

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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February 4, 2024

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

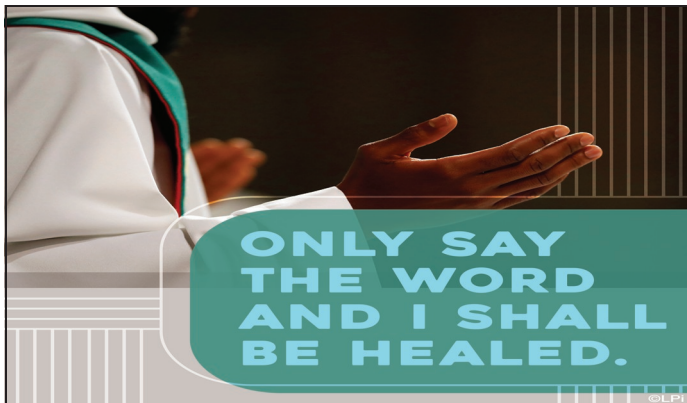
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St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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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Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Maybe I'm weird, but I like spending time in doctor's offices, confession lines in churches, auto repair shops, prison cells, and support groups of various kinds. It's refreshing to be with people who humbly admit something is wrong and forthrightly set out on a path toward a solution. When we ignore what is off kilter, we become alone and fragile. In places where people are honest and hopeful about brokenness, sturdy if subtle fellowship usually ensues.

Consider the image we see of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. **"...they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by a demon. The whole town was gathered at the door."** The entire human community is afflicted in various ways, and so it gradually forms a strange new community around Jesus. The healer from Nazareth is like a sun of health around which orbits a throng of humanity absorbing his healing rays. These blessed souls can't fix themselves and become healthy, and they know it. But they have found in him the living source of all imaginable healing.

It's the Church, isn't it? A sin-sick community gathered and healed is what happens at the beginning of every Mass. We shuffle in through the door from everywhere and announce that we are not okay, and we can't fix it. In doing so, we are drawn into the orbit of the healing power of Christ — and into a renewed community with the whole human family. It's nothing to fear or rush. Maybe we can even learn to enjoy more how good it is to be in such a happy place.

— 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



Where We Stand For Lenten Fish Dinners

With a heavy heart but with much research, SJB/HT will not be offering our Baked Fish Dinners. We were two fish dinners into Lent of 2020, then COVID. The start up for that dinner was \$1,200.00. For Lent 2024, phone calls were made and pricing was checked and we found that the fish has gone up \$3.00 plus a lb. and the ever popular mac & cheese has gone from \$10 to \$17 a tray. The start up cost to prepare has increased 100% for us as we would need to supply an entire kitchen to get going. Probably though one of the main concerns was looking at our list of volunteers who helped prior to the dinner. Those volunteers are all but gone. As well as volunteers for kitchen and floor during the night. It does take two/three days worth of work to get ready for one night of dining. We are looking into a "Spring Event" and will keep you posted. We know the dinners will be a big miss by many. We appreciate your understanding.

SJB/HT Religious Education

Please pray for our students as they continue their education. Please especially pray for our 2 Confirmation II students who will be receiving their Confirmation on April 16th, and our 4 First Penance/First Communion students who will be receiving these Sacraments in the Spring.



A Family Perspective Family Life Education

In today's Gospel Jesus went to the "house of Andrew and Simon" to relax but discovered that Simon's mother-in-law was very ill. Like Jesus, we come home to relax but are confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon who "told Jesus about it at once."

Pray For Vocations

"Jesus went away to a secluded place and prayed." If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.



Reflect: Readings and Gospel for 5th Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Job was overwhelmed with feelings of sadness and despair. How does your faith help you get through difficult times?

Second Reading: Paul sees his "gospel" (the good news of Jesus Christ) as the center of his life. What do you think is the focus of your life?

Gospel: At the start of Jesus' public ministry in Galilee, we hear he was purpose-driven in performing many healings and exorcisms, as well as preaching the good news of the kingdom of God. What could you do this week as an intentional act of charity or kindness?

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman
Purpose and Pride



Father, forgive me. Today's Gospel made me want to fight somebody.

If you want to make me really, really angry, you are sure of doing so if you tell me about an old woman who was sick, but felt a little better, and then her son-in-law and all his buddies showed up, so she cooked them a bunch of food and cleaned up after them.

We all project our own feelings, fears, insecurities, and desires onto the word of God. I certainly do. And most of my feelings, fears, insecurities, and desires spring from my current role as a tired mom of little kids.

I think there is a fear inside many of us of God's purpose for our lives. What if it's not aligned perfectly with what we think we need, or what we imagine we want? Most of the time, I think I need a nap, and I imagine that I want absolutely no one asking me for any kind of help. And here I am, perpetually napless and always being called on to render assistance.

The actions of Peter's mother-in-law were the only actions we would expect of a woman who had just received a miracle. She jumped up, and with bravery and boldness she served the Lord.

But couldn't she rest? Couldn't she serve him later? Couldn't she thank him with a smile and take a nap? Well, I suppose. But is that how you react to a miracle?

I have received my miracle — my family. My purpose. So why am I still lying down?

"He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them." — Mark 1:31

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If you require a SJB/HT Contribution Statement of your church donations for 2023 taxes, please contact the rectory during office hours, 315-478-0916, email at nbergeson@syrdio.org or fill in the slip below and send to SJB/HT 406 Court St. Syr. NY 13208, or, save a stamp and put your request in a plain envelope and put it into the collection basket attention "Nancy".

PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR REQUEST INTO YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES.

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Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday February 3, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Laura DelVecchio - The Nick Colaneri Family
Frank Giannantonio & Julio DeLorio - Frank & Sue
Henry & Esther Pagano - Tony & Marie Pappelardo
5:30pm SJB/HT - For all the parishioners of
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Sunday February 4, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - Patti & Fred Stoneburner - Joe Riggarrri
9:00am SJB/HT - Rita Carroll - Twin Cousins
Fr. David James - Janet Coria
11:30am OLP/SP - Vito Toia - Betty & Family
5:00pm OLP/SP - Linda Fanizzi Wells - Angela Albanese

Monday February 5, 2024

12:00pm SJB/HT - Jeanne Bryant - Peter & Maureen White

Tuesday February 6, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Anne Falvo -
Daughters, Marietta & Annie
12:00pm SJB/HT - All the intentions requested
from our prayer boxes

Wednesday February 7, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday February 8, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday February 9, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
12:00pm SJB/HT - Those who struggling with mental health
issues and improper care

Saturday February 10, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Ron Reagan - Wife, Karen
Frank Procopio - The Family
Lucrezia Blasi - The Children
Antoinette Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe
Henry & Esther Pagano - Jim & Julie Taft
Frank Giannantoinio & Julio DeLorio - Frank & Sue
5:30pm SJB/HT - For all the parishioners of
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Sunday February 11, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - N/A
9:00am SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
Bennie Sobon, Jr. - Pat & Norm Jaquin
11:30am OLP/SP - Ben & Celia Pisano - Anita & Family
Grace & Cosimo Medico - Daughter, Frances
Anthony James Cannizzaro & Mule & Cannizzaro Families -
John & Margherita
5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Office Closed/No Noon Mass

SJB/HT & OLP/SP offices will be closed Monday
Feb. 19th on observance of Presidents Day. There is
no Noon Mass at SJB/HT this day.



Lector Schedule - Feb. 3rd. & Feb. 4th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer
9:00am SJB/HT: Lisa Johnson

Sacrificial Giving

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

Week January 20th & January 21st

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,088.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,267.00

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.

World Day for Consecrated Life

Friday February 2, 2024

God of all goodness, you have called people to follow you faithfully. Humans have heard that call and many choose to follow your call in varied and faith-filled lives. Some follow your call in private, silent lives as hermits; some choose to follow you with lives lived as virgins and widows; while others choose public lives of vowed men and women as religious brothers and sisters. Abundantly give to these men and women the courage to follow their call as witnesses to your gifts and faith and service to the world. We ask this in faith through the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.



Ash Wednesday & Stations of the Cross

Wednesday Feb. 14th is Ash Wednesday. Mass schedule: 9:00am OLP/SP. 12:00 Noon SJB/HT and 5:30pm SJB/HT. Stations of the Cross will begin Friday Feb. 16th at SJB/HT 7:00pm and go through Friday Mar. 29th.

Remember: Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, De De Calkins, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, 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 Perrotta, 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.**



Ash Wednesday is
Next Week

