mary & Anthony Catalino - The Family
Phil & Sharon Catalino - Pam & Gary
Frank & Nancy Fugale - Steve & Beth Fugale
5:00pm OLP/SP - Mary Anne Scarfino - Bill & Sue Rose
Anne & Alfonso Cargagno - Maryann & Family



Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.
And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ
would suffer and rise from the dead on the
third day." — Lk 24:45-46

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

**Liturgical Ministers— April 24th & April 25th
Lectors**

4:00pm OLP/SP: Al Petragrani
5:30pm SJB/HT: Annette Marchbanks
7:30am OLP/SP: Maurice Etheredge
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.**



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, 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.



Contributions for the week of April 10th and 11th will be posted in next weekends bulletin.

Religious Education News

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity is very proud and happy to announce that **Lucas Smith** received his Confirmation on Tuesday, April 13th. Congratulations Lucas! His dedication and commitment to continuing his religious classes during the pandemic and moving forward to his sacrament is to be commended. Thank you as well to **Chet Wisniewski** who guided him in his classes. As well, we commend Chet's dedication to the Religious Education program.



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