

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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June 16, 2024

Mass Schedule: SJB/HT

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-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-2:30pm

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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



11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”- Mk 4:30-32b

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Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

My mother and father fell in love with each other rather quickly. It was only a span of two months between their first meeting and quiet betrothal. They waited for a significant period of time before going public with the happy news. It simply wasn't time. Love's strength and speed can sprout scandal in public. Until the big reveal, they gave the outside world only little hints, gestures, and riddles.

Something like this — but even more wonderful — is at play when Mark says of Jesus, **“he did not speak to them without a parable, but to his disciples in private he explained everything.”** Jesus is the long-awaited messiah-king, but his identity as the Lord and Son of God is so new, surprising, and scandalous to human ears that the big reveal would have to wait. Thus, his parables are riddles, meant to conceal more than reveal. Even the disciples — who hear things explained directly — barely grasp what he is up to. It's only at the cross that Jesus' love for Israel and the world is explicitly revealed. Until then, much stays hidden and comes in riddles.

So it goes with us, too. I wonder at times why doesn't the Lord just speak to us directly in prayer about what we should do, or how to fix our problems. Or why doesn't he reveal himself directly to powerful leaders who are slow to act? Why does he allow life so often to be confounding, contradictory, and crazy? Because it simply isn't time yet. One glorious day, it will be. Until then, he teaches us in riddles, and only sometimes explains them.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

Pastor Father Daniel Caruso

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In Residence Fr. Paschal Anionye

Music Director/Organist James Stanley

Buildings/Grounds Robert Warren

Religious Education Betty Warren



Formation for Ministry/Deacon Formation 2024 Information Sessions

Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville will host the Information Sessions for this area on Sunday, August 11th from 1:00-3:30pm. To register visit formationforministrysyr.org or call 315-470-1479.



Gracious God and Father, our first father,
You are the One who has brought us to life
in this world you created.

You created us and everything around us.
We turned away from you and only after
disappointing you did we return your love.

Look with favor on our earthly fathers.
They helped create us in your image.
We have disappointed them,
but have come to realize just how important they are to us.

Bless all our fathers, living and deceased,
with comfort and health.
We bring all their needs to you
and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.

We ask all this in the name of your Son,
our model of what it means to reverence our fathers.
In Christ's name. Amen.



Reflect: Readings and Gospel for 11th Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: During their captivity and exile in Babylon, God assured the Israelites He would restore them into a mighty majestic cedar tree. How do you find comfort in times of despair?

Second Reading: Paul teaches the Corinthians to aspire to please the Lord, no matter your present circumstances. What could you do this week at home or at work to please the Lord?

Gospel: We hear how Jesus often spoke in parables about the kingdom of God, stretching people's thinking and imaginations. Where do you see the kingdom of God at work? ©LPi

(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman Living Parables



Whenever someone begins a sentence with, "This parable means..." I roll my eyes. (Sometimes I do this inwardly, to be polite. But I still do it.)

We have a tendency to treat the parables like our mom's favorite casserole recipe. *Ah yes*, we think as we sit down to dinner, smiling as we inhale the aroma of childhood. *Good ol' mushy-chicken-rice-thing. I recognize you. I know exactly what you are. I don't even have to think about you.*

Parables are often presented as an example of how God stoops to meet the limits of human understanding: truth, but in a cute little story! And while it's certainly true that the parables of Christ — each word, each detail, each character — are painstakingly crafted to suit the imagination and intelligence of man, we need to be careful how we think about that.

Sometimes we have a tendency to think of parables as simple and formulaic. We consign them to the genre of bedtime stories, whose point is to soothe, to lull. But these are stories that are meant to keep us awake. They are meant to keep us wondering.

When Christ spoke of the mustard seed, he was speaking the truth in words that his disciples needed to hear two thousand years ago. But he was also speaking to you today. And he was speaking to you tomorrow, and next year, and three years from now, and on your deathbed. If you read this parable on each of those occasions, you will hear something different each time. The parable, you see, is something alive.

It doesn't change, exactly, because the truth never changes. But people change, and what they need to hear changes too.

Don't ever make the mistake of thinking you can finish Jesus' sentences.

"With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it." — Mark 4:33 ©LPi



**Congratulations to
Rev. Benjamin
Schrantz &
Rev. Pawel Zmija
on their Ordination to
the Priesthood**

**Scratch Off Lottery tickets accepted anytime between
now and our International Festival October 12th.**

**Mass intentions \$15.00, Bread and Wine in memory of
your loved one(s) \$25.00 or Sanctuary Lamp \$10.00.**

**FYI - We are still in need of men and women who might
be interested in helping serve during funeral.**

World Refugee Day (June 20) helps us remember our global family that has been displaced by crisis. Let us pray:

- For those forced to flee violence, we pray they find safety.
- For those seeking economic opportunity, we pray they find secure livelihoods.
- For those trying to support and protect their families, we pray they find communities to embrace them.
- For those searching for peace and hope, we pray that we may be bearers of the Good News.
- We pray that all refugees may find safe and loving communities and the opportunity to thrive.
- And we pray that we may have the courage to stand and act in defense of human dignity for all.

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 June 15, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Richard Tortora, Sr. - Rita & Family
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Nicholas J. Silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe
Genevieve Ilacqua - Anne, Joanne & Patty
Frank Giannantonio & Julia DiLaurio - Anna
5:30pm SJB/HT - Bill Bryant - Nancy Bergeson
Zesky & Stenner Families - The Family
Pantaleo & Helen Favalo & Sharon Favalo - Daughter

Sunday June 16, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - All Fathers Deceased
9:00am SJB/HT - All Fathers Deceased
11:30am OLP/SP - All Fathers Deceased
5:00pm OLP/SP - All Fathers Deceased

Monday June 17, 2024,

12:00 Noon SJB/HT - Rita Carroll -
Annette & Mark Hartman

Tuesday June 18, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Mike Ward - Loving Family
Santa Andalora - Marcia Rafté
John F. Blasi - Marietta & Family
12:00pm SJB/HT - Kieran & Rosaleen Donoghue -
Mary (Jerger) & Tim Reed & Family

Wednesday June 19, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Maria Giamartino -
Chet & Marsha Kukowski
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday June 20, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Libby Scalzo - John Sunser
4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday June 21, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Frank Sereno - Jim & Kim Robinson
12:00pm SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother

Saturday June 22, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue
Jeffrey Canino - Mom & Family
Henry & Esther Pagano - John Wall
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Frank & Carmine Carapella - Frank & Sue
Giovanna & Antonio Barbutto - The Family
5:30pm SJB/HT - Rick Sardo - Mom, Lisa & Mike

Sunday June 23, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - Sal Scro - Joe Falcone
Michael Iacampo - Wife
9:00am SJB/HT - Paul Ferretti - Marilyn
Irving Geiger - Marilyn
Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
John Logana - Pat & Norm Jaquin
Anthony DelVecchio - Wife & Children

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land...Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." — Mk 4:26, 28-29

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SJB/HT and OLP/SP Rectories Closed

The rectories will be closed on Wednesday June 19th in observance of Juneteenth Day. OLP/SP will still offer their 9:00am Mass. For all who observe this day, have a nice midweek day off.



SJB/HT and OLP/SP Rectories Closed

The rectories will be closed on Thursday July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe, happy and blessed holiday.

Lector Schedule - June 22nd & June 23rd

5:30pm SJB/HT: Owen Donovan
9:00am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard



Sacrificial Giving

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

Week June 8th & June 9th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,490.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$6,978.00

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for:
Special Intentions



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, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Emma Lane, Kay Leder-mann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Antoinette Perotta, Cherie S., 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 & our Health Care Workers.**



11:30am OLP/SP - Anna Lombardi - Husband, Elio
Domenico Lombardi - Son, Elio
Maryann Vigliotti - Joe Falcone
Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances
Vincent Caracci, Sr. - Fran & Joanne
Anthony Lella - Mother, Rose Lella Windsor
Alessandro & Ada Sisera - Sister-in-law, Gilda
Ann & Gus Mancuso & Carmen Emmi, Sr. -
Rosemarie & Family

5:00pm OLP/SP - Louis Tandredi -
Steve & Trasie Procopio & Family

