# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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September 3, 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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## 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

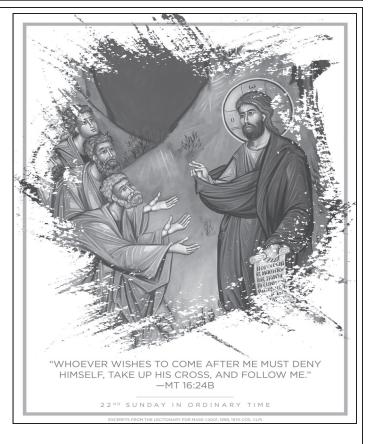
Saturday, 4:00pm ~~~~ Saturday, 6:00pm Vietnamese

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

Sunday, 9:30am Vietnamese

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am in Chapel





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#### 22nd Sunday In Ordinary time

Isn't it easy to relate to Peter? One moment Jesus announces Peter's deep communion with God the Father. The very next, when he rejects the logic of Jesus' suffering and death, Jesus calls Peter Satan. We Christians shouldn't be too shocked when we experience both spiritual highs and lows, when we perceive breathtaking contradictions in our hearts.

Like the great apostle, you and I are recipients of unfathomable graces. God dwells in us, calls his beloved children, and takes care of our every need. And we also continually fail to embrace our sufferings with trust in Jesus. We know the truth of the creed, but we easily scorn the weight of the cross.

The good news is that, like Peter, we are never abandoned by the Lord even at our worst moments. Peter will eventually learn the beauty of the cross when he is willingly crucified. But it took time for him to get there. And it takes time for us, too. This week let's not be too shocked at these divisions in our hearts but accept them and patiently seek to be more obedient to Jesus' cross-shaped plan for us.

— 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 In Residence Fr. Bernard Dan Music Director/Organist James Stanley Buildings/Grounds Robert Warren Religious Education Betty Warren

#### REGISTER FOR SJB/HT Faith Formation

We will be starting Religious Education classes on Sept. 10th. Classes will be from 9:45-11:00am.

We will be having classes from Pre-K (4yrs. Old) to Confirmation II. If you wish to have your child participate, please call me betty Warren at 315-420-6357. SJB/HT Faith Formation Program needs your help. As you know our youth is the future of our Parish and without them, we will not continue to thrive and may cease to be a presence on the Northside. It is important that we nurture them, ignite their desire to continue their Faith Formation Journey and to become adult participants in our Parish. To do this, we need adult volunteers to help share their Faith with our youth. The more teachers we have the less work for everyone. I am asking you to please, please, please consider teaching. You do not need to be a Certified Teacher to volunteer. We provided all the necessary material and training to assist you and we have veteran volunteers who are always willing to help or answer questions. It only takes a few hours of your time each week and it is very rewarding. If you have any questions, please contact me at 315-420-6357 or warrenbeliz@yahoo.com.

#### A Family Perspective **Family Life Education**

Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's Gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."



# **Pray For Vocations**

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." Following Jesus can be difficult, but as He says immediately after, "whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." Are you willing to find your life in Christ as a religious, a deacon, or a priest? Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468 or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

Remember: Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, Dave Calkins, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, Mary Frenza, 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, Judy & Skip Marioritti, 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, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler.

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.



#### **20 Years A Priest**

On August 23rd, Fr. Paschal Anionye celebrated his ordination as a priest. Congratulations on

your 20th Anniversary Fr. Paschal! God's continued blessings to you.

# (Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God **In Your Ordinary Moments Choosing the Cross**



I've been called a lot of things in my life, but I've never been called "Satan," at least not to my face.

It seems to me the worst name you could call a person, and today we hear it straight from the lips of Jesus. It's just one of the many small reminders strewn throughout Scripture that Jesus preaches meekness, but he is not mild — not when mildness serves no purpose, anyway.

And here, when Peter is trying to deter Jesus from making the right choice, mildness serves no purpose at all.

Can we blame Peter? I certainly can't. I'm sure I would have said the same thing to my own dear friend. He is, in today's Gospel, wholly unwilling to embrace the cross — he's afraid of it, even — but aren't we all, in the end, afraid of our cross? I am. It's no sin, it's only human. Fear is natural. Selfpreservation is a reflex.

What Christ speaks of today is a choice, one we are all faced with, again and again, just as Peter is. We will not always respond perfectly; Peter does not respond well today. He does not respond well on Holy Thursday.

But on his last day, on the day of the ultimate choice? On that day, he chooses the cross.

We marvel at first responders who put themselves in harm's way for the sake of others, because to do so is not human, it is divine. I have to believe that if even a firefighter's loved one threw themselves in his way, he would still charge toward the flames, crying, "Get behind me."

Christ runs into the burning building for us, shaking off not only his own fear (and he had it, I promise you — he was human, too) but the fear of everyone who loved him.

"Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God..." — Romans 12:1 ©LPi





The month of August: We welcome through baptism: Joseph Patrick Doughtry. God bless this child and his family.



Saturday September 2, 2023

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph Frank Procopio - Mary Linda Raccuici Madge Maffei - Debbie & Darla Maffei

5:30pm SJB/HT - Mr. & Mrs. Vito Brugnola -

Grandson, Michael

Sunday September 3, 2023 7:30am OLP/SP - N/A 9:00am SJB/HT - William Warren -

Nick & Annette Cerrone

Filitto & Josephine Fruggiero - Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - Betty & Family Angelo Cannata - Patti Arena Leonardo Colavita - Rachele Paduano Giulia DeTommase - Antoinette Grosso Mary Rose Strano - Joanne Licitra & Paul Carmella Lamacchia - Brother & Sister-in-law

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Monday September 4, 2023 12:00pm SJB/HT - No Noon Mass Office Closed

Tuesday September 5, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - N/A 12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

Wednesday September 6, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Patsy Falvo - Marietta & Family 4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday September 7, 2023 9:00am OLP/SP - Bill Long - Jim & July Taft 4:00pm - 5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday September 8, 2023
9:00am OLP/SP - Agnes Ewald - Estate
Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
12:00pm SJB/HT - All who are terminally ill

Saturday September 9, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Maria Meola - Frank & Sue
Frank DeMichele - Marty Nave
The Carucci Family - The Family
Frank DiScenza - Rosita & Family
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Ronald Pierce - Chris & Kathy Hartman
Nina & John Prince - Sister, Mary Prince
Susan Sawmiller - Marianne Cariota & Richard

Loretta & Edward Campagna - Marianne Cariota Anthony "Midnight" Silvaggio - Wife, Sally & Sons Frank & Carmine Carapella & Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue

**5:30pm SJB/HT -** Angela A'Batiello - The Family John Hessmiller - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morga

Sunday September 10, 2023

**7:30am OLP/SP -** Louise N. Sacco - Pat & Fran Leonard P. DiBello - The Family

9:00am SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother Agostino Cnzano - Pasquale Cerullo

11:30am OLP/SP - N/A 5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A



## Lector Schedule - Sept. 9th & Sept. 10th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer 9:00am SJB/HT: Mary Barraco

# **Labor Day/Rectory & Mass Schedule**

On Monday September, 4, 2023 the rectories of SJB/HT and OLP/SP will be closed due to the Labor Day Holiday. There is no Noon Mass at SJB/HT this day.





Serving Our Country: Always keep in prayer all servicemen and women. From our parish: Richard

L. Cooper, Jack McAndrew & Matthew McAn-

drew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.

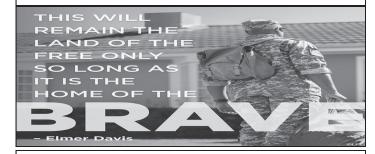
# **Labor Day**

Good and Gracious God,

You created human beings in Your image and likeness and gave us dominion over creation to be stewards of the land and co-creators of Your



Kingdom. Jesus, You became one of us and labored as a carpenter. You ask all people -- whatever our state of life -- to follow you faithfully. Holy Spirit, bless all workers this Labor Day. May all our actions be animated by Your love, as we do all things for the glory of God. Amen.



#### **Sacrificial Giving**

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

Week August 26th & August 27th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,223.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$5,644.00 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.



11:30am OLP/SP - Melanie Surace - The Family
Leonard DiBello - Sister, Julia
Frank Scarfino III - Sister, Julia
Nino & Enza Mule - Margherita & John
Eustachio & Rosaria Cannizzaro - John & Margherita
Anthony James Cannizzaro -

The Cannizzaro & Stagnitta Families

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

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