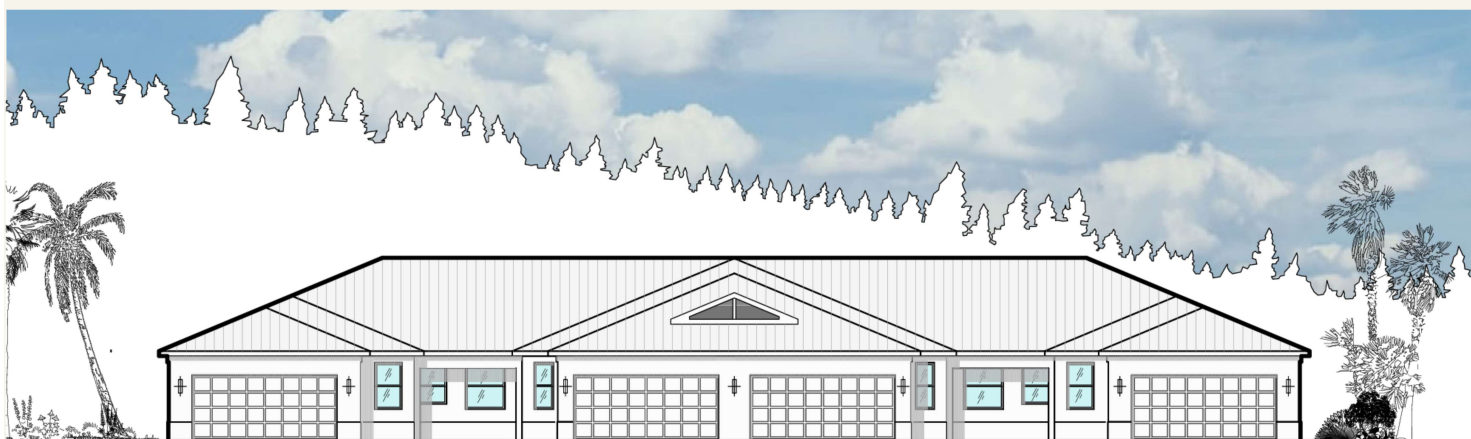




St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5, 2023

A Rectory for St. John the Evangelist Parish



**Additional Information about our Rectory Project can be found on Page 9*

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)

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

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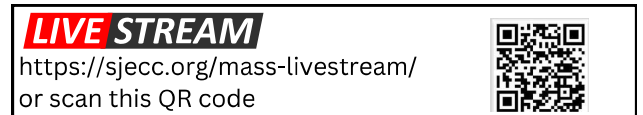
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Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 4, 2023

8:00 AM + Anne DeCarmine

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + John, Charles and Bill McCartney

5:00 PM + Steve Brestan

Requested By

Carol Nucci

Sally McElroy

Joy and Scott Jannasch

Sunday, November 5, 2023

7:00 AM + Richard R. Mattera

9:00 AM + Charlie and Jean Curti

11:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Judy Pittman

5:00 PM + Paul Kutz

Requested By

Judy A. Mattera

Paul and Nancy Curti

Bill Pittman

Dolores and Bill McGintee

Monday, November 6, 2023

8:30 AM + Linda Arrowsmith

Frank and Nancy Walker

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

8:30 AM + Bill Buckley

Requested By

Tom and Sharon Buckley

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

8:30 AM + Giuseppe Nardulli and Valenzano Family

Requested By

Anna Nardulli and Family

Thursday, November 9, 2023

8:30 AM + Lorna McGrory

Requested By

Family

Friday, November 10, 2023

8:30 AM + Elizabeth Lane

Requested By

Carol Ardivino

Saturday, November 11, 2023

8:00 AM + M. Webster and A. Pagano

Requested By

Deb Marsh

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Connie Episcopo

Children

5:00 PM + Rich Froehlich

Sharon and Fred Singler

Sunday, November 12, 2023

7:00 AM + Maureen Luby

Requested By

Charlotte and Ken Tarr

9:00 AM + Angelo Monticelli

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Powers

11:00 AM + Dr. Thomas J. O'Connor

Fred Singler

1:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

5:00 PM + Richard McInnis

Mattera 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: 11/11: 12-1 pm, 12/16: 12-1 pm



Recently Deceased / Prayer List

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

Michael Brennan
Michelle Costantini
Mary Dwyer

Margaret McLaughlin
Florian Stang

**The Funeral for Leanilda Wozniak will take place
on 11/18/23 at 12:00pm*



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

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

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 resume Thursday September 7th at 9:30am. We will have a meet and greet with refreshments to meet new friends and catch up with old friends! On September 14th (at 9:30am) we will begin discussing the book “The Lamb’s Supper” by Scott Hahn.

For more information contact 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, 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@SVDNpales.org.

AA Brian R. 732-735-7037

Adult Children of Alcoholics Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195

Al-Anon For meeting locations and times, call 239.263.5907 or visit www.NaplesAl-Anon.org



Ministries and Groups / SVDP

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 St. Vincent de Paul 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@svdpnnaples.org

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive



The St. Vincent de Paul Naples food pantry urgently needs your annual gift bag(s) of selected canned goods. Bags and a list of items needed by our neighbors will be distributed after Masses on **November 11 and November 12**.

Please bring the filled bags back for pick-up on November 18 and November 19. There will be bags and lists available in the Parish office for those unable to attend Mass on November 11 or 12.



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.

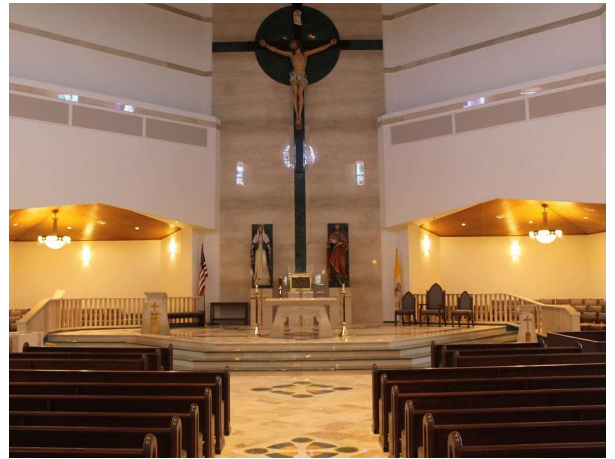
St. John the Evangelist seeks prospective Eucharistic Ministers for the Homebound

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 4, 2023

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14 15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, November 5, 2023

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday, November 6, 2023

Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday, November 10, 2023

Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 Lk 16:9-15



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

Offertory

9/27/23 - 10/3/23
\$44,408.29

10/4/23 - 10/10/23
\$41,404.24

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

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

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

CFA 2023

124.81% to Goal

15.95% 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.

A Rectory for St. John the Evangelist

Dear Parishioners,

I'm announcing a fundraising campaign today 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.

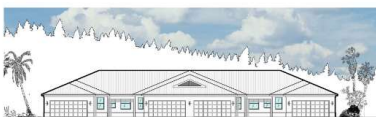
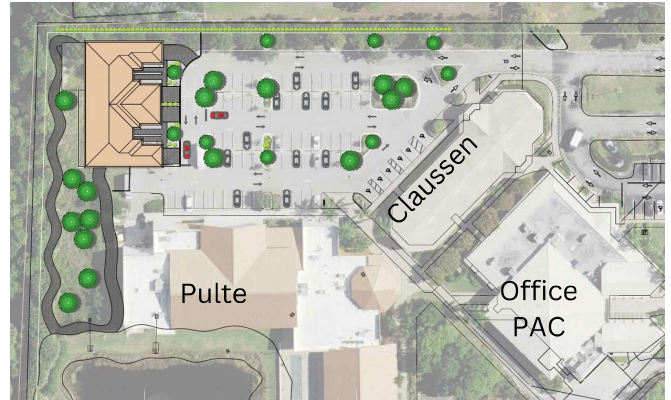
For some time, the question of a rectory has been raised in various parish forums. We currently own a very nice house that I occupy, an owned condominium and a rented apartment for our Priests. Maintenance and operating costs are increasing and there is inefficiency in the frequent travel back and forth 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 the included form and paid by April 1, 2023. 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



St. John the Evangelist Rectory Campaign

For Office Use Only

Total Gift:	
Paid Herewith:	
Balance:	

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
625 111th Ave North, Naples, FL 34108

All pledges must be received by April 1, 2024

In support of the "St. John the Evangelist Rectory Campaign", I/We would like to pledge:

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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 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

A great King am I, says the LORD of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations. And now, O priests, this commandment is for you: If you do not listen, if you do not lay it to heart, to give glory to my name, says the LORD of hosts, I will send a curse upon you and of your blessing I will make a curse. You have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to falter by your instruction; you have made void the covenant of Levi, says the LORD of hosts. I, therefore, have made you contemptible and base before all the people, since you do not keep my ways, but show partiality in your decisions. Have we not all the one father? Has not the one God created us? Why then do we break faith with one another, violating the covenant of our fathers?

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 131:1, 2, 3

R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

O LORD, my heart is not proud, nor are my eyes haughty; I busy not myself with great things, nor with things too sublime for me.

R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Nay rather, I have stilled and quieted my soul like a weaned child. Like a weaned child on its mother's lap, so is my soul within me.

R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

O Israel, hope in the LORD, both now and forever.

R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Reading 2

1 Thes 2:7b-9,13

Brothers and sisters:

We were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children. With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us. You recall, brothers and sisters, our toil and drudgery. Working night and day in order not to burden any of you, we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly, that, in receiving the word of God from hearing us, you received not a human word but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at work in you who believe.

Alleluia

Mt 23:9b. 10b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You have but one Father in heaven and one master, the Christ.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 23:1-12

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying,

"The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.' As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.'

You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

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Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

Today there is great emphasis on appearances. The image is everything. People put on a front, but deep down they are not like that at all. You can't go by appearances.

The castle stands on an elevation overlooking beautiful woods and lakes. It dominates the surrounding countryside. Though it hasn't been lived in for the best part of a century, it still seems to be in good shape from the outside at least. Not a stone appears to be missing. Its stout walls, turrets, towers, buttresses all are intact and give it an impressive appearance.

But just step inside the castle and you see a completely different picture. Inside it is a complete shambles. There are heaps of fallen masonry and plaster everywhere. The main roof is missing and so are most of the ceilings and floors. Of course, there isn't a stick of furniture to be found in it. The big fireplaces are cold and empty. The building is little more than a shell. How deceptive appearances can be.

So it was with the Scribes and Pharisees. On the outside they appeared to be good and holy people. But inside they were anything but.

This is a danger that faces all of us. Each of us has two selves - an outer self and an inner self. The outer self is the public self - the one that is seen by others. The inner one is the private self - the one seen only by ourselves. The outer self is the shell; the inner self is the kernel. Too often the nuts with the biggest shells are empty.

Why do we feel the need to pretend, or to impress others? Because most of us get our self-worth from what others think of us. Hence, in our need for approval, acceptance, and status, we may promote the outer self at the expense of the inner self. But of what use is the appearance without the reality, the image without the substance?

We cannot achieve either happiness or holiness as long as we pretend to be what we are not. The moment we try to be what we are not, we become a fictitious personality, an unreal presence. Many religious people are not saints because they never succeed in being themselves.

When people concentrate on inner goodness they don't have to shout about it, or even want to. They know with a quiet certainty that they have something which no one can take from them, something which makes them feel worthwhile, no matter what others may think of them. They have self-esteem and self-respect.

Christ was able to see beneath the appearances, behind the masks. He saw the inner person. Thus he looked at the Scribes and Pharisees and saw a pious exterior. But on looking deeper he saw, sadly, that beneath the religious pomp and show, they were hollow inside. On the other hand, it gave him great joy when he found a genuine person. He gladly put up with Peter because he knew that in spite of his obvious faults his heart was sound.

We have to try to be true to ourselves, otherwise we are false. When we are false, the outward appearance ceases to be an expression, a revelation of the soul, but instead becomes a shell to hide the soul. Our greatest task is to try to conform our lives with our convictions, and thus to make peace between our inner and outer selves.

In some so-called primitive societies outer beauty is believed to be the result of good inner moral character. This means that if we take care of the inner self, the outer self will take care of itself.

Music for The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: I Want to Walk as A Child of the Light

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 131 - In You, O Lord, I have found my peace.

Gifts: Servant Song

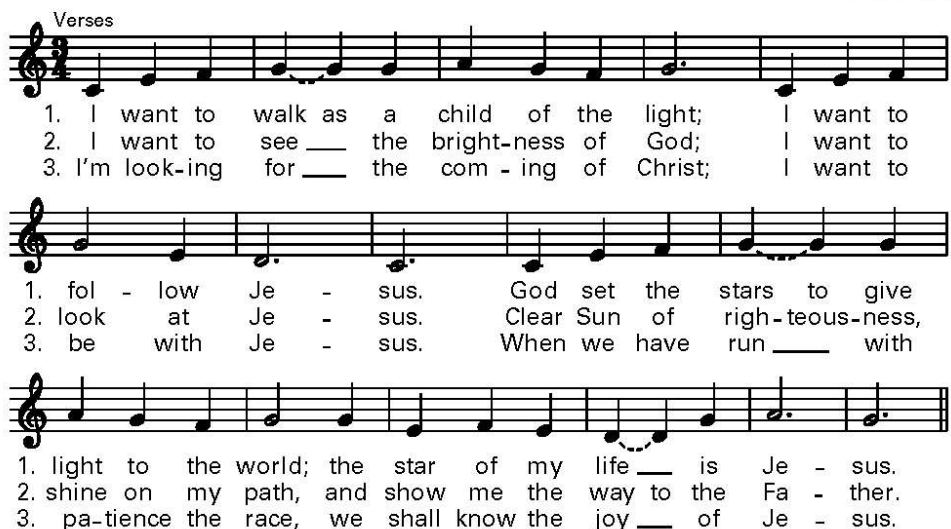
Communion Hymns: Humbly Lord We Worship You, We Are the Light of the World

Closing Hymn: O God, Beyond All Praising

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

Verses



1. I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to
2. I want to see the bright-ness of God; I want to
3. I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ; I want to

1. fol-low Je-sus. God set the stars to give
2. look at Je-sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness,
3. be with Je-sus. When we have run with

1. light to the world; the star of my life is Je-sus.
2. shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa-ther.
3. pa-tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je-sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all; the night and the
day are both a-like. The Lamb is the light of the
cit-y of God: Shine in my heart, Lord Je-sus.

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Mary Asta, Executive Director, Gargiulo Education Center



Students at Gargiulo Education Center get assistance with homework.

Music for The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm 131: In You, O Lord, I Have Found My Peace

Bob Moore

In you, O Lord, I have found my peace. In
you, Lord, I have found my peace. _____

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Servant Song

Donna Marie McGargill, OSM

Verses

1. What do you want of me, Lord? Where do you
2. I hear you call my name, Lord, and I am
3. A-bove, be-low, and a-round me, be-fore, be-
4. You are the light in my dark-ness. You are my
5. I am your song and ser-vant, sing-ing your

1. want me to serve you? Where can I sing your
2. moved with-in me. Your Spir-it stirs my
3. hind, and all through me, your Spir-it burns deep with-
4. strength when I'm wea-ry. You give me sight when I'm
5. praise like Ma-ry. Sur-ren-dered to your

1. prais-es? I am your song.
2. deep-est self. Sing your songs in me.
3. in me. Fire my life with your love.
4. blind-ed. Come, see for me.
5. Spir-it, "Let it be done to me."

Refrain

1. Je-sus, Je-sus, you are the Lord.
2. Je-sus, Je-sus, you are my Lord.
3. Je-sus, Je-sus, be the warmth of my heart.
4. Je-sus, Je-sus, you are my Light.
5. Je-sus, Je-sus, "Let it be done to me."


1-5. Je-sus, Je-sus, you are the way.

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Music for The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Humbly Lord We Worship You


ADORO TE DEVOTE



1a. Hum-bly, Lord, we wor-ship you, our E - ter - nal King.
1b. You who died to give us life, hear us as we sing.
2a. Je - sus, Lord, we of - fer you ev - 'ry act this day.
2b. May we live our love for you and your will o - bey.
3a. Lord, for - give us all our faults, oth - ers we for - give.
3b. May we strive with all our souls, Chris-tian lives to live.
4a. May we love you in each soul and each soul in you;
4b. One in our e - ter - nal goal, one in all we do.



1-4. Je - sus, God and Lord of all, come to us, we pray.




1-4. Thus u - ni - ted in your love, may we live this day.

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We Are the Light of the World

GREIF

Verses



1. Bless - ed are they who are poor in spir - it,
2. Bless - ed are they who are meek and hum - ble,
3. Bless - ed are they who will mourn in sor - row,
4. Bless those who hun - ger and thirst for jus - tice,
5. Bless - ed are they who show oth - ers mer - cy,
6. Bless - ed are hearts that are clean and ho - ly,
7. Bless - ed are they who bring peace a - mong us,
8. Bless those who suf - fer from per - se - cu - tion,



1. Theirs is the king-dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, make us
2. They will in - her - it the earth. Bless us, O Lord, make us
3. They will be com - fort - ed. Bless us, O Lord, when we
4. They will be sat - is - fied. Bless us, O Lord, hear our
5. They will know mer - cy too. Bless us, O Lord, hear our
6. They will be - hold the Lord. Bless us, O Lord, make us
7. They are the chil-dren of God. Bless us, O Lord, may your
8. Theirs is the king-dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, when they

Music for The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



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| 1. poor | in spir - it; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 2. meek | and hum - ble; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 3. share | their sor - row; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 4. cry | for jus - tice; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 5. cry | for mer - cy; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 6. pure | and ho - ly; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 7. peace | be with us; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |
| 8. per - | se - cute us; | Bless us, O Lord, our God. |

Refrain



We are the light of the world, may our light shine be-fore all,



That they may see the good that we do, and give glo - ry to God.

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O God, Beyond All Praising

THAXTED



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| 1. O | God be-yond all prais - ing, | We wor-ship you to - day |
| 2. Then | hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, | Ac - cept the love we bring, |



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| 1. And | sing the love a - maz - ing | That songs can - not re - pay; |
| 2. That | we who know your fa - vor | May serve you as our King; |



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| 1. For | we can on - ly won - der | At ev - 'ry gift you send, |
| 2. And | wheth - er our to - mor - rows | Be filled with good or ill, |



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| 1. At | bles-sings with - out num - ber | And mer - cies with - out end: |
| 2. We'll | tri - umph through our sor - rows | And rise to bless you still: |



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| 1. We | lift our hearts be - fore you | And wait up - on your word, |
| 2. To | mar - vel at your beau - ty | And glo - ry in your ways, |



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|--------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. We | hon - or and a - dore you, | Our great and might-y Lord. |
| 2. And | make a joy - ful du - ty | Our sac - ri - fice of praise. |

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Music for The Children's Choir Mass

Opening Hymn: I Will Choose Christ

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 131 - In You, O Lord, I have found my peace.

Gifts: Servant Song

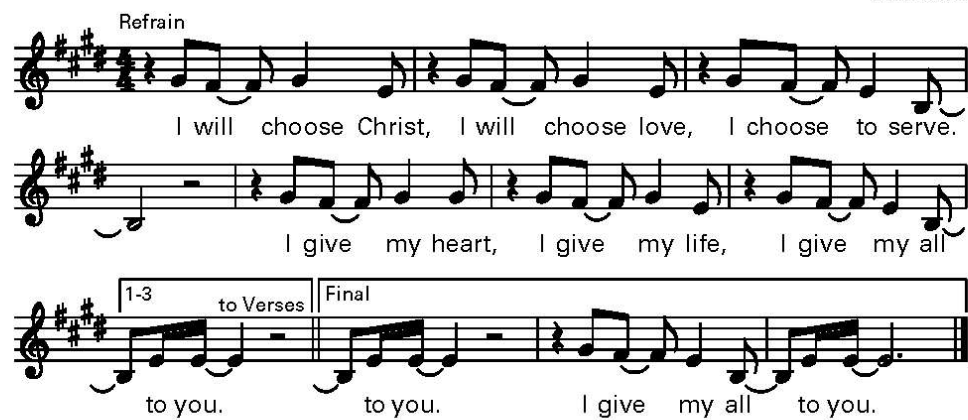
Communion Hymns: On Eagles Wings, Give Me Ears To Listen

Closing Hymn: Lead me, Lord

I Will Choose Christ

Tom Booth


Refrain



I will choose Christ, I will choose love, I choose to serve.
I give my heart, I give my life, I give my all
to you. to you. I give my all to you.

1-3 to Verses Final


Verse 1



1. How man-y times must he call my name and show to
1. me that he is God? And as a ser-vant he
1. calls to me, "You must serve too."

to Refrain


Verse 2



2. Christ, my teach - er and heal - er, teach my
2. heart and heal my soul. And as I walk this
2. road with you, teach me to love.

to Refrain

Verse 3



3. As I look up-on your cross, so too

Music for The Children's Choir Mass



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Psalm 131: In You, O Lord, I Have Found My Peace

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Servant Song

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On Eagle's Wings/En Sus Alas

Michael Joncas

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain: And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield.

3. You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come.

4. For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Final Refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.
And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

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Give Me Ears to Listen

Timothy R. Smith



Music for The Children's Choir Mass

1, 4. Let me be a sure foun - da - tion, pure and strong.
 2. winds and cur - rents bat - ter me, help me be sure.
 3. strength - en me to bear my cross and walk your way.

1, 4. Let me tell of your sal - va - tion all life long.
 2. Give me cour - age from the storms when they oc - cur.
 3. Give me grace to com - fort those with all I say.

Refrain
 Give me ears to lis - ten. Give me eyes to see. Give me words to

1, 3, Final to Vss. 2, 4 (Fine) 2 to Verse 3
 speak and show your face to me. me.

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Lead Me, Lord

John D. Becker

Verses

1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their
 2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be
 3. Blest are they who through their life - times sow the seeds of

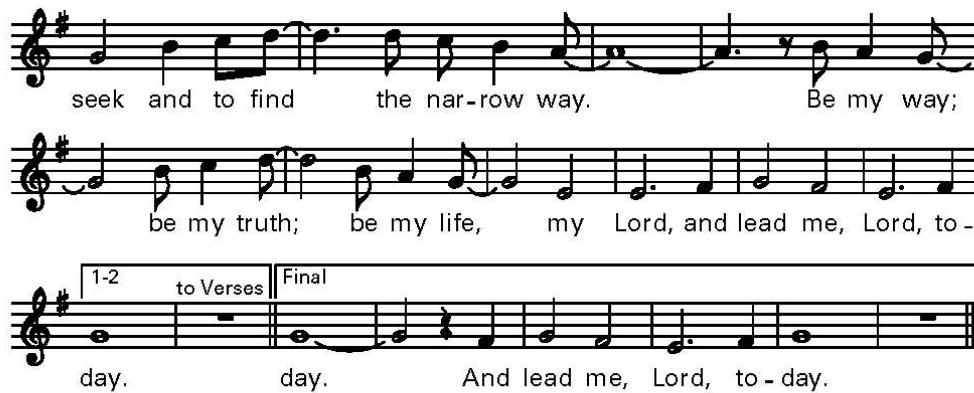
1. Lord, for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.
 2. theirs, and the pure in heart shall see their God.
 3. peace, all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.

1. Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con -
 2. Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can
 3. Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly

1. soled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.
 2. fill, for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
 3. life, for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Refrain
 Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth to

Music for The Children's Choir Mass



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Music for the 5:00PM Sunday Mass

Opening Song: May the Peoples Praise You

May the peoples praise You, let the nations
be glad! All your blessings comes that we
may priase, may praise the Name of Jesus

V1: You have called us out of darkest night
Into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

V2: May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

Preparation Song: Be Thou My Vision

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

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys bright heaven's Sun

Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all

Communion Song: O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within Overwhelmed by
the weight of your sin Jesus is calling Have you come
to the end of yourself Do you thirst for a drink from
the well Jesus is calling

Chorus: O come to the altar The Father's arms are
open wide Forgiveness was bought with The precious
blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2: Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy From the
ashes a new life is born Jesus is calling

Bridge: Oh what a Savior Isn't he wonderful Sing
alleluia Christ is risen Bow down before him For he is
Lord of all Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Verse 3: Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

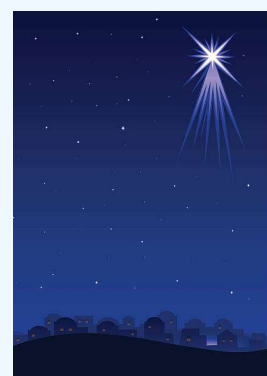
Closing Song: O God Beyond All Praising

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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.



This Week in Faith Formation

Sunday, November 5th: K-8 Faith Formation Sessions – 9:30-10:45 AM

***Coffee in the Pulte Center Café for Parents During Faith Formation.

Sunday, November 5th: High School Confirmation Session - 3:45 - 6:00 PM

***Parent Session in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Center

Wednesday, November 8th: K-8 Faith Formation Sessions – 5:00-6:15 PM

***Refreshments in the Pulte Center Café for Parents During Faith Formation



Adult Faith Formation

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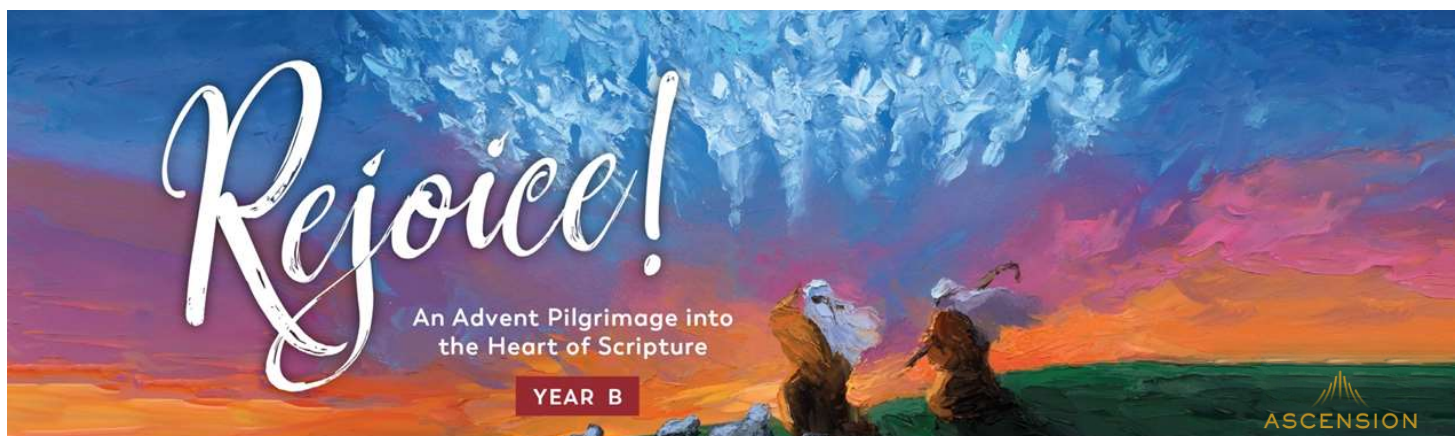
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024
7:00 - 9:30PM

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Adult Faith Formation



A 4-Week Scripture Study with Sue Hamilton

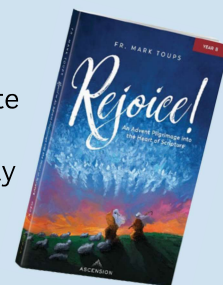
Advent is a special season for the Church. It is the time when the world prepares to celebrate the coming of Christ. We often lose sight of the point of this season because we get so caught up in our preparations, and we find ourselves no more transformed on Christmas Day than we were at the start of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

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 6th

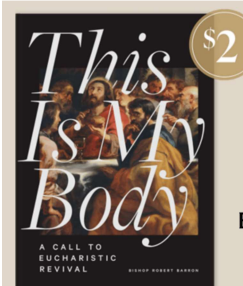
6:00PM- **OCIA** Session – Room 11 & 12 Claussen Center

Tuesday, November 7th

12:00PM-1:30PM - **When You Pray**- Session 7 – Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Thursday, November 9

9:30AM-11:00AM – **Faith Chat** – Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center
3:00PM-4:30PM – **Soul Sisters** – Session 5 – Claussen Center Library



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

Walking with Purpose / TMIY

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!

You Are Welcome Here

Make authentic connections with other women

Refuel and Refresh — Learn more about God

A Naples Area Inter-Parish Community Experience

Saint William Church Hall,
601 Seagate Dr., Naples, FL 34103

Beginning January 30, 2024

10:00 to 11:45am

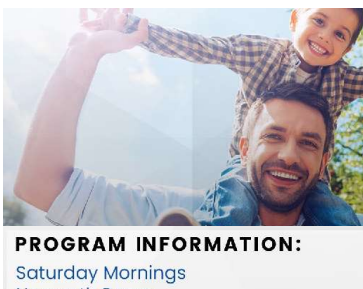
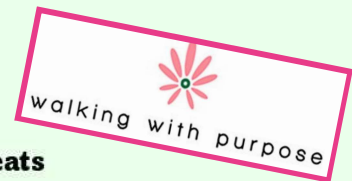
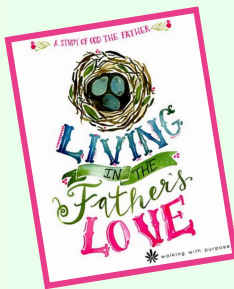
Doors Open at 9:30 for Coffee Social With Treats

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



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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TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU!



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ENCOUNTER

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit"

Zechariah 4:6

Talk.

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Adoration.



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*A Eucharistic Revival
Family Event*

ALL AGES WELCOME!
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YOUTH PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Friday, December 1, 2023

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

Pulte Center

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GRADES 2 - 8
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SCAN THE QR
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Middle School
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Eucharistic Adoration LED BY
George de los Reyes

once a month | upcoming dates
FIRST SUNDAY 05 NOVEMBER 2023
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM 03 DECEMBER 2023
AFTER 5:00 PM MASS 07 JANUARY 2023



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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

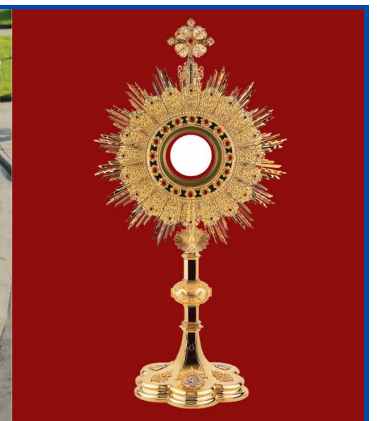
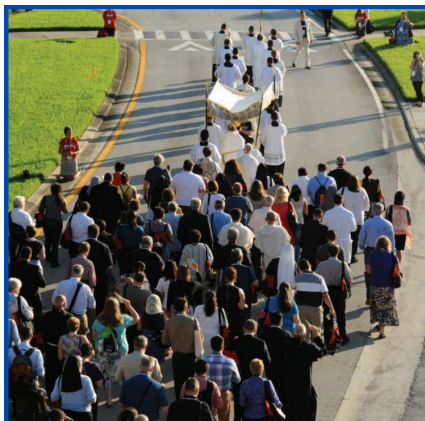
Providing opportunities in our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry for instruction about the Eucharist; and personal engagement for our children, young adults, and their families. Providing parishioners resources to learn more about the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

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



Eucharistic Procession

at St. John the Evangelist Church

Sunday, November 26, 2023
Feast of Christ the King

Join us for a Eucharistic procession immediately following the 1:00PM Mass. The procession will begin from the Altar and then proceed out the main Church doors. It will continue around the Memorial garden, along the parking lot area, and then return to the Church for Solemn Benediction and Reposition of the Body of Christ. There are two planned stops along the route, at which a brief Adoration and Benediction will occur.



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

Eucharistic Revival

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 October 29 bulletin, Carlo was on page 19 in the Made for More 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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JOIN FATHER TOM & YOUR PARISH FAMILY EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS INDIANAPOLIS



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Indianapolis, IN
July 16-22, 2024

Let us come together to celebrate our shared
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Register on the trip and email:


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 - All VAT, City and local taxes

Respect Life



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



PREGNANT?

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Explore your options and find the help you need here.



These are the closest pregnancy help centers:

Community Pregnancy Clinic
239-689-1543 Fort Myers
239-262-6381 Naples
www.communitypregnancyclinic.com

Pregnancy Resource Center of Southwest Florida
239-990-8186 Fort Myers
239-280-5523 Naples – www.prcnaples.org

Verity Pregnancy & Medical Resource Center,
Fort Myers 239-433-1929
www.pregnancyfortmyers.com

Immokalee Pregnancy Center, Immokalee
239-657-2016 – www.immokaleepregnancy.com



Diocese of Venice
Respect Life Office
dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife



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.



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(English & español)

e-mail:
project.rachel@dioceseofvenice.org

www.hopeafterabortion.com

"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

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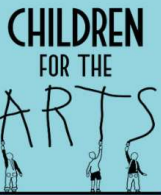
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The jungle is jumpin' with jazz in this exciting Disney classic! Young actors will love performing in this exciting, action-packed musical with colorful characters and toe-tapping jungle rhythm. Some of Disney's favorite tunes include "The Bare Necessities" and "I Wan'na Be Like You." Auditions held November 10th.



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



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625 111th Ave N Naples, FL 34108

January 5, 2024

7:00 pm in the Church

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**SAVE THE DATE:
JANUARY 12**

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



Events & Programs



**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**



**Celtic Angels
Christmas**

**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.

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St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

VETERAN'S DAY



Celebration!

Presented by Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Mass: 9 am

Taps & Gun Salute: 10 am

Festivities Immediately Following in SJEC Ballroom

Entertainment: 11 am
Salute to Our Veterans
U.S.O. Style!



Celebration Brunch: 10:30 am
"Campaigns Remembered"

"Battle of the Bulge" Breakfast Enchiladas
"Normandy D-Day" Waffle Bar
"IWO Jima" Breakfast Sausage
"Operation Bolo" Coffee/Tea/Soda
"Falluja" Mimosa & Bloody Mary - For purchase



★★ Thank You for Your Service! ★★

\$15 PER PERSON - VETERANS NO CHARGE

Thank You Vocations Dinner Dance

We appreciate and thank the many attendees for supporting the 2023 Vocations Dinner.
We would also like to acknowledge the overwhelming generosity of our parishioners
and local businesses which made this event a huge success!

Sunshine Hardware	Max Flex Fitness & Wellness Consultants	Pewter Mug
Flemings Restaurant	Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home	First Watch
The Naples Golf Club	Bone Hook Brewing Company	Patio Café
Phelan Family Brands	Mel's Diner Bonita Springs	Mel's Diner Naples
New York Pizza and Pasta	Dunkin Donuts	Joey D's Italian Restaurant
Naples Progressive Gymnastics	Poached	Zookie's Sports Bar and Grill
	Skillets	

Continue to pray for all Seminarians on their journey to the Priesthood.

Knights of Columbus



St. John Council #1281

Pulte Family Life Center



November 10

6:00-8:00 PM in the Pulte Life Center Cafe
\$5 per game or \$20 per card / cash only /
18+ to play

Parish
breakfast



Wednesdays after Morning Mass
Pulte Family Life Center

Recreational Bocce Ball

Every Saturday morning at 9:00am
If Need: 239-860-8956 / Miriam "Mimi" LeBeau
Meet at the Pulte Life Center Patio Courts

NEW*NEW*NEW*NEW

Join us for Bocce

Ladies: Tuesdays at 9:30am
Gentlemen: Thursdays at 9:30 am



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



NOVEMBER 17

SNACKS. MUSIC. FUN.

KARAOKE NIGHT & HAPPY HOUR

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



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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



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