

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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January 7, 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

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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The Epiphany Of The Lord

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, “This place is boring. I want to go somewhere.” So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, “Where am I *truly* at home?”

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, “**They were overjoyed at seeing the star.**” This star will bring them *home*, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you’re a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, “Follow me! I will take you home!” Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— 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

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.

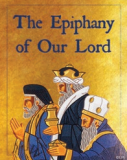


A Family Perspective Family Life Education

The Magi in today's Gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Do not let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.

Pray For Vocations

"For out of you shall come forth a ruler who will shepherd My people." Is Christ calling you forth out of your comfort zone to serve Him in others as a sister, brother or priest? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.



Reflect: Readings and Gospel for The Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading:

Isaiah foresaw a future when the Lord would use Israel as His instrument to shine His glory into the world. What could you do this week to show God's glory to others?

Second Reading:

Paul met a lot of resistance when he spoke of God's "revelation" that Gentiles are "coheirs" and "copartners" with Jews in the divine promise fulfilled in Christ Jesus. How welcoming are you to outsiders?

Gospel:

In the story of the magi's visit, we see the prophecies of Isaiah (our first reading) fulfilled with the treasures of gold, frankincense, and myrrh given to the Holy Family. What gift do you give to the Lord? ©LPi

New Diocesan Web Site

Explore the Diocese of Syracuse's new website, a digital sanctuary offering a unique Catholic content feature that includes Bishop Barron's insightful Advent Reflections! Immerse yourself in a spiritually enriching online experience, navigating through a seamless platform dedicated to fostering faith and connection within our community of faith.

Visit www.syracusediocese.org to learn more.



EPIPHANY



(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman Step Into the Light



How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all.

But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day.

The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light?

"See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2 ©LPi



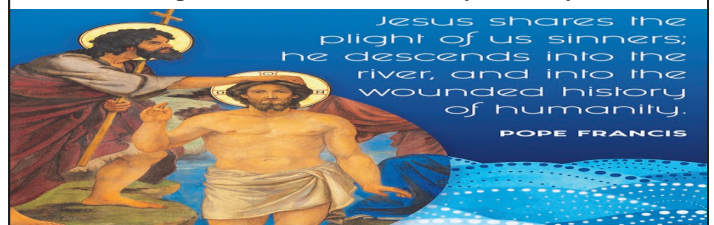
Fr. Paschal Anionye

Congrats to Fr. Paschal on his Board Certification as a Clinical Counselor and Chaplain from the National Association of Catholic Chaplains (NACC), United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB).

This professional achievement as a health care worker is a public recognition by the Catholic Church in the United States, and the United States Department of Health Administration that Fr. Paschal has been educated and prepared as a Clinical Counselor and Chaplain and is personally committed to quality Pastoral Care.

"Fr. Paschal, we are very proud of what you have accomplished!" - Fr. Daniel Caruso and your St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity and Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters Family.

The Baptism of the Lord Monday January 8th



Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday January 6, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Frank DeMichele - Joe Kurpiewski
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Tony & John Pascarella - Sister, Esther & Family
Maria Laura Pallotta & Antoinette Carapella - Frank & Sue
5:30pm SJB/HT - Ralph Smith - The Family

Sunday January 7, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - N/A
9:00am SJB/HT - Janet William - The Family
Maria William - The Family
Donato William - The Family
Pepino William - The Family
11:30am OLP/SP - Angelantonia Colavita - Son, Anthony
5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Monday January 8, 2024

12:00pm SJB/HT - Tom Clark - Theresa & Daryl Hegarty

Tuesday January 9, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Rita Carroll - Lucille Mangicaro
12:00pm SJB/HT - N/A

Wednesday January 10, 2024

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

Thursday January 11, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Esther Pagano -
Antimo Vigliotti & Family
4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday January 12, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - N/A
12:00pm SJB/HT - Rossario Buccina - Tim Erwin

Saturday January 13, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue
Joseph Marinelli - John Minozzi
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Angeline DiMascoli - Grandson, Anthony
5:30pm SJB/HT - Giuseppe Migliore - The Family
Estacchio & Giovanna Bruno - The Family
Robert Donovan - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morga

Sunday January 14, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - N/A
9:00am SJB/HT - Ritta Carroll - Twin Cousins
Francesco Canzano - The Family
Benny R. Sobon - Pat & Norm Jaquin
11:30am OLP/SP - N/A
5:00pm OLP/SP - N/A

Death Announcement

The Holy Trinity Parish Family lost a beautiful and devoted woman who passed away on December 26th. Carmel Jeanne (Sciacca) Bryant was the Religious Education Director for many, many years and parishioner of Holy Trinity. Her dedication and enthusiasm for the program was truly inspirational. She and Bill were blessed with six children and raised them in the Church. RIP Jeanne.



Lector Schedule - Jan. 13th & Jan. 14th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer
9:00am SJB/HT: John Robinson

Sacrificial Giving

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

Week December 23rd & December 24th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,544.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$N/A

Christmas Day Collection

SJB/HT Collection: \$3,639.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$N/A

SJB/HT Christmas Flower Collection: \$1,066.00

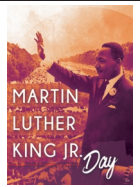
Week December 30th & December 31st.

SJB/HT Collection: \$1,438.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$N/A

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.

Rectory Offices Closed/No Noon Mass

On Monday, January 15th the rectories at SJB/HT & OLP/SP will be closed in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. There will be no Noon Mass at SJB/HT Church this day.



2024 Mass Book and Special Requests

The 2024 Mass Book is open. Please call 315-478-0916 or stop by the rectory during office hours for your intentions. The Masses available starting in January 2024 are Mon., Tues. & Fri. Noon, Saturday Vigil 5:30pm and Sunday 9:00am. Masses are **\$15.00**. As well, you may request to have the **Sanctuary Lamp \$10.00 or Bread and Wine \$25.00** in memory of your loved one(s) for the week.

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.**



Please look through our prayer list and let me know if there is any name that should be removed. I may not have all the updates on who has passed away or who has recovered and no longer in need of prayer. Also, if you would like to add any name of those who are in need of prayers.

