

St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 9, 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.

# 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 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.

### Offertory

**February 2023**  
(2/01/2023 – 2/28/2023)  
\$ 274,300.38

### Baptisms

Congratulations to the 3 families who had their children baptized in March!

**March 2023**  
(3/01/23 – 3/07/23)  
\$ 74,744.50

(3/08/23 – 3/14/23)  
\$ 42,128.98

### Weddings

3 couples were married in our Church in March. We wish them a lifetime of love and happiness.

(3/15/23 – 3/21/23)  
\$ 57,409.93

## 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 SUPPORTS: Vocations

The **Office of Vocations** works in collaboration with Parishes and Schools across the Diocese to raise awareness of God's calling in the life of each person. The three primary functions of this office include promoting vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life, assessing and evaluating candidates who present themselves for consideration, and overseeing the human, spiritual, academic, and pastoral formation of seminarians.



**The Permanent Diaconate Office** provides support in the discernment process as well as during formation. Formation entails five years of study, prayer, and human and pastoral preparation. Further guidance is provided to the Deacons in their ministry by recommending resources and organizing events for continuing formation and spiritual growth.

**The Religious Sisters** within the Diocese of Venice provide support and resources to individuals discerning the call to a religious vocation. Primarily, the Sisters serve in positions that educate, form, and promote a deeper spiritual life. It is often in Parishes and Schools located in financially challenged areas where the Sisters serve as they themselves live a life of poverty. In a unique way, they serve as a human and spiritual resource.



**Seminarians** also need our spiritual and material support to sustain them in following Our Lord's call. Currently, twelve seminarians are preparing to serve the Faithful in the Diocese of Venice. With yearly expenses of over \$75,000 per seminarian, the CFA provides the financial assistance needed to educate and form our next generation of priests.



**Sr. Nicole Daly**  
**Theology/House**  
**Moderator at**  
**St. John Neumann HS**

**I recently asked Sr. Nicole what inspired her to enter her vocation and where she finds inspiration in her role at St. John Neumann HS.**  
*Interview by Colleen Donnelly, Operations Manager*

"How do you hear God's voice? The Lord has oftentimes spoken to me through the voices of children. Before I entered, I taught fifth grade in the Boston Public Schools. A student made me a card that said, 'Ms. Daly, you are like my mom.' Spiritual motherhood had been on my heart, but that made me a little more open to ask the question, 'Lord, what do you want from me?' It was that Holy Week that He spoke loud and clear. A friend gave me a flyer to visit the Salesian Sisters, and there I met examples of women living out their love for Christ with a vitality and joy that was life giving. Now it's my joy to do the same with the young people at St. John Neumann. As God would have it, however, they are often the ones that bring His love to me!"

-Sr. Nicole Daly, FMA

# 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 50.3% to our goal, with 8.34% 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](mailto:colleen@sjecc.com). Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity.

**DRAWING THIS WEEK! BUY YOUR TICKETS!**



**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



*To purchase tickets over the phone, please call our  
Main Office: 239.566.8740  
or email: [info@sjecc.com](mailto:info@sjecc.com). Please make checks  
payable to "St. John the Evangelist"*

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

## CFA 2023



**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](https://dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa), or
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page



# Parish Information

## Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. (livestreamed), 9:00 a.m., 5:30 p.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.

## 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 Panicia, 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

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**Lead Sacristan:** Lan Tran: lan@sjecc.com

**Lead Sacristan:** Pollyanna Caddell-Vierling:  
pollyanna@sjecc.com

**Bulletin:** colleen@sjecc.com

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**Bookkeeper:** Karen Beebe: karen@sjecc.com

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natalie@sjecc.com

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melissa@sjecc.com

**Faith Formation Assistant:** Carol Chorba: carol@sjecc.com

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**Director of Activities and the PFLC:** Matthew Farmer:  
matthew@sjecc.com

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

## Mailing Address & Contact Information

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625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108

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



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



# Mass Intentions

## **Saturday, April 8, 2023**

8:00 AM Morning Prayer  
*Vigil Masses for Sunday*  
 8:00 PM + Viola Tweeddale and Julianne Michitsch

## **Requested By**

Juliannes Family

## **Sunday, April 9, 2023**

7:00 AM + Deceased Members of the Lucci Family  
 9:00 AM + Lou Carrier  
 9:15 AM + Teresa Dep Pham  
 11:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners  
 11:15 AM + John Hanson  
 1:00 PM + Charles Gaffney  
 5:00 PM + Leo Hundt

## **Requested By**

Lucci Family  
 Norma Claussen  
 Chanh Hoang  
 Gerry and Anthony Grillo  
 Richard and Denise Spevak  
 Maureen Genel

## **Monday, April 10, 2023**

8:00 AM + Kate Tucker  
 9:00 AM SI John W. Miner

## **Requested By**

Carol Ardovino  
 Eileen Miner

## **Tuesday, April 11, 2023**

8:00 AM + Gary Kriger  
 9:00 AM + Ann Macaulay

## **Requested By**

Pam Kriger  
 Robert Macaulay

## **Wednesday, April 12, 2023**

8:00 AM + Catherine and Leo Horey  
 10:00 AM + William Haggerty

## **Requested By**

Iris Horey  
 Paul Haggerty

## **Thursday, April 13, 2023**

8:00 AM + Ozzie D'Addario  
 9:00 AM + Bud Trapp and Marty Sullivan

## **Requested By**

Janet D'Addario  
 Loretta Sullivan

## **Friday, April 14, 2023**

8:00 AM + Nancy Stewart  
 9:00 AM + Jane Gordon

## **Requested By**

Gail Wernes  
 Paul and Florence Gordon

## **Saturday, April 15, 2023**

8:00 AM + Ramy Garrido  
*(Vigil Masses for Sunday)*  
 3:00 PM + Pete Mattimore  
 5:00 PM + Lambert and Louise Abell

## **Requested By**

Elida A. Gil  
 Kass Mattimore  
 Kathy and Bob Sims

## **Sunday, April 16, 2023**

7:00 AM + Joan Burke  
 9:00 AM + Larry Carr  
 11:00 AM + Caroline and Alexander Levy  
 1:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners  
 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 5:00 PM + John and Mary Berry

## **Requested By**

Caroline Burke  
 Sharon Carr  
 Marilyn DiEnno  
 Peter and Suzanne Berry



# 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 deacons. 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 8, 2023

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/ Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17 18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16 17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3 11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

### Sunday, April 9, 2023

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

### Monday, April 10, 2023

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

### Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

### Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

### Thursday, April 13, 2023

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

### Friday, April 14, 2023

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

### Saturday, April 15, 2023

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15



# Sacraments

## Congratulations to the Families who Celebrated March Baptisms at St. John the Evangelist!



**Matilda Shutt**



**Romilly Aylor**



**Christopher Zeto**



## Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

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*

Perhaps this is the time for you to "come and see" what Jesus has to offer you in the Catholic way of life.

The Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) is a process designed to prepare adults to come into full initiation of the Catholic Church, and to be an integral part of the loving community of Saint John the Evangelist and the universal Catholic Church.

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

We invite you to ask your questions about the Catholic Faith and the OCIA; to explore the beauty of sacred Scripture and Catholic tradition to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We invite you to inquire with no obligation.

To Our Parish Family: Encourage and invite your family members, friends, co-workers, or others to "come and see" and ask their questions about the Catholic faith.

For more information, please contact: Jean Kechejian - OCIA Coordinator: [jeankechejian@yahoo.com](mailto:jeankechejian@yahoo.com) or (203) 521-1179



# 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@SVDNpales.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](http://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  
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

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

Come join us in Public Prayer  
Last Saturday of every month: February 25, March 25,  
April 29, 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:

- 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
- Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy
- Capt. Stephen English – US Army
- Matthew Popielec, PFC-Germany



- SPC Nicholas LaManna
- Lance Cpl. Sisi Tyrell 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
- 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.**

Joshua Pettengill

## Prayer List

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

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|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| • Tom Abell        | • Anna Focht             | • Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman | • Ric Parker                  |
| • Priscila Abgala  | • Tom Froh               | • Yvonne Keenan           | • Patty                       |
| • Declan Aigner    | • Lester Fuller          | • Karen Kellington        | • Ann Petrillo                |
| • Beckey Atkins    | • Terry Gallagher        | • Carey Kendall           | • Carol Petrone               |
| • Barbara Barber   | • Joanna Gasparrino      | • Delores Kernochan       | • Robert Pulte                |
| • Jennifer Basile  | • Sandra Geffert         | • Tracey Kirk             | • Karen Pulte                 |
| • Linda Berry      | • Marg Gheller           | • Barbara Kopp            | • Jim Rankin                  |
| • Sara Boettcher   | • Amy Goodwine           | • Richard C. Kruger       | • Judith & Michael S.         |
| • Karen Cassady    | • Florence Gordon        | • Judy Kruzich            | • Peggy O'Neil Saba           |
| • Mr and Mrs Ciano | • Lisa Ann Granger       | • Ramona Langman          | • Lisa Sanfelippo             |
| • Mary Coyle       | • Richard Granger        | • Teresa Lozano           | • Carlos Somarribas           |
| • Tom Despres      | • Peter Greenberg        | • M. E. M.                | • Norma J. Spriggle           |
| • Donna DiMare     | • Kathleen Greenberg     | • Diane Maloney           | • Gus Stefanek                |
| • Lorraine Dolan   | • Gary Gwizdala          | • James Mangine           | • Jeanne Stoll                |
| • Linda Donaldson  | • Kay Hackett            | • Ruth Martin             | • Bill Stuckey                |
| • Megan Ebert      | • Raymond Hall           | • Donna Masse             | • Sarah Thewes                |
| • Peter Ebert      | • Fred Harkins           | • Eileen Miner            | • Marilyn Thyen               |
| • Monica Ellis     | • Bob Hilliard           | • Marie Morsetti          | • Noah Wagner                 |
| • Bill Farley      | • Kathleen Cleary Hinkle | • Kimberly Mullin         | • Dana, Geneva & Greigh Wells |
| • Bruce Fenske     | • Brian Hintz            | • Robert Murphy           | • Carol Williamson            |
| • Lori Fenske      | • Walter Howell          | • John Murphy             | • Brynn Wilson                |
| • Amy FitzGerald   | • Patrick Howlett        | • Eleanor Nute            | • S. J. Zarebi                |
| • Rachel Fling     | • Jim Hubbard            | • Jennifer O'Connor       | • Mike Zewalk                 |

## Gospel Reflection With Fr. Tom

We sometimes envy the apostles and the first disciples. We are convinced that they had an advantage over all later Christians because they were actually present at the events related in the Gospels. They saw the risen Jesus with their own eyes, and touched him with their hands. Therefore, faith was easy for them. And we are convinced that it would be easy for us too if only we could see Jesus personally, as the apostles did, or if only we could see for ourselves the miracles he performed, as the first disciples did.

Yes, the first disciples had the advantage of seeing Jesus with their own eyes. But did that make faith any easier for them? When they looked at Jesus what did they see? They did not and could not have seen God, for God is not immediately visible and knowable. In Jesus they saw a human being ostensibly like themselves. But to go from there to believe that he was the Son of God required a huge act of faith.

This accounts for the fact that there were many who heard Jesus speak and who saw him act, who did not believe in him. Even the apostles themselves, who had been with him from the beginning, are shown to be slow to believe. Seeing is not necessarily believing.

The shock caused by his passion and death on the cross was so great that the apostles were slow to believe in the news of the Resurrection. When Jesus appeared to them on Easter evening, he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen.

Where does all this leave us? We can't see Jesus the way the apostles saw him. We can't be present in the upper room going over the events of Holy Week when Jesus drops in. We can't put our finger in the wounds of Jesus. We can't look into his face and say, "My Lord, and my God." We must live by faith, not by sight. Yet if we would believe in Jesus we must see him somehow. But just how may people like us see Jesus? What must we do in order to believe?

We are disciples at second hand. For the disciple at second hand, things are harder in some ways, but easier in others. Things are harder because twenty centuries have gone by since Jesus walked the earth. A lot of dust has gathered. The light has dimmed. But on the positive side, the notion that the Son of God walked the earth has become "naturalized" over time, and so in some ways has become easier to believe. But at the end of the day, all disciples are essentially equal - all have to make the leap of faith. We become disciples through faith.

The friends of Jesus saw him and heard him only a few times after that Easter day, but their lives were completely changed. And by sharing their faith our lives will be changed too. We are able to travel in hope because we know that good will triumph over evil, and life will triumph over death, because Jesus is risen.



# Readings for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## Reading 1

**Acts 10:34a, 37-43**

Peter proceeded to speak and said:

“You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power.

He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people,

but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23**

**R. (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. or: R. Alleluia.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.”

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. or: R. Alleluia.**

“The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.”

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad or: R. Alleluia.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

**R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. or: R. Alleluia.**

## Reading 2

**Col 3:1-4**

Brothers and sisters:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

**Or**

**1 Cor 5:6b-8**

Brothers and sisters:

Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough?

Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened.

For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

## Sequence - Victimæ paschali laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises!

A Lamb the sheep redeems;

Christ, who only is sinless, Reconciles sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous:

The Prince of life, who died, reigns

immortal. Speak, Mary, declaring What

you saw, wayfaring. “The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus’

resurrection; bright angels attesting,

The shroud and napkin resting. Yes, Christ

my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes

before you.” Christ indeed from death is

risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy,

victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.



# Readings for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## Alleluia

cf. 1 Cor 5:7

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;  
let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

Jn 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord

from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him."

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed.

For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

## St. John Religious Gift Shop

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# Music for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

**Entrance Hymn:** Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 118: This is the Day

**Easter Sequence:** Christians to the Paschal Victim (Cantor only)

**Song during Sprinkling:** Baptized in Water

**Gifts:** Jesus Is Risen

**Communion Songs:** I Am the Bread of Life, Take and Eat

**Closing Hymn:** Alleluia, Alleluia!, The Hallelujah Chorus (11 am only)

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## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!  
Praise him, now His might confess, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

Text: 77 77 with alleluias; verse 1, Latin, 14th cent.; para. in Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; verses 2-3, The Compleat Psalmist, ca. 1750, alt.; verse 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. Music: Later form of melody fr. Lyra Davidica, 1708.

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## This is the Day (or: Alleluia)

(Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23)

(Psalm 118)

Francesca LaRosa

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with syllables aligned under the corresponding notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff begins with a measure rest (5) before the melody continues.

This is the day\_ the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.  
Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

5  
This is the day\_ the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.  
Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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**Happy Easter from the  
Clergy and Staff of  
St. John the Evangelist  
Church. We wish You and  
your families a blessed  
and joyous day.**



# Music for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## Christians, to the Paschal Victim Chant, Mode I

1. Christians, to the Paschal Victim  
Offer your thankful praises!

2. A Lamb the sheep redeems;  
Christ, who only is sinless,  
Reconciles sinners  
to the Father.

3. Death and life have contended  
in that combat stupendous:  
The Prince of life, who died,  
reigns immortal.

4. Speak, Mary, declaring  
What you saw, wayfaring.

5. "The tomb of Christ, who is living,  
The glory of Jesus' resurrection;

6. Bright angels, attesting,  
The shroud and napkin resting.

7. Yes, Christ my hope is arisen;  
To Galilee he goes before you."

8. Christ indeed from death is risen,  
our new life obtaining.  
Have mercy, victor King,  
ever reigning!  
Amen. Allelúia.

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## Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN



1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Cleansed by the  
2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Dead in the  
3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Marked with the



1. blood of Christ our King: Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust-ing his  
2. tomb with Christ our King: One with his ris - ing, Freed and for -  
3. sign of Christ our King: Born of one Fa - ther, We are his



1. prom - ise, Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
2. giv - en, Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
3. chil - dren, Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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# Music for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## -Jesus is Risen

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1. Je - sus is ris-en! Let us sing! Praise to the ev - er - liv - ing  
2. On this most ho - ly day of days, Let us to - geth - er sing his  
3. To God the Fa - ther let us sing, To God the Son, our ris - en

1. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him in song, ye Ser - a -  
2. praise! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Raise joy - ful voic - es to the  
3. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! And e - qual - ly let us a -

1. phim! Praise him with joy, ye Cher - u - bim! }  
2. sky! Sing out, ye heav - ens, in re - ply: } Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
3. dore The Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more! }

1-3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: LM with alleluias; Composite.  
Music: *Auserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623.

## I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life.  
You who come to me shall not hunger;  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me  
unless the Father beckons.

Refrain  
And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever,  
you shall live forever.

3. Unless you eat  
of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you.

4. I am the Resurrection,  
I am the life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die,  
you shall live forever.

5. Yes, Lord, we believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who has come  
into the world.

Text: John 6:35, 44, 51, 53-54; 11:25-27. Text and music © 1966, 1970, 1986, 1993, 2005, GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

# Music for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord


## Take and Eat

Michael Joncas

Refrain



1  
Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y  
Take and drink; take and drink:




2  
giv-en up for you. this is my blood giv-en up for you.

to Verses  
(Fine)


Verses



1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;  
2. I am the way that leads the ex - ile home;  
3. I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;  
4. I am the cor - ner-stone that God has laid;  
5. I am the light that came in - to the world;  
6. I am the first and last, the Liv - ing One;



1. I am the seed that died to be re - born;  
2. I am the truth that sets the cap - tive free;  
3. I am the gate that guards you night and day;  
4. A cho - sen stone and pre - cious in his eyes;  
5. I am the light that dark-ness can - not hide;  
6. I am the Lord who died that you might live;



1. I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;  
2. I am the life that rais - es up the dead;  
3. You are my flock: you know the shep-herd's voice;  
4. You are God's dwell - ing place, on me you rest;  
5. I am the morn - ing star that nev - er sets;  
6. I am the bride-groom, this my wed - ding song;

to Refrain



1. I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.  
2. I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.  
3. You are my own: your ran - som is my blood.  
4. Like liv - ing stones, a tem - ple for God's praise.  
5. Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.  
6. You are my bride, come to the mar-riage feast.

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# Music for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN TO JOY

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and  
2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to  
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to

1. voic - es raise; Sing to God a hymn of glad - ness,  
2. life is born, Glo - rious life, and life im - mor - tal,  
3. God on high; Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior,

1. Sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the  
2. On this res - ur - rec - tion morn; Christ has tri - umphed,  
3. Who has won the vic - to - ry; Al - le - lu - ia

1. cross as Sav - ior For the world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus  
2. and we con - quer By his might - y en - ter - prise, We with  
3. to the Spir - it, Font of love and sanc - ti - ty; Al - le -

1. Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.  
2. him to life e - ter - nal By his res - ur - rec - tion rise.  
3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! To the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

Text: 87 87 D; Christopher Wordsworth, 1872, alt.

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827; adapt. by Edward Hodges, 1796-1867.



### Knights of Columbus

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### Education Assistance Fund



- Will your children (or grandchildren or great grandchildren) attend a Diocesan K-12 Catholic school in Collier or Lee County for the 2023/2024 school year?
- Would you like to receive a \$500 education assistance award?**
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#### How can we receive an award?

- For information and to receive an application form, contact Troy Costain [troy@dgaretconstruction.com](mailto:troy@dgaretconstruction.com)
- Complete and submit the Education Assistance Application Form by April 15, 2023.
- Financial need is **not** part of the decision criteria.

### St John Neumann Catholic High School



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## Respect Life

### 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](http://www.communitypregnancyclinic.com)

Pregnancy Resource Center of Southwest Florida

239-990-8186 Fort Myers

239-280-5523 Naples – [www.prcnaples.org](http://www.prcnaples.org)

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Fort Myers 239-433-1929

[www.pregnancyfortmyers.com](http://www.pregnancyfortmyers.com)

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239-657-2016 – [www.immokaleepregnancy.com](http://www.immokaleepregnancy.com)



Diocese of Venice Respect Life Office  
[dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife](http://dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife)



SHE'S  
PREGNANT!

LET HER KNOW  
SHE'S NOT ALONE



**If you heard someone you  
know is pregnant and considering abortion,  
what would you do?**

Help her find the closest pregnancy help center.

There is a list on the diocesan website below under *Walking with Moms in Need* or have her use the QR code below which will direct her to the list. The center will give her accurate information about her options, confirm her pregnancy and show her the child in her womb via ultrasound, all for free. They will help her with other community resources, parenting classes, baby items and other needs.

*Walking with Moms in Need* is a nationwide program in the Catholic Church to connect pregnant women with pregnancy help centers. Join the effort to walk with her!

Parish volunteers can also coordinate efforts with the center to help her stay connected to her church or discover a faith community that cares about her.



For additional information, contact:  
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# Spiritually Adopt

## an Unborn Child

## PRAY

I will commit to pray this prayer  
every day for 9 months  
from now until Christmas:

“ Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
I love you very much. I beg you  
to spare the life of the unborn baby  
that I have spiritually adopted who  
is in danger of abortion. ”

Venerable Fulton J. Sheen



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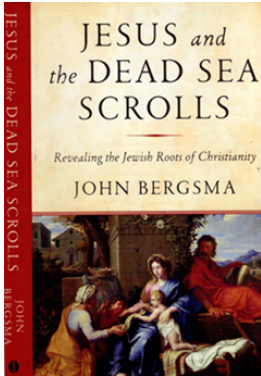
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# Adult Faith Formation

## Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls

Presented by: David Keys, PhD



**Dates:** Wednesday, April 26th at 10:00am-11:15AM **OR**

Thursday, April 27th at 6:00pm-7:30pm

**Location:** Nazareth Room, Pulte Family Center

Come discover in this review of John Bergsma's book how these scrolls not only document the reliability of the Old Testament scriptures, but also depicts Judaism at the time of Christ, helping us to understand more deeply the teachings of Jesus and the writings of New Testament. No preregistration is required. All are welcome.



## Well~Read Mom

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! New groups will be starting in April! We invite you to be a part of this national movement to grow in faith and to take back the arts!

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](mailto:aff@sjecc.com). Explore the National Website at [wellreadmom.com](http://wellreadmom.com) Subscribe to the apple podcast: *Read More, Read Well*.



## This Week in Adult Faith Formation

**Tuesday, April 11th**

The Gospel Study of Matthew

6:00-7:30PM

Alexandria Room, Claussen Center

**Thursday, April 13th**

Women's Faith Chat

9:45AM

Library, Claussen Center



## Vacation Bible School ~June 5th-9th Registration Open



Children entering Kindergarten through 5th grade in the Fall of 2023 are invited to register for Vacation Bible School at St. John the Evangelist this summer! Our camp runs June 5th -9th from 9:00AM-12:00PM. The cost per camper is \$55.00. Youth entering 6th grade and up, as well as adults are welcome to register to volunteer, pending required volunteer clearance.

**SJE VBS June 5-9, 2023 / VBS Registration Link:** [vbspro.events/p/68fa04](https://vbspro.events/p/68fa04)



### Show children how God is present in the Eucharist!

Zedekiah and Abigail, two young cousins living in Capernaum at the time of Jesus, argue about everything. They want Jesus to judge which of their families' crops is better—grain or grapes? But when they find themselves in the Upper Room at the Last Supper with gifts of their harvests for Jesus, they discover something more important than their presents. Available for sale in the Gift Boutique while supplies last.

### RICE BOWL COLLECTION



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### This Week in Faith Formation

Happy Easter! Enjoy this beautiful time with family and friends!

Class sessions resume April 16th





# VBS 2023

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SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

JOIN US FOR A STELLAR EXPERIENCE

### JUNE 5-9

**TO REGISTER AS A CAMPER, SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE & CLICK ON YOUTH EVENTS**



**TO REGISTER AS A VOLUNTEER, SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE & CLICK ON YOUTH EVENTS**



**Characters:**

- Cosmo (a yellow star)
- Ringo (a green planet with a ring)
- Luna (a blue moon)
- Sol (a yellow sun)
- Halley (a pink comet)

For more information, email Natalie at [natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com) or Juliana at [juliana@sjecc.com](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com)



SAINT JOHN'S  
YOUTH MINISTRY



# Theatre Arts Camp!

June 19-June 30

Ages 6-15 Mon-Fri 1pm-4pm

\$325

## Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs

SHOWCASE PERFORMANCE JUNE 30

PULTE CENTER STAGE

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

625 111TH AVENUE NORTH

REGISTER AT [WWW.CHILDRENFORTHEARTS.COM](http://WWW.CHILDRENFORTHEARTS.COM)



239-571-3305

To Register  
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# 2023 BASKETBALL CAMP



**SAVE THE DATE**

**7/10 - 7/14**

**GRADES 6 - 12**



**REGISTRATION OPENING SOON...**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL  
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MATTHEW AT [MATTHEW@SJECC.COM](mailto:matthew@sjecc.com)**



## CYO and Youth Ministry



# 2023 Youth Rally



**Thank you to all who participated in this year's Youth Rally,  
especially the youth who filled the retreat with  
love and comradery.**





50/50  
Raffle

**St. John the Evangelist Church  
Ballroom**



**April 14 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Premium ticket package available**

**For tickets and more information:**


- visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-motowners-ultimate-tribute-concert-and-dance-tickets-560903887627> or scan the QR code
- pay by cash or check after weekend Masses

**Proceeds to benefit “The Mercy Train”**

*Mercy Train is a 501c3 that serves to evangelize  
the message of Jesus' Divine Mercy*







**Monday Nights @ 6:00pm**  
**Pulte Family Life Center Café**

Join us for a night of trivia,  
friends, and fun!

*\*Due to the Easter Holiday,  
there will be no trivia on  
April 10*



**Wednesday  
Breakfast**

Every Wednesday!!!  
*At Pulte Family Life Center Café*

Join us for our Brunch favorites, such as  
Scrambled Eggs, Home Fried Potatoes,  
Pancakes, Bagels, Fruit, Coffee & Orange Juice.

**Free for Parishioners**  
After weekday mass  
from 9:30am - 11:00am

**Open Every Wednesday**

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PULTE FAMILY LIFE  
CENTER



Bring your friends for an  
afternoon of fun and  
excitement (18+ to play)

\$5 or \$20 cash per card

 **Upcoming dates:**  
**1:00 PM**

April 25th	June 27th
May 9th	July 11th
May 23rd	July 25th
June 13th	

 **Pulte Family Life  
Center**

For More Information:  
matthew@sjecc.com



**HAPPY HOUR  
KARAOKE**

in the  
Pulte Cafe

**Upcoming Dates:**

April 28th, 6pm	June 23rd, 6pm
May 12th, 6pm	July 14th, 6pm
May 26th, 6pm	July 28th, 6pm
June 9th, 6pm	

# Parish Cruise

## JOIN US ON OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CARIBBEAN CRUISE

**Celebrity Beyond | 10-Night Caribbean  
Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale | Jan. 19 to Jan. 29, 2024**



DATE	PORT OF CALL	TIME
Jan. 19	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4pm
Jan. 20	Day at Sea	
Jan. 21	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	8am - 5pm
Jan. 23	Castries, St. Lucia	9am - 6pm
Jan. 24	Bridgetown, Barbados	7am - 4pm
Jan. 25	St. Johns, Antigua	10am - 7pm
Jan. 26	Basseterre, St. Kitts & Nevis	8am - 5pm
Jan. 27	Day At Sea	
Jan. 28	Day At Sea	
Jan. 29	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am

### INCLUDED:

- Classic beverage package
- Prepaid gratuities
- SurfWiFi
- Pre-Cruise Meeting at Saint John's
- Bus round trip Saint John's
- Cocktail Party onboard the Beyond
- Masses onboard the Beyond
- Past Celebrity cruisers upgrade (if available)
- Deduct \$50 from final payment if paid with check

### NOTE:

Reserve your stateroom for only \$450 per person plus insurance, which is highly recommended.

#### Elevate Package

\* Premium Beverage Package and \$200 per person shore excursion credit

#### Indulge Package

\* Premium Beverage Package, \$200 shore excursion credit, streaming WIFI, \$200 onboard credit  
Call or email me for current pricing to Elevate or Indulge!

### PER PERSON FARES FROM\*:

\*upgrades available within most classes

\$3199 per person Aqua Class A2  
\$2589 per person Concierge Class C3 w/ Infinite Veranda  
\$2499 per person Edge Class E4 w/ Infinite Veranda  
\$2249 per person Ocean view O2

\$253 per person additional taxes and fees

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