

St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?” Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

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Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

The world is filled with people whose basic needs aren't met, whether for clean water, nutrition, safety, education, meaningful work, stable family life, basic medical resources, religious freedom, and the right to life. So how can we possibly believe what Psalm 145 says to us this week, “**The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs**”? Does he? What about the countless poor? Can't we identify at least a few unmet needs in our own lives right now? Is the Bible promoting wishful thinking and laziness in helping others?

No. The psalm flows from Israel's experience of God's relentless fidelity again and again —especially in the Passover from Egypt. This divine providence is recalled when Jesus feeds the needy multitudes in the Gospel of John. Passover arrives once again, and the people are hungry like the ancient Israelites on the wilderness journey. What is new is that in Jesus God not only provides for their needs, but He learns what it's like to have those human needs. He shares them too. He feeds them bread and fish; and even more, He hungers to provide them, and us, much more than just that kind of perishable food.

Our deepest need is for God. Like the multiplied bread, all earthly provisions ultimately fail, for we all finally die. Of course, our obligation to meet the needs of the poor is basic. But Christ promises to feed us with the one bread that never fails: God Himself. He is humanity's eternal food. If we eat this bread, we taste the faithfulness of God who answers all our needs, even when every earthly thing fails.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Mass Schedule SJB/HT

Sunday - 9:00 am

Reconciliation Thursday 4:00-5:00 pm

Office Hours SJB/HT

Monday - Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm Friday 9:00am - 2:30pm

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International Food Festival

Yes, we are having the International Food Festival on Saturday, **October 12, 2024** in the Parish Center. At this time we are asking if you would like to participate with a food table to contact the rectory asap. By September 1st we hope to have all food vendors in place. Our bakers, we will have a baked good table, so your baked good donations will be graciously accepted. More information will follow. Please keep this date free on your calendars.



A Family Perspective Family Life Education

In today's Gospel, Phillip worried about "enough food" for the crowd. What is enough? When does our enough deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less. Can your family live more simply so that other families can simple live?

Pray For Vocations

"I implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called." Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest or religious brother or sister? Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.



Weekly Readings And Observances

Readings for the week of July 28, 2024

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt

13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Observances for the week of July 28, 2024

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time ©LPi

Reflect: Readings and Gospel 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Trusting in the Lord, Elisha was able to feed a hundred people with just twenty barley loaves and fresh grain. Can you think of a time when you had to trust in the Lord?

Second Reading: Paul urges the church in Ephesus to live in unity and holiness. What are some signs that a community is holy and united?

Gospel: After Jesus fed the crowds with the multiplication of loaves and fish, he withdrew to the mountain alone. When do you find the need to be alone? ©LPi



Message From Fr. Foley

"The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs." (Psalm 145)



Last weekend in Indianapolis IN, the ongoing Eucharistic Revival in our country was on full display as nearly 60,000 Catholics came together, united precisely by how the Lord fulfills these words of Psalm 145. It is true, the hand of the Lord continues to feed us each and every day. Yet God doesn't just feed us metaphorically or symbolically, but rather in the Eucharist we are fed with the real presence of Jesus' body, blood, soul, and divinity. His very life is made substantially present and it alone has the power to transform us that we might become who we consume.

It's possible we are unfamiliar with the Eucharistic Revival! What is it? Why do we need it? Why now? I'd invite you to consider this reflection which is at the heart of the Revival...it speaks to the purpose of our life, the purpose for which God created us in love and for love and for life with Him. Because we are human we need to regularly be renewed by the truths of our faith that define us, and when this relationship is brought back to the forefront of our lives we cannot help but become witnesses to the Gospel in the world; Good News that the world desperately needs:

"You are not an accident. The God who created the universe, who set the moon and stars in place, loves YOU and chose YOU, even before the world was formed. He knows you better than you know yourself, and he loves you simply because you are YOU. There are no conditions on his love: at every moment you are infinitely loved by him. You are dear to him.

The original harmony between us and God was shattered when sin entered the world. Even though God's understanding is beyond human reason, Adam and Eve refused to trust his omniscience and took it upon themselves to be their own gods, choosing themselves above their creator. We continue to turn our back on God, selfishly distorting the good gifts he has given us. Our sin has torn at the very fabric of creation, allowing disease, darkness, and death to inundate our world. Our relationship with God has been ruptured. Refusing to follow God's plan of love, we have been enslaved to sin.

God loves us so much that he became man and died for us. Christ outstretched his arms and submitted to death to reconcile us to his Father. Death and sin do not have the final word: Christ's Resurrection opens for us the doors to new life in him. Christ's sacrifice and victory transcends space and time, and it is made present on the altar at every Mass! No one is excluded from his offer of love and mercy, no matter how great a sinner we might be! This includes YOU.

Jesus has opened the door for you, and through his Church, he invites you into a personal relationship with God, but God won't force you to choose him. Christ comes to us in the Eucharist, offering himself to us: Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. He nourishes us, offering himself as "our daily bread." It is easy for us to overlook this extraordinary gift. Even people who go to Mass each Sunday forget that Jesus is not merely symbolically present, but truly and substantially. It's time for us to entrust ourselves to the One who gave his life for us and invites us to encounter him in the Eucharist. It's time for a Eucharistic Revival."

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.



Message From The SJB/HT Office

Parishioners, the Rectory Office will be closed on Thursday August 1st through Monday August 5th as I shall be on vacation. If there is an emergency and need for Fr. Foley, please call OLP/SP 315-422-7163, emergency only, and they will contact him for you. Otherwise, I will be back Tuesday August 6th and take care of all office business then. Thank You!

Lector Schedule - Sunday August 4

9:00 am SJB/HT: Ashley Stoddard

Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday July 27, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - June Blasi - Siblings
Virginia Lanza - The Family
Laura DelVecchio - Children
Francis Galimi - Joanne Licitra
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Marianna D'Ambrosio - Frank & Sue
Helen Corbett - Sandy, Dan & Danny
Richard A. Tortora, Sr. - Rita & Family

Sunday July 28, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - All the people of OLP/SP
9:00am SJB/HT - H. John Riley - Ann Billion
David McLaughlin - Mother
Bill Judge - Peter & Maureen White
11:30am OLP/SP - Maryann Vigliotti - Clara Delledera
Frank & Nancy Fugale - The Family

Monday July 29, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Louis Rosati - Mrgaret & Steve Zogg

Tuesday July 30, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Pasquale Sisera - Wife, Gilda

Wednesday July 31, 2024

9:00am OLP/SP - Angeline DeMascole - Son, Anthony
4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday August 1, 2024

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

Friday August 2, 2024

Saturday August 3, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Gregory Charles Snyder - Mom
Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph
Anthony Merluzzi - Louis Fratangelo
Jean, Anthony, Dominick & Teddy Tirinato - Frank & Sue

Sunday August 4, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP -
9:00am SJB/HT - Antonio McLaughlin - Mother
Florence Haller - Pat & Norm Jaquin
Rose Mary Lane & Family - The Estate
Francis Galimi - Theresa & Daryl Hegarty
Angeline Viggiano - The Viggiano Family
Giulia Cesario Palucci - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Palucci & Family
11:30am OLP/SP - N/A

Mass Schedule OLP/SP 315-422-7163

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm Vietnamese Mass 6:00pm
Sunday - 7:30am, 11:30am
9:30am Vietnamese
Monday - Thursday 9:00am in the Chapel
Reconciliation Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm



Prayer Requests

Please do continue to put your prayer requests into the prayer boxes. The boxes are located in the Park St. vestibule and inside the Church at the parking lot entrance. Fr. Lester has graciously agreed to offer up your requests when he says Mass for himself, which he faithfully does everyday. The prayers will be collected each Monday and kept on the altar in the Chapel.

Sacrificial Giving

Week July 13th & 14th
SJB/HT Collection: \$1,976.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$4,383.00

Parishioners, please look through the prayer list and let me know if anyone should be removed as well as added. Thank you very much,,,,, Nancy



Remember: Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Jean Brooker, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Jon English, 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 Morgia, 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, Fred Wheeler and Maureen White.
We also remember in our prayers our Service Men and Women & our Health Care Workers.
Due to HIPAA laws, hospitals are not allowed to give names of patients. Please notify the parish office if you have a loved one in the hospital, a nursing home or is homebound and would like a visit.



Parishioners

With the hotter months upon us and our church not having A/C, please feel free and comfortable to bring with you cold water bottles. It's important that we all stay hydrated through the hot weather and in church as well. It's

Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:10, 12

