

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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December 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

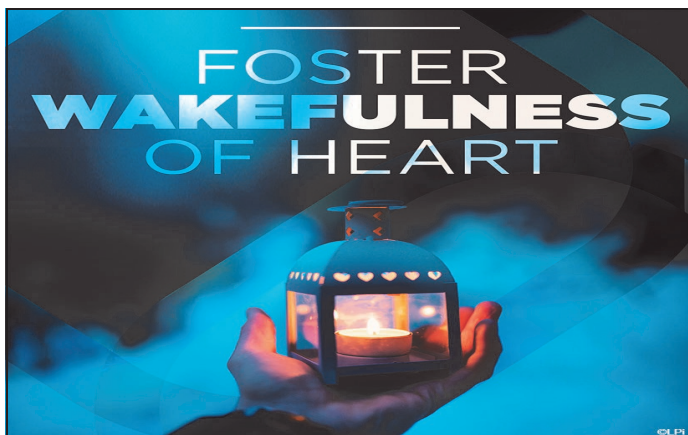
Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm
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Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday, 9:00am
Monday, Tuesday & Friday Noon in Chapel

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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First Sunday of Advent

Lately I've been listening to a science-based podcast on healthy daily living. The host frequently discusses the wide range of health benefits of sleep. So, each night I'm trying to get more, and better, slumber, and it's helping me feel energized. So, why in the world should we follow Christ's advice this week? **"Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house will come ... lest he find you asleep."** Isn't sleep, especially at midnight and cockcrow, a good thing?

Of course, it is. But the wakefulness the Lord calls us to is a deep, personal orientation to Him. A nightly vigil is therefore a metaphor for this, but it's not just that. We should give up real sleep in order to pray, too. This difficult practice is a time-tested way to foster wakefulness of heart. When we give up sleep to pray, it focuses us. We learn that life is not an endless series of days. You and I belong to the Lord — awake or asleep, in life and in death. Sooner or later, even our need for our physical sleep will pass away. And our attentiveness to God — that is, whether we are awaiting Him to meet us — will be all that matters.

May I challenge us this week and this Advent to intentionally give up at least one hour of sleep each week for prayer? Stay up later, wake up in the middle of the night, or an hour earlier, and pray. Will we be a bit more tired the next day? Yes. But we'll be amazed at the spiritual wakefulness that results, too.

— 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

Breakfast With Santa

Breakfast with Santa, Sunday, Dec. 3rd from 8:00am-11:00am. Adults \$10.00, children 5-12 \$5.00, under 5 are free with adult purchase. Basket raffle tickets are \$1.00 each, \$5.00 for 6 and \$10.00 for 12. Menu: pancakes, scrambled eggs, toast, sausage, bacon, juice, hot coco and coffee.



SJB/HT Religious Education

All 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. If you are interested in teaching, please call Betty. Please pray for our Students and our Teachers, that they will have a successful and enjoyable year.

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 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.

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Remember: Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, De De 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, Emma Lane, 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. **We also remember in our prayers our Service Men and Women and our Health Care Workers.**



The Giving Wagon

The Giving Wagon for The All Faith Food Pantry has been set up once again in the body of the Church, in front of the Blessed Mothers Altar. The All Faith Food Pantry has requested gifts of personal hygiene for men, women and children as well as paper products and cleaning products for the home. These gifts will help the pantry clients greatly by letting the clients use their SNAP benefits for more food items. We thank you for your generous and thoughtful gifts. The wagon will remain through the Christmas season.



Lector Scheduling

Sat. Dec. 23rd 5:30pm - Cathy Schotthoefer
Sun. Dec. 24th 9:00am - Pat Minnoe
Sun. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Vigil 4:00pm - Owen Donovan
Sun. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Vigil 9:00pm - open
Mon. Dec. 25th Christmas Day 9:00am - Pat Minnoe
I am going forward with the 2024 lector schedule assignments. Please, if you are unable to continue as a lector, let me know asap. Thank you.

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman Memento Mori



Just this week, my husband and I signed our wills, and the lawyer was careful to couch our transaction in gentle, abstract language: "When we lose you" she kept saying, instead of "When you die."

It's very uncomfortable to dwell on our death. But the Christian life does not just encourage us to do so: it demands that we do.

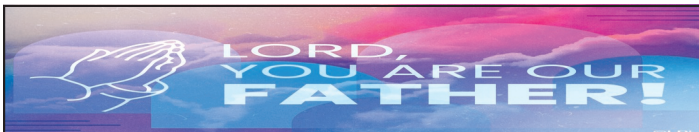
I once came upon a prayer consecrating the last two hours of life to the Blessed Mother. I have since found variations of the prayer online with different phrasing, but the sentiment of them all is the same: let me not be caught sleeping. Let me be ready.

"You can't do all your homework at the end," a deacon who ministers to the dying once told me. "Good Friday is waiting in the wings for all of us."

I think of that a lot when I don't particularly feel like praying, when I think I'm too busy to go to confession or when feelings of resentment fester inside me on Sunday mornings as I pack my family off to church. *All our good deeds are like polluted rags*, says the prophet. *We have all withered like leaves.*

You can't do all your homework at the end. God is faithful. Are we?

"May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'" — Mark 13:36 ©LPi



Call the Rectory to arrange for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist directly. Information will be provided. Call the rectory for baptisms and hospital/home visits.

Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday December 2, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Frank Procopio - The Family
Henry Pagano - Wife, Esther
Laurel Kalinoski - Mary Lindy
Frank DeMichele - Patti Arena
Josie Torriolo - Husband, Ralph
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Angela Lattanzio - The Sculin Family
Pauline Mirizio - Cathy Schotthoefer

5:30pm SJB/HT - Agnes Ewald - The Estate

Sunday December 3, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Santina Sindoni - The Family

9:00am SJB/HT - Edna Jaquin - Norm & Pat Jaquin
Agostino Canzano - Pasquale Cerullo
William Jaquin, Jr. - Norm & Pat Jaquin
Clemente & Maria Grace Vigliotti -
Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Rosano

11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - Betty & Family
Brian Demetrick - The Family
Phero Vu Chu - Kim & Family
Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Monday December 4, 2023

12:00pm SJB/HT - Agnes Ewald - The Estate
Steve P. Taddeo - Peg & Mary

Tuesday December 5, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - Rosetta Sisera - Sister-in-law, Gilda
Frank & Orsola Razzano - The Family
Nunziata Fichera - Grandchildren, Anthony & Dom

12:00pm SJB/HT - David McLaughlin - Mother

Wednesday December 6, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A

4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday December 7, 2023

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A

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

**5:30pm OLP/SP Vigil The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Friday December 8, 2023 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am OLP/SP - For the people

12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

5:30pm SJB/HT - For the people

Saturday December 9, 2023

4:00pm OLP/SP - Guy Blasi - Children
Henry Pagano - Wife, Esther
Frank Procopio - The Family
Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Jayne Blasi - Annmarie & Mark Kinnan
Frank & Carmine Carapella - Frank & Sue
Antoinette Pascarella - Esther Pagano & Family

5:30pm SJB/HT - Ida Bruno - The Family
Rosanna Pennacchia - Peg & Mary



Lector Schedule - Dec. 9th & Dec. 10th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan
9:00am SJB/HT: Patrick Minnoe

HOPE Appeal Update

To date our pledges/donations to the HOPE Appeal are \$11,025.00. The assessment for SJB/HT parish is \$20,000.00. Thank you for your kind and thoughtful donations.



Sacrificial Giving

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

Week November 11th & November 12th
SJB/HT Collection: \$2,602.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$N/A
Week November 18th & November 19th
SJB/HT Collection: \$2,652.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,957.00

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.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

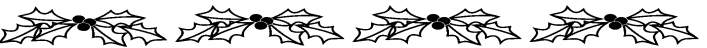
Friday, Dec. 8 Holy Day of Obligation

The Mass schedule for the Holy Day is Thursday Dec. 7th OLP/SP 5:30pm Vigil, Friday Dec. 8th OLP/SP 9:00am, Friday Dec. 8th SJB/HT 12:00 noon and Friday, Dec. 8th SJB/HT 5:30pm.

Office Christmas Schedule

SJB/HT and OLP/SP Rectories will be closed the week of Christmas Monday Dec. 25th - Friday Dec. 29th and Monday Jan. 1, 2024.

Closed for the Holiday



The Light Is On

“The Light Is On” will be at OLP/SP on Monday Dec. 18th 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. 20th at OLP/SP 4:00-5:00pm and Thurs. Dec. 21st at SJB/HT 4:00-5:00pm.

Sunday December 10, 2023

7:30am OLP/SP - Michael Iacampo - Wife & Daughter

9:00am SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
Darlene Noyes Crawford - Mom
Joseph Jefski - Norm & Pat Jaquin
George & Veronica Wittwer - Grandchildren

11:30am OLP/SP - Dona Cerio - Joe & Trish
Santina Sindoni - The Family
Rosa Lai Tha - Kim & Family
Joe & Elaine Dalfo - Joe & Trish
Leo & Annette Zoanetti - Joe & Trish
Domenico Cappucilli - Henry & Veronica
Esther Pagano - Antimo, Vigliotti & Family

The deceased members of the Salamino Family - Joe & Trish

5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A