

## St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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June 9, 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



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### Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus asks us a stunning question this week: **“How can Satan cast out Satan?”** To enter into this question opens up the often-hidden dynamics of what Jesus has done and is constantly doing. If we’re honest, our response to some degree is: “How *else* can we cast him out? Satan is *precisely* how we cast out Satan!” But Jesus wants us to see this finally does not work. Here’s what I mean.

*Satanas* names the demonic mechanism by which we render wholeness through accusation. When we face a threat, we seek something to protect us (e.g., more money, social status, security, power, etc.). Rivals inevitably arise for these things and so do tensions. Accusation presents itself. “I’ll never be successful unless I get ahead of that guy.” “She’s already trying to get ahead of me.” “That group of immigrants is trying to take our jobs.” And so on. The accusation grows into a fear-inducing threat — things will break apart — no, they already are! Hurry! We inflict violence on the victim and — as if by magic — peace ensues. For a time. Soon fresh accusations are required to hold new chaos at bay, until there is no community left at all. This is essentially humankind’s sad history in a nutshell.

Jesus’ cross and resurrection unmasks this broken system of “casting out Satan by Satan” and ushers in a new one he calls “the Kingdom of God.” He reveals that the dynamic of accusation is nothing compared to his power of divine mercy and love. The cross (and not Satan) is the real power to tear down strongholds of sin and cast out Satan. This is why he describes himself as the **“stronger man who ties up the strong man to plunder his house.”** This week let’s notice the ways we **“cast out Satan by Satan,”** and then refuse to do it anymore. Because in the long run, that divided house cannot stand.

— 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



## Dear Parishioners,

I recently announced at Mass that I will be completing my assignment here at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity at the end of June. I have been truly blessed as your pastor. Fr. Brendan Foley will be assuming pastoral responsibilities on July 1. I would like our focus as a parish during the next month to be preparing to welcome Fr. Foley. This will be his first assignment as pastor/administrator. My hope and prayer is that he will experience the warm, welcoming nature of our parish from the first moment he arrives.

Please know that you are all in my prayers as we prepare for this change (you all know how I don't like change)! I will have another column in the bulletin before I leave to try to share with you how much all you mean to me. In the meantime, please know that I am truly grateful for the last nine and a half years with you!

Let us continue to pray for each other.  
In His Holy Name,  
Fr. Caruso

## What is Flag Day



Flag Day is a holiday celebrated on June 14 in the United States. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The Flag Resolution stated "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.

The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army birthday on this date, as Congress adopted the American continental army after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day. On August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. On June 14, 1937, Pennsylvania became the first state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale. New York Consolidated Laws designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.



## Reflect: Readings and Gospel 10th Sunday In Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** We hear how Adam and Eve disobeyed God and listened to the serpent, who tricked them into eating the forbidden fruit. How can you more intentionally listen to God's voice this week?

**Second Reading:** Paul urges the Corinthians to be confident that despite our current afflictions and discouragements, God has given us an abundance of grace and has prepared for us eternal glory. Who might need to hear this message of hope from you?

**Gospel:** As he began his public ministry in Galilee, Jesus redefined "family" as whoever does the will of God. What would you say is "the will of God?"

## (Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman In the Family Way



Look here: there is no one more family-oriented than me. I drive a minivan. I wear mom jeans. I wipe unidentified gunk off of kids' faces without a second thought.

I'm all about family, but I'm not always a fan of what "family" has come to mean in the modern lexicon. Family values. Family-friendly. Family-oriented. It's usually a synonym for "non-offensive." Soft. Moderate. Nice.

It's all fine, I suppose. But is it genuine? Creating a family, bringing that family physically into the world, was the hardest and most painful thing I ever did. The care and keeping of that family — the teamwork with my spouse, the feeding and watering of the children, the teaching of the writing and the reading and praying — it's very hardcore. It's not all stuffed animals and peekaboo. It's a mental, spiritual, and physical challenge that daily brings me to my knees.

I'm not even talking exclusively about parenting young children. I'm talking about being part of a family in any way — being a son, being a daughter, being a sister and cousin and uncle. Families are complicated and strange and messy. Sometimes boundaries need to be drawn, or they need to be crossed. Sometimes walls need to be put up or torn down. It's never easy. It's never simple.

But I've never known someone who didn't want to be part of a family in some way, whether that's a blood family or one created by circumstance. And there's a reason Christ creates a family ("Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother") and not a club.

A family is a crucible, yes — but what comes out is so much more beautiful than what went in. For all the effort and even pain that is sometimes involved in a family relationship, there is nothing more defining, more fulfilling.

We are part of Christ's family, and what we can expect from that is certainly not a life of simple, clear-cut, undemanding discipleship. We can expect confusion. We can expect discomfort. But we can expect to be perpetually drawn to the heart of one who loves us without hesitation, without condition.

In the end, we're family.

*"Here are my mother and my brothers." — Mark 3:33 ©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 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.**



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

**Saturday June 8, 2024**

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Frank Procopio - The Family  
 Mary Anne Bandy - Laurie & Kathy  
 Guy & Lucrezia Blasi - The Children  
 Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
 Elena Guala - Aunt Kathy & Aunt Laurie  
 Nicholas J. silvaggio - Tony, Nick & Joe  
 Victoria Giannantonio & Marianna DeLorio - Frank & Sue  
**5:30pm SJB/HT** - RoseMary Lane & Family - The Estate

**Sunday June 9, 2024**

**7:30am OLP/SP** - Carl & Mary Ellen Sunser - Children  
 Maria Giamartino - Kim & John Carhart  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - Ralph Mott, Sr. - The Family  
 Francis Galimi - Joan LaVergne  
 Darlene Noyes Crawford - Mother  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Gregory Demetrick - The Family  
 Ann Mancuso - Rosemarie & Family  
 Carmen Surace - The Surace Children  
 Vincent Caracci, Sr. & Vincent Caracci, Jr. -The Family  
 Anthony James Cannizzaro & Mule & Cannizzaro Families -  
 John & Margherita  
**5:00pm OLP/SP** - Deceased members of  
 the Ruggeri Family - Joe Ruggeri

**Monday June 10, 2024,**

**12:00 Noon SJB/HT** - John, Amy & David Mura -  
 The Family

**Tuesday June 11, 2024**

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Peter DiBello - Sister, Julia  
 Camille Grosso - The Rauch Family  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - Rita Carroll - Michael Nesci

**Wednesday June 12, 2024**

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Nicolina Colavita - The Colavita Family  
**4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession**

**Thursday June 13, 2024**

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Guido & Elsa Vellone - Cousin, Gilda  
**4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession**

**Friday June 14, 2024**

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Francine Battaglia - Joe Falcone  
**12:00pm SJB/HT** - All the people of SJB/HT

**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

**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.



**Lector Schedule - June 15th & June 16th**

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 May 25th & May 26th

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,443.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,770.00

Week June 1st & June 2nd

SJB/HT Collection: \$2,942.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$7,664.00

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of

**John Markert**

Requested by The Family

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for:

**Special Intentions**



St. Philip Neri was an Italian priest who served both the rich and poor of Rome with a jovial spirit. He founded The Congregation of the Oratory, a secular order which includes priests and brothers and does not bind them under religious vows, but instead by a bond of charity.



**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 Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Antoinette Perotta, 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.**

