St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

May 7, 2023 The Fifth Sunday of Easter





May - The Month of Mary

Hail. Mary, full of grace, the <u>lo</u>rd is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Tesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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 - April 2023

New Parishioners

17 families joined our parish in April. Welcome to all new parishioners!

Total Households

With our new families, we have 3392 Parish households.

Baptisms

Congratulations to the families whose children were baptized in April: Myles Oleksak, Camden Gubelman, Landry Smith, Jett Pagan, Miles Hober



Offertory

April 2023 (4/05/23 - 4/11/23) \$123,788.59

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

(4/19/23 - 4/25/23) \$54,290.82

Weddings

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

Olivia Boron and Ryan Berryman Abby Thomas and Jonathan Dina

JOP 2nd Collection This Weekend

- Cash or checks payable to Jamaica Outreach can be dropped in the JOP volunteer's basket outside the church on May 6 & 7, or on any weekend in a JOP envelope in the regular collection baskets. JOP envelopes are available outside the gift shop...OR,
- Donate online at www.JamaicaOutreach.org/give, OR,
- Mail a check payable to Jamaica Outreach, PO Box 110581, Naples, FL, 34108



The poor served by this St. John's ministry are eternally grateful for your past and future support.

Thank You!

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

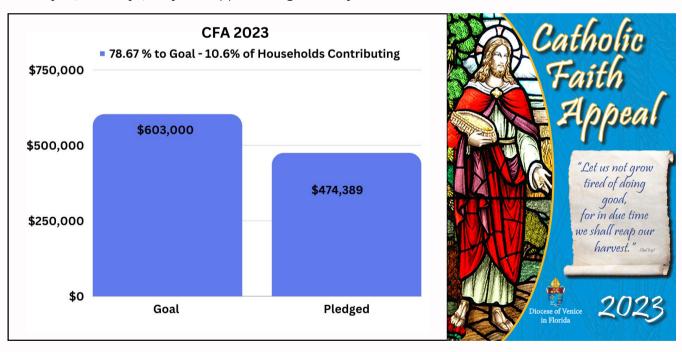
Dear Parishioners,

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 78.67% to our goal, with 10.6% 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 - Where Does Money Go?

A question that many parishioners have about the Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) is, "Where does my money go?" The chart below lists the many programs, ministries, and people impacted by the generosity and support of parishioners throughout our Diocese. Please consider donating to the CFA in support of these programs and ministries. Your donation will have a direct impact in our local communities.

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Ministry, Outreach, and Services: 48%

Evangelization • Youth & Young Adult Outreach • Office of Stewardship and Development • Respect Life Department • Worship Office • Parish Services • Hispanic Apostolate • Prison Outreach • Catholic Center Administrative Services • Marriage Tribunal • Inter-Religious Affairs and Ecumenism Office • Bishop's Office and Episcopal Duties • Marriage Preparation • Family Life Outreach • Haitian Apostolate • Campus Ministry • Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center • Campo San José Retreat Center

Support of Parishes, Missions & Convents: 16%

Worship sites located in financially challenged communities

Catholic Education: 15%

Catholic Schools Department • Office of Religious Education • Catholic School Subsidy

14%

Catholic Charities: 14%

Shelter for homeless mothers and their children • Affordable housing for veterans, seniors and families • Food pantries and kitchens • Counseling • Clothing banks • Shower Program for the homeless • Disaster Response and Recovery Program • After-School Reading Program • Head Start Program • Anti-Human Trafficking Programs

15%

Vocations and Clergy Support: 7%

48%

Seminary Education and Formation • Permanent Diaconate Formation • Continuing Education for Clergy • Office of Religious Life

16%

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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 lim 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

Lead Sacristan: Lan Tran: lan@sjecc.com **Lead Sacristan:** Pollyanna Caddell-Vierling:

pollyanna@sjecc.com

Bulletin: colleen@sjecc.com

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

Facilities: Jesus Arce: jesus@sjecc.com, Oleg Otroshenko:

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

Director of Religious Education: Natalie Campbell:

natalie@sjecc.com

Faith Formation Assistant: Melissa O'Brien:

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

Mailing Address & Contact Information

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 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

Requested By

Hugh and Mary Keenan

The Irvine Family

Tom

Saturday, May 6, 2023

8:00 AM Arthur Jackson **Gail Wernes**

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM Claude and Margaret Host Family

5:00 PM Marty Sullivan St. John's Staff

Sunday, May 7, 2023

7:00 AM

9:00 AM + Stephen Conger Claire Conger

11:00 AM George Faccone St. John the Evangelist Choir 1:00 PM Family of Lloyd Wenning Lloyd Wenning

5:00 PM Marianne Middlemiss

SI For Our Parishioners

Monday, May 8, 2023

8:30 AM **Guilbert and Duffy Families** Denise Guilbert

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

8:30 AM Anna Nardulli and Family Giuseppe, Ambrogio and Antonia Nardulli

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

8:30 AM + Josefina McKenney and Felix Cabrera

Thursday, May 11, 2023

8:30 AM Maria Giovanni and Franco Catalano Anna Nardulli and Family

Friday, May 12, 2023

8:30 AM Teresa and John Kennedy

Saturday, May 13, 2023

8:00 AM Linda Carrer **Christopher Carrer**

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

Deceased Members of the Mundo and O'Sullivan Families Jim and Geri Jostes 3:00 PM William White

5:00 PM Alexander Michael Richards McElwee

Requested By Sunday, May 14, 2023

7:00 AM Connie Episcopo Children 9:00 AM Fr. Tom

Henry Barcz Paul and Nancy Curti 11:00 AM + Charlie and Jean Curti

1:00 PM Col. David Lucci Lucci Family 5:00 PM Joan Gaetanco Parone Family



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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Eucharistic Ministers Needed



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? Sunday and Vigil Masses could use additional ministers to serve Holy Communion alongside our priests and deacons.

If you are able to navigate the altar steps and wish to serve as a member of this essential ministry, please email

Maureen Reed: maureen@sjecc.com

Readings for the Week

Saturday, May 6, 2023

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

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4 9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday, May 8, 2023

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 12, 2023

Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 13, 2023

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

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, and
Fingerprinting are prerequisites for serving



April Baptisms





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

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.

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



1st Annual Tuition Assistance Scramble

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!

☐ Single Golfer \$100

☐ Hole Sign \$200

☐ Foursome \$350

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION TO: 9836 Whitehall Street Naples, FL 34109 Please make check payable to: Knights of Columbus Council 11281 Write on Memo line: Golf Tournament FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact: Troy Costain Phone: 239.825.9279

Troy @dgarrett construction.com



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 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:
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

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.

Lesa Morrissey and Mary Murgalo

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
- lennifer 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
- Joanna Gasparrino
- Marg Gheller
- Amy Goodwine
- Florence Gordon
- Lisa Ann Granger
- Richard Granger
- Peter Greenberg
- Kathleen Greenberg
- Ian Greenberg
- Gary Gwizdala
- Kay Hackett
- Raymond Hall
- Fred Harkins
- Ann Harper
- Bob Hilliard
- Kathleen Cleary Hinkle
- Brian Hintz
- Walter Howell
- Patrick Howlett
- Jim Hubbard
- Jimmy

- Cynthia Johnson
- Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman
- Yvonne Keenan
- Carey Kendall
- Tracey Kirk
- Barbara Kopp
- Richard C. Kruger
- Judy Kruzich
- Ramona Langman
- Teresa Lozano
- M. E. M.
- Albert M.
- Diane Maloney
- Ruth Martin
- Donna Masse
- Eileen Miner
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- Robert Murphy
- John Murphy
- Eleanor Nute
- JenniferO'ConnorJoseph Pandolfo
- Ric Parker
- Patty
- Timothy Pearson
- Ann Petrillo
- Carol Petrone

- Robert Pulte
- Karen Pulte
- Jim Rankin
- Jim Rossi Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Catherine Schmacht
- Carlos Somarribas
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Gospel Reflection With Fr. Tom

There come times in the lives of all believers when things get very dark, and they have to believe what they cannot prove, and to accept even though they cannot understand or make sense of what's happening. It's at such times that we really need strong faith, but it's precisely at such times that our faith fails us.

It's easy to convince ourselves that we have a strong faith when things are going well. When a crisis arises we discover what kind of faith we have, or if we have any faith at all. By faith here I mean trust in God.

Of course, there are people who think that if God was with them, and if he really loved them, then no storm would ever hit them. Life should be all plain sailing. So, when a storm does hit them, they experience a deep crisis of faith, thinking that God has abandoned them.

During the Last Supper the apostles were thrown into crisis when Jesus started to talk about his death. On hearing this their hearts were troubled and filled with fear. Knowing that their faith would be severely tested, Jesus tried to prepare them for the ordeal. He said to them, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, and believe also in me." Since the apostles already believed, in effect what he was saying to them was, "You must go on trusting in God and in me."

At a time of crisis people feel that God has abandoned them. But Jesus assured the apostles that, even though he was leaving them, he was not abandoning them. Rather, he was going to prepare a home for them, and would return to take them to that home. Hence, no matter what happened, no matter how difficult things might get they must go on believing, go on trusting in him and in the Father. That's all they would have to do. Go on believing, go on trusting. Easier said than done.

But at a time of crisis that is the only thing we can do - go on stubbornly trusting in God. Trust is the greatest thing we can give to another person. At that hour we must believe that somehow there is a purpose to it all, and that good will come of it. Then the unbearable becomes bearable, and in the darkness a glimmer of light appears.

What real faith does is assure us that God is with us in the midst of the crisis. It is that feeling, that conviction, that we are not alone, that we are not abandoned, which enables us to get through the crisis.

Life is unintelligible and unendurable without God. That's why faith is so important. When the English singer, Charlie Lansboro, became a Catholic he said, "I believe completely. I can't imagine my life without my faith. But it took me a long time to get there."

Those who have faith have a source of comfort and inspiration, especially when trouble strikes. They know that God will be good to them in the end, both in this world and in the next. It is not we who keep the faith; it is the faith that keeps us.

So when things get difficult and dark, may we hear the gentle words of Jesus: "Believe in God, and believe also in me."



Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Reading 1 Acts 6:1-7

As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.

So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table.

Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism.

They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them. The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

R. (22) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. or: R. Alleluia.

Exult, you just, in the LORD; praise from the upright is fitting. Give thanks to the LORD on the harp; with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. or: R. Alleluia.

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. or: R. Alleluia.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,

upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. or: R. Alleluia.

Reading 2 1 Pt 2:4-9

Beloved: Come to him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it says in Scripture: Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame.

Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and A stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall. They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny.

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Alleluia Jn 14:6

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gospel Jn 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places.

If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.

Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own.

The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."



Opening Hymn: Jesus Is Risen

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33 - Lord, let Your mercy be on us.

Gifts: I Will Choose Christ

Communion Songs: Taste and See, O God You Search Me **Closing Hymn:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise

Jesus Is Risen LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1. Jesus is risen! Let us sing! Praise to the everliving King!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him in song, ye Seraphim! Praise him with joy, ye Cherubim!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

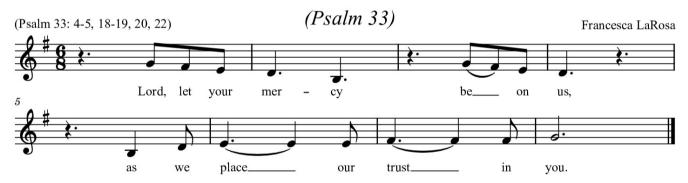
2. On this most holy day of days, Let us together sing his praise! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Raise joyful voices to the sky! Sing out, ye heavens, in reply:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: LM with alleluias; Compilers, 1978. Music: Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623.

Lord, Let Your Mercy Be On Us



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I Will Choose Christ



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Taste and See

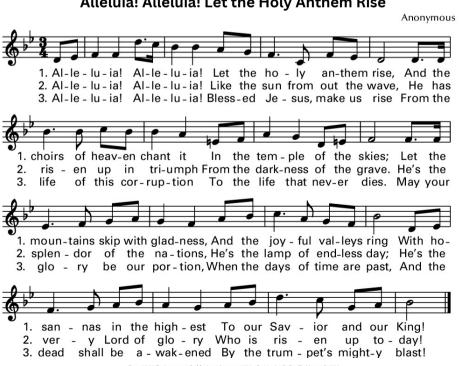


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Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise





Music for the Crowning of Mary



Opening Hymn: Immaculate Mary

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33 - Lord, let Your mercy be on us. **Crowning of Mary:** "Holy Mary" sung by Children's Choir

Gifts: Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Communion Songs: We Are One Body, As I Kneel Before You

Closing Song: This Is the Day



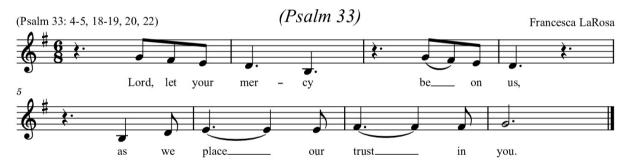
Immaculate Mary LOURDES HYMN

1. Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing. You reign now in heaven with Jesus our King. 2. In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth we your children invoke your fair name.

Refrain Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

Text: 11 11 with refrain; anon. in Parochial Hymn Book, Boston, 1897; rev. of Hail Virgin of virgins by Jeremiah Cummings, 1814–1866, alt. Music: Trad. Pyrenean melody, pub. Grenoble, 1882; alt. by Augustus Edmonds Tozer, 1857–1910.

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Hail Mary: Gentle Woman Carey Landry

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen.

Refrain
Gentle woman, quiet light,
morning star, so strong and
bright,
gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom; teach us love.

1. You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one.

Text: Based on Luke 1:28, 42. Text and music @ 1975, 1978, Carey Landry. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.



Music for the Crowning of Mary



We Are One Body

Refrain: We are one body, one body in Christ; and we do not stand alone.
We are one body, one body in Christ; and he came that we might have life.

1. When you eat my body and you drink my blood,

I will live in you and you will live in my love. When you eat my body and you drink my blood,

I will live in you and you will live in my love.

2. Can you hear them crying, can you feel their pain? Will you feed my hungry, will you help my lame? See the unborn baby, the forgotten one, they are not forsaken, they are not unloved.

- 3. I am the way, the truth, the life, I am the final sacrifice, I am the way, the truth, the life, he who believes in me will have eternal life. I am the way, the truth, the Life, I am the final sacrifice, I am the way, the truth, the life, he who believes in me will have eternal life.
- 4. I have come your Savior that you might have life. Through the tears and sorrow, through the toils and strife. Listen when I call you, for I know your need; come to me, your shepherd, for my flock I feed.
- 5. At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bend; Jesus is the Lord and He will come again. At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bend; Jesus is the Lord and He will come again.

As I Kneel Before You

Verse 1

As I kneel before You
As I bow my head in prayer
Take this day make it Yours
And fill me with Your love

Chorus

Ave Maria gratia plena Dominus tecum benedicta tu

Verse 2

All I have I give You Ev'ry dream and wish are Yours Mother of Christ Mother of mine Present them to my Lord

Verse 3

As I kneel before You And I see Your smiling face Ev'ry thought ev'ry word Is lost in Your embrace



This Is the Day

This is the day, this is the day. That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made. We will rejoice, we will rejoice, And be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

This is the day, this is the day. When He rose again, when He rose again. We will rejoice, we will rejoice, And be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day when He rose again. We will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day when He rose again.

This is the day, this is the day. When the Spirit came, when the Spirit came. We will rejoice, we will rejoice, And be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day, when the Spirit came. We will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day when the Spirit came

5:00pm Contemporary Mass Music

Opening Song: Holy is the Lord

We stand and lift up our hands For the joy of the Lord is our strength We bow down and worship Him now How great, how awesome is He

And together we sing, everyone sing

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory Holy is the Lord, God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory The earth is filled with His glory

Preparation Song: Lord, I Need You

Lord I come, I confess Bowing here, I find my rest Without You, I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You Every hour, I need You My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are And where You are, Lord, I am free Holiness is Christ in me

Communion Song: The Supper of the Lord

Precious body precious blood Here in bread and wine Here the Lord prepares the feast divine Bread of love is broken now Cup of life is poured Come share the supper of the lord

This is the bread of God Coming down from heaven Giving life to us, to all the world

I am the living spring of eternal life You that drink from me shall not thirst again

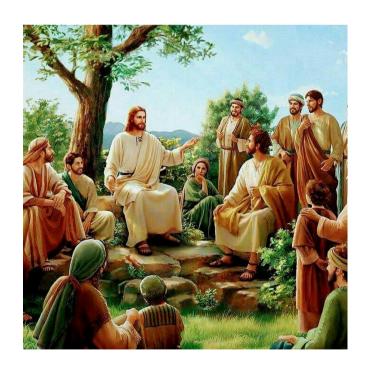
"I am the bread of heaven giving life to you You that eat this bread shall never die."

Closing Song: Mighty to Save

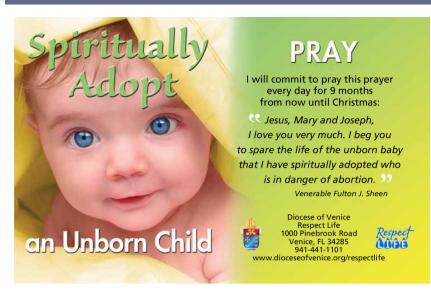
Everyone needs compassion A love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Well, everyone needs forgiveness The kindness of a Savior The Hope of nations

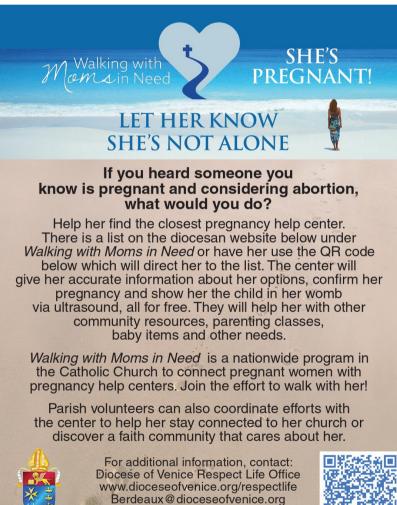
Savior, He can move the mountains
For my God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever, author of Salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
And fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
And now I surrender (I surrender)



Respect Life





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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.

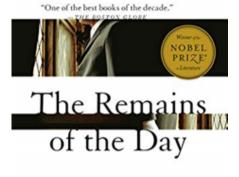
Prayer Vigil

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

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

Faith Formation

Confirmation 2023





















Sunday, May 7th

9:30-10:45AM : K-8 Faith Formation 11:00AM Mass: May Crowning of Mary

3:45PM-6:00PM: Year 1 & 2 Confirmation Class Session & Mass



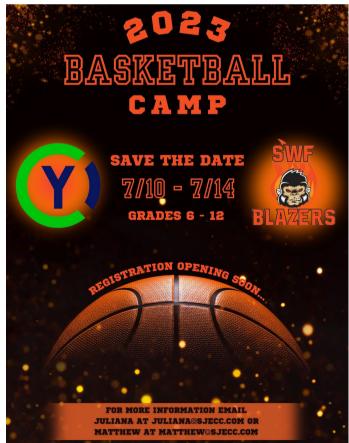


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Pulte Family Life Center



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









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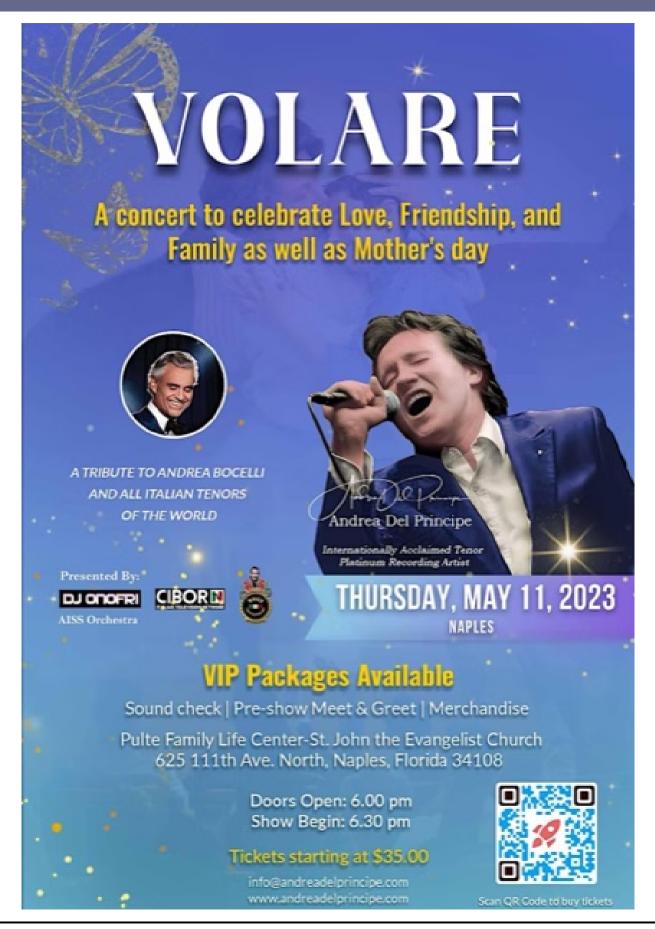
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Prayer to End a School Year



God of wisdom, we thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year. We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of our schools.

We ask that you bless all students in your love and give them refreshment and peace. We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen