## St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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**February 13, 2022** 

#### **Mass Schedule:**

Mon., Tues., Fri. - 12:00 Noon Saturday 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 - <u>nbergeson@syrdio.org</u>
Web Site - <u>www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com</u>

#### St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday, 9:00am Monday, Tuesday & Friday Noon in Church

#### Our Lady of Pompei/St.Peter Church

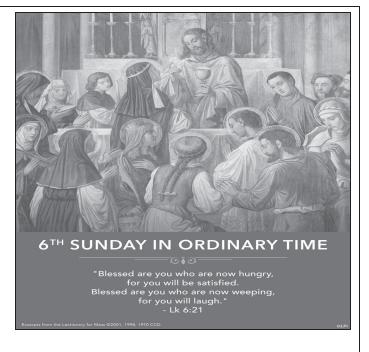
Saturday, 4:00pm ~~~~ Saturday, 6:00pm Vietnamese

Sunday, 7:30am, 11:30am & 5:00pm

Sunday, 9:30am Vietnamese

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am in Church





#### **Gospel Meditation**

#### February 13, 2022 Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

What has been the most difficult challenge you faced in your life? Many difficult human experiences can "turn up the heat" in our lives, causing us to question the why of things or even fall into despair. Some people just somewhat passively accept what life brings, even death, and chalk difficult experiences up to happening "because they do." They seemingly endure and move on. Taking life at face value, there really is no ultimate meaning to things. It's easier to ignore that inner prompting calling us to understand why. It's there whether we admit it or not. To question or not to question — that is the question! People sometimes give up the God search because it causes too many questions. Once we open the door to the possibility of God's existence, then all of the awkward, challenging, and tragic pieces of life have to find their place.

It gets messy. But the search is so important to living. We can easily dry up and become arid, abandoning any hope for purpose and meaning because it's too difficult and non-rational at times. In searching for answers to the how and why of life, human beings also embark on a search for God. When one finally stumbles upon the real living tangible presence of God, then that discovery allows life's ironies and tensions to be held side by side with the all-encompassing totally unconditional, unmerited love of God! Then when life's heat gets turned up, difficulties and challenges abound, dryness and heartache become the norm, the soul remains in joyful repose. There is no fear.

The beatitudes celebrate life's ironies and tensions, holding them all together in the Kingdom of God. Poverty, hunger, weeping, being insulted and hated are not things we would normally associate with being God's friends. But they are! In fact, those who experience these uncomfortable realities of life are actually better off than those who do not. This is what makes Jesus' message so intriguing! Don't give up questioning. Questioning the apparent inequities and polarities of human experience will certainly challenge one's faith. But it's the only way to deepen it.

#### SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso Secretary/Bulletin Nancy Bergeson Senior Priest in Residence Fr. Lester Smith In Residence Fr. Paschal Anionye Office Assistance Mary Olmsted Buildings/Grounds Robert Warren Religious Education Betty Warren Music Director/Organist James Stanley

#### **Distribution Of Ashes For Homebound**

If you are homebound, or know of a parishioner who is, and would like to receive Ashes and Communion, Wednesday, March 2nd, please call the rectory to arrange to have your name put on a visitation list. Ashes will be distributed with all Covid guidelines in place. Please call by Friday, February 25th so that arrangements for visits can be mapped out. 315-478-0916.



#### **Religious Education News**

There are no Religious Ed classes for the next 2 weeks (Feb. 20th & Feb. 27th) for Winter Re-

cess. Classes will resume on March 6th. Please pray for our 5 Confirmation Candidates and our 4 First Communion Candidates as they complete their final preparations for their Sacraments. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357.

#### A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Don't look very far when you hear today's Gospel speak of poverty, sorrow or exclusion. These things happen in families. Children feel "insulted" when they are constantly criticized. Spouses "hunger" for affection. Grandparents feel "excluded" by divorce and custody decisions. Parents "weep" because they feel alienated from their children.



#### **Pray For Vocations**

"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude and insult you". Despite the troubles we may encounter in preaching Christ to the

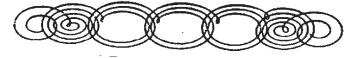
world, we receive comfort today. We will be blessed. Don't be afraid to answer God's call. Is the Lord calling you to a vocation? please call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: <a href="mailto:vocations@syrdio.org">vocations@syrdio.org</a>.

#### **Contribution Statements**

If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2021 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, 315-478-0916, email at <a href="mailto:nbergeson@syrdio.org">nbergeson@syrdio.org</a> or fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or, save a stamp and put your request in a plain envelope and put it into the collection basket attention "Nancy".

# PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR REQUEST INTO YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES.

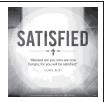
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Call the Rectory to arrange for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist and cantor directly. Baptisms and hospital/home visits.

# **Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week**

The human heart will always find itself wanting unless it finds its rest in God. Many people haven't yet figured out that pursuing purely secular ideologies and interests and



side stepping their relationship with God causes them to fall short of their potential. When we seek our satisfaction, seek our strength, and establish priorities based entirely on the things of this world, we come up empty. There is never enough and we are always reaching for more. We develop distorted senses of justice, lose our moral axis, and lower our benchmarks for change, growth, and development. That is why knowing the beatitudes and God's vision they contain is so important. They remind us that our consumption, success driven lives can actually hurt and exploit others; quickly moving us away from God's idea of how things need to look. God ultimately will set things straight. We can assist in that mission now by trusting, hoping, and looking to God for our cues for how to live, set goals for ourselves and discern the best way to share this world with our brothers and sisters.



Remember: Christopher Aldrich, Larry Argiro, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, David Bertrand, Marge Brigandi, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Cheryle 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, Kara Horvath, Jim Ianuzi, 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, Anthony "Tony" Sobon, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Carmen Surface, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Patrick Vassalo, Mary Vigliotti and Matthew Watkins.



"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man.
Behold, your reward will be great in heaven."

— L k 6:22, 23 b

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

**Saturday**, Feb. 12, 2022

4:00pm OLP/SP - Lucrezia Blasi - Children

Carmine Carapella - Anna Nancy Rossi - Emil & Daughters Robert Sawmiller - Wife, & Family Dominic Giambattista - Frank & Sue Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph Antoinette Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe

5:30pm SJB/HT - Anne & Bob Paris -

David & Pat Speech & Children

Francis & Adaline Speech - David & Pat Speech & Children

Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022

7:30am OLP/SP - Jen Gillette - Joanne Licitra

9:00am SJB/HT - Margaret Robinson - Patricia Miller

Giovanni Faillia - Raffaela & Family

11:30am OLP/SP - Ben & Celia Pisano -

Daughter, Anita & Family

Anthony James Cannizzaro -

The Cannizzaro & Stagnitta Families

5:00pm OLP/SP - Frank Scarfino III - Rose Trinca Dolores DiBello - Margaret Carno

Monday, Feb. 14, 2022

12:00pm SJB/HT - Lucy Cannavino - Georgiann

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022

9:00am OLP/SP - Mary Taft - Betty Jane Toia

12:00pm SJB/HT - Barbara Varre - Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cole

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022

9:00am OLP/SP - Anthony Borelli - Children

Francesco Savoca - Daughter, Gina & Family

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

Thursday, Feb. 17, 2021

9:00am OLP/SP - Ernestine Lanza -

Mike & Ro Colagiovanni

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

Friday, Feb. 18, 2022

9:00am OLP/SP - Guiseppe Maggi - David Pida

12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

**Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022** 

4:00pm OLP/SP - Louise Pascuzzi - Ang & Zita

Jane Rudari - David J. Rudari Joseph Prince, III - Mom & Kids Richard Tortora, Sr. - Rita & Family Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph

5:30pm SJB/HT - Alfred Mastriano, Sr. - Wife Gloria

Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022

7:30am OLP/SP - Billy Fuccillo - Angelo Angeloro

9:00am SJB/HT - Mark Ferretti - Mom

David McLaughlin - Mother Antonio McLaughlin - Mother

Salvatore Romano - Sister, Maddalena & Family



### Offices Closed/No Noon Mass

In observance of Presidents Day on Monday, Feb. 21st, the offices at SJB/HT and OLP/SP will be

closed. There is no Noon Mass at SJB/HT on this day as well.

#### Ash Wednesday

This is the schedule of Masses with distribution of Ashes for Wed., March 2nd, Ash Wednesday.

OLP/SP 9:00am

SJB/HT 12:00 Noon

SJB/HT 5:30pm





Lector Schedule - Feb. 19th & Feb. 20th

4:00pm OLP/SP: Al Petragnani 5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan 7:30am OLP/SP: Jim Magnarelli

9:00am SJB/HT: Mary Barraco 11:30am OLP/SP: Frank Brice 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. 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, Jack McAndrew



& Matthew McAndrew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.

#### **Sacrificial Giving**

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

Week Feb. 5th & Feb. 6th

SJB/HT Collection:\$4,042.00.00 OLP/SP Collection:\$6,798.00

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.





#### Mass schedule continued

11:30am OLP/SP - Gaitano Piraino - John

David Montgomery - The Family Phil & Sharon Catalino - Pam & Gary Mary & Anthony Catalino - The Family The Snyder Family - Anna Giannantonio

Giuseppe & Giuseppina DiLorenzo - Sister, Gilda

5:00pm OLP/SP - For the people

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