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April 9, 2023

Mass Schedule:

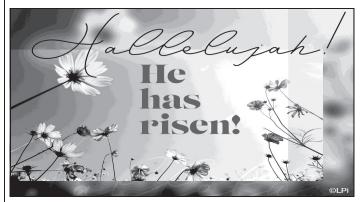
Mon., Tues., Fri. - 12:00 Noon Saturday Vigil - 5:30 pm Sunday - 9:00 am Reconciliation OLP/SP Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

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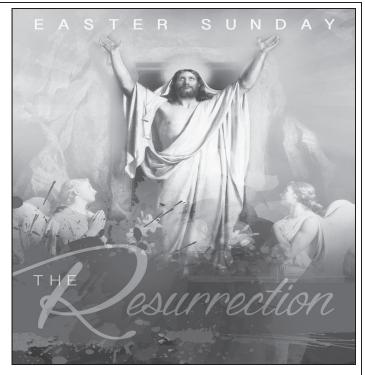
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday, 9:00am Monday, Tuesday & Friday Noon in Chapel

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



Office Hours for SJB/HT Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm Friday 9:00am-2:30pm E-mail - <u>nbergeson@syrdio.org</u> Web Site - <u>www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com</u>



Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord "When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons." (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, "out of whom he had driven seven demons."

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magda-lene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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<u>SJB/HT Office & Church Staff</u> 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

Dear Parishioners,



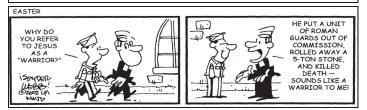
Christ has Risen, Alleluia! This is the joyous message proclaimed throughout the world today. Christ, once crucified, has been raised; sin and death have been defeated; our salvation

has been won. This is the cause of our celebration today and throughout the fifty days of the Easter season. In the Easter Proclamation, sung at the Easter Vigil, we hear: "Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness." There is darkness and gloom in this world and there is only one light that can dispel this darkness: the Light of the Risen Christ!

If, as the Easter Proclamation says, "all corners of the earth" are to be glad, then we must help share the joy of Easter by letting the Light of the Risen Christ be reflected in our lives. If we believe what we say about the true meaning of Easter, then we must proclaim the Good News to others. We are called to share the joy and majesty of our Easter celebrations with the world around us. Let us give witness that our Hope is found in the Lord Jesus who conquered death for us all!

On behalf of Fr. Smith, Fr. Paschal, Fr. Immanuel, Fr. Major, Mary & Petey the Wonder-puppies, and myself, I wish you all a very Happy and Blessed Easter. May the Risen Lord continue to pour forth His Grace upon us all.

In the peace of the Risen Christ, Fr. Caruso



Religious EDUCATION

Religious Education

There are no Religious Ed classes this week April 9th Happy Easter. Our Religious Education program is nearing the end of the 2022-2023 year. There are only 4 classes left for our students. Our last class will be on Mother's Day, May 7th. This last class will be our May Crowning Mass. Please pray for all our students, their families and our teachers.

A Family Perspective Family Life Education Today's Gospel instructs us Jesus "had to rise



from the dead." The dying we experience with unmet expectations in marriage and parenting is normal to family life. Families must rise above disappointments and be Easter people all year long.

Pray For Vocations

"He commissioned us to preach to the people". Have you ever considered a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

AND THEN ... Everything Changed

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize **God In Your Ordinary Moments** By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman -Easter Sunday and Object Permanence



When you play peekaboo with a very young baby who has not yet developed object permanence, you actually feel kind of mean. As soon as your hands obscure your face, their little eyes widen with alarm and their expression crumbles into confusion and despair.

Because they can no longer see you, they believe you no longer exist. Their little brains are unable to understand that just because a thing cannot be seen, it is still there, still alive, still full of love and care and protection.

Aw, man, you can hear them thinking. I guess I don't have a mom anymore.

On Easter morning, Mary Magdalene sees the burial cloth but no body. Her human mind makes sense of the situation the best way it knows how, she assumes the Lord has been taken. I'm sure I would have thought the same thing, in her position.

She cannot conceive, on her own, the reality that Christ has risen from the dead. It doesn't matter that he has told his disciples again and again that this will happen. They weren't ready to understand then.

In many ways, Easter is when the human race really achieved object permanence. But we still struggle with it, don't we? I certainly do. So often I can be heard accusing God: "You weren't there. Where were you? I couldn't find you."

But I looked for him in the flesh. I looked for him in the stale yeast of the world — in money or success or affirmation or (worst of all) convenience and pleasure. Of course, I would not find him there, among the dead.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. — Colossians 3:2 ©LPi

Sacrificial Giving

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

Week April 1st & April 2nd

SJB/HT Collection: \$TBA OLP/SP Collection: \$TBA 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 for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday April 8, 2023 Easter Vigil 12:00 Noon SJB/HT Blessing of the food 8:00pm OLP/SP Vigil Mass

Sunday April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday 7:30am OLP/SP - For the people 9:00am SJB/HT - For the people 11:30am OLP/SP - For the people No 5:00pm Mass

Monday April 10, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - No Mass Office Closed 12:00pm SJB/HT - No Mass Office Closed

Tuesday April 11, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Luke J. Oscuro - Estate 12:00pm SJB/HT - Domenico Tropepi - Wife

Wednesday April 12, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Giulia DeTommaso - Sister, Frances For my special intentions - Patti Sacco 4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday April 13, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Madge Maffei - Debbie & Darla Maffei

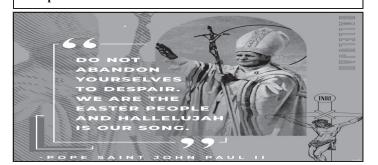
Friday April 14, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Libby Scalzo - Joanne Simone 12:00pm SJB/HT - David McLaughlin - Mother

Saturday April 15, 2023 4:00pm OLP/SP - Victoria Giannantonio - Anna Joseph Canino - Wife & Family Anita Vassallo - Marietta Blasi Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph 5:30pm SJB/HT - Marty Sheridan -

Dan & Wendy Malkowske

Sunday April 16, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Francine Battaglia - Anne DeMore
9:00am SJB/HT - Loretta Cooney - Fran & Judy Salvatore Fornito - The Family Agostino Canzano - Immacolata Migliore John & Crystal Montreal - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano
11:30am OLP/SP - Luke DiBello - Julia Marie Felice - Mary Scarfino Stephen "Jerry" Vislosky - Anne Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances Pasqualina Pallotta - Henry & Veronica Pagano Lucia & Domenico Cappuccilli - John & Angela
5:00pm OLP/SP - Delores DiBello - Julia DiBello



Syracuse Half Mile Race

The Syracuse Half Mile Race will take place on Sunday, April 16th from 7:00am-12:00pm. Depending on your route to SJB/HT you may en-



counter some roads closed or blocked. The route is very wide and I am sorry I can not tell you specifically what areas will be involved. If you would like to view the map you can go to **bit.ly/syr-half-detours.**



Lector Schedule - April 15th & April 16th 5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer 9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard

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. Pat**-



rick 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: Richard L. Cooper, Jack McAndrew & Matthew McAndrew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.

An Easter Proclamation

The hosts of heaven exult and sing aloud in mighty triumph! Let the earth be glad as glory alights and night reigns no more. Let the Church rejoice at the victory of her Lord and Master, Who paid the debt of Adam, Who frees those doomed to die, Who heals the broken-hearted and bind up their wounds, Who forgives the sinner and raises up the lowly, Who destroys death forever, Whose Kingdom shall have no end. God our Father, eternal is your love for us! Christ the Son, in victory you reign! Holy Spirit, set the Easter fire ablaze in our hearts. Together you live and reign and ransom your people, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Remember: Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, 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, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Maryann Vigliotti and Matthew Watkins. Holy Trinity Church/St. John the Baptist 406 Court Street Syracuse, NY 13208

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