

## St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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# 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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### Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, "You'll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try." Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won't work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week's words from St Paul, "**I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me (2 Cor. 12:9).**" Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn't promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let's face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it's there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

— 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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## BUNKO! \*\*\*New Start Time\*\*\*

We will be playing Bunko on Saturday July 13th in the Parish Center. All are invited to play. We start with a meal **New start time \*\*\*** at 5:30pm and start playing at 7:00pm. We are usually done by 9:00pm. The cost is \$10.00 per person which includes food, beverages, and prizes. Please let me know by Wednesday July 10th if you want to play. My phone number is 315-420-6357. Betty Warren.



## A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Today's Gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The hometown folks could not accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we do not see God present in the ordinary routines of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.

## Pray For Vocation

"My grace is sufficient for you." Consider a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. God's grace is all you need. Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: [vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org) and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.



## Weekly Readings And Observances Readings for the week of July 7, 2024

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a  
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33  
Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

## Observances for the week of July 7, 2024

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday:  
Tuesday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs  
Wednesday:  
Thursday: St. Benedict, Abbot  
Friday:  
Saturday: St. Henry  
Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time ©LPI

## Reflect: Readings and Gospel

### 14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** The Lord encourages Ezekiel to be courageous in his role as a prophet, regardless of the response of the Israelites. Can you think of a time when you had to be courageous in facing uncertainty?

**Second Reading:** Paul learned a "thorn in his flesh" that was given to him to teach him that God's grace alone should be sufficient for his ministry. What are some obstacles in your life you have had to overcome?

**Gospel:** We hear how the villagers of Nazareth were "offended" by Jesus and lacked faith in him. How do you support family or friends who have been hurt by others?



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

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman  
A Prophet and His Native Place



"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place." It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn't go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn't like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can't reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you'll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don't often see anything worth venerating in the "right now" of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we'll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn't realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn't want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn't look like the "right now" of their lives.

But that's where God is, folks. He's in the right now, and nowhere else. He's waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

*Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." — Mark 6:4 ©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 Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

### Saturday July 6, 2024

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Marilyn Cox - Frank & Sue  
 Ruby Lashway - Debra Wade  
 Joseph DeLorio - Frank & Sue  
 Anthony Merluzzi - Debra Wade  
 Bruce Corbett - Sandy, Dan & Danny  
 Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
 Frank & Carmine Carapella - Frank & Sue

### Sunday July 7, 2024

**7:30am OLP/SP** - All the people of OLP/SP  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - Eleanor Riley - Marie Klotz  
 Gerry Klink - Pat & Norm Jaquin  
 Rosemary Lane & Family - The Estate  
 Rita Carroll - Annette & Mark Hartman  
 Francis Galimi - Theresa & Daryl Hegarty  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Vito Toia - Betty & Family  
 Carmen Emmi, Sr. - Rosemarie & Family  
 Peter Ilacqua - Love Anne, Joanne & Patty  
 Ann & Gus Mancuso - Rosemarie & Family  
 Rev. Michael Dietrich - Rosemarie Emmi & Family  
 Rev. Msgr. William L. Walsh - Rosemarie Emmi & Family

### Monday July 8, 2024

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

### Tuesday July 9, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Andrea Bortoloni - Gilda Sisera  
 Joseph DiBello - sister, Julia DiBello

### Wednesday July 10, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Maureen Paduano - John & Angela Cappicilli  
**4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession**

### Thursday July 11, 2024

**9:00am OLP/SP** - Henry & Esther Pagano - Sister, Elizabeth  
**4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession**

### Friday July 12, 2024

### Saturday July 13, 2024

**4:00pm OLP/SP** - Frank Procopio - the Family  
 Joseph J. Prince, III - Sisters  
 Emmelina Raccuia - Mary Linda  
 Jeffrey Canino - Bertha & Family  
 Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph  
 Christina & Carmine Carapella - Anna  
 David Vacco - Mom Canino & Family  
 Henry & Esther Pagano - sandy & Dan  
 Mary Joe & Angelo Canino - Bertha & Family  
 Bessie & Attilio Sampaolesi - Bertha & Family  
 Richard Sisto & Frank Giannantonio - Frank & Sue

### Sunday June 14, 2024

**7:30am OLP/SP** - All the people of OLP/SP  
**9:00am SJB/HT** - Marie Salenski - Friends  
 Jane Hunkler - Ed McGuire  
 Antonio McLaughlin - Mother  
 Karin Airel - Peter & Maureen White  
 Brian Mingolelli, Sr. Joe Falcone & Gloria Falcone  
**11:30am OLP/SP** - Pietro & Maria Sisera - Sister-in-law, Gilda  
 Christofero Giarizzo & Jenny Giarizzo -  
 The Family  
 Rev. Michael Dietrich - Rosemarie Emmi & Family  
 Anthony James Cannizzaro & Mule & Cannizzaro Families -  
 John & Margherita

## SJB/HT Mass Schedule Changes

As of July 1, 2024, we no longer offer a Saturday 5:30pm Vigil Mass as well the Mon., Tues., and Fri. 12:00 Noon Mass has been cancelled at SJB/HT. I will try and contact all with intentions which I will be happy to move into the 9:00am Sunday Mass or refund you your money. I appreciate your understanding and your patience with this task. ....Nancy

## Lector Schedule - Sunday July 14th

9:00 am SJB/HT: Mary Barraco

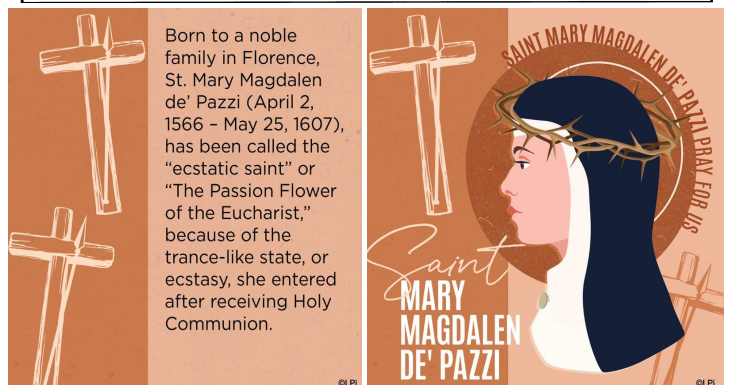
## Sacrificial Giving

Week June 29th & 30th

SJB/HT Collection: \$TBA OLP/SP Collection: \$TBA



**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, 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.**



### 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Catholic Trivia

Q: Who was the very first Pope to visit the Holy Land?  
 A: It was Pope Paul VI in 1964 ©LPi

## 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

