

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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March 17, 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

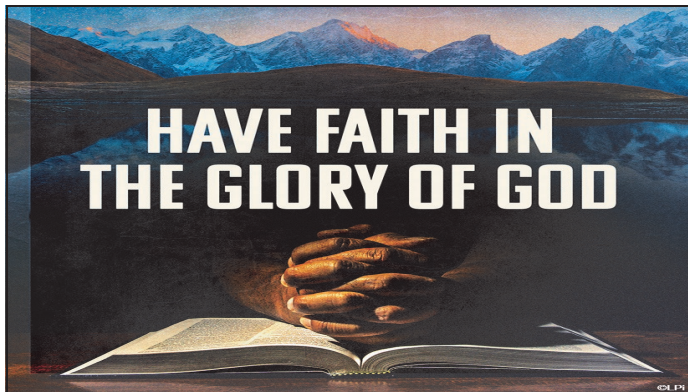
Monday~Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm  
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## St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

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



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.



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## Fifth Sunday Of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. “Please forgive me,” I asked, “but you seem to be smiling as you share this.” She said, “Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I’m smiling because I just can’t wait to see what good things God does with this mess.” She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.

This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus’ earthly ministry. It’s at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, “**Father, glorify your name!**” John then writes: **Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it and will glorify it again.”** Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his turning to the Father with an unshakeable *expectation* of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.


**Lenten challenge:** This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: “Father, glorify Your name in all these things!” Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times.

— 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




**Holy Week/Easter Mass Schedule**  
 ~Holy Thursday March 28th SJB/HT 6:30pm  
**SJB/HT Church will remain open for Adoration until 9:30pm**  
 ~Good Friday March 29th OLP/SP 3:00pm  
 ~Easter Vigil Saturday March 30th OLP/SP 8:00pm  
 ~Easter Sunday March 31st OLP/SP 7:30am  
 ~Easter Sunday March 31st SJB/HT 9:00am  
 ~Easter Sunday March 31st OLP/SP 11:30am

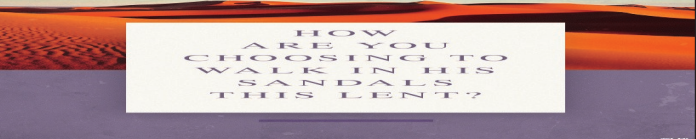
**SJB/HT Religious Education** 

Our Religious Education program is nearing the end of the 2023-2024 year. There are only 7 classes left for our students. Our last class will be on Mother's Day, May 12th. This last class will be our First Communion and May Crowning Mass. Please pray for all our students, their families and our teachers. 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**  
 Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in dying to our independence that we find interdependence with others.

**Pray For Vocation** 

"The Father will honor whoever serves me." Are you called to belong to serve Christ alone as a priest or through consecrated life? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: [vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org) and follow us on Instagram @vocationsyracuse.




**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
 Are you asleep?

Today Jesus is called to the grave of a dear friend who had recently died. Martha cries out that if Jesus were closer, her brother Lazarus would not have died.


Remember from the First Sunday in Lent that death and sin are connected and that life is seen as living a faith-filled life? That is what is happening in this Gospel. Living as a disciple of Christ can give us the ability for a life everlasting in the presence of God.

What in our lives needs to be uncovered, as Lazarus is unwrapped of his burial clothes and returned to live with his loved ones?

As we move closer to Easter Sunday, let us ask God to unwrap or unbind that which needs to be healed so that we may live a life that is pleasing to God.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** 

The Syracuse 1/2 Mile Marathon is Sunday March 24th and will cause some traffic issues with the closed/blocked off streets around SJB parish. Depending on where you are coming in from please note that you should avoid **Danforth Street** completely. Court St. near SJB will not be blocked. We do suggest that you prepare and leave earlier than normal to ensure you arrive on time.

**(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments** 


**By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman**  
**Lost in the Crowd**  
 I write my phone number on my kids' arms when we go into large crowds at summer festivals, in case we get separated. If you think this makes me sound like a neurotic person with an overactive imagination who watches too many true crime documentaries, you would be correct. I am all of those things.

However, I am also practical, and I've endured moments of panic after looking up and briefly not being able to locate a child who has wandered off or lagged behind. The phone number, scrawled across their sunscreen-streaked skin, is a safeguard, however insignificant. It's something they can hold up to show an adult, something they can point to and say, "This is where I need to be. Help me get here."

When I reflect on my own life, it occurs to me that I was born lost. We all were. It was only in Eden that a human being ever knew what it was to be at home. In Eden, I would imagine, the feeling of safety was so natural that it was only noticed after it was gone. But original sin came like a noisy crowd to bear us away from the place we needed to be, and since that time, our human lives have played out against a backdrop of insecurity and unfamiliarity. We are cold and alone and confused. And God, our heartbroken parent, never stops seeking us, never stops calling our names.

Baptism, the etching of God's law onto our heart and soul, is not a phone number written on our arms. It's something far better — it's a homing signal, planted deep within. And it will lead us back to where we need to be.

*"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD. I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people."* — Jeremiah 31:33 ©LPi

 **Reflect: Readings and Gospel for 4th Sunday Of Lent**

**First Reading:** Through the prophet Jeremiah, God promised Israel "a new covenant": the Lord's law will be written in our hearts and known by all who believe. Do you know people who seem to have a heart-felt faith?

**Second Reading:** Hebrews teaches us that Jesus struggled with his own impending suffering and death. During this Lenten season, what has been a struggle for you?

**Gospel:** Jesus taught that through his own suffering and death, he would drive out the "ruler of this world" (Satan) and draw everyone to himself. In what ways are you drawn to Christ?



### Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

#### Saturday March 16, 2024

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Frank Procopio - Fabrizi Family  
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Egidio (Gino) Fabrizi - Fabrizi Family  
Henry & Esther Pagano - Frank & Sue  
Nancy & Felice Belvito - sandy, Dan & Danny

**5:30pm SJB/HT** - Steve P. Taddeo - The Family  
Alfred J. Mastriano, Sr. - Wife, Gloria  
Josephine Contrastan - Daughter, Gloria

#### Sunday March 17, 2024

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Louis Tandredi - Jody DePaulis

**9:00am SJB/HT** - David McLaughlin - Mother  
Maria - Mr. & Mrs. J. Dauccio  
Franca - Mr. & Mrs. J. Dauccio  
Fr. David James - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Warren

**11:30am OLP/SP** - Natalino Piccoli - Marty Nave  
Stella & John Corona - Cathy & Family  
Carmen, Mary & Melanie Surace - The Family  
Ann & Gus Mancuso & Carmen Emmi, Sr. -  
Rosemarie & Family

**5:00pm OLP/SP** - N/A

#### Monday March 18, 2024, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** -

**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Rita Carroll - Michael Nesci

#### Tuesday March 19, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Antonio & Rosa Piraino - John  
Giuseppe & Giuseppina DiLorenzo - Sister, Gilda

**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Our prayer box requests

#### Wednesday March 20, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Paul Fichera - Grandsons, Anthony &

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

#### Thursday March 21, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** -

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

#### Friday March 22, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Mary Rose Strano - Julia DiBello

**12:15 OLP/SP** -

**12:00pm SJB/HT** - All the people of  
St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

**7:00pm SJB/HT** - Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday March 23, 2024

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
Helen Corbett - Sandy, Dan & Danny  
Henry & Esther Pagano - David DeLucia  
Genevieve Aloï Waker - Cousin, Mary Prince

**5:30pm SJB/HT** - Lena Campanino - The Costantino Family

#### Sunday March 24, 2024

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Joseph & Anna Caruso & Sons -  
Dianne & John

**9:00am SJB/HT** - Ann Warn - Pat & Norm Jaquin

**11:30am OLP/SP** - Rosemary Caracci - The Family  
Vincent Caracci, Jr. - The Family  
Leonardo Colavita - Son, Anthony



### Lector Schedule - March 23rd & March 24th

5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan

9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard

### Lector's Needed/Holy Week

For Holy Week, we need one lector for the following Masses. Please call me at the rectory if you are available.



~Holy Thursday March 28th SJB/HT Church 6:30pm filled  
~Good Friday March 29th OLP/SP Church 3:00pm  
~Easter Vigil Saturday March 30th OLP/SP Church 8:00pm  
~Easter Sunday March 31st SJB/HT Church 9:00am filled

### Sacrificial Giving

Week March 9th & March 10th

SJB/HT Collection: \$1,971.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$10,741.00

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.

**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, Francis Galimi, 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, Joe Petasano, Philomena Piraino, Cathy Galutz Sacco, 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 Light Is On"

"The Light Is On" is a chance for you to receive the sacrament of reconciliation before Easter. It will be here at SJB/HT on Monday March 25th from 4:00pm-7:00pm.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of  
**Hannah P. Markert**  
Requested by The Family

### 11:30am OLP/SP cont.

Jane Lostumbo - Daughter, Ginnie

Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances

**5:00pm OLP/SP** - Eileen Tymoff - Jack & Melanie

Luke, Joseph & Rose Oscuro - The Estate