



St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2023



Holy Father in Heaven,
Creator of everything and
source of all goodness and
love, please look favorably
upon us and receive our
heartfelt gratitude in this
period of thanksgiving. Lord
thank you for all Your graces
and blessings.

Happy Thanksgiving!

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

A Prayer for World Peace

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

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed)

**please note that, going forward, we will NOT have two daily Morning Masses. There will only be an 8:30am Mass.*

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

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

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maureen@sjecc.com

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Greeters & Ushers:

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Altar Servers:

Briana Billanti : servers@sjecc.com

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



LIVE STREAM

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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 18, 2023

9:00 AM + Pauline Noftz
Vigil Masses for Sunday
 3:00 PM + Elizabeth Singler
 5:00 PM + Andy Sanfelippo

Sunday, November 19, 2023

7:00 AM + Betty O'Rourke
 9:00 AM + Thomas Coman
 11:00 AM + Tom Powell
 1:00 PM + William Powers, MD
 5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

Monday, November 20, 2023

8:30 AM + Trudy Harris

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

8:30 AM + Nico LaGrasta

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

8:30 AM + Lawrence Prete

Thursday, November 23, 2023

8:30 AM + Joanne Uzzi

Friday, November 24, 2023

8:30 AM + Carol Hogan

Saturday, November 25, 2023

8:00 AM + Merle Martin
(Vigil Masses for Sunday)
 3:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners
 5:00 PM + The Barrett Family

Sunday, November 26, 2023

7:00 AM SI Walker Family
 9:00 AM + Gary Kriger
 11:00 AM + Robert Naples
 1:00 PM + Carolina Perilli
 5:00 PM + Eileen Tomasello

Requested By

Marcia and John Verburgt

Fred Singler
 Kay Sanfelippo

Requested By

O'Rourke Family
 Sharon and Fred Singler
 Rose Marie Powell and Family
 Dennis and Fran

Requested By

Sandra Geffert and Tony Maglione

Requested By

Family and Friends

Requested By

Janet D'Addario

Requested By

Carol Ardovino

Requested By

Julie and Bill Careccia

Requested By

John Martin

Kathleen and Ginger

Requested By

Frank and Nancy Walker
 Pam Kriger
 Frances Naples
 Vito Perilli
 Michael Tomasello and Family

America Needs Fatima Public Prayer Rally

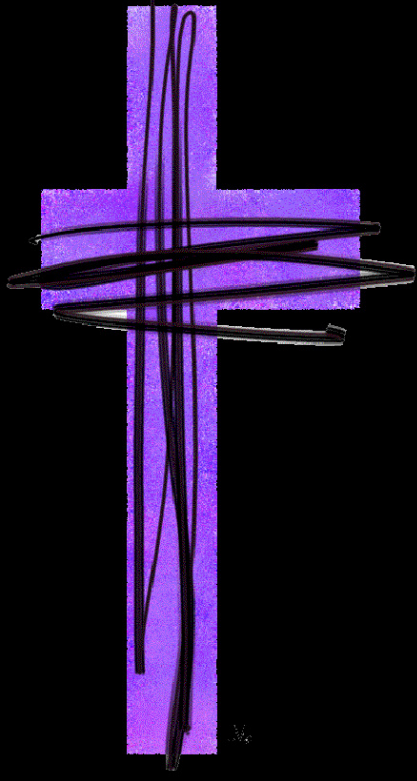
Help us pray on Saturday each month of the Apparition Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, on NE corner of US 41 & Immokalee Rd./Riverchase Plaza. You may bring a chair, umbrella, water & signs. For more info, text or call Lea Noyes: 239-246-1676

Upcoming Dates and Times: 12/16: 12-1 pm



Advent Penance Services and Christmas Mass Times

Advent Penance Services in our Area



Tuesday, December 5

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish: | 7PM | 5225 Golden Gate Pkwy, Naples

Tuesday, December 12

St. John the Evangelist Parish: | 5:30PM | 625 111th Avenue North, Naples

Friday, December 15

St. William Parish: | 5:30PM Confessions (No Service) | 601 Seagate Dr, Naples

Monday, December 18

San Marco Parish: 5:00PM | 851 San Marco Rd, Marco Island

Monday, December 18

St. Finbarr Parish: | 2:00PM | 13520 Tamiami Trail East, Naples

Tuesday, December 19

St. Agnes Parish: | 5:00PM | 7775 Vanderbilt Beach Rd

Wednesday, December 20

St. Peter the Apostle Parish: | 7:00PM | 5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd

Friday, December 22

Ave Maria Parish: | 6:30PM | 5078 Pope John Paul II Blvd

St. John the Evangelist Christmas Mass Times:

Sunday, December 24

Vigil Masses

3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 12:00am

Monday, December 25

Christmas Masses

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am,
1:00pm, 5:00pm



Recently Deceased / Prayer List

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

Virginia Harrigan

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



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| • Mary A. | • Rachel Fling | • Victoria Kramer | • Anna Polley |
| • Priscila Abgala | • Bill Flowers | • Frank and Mary Lou Kreber | • Alex Portar |
| • Noor Ahsan | • Anna Focht | • Richard C. Kruger | • Robert Pulte |
| • Declan Aigner | • Ron Fongemie | • Ramona Langman | • Karen Pulte |
| • Antonio Amador | • Phyllis and Peter Foti | • Alicia Laplant | • Robert Redman |
| • Beckey Atkins | • Tom Froh | • John Thomas Lawson | • George Reyes |
| • Jerry B. | • Lester Fuller | • Rosemary Litwin | • Mary Ann Riley |
| • Anna and Angelo Babbo | • Terry Gallagher | • Drew Loggi | • Ron |
| • Florence Ballachino | • Kathy Gallucci | • Michele Loggi | • Judith & Michael S. |
| • Barbara Barber | • Joanna Gasparrino | • MaryEtta Loggi | • Peggy O'Neil Saba |
| • Jennifer Basile | • Jeffery Gatt | • Elaine Lopresti | • Lisa Sanfelippo |
| • Nadine Baxter | • Veronika Gavelis | • Vince LoPresti | • Steve Savory |
| • David Bearce | • Marg Gheller | • Teresa Lozano | • Catherine Schmach |
| • Linda Berry | • Tamie Gibbons | • Bobby Lutz | • Karen Schrimpl |
| • Sara Boettcher | • Fr. Len Gioeli | • Albert M. | • Carlos Somarribas |
| • Michael Brien | • Amy Goodwine | • Nicolas Giovanni Maggio | • Laura Sotkes |
| • Ralph A. Caccia | • Florence Gordon | • Diane Maloney | • George Sparacino |
| • Bob Capicchioni | • Lisa Ann Granger | • Ruth Martin | • Colin Spence |
| • Frank Carillo | • Richard Granger | • Donna Masse | • Norma J. Spriggle |
| • Karen Cassady | • Nancy Graves | • Robert McAloney Jr | • Jeanne Stoll |
| • Rita Caven | • Ian Greenberg | • Lana McBride | • Christopher Suki |
| • Mr and Mrs Ciano | • Sam Greenberg | • Wendy Mercer | • Katie Sutton |
| • Tom Collins | • Joan Griffin | • Lucille Metz | • Sue and Tom Sweeney |
| • Sheryl Conway | • Frank Grzesk | • Edward John Metz | • Joan Marie Switalski |
| • Lucia Cook | • Gary Gwizdala | • Steven Miller | • Joan Switalski |
| • Matthew Cummings | • Patricia Gynba | • Eileen Miner | • Sarah Thewes |
| • Tom Despres | • Raymond Hall | • Patrick Moorton | • Sholle Thomson |
| • Donna DiMare | • Fred Harkins | • Marie Morsetti | • Marilyn Thyen |
| • Lorraine Dolan | • Bob Hearson | • Kimberly Mullin | • Kathleen Trotter |
| • Tom Duncan | • Bob Hilliard | • Robert Murphy | • Lisa Marie Turner |
| • Elizabeth Harrington Dyer | • Kathleen Cleary Hinkle | • John Murphy | • Raymond Vanasse |
| • Megan Ebert | • Brian Hintz | • JoAnn Natale | • Noah Wagner |
| • Peter Ebert | • Jerry Hirsch | • Candy Nordland | • Joy Wagner |
| • Paul Ebert | • Patrick Howlett | • Eleanor Nute | • Jennifer Weidenbruch |
| • Pamela Eck | • Jim Hubbard | • Jennifer O'Connor | • Dana, Geneva and Greigh Wells |
| • John Eddy | • Becky Huff-Cook | • Patty Palmer | • Olivia Whiteside |
| • Monica Ellis | • Carolyn Jansen | • Joseph Pandolfo | • Natalie Williams |
| • Ira Faber | • Taylor Jansen | • Eric Parker | • Carol Williamson |
| • Bill Farley | • Jimmy | • Patty | • Bruce Williamson |
| • Brian Fay | • Cynthia Johnson | • Lenard Pelletier | • Brynn Wilson |
| • Tiffany Fellenz | • Gesse Joseph | • Ann Petrillo | • S. J. Zarebi |
| • Bruce Fenske | • Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman | • Carol Petrone | • Nancy Zilavy |
| • Lori Fenske | • Yvonne Keenan | • Sylvia & Vinny Pierro | |
| • Amy FitzGerald | • Tracey Kirk | • Mary Lynn Podolak | |

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
- Gavin Cooper, Navy, EMN3
- 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
- Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF
- Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy
- Sophie Koepl
- Sgt. 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
- 1st Lieutenant Robert W. Raleigh IV - US Marine Corps
- 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
- Andrew Wieland US Air Force
- Kaden Winckel, Airman 1st Class, USAF
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey
- Austin Zicht – USAF

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 – Every Wednesday from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. 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 will be reading the book “Christmas Changes Everything” by Elisa Morgan, beginning December 7th and finishing December 28th. 9am for coffee and muffins and class from 9:30-10:30. For more information contact Lee Pinto @ 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. Contact Grand Knight, Jack Kindsvater at jack@sjecc.com.

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, baptismal blankets, prayer shawls, blankets for veterans in VITAS Hospice Program, 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 – Meets on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. – Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. Quilts for babies and children which are donated locally and red, white, and blue quilts for veterans in the VITAS Hospice Program. If you are a quilter, we encourage you to join us, but everyone is welcome regardless of skill level. Donations, both monetary and fabric, are welcome. Contact: Sharon Campbell 239.438.7867 or sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com

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 contact Marianne Swan 305.965. 5980, email swan11@bellsouth.net 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



Ministries and Groups

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>

Visit our website for our youth ministry calendars!

St. John the Evangelist's SVDP Conference Our Purpose - What is it all about?

Simply put we are an extension of your generosity inspired by the Holy Spirit, working directly with our local neighbors in distress. We do in- home, in- person visits to assess needs and deliver timely material and spiritual assistance. We help folks get back on their feet through difficult times. We help our neighbors become self-sufficient.

So, when you choose St Vincent de Paul's--St John the Evangelist Conference for your donations, you are changing the lives of your neighbors in need. You are providing food, clothing, shelter, life skills training, and hope for better tomorrows. You are literally an integral part of delivering the hope, peace, and love of Christ.

If you are so moved, come join us. There is plenty of work to do. If you are called to donate please do so whenever the Spirit moves you. Your donations are critical, especially in today's economic environment. We do God's work in solidarity with those in need and that is what the St Vincent de Paul Society is all about, translating our Parish's Faith into Action.

For more information please contact,
Bob Westenberg

President, SVdP-St John the Evangelist Conference bwstjohn@svdpnapples.org



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, November 18, 2023

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42
43/Lk 18:1-8

Sunday, November 19, 2023

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
(see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14 15, 19-21

Monday, November 20, 2023

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 23, 2023

1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 24, 2023

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 25, 2023

1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40



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

Total Households

With our new families, we have 3417 Parish households.

Baptisms

Congratulations to the families of those baptized in October:

-Jordan Alston
-Hudson Langley
-Shea Provost
-Maisie Tarja
-Vincent Zadlo



Weddings

Congratulations to the couples who were married at St. John's in October. We wish you a lifetime of love and blessings:

-Lexie Legault & Brandon Janson
-Christina Restrepo & Eric Handa
-Meredith Slott & Scott Nelson

Offertory

10/11/23 - 10/17/23
\$61,345.85

10/18/23 - 10/24/23
\$49,189.50

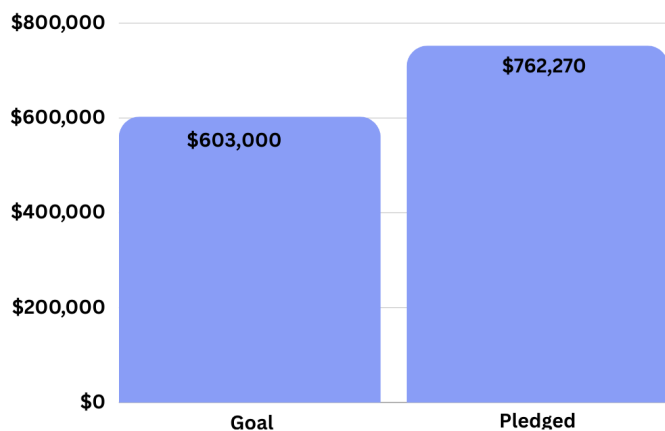
10/25/23 - 10/31/23
\$56,598.37

11/1/23 - 11/7/23
\$101,354.42

CFA 2023

126.41% to Goal

16.17% 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.

Memorial Garden Notes



Dear Parishioners - Thank you for your patience as our landscapers prepared our Memorial Garden for new grass. I am happy to announce that this project is nearing completion. And, our electrician is currently working on repairs to our fountain.

As a reminder, please refrain from placing rocks, artificial flowers, and other non-natural items in the Garden. When the landscapers are there, these items can become projectiles and/or damage equipment. As of November 20, we will routinely remove items left in the Garden that are not natural.

Thank you

Second Collection this weekend to support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development



The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the National, anti-poverty campaign of the United States

Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). CCHD supports organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people across the United States. With nearly 34 million Americans living below the poverty line, your support can help break the cycle of poverty through funding community programs that encourage independence. Further, you can help local communities in the Diocese, and across the country, innovate and work together to solve their own unique challenges, especially those impacted by natural disasters. Those living in poverty in rural areas of our own Diocese are empowered through the 25% share of the collection that stays here. Your support of this collection truly makes a difference for those in need.

If needed, envelopes for this collection are available in the Resource Center, located outside our Gift Shop.



St. John's Gift Shop

**Saturdays 2:30-6:15 PM and
Sundays 8:30 AM-1:00 PM**

We are pleased to offer Christmas decor and gifts for everyone on your list. We carry nativity sets, ornaments, mugs, homemade gifts (crafted by one of our sewing ministry members), jewelry, books, rosaries, statues, children's gifts, St. John the Evangelist Christmas Cards, and more!

Our Gift Shop is located inside the Church entrance

We look forward to serving you!

Merry Christmas



St. John the Evangelist Christmas Cards

For sale in our Gift Shop

\$20 for a box of 10 with envelopes



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 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

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.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;
be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the
devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do you, O prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits
who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.
Amen.

The Prayer of Divine Mercy

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body
and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your
dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus
Christ, in atonement for our sins
and those of the whole world.

For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion,
have mercy on us and on the whole
world.

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy
Immortal One, have mercy on us
and on the whole world.



Readings for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R. (cf. 1a) Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Blessed are you who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways! For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home; Your children like olive plants around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD. The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Reading 2

1 Thes 5:1-6

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

Alleluia

Jn 15:4a, 5b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 25:14-30

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money. "After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'"

Readings for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Or Mt 25:14-15, 19-21

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A Rectory for St. John the Evangelist

Dear Parishioners,

On November 4 & 5, I announced a fundraising campaign to fund construction of a Rectory on our grounds for our 3 Priests and one retired Priest. Included here are depictions of the planned structure.

For some time, the question of a rectory has been raised in various parish forums. We currently own a very nice house that I occupy, an owned condominium and a rented apartment for our Priests. Maintenance and operating costs are increasing and there is

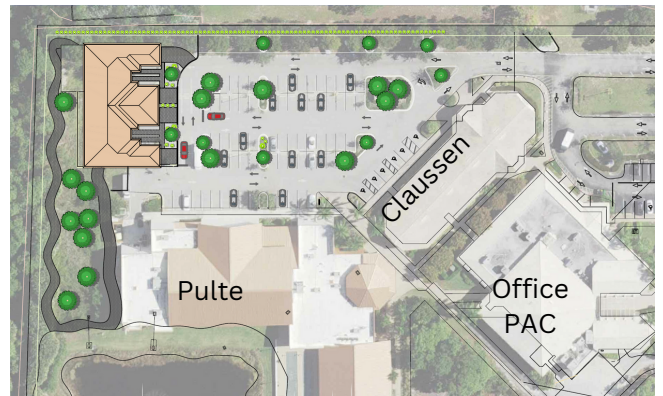
inefficiency in the frequent travel back and forth to the church. Additionally, area housing costs are high and retired Priests are increasingly priced out from being able to reside in the area and help us out.

As I have considered this, I also see the advantages of a Rectory in building cohesion in the Brotherhood of Priests. Simply getting together to share a meal is made complex by our different locations. A Rectory would enhance our priest's availability to one another and the parish. Once construction is complete we would exit and sell currently occupied residences. Our fundraising goal is \$2.5 million dollars.

I'm heartened by the support and energy of those involved to date in the planning process. Everyone has enthusiastically endorsed the concept including Bishop Dewane. I hope you too would get behind this project and consider supporting the effort with a contribution. I believe it will make us more effective, efficient and bring us closer together as we pursue our mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

Contributions should be made to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church – Rectory Campaign. Alternatively, **pledges can be made on a pledge card (available in the resource area outside the Gift Shop)** and paid by April 1, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Donnelly (Operations Manager – 228-3910), or Jim Culkar (Finance Council Chair – 254-9510).

In Christ,
Father Tom



Gospel Reflection from Fr. Tom



We are called to live our gift of faith and to use it for the greater good of all God's people.

Anyone who has ever visited an old cemetery has seen how there was once great care taken in writing epitaphs, short little sayings, engraved on the headstone. These epitaphs often capture the essence of the deceased's life. Some are pithy, amusing and even whimsical, others profound and full of praise.

As we come to the end of this liturgical year, the Church moves us toward reflecting on the great questions of life and death. As we heard in today's Gospel reading, the Holy Spirit may prod us to ponder what might be said about us after we are gone. Given the opportunity, what would those we leave behind chisel on our headstones; what might we be remembered for?

Our readings today offer some good ideas in terms of what we should want as our legacy. The first reading, from the Book of Proverbs, tells of the ideal woman, gifted not just with physical attributes, but with gifts of ingenuity, hard work, generosity and love of others. She is presented as a model of what is possible when someone uses their gifts and skills well. The point of the reading lies not in the fact that she is gifted, but in what she chooses to do with those gifts and skills.

The Gospel takes up this theme in the parable of the three servants entrusted with their master's talents. In this case, a talent was a coin of great value. To be entrusted with five, or two, or even one talent meant that you were entrusted with something of great value.

As we heard the Gospel passage proclaimed, we might have been drawn to side with the one who simply buried the talent and presented it back to his master. After all, he did show some degree of prudence and care in dealing with another's property. As we know from the current economic climate, the cautious, and even timid, approach can often be the better path.

Yet, as with many of the parables of Jesus, he ultimately turns the story upside down. In the twist of events, the one who buried ends up losing everything, including what was entrusted to him. All is taken away and given to the others, for only those who take risks in faith can be given greater responsibilities and ultimately be invited to share the Master's joy.

So what is the moral of the parable to us? If we see this as an exhortation to work diligently and without fear for the return of Christ, then now is the time to use all that God has placed at our disposal to this end. Now is the time to use our gifts, talents, our sense of hope and our commitment to charity for the sake of the Gospel. This is the sacred task entrusted to each Christian by virtue of baptism - to invest ourselves totally in the work of the kingdom and to bring others to Christ.

Today, as we are encouraged to reflect on our own inevitable death, we are to assess how well we are fulfilling this task. We are to live each day as if this were the day the Master is calling us to account. If today were that day, what would our epitaph say? Would it announce that we were a bold servant of God, using all we were given to build up his kingdom on earth? If this is not what it would say, now is the time to make a change.

Music for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: This Day God Gives Me

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128 - Blessed are Those

Gifts: We Walk By Faith

Communion Hymns: You Are Near, Eye Has Not Seen


Closing Hymn: Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

This Day God Gives Me

BUNESSAN



1. This day God gives me Strength of high heav - en, Sun and moon
2. This day God sends me Strength as my guard - ian, Might to up -
3. God's way is my way, God's shield is 'round me, God's host de -
4. Ris - ing I thank you, Might - y and Strong One, King of cre -



1. shin - ing, Flame in my hearth, Flash - ing of light - ning, Wind in its
2. hold me, Wis - dom as guide. Your eyes are watch - ful, Your ears are
3. fends me, Sav - ing from ill. An - gels of heav - en, Drive from me
4. a - tion, Giv - er of rest, Firm - ly con - fess - ing Three - ness of



1. swift - ness, Depths of the o - cean, Firm - ness of earth.
2. lis - t'ning, Your lips are speak - ing, Friend at my side.
3. al - ways All that would harm me, Stand by me still.
4. Per - sons, One - ness of God - head, Trin - i - ty blest.

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Psalm 128 - Blessed are Those



R. Bless - ed are those who fear the Lord.

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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

Music for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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You Are Near

Dan Schutte

Refrain



O Lord, I know you are near, stand-ing al-ways at my side. You
 guard me from the foe, and you lead me in ways ev-er-last-ing.

Verses



1. Lord, you have searched my heart, and you know when I
 2. Where can I run from your love? If I climb to the
 3. You know my heart and its ways, you who formed me be-
 4. Mar-vel-ous to me are your works; how pro-found are your

1. sit and when I stand. Your hand is up-on me, pro-
 2. heav-ens you are there; if I fly to the sun-rise or
 3. fore I was born, in the se-cret of dark-ness be-
 4. thoughts, my Lord. E-ven if I could count them, they

to Refrain



1. tect-ing me from death, keep-ing me from harm.
 2. sail be-yond the sea, still I'd find you there.
 3. fore I saw the sun, in my moth-er's womb.
 4. num-ber as the stars, you would still be there.

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Music for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eye Has Not Seen

Marty Haugen

Refrain



Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for
those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the mind of
Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

Verses 1-3



1. When pain and sor - row weigh us down, be near to us, O
2. Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow-er and we
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er



1. Lord, for - give the weak-ness of our faith, and bear us up with-
2. fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we re - turn in
3. near, re - flect-ed in the fac - es of all the poor and

to Refrain



1. in your peace - ful word.
2. love what love has made.
3. low - ly of the world.

Verse 4




4. We sing a mys - t'ry from the past, in halls where saints have



4. trod, yet ev - er new the mu-sic rings to Je-sus, Liv - ing

to Refrain



4. Song of God.

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A Letter of Gratitude from Fr. Len

Thank you...

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for all your support and encouragement during the last few months while I was out of commission. Needless to say, I greatly missed being actively involved in our vibrant faith community where so many live the gospel in such a quiet, humble way. Your prayers, Mass cards, meals, cards and notes were an important part of my healing. I am equally grateful for those who readily provided transportation for me when needed.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

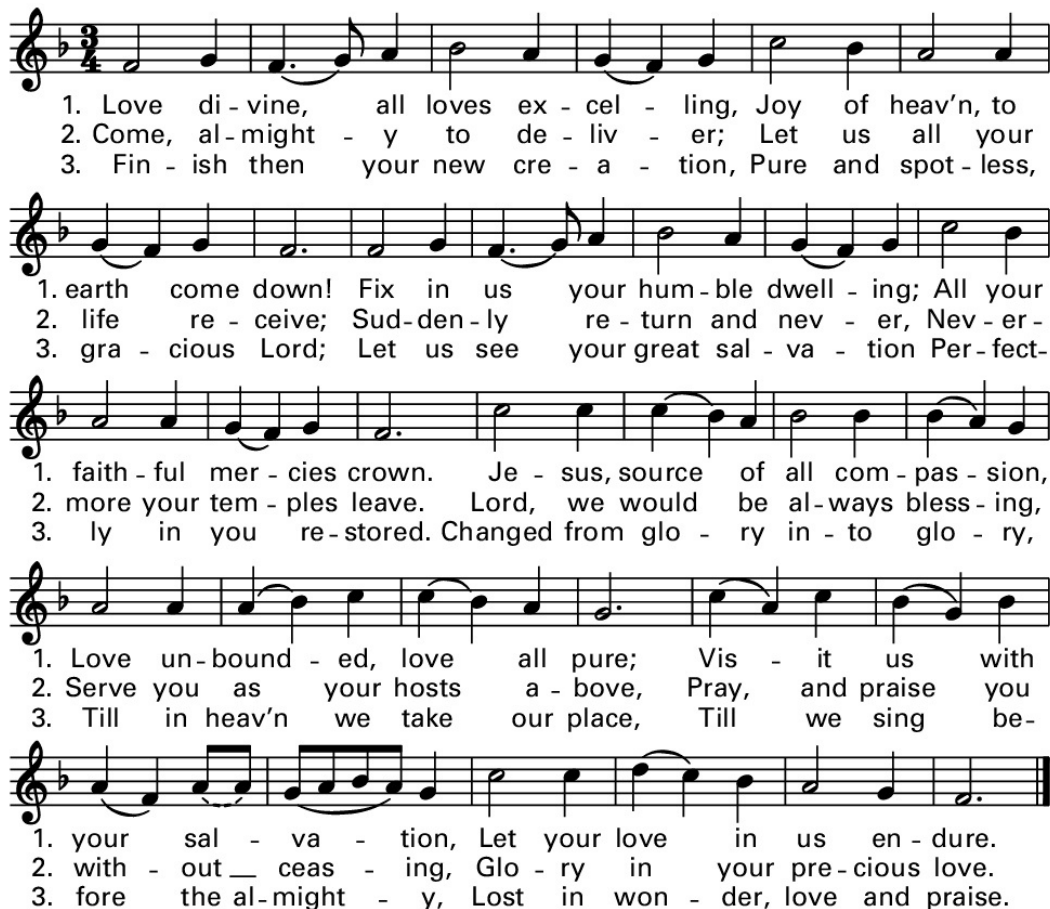
God bless you!

Fr. Len

Music for The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

HYFRYDOL



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; Let us all your
3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less,

1. earth come down! Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing; All your
2. life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, Nev - er -
3. gra - cious Lord; Let us see your great sal - va - tion Per - fect -

1. faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,
2. more your tem - ples leave. Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,
3. ly in you re - stored. Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

1. Love un - bound - ed, love all pure; Vis - it us with
2. Serve you as your hosts a - bove, Pray, and praise you
3. Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we sing be -

1. your sal - va - tion, Let your love in us en - dure.
2. with - out — ceas - ing, Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
3. fore the al - might - y, Lost in won - der, love and praise.

Text: 87 87 D; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887.

Music for The 5:00 PM Mass

Opening Song For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the
skies, for the love which from our birth over and
around us lies.

Chorus: Lord of all to thee we raise this, our hymn
of grateful praise!

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the
night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and
moon and stars of light,

For each perfect gift divine, to our race so freely
giv'n, graces human and divine flowers of earth
and buds of heav'n.

Preparation Song Lord of lords

V1: Beholding Your beauty is all that I long for To
worship You Jesus is my sole desire For this very
heart You have shaped for Your pleasure Purposed
to lift Your Name higher

V2: Here in surrender in pure adoration I enter
Your courts with an offering of praise I am Your
servant come to bring You glory As is fit for the
works of Your hands

Chorus: Now unto the Lamb Who sits on the throne
Be glory and honour and praise
All of creation resounds with the song
Worship and praise Him The Lord of lords

Music for The 5:00 PM Mass

Communion Song New Wine

In the crushing in the pressing You are making new wine
In the soil I now surrender You are breaking new ground

Pre-Chorus: So I yield to You and to Your careful hand
When I trust You I don't need to understand

Chorus: (So) Make me Your vessel Make me an offering
Make me whatever You want me to be (God) I came here with nothing
But all You have given me Jesus bring new wine out of me

Bridge: 'Cause where there is new wine There is new power
There is new freedom And the kingdom is here I lay down my old flames
To carry Your new fire today

Closing Song Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus: Our God You reign forever
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus: You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

The Gargiulo Education Center is searching for a new home

The Gargiulo Education Center (GEC), is urgently in search of a permanent home. This 501c3 nonprofit, has been serving disadvantaged latchkey/migrant children for over 22 years in North Naples, at no cost to the families. The center is currently located south and directly behind Mediterra, off of Rail Head Blvd and Old 41. GEC requires a minimum of a 6000 sqft in a stand-alone building to expand and better serve our community. We are asking parishioners for help in finding a suitable space in North Naples close to the current location. This crucial program is out of school time, during the week, weekends and holidays. The strong academic, entrepreneurial, socially-proficient and emotional intelligence programming is essential for not only these children but for society as a whole. Please help. To learn more about how you can help, please visit www.gargiuloed.org and or call Mary Asta at 212-750-5894. God Bless.

Mary Asta, Executive Director, Gargiulo Education Center



Faith Formation

A Night in Bethlehem Returns to St. John The Evangelist!

A Night In Bethlehem — A Bible-Times Christmas Event for Families
December 6th: 5:00-7:00PM ~Parish Ballroom



For tickets and registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/night-in-bethlehem-st-john-the-evangelist-catholic-church-tickets-736746086377?aff=oddtcreator>

Families are invited to discover Jesus in Bible-times Bethlehem!

During this 2-hour Christmas program, families wander through the bustling Bethlehem marketplace and discover what life was like when Jesus was born. Everyone will create unique keepsakes as they interact with local shopkeepers who share the Christmas story. And...they'll love talking to Mary and Joseph in The Stable—and hearing about the miracle of Jesus' birth.



For the 6th year, we are excited to once again support our youth in the community. The last five years, with your generosity, we have gifted close to 80 young moms and their babies. December 8th is the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. This Feast Day celebrates Mary's conception within the womb of her mother, St Anne. This special day is celebrated nine months before the Birth of Mary within the Liturgical Calendar. To celebrate this day, and in the preparation of Christmas, our Faith Formation Families are putting together an effort to support local pregnant teenage mothers through our schools as part of a program known as T.A.P.P. (Teen Age Parenting Program). With the support of this program, teenage moms can complete their high school education and receive childcare assistance, parenting classes, and counseling services in a loving and supportive environment. Please consider sharing your treasure with our local pregnant teenage moms by providing donations of disposable diapers size 3 and up, wipes, baby board books, bottles, bath supplies, new toys, and new clothes ranging from 3 months – 5T. Diapers Size 3 and up especially needed along with Pull-ups. This year we are making 19 baskets. When purchasing clothes and diapers – knowing how fast kids grow – please consider purchasing some larger sizes. Thank you! Collections may be dropped off to the Parish Office and Faith Formation Office through December 10th. Thank you for your support! For more information, please contact Natalie at Natalie@sjecc.com.

This Week in Faith Formation

This week we wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving! We are so blessed by all of our Faith Formation children and families!

Adult Faith Formation

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World renowned speaker and author Christopher West, along with award winning musician, Mike Mangione, are coming to [St. John the Evangelist](#) with a beautiful multimedia event called MADE FOR MORE: VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND. Bring family and friends. No one should miss this awesome and inspiring event!

For more information about the event, or to purchase your tickets today, go to: tobinstitute.org/made-for-more/

Tickets are also available for purchase in our Main Office during business hours. [Checks only](#) -made payable to THEOLOGY OF THE BODY INSTITUTE - \$25 per ticket

For More Information: Natalie Campbell - natalie@sjecc.com - 239-566-8740 ext 3909



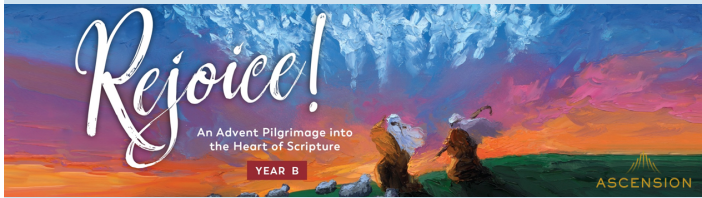
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Adult Faith Formation



A 4-Week Scripture Study with Sue Hamilton



Advent is a special season for the Church. It is the time when the world prepares to celebrate the coming of Christ. We often lose sight of the point of this season because we get so caught up in our preparations, and we find ourselves no more transformed on Christmas Day than we were at the start of Advent.

One way our parish is seeking to prepare for Jesus' birth and experience true transformation in this powerful season is by engaging in a new program from Ascension. This program is Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture, Year B. This year, we will explore the Sunday Mass readings through daily reflections, prayer, and journaling, with weekly prayer videos presented by Fr. Mark Toups and his friends Sr. Josephine Garrett and Fr. Josh Johnson.

We have the opportunity to walk together as a parish this Advent, opening our hearts to hear what God is saying to us in this hectic but blessed season. On four consecutive Tuesdays beginning on November 28th in the Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center, join Sue Hamilton as she facilitates this study from 12:00PM-1:30PM. Each participant will have the opportunity to purchase a Rejoice Journal for \$10. Rejoice! is filled with beautiful art and meaningful meditations, to use throughout the Advent season. Once the books arrive, we will have additional copies available for purchase in the Gift Boutique as this is a great independent study as well. Rejoice! is an opportunity for our whole community to enter the season of Advent intentionally and receive the grace God is waiting to give us in this holy season. Kindly let us know you are participating with an email to AFF@sjecc.com.

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, November 20th

6:00PM- **OCIA** Session – Room 11 & 12 Claussen Center

Thursday, November 23rd

9:30AM-11:00AM – Happy Thanksgiving! No Faith Chat this morning.

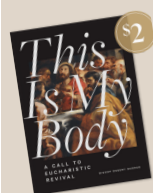
Upcoming

Rejoice! Advent 4-week Scripture Study

beginning Tuesday, November 28th - 12:00-1:30PM

Well Read Mom Book Study - Wednesday,

November 29th 6:30-8:00PM or Thursday, November 30th 10:00-11:30AM. For more information, email Lena at aff@sjecc.com or visit wellreadmom.com



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



You Are Welcome Here

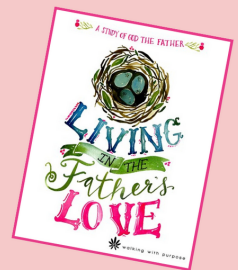
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10:00 to 11:45am

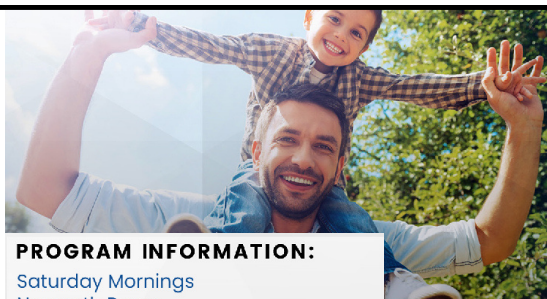
Doors Open at 9:30 for Coffee Social With Treats
Please purchase book "Living in the Father's Love" at:
<https://walkingwithpurpose.com/> or on Amazon

Questions or To Register Contact: Lisa McGowan
Call or text to 484-432-5128 or Email: mcgowanlh@gmail.com

This brief but powerful Bible study is only six weeks long. It is the ideal way to revive and refresh yourself. Discover just how much God loves us and how the Gospels are deeply relevant to our relationship with God and with those we love!



TMIY / Catholic Schools



PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Saturday Mornings
Nazareth Room
Pulte Family Life Center
St. John the Evangelist Church
625 111th Ave N, Naples, FL

SCHEDULE:

6:30 Breakfast
7:00 Presentation
7:30 Small Groups
8:00 Mass
9:00-10:00 (optional)
Free Gym Access - Weights & Cardio

REGISTRATION:

For information, please
contact Team Leader Brandon Karas
at brandonkaras1993@gmail.com or
Fr. Mark at frmark@sjecc.com
Call 239.566.8740

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ENCOUNTER

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit"
Zechariah 4:6



Family Talk & Cookie Swap

Holy Family | Eucharist

featuring

Gina Bauer

Theology of the Body

Friday, December 1, 2023

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Pulte Center

ALL AGES WELCOME!
FREE WILL OFFERING

*PROCEEDS BENEFIT



YOUTH PROGRAMS & EVENTS

REGISTER HERE



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YOUTH MINISTRY

EMAIL JULIANA AT [JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com)

FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Nativity Casting Call

Be a part of the Nativity Scene for A Night in Bethlehem and/or 5 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass!

Roles Needed

- Shepherds
- Angels
- Lambs
- Narrators

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER OR FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW!



[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/10C094FAAAF29A1FCC52-45963188-YOUTH](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FAAAF29A1FCC52-45963188-YOUTH)

Deadline is 11/28/23

Ages 5 to 18

Mandatory Night in Bethlehem

Rehearsal Dates:

- Tues., Nov. 28 ~ 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Tues., Dec. 5 @ 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Mandatory Christmas Eve Mass

Rehearsal Dates:

- Thurs., Dec. 14 @ 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Thurs., Dec. 21 @ 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Youth HOLY HOUR Adore Jesus in the Eucharist

Middle School
High School
College

Eucharistic Adoration LED BY
George de los Reyes

once a month | upcoming dates
FIRST SUNDAY 03 DECEMBER 2023
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM 07 JANUARY 2024
AFTER 5:00 PM MASS 04 FEBRUARY 2024



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YOUTH MINISTRY

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PRAYER

CONTACT OUR YOUTH MINISTER JULIANA AT
[JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com) FOR MORE INFORMATION



Eucharistic Revival

Bishop DeWane says of the Year of Parish Revival *"It is in a precise way, in the Eucharist, the Lord is given to us, and we receive Him. We must also have the strength to spend time in front of the Eucharist. Let the strength that Jesus Christ is; let His presence in the Eucharist, fill your heart, fill your mind, fill your soul."*

The four pillars for St. John the Evangelist Year of Parish Revival are: Reinvigorate Worship, Personal Encounter, Robust Faith Formation, and Missionary Sending.

Reinvigorate Worship

Attentiveness to full preparation, reverent celebration, and offering many opportunities for parishioners to experience the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist more profoundly.

Personal Encounter

Active encouragement and facilitation for increased participation in Eucharistic Adoration by our parishioners.

Robust Faith Formation

Providing opportunities in our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry for instruction about the Eucharist; and personal engagement for our children, young adults, and their families. Providing parishioners resources to learn more about the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Missionary Sending

Welcoming our parishioners and their families when they are drawn to the Church for sacraments. Proactive outreach and welcome to non-Catholics to join our Church. Attentiveness to our Eucharistic Ministry to encourage ongoing learning and to engage more volunteers for Eucharistic Ministers who bring Christ to all in our Parish, both at Mass and to those who are not able to attend Mass.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

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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Find Carlo!



Join us 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 November 11th bulletin, Carlo was on page 13 in the Rectory building*

Eucharistic Procession - Feast of Christ the King Sunday, November 26, 2023 - St. John the Evangelist

Christ the King Eucharistic Procession Route

Following a brief period of Adoration in the church at the conclusion of the 1:00pm Mass, the Monstrance is processed out and the Procession forms at 2:15pm outside of the church main entrance.

The Procession heads east and then north around the Memorial Garden for the first of two Adoration/Benediction stops. Limited seating will be available at the first Adoration/Benediction stop for those who would like to participate but prefer not to follow the entire route.



After a brief Adoration & Benediction, the Procession then continues along the boundary of the parking area around the Claussen Center to the northern boundary, and then proceeds all the way south to the 111th Street boundary for the second Adoration/Benediction stop.

After another brief Adoration & Benediction, the Procession then continues along the west parking boundary and returns to the church main entrance. The Monstrance is processed inside to the Altar for a final Benediction and Reposition of the Body of Christ in the Tabernacle.

A brief reception for Procession participants will be held in the Pulte Center immediately following final Benediction & Reposition.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

For additional information, please contact Deacon Jim: deaconjim@sjecc.com

Eucharistic Revival

Miracle of the Week - Cimballa, Spain, 1370

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

Most Holy Doubtful Mystery” is what they call in Cimballa the Eucharistic Miracle that took place in 1370 in the church of the Purification of Our Lady. The pastor of the church, Don Tommaso, had been for many months plagued by doubt concerning the true presence of Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist. During the celebration of Holy Mass on Sunday, after having pronounced the words of the consecration, Don Tommaso saw the Host transformed into flesh and the blood began to flow from it, so much as to soak the altar-linens. The penitent priest began to weep from remorse. The faithful, seeing how he was troubled, quickly looked to the altar and saw the miracle. The relic was then taken in procession and the news spread everywhere. There were many miracles attributed the “Most Holy Doubtful Mystery” and since then has always been a great object of devotion on the part of the faithful. The relic of the altar-linen soaked in the blood has been exposed the 12th of September of every year on the day of the anniversary of the feast of the blood Miracle



Portion of the relic of the Blood-stained corporal

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Let us come together to celebrate our shared
faith and embrace the divine teachings.

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 - Breakfasts daily, 1 Lunch and 2 dinners
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Respect Life / Events & Programs



Walking with Moms in Need **SHE'S PREGNANT!**

LET HER KNOW SHE'S NOT ALONE


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

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

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

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

For additional information, contact:
Diocese of Venice Respect Life Office
www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife
Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org
941-441-1101




Prayer Vigil

Join our Respect Life Team

The St. John's Respect Life team will participate in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each 1st Friday of every month 9am - 12. For info on our Prayer Vigil or to join our Respect Life team, please call Rosemary @ 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




Christmas TOY DRIVE



Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281

**Drop off at all masses
December 9/10 & 16/17**

New toys and other appropriate gifts are needed for girls and boys up to 17 years of age. Toys can be wrapped or unwrapped. If wrapped, mark package with toy description, girl or boy and appropriate age range.

**A special thanks to
Angela's Angels
and North Naples Fire and Rescue**
who again have partnered to coordinate and distribute the toys to needy children and families.



Events & Programs



Adult Paint & Wine
Tuesday, November 21, 2023
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adult-paint-night-christmas-tree-tickets-754033032097?aff=oddtcreator>



Christmas on the 9th!

THE PARADISE COASTMEN



Barbershop Chorus

will be joined by the
Seacrest Country Day School Choir
 to bring you joyfull Christmas and Hanukah songs



Bring your family and carol with us!



WHEN: 3 PM, Saturday, December 9, 2023

WHERE: Pulte Center. St John the Evangelist Catholic Church
 625 111th Ave N., Naples, FL 34108 (Immokalee Rd, West of 41)

COST: No ticket price - Donations accepted



This Holiday Season,
 Give the Gift of



Give Blood!

When: **Tues. Dec. 12th • 8 AM - 1 PM**

Where: **St. John the Evangelist Church**
 625 111th Ave. • Naples, FL 34108

Sponsored by St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Knights of Columbus & Notre Dame Naples

Sign-up: **Bernie McLoughlin 203.213.1580**
bernardmc1248@aol.com



239.624.4120

- Photo ID is required
- Eat a meal before donating & be well hydrated
- Must be 16 years old with parent present
- Donors will receive cholesterol & mini health screenings

GiveBloodCBC.org

Christmas Tree Lighting and craft making

Wednesday, December 13
Pulte Family Life Center
6:15pm
All ages welcome

JOIN US AS WE LIGHT OUR
 CHRISTMAS TREE.
 CRAFT MAKING. CHRISTMAS
 MUSIC. TREATS.

Events & Programs




**Friday, December 22
7:30-9:30PM**

Pulte Family Life Center
St. John the Evangelist
625 111th Ave N
Naples, FL 34108



Celtic Angels Christmas is a joyous celebration from start to finish, encompassing vocal and instrumental Holiday and Irish favorites. Paired with show stopping world class champion Irish dancing and a fully live band, Celtic Angels Christmas is sure to awe and entertain.

For tickets and information:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/celtic-angels-christmas-2023-tickets-744138627667>



The Glory of Christmas

Celebrating Christ's Birth

Presented by the St. John the Evangelist Church Adult Choir, Soloists & Orchestra

Sunday, December 17, 2023 @ 7:00 PM
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
625 111th Avenue N. Naples, FL 34108

Christmas Eve, December 24, 2023 @ 11:00 PM
Concert with Readings
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
625 111th Avenue N. Naples, FL 34108



Through a blend of familiar carols and original songs, you will experience the beauty of the incarnation story as if you're experiencing it for the first time. The glory of Christmas comes to life in this inspiring musical by Lloyd Larson.

UGLY SWEATER

Christmas Karaoke Party

**Saturday, December 16
6:00pm**
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

Christmas treats
Beer & Wine

Prizes for the best sweaters!



Join us for a night of Adoration and Sacred Music
with the St. John the Evangelist Adult Choir,
featuring:

Francesca LaRosa



francescalarosa.com
Catholic Composer - Singer
Songwriter -Author



St. John the Evangelist Church
625 111th Ave N Naples, FL 34108
January 5, 2024
6:30 pm in the Church
Free of charge. Goodwill offering appreciated.



Events & Programs



November 10-February 10
Ages 6-16
Rehearsals and Performances Held at
The Pulte Family Life Center
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Contact Tish Poorman, Program Director
tpoorman@childrenforthearts.com
239-571-3305
www.childrenforthearts.com
 Participation Fee Required Rehearsals held Fridays 4:30PM-7:00PM



The Ladies of Charity Annual Christmas Sneaker Drive to benefit Children in our Community

It's that time of the year!
 Time to share in the joy of
 giving. Help us reach this
 year's goal of **600 new pairs**
 of sneakers.

- Take a tag from the LOC table outside the front of the Church during the following weekends: 11/18 & 11/19, 11/25 & 11/26, 12/2 & 12/3
- Each gift tag contains a child's name, grade or age, gender, and shoe size
- Take one or more tag and generously donate NEW sneakers
- Wrap your package, with the tag secured to the outside, and bring it back to either the LOC table during the weekend Masses or to the wrapped box in the Narthex during the week
- There will also be a collection box in the Main Office
- All sneakers must be returned by December 10
- Your sneaker donation benefits the children at Guadalupe Social Services and Redlands Christian Migrant Association

SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 12

Knights of Columbus
Country Life Fest @
St. John the Evangelist



SAVE THE DATE!

NYE Party

@ ST. JOHN THE
 EVANGELIST

DECEMBER 31, 2023



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

ROARING TWENTIES
CASINO NIGHT & DINNER

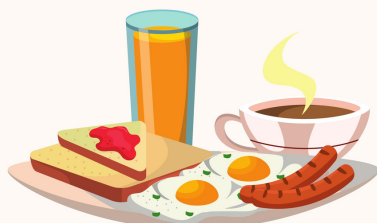


SAVE THE DATE:
MARCH 9, 2024



Pulte Family Life Center

*Parish
breakfast*
Wednesdays after Morning Mass
Pulte Family Life Center



Mondays @ 6:00 PM
Pulte Life Center Cafe
*light snacks and beverages



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Pulte Family Life Center is looking for volunteers to help at our Front Desk. Duties include: checking in members, customer service, data entry, and assisting with programs.

Contact Jamie Ojala for more information: jamie@sjecc.com

Recreational Bocce Ball

Join us for Bocce

Ladies: Tuesdays at 9:30am

Gentlemen: Thursdays at 9:30 am

Meet at the Pulte Life Center Patio Courts



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MEMBERSHIPS

GOLD LEVEL

For St. John the Evangelist Parishioners. Up to 4 additional family members included. \$150 annually.

SILVER LEVEL

For Non-Parishioners. Up to 4 additional family members included. \$300 annually.

BRONZE LEVEL

For Individual Members. \$100 annually. Guests are welcome at the cost of \$10 per guest per visit.

ENTRY

Members must receive a tag (see below) to scan into the Pulte Center. If you need a tag or are interested in becoming a member, please call the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

FRONT



BACK



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO!
[HTTPS://SJECC.ORG/PULTE-FAMILY-LIFE-CENTER/](https://sjecc.org/pulte-family-life-center/)