

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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May 23, 2021

## Mass Schedule:

M,T,W,TH,F - 12:00 Noon  
Saturday 9:00 am & Vigil - 5:30 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am  
Reconciliation OLP/SP Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm  
SJB/HT Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

## 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      **Senior Priest in Residence** Fr. Lester Smith  
**Secretary/Bulletin** Nancy Bergeson      **Music Director/Organist** James Stanley  
**Office Assistant** Mary Olmsted

**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 weekend we celebrate Pentecost, which marks the end of the Easter season. As this joyful season draws to a close, this great feast reminds us of the continuing role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the community. As we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples on the first Pentecost, we call to mind that it is the same Spirit, given to us at Baptism and Confirmation, that continues to guide the Church, keeps us holy, and makes us one. Let us pray today that we, as a parish family, may be truly open to the Holy Spirit, that we may go where the Holy Spirit leads us, and that we may find greater unity in the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost is often seen as the “Birthday of the Church” since, with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the disciples of Jesus were no longer individuals but were united as one. It is so important for us to remember that the Holy Spirit is what makes us one even today. Even before the pandemic society - including the Church - was becoming more fractured. We seemed to place all our emphasis on that which divides us from others, to look at those differences as absolute, and to define ourselves by who we are not. The Holy Spirit doesn’t make us all the same, but the Spirit can bring about unity even in our differences. As we pray for the Holy Spirit to come upon us today, let us pray that He begins to bring about that unity by helping us to see those who are different from us, those who hold positions contrary to ours - in the church, in the country, in the world - not as our enemies, not as “other”, but as sisters and brothers. As sisters and brothers united in the Holy Spirit let us together seek to follow not my way or your way or their way, but rather, the Spirit’s Way, for that’s the Way that leads to the Kingdom!

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

In Christ,  
Fr. Caruso



### From The Office Of The Bishop

The CDC announced new guidelines as of Thursday, May 13, 2021, regarding mask-wearing, but those guidelines are still under review by New York State, our local officials, Bishop Lucia and his staff. Please be aware that masks are still required to be worn, fully covering your mouth and nose by all; this includes those that are fully vaccinated. We will also maintain the six foot distancing. We will keep you informed of any changes.

### A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Today, on Pentecost, we remember Christ has given us the Holy Spirit to assist us in raising our family and he expects us to use this personal gift. Let us turn-off the noise, apps and distractions in our lives and let the Holy Spirit “guide us to the truth.”



### Gospel Meditation May 23, 2021

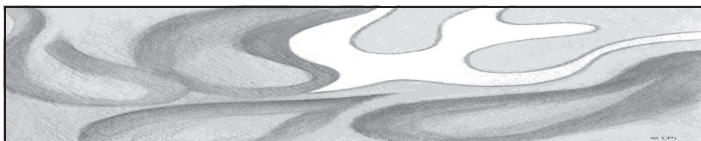


Begin by taking a moment to calm yourself, focus on your breathing and become aware of the life force that flows through your veins. Center yourself in the words and affections of St. Augustine’s Prayer to the Holy Spirit, “Breath in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.” Sanctifying, bringing things to wholeness, blessing, restoring and creating are just some of the fruits of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not always about proclaiming loud cries of praise or singing alleluia from a roof top. It is about unfolding and encountering the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God’s life and in touch with the power and wonder of God’s presence. It’s about becoming holy.

It is not just for saints or people who have a religious vocation. Holiness is for the ordinary, simple run-of-the-mill person who desires to love God, others, and all of creation. When an ordinary, humble person becomes connected with life and the wondrous power of God’s love, they begin to live life more deeply, a bit more reverently, desire a simple fare and find themselves relishing in ordinary beauty. Their senses become attuned to the Author of life and they realize that they are not alone. The Holy Spirit connects all of the dots of human experience and existence, bringing everyone to center on the Divine Presence. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe “on me” but “in me” and is the force behind every breath I take. Take a moment to soak that thought in. There is the Divine Presence of the Holy Spirit in me, right now. When a person becomes in touch with truth, they know that when inspired by the Holy Spirit, his or her actions are not solely their own. They realize that they are moved by Divine Grace and drawn to things not found in secular affairs.

We live in a world where it is hard to discover truth. Real truth is veiled by so many imposters that it is hard to find, especially for those who are young. It is easy to get fooled and duped and often, without full conscious awareness of doing so, we choose to walk down a path of self-absorption and destruction. It is only the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church most especially, who guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced and holy human beings God made us to be. The wonders and inspirations of today’s Feast of Pentecost are necessary to share with both those we love and those who only casually cross our paths. The first disciples, touched by the Holy Spirit, brought the Gospel to the ends of the earth one step at a time. Is it unrealistic to ask that we assist in that same mission by helping people understand who they are and who God is one at a time? Ask the Holy Spirit to alleviate the fear in your heart that prevents you from doing so.

Jesus said to his disciples: “When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me.” - Jn 15:26



**SJB/HT Parishioners and visiting friends, we still require you to wear a face mask while attending Mass.**



### Rectory Closed - No Noon Mass

In observance of the Memorial Day Holiday, the offices at SJB/HT and OLP/SP will be closed Monday, May 31st. There is no 9:00am Mass at OLP/SP or 12:00 Noon Mass at SJB/HT.

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

#### Monday, May 24, 2021

**9:00am OLP/SP** - For the people  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Dorothy & Donald McGuire -  
The McGuire Family

#### Tuesday, May 25, 2021

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Connie Piraino - Husband, John  
John Corona - C. Saya & Family  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - No intention

#### Wednesday, May 26, 2021

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Elizabeth Garofalo - John Minozzi  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - No intention  
**4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession**

#### Thursday, May 27, 2021

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Mary Kalska - Son, Paul  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Mary & George Gallian - The Children  
**4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession**

#### Friday, May 28, 2021

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Robert Kalska - Son, Paul  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - No intention

#### Saturday, May 29, 2021

**9:00am SJB/HT** - No Intention  
**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Leah Mozterelli - Lou & Annette  
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Frank Albanese - Jim & Angela Albanese  
**5:30pm SJB/HT** - For the people

#### Sunday, May 30, 2021

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Angie & Charles Difra - The Poca Family  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - Bennie Sobon, Sr. - Norm & Pat Jaquin  
Joseph & Frances Jefski - Norm & Pat Jaquin  
Georgio DelVecchio - Anna DelVecchio & Family  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Dan Scarfino - Wife  
Nicholas & Theresa Russo - The Family  
Pasquale Sisera - Wife, Gilda & Children  
**5:00pm OLP/SP** - Mary Anne Scarfino - John Perla



### COVID-19 Vaccinations

COVID-19 Vaccinations are available Tuesday May 25th at the Poverello Clinic 808 N. Salina Street. Next to Assumption Church. Call for an appointment 315-423-9961.



### Confession Schedule:

**OLP/SP - Wednesday - 4:00-5:00pm**  
**SJB/HT - Thursday - 4:00-5:00pm**

### Liturgical Ministers- May 29th & May 30th

#### Lectors

4:00pm OLP/SP: Michele Rourke  
5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan  
7:30am OLP/SP: Joe Nicoletti  
9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard  
11:30am OLP/SP: Ginnie 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, Larry Argiro, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Arthur Bertolo, Marge Brigandi, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Rosemarie Capriotti, Cheryl Cachione, 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, Robert Greenwood, 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, Gino Manzi, 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 May 15th & May 16th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,684.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$8,183.00

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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