

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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December 4, 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

Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm  
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm  
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## St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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

## 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 Chapel



## Gospel Meditation

### December 4, 2022 Second Sunday Of Advent

At sixty years of age, Maria and Paul had a beautiful life. High school sweethearts, they had four children, five grandchildren, a successful business, good friends and a fabulous beach house. They felt very blessed. Their strong faith in God saw them through some difficult challenges. Without warning, Paul died suddenly. Maria was devastated. Why did God do this? Why did God allow this to happen? An indescribable depth of sadness weighed heavily upon her heart. She felt betrayed by the God she thought was looking out for her. She was overwhelmed by despair. Have you ever experienced such incredible and deafening sadness? Where is God in all of the pain?

We often want God to fix things or intervene and change nature's course. When He doesn't act as we desire, it shakes our faith. We do not always understand or appreciate why things happen as they do. There is much that is beyond our control. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus and Jesus is the way to God. There is something more going on in life than what we can see with human eyes. We are on a sacred path, and God is with us. God is with us in our confusion, suffering, doubts, and intense sadness. Jesus announced God's vision for humanity and taught people to see God and themselves for who they are. There is a way through and beyond all hardship and suffering. God does not abandon us.

God has a clear vision for the future, both for us individually and for our world. It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one and the "wolf shall be a guest of the lamb." God is not indifferent. He is the God of "endurance and encouragement." In God, we see what we may be, what may come and who we can become. When Maria opened herself to God's creative presence, she learned to trust. She began to realize that she could endure more than she had imagined. She also discovered a spark of encouragement, bringing her through the sadness to where she could be. In retrospect, Maria knew that God's reassuring presence was with her. ©LPi

### 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

## Basket Raffle

We are having a basket raffle during our Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, Dec. 18th. Would you like to donate a basket? We are looking for donations, your choice of basket theme. You can drop off your donation to the rectory or you can drop it off during any of our Masses. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



**On Saturday, December 17th in the Park St. vestibule of the Church, basket will be set up for our 5:30pm Saturday Mass goers. You will have an opportunity to see the raffle baskets and purchase tickets. Tickets are \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00 or 12 for \$10.00.**

## Live The Liturgy - Inspiration For The Week

The God in whom we believe is “the God of endurance and encouragement.” Have you ever thought about God in those terms? Our sight can become limited by the concerns of the world and our individual lives. We can look to the past and see what is happening in the present, but the future is primarily left to our imaginations. God has a clear vision for the future. It is one where the “wolf shall be a guest of the lamb and the leopard shall lie down with the kid.” It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one. We can see the complete picture of life in God. We see what we may be, what may come, and who we can become. Preparing the way for the Lord means moving beyond the limitations of ideology, time, space, preference, and self-focused concern so that we can see as God sees. God will give us what we need to endure whatever comes, and the encouragement we need to get where we can be. ©LPi



## Christmas Giving Wagon

To help along the **All Faith Food Pantry** this Advent/Christmas Season with items that are not readily available to their clients, once again we are asking our parishioners to help with personal hygiene products for women, all toiletry products for men, women and children, shampoo's, bath soaps, toothpaste and brushes, tissues and toilet paper, etc. The wagon will be in front of the Blessed Mother's Altar. Thank you for helping to support the All Faith Food Pantry's clients.

**Remember:** Anthony Aldrich, Christopher Aldrich, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Robert Capria, Joanna Federico-Cox, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Gen DiMento, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Mary Ann Felicia, Marilyn Ferretti, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Frank Maraviglia, Diane Mackey, Peggy Miccinelli, Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, The Pavia Children, Philomena Piraino, Sandy Pisani, Joe Ruggeri, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Carmen Surface, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Maryann Vigliotti and Matthew Watkins.



## Religious Education

Religious Ed Classes resume this week. We offer classes from Pre-K (4 yrs. Old) to Confirmation II. If you wish to have your child participate, please call Betty Warren at 315-420-6357.

## Shopping With AmazonSmile



If you are an Amazon OnLine Shopper please remember to sign into AmazonSmile and choose St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity as your charity of choice. Here is how you can do it. 1) Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) 2) Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials 3) Choose a charitable organization to receive donations, or search for the charity of your choice, US! We are listed as **St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity** 4) Start shopping 5) Add a bookmark for [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. With Christmas just around the corner, many of us will online shop for our gift needs. It really is very simple to use your Amazon or Amazon Prime to add AmazonSmile and choose St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity as your charity. It costs nothing and it changes nothing in your Amazon ordering. Please spread the word to family and friends who shop with Amazon. We have earned, from April 1-June 30 \$24.75. Just by those who are signed up with AmazonSmile!!

**Christmas shopping has started,  
this is a good time to join.**



## Immaculata Award

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity is very happy to announce that our parishioners, Chet & Mary Wisniewski, will be the recipients of the 2022 Immaculata Award. The ceremony is Sunday, Dec. 4th from 2:30-4:00pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Congratulations Chet & Mary and Thank You for all that you have done, and still do, for our parish; the past festival work, Religious Education teachers, International, breakfasts, the fish dinners, money counting and lecturing and anything that may have been forgotten here.

**Did you know** that St. John's/Holy Trinity has a PayPal account? We have 2 ways now that people can use it. You can either log into PayPal and donate through the site, or we now have a new QR Code that you can scan with your cellphone and it will take you directly to our page. 1) [www.PayPal.com](https://www.paypal.com) and follow the site directions. 2) QR Code above: Hold your cellphone up the QR Code as if taking a picture. The QR Code should prompt your phone for our PayPal page. It may go directly to the page or you may have to click “PayPal”. Follow the site prompts for debit/credit card donations. Of course, you can always mail in a donation to the rectory as well. SJB/HT 406 Court Street, Syracuse, NY 13208.



## Lectors Needed For Christmas Masses

Lector's if you are available to read at one of our Masses, please contact the rectory office. Our Mass schedule is Saturday, Dec. 24th 4:00pm & 9:00pm and Sunday, Dec. 25th 9:00am.



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

#### Saturday December 3, 2022

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Rose Campolo - Daughter, Famia  
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Frank & Ursola Razzano - The Family  
Loretta & Edward Campagna - Marie Felice  
Francine Battaglia - Esther & Henry Pagano  
**5:30pm SJB/HT** - Steve Taddeo - The Family

#### Sunday December 4, 2022

**7:30am OLP/SP** - John G. Schlicht - The DeRegis Family  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - Rosemary Lane - Jack Wall  
Edna Jaquin - Norm & Pat Jaquin  
Veronica & George Wittwer - The Family  
Maria Grace Vigliotti - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Vito Toia - Betty & Family  
Santina Sindoni - The Family  
Maryann Felicia - Betty Toia  
Brian Demetrick - The Family  
Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances  
Frances Guinto - Pat & Linda O'Brien  
Martha O'Brien - Pat & Linda O'Brien  
Carmen Emmi, Sr. - Rosemarie & Children  
Matteo & Antonietta Paluano - Cora Cooper  
Mary Brice - Antimo, Maryann Vigliotti & Family  
Theodore & Catherine Barbuto - Daughter-in-law, Rose  
Frances Vigliotti Vick - Antimo, Maryann Vigliotti & Family  
**5:00pm OLP/SP** - Antoinette Pascarella -  
Esther & Henry Pagano

#### Monday December 5, 2022

**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Nan Van Etten - Peter & Maureen White

#### Tuesday December 6, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - In honor of St. Nicholas - Devotees  
Mary Sgroi - Mike & Roe Colagiovanni  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother

#### Wednesday December 7, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - No intention  
**4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession**

#### Thursday December 8, 2022

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

#### Friday December 9, 2022

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

#### Saturday December 10, 2022

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Guy P. Blasi, Sr. - Children  
Rita & Phillip Capozzi, Sr. - Son  
Mary Discenza - Angela Townley  
Samuel Mezzo - Henry & Veronica Pagano  
Dorothy & Helen Dali - Sister Bertha & Family  
Frankie Pascarella - Aunt Esther & Uncle Henry Pagano  
**5:30pm SJB/HT** - Rosanna Pennacchia - The Family

### Lector Schedule - Dec. 10th & Dec. 11th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthofer  
9:00am SJB/HT: John Robinson



**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 Nov. 19th & Nov. 20th

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,018.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$7,439.00

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.



### The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 8th, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holyday of Obligation and our Mass schedule is: Wednesday, Dec. 7th OLP/SP Vigil Mass 5:30pm, Thursday, Dec. 8th OLP/SP 9:00am Mass, Thursday, Dec. 8th SJB/HT 12:00 Noon and 5:30pm Mass. **The rectories, SJB/HT & OLP/SP will be closed.**

### Sunday December 11, 2022

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Maria Le - The Family  
Santina Sindoni - The Family  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - David McLaughlin - Mother  
Joe Jefski - Norm & Pat Jaquin  
Angela MacDowell - Sue Slack  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Tom Sacco - The Family  
Anthony Scro - Marty Nave  
William Bowen - Wife, Carm  
Dona Cerio - Joe, Trish & Family  
Mary Brice - Ralph Torrillo & Family  
Mary Anne Pagano - Henry & Veronica  
Elaine & Joe Dalfo - Joe, Trish & Family  
Frances Vigliotti Vick -  
Antimo & Maryann Vigliotti & Family  
Annette & Leo Zoanetti - Joe, Trish & Family  
Gabe Convertino - Ralph Torrillo, Sr. & Family



SJB/HT has collected, thus far, \$10,362.00 towards the 2022 HOPE Appeal. Our assessment is \$19,653.32. Thank you to all who have thus far made a donation.



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