St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

April 30, 2023 - The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Jamaica Outreach Program

Father Tom's visit to JOP missions in Kingston, April 2023





DuPont students-grateful to St John's

Our hosts

As part of our Jamaican Outreach Program, Fr. Tom recently joined a mission trip to Kingston. While there, he saw the many programs and facilities supported by our generous Parishioners. He also identified opportunities and needs for future projects. He remarked that "The poverty is overwhelming, but JOP's wide scope is amazing." His favorite part of the trip was visiting students in several schools and communities, commenting "Clergy and teachers care deeply for their students." (continued on Page 13)

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.

Business Information



Donation Reminders 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

St. John the Evangelist at a glance - March/April 2023

New Parishioners

21 families joined our parish in March. Welcome to all new parishioners!

Total Households

With our new families, we have 3381 Parish households.

Baptisms

Congratulations to the families whose children were baptized in March:

Matilda Shutt, Romilly Aylor, and Christopher Zeto

Offertory

April 2023 (3/29/23 - 4/04/23) \$ 94,938.19

(4/05/23 - 4/11/23) \$123,788.59

(4/12/23 - 4/18/23) \$55,244.14

Weddings

Congratulations to the three couples who were married in our Church in March. We wish them a lifetime of love and happiness.:

Christina & Rob Talford Tiffany McAuliffe & Edward McPartland Teresa Claugus & Michael Rosman



LIVESTREAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



- NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED, BUT TECH KNOWLEDGE IS A PLUS. TRAINING PROVIDED.
- STREAMERS NEEDED FOR BOTH WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES
- STUDENTS: EARN VOLUNTEER HOURS
- 1-2 HOURS PER WEEK
- CONTACT COLLEEN DONNELLY, OPERATIONS MANAGER, FOR MORE INFORMATION: COLLEEN@SJECC.COM

Safe Environment Training

The Diocese of Venice states that, "all employees, covered volunteers and religious brothers and sisters must be electronically fingerprinted. Eligibility for employment/ volunteer work/ministry will be contingent and conditioned upon a satisfactory background investigation. A reasonable effort shall be made to update the criminal history background information every five (5) years". The Diocese classifies a covered volunteer as "any unpaid adult person engaged or involved in a Diocesan activity in which he/she is entrusted with the care and supervision of children or allowed unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults" (e.g. when screened personnel not present).

- **St. John the Evangelist** also requires the following volunteers to go through the background screening process (through fingerprints):
- Volunteers who handle cash, credit cards, and other financial transactions
- Volunteers who are entrusted with confidential information, such as donor records and parish registration forms
- Volunteers who serve, distribute, and administer the Holy Eucharist

Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. If Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.

Catholic Faith Appeal

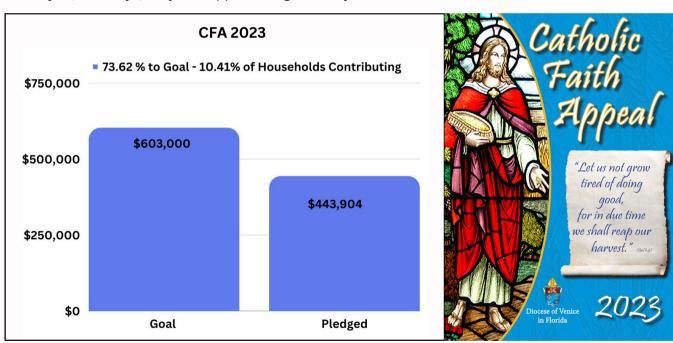
Dear Parishioners,

In 2022, you contributed \$786,583 toward our Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) goal of \$603,000! We can't thank you enough for your generosity and support. And, because we surpassed our goal, \$167,166 will come back to the parish to further support our programs and ministries. As a reminder, when we surpass our goal, all donations up to 25% over our goal are returned to the Parish. Anything over that 25% is split, meaning half is returned to the Parish, and half is donated to a Catholic School or Charity of our choice.

Now, once again, we have been called to work together toward our 2023 goal. The needs in our communities are more pressing than ever, and your support will directly help those in Southwest Florida. St. John the Evangelist has been assigned a goal of \$603,000 for 2023. Throughout the CFA campaign, we will highlight both personal stories about CFA as well as the programs and communities it supports.

This year, we have an additional goal: to increase the number of contributing households. Last year, we surpassed our goal with just 20% of households contributing. We are currently at 73.62% to our goal, with 10.41% of households contributing. Please prayerfully consider donating, within your means, to support our CFA goal.

If you need assistance, please contact Colleen Donnelly, our Operations Manager, at: colleen@sjecc.com. Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity.



To donate to our Catholic Faith Appeal:

- Use a contribution envelope from the CFA table in the Narthex,
- Give directly on the Diocese of Venice website at dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa, or
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page



Catholic Faith Appeal - Ways to Give

MAKE A PLEDGE

Pledging allows you to make a more generous and affordable contribution.

The pledge can be spread out over ten months. You may pledge with the initial payment while the remaining balance can be donated anytime during the next nine months. The Diocese will send you monthly reminders.

GIFT OPPORTUNITIES USING THE 10-PAYMENT PLAN

Gift	Initial	9 Monthly
Amount	Payment	Payments
\$50,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
\$25,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
\$15,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
\$10,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
\$ 5,000	\$ 500	\$ 500
\$ 2,500	\$ 250	\$ 250
\$ 1,000	\$ 100	\$ 100
\$ 500	\$ 50	\$ 50

Thank you for your support!

For additional information, please call 941-441-1130

WAYS TO GIVE

Check: payable to the Catholic Faith Appeal

IRA: Although a required minimum distribution (RMD) starts at age 72, you may donate up to \$100,000 per year from your Individual Retirement Account tax free to a charitable cause as early as age 70½. Spouses may also participate to the same level if they have a separate IRA, giving married couples the opportunity to donate up to \$200,000. The funds must be paid directly to the CFA from your financial advisor in order to qualify.

Credit or Debit Card: Send us the information via the pledge card or visit www.dioceseofvenice.org.

Gift of Securities: Federal law allows a charitable deduction for the full market value of the appreciated securities on the date of your gift.

GIVING SOCIETIES

Bishop's Cornerstone Society Gift Levels

Trustee	\$25,000 and above		
Pillar	\$10,000 to \$24,999		
Benefactor	\$ 5,000 to \$ 9,999		
Patron	\$2,500 to \$4,999		

Leadership Society Gift Levels

Steward	\$1,500 to	\$2,499
Angel	\$1,000 to	\$1,499
Friend	\$ 500 to	\$ 999

BARCODE

Consituent ID Addressee Address City/State/Zip Parish ID/Name: Phone Number: Email: "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest." (Gal6:9)

Give online! Visit us at www.dioceseofvenice.org

Last Gift Amount:

(as of December 10, 2022)

Total Gift:

Amount Enclosed:

Balance:

Check

(Please make checks payable to Catholic Faith Appeal)

Credit card/debit information enclosed

(Please see the reverse side)

Stock

Name of stock:

of Shares:

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. (livestreamed)

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.

Clergy and Administrative Staff:

Fr. Tom Zalewski, Pastor

Fr. Mark Harris, Associate

Fr. Nick Thompson, Associate

Fr. Len Gioeli, Retired

Deacon Jim Walworth

Deacon Hal Brenner, Senior Status Deacon Frank Paniccia, Senior Status

Operations Manager: Colleen Donnelly: colleen@sjecc.com Front Office Manager: Tricia Hoffman: tricia@sjecc.com Front Office Assistant: Rachael Jensen: rachael@sjecc.com Director of Music: Edward Persin: edward@sjecc.com

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pollyanna@sjecc.com

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oleg@sjecc.com, Ivan Torres: Ivan@sjecc.com

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natalie@sjecc.com

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melissa@sjecc.com

Faith Formation Assistant: Carol Chorba: carol@sjecc.com Christian Initiation of Adults for those who want to become Catholic: Jean Kechejian: jeankechejian@yahoo.com Director of Activities and the PFLC: Matthew Farmer:

matthew@sjecc.com

CYO & Youth Ministry Director- Juliana LoGiudice juliana@sjecc.com

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Phone: 239.566.8740 Fax: 239.566.9117 Email: info@sjecc.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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.

Ministers:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Maureen Reed
maureen@sjecc.com
Homebound ministry
Sara Catlett
sara@sjecc.com
Hospital ministry
Mary Pat Salomone
marypat@sjecc.com

Lectors Ministry:

L. Philip Baier: lectors@sjecc.com

Youth Lectors: Call the Office, 239,566,8740

Greeters & Ushers:

Bill Fuller: wfuller1@comcast.net

Altar Servers:

Kathy Bailie: servers@sjecc.com

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



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



Mass Intentions

Requested By

Requested By

Requested By

Mary Eisman

Requested By

Requested By

Requested By

Requested By

Requested By Gail Wernes

Requested By

Brigitte Hiris

Family

Deacon Hal

Rose Marie Powell and Family

Dorothy and John Tominic

Jack and Connie Kindsvater

St. John the Evangelist Staff

Wedding Anniversary

Laurie Bellico and Thomas Andrea

Saturday, April 29, 2023

8:00 AM + The Deceased Members of the Kegaly Family Jack Kegaly

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

5:00 PM + Mary Conley Conley Family

Sunday, April 30, 2023

7:00 AM + Paul Hardebeck Loving Wife

9:00 AM + Margaret and Thomas Fitzpatrick Mary Eisman

11:00 AM + Tom Powell 1:00 PM + Donna Bekas 5:00 PM + Bill Mitarotondo

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Monday, May 1, 2023

8:30 AM + Anne Therese and Robert Fitzpatrick

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

8:30 AM + Vicki Brenner

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

8:30 AM + Joanne Beronja

Thursday, May 4, 2023

8:30 AM SI Patricia and Harry Witt

Friday, May 5, 2023

8:30 AM + Fany Rirs

Saturday, May 6, 2023

8:00 AM + Arthur Jackson

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Claude and Margaret Host

5:00 PM + Marty Sullivan

Sunday, May 7, 2023

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

9:00 AM + Stephen Conger Claire Conger

11:00 AM + George Faccone St. John the Evangelist Choir

1:00 PM + Lloyd Wenning Family of Lloyd Wenning

5:00 PM + Marianne Middlemiss Tom



Sacraments

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.



Adoration at St. John the Evangelist



"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: "What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Mother Teresa

Join us for adoration with benediction on the First Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and the First Saturday of every month after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Located in the Church.

Visit our adoration chapel on the side of our Church. For more information, please contact our Main Office

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Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist



At each Mass we pray to be made worthy to receive Holy Communion and all the promises of Christ. He makes us worthy. Could you serve our Lord and our Parish by becoming a Eucharistic Minister?

Some of our Sunday and Vigil Masses could use additional ministers to serve Holy Communion alongside our priests and descons. If you are vaccinated and boosted against COVID-19, are able to navigate the altar steps, and wish to serve as a member of this essential ministry, please email: maureen@sjecc.com.

Readings for the Week

Saturday, April 29, 2023

Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Monday, May 1, 2023

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/In 14:6-14

Thursday, May 4, 2023

Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Friday, May 5, 2023

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/ln 14:1-6

Saturday, May 6, 2023

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

St. John the Evangelist seeks prospective Eucharistic Ministers for the Homebound.

We visit residents in facilities, communities and individual homes; bringing Communion on a weekly basis, following morning Mass. If you would like further information, or to join this worthwhile ministry which reaches out to our parishioners currently unable to attend Mass, please send an email to: mlkopenspaces@aol.com.

*Safe Environment Training, Fingerprinting, COVID-19 vaccination and booster are prerequisites for serving



OCIA

Welcome to the Catholic Church and your family at Saint John the Evangelist

The Easter Vigil on April 8th was a beautiful celebration of welcome for ten candidates who were initiated into the Catholic faith. This year we had one catechumen baptized and nine candidates who received Confirmation and Eucharist to complete their Sacraments of Initiation. They have been in formation both catechetically and spiritually since last September.

The Newly Initiated are: Maria Arroyave, Brian Barnes, Barbara Blair, Beth O'Brien, Matthew Rambo, Alvi Tarja, Sherri Waller, Jennifer Whitis, and Nisha Anderson. Welcome to our new disciples at Saint John's!





Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

The parish of Saint John the Evangelist invites you to inquire about the Catholic faith.

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process designed for you...

- To ask your questions about the Catholic Faith.
- To explore the beauty of Sacred Scripture and Catholic Tradition
- To journey toward full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil

The OCIA Journey is for those:

- Never Baptized
- Baptized in another Christian tradition.
- Baptized Catholic as an infant, but not raised as a Catholic or received additional Sacraments.
- Catholics who do not practice their faith, and want to connect with the Sacramental way of life.
- Catholics who have left the Church, and want to return to their Sacramental roots

We welcome you to inquire about our Catholic Faith and the many blessings it has to offer you.

For more information, please contact:

Jean Kechejian - OCIA Coordinator:
jeankechejian@yahoo.com or (203) 521-1179

When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said to Him, "Rabbi, where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come and see."

-John 1:38-39

OCIA Prayer

Lord, we pray for those who journey to You.
Strengthen their faith.
Open their hearts to the fulness of Your love.
Deepen their understanding.
See their hearts afire for the Kingdom.
We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all.
Amen.

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 are beginning the study of Book of Sirach in the Bible. It is a collection of ethical teachings written by Ben Sira of Jerusalem, on the inspiration of his father Joshua, son of Sirach. We will conclude that study and begin watching the 3rd season of The Chosen on May 11th. For more information email Lee Pinto at 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@koccouncil11281.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.

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 239.438.7867 or sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com

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 - The Quilting Ministry meets on Wednesdays from 10 AM – noon in rooms 3/4 in the Parish Activity Center. We work on quilts for babies and children which we donate locally. Everyone is welcome, regardless of skill level. There's something for everyone to do, from cutting to assembling to quilting to hand sewing bindings. For more information, call Sharon Campbell at sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com 239.438.7867

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. The meeting will be in classroom 1, in the Parish Life Center. Contact Bob Westenberg: bwstjohn@SVDPnaples.org.

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

Prayers

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

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

Public Prayer for God's Mercy on America and the World

Come join us in Public Prayer
Last Saturday of every month:
May 27, June 24
NEW LOCATION: NE corner of US 41 & Immokalee Rd
Riverchase Plaza / 10:00am-11:00am
Please bring a folding chair, shade umbrella,
signs, and water

For more information: In English: world5433@gmail.com In Spanish: mariamagdadequesada@icoud.com

Pray

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

- Captain Jesse Adamson: US Army, Kuwait
- Captain Will Adamson: US Army, Anchorage AK
- Lieutenant Carson Brial US Navy
- Private 1st Class Joseph Albert Cary
- Adam Decker
- Alexander L Denha, second lieutenant in the army (infantry division)
- Major Derek-Army National Guard
- Nick Detloff
- SGT Ashlyn Ducharme Us Army
- Capt. Stephen English US Army
- Brendan C. Finnegan-USAF
- SFC Lon Giancola
- SSG Douglas Hennessy



- Lt. Col. Scott Huber USAF
- Drew Kendall Petty Officer U.S. Navy
- Sophie Koeppl
- SPC Nicholas LaManna
- PV2 Alexander McMickle Ft. Eustis, VA
- Connor Miller: US Navy search and rescue
- · Col. Brian Murphy
- Lt. Col. Jill Murphy
- Hugh O'Donnell, SPEC 4, 75th Ranger Regiment
- Sgt. Larry Oldenburg US Army

- Cpl. Derek Perez US Marine Corps
- Daniel Petito US Army
- Matthew Popielec, PFC-Germany
- Capt. Gregory Sacenti US Army
- Hunter Scalzo Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th Infantry
- Austin Spagnola
- LTJG Tanis K. Taylor US Navy, USS Sullivans
- Lt. Brendan Tourek USN
- Lance Cpl. Sisi Tyrell US Marine Corps
- Captain Grant Ullrich, US Army in Kuwait
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino USAF, Turkey
- Austin Zicht USAF

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

Lawrence Tomaielly and Patrick Bellew

Prayer List

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

- Tom Abell
- Priscila Abgala
- Declan Aigner
- Beckey Atkins
- Jerry B.
- Florence Ballachino
- Barbara Barber
- Jennifer Basile
- Nadine Baxter
- Linda Berry
- Sara Boettcher
- Karen Cassady
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Sheryl Conway
- Mary Coyle
- Matthew Cummings
- Tom Despres
- Donna DiMare
- Lorraine Dolan
- Linda Donaldson
- Megan Ebert
- Peter Ebert
- Paul Ebert
- Pamela Eck
- John Eddy
- Monica Ellis
- Bill Farley
- Bruce Fenske

- Lori Fenske
- Amy FitzGerald
- Rachel Fling
- Anna Focht
- Tom Froh
- Lester Fuller
- Terry Gallagher
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Gospel Reflection With Fr. Tom

"I came so that you may life and have it to the full." Is Jesus talking only about eternal life or also about this life? I have no doubt but that these words are to be applied to our life on earth as much as to our hope of eternal life.

There is a Spanish legend that goes like this. When people arrive at the gate of heaven seeking to enter, St Peter asks them a strange question. He says to each one, "Tell me this. Have you taken advantage of all the earthly joys which God in his goodness made available to you while you were on earth?" If a person replies, "No, I haven't," Peter shakes his head sadly and says, "Alas, my friend, I can't let you innot yet at any rate. How can you expect to be ready for the heavenly joys if you have not prepared yourself for them through the medium of earthly ones? I shall be obliged to send you back down to earth until you learn better."

In the past the Christian religion tended to be identified with restrictions and prohibitions. Many of us were brought up on a theology of detachment from the world. This present life was viewed as nothing more than a time of trial. This kind of spirituality discouraged enjoyment of life. It led to half-heartedness. It was as if we were always keeping something back. Always living cautiously, fearfully, miserly.

It ought to be possible to enjoy life to the fullest while being devout and religious at the same time. However, to live fully is not the same as to live it up.

Life is a fragile gift. Every moment is utterly unique. This should concentrate our attention on what we are experiencing now. But every moment is also fleeting. How quickly life"s stream runs down to the sea. This fleetingness gives life its poignancy and makes it all the more precious. "For we do not enjoy this world everlastingly, only briefly; our life is like the warming of oneself in the sun." (Aztec Indians).

The Lord, the Good Shepherd, wants us to have life. Therefore, let us not be so timid and fearful. Let us live whatever presents itself to us, because everything is a gift from God. Life is generous to those who seize it with both hands.

Mere existence is not enough for us. "What people are looking for is not meaning in life, but the experience of being alive - the rapture of living" (Joseph Campbell). We are meant to live. It is a well-known fact that those who have lived fully and intensely, do not feel cheated at death. "Fear not that your life will end; rather fear that it may never have begun." (Thoreau). Jesus began his ministry with these words: "Believe in the Good News." What is the Good News? The Good News is: "I came that you may have life and have it to the full."



Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Reading 1 Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and they asked Peter and the other apostles, "What are we to do, my brothers?" Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call."

He testified with many other arguments, and was exhorting them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation."

Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. or: R. Alleluia.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. or: R. Alleluia.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley fear no evil; for you are at my side. With your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. or: R. Alleluia.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. or: R. Alleluia.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. or: R. Alleluia.

Reading 2 1 Pt 2:20b-25

Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps. He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth. When he was insulted, he returned no insult; when he suffered, he did not threaten; instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Alleluia Jn 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Jn 10:1-10

Jesus said: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers."

Although Jesus used this figure of speech, the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them.

So Jesus said again, "Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."

Jamaica Outreach Program

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Gabriele (elders') Village- JOP housing rehab project

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Donor appreciation: Songs, Dances & Poems at St Theresa, King Weston and Devon Pen schools

JOP 2nd Collection May 6-7, 2023

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Gathering Hymn: God, We Praise You

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23 - The Lord is My Shepherd

Gifts: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Communion Songs: Gift of Finest Wheat, Bread for the World

Closing Hymn: The Strife Is O'er



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Psalm 23: The Lord is my Shepherd



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The King of Love My Shepherd Is



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Gift of Finest Wheat BICENTENNIAL

Refrain

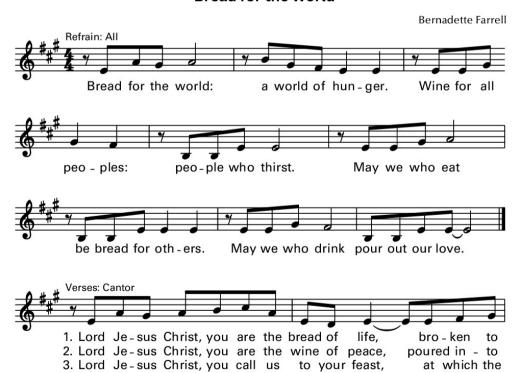
You satisfy the hungry heart With gift of finest wheat, Come give to us, O saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.

- 1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So when you call your fam'ly, Lord, We follow and rejoice.
- 2. With joyful lips we sing to you
 Our praise and gratitude,
 That you should count us worthy, Lord,
 To share this heav'nly food.

- 3. Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord?
- 4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell:
 Whom all the world cannot contain
 Comes in our hearts to dwell.
- 5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; Then selfless let us be, To serve each other in your name In truth and charity.

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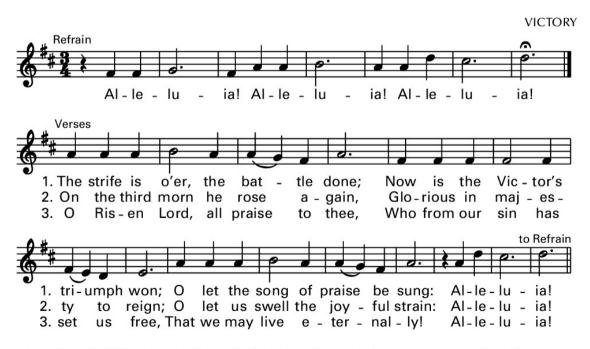
Bread for the World





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The Strife is O'er



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5:00pm Contemporary Mass Music

Opening Song: House of Miracles

V:This is a house of worship
This is a place of praise
Where every demon trembles
Where we proclaim Your name
This is a house of healing
Our hearts are full of faith
You have our full attention
You have the final say

Chorus: Come alive in the name of Jesus Come alive in the name of Jesus This is a house of miracles We bring everything to the feet of Jesus Everything in the name of Jesus This is a house of miracles

Preparation Song: Be Thou My Vision

V1; Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me save that Thou art Thou my best thought by day or by night Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

V2: Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord Thou my great Father I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

V3: Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance now and always Thou and Thou only first in my heart High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

Communion Song: The Cup of Life Outpoured

Chorus: Who am I, that I should receive the cup of life outpoured? The Bread of Life, the Blood of Christ, the body of my Lord?

V1: Lord, I believe! Help my unbelief! Cause me to see you as you are: The King of glory, the Lord of love The Shepherd of my heart! Bridge:Lamb of God (Lamb of God), Holy God (Holy God) I come to receive you now. Come into my heart, Fill my life, with your very Presence, Lord!

V2: Too great for me, this wisdom of the Lord: to hold the Savior in my hand.
And greater still, the gift of God:
That I should be one with Him!

Closing Song: The Lion and the Lamb

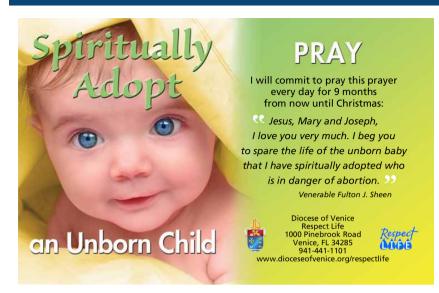
V1: He's coming on the clouds
Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

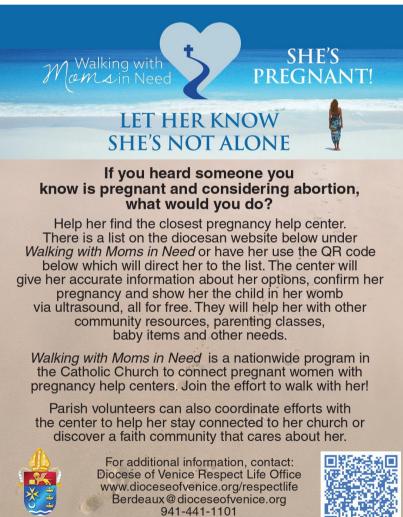
Chorus: Our God is the Lion
The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world
His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before
the Lion and the Lamb
Every knee will bow before Him

V2: So open up the gates
Make way before the King of kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty



Respect Life





MONTH 3 - May

Your spiritually adopted baby is quite active in the womb now - - although his mother won't feel him for another couple of months. If his mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move his tongue. He can make a tight fist if you touch his palm. He is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although he obtains the oxygen his body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce. Early this month – at just 9 weeks – he began to suck his thumb.

Psalm 139:14-16 - "I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works! My very self you know. My bones are not hidden from you. When I was being made in secret, fashioned in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw me unformed; in your book all are written down; my days were shaped, before one came to be.

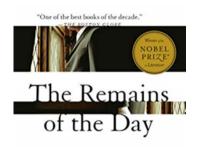
Prayer Vigil

The St. John the Evangelist
Respect Life team will be
participating in a prayer vigil at
Planned Parenthood in Naples
each first Tuesday of the month
10 am - 12 pm, starting on May
2nd. Please join us in prayer. For
more info call Rosemary at
239-250-0432.

"Give us the grace – When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life."

– St. John Paul II

Adult Faith Formation







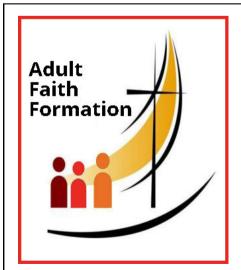
Women, do you want to grow in your capacity to read quality literature and engage in meaningful dialogue to discuss how literature can draw us closer to Christ?

We invite you to join the Well Read Mom reading movement! We will meet on Wednesday, May 31st at 6:30PM to discuss, Kazuo Ishiguro's, Remains of the Day and to form groups. We can offier a morning option if there is interest.

The goal is to provide a way for women to read high-quality literature together and grow in friendship. Our groups are open to women at all stages of life.

WRM groups read one book per month and meet to discuss once a month. Our year together includes great books, spiritual classics (during Advent and Lent), and worthy reads that explore the human condition and reorient us to what is good, true, and beautiful.

Questions? Contact Natalie Campbell at aff@sjecc.com. Explore the National Website at wellreadmom.com. Subscribe to the apple podcast Read More, Read Well.



This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Wednesday, May 3rd

Women's Faith Chat 9:30AM-11:00AM Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Faith Formation

Confirmation 2023 Memories

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This Week in Faith Formation

April 30th

9:30-10:45AM - K-8 Faith Formation 3:45PM-6:00PM - Year 1 Confirmation Class Session & Mass 6:00PM - Pizza in the Pulte Center & Open

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May 3rd

5:00-6:15PM - K-8 Faith Formation Session

May 4th

6:00PM - First Communion Rehearsal

May 6th

11:00AM - First Holy Communion Mass

CYO and Youth Ministry - Summer Camps









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Events and Programs



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Creating a Plan for Aging

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Join SBB University and our panel of area experts as we explore topics ranging from elder law, insurance options, retirement communities, and end of life planning designed for the savvy and independent senior in mind. Knowledge is power... educate yourself today for the resources you or someone you love may need tomorrow!

Event is free, but RSVP is required! 625 111th Ave N, Naples, FL 34108 Event & Parking is at the very back of the campus in the Pulte Family Life Cente

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*** Prospective members are welcome. ***

Date: May 1st, 2023 Time: 7:00pm Location: Saint John Evangelist Ballroom Phillip.Fischer@kofc.org







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DATE: June 3, 2023

TIME: Registration at 7:30am Shotgun at 8:30am

LOCATION: ArrowHead Golf Course

This is the first annual golf tournament for the St. John the Evangelist Knights of Columbus Council 11281. All proceeds will go to the Father Glackin St. John Neumann Scholarship and the Knights of Columbus Paniccia Family Education Assistance Fund. This is a great opportunity to show your support for Catholic Education. We have sponsorship levels to fit every budget. Come out and spend your morning on the links for a great cause!

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- For information and to receive an application form, contact Troy Costain troy@dgarrettconstruction.com
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