

Saint John the Evangelist

Catholic Church



The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 29, 2023



The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

A Prayer for World Peace

Dear God, thank You for all creation. In the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth and all teachers of peace who inspire the many faith traditions, help me and all the people of the world learn how to replace hate, war, oppression, and division with love, peace, freedom, and reconciliation. Help me to embody Your love in my relationships with my family, friends, strangers – even my enemies. I commit myself to this sacred task throughout my life. So let it be. Amen.

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. (livestreamed) and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. (livestreamed), 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (livestreamed), 11:00 a.m. (livestreamed), 1:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Hours of Operation

Main Office: Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

St. John's Religious Gift Shop : Saturday 2:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Saint John the Evangelist offers the healing sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) in the Church confessionals on Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass and Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 2:00-2:45 p.m.

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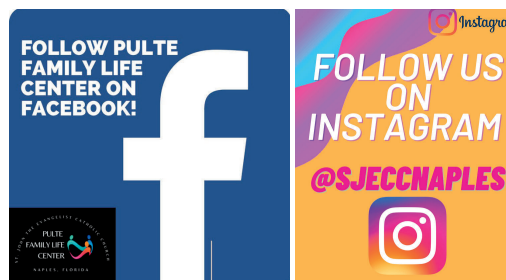
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Mass Intentions

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Saturday, January 28, 2023

8:00 AM + Todd Cousineau

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + McNulty Family

5:00 PM + Edward Wesolek

Sunday, January 29, 2023

7:00 AM + Salvatore Rendina

9:00 AM + Hebrank Family

11:00 AM + Ellen Lutz

1:00 PM + Anne L. Klimek

5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

Monday, January 30, 2023

8:00 AM + David and Jo Marr

9:00 AM + Russel Hanus

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

8:00 AM + John Tully

9:00 AM + Joseph Neary Jr.

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

8:00 AM + Dottie Nice

9:00 AM + James Morgan

Thursday, February 2, 2023

8:00 AM + Sam Schnydmann

9:00 AM + McDardoe Family

Friday, February 3, 2023

8:00 AM + Timothy C. Pollard

9:00 AM + Charles A. Mazzoni

Saturday, February 4, 2023

8:00 AM + Ken Foster

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

5:00 PM SI Declan Aigner

Sunday, February 5, 2023

7:00 AM + Paul and Vivian Ruschmann

9:00 AM + James Conley

11:00 AM + Laura Endres

1:00 PM + John Murray

5:00 PM + Phyllis Laurito

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions

Requested By

Jean and Garry Hansen

Anne and Andrew McNulty

Jeff and Carol Chorba

Requested By

Limarenko Family

David and Mark Hebrank

Bob Lutz

John and Carolyn Klimek

Requested By

Naples Lamp Shop

The Hanus Family

Requested By

Florence Donohue

Ellen Hooper

Requested By

Judy Ebert

Dr. and Mrs. John English

Requested By

Hal and Mary Angelo Smith

Pat Edgar

Requested By

Alexis Pollard

Mazzoni and McKune Family

Requested By

Noreen Price

Kay Sanfelippo

Requested By

Naples Lamp Shop

Conley Family

Helen Endres

Tom and pat Howard

Margaret Wuerstle

Readings for the Week

Saturday, January 28, 2023

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 29, 2023

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Mt 5:1-12a

Monday, January 30, 2023

Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Mal 3:1-4/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Friday, February 3, 2023

Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 4, 2023

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34

Sacraments of the Church

Baptism: The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, please call the office at (239) 566-8740.

Matrimony: Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice. Tricia Hoffman: tricia@sjecc.com.

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements: Call the parish office. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

Watch our livestream Masses at: <https://sjecc.org/mass-livestream/> or scan this QR code

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Ministries and Groups

Arimatheans. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Please contact Ann Petrillo: 239.248.2189

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Prepare boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Meets on Mondays at 6:45 p.m. in the Alexandria Room. scoutmaster@troop-226.com

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group – Rosemary Erickson: 239.250.0432

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina – Mondays at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. Kathleen Dunne: kadunne61@aol.com, 901.574.2947

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Contact Melissa Wychocki: mwychocki@gmail.com

Faith Chat - We will begin studying the book of Matthew on January 6th at 9:30am. We will meet on January 29th at 9:30am for coffee and conversation. Come and get to know us! We will start the study of the Gospel of St. Matthew on January 5th, 9:30am-11am. For more information contact Lee Pinto at 239-821-6195 or LeePinto2924@aol.com.

Jamaica Outreach Program. JOP provides goods, food, medical-vision-dental services, education, and basic support to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica. We welcome new volunteers. For more information, contact Jeanne Stamant Pittman: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org

Knights of Columbus. At St. John the Evangelist, Knights serve parish ministries, sponsor parish events and help with special projects. They support our clergy, fund parish equipment, assist in events for our youth and help the less fortunate. You can learn more about the parish K of C Council on our website <https://11281.knights.church> or contact us, at info@kocouncil11281.org or leave a message at 239.228.3938, and we'll respond promptly. Fourth degree Knights can find information about our Assembly at <https://3308.patriotic.degree>.

AA Brian R. 732-735-7037

Adult Children of Alcoholics Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195

Al-Anon For meeting locations and times, call 239.263.5907 or visit www.NaplesAl-Anon.org

Knitting & Crocheting. Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. - Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. Knits and crochets baby and children's items, prayer shawls, nursing home and elderly blankets. No experience necessary. Donations, both monetary and yarn are welcome. Contact: Sharon Campbell at 239.438.7867 or sharon@naples.net

Ladies of Charity. Our motto is to serve rather than to be served in humility, simplicity, and charity. We strive to serve the poor, sick, and marginalized in our community. Membership is open to any Catholic woman. For more information, please contact Karen Kaspar at kcmk77@aol.com or 216.496.7414.

Pray the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena - Every Saturday at 7:50 a.m. before Mass on the 1st Saturday and immediately after Mass on the other Saturdays of the month. Allan Degnan; 239-919-4465

Pray the Rosary & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited every day starting 50 minutes before Mass begins, Monday through Saturday. Summer Schedule at 7:40 a.m., Winter Schedule at 7:10 a.m. Barbara Hardebeck: 765-714-6589

Quilting Ministry - Are you a quilter? Are you interested in joining the St. John the Evangelist Quilting Ministry? For more information on this new way to serve others in our community, contact Sharon Campbell at 239.438.7867 or Elleen Fuller at 239.280.7585

Sewing Ministry. Sewing Ministry meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2. Donations, both monetary and of fabrics and supplies are welcome. If you like to sew we encourage you to come and see what we are all about. Please call either Barbara Arthur at 239.250.4162, email Bka1678@hotmail.com or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email jandpcrivelli@gmail.com before coming to make sure we are meeting that day.

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul. We give glory to God by offering direct/in-home help to anyone in need within the boundaries of our parish. Our work spans fighting food insecurity, keeping families in their homes, and a wide variety of special projects and programs focused on helping our neighbors address difficult challenges. We meet the FIRST and THIRD Tuesdays of every month at 9:00 a.m. classroom 1 in the Claussen center. Contact Bob Westenberg: bwstjohn@SVDNpales.org.

Business Updates

Donation Reminders for 2023

Thank you for your continued generosity.
Please note our updated guidelines below:



- Offertory: please use your envelopes and put your envelope number on the memo line of all checks
- For donations to St. Vincent dePaul, please make all checks payable to:
St. Vincent dePaul
- For donations to Jamaica Outreach, please make all checks payable to:
Jamaica Outreach
- For donations to the Catholic Faith Appeal, please make all checks payable to:
Catholic Faith Appeal
- If you would like to give online, please call Karen Beebe at 239.566.8740



Buy your tickets for the 2023 CFA Cash Raffle!

Tickets are available in the Main
Office during normal business hours

\$20 donation for 1 ticket or 6 tickets for a \$100 donation



1st Prize: \$25,000

2nd Prize: \$5,000

3rd Prize: \$1,000



Drawing Date: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 10:15 AM in the Pulte Family Life Center

*To purchase tickets over the phone, please call our Main Office: 239.566.8740
or email: info@sjecc.com*

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to
pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria (Glory to God in the Highest)

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of
good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify
you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have
mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven
and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of
God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light
from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were
made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the
Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to
judge the living, and the dead and his kingdom will have no
end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who
with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins,
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be
Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our
daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass against us; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us
from evil.

Communion Prayer

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Ukraine Prayer

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide
their choices.
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
Amen



Pray

Please pray for our loved ones who are serving in the military:

- Adam Decker
- Lieutenant Carson Brial – US Navy
- Private 1st Class Joseph Albert Cary
- Nick Detloff
- SSG Douglas Hennessy
- Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF
- PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft. Eustis, VA
- Hunter Scalzo – Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th Infantry
- Captain Jesse Adamson: US Army, Kuwait
- Col. Brian Murphy
- PFC John Dyer - US Army Germany
- Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy
- Capt. Stephen English – US Army



- SPC Nicholas LaManna
- PFC Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps
- Hugh O'Donnell, SPEC 4, 75th Ranger Regiment
- Lt. Brendan Tourek – USN
- Capt. Gregory Sacenti - US Army
- Connor Miller: US Navy search and rescue
- Daniel Petito – US Army
- Matthew Popielec, CMR

- LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans
- Sophie Koeppel
- Austin Zicht – USAF
- Brendan C. Finnegan-USAF
- Alexander L Denha, second lieutenant in the army (infantry division)
- Captain Will Adamson: US Army, Anchorage AK
- Lt. Col. Jill Murphy
- Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – US Army
- Cpl. Derek Perez - US Marine Corps
- Austin Spagnola
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

We remember those who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace:

- Catherine McCusker.
- Nordal McWethy
- Audrey O'Connory

Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please contact the office at 239-566-8740

- Declan Aigner
- Linda Berry
- M. E. M.
- Bill Farley
- Amy FitzGerald
- Anna Focht
- Sandra Geffert
- Ric Parker
- Dennis Powers
- Jim Rankin
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Carlos Somarribas
- Marty Sullivan
- Mike Zewalk
- Gary Gwizdala
- Fred Harkins
- Walter Howell
- Karen Kellington
- Teresa Lozano
- Eileen Miner
- Jennifer O'Connor



*St. John the Evangelist
Church Prayer
Garden*

What if everything in life was reversed? If the winners of contests actually ended being the losers, and the losers ended up winning it all? What if becoming rich and famous was a bad thing, and living a life of anonymous invisibility was a supreme virtue? What if beauty and youth was a detriment to be overcome in pursuit of looking old? What kind of topsy-turvy world would that be? And would you want to be part of such a world?

You might think this is the script for a bad dream, especially if you are winning at the traditional game of gaining wealth, good looks, popularity, and power. But our gospel today, the opening lines from Jesus' famous Sermon on the Mount, reads much like this.

Jesus introduces a surprising-even upsetting-reversal of all of our traditional logic and values. These sayings, called the Beatitudes, seem so harmless and safe when we are children memorizing them in Faith Formation. But take a closer look. Jesus holds out the promise of blessedness, true happiness and fulfillment, to those who seem least likely candidates to be or feel blessed-the poor, the bereaved, the meek, the hungry. This cast of characters does not sound like our picture of the blessed ones. We think the blessed ones are the beautiful people who live eternally young and healthy. Give us the lives of the rich and famous. That is the blessedness we pursue.

But Jesus turns this pursuit upside down. Or perhaps we should say he turns us right side up. In these brief nine statements of blessedness, Jesus sketches a new-world order. It is a subversive set of words, designed to wake us up, shake us up, and straighten us up. These Beatitudes are anything but safe. Let's take a look, and listen, to these sayings again.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. Jesus calls us, whatever the amount of our portfolio, to be toward God as one who is poor, without pretense, approaching God with heads and hearts bowed low, with arms and hands open to receive, with utter dependence and hope cast on God to provide blessing. The first obstacle to a blessed life is not wealth. It is pride.

Blessed are they who mourn. Is Jesus saying, "Happy are the sad?" No. He is saying that once we have emptied ourselves of pretense and pride before a holy God, we become instantly aware of our un-holiness, our unworthiness. As we come into God's embrace, as we sense His love, we begin to care deeply that nothing in our lives should disappoint Him. This mourning is repentance.

Blessed are the meek. In the scripture, "meekness" is not the same as "weakness." Biblical meekness is inner power that is guided, focused under God's control, rather than power used for selfish purposes. It assumes a certain willingness to be teachable, moldable by God.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. When a person has emptied themselves of their own pride, mourned their sinfulness, and become teachable to God, that person can receive the fullness that only God can give. What greater pleasure is there than to stand in right relationship with God? It is like water to the thirsty, or food to the hungry.

Blessed are the merciful. They simply give away the mercy they so richly and freely received from God. The pure in heart are authentic persons, without double standards or double lives. And in a broken world like ours, these blessed ones act as salt and leaven, active agents of God's healing. Again they simply give away the blessing they received, and peacemaking is a supreme example of such reconciling love in action.

Finally, Jesus forewarns his followers that a blessed life is not free of suffering. A follower of Christ who takes these steps toward God and toward their fellowman as a lifestyle will still suffer misunderstanding, will be accused of false motives, and could even be persecuted or killed. It happened to some of the prophets. It happened to Jesus himself. It happened to many of the apostles and the martyrs of the Church. But take heart, Jesus says, for this life is not the whole play; it is only one act. In the end, the blessedness Jesus describes will not only be experienced in this life, but even more so in the world to come. Until then, let's turn this upside down world right side up. And may God bless you as you do.

Readings for The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth,
who have observed his law;
seek justice, seek humility;
perhaps you may be sheltered
on the day of the LORD's anger.

But I will leave as a remnant in your midst
a people humble and lowly,
who shall take refuge in the name of the LORD:
the remnant of Israel.
They shall do no wrong
and speak no lies;
nor shall there be found in their mouths
a deceitful tongue;
they shall pasture and couch their flocks
with none to disturb them.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. (Mt 5:3) Blessed are the poor in spirit; the
kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The LORD keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the
kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed
down.

The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the
kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations.

Alleluia.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of
heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

Reading 2

1 Cor 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters.
Not many of you were wise by human standards,
not many were powerful,
not many were of noble birth.

Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to
shame the wise,

and God chose the weak of the world to shame
the strong,

and God chose the lowly and despised of the
world,

those who count for nothing,

to reduce to nothing those who are something,
so that no human being might boast before God.

It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus,
who became for us wisdom from God,

as well as righteousness, sanctification, and
redemption,

so that, as it is written,

"Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord."

Alleluia

Mt 5:12a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad;

your reward will be great in
heaven.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Readings for The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Mt 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.
Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be great in heaven."



St. John Religious Gift Shop

We are pleased to offer home décor, mugs, homemade gifts (crafted by one of our sewing ministry members), jewelry, books, rosaries, statues, children's gifts, and more! We stock the renowned Trappist preserves made by the Roman Catholic priests and brothers of St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Massachusetts. Located just inside the church entrance, the Gift Shop is open Saturdays 2:30-6:15 p.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We look forward to serving you!



Gathering Hymn: From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146 - Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit

Gifts: We Are the Light of the World

Communion Songs: Be Not Afraid, Prayer of Saint Francis

Closing Song: Lead Me, Lord

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From All That Dwell Below the Skies

John Hatton / Isaac Watts

1. From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.

2. Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends your word:
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

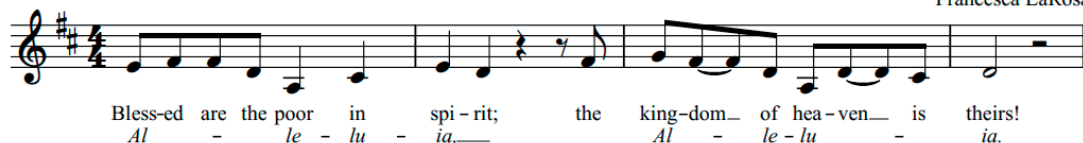
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Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit (Or: *Alleluia*)

(Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10)

(Psalm 146)

Francesca LaRosa



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We Are the Light of the World

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1. Blessed are they who are poor in spirit,
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Bless us, O Lord, make us poor in spirit;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

Refrain

We are the light of the world,
may our light shine before all,
that they may see the good that we do,
and give glory to God.

2. Blessed are they who are meek and humble,
They will inherit the earth.
Bless us, O Lord, make us meek and humble;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

3. Blessed are they who will mourn in sorrow,
They will be comforted.
Bless us, O Lord, when we share their sorrow;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

4. Bless those who hunger and thirst for justice,
They will be satisfied.
Bless us, O Lord, hear our cry for justice;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

5. Blessed are they who show others mercy,
They will know mercy too.
Bless us, O Lord, hear our cry for mercy;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

6. Blessed are hearts that are clean and holy,
They will behold the Lord.
Bless us, O Lord, make us pure and holy;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

7. Blessed are they who bring peace among us,
They are the children of God.
Bless us, O Lord, may your peace be with us;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

8. Bless those who suffer from persecution,
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Bless us, O Lord, when they persecute us;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.



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Helping People Impacted by IAN

St. John's, along with the St. Vincent DePaul Society, have joined together to help those impacted by IAN. Because of the overwhelmingly generous donations from our parishioners, we have the ability to help you or any individuals or families needing help getting back on their feet. Please let us know where we can help!

For information or help, e-mail Bob at disaster@svdnpnaples.org or call the parish office at (239) 566-8740

Be Not Afraid

Bob Dufford SJ

1. You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea,
you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

Refrain
Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

3. Blessed are your poor,
for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you
all because of me,
blessed, blessed are you!

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Prayer of St. Francis/Oración de San Francisco Sebastian Temple

1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring
hope.
Where there is darkness only light,
And where there's sadness ever joy.

3. O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled, as to console,
To be understood, as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Text: Based on the prayer traditionally ascribed to St. Francis of Assisi, ca. 1182-1226. Text and music © 1967, 2003, OCP. All rights reserved. Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy.

Lead Me, Lord

John D. Becker

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for
their Lord,
for God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.
Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be
consoled,
and the meek shall come to rule the world.

Refrain

Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord,
by the light of truth
to seek and to find the narrow way.
Be my way; be my truth;
be my life, my Lord,
and lead me, Lord, today.

2. Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be
theirs,
and the pure in heart shall see their God.
Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can
fill,
for I say they shall be satisfied.

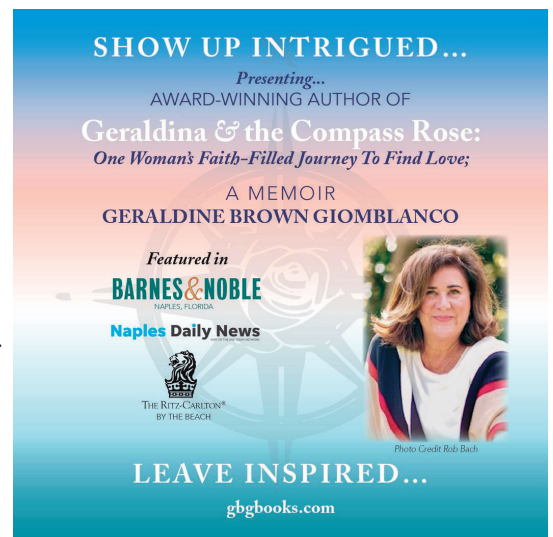
3. Blest are they who through their lifetimes
sow the seeds of peace;
all will call them children of the Lord.
Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy
life,
for in heaven, great is your reward.

Text: Based on Matthew 5:3-12; 7:7, 13; John 14:6. Text and music © 1987, John D. Becker. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

The month of February is known for its celebration of love and roses! This Valentine's Day is no different! Join us on February 14, at 9:45am, immediately following the 9am mass, in the Alexandria Room in the Claussen Family Center.

Best-Selling Author Geraldine Brown Giomblanco, a parishioner and catechist of St. John's, shares her celebration of love through a book presentation. She includes life experiences, miracles, and stories of divine providence. Roses play a substantial part in her story, as her grandmother Rosaria's influence on praying the rosary and roses appearing when she prays to St. Therese, the "Little Flower." Sharing the same sentiments as "the little flower," the author states, "Foremost, I believe in love, that state of grace that makes you want to be your best and give your best to others."

The author uses inspiring photos, music, and humor to drive home the miraculous power of prayer, forgiveness, and the love of God. And the memoir is being adapted into a film. Free bookmarks for all attendees. Signed books for sale at the end of the presentation. To learn more about the author, visit gbgbooks.com. Register for this event at aff@sjecc.com



5pm Contemporary Mass Music

Opening Song: 10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies
before me
Let me be singing when the evening
comes

Preparation Song: I Will Exalt You

I will exalt you
I will exalt you
I will exalt you
You are my God

Because you're with me
Because you're with me
Because you're with me
I will not fear

My hiding place
My safe refuge
My treasure lord you are
My friend and king
Anointed one
Most holy

Communion Song: Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

Jesus paid it all
All to him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in him complete
Jesus died, my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

Oh, praise the one who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead

Closing Song: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus, out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.



The History and the Science of the Shroud of Turin

Presented by

Physicist David Keys, PhD and Deacon John Sebastian

Based on Russ Breault's "Shroud Encounter"

Part 1 – Investigating the Science of the Shroud

Wednesday Feb 8 10:00 AM or

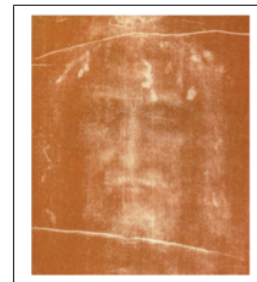
Thursday Feb 9 6:30PM

Part 2 – Determining the Age and the Meaning of the Shroud

Wednesday Feb 15 10:00 AM or

Thursday Feb 16 6:30PM

~Nazareth Room ~ Pulte Center * No registration required.



Join a Lenten Spiritual Pilgrimage to Easter

- Meet in small groups, once a week, for 6 weeks of Lent.
- Read, reflect on and discuss Scripture text and Commentaries for the following Sunday
- Create space this Lent to go deeper; to do more...*the magis* as Ignatius calls it, and "encourage one another and build one another up" in faith community. (1 Thes 5:11)

Respond to Jesus' Invitation, "Come and See." (John 1:39)

Who: Full time and seasonal parishioners

When: **Six Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11am, beginning Feb. 21**

Where: The Alexandria Room of the Claussen Family Center

Materials: Provided online and printable

For more information or to register, please reference "Lenten Spiritual Pilgrimage" and email:

AFF@sjecc.com or call Natalie at 239-566-8740.

Space is limited; sign up by Feb. 17!

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, January 30th - OCIA- Monday 6:00PM in the Library of the Claussen Center

Wednesday, February 1st - Discover the Mass Bible Study: 11:30AM -1:00PM

Thursday, February 1st Women's Faith Chat- Thursday at 9:45AM-11:00AM

UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

Tuesday, February 14th: 9:45-11:00AM – "Geraldina & The Compass Rose" Author Presentation

Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center – Register at AFF@sjecc.com

Parish Mission April 3rd and 4th at 6:30PM-8:00PM

in the Church Featuring Jon Leonetti

Faith Formation

A Resource Area for Families

Over by the restrooms, we have a resources area for families when they come to Mass. There are Kid's Bulletins, as well as color sheets for the children that connect to the readings each week. We also have a limited number of NEW Board books to loan families during the Mass, to help young children stay engaged and pray the Mass together. Please enjoy these books during Mass and kindly return them at the end of the Mass so others may enjoy! We have copies of these books for sale in our Gift Boutique. There are also resources for "Reconciliation for Kids" as well as rosaries for kids with guides on "How to Pray the Rosary." We hope you will enjoy and take care of this special area. We do our best to update this area each week.

Thank you!



First Holy Communion Candidates Receive their First Reconciliation! More pictures soon! What a joyful evening it was!



This Week in Faith Formation

Sunday, January 29th - K-8 Faith Formation 9:30AM-10:45AM

Wednesday, February 1st - 12:30PM-2:30PM - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Wednesday, February 1st - 5:00PM-6:15PM -K-8 Faith Formation Sessions

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& FOR MORE INFORMATION!



Knights of Columbus
Free Throw
Championship

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14

Location: St. John the Evangelist - Pulte Gym
Date: February 4, 2023 Time: 11:00 am
Sponsor: K.O.C. Council 11281
Contact: Jack McHale (336) 416-2654
mchale.jack57@gmail.com

 Please note: Entrants may compete in only one local competition. 

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FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2023
5 P.M. - 10 P.M.

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Confirmation

\$50.00
Youth Group Members
&
Students in High School

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***PAYMENT DUE 3/05/2023**



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT [JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com)



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MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY



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FRIDAY'S
6:00PM - 7:30PM



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GRADES 9-12
WEDNESDAY'S
6:00PM - 7:30PM

MISSION WORK
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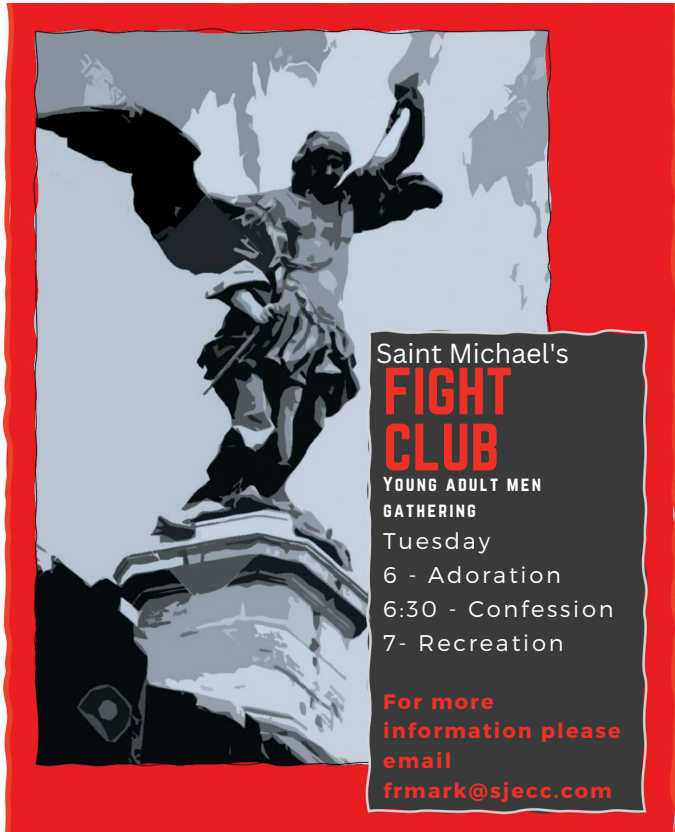
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"LET NO ONE HAVE CONTEMPT FOR YOUR YOUTH, BUT SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE, IN SPEECH, CONDUCT, LOVE, FAITH, AND PURITY." 1 TIMOTHY 4:12

Young Adult Groups



Saint Michael's
FIGHT CLUB
YOUNG ADULT MEN
GATHERING
Tuesday
6 - Adoration
6:30 - Confession
7 - Recreation

For more
information please
email
frmark@sjecc.com

*Join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings for
SJ ECC Young Catholic Woman's Group!*

Meet other young Catholic women as we journey through
"Courageous Women: A Study on the Heroines of Biblical
History" with group reflection, and discussion, ending with
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confession.



*Meetings take place in Pulte Center, with
refreshments provided. We are excited to see
you there!*



*The most powerful thing we can
do on this earth with our time is
to spend it in Eucharistic
Adoration.*

*Nothing can do more to change
the world, to bring about peace,
to convert hearts, to make
reparation for the many evils
committed.*

*Spending time in prayer may
seem, on the outside, to be a
passive thing; however, it is
anything but!*



PREGNANT? YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Explore your
options and find the help
you need here.



These are the closest pregnancy help centers:

Community Pregnancy Clinic

239-689-1543 Fort Myers

239-262-6381 Naples

www.communitypregnancyclinic.com

Pregnancy Resource Center of Southwest Florida

239-990-8186 Fort Myers

239-280-5523 Naples – www.prcnaples.org

Verity Pregnancy & Medical Resource Center,

Fort Myers 239-433-1929

www.pregnancyfortmyers.com

Immokalee Pregnancy Center, Immokalee

239-657-2016 – www.immokaleepregnancy.com



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dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife



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Venice, FL 34285
941-441-1101
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DID YOU KNOW

there is a local pregnancy help center where you can receive accurate information about your options, receive a free pregnancy test and see your child via an ultrasound without charge?

Resources for financial and emotional help are available. You will find that the people at these places can help you find the support you need to make the right choice. If you need housing, a maternity home or a home for moms and babies after birth may be a good option for you so you can pursue your education and career.

A local church may be able to help you with additional assistance and spiritual guidance personalized specifically to your needs.

Scan the QR code below to find the nearest location and take the first step by contacting one today!



Diocese of Venice Respect Life Office
www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife
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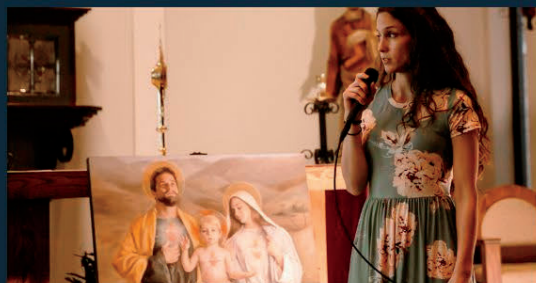
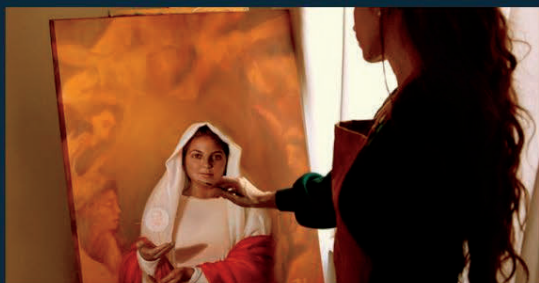
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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PRESENTS:

SACRED ARTIST - KATE CAPATO

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 @ 6:00 PM
PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER-NAZARETH ROOM



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BEAUTY IS NOT AN EXTRA. IT HAS A DEEP VALUE TO YOUR LIFE THAT IS TO BE PRIORITIZED. FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT IT IS AND WHY IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US ALL. EXPERIENCE AN EVENING OF TRANSFORMATION AND ENCOUNTER THE DIVINE THROUGH AUTHENTIC BEAUTY. A PRESENTATION COMBINED WITH A PRAYERFUL EXPERIENCE WITH KATE'S ORIGINAL SACRED ART WORKS AND LIVE MUSIC BY HER HUSBAND, PAWEŁ. VISIT KATE'S WEBSITE: WWW.VISUALGRACE.ORG



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Valentine's DINNER DANCE

Monday, February 13, 2023
St. John the Evangelist Ballroom
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

3 course delicious dinner catered by Bernwood with choice of
Roasted Prime Rib or Stuffed Chicken Breast. Cash bar.



Reserved Seating Only!
Order tickets online through
Eventbrite, after weekend
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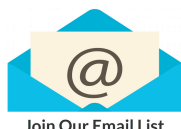
\$65 per
Guest
Jackets requested



Roses, Dancing, Amore



Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council #1281



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The Cub Scout Pack 226 went to the Daytona Speedway this weekend and camped in the infield along with 3,000 scouts from across the country for the "Roar Before the Rolex 24". We had the opportunity to talk with drivers and their teams, explore their cars and garages and learn about science, technology and aerodynamics in a private STEM session.

We are thankful for the opportunity to host pancake breakfasts at St John and the generosity of our parishioners who make donations and send our scouts and their families on these incredible once in a lifetime experiences!





Knights of Columbus Country Life Fest Raises Money to Support our Local Pro-Life Organizations

About 400 parishioners enjoyed a great evening of fun, food, dancing, activities and entertainment at the annual Country Life Fest. The event was held on Friday, January 20. The St. John Knights of Columbus Council #11281 thanks all who attended, donated and worked to make the event a success. *Please support the merchants who support LIFE!*



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Action for Life
Edward Jones (Parishioner Christopher Fahey)
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RSVP is Required
SPACE IS LIMITED
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POLISH DINNER DANCE

Saturday, February 4, 2023

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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Spend a night enjoying...

- Authentic Polish Meal by the exceptional Tania's Catering
 - Appetizer table, hot foods include: golabki, pierogi, kielbasa, kraut, & full dessert table
- Lively Polka Music featuring the legendary Pan Franek, Zosia, & the Polka Towners
- Cash Bar, 50/50 Raffle

Use the QR code below to access EventBrite & secure your tickets. See us after mass. We'll be outside of church to help you. For information contact Carol Roberts: (239) 272-2212



sjeccpolishdinnerdance@gmail.com



Tickets: \$50 Adults, \$25 Children

Tables of 10

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February 1-3, 2023

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First Friday Visits

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary
558 South Ave., Weston, MA

Friday, February 3rd

5:00 PM

Join the Seminary community either **virtually** or **in person**
for prayer & fellowship

Holy Hour and Evening Prayer

In Person: Dinner with the seminarians and a tour of the Seminary

RSVP or receive more information
Msgr. William Fay at 781-899-5500 ext. 134
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Trivia Night

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Pulte Family Life Center Café

Wednesday Breakfast

Every Wednesday
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Pulte Family Life Center Cafe
9:30AM - 10:30AM

CHILDREN FOR THE ARTS ALICE In Wonderland

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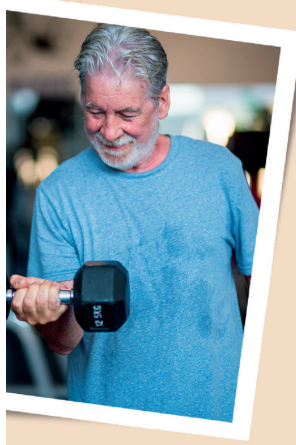
Bocce

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- stretch, pose

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- cognitive exercises



Wednesdays at 10:00AM*
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*Classes begin in February