

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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July 2, 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

Office Hours for SJB/HT

Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm
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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



July 2, 2023

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As a boy my favorite board game was “Chutes and Ladders.” The players roll dice to move from the start to the finish, from the bottom of the board to the top. If you land on a chute, you slide back and down. It was a bummer. Land on a ladder, and you jump well up the board and near the goal. It was a thrill to find a ladder and draw closer to the goal. That’s life, isn’t it? At every moment, we’re either moving closer or farther from the goal of our lives.

How do we win? Jesus tells us the secret of life’s chutes and ladders hinges on getting our loves rightly ordered. What we love in life is meant to be a ladder, drawing us up into God’s love — including our family, friends, work, play, food, and drink. Even to give your water to someone out of love for Christ leads to a sure reward.

But those ladders of our loves can become chutes. If we love even our family members more than Christ, we slide down and back. If we love the persons and things in our life for the sake of Christ, He says we **“surely will not lose our reward.”** The key difference between a chute and ladder, between our spiritual regression and advancement, is our willingness to renounce everything — even our own life — for the love of Jesus. To allow everything and everyone we love to draw us to love him more — that’s the difference between chutes and ladders.

— Father John Muir ©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
Music Director/Organist James Stanley

Buildings/Grounds Robert Warren

Religious Education Betty Warren

Mass Stipends

We have been informed by the Diocese that starting July 1, 2023, the cost of a Mass Intention will be going up to \$15.00. Until then, Mass Intentions will remain at \$10.00. Sanctuary lamps in memory of your loved ones will remain at \$10.00.



Sacrificial Giving

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

Week June 24th & June 25th

SJB/HT Collection: \$1,358.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,335.00

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.



A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Today's Gospel challenges us to resist the individualism of our culture. Everything we are and have is pure gift which we are expected to share especially to the "lowly ones." What has been freely given needs to be shared freely. No strings attached.

July 4, 2023:

Our nation is blessed with so many opportunities our lives are often frenzied as we try to take advantage of all the possibilities. As we celebrate our Independence this weekend, perhaps we need to be aware of our dependence on fashion, fad and cultural pressure to consume.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!
INDEPENDENCE DAY

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Freedom

Freedom is enshrined in our US Constitution. The First Amendment of our constitution protects our freedom of speech. However, our speech may not infringe upon another's freedom. Freedom does have its limits. And we must protect everyone's freedoms, not just ours. On this 4th of July, let us remember from whom all our freedoms originate, our good and gracious God.

Let us pray...

God, giver of all good gifts,
Help us to be thankful for rest and food,
and remember that, in all we do or say,
you are with us, here this day.

We are thankful for all you do
and for everything you have given us.

But above all we are thankful for our freedoms
and the ability to protect others' freedom.

We are free because of you.

We ask for your continued blessing on all your creation.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman - A Prophet's Reward



"Move back in with us until you save enough for a decent house," my mother told me over and over again as the birth of my second child neared.

My little family was quickly outgrowing our rented space, but the housing market in our area was a nightmare for first-time homebuyers. As appealing as the offer was, I kept refusing, convinced that my mother didn't understand the chaos, disruption, and loss of personal space that such a move would mean for her and my dad.

I was wrong — she did. And eventually she wore me down. When my son was three months old my family of four moved back into my old bedroom. My parents made an office space for my husband in the basement, and they converted their den into a playroom for two of the loudest children you will ever meet. They told us we could stay as long as we needed to (it ended up being two years). They greeted us with love and warmth every morning and never made us feel like we were an inconvenience.

Today's first reading always reminds me of my mom, not because I consider myself a prophet (hardly) but because of the way she received me — specifically, in whose name she received me.

I've always tried to understand exactly what makes my parents' acts of love — toward me, toward each other, toward perfect strangers — feel so genuine. I think, after more than 30 years, I've finally realized the secret: my parents love God more than they love me. They love God more than they love anyone.

Like making room in their life and their home for me and my boisterous family, these acts originate in sacrifice. They don't come cheap. They come from the cross.

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." — Matthew 10:39 ©LPi



Remember: Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Marilyn Ferretti, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Camille Grosso, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Antoinette Perotta, Philomena Piraino, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Sal Scro, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler.



Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday July 1, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Marilyn Cox - Frank & Sue
Frank Procopio - Liz Morgan
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Bruce Corbett - Sandy, Dan & Danny
Susan Sawmiller - Antonette Perrotta
Josie Torrillo - Husband, Ralph & Family

5:30pm SJB/HT - Connie Sanderson - Michael Morga

Sunday July 2, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - N/A

9:00am SJB/HT - Pat Wall - Husband, Jack
Paul Ferretti - Wife, Marilyn
Doug Robinson - Mary & Anthony Barraco

11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - Betty & Family
Mary rose Strano - Julie DiBello
Angelo Cannata - ginnie Lostumbo
Mary & Carmen Surace - Children
James Antonacci - Darlene & Joe Convertino
Salvatore & Mariantonia Sisera - Daughter, Gilda

5:00pm OLP/SP - James Arena - Julie DiBello

Monday July 3, 2023

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Noon Mass - Rectory Closed

Tuesday July 4, 2023 - Fourth of July

9:00am OLP/SP - No Mass - Rectory Closed
12:00pm SJB/HT - No Noon Mass - Rectory Closed

Wednesday July 5, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Marie Felice - Patty Marco
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday July 6, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Egidio "Gino" Fabrizi - Marie DeMichele
4:00pm - 5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday July 7, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Maryann Felicia - Rosalie Trinca
12:00pm SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother

Saturday July 8, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Frank DeMichele - Lucille Sears
Frank Discenza - Ralph Perella
Joseph Prince III - Mom & Family
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Bruce Corbett - Sandy, Dan & Danny
Henry Pagano - Michele & Carmen Diddio
Cristofero Giarizzo & Jenny Giarizzo - The Family
Christina & Carmine Carapella - Anna Giannantonio

5:30pm SJB/HT - Kevin Cole -
White Plans Harris Beach Office

Sunday July 9, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Marilyn Mika - Juanita Nanowski
9:00am SJB/HT - Frances Bleskoski - Fran & Judy
Trudy German - Pat & Norm Jaquin
William Jaquin - Pat & Norm Jaquin



Lector Schedule - July 8th & July 9th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer
9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard

Rectories Closed and No Noon Mass

Update SJB/HT and OLP/SP rectories will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th in observance of The Fourth of July Holiday. There is no 9:00am Mass at OLP/SP on Tuesday, July 4th and no Noon Mass's at SJB/HT on Monday July 3rd and Tuesday July 4th.



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



St. Maria Goretti

Have you heard of the patron saint of purity? Born to peasant parents in southern Italy, St. Maria Goretti was a devout girl whose life was marked by difficulty. Her father died when she was nine, leaving her single mother with six mouths to feed. Two neighbors helped on the family farm, including a young man named Alessandro. He began making crude comments towards Maria. She repeatedly denied him. After several years, Alessandro attacked Maria to force himself on her. She resisted and, in his anger, Alessandro stabbed her. Maria died from the wounds' infections, but her last words were "I forgive Alessandro Serenelli, and I want him with me in heaven forever." While he was in prison, Maria appeared to Alessandro with a bouquet of roses, one for each wound he inflicted. In a true miracle of mercy, Alessandro experienced repentance, became a Franciscan brother after his release, and was later present at Maria's canonization. St. Maria Goretti, pray for us!

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday July 9, 2023

11:30am OLP/SP - Joseph DiBello - Julia
Melanie Surace - The Family
Leonardo Colavita - Joe & Gloria Falcone
Gaetano Lamacchia - Brother & Sister-in-law
Giulia DeTomasso - Sons & Daughters of Italy
Nina Sindoni & Nino Sindoni - Brother & Sister-in-law
Maria Giamartino - Members of Progresso Lodge #1047

5:00pm OLP/SP - Libby Scalzo - Alex Turkett

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

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