

St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 13, 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

New Parishioners

27 families joined our parish in July. Welcome to all new parishioners!

Total Households

With our new families, we have 3413 Parish households.

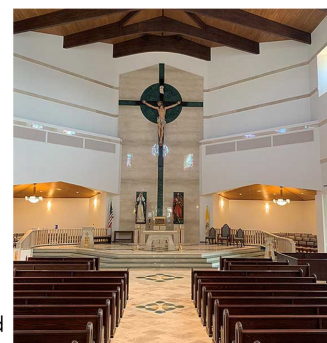
Baptisms

Congratulations to the families of those baptized in July:

- Magdalena Hernandez
- Gabriella Roberts
- Sophia Messina
- Ezri Shaffer
- Hudson Stoneburner
- Maeve and Elsbeth Sneeringer
- Tristin and Jade Wallace

Weddings

Congratulations to Gessie Joseph & Michael Jacquet who celebrated thier marriage convalidation in July. We wish them a lifetime of love and happiness:



Offertory

7/5/23 - 7/11/23
\$43,827.93

7/12/23 - 7/18/23
\$50,831.94

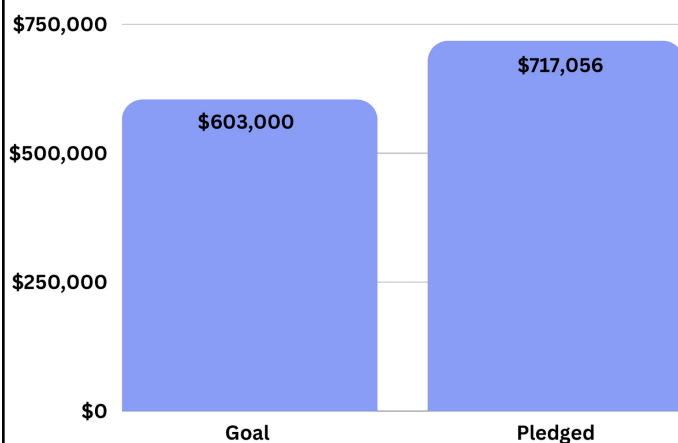
7/19/23 - 7/25/23
\$42,345.44

7/26/23 - 8/1/23
\$30,533.37

CFA 2023

118.91% to Goal

15.34% of Households Contributing



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



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.

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed)

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

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am (livestreamed), 11:00am (livestreamed), 1:00pm, and 5:00pm (Contemporary Mass)

Reconciliation Times

Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass

Saturday: 8:30am and 2:00-2:45pm

OFFICE INFORMATION

Mailing Address & Contact Information

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108
Phone: 239.566.8740
Email: info@sjecc.com

Office Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Religious Gift Shop Hours

Saturday: 2:30pm - 6:15pm

Sunday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

Clergy

Fr. Tom Zalewski, Pastor
Fr. Mark Harris, Associate
Fr. Nick Thompson, Associate
Fr. Len Gioeli, Retired
Deacon Jim Walworth
Deacon Hal Brenner, Senior Status
Deacon Frank Paniccia, Senior Status

Administrative Staff

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 Sacristans: Lan Tran: lan@sjecc.com

Pollyanna Caddell-Vierling: pollyanna@sjecc.com

Bookkeeper: Karen Beebe: karen@sjecc.com

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Ivan Torres: Ivan@sjecc.com

Director of Programs and the PFLC: Now Hiring!

Bulletin: colleen@sjecc.com

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education: Natalie Campbell: natalie@sjecc.com

Faith Formation Assistants:

Melissa O'Brien: melissa@sjecc.com

Carol Chorba: carol@sjecc.com

Christian Initiation of Adults for those who want to become Catholic: Jean Kechejian: jeankechejian@yahoo.com

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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:

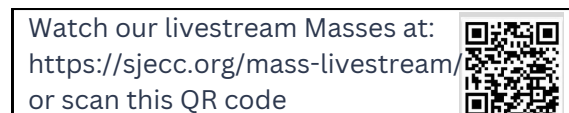
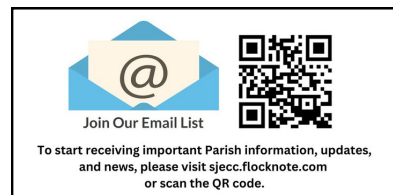
Bill Fuller: wfuller1@comcast.net

Altar Servers:

Briana Billanti : servers@sjecc.com

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 12, 2023

Requested By

8:00 AM + Carmelo and Angela Tripodi

Friend

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Janet and Jerome Paul VanderHorst

Vicki VanderHorst

5:00 PM + Robert DiMaio

Sandra DiMaio and Family

Sunday, August 13, 2023

Requested By

7:00 AM + Teresa Dep Pham

Chanh Hoang

9:00 AM + Francesco P. Morsilli

Martha Iazzetti

11:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Howard Dickson

Jennifer Duffy

5:00 PM + Mary Badalamenti

Dave and Ann Turner

Monday, August 14, 2023

Requested By

8:30 AM + Thomas Parrott

The Parrott and Turner Families

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Requested By

8:30 AM + Nicola Anne Galt

The Campbell Family

12:00 PM + The Butler and Morrissey Families

The Landi's

7:00 PM + Anthony (Tony) Cesa

Family and Nephews and Nieces

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

Requested By

8:30 AM + Robert Naples

Frances Naples

Thursday, August 17, 2023

Requested By

8:30 AM + Chales A. Mazzoni

Mazzoni and McKune Family

Friday, August 18, 2023

Requested By

8:30 AM + Nico LaGrasta

The Family

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Requested By

8:00 AM + Sandy Paniccia

Deacon Frank

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Bruce Fluegeman

Pauline Cataldo

5:00 PM + Allen Jannasch

Joy and Scott Jannasch

Sunday, August 20, 2023

Requested By

7:00 AM + Nicholas Giordano

Judy Mattera

9:00 AM + Tanya Hollovich

Family

11:00 AM + David Roy Nelson

Mr. and Mrs. John Sissman

1:00 PM + Edwina Bender

Fr. Len

5:00 PM + Emil J. Valdes

Mark W. Hebrank



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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. 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.

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*

Distribution of the Precious Blood from the Chalice

Under the guidance of Bishop Dewane, St. John the Evangelist will resume the distribution of Communion under both species. Please note that distribution of the Precious Blood will be based on the number of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at each Mass.



Readings for the Week

Saturday, August 12, 2023

Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Sunday, August 13, 2023

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Monday, August 14, 2023

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday, August 17, 2023

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday, August 18, 2023

Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24 Mt 19:3-12

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15

Ministries and Groups

Arimatheans. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Please contact the Main Office 239.566.8740

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

Faith Chat – Faith Chat is currently watching and discussing the TV series The Chosen. We will be watching 2 episodes (6&7) on June 22 and the final episode on June 29th. We will NOT be meeting during July and August but will resume the first Thursday in September at 9:15am. Have a great summer. 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





Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

If you are thinking of inquiring about the Catholic faith, do not be shy in exploring what the Catholic Church offers you. You will never know unless you ask.

The Order of Christian Initiation is a process to welcome people into the Catholic Faith. It is designed for you...

- to explore the beauty of Sacred Scripture and Catholic Tradition
- to answer your questions about the Catholic way of life
- to start your journey toward full initiation into the Catholic Church

~We invite you to inquire with no obligation~

The OCIA Journey is for those:

- Never Baptized
- Baptized in another Christian tradition
- Baptized Catholic as an infant, but not raised as a Catholic nor received additional Sacraments
- Catholics who have not practiced their faith and want to return to the Church to reconnect with the Sacramental way of life
- Catholics who desire to better understand their faith to cultivate a deeper meaning of who Jesus is in their lives

**OCIA SESSIONS WILL BEGIN ON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

**For more information, please contact:
Jean Kechejian, OCIA Coordinator
jeankechejian@yahoo.com or 203.521.1179**

Children & Youth Ministries

Altar Servers - Altar Servers participate with the Priest in performing various parts of the liturgy. They assist the Sacristan with preparing the altar, lighting the candles and other tasks as assigned. This ministry is open to Youth who have been Baptized and have made their First Holy Communion. Youth altar servers assist at weekend masses, at weddings, and other special liturgies. Training is conducted several times each year. Email servers@sjecc.com for more information.

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

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

High School Youth Group: Every Sunday from 6 PM to 7:30 PM after 5 PM mass. The first day is Sunday, September 17th in classrooms 7 & 8.

Middle School Youth Group: Every Friday, excluding the second Friday of each month, from 6 PM to 7:30 PM. The first day is Friday, September 22nd in classrooms 7 & 8.

We are excited to announce that we will be implementing the **Life Teen** curriculum for youth group and 5 PM Mass! Thus, we are seeking youth for various 5 PM Mass positions. Please use the link to register for all youth events/programs:

<https://form.jotform.com/232166624477158>

Calendars for youth programming will be completed by the end of August. Thank you!

Military Prayer List



Let Us Pray For Those Who Serve... Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Praying for Our Men and Women in Service – We give our sincere thanks and appreciation to all veterans who have served their country. We continue to pray for our loved ones who are currently serving in the armed forces, whether they are stationed overseas or in the United States.

To submit a name to add to our Military Prayer List, please contact our Main Office at 239.566.8740

Please inform us when a loved one has been discharged in order for us to keep our list current.

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 Denha 2nd lieutenant ARMY, Ft Bragg N.C.
- 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 Koepl
- SPC Nicholas LaManna
- Sgt. William McKinney
- 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
- Lt. Michaela Scrudato, US Navy
- Austin Spagnola
- LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans
- Lt. Brendan Tourek – USN
- Lance Cpl. Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps
- Captain Grant Ullrich, US Army in Kuwait
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey
- Austin Zicht – USAF

Recently Deceased / Prayer List

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

Liberia Granato
Marilyn Hefferon
Arthur John Heigl



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

- Mary A.
- Priscila Abgala
- Declan Aigner
- Beckey Atkins
- Jerry B.
- Anna and Angelo Babbo
- Florence Ballachino
- Barbara Barber
- Jennifer Basile
- Nadine Baxter
- Linda Berry
- Sara Boettcher
- Michael Brien
- Karen Cassady
- Rita Caven
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Sheryl Conway
- Denise Cooper
- Matthew Cummings
- Tom Despres
- Donna DiMare
- Lorraine Dolan
- Megan Ebert
- Peter Ebert
- Paul Ebert
- Pamela Eck
- John Eddy
- Monica Ellis
- Bill Farley
- Tiffany Fellenz
- Bruce Fenske
- Lori Fenske
- Lisa Finelli
- Amy FitzGerald
- Rachel Fling
- Anna Focht
- Phyllis and Peter Foti
- Tom Froh
- Lester Fuller
- Madeline Gaffey
- Terry Gallagher
- Kathy Gallucci
- Joanna Gasparrino
- Marg Gheller
- Tamie Gibbons
- Fr. Len Gioeli
- Amy Goodwine
- Florence Gordon
- Lisa Ann Granger
- Richard Granger
- Peter Greenberg
- Ian Greenberg
- Gary Gwizdala
- Raymond Hall
- Fred Harkins
- Bob Hearson
- Edward John Hendrickson
- Bob Hilliard
- Kathleen Cleary Hinkle
- Brian Hintz
- Walter Howell
- Patrick Howlett
- Jim Hubbard
- Gessie Jacquet
- Jimmy
- Cynthia Johnson
- Gesse Joseph
- Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman
- Yvonne Keenan
- Carey Kendall
- Tracey Kirk
- Barbara Kopp
- Victoria Kramer
- Richard C. Kruger
- Judy Kruzich
- Ramona Langman
- John Thomas Lawson
- Rosemary Litwin
- Drew Loggi
- Michele Loggi
- MaryEtta Loggi
- Elaine Lopresti
- Vince LoPresti
- Teresa Lozano
- M. E. M.
- Albert M.
- Diane Maloney
- Ruth Martin
- Donna Masse
- Lana McBride
- Wendy Mercer
- Lucille Metz
- Eileen Miner
- Patrick Moorton
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- Robert Murphy
- John Murphy
- JoAnn Natale
- Eleanor Nute
- Jennifer O'Connor
- Joseph Pandolfo
- Eric Parker
- Patty
- Lenard Pelletier
- Ann Petrillo
- Carol Petrone
- Mary Lynn Podolak
- Anna Polley
- Robert Pulte
- Karen Pulte
- Jim Rankin
- Robert Redman
- Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Catherine Schmach
- Frank Searle
- Carlos Somarribas
- Laura Sotkes
- Norma J. Spriggle
- Jeanne Stoll
- Sue and Tom Sweeney
- Joan Marie Switalski
- Joan Switalski
- Sarah Thewes
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn Thyen
- Kathleen Trotter
- Raymond Vanasse
- Thelma Varhach
- Noah Wagner
- Dana, Geneva & Greigh Wells
- Natalie Williams
- Carol Williamson
- Bruce Williamson
- Brynn Wilson
- S. J. Zarebi
- Mike Zewalk
- Adriana Zuniga

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

Prayer for Protection During Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble
voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed
Your order and returned to its former quietude. You
are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the
shadow of a danger over which we have no control;
the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake
from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional
boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and
disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving
Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose
memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem
to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star
of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead
with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the
calamities common to this area and animated with a
true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of
your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem,
where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.



Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

Taken in a literal sense, the story of Peter attempting to walk on water may not be relevant for us. But taken symbolically (which seems to be how Matthew intends it to be taken) it has great relevance for us. 'Walking on water' is a symbol of something that is impossible to unaided human beings. There can be many situations in which we feel weak and powerless.

At some time or other, every disciple of Jesus is faced with very trying circumstances, very difficult decisions, very great sorrows, very powerful temptations. At those times it is as if we are being asked to 'walk on water'. Here are some examples of the kind of things the modern Christian might have to cope with.

John is a young person living away from home. It is Sunday morning. He is in a warm bed and it is cold outside. Should he leave that bed and go to Mass? He knows that he will have to face the laughter of his "friends" as they take their 'liturgy of the word' straight out of the tabloids. Will John be able to obey the gentle voice of Christ calling him to walk across the water of cynicism to go to church and listen to the Word of God?

Mary is a single girl who has become pregnant. She is heading into the middle of a storm of protest from her parents and gossip from her neighbors as soon as the news breaks. Then she is offered a way out - a quiet abortion, No one will ever know. But then she hears the gentle voice of Christ saying that abortion is wrong. Will she have the courage to listen to that voice?

Eileen is a young mother with three children. Suddenly her husband leaves her for another woman. She feels hurt and betrayed, lonely and angry. Then she hears the voice of Christ inviting her to trust. Will she have the courage to walk on those troubled waters, relying only on the word of Christ?

Paul is a businessman who travels a lot. He is away from home. One night he meets a very attractive woman. He hasn't been getting on very well of late with his wife. No one will ever know if he is unfaithful to her. Will he have the strength to walk across the waters of fidelity at the call of Christ, who tells him that adultery is wrong?

We could multiply the examples, but I think the point has been made. At some time or other, everyone is faced with very trying circumstances. At those times it is as if the Lord is asking us to 'walk on water'. But at the same time he stretches out his hand to uphold us. At those times we can draw courage from the example of Peter. Peter represents the typical disciple who is caught between faith and doubt. He set out to obey Jesus, but "as soon as he felt the force of the wind", that is, persecution, his faith failed him. Jesus' rebuke, "Man of little faith! Why did you doubt?" is directed at us too. Like Peter, we often start out courageously only to lose heart when the going gets tough.

We have to contend not only with an outer struggle (against 'the elements'), but also with an inner struggle (against ourselves). To some extent, the whole life of a Christian is a kind of "walking on water", in so far as it implies walking in faith, which means relying only on the word of Christ. Many times we are asked to step out on his word. But Christ is not a ghostlike figure from the past. He is the Son of God who lives among us. One day we will have to leave the earthly 'boat' that has carried us through the stormy waters of this world, and set out across the dark waters of death. If at difficult moments during life we have opted for Christ, then at death it will come naturally to us to reach out and take his hand, so that he may haul us onto the shores of eternity.



Assumption of Mary
August 15th, 2023
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times:

8:30am
12:00pm
7:00pm

Readings for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13A

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him,

"Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by."

A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

R. (8) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD — for he proclaims peace. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Reading 2

Rom 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters:

I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are

Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Alleluia

Cf. Ps 130:5

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I wait for the Lord;
my soul waits for his word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter said to him in reply,

"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

He said, "Come."

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying,

"Truly, you are the Son of God."

Music for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 85 - Lord, let us see Your kindness

Gifts: We Walk by Faith

Communion Hymns: Here I Am Lord, Only in God

Closing Hymn: O God Our Help in Ages Past

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I Heard the Voice of Jesus

KINGSFOLD



1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's
1. rest; Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up -
2. give The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down, and
3. light; Look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy
1. on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I was, So
2. drink, and live." I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of
3. day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I found In
1. wea - ry, worn and sad; I found in him a
2. that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was quenched, my
3. him my star, my sun; And in that light of
1. rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
2. soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
3. life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889, alt.

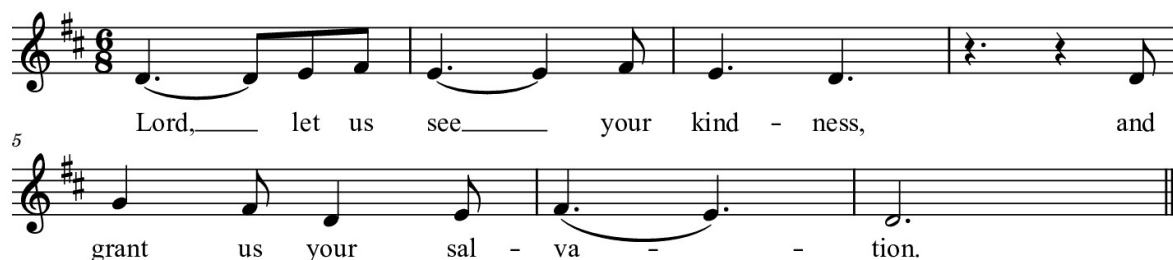
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Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness

(Psalm 85: 9-10, 11-12, 13-14)

(Psalm 85)

Francesca LaRosa



Lord, let us see your kind - ness, and
grant us your sal - va - tion.

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Music for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Walk By Faith

Marty Haugen

1, 5. We walk by faith, and not by sight: No
2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor
3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief, And
4. That when our life of faith is done In

1, 5. gra - cious words we hear Of him who spoke as
2. fol - low where he trod; Yet in his prom - ise
3. may our faith a - bound; To call on you when
4. realms of clear - er light We may be - hold you

1, 5. none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve him near.
2. we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"
3. you are near, And seek where you are found:
4. as you are In full and end - less sight.

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Here I Am Lord

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness
bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's
pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love
alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and
lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

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Music for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Only in God

John Michael Talbot

Verses



1. On - ly in God is my soul at rest, in him comes my sal -
2. On - ly in God is found safe - ty when my en - e - my pur -



1. va - tion. He, on - ly, is my rock, my strength and
2. sues me. On - ly in God is found glo - ry when I am found

Refrain



1. my sal - va - tion. My strong-hold, my Sav - ior,
2. meek and found low - ly.



I shall not be a - fraid at all. My strong-hold, my



Sav - ior, I shall not be moved. moved. On - ly in




God is my soul at rest, in him comes my sal - va - tion.


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O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE



1. O God, our Help in a - ges past, Our Hope for years to come,
2. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,
3. A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;
4. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Soon bears us all a - way;
5. O God, our Help in a - ges past, Our Hope for years to come,



1. Our Shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal Home.
2. From ev - er - last - ing thou art God, To end - less years the same.
3. Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
4. We fly for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the o - p'ning day.
5. Be thou our Guard while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal Home.

Text: CM; Psalm 90, adapted by Isaac Watts, 1674-1748. Music: William Croft, 1678-1727.

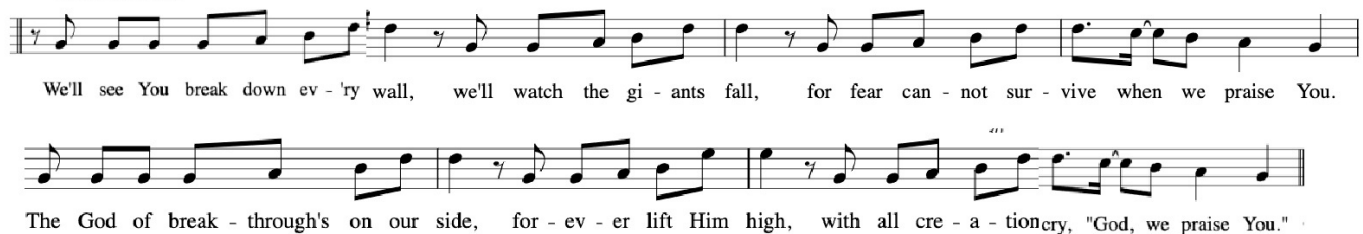
5:00 PM Contemporary Music

Opening Song: We Praise You

V1: Let praise be a weapon that silences
the enemy
Let praise be a weapon that conquers all anxiety
Let it rise let praise arise

V2: We sing Your name in the dark And it changes
ev'rything
We sing with all we are and we claim Your victory
Let it rise let praise arise

CHORUS:



Preparation Song: Holy is His Name

Chorus: And holy, holy, holy is His name

V1: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
And my spirit exalts in God my Savior
For He has looked with mercy on my lowliness
And my name will be forever exalted
For the mighty God has done great things for me
An His mercy will reach from age to age

V2: He has mercy in every generation
He has revealed His power and His glory
He has cast down the mighty in their arrogance
And has lifted up the meek and the lowly
He has come to help His servant Israel
He remembered His promise to our fathers

Communion Song: Behold the Lamb of God

V: You are my Lord
It's You I adore
Nothing on earth
Could ever take Your place
Your might humbles ev'ry heart
The highest of heavens bow
For nothing on earth
Could ever take Your place

Pre-Chorus: And now we see
Your sacrifice
The greatest gift our greatest prize

Chorus: Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold the Lamb of God
Who takes away the sins of the
world

Bridge: We will not forget
We will stay awake
We will not abandon
The promise that You made

Closing Song: Immaculate Mary

V1: Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing.
You reign now in splendor with Jesus our King.

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

V2: In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim;
On earth we your children invoke your fair name.

V3: We pray for our Mother, the Church upon
earth, and bless, Holy Mary, the land of our birth.

Readings for the Assumption of Mary

Reading 1

RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:
"Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One."

Responsorial Psalm

PS 45:10, 11, 12, 16

R. (10bc) The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The queen takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear, forget your people and your father's house.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

So shall the king desire your beauty; for he is your lord.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

They are borne in with gladness and joy; they enter the palace of the king.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Reading 2

1 COR 15:20-27

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary is taken up to heaven;
a chorus of angels exults.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

LK 1:39-56

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said,
"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

And Mary said:

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has

Readings for the Assumption of Mary

done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away

empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.” Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

Music for the Assumption of Mary

Opening Hymn: Immaculate Mary

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 45 - The Queen Stands at Your Right Hand

Gifts: Sing of Mary

Communion Hymn: Hail Mary, Gentle Woman


Closing Hymn: Hail, Holy Queen

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Immaculate Mary

LOURDES HYMN

Verses




1. Im - mac - u - late Ma - ry, your prais - es we sing. You
2. In heav - en the bless - ed your glo - ry pro - claim; On
3. We pray for our Moth - er, the Church up - on earth, And



1. reign now in heav - en with Je - sus our King.
2. earth we your chil - dren in - voke your fair name.
3. bless, Ho - ly Ma - ry, the land of our birth.

Refrain



A - ve, A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a! A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a!

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.

The Queen Stands at Your Right Hand

(Psalm 45)

Francesca LaRosa

(Psalm 45: 10, 11, 12, 16)



The queen stands at your right hand, ar - rayed in gold.

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Music for the Assumption of Mary

Sing of Mary

PLEADING SAVIOR



1. Sing of Ma - ry, pure and low - ly, Vir - gin - moth - er, un - de -
2. Sing of Je - sus, son of Ma - ry, In the home at Naz - a -
3. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther; Glo - ry be to God the

1. filed. Sing of God's own Son most ho - ly, Who be - came her
2. reth. Toil and la - bor can - not wea - ry Love en - dur - ing
3. Son; Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it; Glo - ry to the

1. lit - tle child. Fair - est child of fair - est moth - er,
2. un - to death. Con - stant was the love he gave her,
3. Three in One. From the heart of bless - ed Ma - ry,

1. God the Lord who came to earth, Word made flesh, our
2. Though he went forth from her side, Forth to preach and
3. From all saints the song as - cends, And the Church the

1. ver - y broth - er, Takes our na - ture by his birth.
2. heal and suf - fer, Till on Cal - va - ry he died.
3. strain re - ech - oes Un - to earth's re - mot - est ends.

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Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Carey Landry

Intro: Cantor

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: All




Gen - tle wom - an, qui - et light, morn - ing
star, so strong and bright, gen - tle
Moth - er, peace - ful dove, teach us

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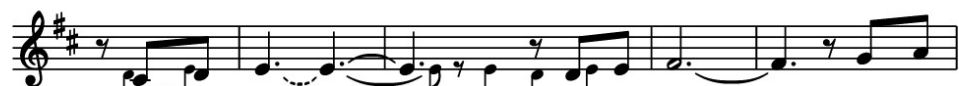


 wis-dom; teach us love.


Verses: All




 1. You were cho - sen by the Fa-ther;
 2. Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en,



 1. you were cho - sen _____ for the Son. You were
 2. blest in turn _____ all wom-en, too. Bless-ed



 1. cho - sen _____ ♪ from all wom-en and for
 2. they _____ ♪ with peace - ful spir - its. Bless-ed



 1. wom - an, _____ shin-ing one.
 2. they _____ with gen - tle hearts.


to Refrain

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Hail, Holy Queen


SALVE REGINA COELITUM

Verses




 1. Hail, ho - ly Queen en-throned a-bove; O Ma - ri - a! Hail,
 2. Our life, our sweet-ness here be-low, O Ma - ri - a! Our
 3. And when our life-breath leaves us, O Ma - ri - a! Show


Refrain



 1. moth-er of mer - cy and of love.
 2. hope in sor - row and in woe. } O Ma - ri - a! Tri-umph,
 3. us thy Son, Christ Je - sus. }



 all ye cher-u-bim; Sing with us, ye ser-a-phim! Heav'n and earth re-



 sound the hymn: Sal - ve, sal - ve, sal - ve, Re - gi - na!

Text: 84 84 with refrain; *Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae*, ca. 1080; tr. anon. in *Roman Hymnal*, 1884.
Music: Melchior Ludwig Herold, 1753–1810; *Choralmelodien zum Heiligen Gesänge*, 1808.

Music Ministry Information



MUSIC MINISTRY SIGN UPS

Members of the Music Ministry will be outside the Narthex with information and sign-up forms. No audition required. Come and join a spirit-filled ministry that praises the Lord in song! Give it a try. No commitments just yet.

Music making opportunities for all ages!

Children's Choir: 3rd-6th Graders with Mr. Persin

Youth Contemporary Choir: 7th-12th Graders and select College students.
5:00pm Sunday Mass

Adult Choir: With Edward Persin. Christmas Music rehearsals have just begun!

Musical Instrumentalist at Mass: Contact Edward Persin

For more information, or to see how you or your child's musical gifts can be shared with our Parish family, please contact Mr. Edward Persin, Director of Music: Edward@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740

Eucharistic Revival - Blessed Carlo's Corner

Find Carlo!



We invite all Parish families to join Faith Formation in praying for the Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Each week this year, we will hide a cartoon of Carlo somewhere in the bulletin. When you find him, say a prayer asking for his Canonization.

**In the August 6 bulletin, Carlo was on page 19 in the Base Camp ad*

Prayer asking for Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Oh Father, who has given us the ardent testimony, of the young Blessed Carlo Acutis, who made the Eucharist the core of his life and the strength of his daily commitments so that everybody may love You above all else, let him soon be counted among the Blessed and the Saints in Your Church.

Confirm my faith, nurture my hope, strengthen my charity, in the image of young Carlo who, growing in these virtues, now lives with You. Grant me the grace that I need...

I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus, in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother, and in the intervention of Your Blessed Carlo Acutis. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

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Blessed Carlo Acutis - PATRON OF YOUTH

Born: May 3, 1991 – Died : October 12, 2006



"Our soul is like a hot air balloon. If by chance there is a mortal sin, the soul falls to the ground. Confession is like the fire underneath the balloon, enabling the soul to rise again... It is important to go to confession often."

-Blessed Carlo Acutis

Blessed Carlo Acutis realized the importance of the sacrament of reconciliation and how healing it is for our souls. At St. John the Evangelist, confessions are available on Saturdays at 8:30AM and 2:00PM, as well as Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:00AM. All are welcome!

Miracle of the Week - Brussels, Belgium, 1370

From **The International Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit**, designed by Carlo Acutis:

The five stained glass windows that grace the side nave of the cathedral take us through stages of the Eucharistic miracle. They were installed at various times from 1436 to 1870. The Kings of Belgium, Leopold I and Leopold II presented the first windows on the lower level. The others were gifts from various noble families

of the country. The first ten windows represent the story as it came to Brussels in the middle of the 15th century. The ancient document reads: "In 1369 a rich merchant from Enghien who hated the Catholic religion, had some consecrated Hosts stolen. He worked with a young man from Louvain (on windows 1-3). The merchant was assassinated mysteriously a few days later. His widow, surmising it was a punishment from Heaven, got rid of the Hosts by giving them to friends of her husband. These friends were filled with hatred of things Catholic. On Good Friday 1370, the friends met and began to slash the Hosts with knives – and the Hosts began to bleed! The desecrators were badly frightened and entrusted the Hosts to an important Catholic merchant. This merchant revealed the whole story to the curate of the Church of Notre Dame. The curate took possession of the Hosts and the desecrators were condemned to death by the Duke of Brabant. The Hosts were taken in procession to the cathedral of St. Gudula". The Eucharistic miracle remains an important

part of the traditions of Brussels and is something of a national symbol.



Respect Life

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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MONTH 6-August

“I’m sitting up straight now!”

Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds. She sits up straight now to accommodate her internal organs which have moved into their final place in her little body. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Don’t forget to pray for your baby. Abortion is legal through all nine months and her mom might still feel pressure to abort

Prayer Vigil / Join our Respect Life Team

The St. John the Evangelist Respect Life team will participate in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each first Tuesday of the month 10 am - 12 pm. For more info on our Prayer Vigil or to join our Parish Respect Life team, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

Decline to Sign Petition for Dangerous Pro-Abortion Ballot Initiative - An extremely grave initiative is underway in Florida that seeks to erase pro-life protections by inserting language into the Florida State Constitution banning regulation of abortion. Abortion activists are working to gather petition signatures to have a pro-abortion constitutional amendment placed on the statewide ballot in the November 2024 election. To do so, they need nearly 900,000 signatures and are working right now in communities across Florida to collect them. Floridian Catholics should not sign the petition. Please also continue your prayers for the protection of the unborn and spread the word to your spheres of influence.



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:
Diocese of Venice Respect Life Office
www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife
Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org
941-441-1101



BASE CAMP ABORTION HEALING FOR MEN

WEEKLY - VIRTUAL SUPPORT
» TUESDAYS AT 12N EST



SUPPORT
» AFTER ABORTION



Tuesday 12n EST

**NO REGISTERING.
NO PRESSURE.
NO COMMITMENT!**

“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

Prayer, Support, and Reflection

Grief Support

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?
Are you a widow or widower?
Are you grieving any other type of loss?
Are you looking for support and healing?

St. John the Evangelist provides both group and individual grief support services. Nine-week group sessions are provided through the year, with the next session taking place September 12-November 7 on Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Antioch room of the Claussen Center. It is not necessary to begin with the first session. You are Welcome to join at any time during the nine-week period. Sessions are facilitated using the "New Day Journal" by Mauryeen O'Brien- a journey from grief to healing for people coping with the loss of a loved one. There is no fee, and all materials are provided free of charge.

To register, send your name and telephone number to Deacon Hal: Hal@sjecc.com. Individual sessions may be scheduled by calling the Parish Office: 239.566.8740.



May our living Father send the Holy Spirit down upon you to give you healing and wholeness in this difficult time of your life.

America Needs Fatima Public Prayer Rally



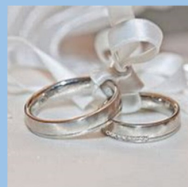
Help us pray on Saturday each month of the Apparition Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, on NE corner of US 41 & Immokalee Rd./Riverchase Plaza.

You may bring a chair, umbrella, water & signs. For more info, text or call 239-246-1676/Lea Noyes

Dates and Times for each month until December: **9/16:** 9-10 am, **10/14:** 12-1 pm, **11/11:** 12-1 pm, **12/16:** 12-1 pm



Day of Reflection For Sacramental Marriage



Day of Reflection for Sacramental Marriage is a day for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage in the Catholic Church.

A specially prepared volunteer team of married couples, and a priest, share their experiences and information, enabling couples to be more aware of the privileges and responsibilities of marriage.

2023 Dates

June 17th

Location: St Katharine Drexel

1922 SW 20th Ave
Cape Coral, FL

Register by June 9th

September 9th

Location: St John the Evangelist

625 111th Ave
Naples, FL

Register by Sept. 1st



Pre-registration is required.

Please register online [HERE](#), or by using the QR code at left.

Contact Carrie Harkey, Family Life Coordinator, should you have questions or need additional information. (941)484-9543, ext.4748
Harkey@dioceseofvenice.org

9:30am-3pm \$50 per couple

includes all retreat materials and lunch

Adult Faith Formation

FORMED

FREE Sign Up for FORMED Subscription for the Parish Family

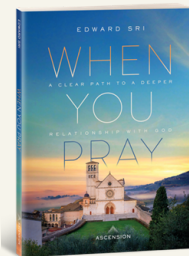
We are blessed to be able to provide this resource for our Parish Family. Formed, a program from the Augustine Institute, provides movies, online classes, and youth programming to delve into the Catholic Church and Faith.

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

1. Go to formed.org/signup
2. Select your St. John the Evangelist by entering our name or our zip code (34108)
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

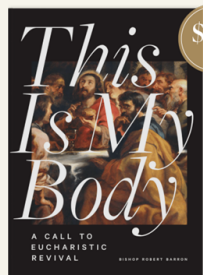


"The Chosen" TV Series about Jesus, Season 1 is now on FORMED.org. FORMED has produced original Catholic Commentary on each episode of The Chosen (Seasons 1, 2 & 3) with professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School. The commentary is designed to serve as a guide to help experience these episodes through a Catholic lens. This beautiful crowd-funded project has been viewed over 400 million times worldwide.



Upcoming in September

Join Sue Hamilton for a 7-Week study of Ascension Press' newest study, with Edward Sri, *When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship With God*. The study will be on Tuesdays beginning on September 26th from 12:00noon-1:30PM. To register early and reserve your study guides, please email aff@sjecc.com. Study Set available for \$25.00 that includes 2 books along with immediate digital access to all video sessions. More details to come soon!



\$2



A recent Pew Forum survey revealed the startling statistic that 69% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. For the majority of Catholics today, the Eucharist is merely a symbol of Christ, and the Mass is merely a collectivity of like-minded individuals gathering to remember his life.

This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival is designed to accompany that revival. In this brief but illuminating text, Bishop Barron offers a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as sacred meal, sacrifice, and Real Presence, helping readers to understand the sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood more thoroughly so that they might fall in love with him more completely.

Copies available for Sale in the Gift Boutique for \$2.00 each.



This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Due to the Holy Day, the Divine Mercy Group will not meet on Tuesday, August 15. The next scheduled date is August 22, 2023.



Faith Formation

Welcome Back Family Gathering For All with Fr. Nick Sunday, August 27th 9:30-10:45AM

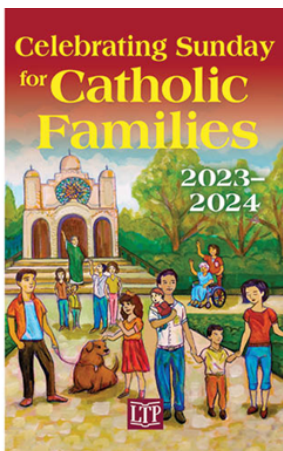
On Sunday, August 27th at 9:30AM-10:45Am, we invite all families to join us for a continental breakfast at our Back to School Family Event. Join us as Fr. Nick shares his personal conversion story and shares key teachings about the Eucharist with encouraging words for our families to begin the school year! We will pray together and have some time for Eucharistic Adoration. Enjoy this time to meet other families and kick off this Faith Formation year. We will have tables set up to register for the Altar Server Ministry, Middle and High School Youth Group, Children's and Youth Choir, as well as opportunities to volunteer at some of our upcoming events! We hope to see you there! This event is FREE and pre-registration is not required, however, if you can let u know by way of this QR Code below or email Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com with the number attending that would be great!



2023 -2024 Faith Formation Registration OPEN

~ Class Sessions Begin, Catechetical Sunday, September 17th, 2023

Our Faith Formation program encourages participation of all children in the parish continuously from ages PreK-12th grade. At specific ages and grades along the journey, our Faith Formation Program provides sacramental preparation for the children of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church. To receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation, children must attend a minimum of two consecutive years of religious instruction. Specifically, to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, children must be at least seven years old and in the second grade. To receive the sacrament of Confirmation, children must have a minimum of two consecutive years of religious instruction, be at least 15 years old, and be in tenth grade or higher. Registration Forms and Calendars are currently available at the Parish Office, at the Children's Area near the Gift Boutique in the church and in the Faith Formation Office. Registration Forms are due by August 31st. For more information, please contact Natalie Campbell at natalie@sjecc.com



[Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families 2023–2024](#) is the perfect resource for those looking to enrich their family's life of faith! Simple and approachable, this book is designed to guide even the busiest families in more fully integrating the Sunday Gospel into their everyday lives.

This resource provides parents with a guide for reflecting on the Gospel as a family. Prompts for conversation on the way to and from Mass inspire children to focus and engage with different aspects of the liturgy, while simple family activities reinforce the connection between the Gospel stories and daily family life.

Please enjoy a FREE copy located at the Kid's Area next to the Gift Boutique! One per family please 😊.

2023
iNCYC



[HTTPS://SJECC.ORG/NEWS/RETREATS-AND-CAMPS/](https://sjecc.org/news/retreats-and-camps/)

**WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE
WILL BE ATTENDING NCYC IN INDIANAPOLIS, IN
FROM NOVEMBER 16TH TO THE 18TH!**

**PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR FOLLOW THE
LINK TO REGISTER!**

**GRADES
9-12**

**FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
JULIANA AT [JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com).**



**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
YOUTH MINISTRY**

Youth Paint & Ice Cream Social
Saturday, August 19, 2023
12:00pm-2:00pm
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/youth-paint-and-ice-cream-social-tickets-67367354470?aff=oddtcreat>
or



Heavenly Father, We are so thankful for another academic year that is before us. We pray for Your blessing and guidance as we embark on this journey of learning and growth.

Refresh our hearts and minds with a spirit of enthusiasm and excitement for all the new knowledge and experiences that will come our way.

Grant us the wisdom to recognize and take advantage of every opportunity You give us and the strength to overcome any challenge we may face. Protect us from harmful influences and help us stay focused on our studies. Help us find the resources we need along the way.

We turn to You in prayer, trusting that You will be with us each day as we go back to school. Amen.

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIPS FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES

SET A BEDTIME ROUTINE

In the 2 to 3 weeks before the start of the school year, set a healthy bedtime so your child is well-rested and ready to learn at school.

READ WITH YOUR CHILD

Read with your child every day. Include a wide variety of choices in your child's bookshelf, including fiction, nonfiction, and books about our Catholic faith

SPEND TIME AS A FAMILY

Eat meals together and talk with each other as often as possible to promote language development, relationship skills and positive behavior.

ATTEND MASS REGULARLY

Spending an hour each week celebrating our faith during Mass is the greatest spiritual gift you can give to your child.

PRAY TOGETHER

Establishing a prayer routine will help your child become comfortable with talking to God and teach them that He is always there for them.

JOIN PARISH EVENTS

Children learn to interact with others by participating in group events. Your parish community is a great place to start.

Upcoming Programs & Events

SURVIVING DIVORCE

Experience Healing & Hope

Are you, or is someone you know, navigating the challenging journey of a separation or divorce, seeking solace, and longing for a brighter tomorrow? Consider participating in Rose Sweet's renowned Surviving Divorce Program—a twelve week, transformative experience designed to empower, uplift, and guide individuals towards healing and renewal.



**BEGINNING AUGUST 17 AT
6:30 P.M.**

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**CONTACT:
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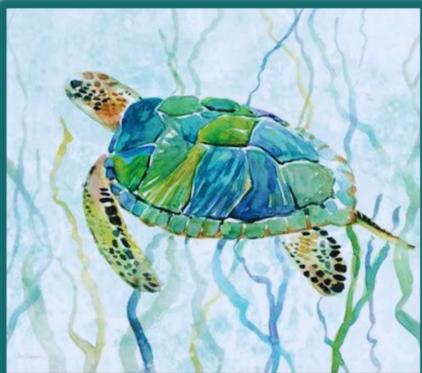
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Sign-up for an arrival time:

Contact Bernie McLoughlin: bernardmc1248@aol.com
Or 203-213-1580

- Photo ID is required
- Eat a meal before giving blood
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- Minimum age: 16 with parent present



Adult Paint & Wine

Saturday, August 19th, 2023

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Pulte Family Life Center Cafe



Tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/686295978747?aff=oddttdtcreator>



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THAT MAN IS YOU!

THE REVELATION OF THE FATHER

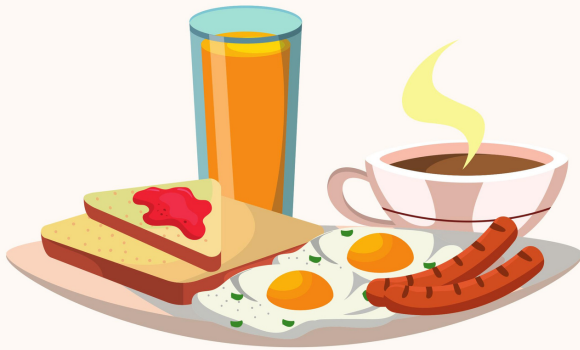
THE CHALLENGE TO CHANGE THE WORLD

**BE A MAN
BE THERE
SEPTEMBER 23**

Pulte Family Life Center

Parish breakfast

Wednesdays after Morning Mass
Pulte Family Life Center



FREE. Donations appreciated.

UPCOMING
DATE: 8/18

6:00PM
PULTE CAFE

SNACKS. MUSIC. FUN.

KARAOKE NIGHT & HAPPY HOUR

"Darkness can only be scattered by
light, hatred can only be conquered
by love." -Pope John Paul II

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