

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 19, 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

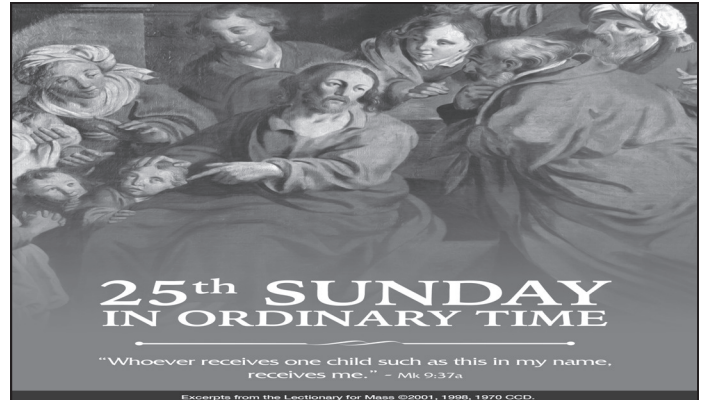
Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:30pm  
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm  
E-mail - [nbergeson@syrdio.org](mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org)  
Web Site - [www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com](http://www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com)

## 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



## 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

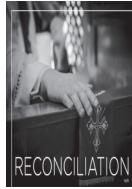
**Senior Priest in Residence** Fr. Lester Smith  
**Music Director/Organist** James Stanley

**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.



## 2022 Mass Book

The 2022 Mass Book is now open. Please call 315-478-0916 or stop by the rectory during office hours to request your intentions. The Masses available starting in January 2022 are Mon. Thurs. & Fri. Noon, Saturday Vigil 5:30pm (requests for Saturday Vigil will only be taken through June 25, 2020, at this time) and Sunday 9:00am. Masses are \$10.00. As well you may request to have the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of your loved one(s) for \$10.00. The Lamp will burn from Sunday through Saturday of the requested week.



## Confession Schedule:

**OLP/SP - Wednesday - 4:00-5:00pm**

**SJB/HT - Thursday - 4:00-5:00pm**

**Please feel free to call SJB/HT or OLP/SP rectory to ensure that there is no unexpected cancellation of confession.**

## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

What does it mean to be God's servant? In essence, it means being willing to call the world back to its childlike innocence, showing all that a joy-filled playfulness has a place in life. The servant of God serves to foster the Kingdom of God. God's kingdom is not a sterile, unhappy, strict, and rigid reality. It is quite the opposite. It is a kingdom devoid of jealousy and selfish ambition where peace, gentleness, mercy, and good works abound. To be a servant of this kingdom means that selfish ambition must be set aside so that others can be first, and justice pursued at all cost. The prayer of this kind of servant is not focused on self-advancement or need. Rather, the servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. In this way, we who are servants can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led by God. We can then be used to lay the cornerstones of the kingdom: faith, hope, and love. It is upon these that God's firm dwelling is built. Accepting this call may place us last in the world's eyes but first in God's.



## Gospel Meditation September 19, 2021

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.



Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.



## 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

Disagreements are common in families. However, what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.



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

**Monday, Sept. 20, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - My special intentions - Karen O'Connell

12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

**Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - Frank & Louise Buda -  
Antoinette Perrotta

12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

**Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - John Carulli - Jim & Angela Albanese

12:00pm SJB/HT - Deceased of the Pennacchia Family -  
The Family

4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

**Thursday, Sept. 23, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - Mary Kalska - Son, Paul

12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

**Friday, Sept. 24, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - Nancy Rossi - Madaline & Louis Argiro

12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

**Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021**

9:00am SJB/HT - No intention

4:00pm OLP/SP - Pat Barilla - Jessie Crisalli  
Frank Yaizzo - Rose & Family  
Ann Martin - Mary Linda Raccuin  
Paolo Pastore - Son, Carlo & Connie  
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Joseph J. Prince, Jr. - Wife, Mary Prince  
John Ryan DeSocio - Lisa & Michael Bane  
Anne & Larry DeSantis - Sandy, Dan & Danny

5:30pm SJB/HT - Giuseppe Migliore - The Family  
Concetta Piseitelli - The Family

**Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021**

7:30am OLP/SP - Sam Matrone - Daughter, Anita Matrone

9:00am SJB/HT - Kevin Donovan - The Family  
Angie Banac - Norm & Pat Jaquin  
Dorothy & Donald McGuire - The McGuire Family  
Chiara & Lorenzo Romano -  
Maddalena DelVecchio & Family

11:30am OLP/SP - Aldo Munari - The Tritta Family  
Pasquale & Rosita Sisera - Gilda  
Phil & Sharon Catalino - Pam & Gary  
Giuseppe Munarei - The Tritta Family  
Mary & Anthony Catalino - The Family  
Ursula Donofrio - Tony & Linda Berardi  
Victoria & John Veccharelli - Pam & Gary  
Erma McKimm Reith - Niece, Debra Wade  
Carmine & Concetta DiLorenzo - Daughter, Gilda

5:30pm OLP/SP - Mary Anne Scarfino -  
Rose & Frank Lasca

**Liturgical Ministers– Sept. 25th & Sept. 26th  
Lectors**

4:00pm OLP/SP: TBA  
5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer  
7:30am OLP/SP: TBA  
9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard  
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.



**Sacrificial Giving**

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

Week August 21st & 22nd SJB/HT \$2,304.00  
Week August 28th & 29th SJB/HT \$2,405.00  
Week Sept. 4th & 5th  
SJB/HT Collection: \$4,410.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$7,087.00  
Week Sept. 11th & 12th  
SJB/HT Collection: \$2,753.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$5,273.00

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.

*"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."*



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