

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 12, 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

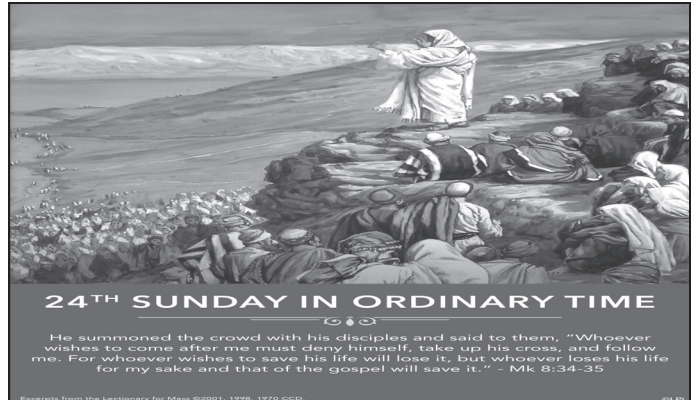
Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:30pm
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm
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St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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



The Celebration Of The Sacraments In Time Of Pandemic

The following summary is based on updated to the Diocesan *Instructions for the Celebration of the Sacraments In Time of Pandemic* after consulting new guidelines provided by the CDC, NYS and the advice of medical professionals. It is important to note that appropriate measures are being taken to accommodate the faithful with the awareness that they include both the vaccinated and unvaccinated members. **We rely on the goodness and honesty of our people to follow State guidelines regarding those fully vaccinated and unvaccinated.**

UPDATED PROTOCOLS

- Parishioners are no longer required to pre-register for Mass, but we will take names as you enter church at least until the end of June. This is just a precaution we are taking.
- Parishioners who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear a face mask at Mass.
- All who prefer to continue wearing facial covering are free to do so.
- Those who are **NOT** fully vaccinated should observe social distancing of six feet from individuals not in their households. They **ARE** to wear a face mask at Mass. Even if fully vaccinated, social distancing from those who are wearing a mask is requested.
- We have created “a physical distance section” within the church for those who are required to wear masks and engage in social distancing and/or for those who may be fully vaccinated but wish to continue to follow distancing practices. This section is on the left side of the Church facing the Altar. The right hand side of the church facing the Altar will be fully open. Parishioners may be seated in a staggered fashion while respecting six feet social distance, where required.
- Lectors, servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and sacristans must continue to follow prescribed hand washing and sanitizing practices.
- The Offertory processions with the gifts of bread and wine will resume. The Offertory collection will continue with the use of the collection box in the center aisle.
- At the Sign of Peace there still should be no physical contact.
- For the distribution of Holy Communion, those distributing the Eucharist will continue using hand sanitizer, masks. While in the Communion line, communicants should maintain social distancing from those not in their household.
- Holy Water fonts will remain empty.
- The use of permanent worship aid, missalettes and hymnals may resume.
- Bulletins may be distributed at Mass and may also be distributed electronically.

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

September 12, 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.



Big News! Road Work In Our Area

If it hasn't already started by this bulletin printing, our neighborhood will be under road construction late summer or early fall. The City of Syracuse will more than double the miles of roads it will repave this construction season. The major increase in road work is made possible by an infusion of \$7.25 million in New York State Touring Routes funding to the City, according to Syracuse Mayor Ben Walsh and New York State Assembly Transportation Chair William Magnarelli. The increase means, weather permitting, an additional 14 miles of repaving work in neighborhoods across the City. This will include Court St. and Park St. roads within the SJB/HT Church area.

Please be courteous and cooperate with all road blocks and workers in our area.

Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

Rest in the presence of God simply because God is God and you are you. This is all that is necessary. Out of this relationship will come inspiration, understanding, courage, constancy, truth, and virtues of all kind. We will find ourselves knowing the true meaning of things and developing a depth of insight that is not found following purely human venues. It is God who inspires and opens human hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, we understand all of our relationships with a richer appreciation and come to know who Jesus, who speaks of God's kingdom, really is. The trust that is fostered from resting with the Divine One allows us to see that God's ways are not our ways. There is something bigger going on in this picture of life. It is something mystical and magical that seeks to surprise us at every turn. It is not for us to cling to this world and its limitations. Our adventure is to dream bigger and brighter, realizing that it is even in suffering that the radiant light of the dawn will come. God's ways allow for our paths to be rocky, challenging, difficult, and even crippling at times. Purely human eyes cannot understand the 'why' of such experiences. The eyes and mind of God, however, reveal and detail a journey that ends in glorious resurrection joy. When we lose our axis and become too human in our thinking, Jesus rebukes us and gently reminds us how to see.



Religious Education News

We will start in person Religious Education classes on September 26th from 9:45 to 11:00. We will be having classes from Pre K (4 yrs old) to Confirmation II. If you wish to have your child participate please call me at 315-420-6357.

Be assured that all CDC Covid 19 requirements will be strictly enforced to maintain the safety of all the students and teachers. Masks will be required, students and teachers will be socially distanced 3 - 6 feet apart and each student will have their own supplies. If you have any concerns for your child's safety, please call 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.

We are still in need of teachers. If you are interested in teaching, please call me.

Betty Warren, DRE

A Family Perspective Family Life Education

If we want to be happy at home, we must commit ("lose ourselves") to our family. If we try to be independent from others ("save ourselves"), we end up lonely and alone. Happiness is found in commitments. The Gospel is true: We save our life by losing it!



Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Monday, Sept. 13, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - No intention
12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - No intention
12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - No intention
12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - For the people
12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention
4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday, Sept. 17, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - The deceased members of the
Anthony Adornato Family - The Pocai Family
12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021

9:00am SJB/HT - Michael Cannavino - Georgiann Larkin
4:00pm OLP/SP - Rosita Simiele - Maria Lisi
John Tymofy - Melanie & Jack
Leonard P. DiBello - The Family
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Marianna D'Ambrosio - Frank & Sue
Maria Laura Pallotta & Antoninette Carapella - Frank & Sue
5:30pm SJB/HT - Karen Schotthoefter - Mother
John "Babe" Testone - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morga

Sunday, Sept. 19, 2021

7:30am OLP/SP - Eleanor Zaccaria -
Cousins, Frances Borraggine & Ann Selicato
9:00am SJB/HT - Joseph Cellini - Sister, Mary
Grazia Mucci - Grandchildren
Daniel DiMauro, Sr. - Daughter, Mary
Marilyn Holland - Mr. & Mrs. David Maycumber
11:30am OLP/SP - Peter DiBari - Clara Delledera
Gino LaRose - Sister, Linda Rouch
Guy DiMascole - The Lanza Family
Carmen Emmi, Sr. - Rosemarie & Family
Nina Emmi LaRosa - Daughter, Linda Rouda
Beatrice Palumbo Macario - Clara Delledera
5:30pm OLP/SP - James Arena - Henry & Esther Pagano
Mary Anne Scarfino - Liz & Anthony Madonna



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

Liturgical Ministers- Sept. 18th & Sept. 19th

Lectors
4:00pm OLP/SP: TBA
5:30pm SJB/HT: Annette Marchbanks
7:30am OLP/SP: TBA
9:00am SJB/HT: Lisa Primerano
11:30am OLP/SP: TBA
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, Cheryl Cacchione, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, 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, 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, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Timothy K. Suppes, Carmen surface, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Patrick Vassalo, Mary Vigliotti and Matthew Watkins.

Weekly collections will be added to the Sept. 19 bulletin due to early transmitting.

At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." — Mk 8:33-34



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