

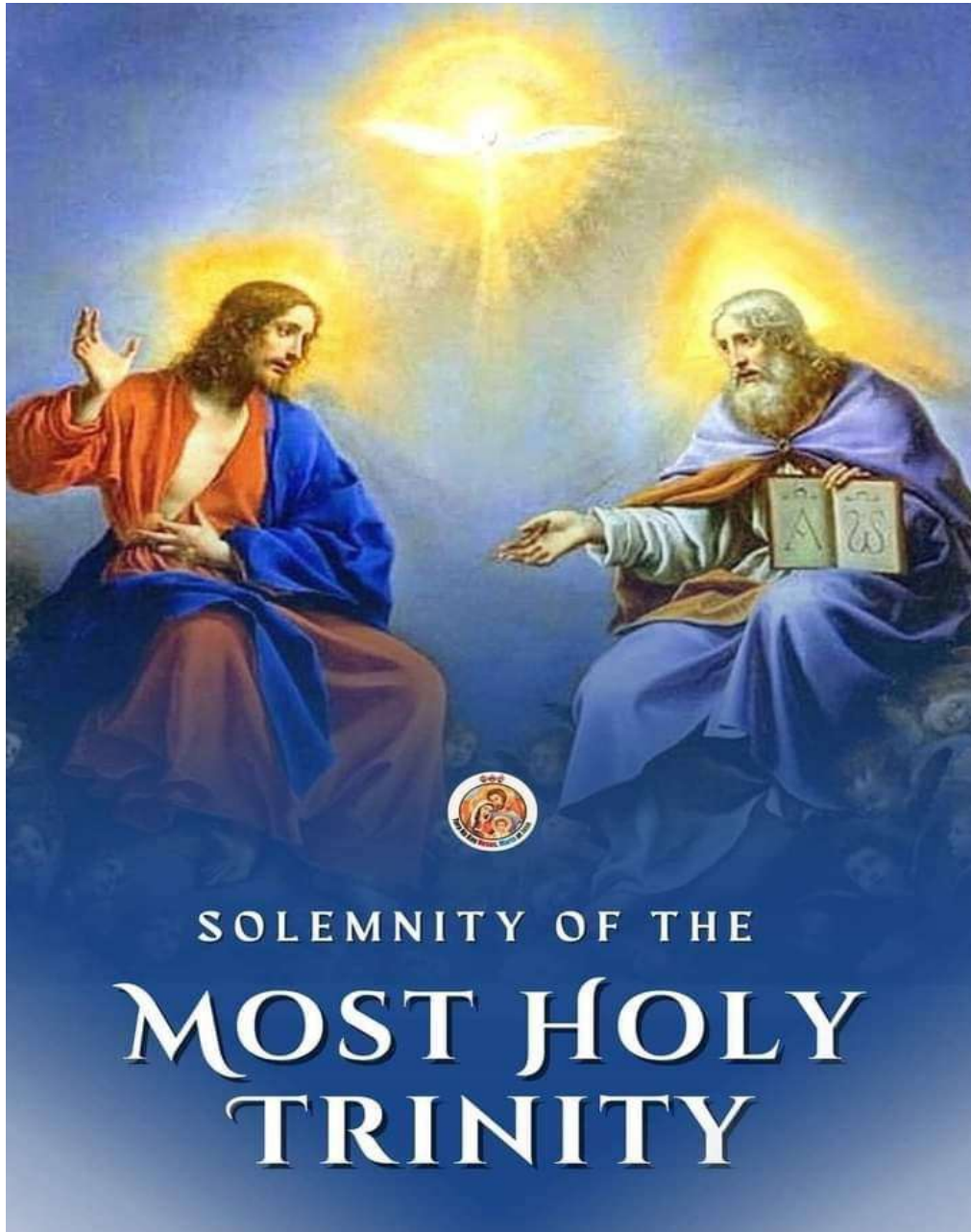
June 15th, 2025 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am
Mon- Fri: 9:00am (**Thursday at old St. John's Church**)
Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:00pm
CONFESSION: Saturdays 4:15pm - 4:45pm or by appt.

Register in the Parish: Please contact the Parish Office to register when you move into our parish.

Certificates of Eligibility may be issued only to registered parishioners who currently reside within our parish boundaries, who have been registered parishioners at least six months, are 16 yrs. and older, who have received all their Sacraments of Initiation, and are actively practicing their faith in our parish.

BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism may be scheduled to take place on a Saturday at 10am or 11am; or on a Sunday at 11:45am (immediately following the 10:30am Mass). Parents and at least one Godparent are to attend our Enrichment class prior to the Baptism. You will need to call the Parish Office to register for this class. Godparents must be committed, practicing Catholics, over the age of 16, and if from another parish, must provide a *Certificate of Eligibility* from their pastor. A Christian of another denomination may serve as a Christian Witness alongside a Catholic Godparent.



MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Matrimony Mass may be celebrated no later than 1pm on Saturdays. Couples planning marriage are to contact the Parish Office & schedule a meeting with our Pastor no later than 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples are to attend a Pre-Cana program approved by our Diocese.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at any time to request a visit from our Pastor for Anointing of the Sick. Communion will be brought to the sick and homebound by our Pastor or one of our Communion Ministers upon request.



We celebrate a Communal Anointing of the Sick in June, near the *Feast of St. John the Baptist*.

Mass Intentions

Week of June 16th – June 22nd, 2025

Monday: Intentions of Mike & Cathy Moreni (*Jim & Joan Black*)
Tuesday: † Robin Staats (*Regina Academy Faculty & Staff*)
Wednesday: † Charles & Anna B. McCarty (*Rosanne McCarty*)
Thursday: † Marie Louzon (*Georgina Puente*)
Friday: † John Reidler (*Loving Wife Janet*)

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm: † Freeh-Johnson Family
(*David & Mary Grace Tillotson*)
Sunday 8am: † Gail Curry (*Dave & Anne Slifer*)
Sunday 10:30am: Parishioners' Intentions

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon–Fri 9am–5pm

The Parish Office will be closed on

Thursday, June 19th in observance of Juneteenth.
To plan a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, private Confession, please contact our Pastor, Fr. Selvaraj Lucas, through the Parish Office.

WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS

MSC Seminary Appeal – India \$4,723

Ascension - \$1,377

June 8th - Envelopes \$9,791 * E-Giving \$1,773

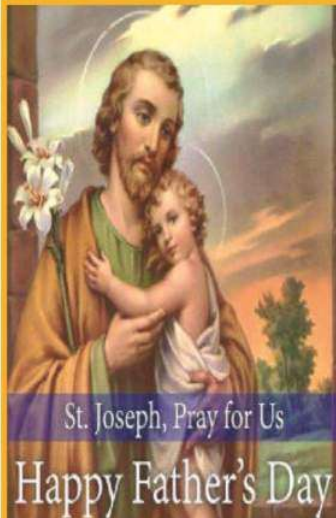
WEEKLY MINISTRY MEETINGS

Wed. Jun 18: Flame of Love - Chapel - 8am

Wed. Jun 18: Prayers of Petition* - Chapel & Zoom - 6:30pm

* **EMAIL LAURA AT sibevangel@stjohnsottsville.org TO JOIN IN PRAYER, OR TO SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS.**

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



St. Joseph, Pray for Us
Happy Father's Day

Father's Day Prayer
Heavenly Father,
You entrusted Your Son Jesus, the
Child of Mary, to the care of Joseph,
an earthly Father. Bless all Fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience; support
them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to You for love
and salvation, through Jesus Christ,
our Rock and Defender,
in union with the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
St. Joseph,
Pray for all of our Fathers.
Amen.

From your Pastor

St. Augustine of Hippo took nearly thirty years of his matured life to write fifteen volumes called “About the Trinity”. His expression was “I will not be presumptuous enough to do anything else than scratch the surface of the Trinity”. In the Old Testament, God is Creator of both the world, and of the nation of Israel through whom he will bless the world.

Of course, God is present as Spirit, and the Messiah is both prophesied and foreshadowed in various manifestation. In the New Testament Gospel accounts, the emphasis is upon Jesus - his birth, baptism, message, life, death, and resurrection. But God the Father approves his Son, and the Holy Spirit descends upon Him marking the anointing of Jesus for His ministry

We derive two important lessons from Trinity. First, in the doctrine of the Trinity, we find our model for community. As God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit relate to one another, we are invited to love each other, and work in concert to accomplish the purpose of God in the world and live us one community. Secondly, in the doctrine of the Trinity, we find our mission.

Jesus stated to the disciples, “As the Father has sent me, so send I you.” Just as God the Father sent Jesus into the world, so Jesus sends us into the world to do the Father’s work, equipped and accompanied by the Spirit of God.

We, the baptized Christians, become a “temple of the Holy Spirit and adopted child of the Father in virtue of the communication of the Spirit (Gal 4:6).” Baptized Christians are the people of the Trinity. Baptized persons become the property of Christ, and also symbolically plunged into Christ himself (Rom 6:3). Let us live by the Spirit according to the will of God through Jesus’ values.

**Yours in Jesus Christ,
Rev. S. Lucas MSC
Pastor, St. John the Baptist Parish**



PRAYERS TO ST. PEREGRINE

Every Tuesday morning, following the 9am Mass, we will be praying to St. Peregrine for those who are suffering from cancer and other diseases.

Please join us in praying for all who are suffering.

Holy Communion for the Sick & Homebound



Are you or a family member unable to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion? If you'd like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521.

We will make arrangements to bring the Lord to you.



Please consider a leaving a legacy to St. John the Baptist Parish. A gift to SJB in your will enables you to support the Church and makes a difference in the lives of future generations.

Thank you. God bless.

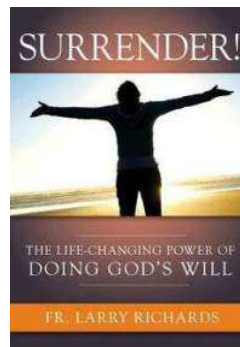
THIS WEEKEND - PLEASE STOP BY! PARISH SOCIAL AFTER MASS



This weekend we'll have a Parish Social after each Mass. All are welcome to stay, enjoy hospitality & get to know your church family.

We will be selling and taking orders for gift cards after all the Masses. Please visit us in the Narthex to get your order form and sign-up for program benefits!

THE SJB BOOK CLUB



For those who signed up for the Summer Book Club, please pick up your book this weekend after all Masses. The fee for the book is \$10, which is due at the first meeting. We will meet Sunday June 29th at 9:15am in the St. Augustine Room. Looking forward to our discussions!

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

O Jesus! My Lord and My God!

I trust in you, O Prince of Peace!

**I pray that you will help all people of this world
to be united as one with You as Our Lord and Savior!**

Jesus, I trust in You!



St. John the Baptist's Music Ministry would like to welcome more members into our existing groups as well as the formation of a Young Persons Choir Group. If you have that special talent as a singer or musician, please reach out to Patty Leidner or Rob Galdo. We really would be very happy to welcome you and become part of our Ministry. Thanks So Much!

The Choir, Ordinary Time, Echoes of Christ, and Cantors are always looking for new members including Musicians, Organists, Pianists as well as other Instrumentalists. New Groups are welcome. No special training needed, just a willingness to join in and contribute. Please see the contacts below:

Choir, Cantor, Musician, Group:

Patty: pl_1967@hotmail.com | (908) 500-3398

Ordinary Time: Liz: foxtail@epix.net | (610)-608-6365

Echoes of Christ: Rob: robgaldo@aol.com | (215-435-5427)

Dear Friends of The Lord's Pantry-



With summer vacation upon us, would you please consider donating snacks children will enjoy such as:

Granola Bars
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God bless, The Lord's Pantry Volunteers



**PARISH RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

Congratulations to the students of our Parish Religious Education Program who received

PERFECT ATTENDANCE this year:

Jordan Boston

Ethan Meyers

Juniper Meyers

Adelyn Soderman

Hailey Zolnoski

Registration Forms for Returning Students for 2025-26 have been mailed. Parents of New Students of any grade level, for 2025-26 should contact the Parish Office: prep@stjohnsottsville.org OR 610-847-5521.

Parents/Guardians of 7th grade students, who are parishioners of St. John the Baptist Church who are attending Catholic School and who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. John the Baptist Church in 2026, should contact the Director of Religious Education at prep@stjohnsottsville.org by September 30, 2025.

SACRAMENT DATES 2025-26:

FIRST PENANCE – Saturday, December 6, 2025
at 10:30 A.M.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Saturday, April 25, 2026
at 10:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION – Saturday, May 2, 2026
at 5:00 P.M. Mass
Bishop John J. Mc Intyre

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NATIVITY FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



In celebration of the **Nativity Feast of St. John the Baptist**, our Patron Saint, SJB will be offering the reciting of the Rosary while processing around the church with the St. John the Baptist statue at **6:30pm on Tuesday, June 24th**.

The Rosary will be followed by a **Healing Mass & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm** and light refreshments after Mass.

Please note there will be no morning Mass on Tuesday, June 24th.

The Evangelization Ministry

National Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia



Save the Date:

A Pilgrimage to the **Shrine of St. Rita** in Philadelphia on Saturday June 28th, 2025.

The Shrine gift shop will be open and there will be a noon Mass.

We will leave the SJB parking lot at 9:30am. Carpooling will be available.

Contact Laura at sjbevangel@stjohnsottsville.org with any questions.

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We will be having **Christmas in July** for 2 weekends:

July 12th & 13th and 19th & 20th.

Homemade or re-gifted items are needed. Tables will be set up in the Narthex. All proceeds will be used for the maintenance of SJB. Thank you!

Please contact Kim Zampirri @ 215-260-7592

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Saint John the Baptist Parish is gathering a team to participate in a walk to log miles for **Worthwhile Wear Thrift's ACT Challenge fundraiser on July 19th**. If you are interested in walking 1-3+ miles at Lake Nockamixon State Park, keep checking here for details about how to sign up! **There is no cost for this activity and all are welcome!** Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to have fun for the worthy cause of supporting survivors of human trafficking!

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On Mondays at 7 PM and Wednesdays at 10 AM we have an Hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. We pray the "Liturgy of the Hours", the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

DAILY AND OVERNIGHT RETREATS

**FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL JOAN BLACK
AT 215-795-2947**

June 21st & 22nd, 2025

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

	Communion Minister	Lector	Altar Server	Music Ministry
SATURDAY 5PM	Lynn & Gianna Gammello Laura Gumprecht	Kim Zampirri	Julia & Alyssa Byers Christine Wimpenny	Katie Minster Karen Parash
SUNDAY 8AM	Nina Carlineo Renee Moyer Bea Romaszewski	Marie Burke	3 Volunteers Needed	Karen Parash SJB Choir
SUNDAY 10:30AM	Joan Beebe Wendy DeGroot Leona Russell	Patti Keyser	Elia, Fatu & Siri Logaivau	Ordinary Time



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



OUR SICK:

Jessie Alfaro, Lou Bucci, Baby Conner & his Parents, Roger Bahnck Sr., John Becker, Wanda Bickel, Loretta Bodisch, Lillian Buckley, Brent Camillier, Eileen Carlineo, Katie Carty, Steve & Patty Combs, Maria D'Angelo, Barbara Docs, Marvin & Arlene Eichlin, Christie Feikel, Joe Fekete, Betty Fleck, Ron Freeland, Gabriella Froehlich, Jean Furmaniak, Marie & Rosalyn Giardullo, Peg Glancey, Kathy & Mark Hancharik, Maryann Hauber, Craig Herrman, Sylvia Holznagel, Sheila Haney Kaisen, John Klenges, Chris Leahy, Mark Leidtke, Nate Leidtke, Ray Malachowski, Rosanne McCarty, Xavier McDonald, Bridget McHugh, Joyce Melchiorre, Michael Moreni, Kay Mule, Helene Nastro, Dennis O'Connell, Jeff Olimpo, Robert Parash, Erin Rogers Pickering, Janet Reidler, Fr. Tony Ripp, MSC, Barbara Sabath, Adriana Salvucci, Thomas Shepherd, Megan Slabicki, Bella Sosa, Tony Souza, Bernadette Strzelecki, Simon Tirpok, Fr. Joseph Tobias, MSC, Bambina Ventresca, Helen Wall, Ed Wismer, Judy Woodroffe

**If you would like a prayer shawl for yourself or for someone you know,
please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521 or email tojo@epix.net.**

If someone no longer needs prayers, please advise the Parish Office so that we may keep the list up to date.

OUR TROOPS:



May God protect and watch over our troops



Jamie Steven Ayuso, Fionna M. Boyle, Derek Brosius, Christopher Brune, Kyle Crossland, David Fisher, Anthony J. Fleck, Joseph V. Fleck, Michael Froeder, A.J. Giovino, Aaron Given, Michael Griffin, Matthew Gumprecht, Bob Hankinson, Victor Hormilla, Aileen Lauer, Stephen Lindmeier, Dan O'Connor, McKenna Pason, Dusty Rhodes, Kathryn Salva, Jack Salva, Anne Salva, Thomas Salva, **Jared Scott**, Steven Siegert, Kendall Smith

A Prayer for OUR FIRST RESPONDERS:

Lord, please watch over all the men & women who work as first responders. We pray for their safety and that they return to their families at the end of each shift. We give thanks for their selfless service, compassion and care for everyone. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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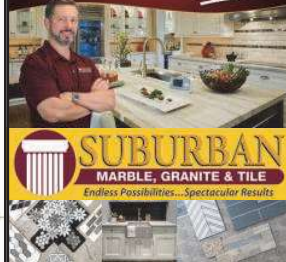
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