

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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December 11, 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

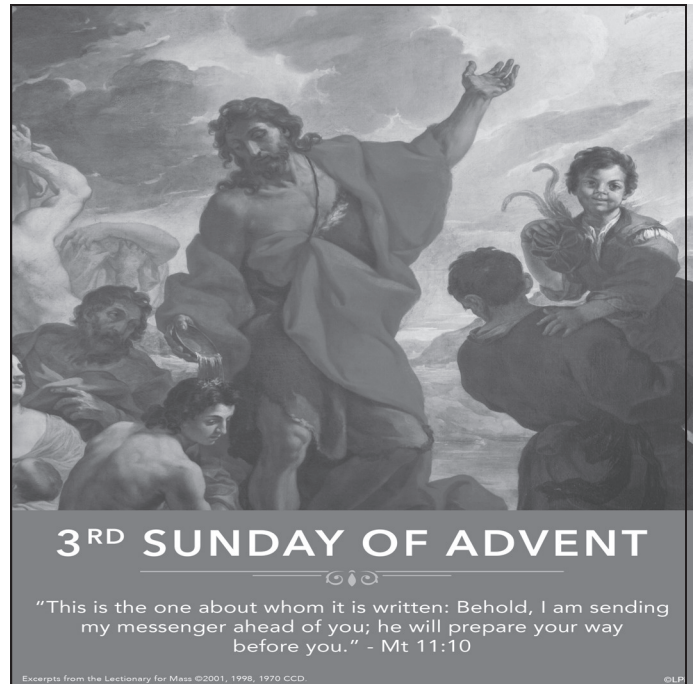
Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm  
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## St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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 11, 2022 Third Sunday Of Advent

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

“Be strong, fear not!” Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life’s roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life’s unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God’s merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God’s child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist’s message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life’s distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this? ©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.**

### Christmas Flowers For The Altar

SJB/HT invites you to make a donation towards our flowers and decorations for Christmas. A list of donors and their request will be printed as an insert to the bulletin the weekend of Dec. 24/25, 2022. Please put donations with the form below in an envelope marked "FLOWERS" in the collection basket, mail or drop it off to the rectory no later than Tues., Dec. 19, 2022. Checks should be made payable to SJB/HT. Please do not ass this form to your weekly contribution envelopes.



Donor \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_



### 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

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](http://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](http://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.**

**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](http://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.

### The Light Is On

"The Light Is On" will be at OLP/SP on Mon. Dec. 19th from 4:00-7:00pm. This is an opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession during this Advent Season. In addition, confessions will be heard on Wed. Dec. 21st at OLP/SP 4:00-5:00pm and here at SJB/HT on Thurs. Dec. 22nd 4:00-5:00pm.



SJB/HT has collected, thus far, \$10,412.00 towards the 2022 HOPE Appeal. Our assessment is \$19,653.32. Thank you to all who have made a donation.

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

#### 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

#### 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  
**5:00pm OLP/SP** - No intention

#### Monday December 12, 2022

**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Don Cox - The Family

#### Tuesday December 13, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Special intention - Patti Sacco  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - No intention

#### Wednesday December 14, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - David Montgomery - The Family  
Lucille Dwyer - Vince & Denise Pagano  
**4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession**

#### Thursday December 15, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Mary Taft - Ginny Lostumbo  
Mr. & Mrs. Ameleto DiScenna - Gilda  
**4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession**

#### Friday December 16, 2022

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Joe Lore - Wife & Family  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - No intention

#### Saturday December 17, 2022

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Virginia Lanza - The Family  
Dorothy Yaizzo - Joanne Licitra  
Larry DeSantis - Sandy, Dan & Danny  
Alex J. Cimino, Sr. - Michelle & the kids  
Antoinette Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe  
Frank & Anna Pascarella - Esther & Henry Pagano

**5:30pm SJB/HT** - For the people

#### Sunday December 18, 2022

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Rose Duchessi - Children  
Cathy DiBello - The Family  
Dolores DiBello - Margaret Carno  
Eugene Penizatto - Wife & Family

### Lector Schedule - Dec. 17th & Dec. 18th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan  
9:00am SJB/HT: Mary Barraco



### Christmas/New Year Masses

#### Saturday Dec. 24th Christmas Eve

4:00pm SJB/HT & OLP/SP  
9:00pm SJB/HT

11:30pm Carols 12:00 Midnight Mass OLP/SP

#### Sunday Dec. 25th Christmas Day

We will follow our regular Mass schedule. There is no 5:00pm Mass at OLP/SP.

#### Saturday Dec. 31st New Year Eve

We will follow our regular Saturday Mass schedule.

#### Sunday Jan. 1, 2023 New Year Day

We will follow our regular Mass Schedule. There is no 5:00pm Mass at OLP/SP.

#### Office Closed/Morning & Noon Mass Schedule

The offices of SJB/HT & OLP/SP will be closed on Mon. Dec. 26-Fri. Dec. 30th. Mon. Dec. 26th there is no 9:00am Mass at OLP/SP and no Noon Mass at SJB/HT. All other morning Masses and Noon Masses will be celebrated. Monday Jan. 2, 2023 the offices will be closed with no 9:00am Mass at OLP/SP and Noon Mass at SJB/HT.

### Sacrificial Giving

Week Nov. 26th & Nov. 27th

SJB/HT Collection: \$6,168.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,704.00

Week Dec. 3rd & Dec. 4th

SJB/HT Collection: \$4,525.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$TBA

### 33 SUNDAY IN ADVENT



### Sunday December 18, 2022

**9:00am SJB/HT** - Angie Banac - Twin Cousins  
Antonio McLaughlin - Mother

**11:30am OLP/SP** - Grace Ianno - Children  
Jerry Vislosky - Wife, Anne  
Gennaro Salvatore - The Family  
Frank & Nancy Fugule - Children  
Joseph Manfredi - Daughter, Rose  
Michael & Rose Russo - The Family  
Salvatore Mule - John & Margherita  
Mary Discenza - Jeanne & Neil Shute  
Merino Merola, Jr. - Joanne & Family  
Phil & Sharon Catalino - Pam & Gary  
Joanna Federico - Joe & Lena Dauccio  
Nino & Enza Mule - Margherita & John  
Mary & Anthony Catalino - The Family  
Ann & Gus Mancuso - Rosemarie & Grandchildren  
Eustachio & Rosaria Cannizzaro - John & Margheri  
Anthony James Cannizzaro - The Cannizzaro  
& Stagnitta Families

Deceased members of the Caracci, Roffo & Notchen Families  
- Fran & Joanne

**5:00pm OLP/SP** - James Arena - The Family

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