# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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**April 25, 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

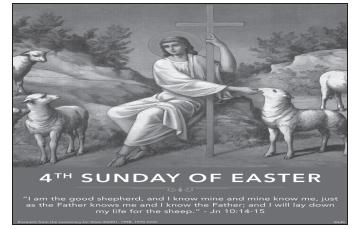
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# St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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.



# 10 Arbor Day Facts

- 1). The first US Arbor Day was celebrated in Nebraska on April 10, 1872, after being proposed by the secretary of the Nebraska Terri-ARBOR DAY tory, J. Sterling Morton.
- 2). By 1920, over 45 US states were observing Arbor Day.
- 3). The Arbor Day Foundation was founded in 1972 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the holiday. The nonprofit conservation group distributes over 10 million trees every year.
- 4). Arbor Day was almost called Sylvan Day, coming from the Latin word "Silva," meaning "of the forest" or "woodland." J. Sterling Morton decided against this name because he wanted to include all types of trees, not just forest trees.
- 5). It's estimated that over 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day.
- 6). In the US, Arbor Day is often observed on the last Friday in April, though many states celebrate on different dates to line up with the best tree-planting times. For example, some states in the deep south celebrate in February, while some states in the far north celebrate in May.
- 7). The first documented Arbor Day was celebrated in the Spanish village of Mondoñedo in 1594! They planted lime and horse-chestnut trees.
- 8). Today, at least 44 countries worldwide celebrate Arbor Day each year.
- 9). On April 15, 1907, President Theodore Roosevelt issued the "Arbor Day Proclamation to the School Children of the United States," emphasizing the importance of trees and forestry.
- 10). The best way to celebrate Arbor Day is to plant a tree. Trees have a multitude of benefits for people, wildlife, and the environment.

How will you be celebrating Arbor Day this year? Be sure to stop by one of our Homestead Gardens locations. Whether you're looking for a native tree to support wildlife or a shade tree to help you cut down on your air conditioning bill, we can help you select a tree appropriate for your needs.



# A Family Perspective **Family Life Education**

Today's Gospel is a job description for Christian parents. For most people the most influential shepherds in their lives are their parents. Every parent is called to be a "good shepherd" to "freely lay down their life" for their children, to "love" and "know" their children and to "lead" them so "they know your voice."

## **Gospel Meditation**

## April 25, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit de-



termines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and selffocused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.







 $oldsymbol{1}$  have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take

it up again." = Jn 10:16-17

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# Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

**Monday, April 26, 2021** 

9:00am OLP/SP - Angie Citra - The Pocai Family 12:00pm SJB/HT - Bill Shephard - Class of 1955

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Peter Cappuccilli, Sr. -

Esther & Henry Pagano

Frank & Louise Buda - Antoinette Perrotta

12:00pm SJB/HT - Helen Mnich -

Daughters Donna & Deborah

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Stella Corona - C. Saya & Family

12:00pm SJB/HT - George Cannavino - Georgiann Larkin

Thursday, April 29, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Rev. Terry Bagatin, CS -

Angela & John Cappuccilli

12:00pm SJB/HT - Robert Brimfield - Fran Brimfield

Friday, April 30, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - William M. Merriett - Paul

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Intention

Saturday, May 1, 2021

9:00am SJB/HT - No Intention

4:00pm OLP/SP - Josie Torrillo - Husband, Ralph

Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph Gino Fabrizi - Al & Janet Petragnani

Victoria Giannantonio & Marianna DeLorio - Frank & Sue

**5:30pm SJB/HT -** Shirley Fornito—The Family

Robert Brimfield - Fran Brimfield Karen Schotthoefer - Joan LaVergne

Sunday, May 2, 2021

7:30am OLP/SP - Pete DelVecchio - Wife Laura, Len & Pat

9:00am SJB/HT - Richard Schug - The Family

Carol McGuire - The McGuire Family Angelo & Lorraine Coppola - The Family Pasquali & Margherita DelVecchio -

Anna DelVecchio & Family

11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - Ginnie Lostumbo

Anthony Nuzzo - John Minozzi Elizabeth Pennacchia - Children Josephine & Louis Saya - Joanne

Pasquale Sisera - Wife & Children

Antoinette Trinca - Daughter, Rose

James Salvatore - Carlene Springall

Pietro D'Amato - Filomena Iacampo

Catherine & Jack More - Mary Cellini

Carmen Emmi, Sr. - Rosemarie & Children

Connie Caridi - Maria, Ron & Grandchildren

Ann & Gus Mancuso - Daughter Rosemarie & Children

\_5:00pm OLP/SP - Mary Anne Scarfino - Pixie Scarfino

# HE IS RISEN!



# Liturgical Ministers- May 1st & May 2nd Lectors

4:00pm OLP/SP: R. Fabrizi

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer

7:30am OLP/SP: J. Nicoleti

9:00am SJB/HT: John Robinson

11:30am OLP/SP: J. Lostumbo

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, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Peter DiBello, Gen DiMento, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Aaron Doty, 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 April 10th & 11th

SJB/HT Collection: \$5,829.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$5,064.00

Week April 17th & 18th

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,191.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$6,076.00

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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