

St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

December 10, 2023

The Second Sunday of Advent



Peace



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)

**Going forward, there will only be an 8:30am Daily 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
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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
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Fr. Nick Thompson, Associate
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 9, 2023

8:00 AM + Clinton David Moffatt

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Claude and Margaret Host

5:00 PM + Charles King

Requested By

Gigi Moffatt

Family

The Ferreira Family

Sunday, December 10, 2023

7:00 AM + Deborah McLoughlin

9:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

11:00 AM + Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. Monachino

1:00 PM + Joan Ginty

5:00 PM + Anne Morrissey

Requested By

Bernard and Ryan McLoughlin

Kathy and Patty Monachino

Michele Murtagh

The Landi and Morrissey Families

Monday, December 11, 2023

8:30 AM + Joan Gaetano

Requested By

Parone Family

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

8:30 AM + Robert and Charles Bouchard

Requested By

Mung H. Pham

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

8:30 AM + Thomas Hannan

Requested By

Bruce and Peg Reale

Thursday, December 14, 2023

8:30 AM + Herbert Penfield

Requested By

Vania Penfield

Friday, December 15, 2023

8:30 AM SI Kevin Moritz

Requested By

Michael Moritz

Saturday, December 16, 2023

8:00 AM + Dr. Rob Roy

Requested By

Denise Guilbert

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + John and Margaret McCartney

5:00 PM + Trey Brandt

Sally McElroy

Loretta Sullivan

Sunday, December 17, 2023

7:00 AM + Rosalee DeGenova

9:00 AM + Francesco P. Morsilli

11:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Vincent James Farengo

5:00 PM + Michael D. Rullo

Wine and Host + Jose Nicolas Arteta

Altar Flowers + Jose Nicolas Arteta

Requested By

Family

Martha Iazzetti

Peter and Ann Blanco

Claudia Vitulich

Parents

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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



The Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas Mass Times

*We look forward to welcoming
you and your family this*

Christmas!

Catholics are obliged to attend Holy Mass on Christmas and, when Christmas falls on a day other than Sunday, attend a separate Mass to fulfill their ordinary Sunday obligation. The table below provides the specifics of how this will work this year.

ATTEND ONE (1) FROM EACH COLUMN

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Obligation may be fulfilled at any Mass after 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 23 through Sunday, Dec. 24 at 3:00 p.m.

Obligation may be fulfilled at either:

- A Vigil (Saturday evening) Mass
- Any Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Advent before 3:00 p.m.

NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Obligation may be fulfilled at any Mass after 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 24 and throughout Monday, Dec. 25

Obligation may be fulfilled at either:

- A Vigil Mass for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 24
- Any Mass on Monday, Dec. 25

St. John the Evangelist Mass Times

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Vigil Masses:

3:00pm, 5:00pm

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses:

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Sunday, December 24

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Vigil Masses:

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

Monday, December 25

Nativity of the Lord (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.



Trey Brandt, Ralph A. Caccia

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
- Jerry B.
- Anna and Angelo Babbo
- Florence Ballachino
- Barbara Barber
- Jennifer Basile
- Nadine Baxter
- David Bearce
- Linda Berry
- Sara Boettcher
- Frank and Therese Brennan
- Michael Brien
- Ralph A. Caccia
- Bob Capicchioni
- Frank Carillo
- Karen Cassady
- Rita Caven
- Roseanne Christinzio
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Tom Collins
- Sheryl Conway
- Lucia Cook
- Matthew Cummings
- Judy Davies
- Tom Despres
- Donna DiMare
- Lorraine Dolan
- Tom Duncan
- Elizabeth Harrington Dyer
- Patricia Dynda
- Megan Ebert
- Peter Ebert
- Paul Ebert
- Pamela Eck
- John Eddy
- Monica Ellis
- Ira Faber
- Bill Farley
- Brian Fay
- Tiffany Fellenz
- Bruce Fenske
- Lori Fenske
- Denise Fisher
- 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
- Patricia Gynba
- Raymond Hall
- Bob Hearson
- Bob Hilliard
- Kathleen Cleary Hinkle
- Brian Hintz
- Jerry Hirsch
- Patrick Howlett
- Jim Hubbard
- Becky Huff-Cook
- John Michael Jamnusich
- Carolyn Jansen
- Taylor Jansen
- Jimmy
- Cynthia Johnson
- Gesse Joseph
- Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman
- Yvonne Keenan
- Tracey Kirk
- Elizabeth Knott
- Victoria Kramer
- Frank and Mary Lou Kreber
- Richard C. Kruger
- Ramona Langman
- Alicia Laplant
- 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
- Robert McAloney Jr
- Lana McBride
- Wendy Mercer
- Lucille Metz
- Edward John Metz
- Orville Middendorp
- Steven Miller
- Eileen Miner
- Patrick Moorton
- Molly Moran
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- Robert Murphy
- John Murphy
- JoAnn Natale
- Candy Nordland
- Lea Noyes
- Eleanor Nute
- Jennifer O'Connor
- Mike O'Neill
- Patty Palmer
- Joseph Pandolfo
- Eric Parker
- Patty
- Lenard Pelletier
- Ann Petrillo
- Carol Petrone
- Sylvia & Vinny Pierro
- Mary Lynn Podolak
- Anna Polley
- Alex Portar
- Dennis Powers
- Robert Pulte
- Karen Pulte
- John Repice
- George Reyes
- Mary Ann Riley
- Ron
- Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Steve Savory
- 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
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn Thyen
- Kathleen Trotter
- Lisa Marie Turner
- Raymond Vanasse
- Noah Wagner
- Joy Wagner
- Callie Watson
- 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
- Cadet Samantha Bocis, West Point
- Mark Burger, US Army
- Stephen Burger, US Army
- 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 – First Lieutenant, US Army
- 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
- Luke Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army
- Ben Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army
- Austin Spagnola
- First Lieutenant Matthew Stevenson, USMC
- 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. It is available on Amazon for \$12.99. We will begin the discussion of that book on December 7th and hopefully finish by December 28th.

Starting January 4th there will be a discussion class lead by Father Nick called “Theology of the Body”

This will take place in the Pulte Center in the Nazareth room. It will start at 9am for coffee and muffins and class from 9:30-10:30. Faith Chat will be attending these sessions in lieu of our regular meetings.

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 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

Grief Support

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

St. John the Evangelist provides both group and individual grief support services. Sessions are held on Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Antioch room of the Claussen Center. There is no fee, and all materials are provided free of charge.

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



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

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

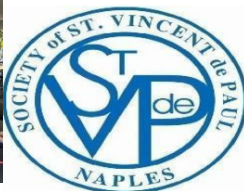
Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Contact Melissa Wychocki: mwychocki@gmail.com

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--St. Vincent de Paul Conference

In the heart of North Naples, we are on a mission to bring the light of Christ to **over 200 migrant worker families** every month. At St John the Evangelist--St Vincent de Paul Conference, we serve our neighbors with humility and dedication, providing spiritual support, distributing rice, mesa flour, and other essential items as well as hygiene products.

Witnessing the Joy of Christ in the faces of these hard-working families is a testament to the impact of your donations. You are the reason we can be **"the arms and legs of Jesus"** in our community, making a tangible difference in the lives of those in need.

To learn more about our ministry or to get involved, please contact Bob Westenberg, President of SVdP-St John the Evangelist Conference, at bwstjohn@svdnaples.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, December 9, 2023, 2023

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday, December 11, 2023

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/ Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 14, 2023

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 15, 2023

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16, 2023

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18 19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13



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

We have 3426 Parish households.

Baptisms

Congratulations to the families of those baptized in November:

-Ethan Bermudez
-Palmer Harvey
-Noah Jenkinson
-Nicolo Martarano
-Matthew Meyers
-Ian Perez
-Jack Smith

Weddings

Congratulations to the couples who were married at St. John's in November.

We wish you a lifetime of love and blessings:
-Shauna Dee & Jeremy Lucca
-Jessica Hobt & Keith Szafranski

Offertory

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

11/8/23 - 11/14/23
\$57,964.49

11/15/23 - 11/21/23
\$59,311.56

11/22/23 - 11/28/23
\$60,317.80



CFA 2023

130.55% to Goal

16.43% 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.

Business Information

Memorial Garden Notes



Dear Parishioners - 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. We will routinely remove items left in the Garden that are not natural. Thank you



St. John the Evangelist Christmas Cards

\$20 for a box of 10 with envelopes

For sale in our Gift Shop



St. John's Gift Shop

Saturdays 2:30-6:15 PM

Sundays 8:30 AM-1:00 PM

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Merry Christmas



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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

Reading 1 Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together;

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

Responsorial Psalm PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Reading 2 2 PT 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

Alleluia LK 3:4, 6

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel MK 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.” John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Fr. Tom's Gospel Refelction

The freeways and turnpikes we travel usually have signs on their overpasses telling us the minimum clearance for passing underneath them. For whatever reason, a tractor-trailer occasionally gets wedged in tight underneath an overpass. At first, no one seems to know how to get the truck out, short of pushing it out the way it entered. Then someone makes the obvious suggestion: let some air out of the tires. Then the truck, a couple inches lower, can squeeze through the overpass.

On this Second Sunday of Advent, we are challenged to deflate our egos like the tires on the truck. We are being called by the Church of today to change our lives, to become less me-centered and more God-centered, so that we can squeeze into this season of repentance.

John the Baptist was Jesus' messenger. John was announcing a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins to prepare for Jesus' coming. John had a unique and much needed message for the people of his time and for us today. Some people went to John because they were spiritually bankrupt. They tried hard, and their neighbors thought highly of them, but something was missing. They were empty, and they hoped that John could fill the empty place. Some people went to John because they had it all, but it wasn't enough. They had money and homes, but they wanted more. But then, when they got more, their hunger continued unabated. Nothing made them happy. They went to John hoping that he could pull together the broken pieces of their lives, and make them whole.

Today we think of repentance with an emphasis on sorrow for past wrongs. The Greek word that Mark used for 'repentance' was metanoia. This means changing the attitude of our minds, by turning from a life centered on self to a life centered on God. Christ is calling us to metanoia--to a complete change in our lives.

All of us have experienced someone telling us how to change our lives--most likely it was our parents. This call to change our lives may be the only one that some of us have ever heard. John's approach is similar when he announces, discusses, and invites people to think about a new way of life. He comes along and says, "I want you to do what I told you to do." But then there was Jesus' approach. Jesus comes along and doesn't simply discuss it: he is it! Jesus is the experience of the transformation that we all need.

Each of us is called to be the "beginning of the gospel" for others. To tell the good news in a way that makes us a messenger for the one who is coming. As Christians, we have the role of preparing the way of the Lord, and John the Baptist is our model. Mark's gospel is but the beginning of a story that continues down to our time. It started with John. Today it continues with us. He prepared others for the coming of the Lord. We must do the same. Before we help prepare others, we must acknowledge our own sins and seek forgiveness. We must be renewed so that nothing impedes our walk with Christ. We must examine our inner sins, those that go beyond the Ten Commandments.

We must prepare as a people because we tend to overly individualize our relationships with God. Advent is something we do together. We dream, repent, turn our faces toward God together.



Local
Advent
Penance Services

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

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

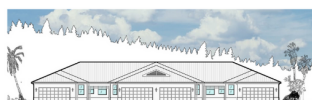
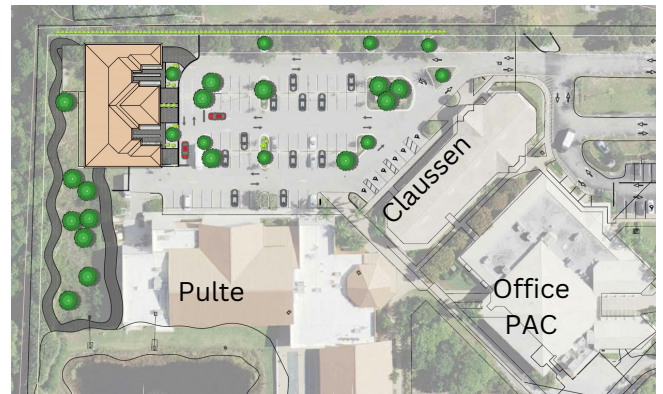
inefficiency in the frequent travel back and forth to the church. Additionally, area housing costs are high and retired Priests are increasingly priced out from being able to reside in the area and help us out.

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 Narthex)** 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



St. John the Evangelist Rectory Campaign

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625 111th Ave North, Naples, FL 34108

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Music

Opening Hymn: On Jordan's Bank

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

Gifts: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Lamb of God: Advent Lamb of God

Communion Hymns: Ubi Caritas, Creator of the Stars of Night

Closing Hymn: The King of Glory

On Jordan's Bank

WINCHESTER NEW

1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry soul from sin; Make
3. For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our
4. All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee Whose

1. nounc - es that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and heark - en,
2. straight the way of God with - in, Pre - pare we in our
3. ref - uge and our sure re - ward; Shine forth, and let thy
4. ad - vent set thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther

1. for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
2. hearts a home, Where such a might - y guest may come.
3. light re - store Our souls to heav'n - ly grace once more.
4. we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

Text: LM; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.
Music: *Musicalishes Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690; adapt. by William H. Havergal, 1793–1870.

Psalm 85 - Lord, let us see Your kindness

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

(Psalm 85)

Francesca LaRosa

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

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An Advent Prayer for the Family

Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love. Amen.



Music

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

Verses

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And
 2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who
 3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who
 4. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se's stem, From
 5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And
 6. O come, Thou Day-spring from on high And
 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In

1. ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in
 2. or - d'rest all things might - i - ly; To us the
 3. to thy tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient
 4. ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them That trust thy
 5. o - pen wide our heav - 'nly home; Make safe the
 6. cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the
 7. one the hearts of all hu - man - kind; Bid thou our

1. lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of
 2. path of knowl - edge show, And teach us in her
 3. times didst give the law, In cloud and maj - es -
 4. might - y pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry
 5. way that leads on high, And close the path to
 6. gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow
 7. sad di - vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our

Refrain

1. God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u -
 2. ways to go.
 3. ty and awe.
 4. o'er the grave.
 5. mis - er - y.
 6. put to flight.
 7. Prince of Peace.

el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: LM with refrain; Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3-6, para. in *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818-1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. *The Hymnal 1940*, alt.
 Music: *Processionale*, 15th cent. French; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890; Chant, Mode I.

Advent Lamb of God

Kevin Keil (ASCAP)

1, 2

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on

Final

us, have mer - cy on us. world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Music

Ubi Caritas

Bob Hurd

Refrain: All



*U - bi ca - ri - tas est ve - ra, est ve - ra: De - us i - bi

Verses: Cantor/Choir



est, De - us i - bi est.

1. The love of Christ joins us to -
2. In true com - mu - nion let us
3. May we who gath - er at this
4. For those in need make us your
5. May we one day be - hold your



1. geth - er. Let us re - joice in him, and in our love and
2. gath - er. May all di - vi - sions cease and in their place be
3. ta - ble to share the bread of life be - come a sac - ra -
4. mer - cy, for those op - pressed, your might. Make us, your Church, a
5. glo - ry and see you face to face, re - joic - ing with the

to Refrain



1. care for all now love God in re - turn.
2. Christ the Lord, our ris - en Prince of Peace.
3. ment of love, your heal - ing touch, O Christ.
4. ho - ly sign of jus - tice and new life.
5. saints of God to sing e - ter - nal praise.

Estrofas: Cantor/Coro



1. U - ni - dos co - mo un so - lo cuer - po,
2. Reu - ni - dos y a - li - men - ta - dos,
3. Que el pan de vi - da que nos u - ne nos
4. Y pa - ra los ne - ce - si - ta - dos de a -
5. Con - cé - de - nos ya ver tu glo - ria y en



1. en la co - mu - nión y de - mos - tre - mos
2. li - bres del ren - cor, vi - va - mos nues - tra
3. cam - bie el co - ra - zón y pa - ra dar al
4. mor y de bon - dad se - a - mos la es - pe -
5. tu pre - sen - cia es - tar; y, u - ni - dos a los

al Estribillo



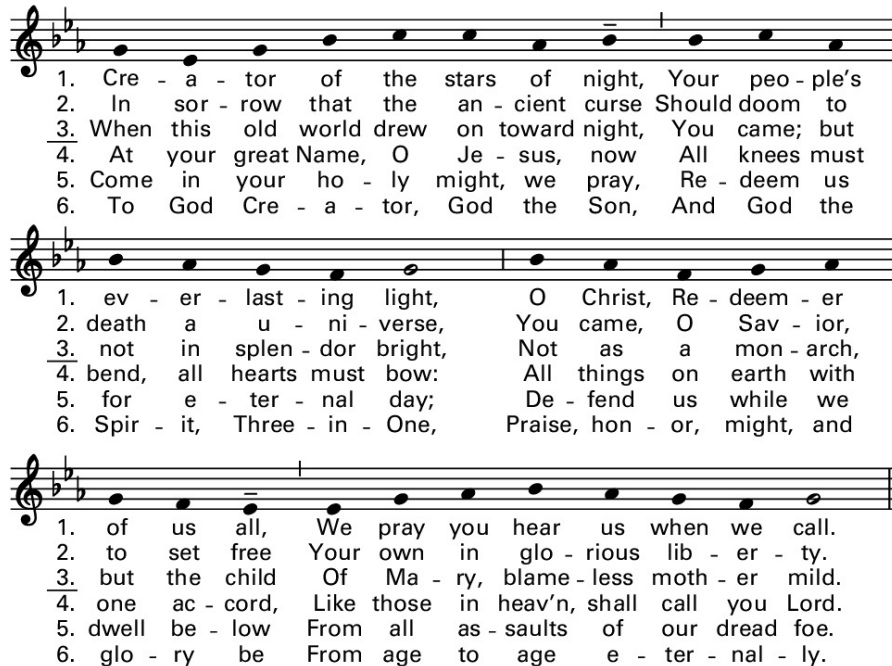
1. nues - tro a - mor a quien pri - me - ro a - mó.
2. co - mu - nión en Cris - to, Sal - va - dor.
3. pró - ji - mo a - mor y sa - na - ción.
4. ran - za, jus - ti - cia y paz.
5. san - tos, can - tar - te sin ce - sar.

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Music

Creator of the Stars of Night

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Your peo - ple's
 2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse Should doom to
 3. When this old world drew on toward night, You came; but
 4. At your great Name, O Je - sus, now All knees must
 5. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, Re - deem us
 6. To God Cre - a - tor, God the Son, And God the

1. ev - er - last - ing light, O Christ, Re - deem - er
 2. death a u - ni - verse, You came, O Sav - ior,
 3. not in splen - dor bright, Not as a mon - arch,
 4. bend, all hearts must bow: All things on earth with
 5. for e - ter - nal day; De - fend us while we
 6. Spir - it, Three - in - One, Praise, hon - or, might, and

1. of us all, We pray you hear us when we call.
 2. to set free Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
 3. but the child Of Ma - ry, blame - less moth - er mild.
 4. one ac - cord, Like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
 5. dwell be - low From all as - saults of our dread foe.
 6. glo - ry be From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

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The King of Glory

KING OF GLORY



Refrain
 The King of glo - ry comes, the na - tion re - joic - es.
 O - pen the gates be - fore him, lift up your voic - es.

Verses
 1. Who is the King of glo - ry; how shall we call him?
 2. In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,
 3. Sing then of Da - vid's Son, our Sav - ior and broth - er;
 4. He gave his life for us, the pledge of sal - va - tion,
 5. He con - quered sin and death; he tru - ly has ris - en,
 to Refrain
 1. He is Em - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.
 2. He goes a - mong his peo - ple cur - ing their ill - ness.
 3. In all of Gal - i - lee was nev - er an - oth - er.
 4. He took up - on him - self the sins of the na - tion.
 5. And he will share with us his heav - en - ly vi - sion.

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 Music: Trad. Israeli Folk Song.

Music for The 5:00 PM Mass

Opening Song: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver
Born a child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

Preparation Song: Better is One Day

V1: How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

V2: One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells

Chorus: Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere

Communion Song: Taste and See

Chorus: Taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord.
Oh, taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord;
for God has been so good to me. (Refrain)

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord, who answered me;
from all my troubles I was set free.

Worship the Lord, all you people.
You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
in God we need put all our trust

Closing Song: Your Grace is Enough

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus: (So) remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Chorus: Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

Faith Formation



There will be many opportunities for our children in 3rd grade and older to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation over the holidays. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, may we take the time to encounter Jesus in this most healing sacrament. The sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturday mornings at 8:30AM, Mondays at 9:00AM and Wednesdays at 9:00AM. There will also be an Advent Penance Service on Tuesday, December 12th at 5:30PM in our church. All are welcome. Below is a helpful Examination of Conscience to help children prepare. Blessings for a peaceful and joyful Advent!

Examine your Conscience, Based on the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven hallowed be Thy name.

- Do I think about God every day?
- Do I say my prayers?
- Do I pay attention and participate at Mass?

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

- Am I kind to others?
- Do I do what Jesus wants me to do?
- Do I share with others?
- Am I helpful to my family?
- Do I show respect to my teachers and classmates?

Give us this day our daily bread.

- Do I remember to say thank you?
- Am I sometimes greedy?
- Do I appreciate the good things I have in my life?
- Do I think of ways to help those who have no food?
- Do I take things that don't belong to me?

Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

- Do I say I'm sorry when I have been wrong?
- Do I forgive and forget when someone does something bad to me?
- Do I help solve problems between my friends? Or, do I cause more trouble?
- Do I say bad things about people who have hurt me?

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

- Do I play fairly in sports and games?
- Do I cheat in school?
- Do I tell the truth?
- Do I set a good example by my kindness?
- Do I let other kids tempt me to do things I know I shouldn't do?

This Week in Faith Formation

Sunday, December 10th

Faith Formation Sessions – 9:30-10:45AM

Confirmation Session – 3:30-6:00PM

Wednesday, December 13th

Preschool Atrium - 12:30-2:30PM

Faith Formation Session - 5:00-6:15PM

Get Ready to DIVE into Vacation Bible School this Summer

VBS SCUBA: Diving Into Friendship With God

Save the Dates:

June 3rd- 7th – 9:00-12:00PM



Registration Opens March 1st

Applications for Crew Leaders Coming Soon!

Adult Faith Formation

save the date

Limited tickets available, get yours early!

Brought to you by St. John the Evangelist, St. William Parish & The Cor Project

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



CHRISTOPHER WEST & MIKE MANGIONE

MADE FOR MORE

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

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Adult Faith Formation

Upcoming : Save the date: Wednesday, January 10th: A Review of the Vatican Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles with Dr. David Keys

The presentation will discuss and present ten different types of Eucharistic Miracles as seen in the Vatican Exhibit of Eucharistic miracles. Seven miracles will be discussed in detail. This presentation will take place in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Center from 9:30AM-11:00AM. Breakfast will be served in the Pulte Center Café following the 8:30AM Mass and before the presentation by Dr. Keys. Email aff@sjecc.com to reserve your spot.



A MOST IMPORTANT NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION with Dr. Brant Pitre: "*Lectio Divina and Your (Spiritual) Life*" - Facilitated by Dee Schwartz - January 4 & 11 at 3:30– 5:00 in the Claussen Center



Unite with your Soul Sisters and Brothers to bring in the New Year by learning and practicing together LECTIO DIVINA (Divine Reading). Each session presents a 25-minute video followed by discussion and a review of handouts and closes with LECTIO DIVINA (Divine Reading and Praying the Holy Scriptures). The reading will be the upcoming Sunday's Gospel reading.

Pope Benedict XVI issued an impassioned plea for everyone in the Church to reap

spiritual rewards by having "an ever-greater love for The Word of God", as "we must never forget that all authentic Christian spirituality is based on The Word of God proclaimed, accepted, meditated upon, lived, and celebrated in the Church". He said we must discover the spiritual meaning that God intends to communicate to us in Holy Scriptures.

The Pope's new Apostolic Exhortation, "Verbum Domini" (The Word of the Lord) is life eternal, life enriched, life healed, and life celebrated in Christ Jesus our Lord. Dei Verbum proclaims that, "The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures just as she venerates the body of the Lord, since, especially in the sacred liturgy, she unceasingly receives and offers to the faithful the bread of life from the table both of God's word and of Christ's body".

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, December 11th - 6:00PM- OCIA Session Room 11 & 12 Claussen Center

Tuesday, December 12th - Rejoice! Advent 4-Week Scripture Study – 12:00-1:30PM- Alexandria Room

Thursday, December 14th - 9:30-11:00AM - Faith Chat - Alexandria Room

Youth Ministry



ENCOUNTER WITH *Gina Bauer*



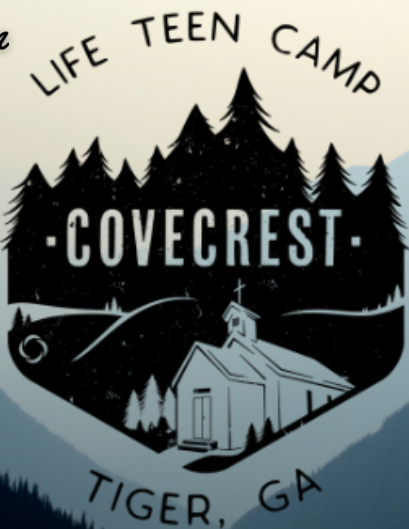
JESUS IS ALIVE IN THE EUCHARIST. TO HELP DEEPEN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE REAL PRESENCE IN THE EUCHARIST, WE CAN REFLECT ON THE NIGHT JESUS CHRIST WAS BORN, WHEN GOD BECAME AN INNOCENT BABY OUT OF HIS ETERNAL LOVE FOR US. WHEN REFLECTING ON THE NICENE CREED, IT STATES, "FOR US MEN AND FOR OUR SALVATION HE CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, AND BY THE HOLY SPIRIT WAS INCARNATE OF THE VIRGIN MARY, AND BECAME MAN." GOD SENT HIS SON FOR ALL OF US, NOT A FEW, FOR HE LEAVES THE 99 TO SEARCH FOR THE ONE THAT IS LOST (MATT.18:12). MAY WE FIND PEACE IN GOD'S ETERNAL LOVE FOR US THROUGH HIM SENDING HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON. THUS, THROUGH THIS LOVE, HE GAVE US THE EUCHARIST, WHICH IS NOT A SYMBOL, BUT THE BODY, BLOOD, SOUL, AND DIVINITY OF OUR LORD JESUS; LIKE ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM SAID, "SINCE CHRIST HIMSELF HAS SAID, 'THIS IS MY BODY,' WHO SHALL DARE TO DOUBT THAT IT IS HIS BODY?" GUEST SPEAKER, GINA BAUER, TOUCHED UPON MANY OF THESE TOPICS AS SHE SPOKE TO OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS, INSTILLING IN THEM THAT JESUS IS ALIVE IN THE EUCHARIST AND IS READY TO TRANSFORM THEIR HEARTS WHEN THEY ARE WILLING. PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH AS THEY CONTINUE TO GROW IN THEIR FAITH, THAT THEY KNOW THEY ARE LOVED ENDLESSLY BY OUR HEAVENLY FATHER, FOR THEM TO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE "FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE" (PS. 139:14), WHERE EACH OF THEM IS UNIQUE, MADE WITH A PURPOSE, AND FOR THEIR BELIEF TO GROW IN THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST.

**JULIANA LOGIUDICE
DIRECTOR OF CYO SPORTS & YOUTH MINISTRY**

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6:00 PM - 7:00 PM 4 FEBRUARY 2024
AFTER 5:00 PM MASS 3 MARCH 2024



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PRAYER**

CONTACT OUR YOUTH MINISTER JULIANA AT
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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**

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 December 3rd bulletin, Carlo was on page 29 in the Blood Drive ad.*

A Second Eucharistic Conference in our Diocese

On June 11, 2023, Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Church in the United States embarked upon the second phase, the Parish Phase, of the National Eucharistic Revival. It is with an expression of gratitude to you, Pastors and Administrators of the Diocese of Venice, that it can be reported that there has been a significant uptick of Eucharistic emphasis in many parishes. Specifically, there have been increased opportunities for Adoration, an increase in Eucharistic Processions, and more preaching and teaching on the Eucharist, to name a few.

On **Saturday, March 16, 2024**, the Church in the Diocese of Venice will gather at **Bishop Verot High School**, to host a second major **Eucharistic Conference**, this time with an emphasis on the Parish. The day will begin with Mass, to which you are cordially invited and encouraged to concelebrate. Following Mass, the Keynote Address will be delivered by the nationally acclaimed Speaker and Author, Steven Ray. After the Keynote Address, there will be a breakout session, with a Spanish and an English presentation occurring in the Auditorium and Gym respectively. Then, after lunch, there will be an afternoon breakout session, also with a Spanish and an English presentation. The Conference will conclude with a Eucharistic Holy Hour and Benediction. There will be a need for Priests to be on hand throughout the day to hear Confessions. As in the past, this necessitates not only the presence of Priests in the Central Deanery but throughout the Diocese. There will also be time built in for attendees to partake of food and fellowship, as well as opportunities for private Adoration and to visit vendor exhibits.

The Eucharistic Conference is encouraged for all the faithful of the Diocese. The cost is just \$30 per person, which includes light breakfast and lunch. Priests and Deacons may register free-of-charge. It is kindly asked that you please promote this event with the faithful of your Parish. Registration will be available at:

<https://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/2024-eucharistic-conference>. Questions about the event may be directed to Jim Gontis at gontis@dioceseofvenice.org.

This opportunity is taken to extend to you the assurances of my continued consideration, as well as my prayers for you and your ministry.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida

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**Eucharistic
Revival**



Join Fr.Tom and
your Parish
family at the
Eucharistic
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NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Congress**



Indianapolis, IN
July 16-22, 2024

Let us come together to celebrate our shared
faith and embrace the divine teachings.
Register on the trip and email:
ops@jetvacations.com
7days from \$1,995 pp in DBL

INCLUDED FEATURES

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- Private backstage tour of Center Performing Arts
- Local host on the first day of the Congress.
- Spiritual enrichment, activities, daily Mass
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Know the facts!

**2024 Florida ballot proposal:
"Amendment to Limit Government
Interference with Abortion"**

F A C T # 1

This proposed amendment would legalize abortion **up until birth**, even allowing **partial-birth abortion**.

Isn't that going too far?

DECLINE TO SIGN the petition for this dangerous pro-abortion amendment!

Questions? Go to 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.

"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



Toys available for purchase in our Gift Shop

**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

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Events & Programs



12TH ANNUAL
SENIORS BLUE BOOK

PREPARING FOR AGING *Symposiums*

JANUARY 25

*St. John the Evangelist
Catholic Church*

625 111th Ave., N., Naples 34108
9am-3pm

SIGN UP TODAY! SPACE IS LIMITED
CALL 239.776.7353 TO REGISTER

Join us for the upcoming **2024 Seniors Blue Book Symposiums**. Our annual events are designed to provide *information, education* and *share community resources* focused on the process of aging gracefully and being Pro-Active vs Re-Active.

The symposiums are all day interactive events including senior fair, panel speakers, audience Q&A, and more.

- ◆ **Free Continental Breakfast & Lunch**
- ◆ **Senior Fair With Over 50 Vendors**
- ◆ **Free Gifts & Grand Prize Raffle**



REGISTER FOR
JAN 25 EVENT
IN **NAPLES**

Senior attendance
is by RSVP *only.*

 **SENIORS Blue Book**
RESOURCES FOR AGING WELL



"We Served" Veteran's Event

Monday, December 11, 2023, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Veterans, you, and your spouse are invited to join other vets for Breakfast and a Presentation by guest speakers.

Information You Must Know Many Topics Discussed

Location:

Saint John the Evangelist Church, Pulte Family Life Center
625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108

You MUST Register to Attend

Call the Parish Office: 239.566.8740
or

Bill Fuller at: 239-280-8870--or-- wfuller1@comcast.net.



When: **Tuesday, December 12th**
8:00AM - 1:00PM

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

Sponsored by St. John the Evangelist 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
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Events & Programs

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.

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



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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

St. John the Evangelist
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The Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Groups

Friday, January 12th

6 - 9 PM Gates open at 5:30 PM
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Event will be moved inside if weather not permitting

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Tickets go on sale December 24th on eventbrite



Adult Paint & Wine
Tuesday, January 2, 2024
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adult-paint-night-northern-landscape-tickets-769167118557?aff=oddtcreator>



Events & Programs

ST. JOHN THE EUANGELIST ROARING TWENTIES CASINO NIGHT & DINNER



SAVE THE DATE:
MARCH 9, 2024

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



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

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.



Mondays

@ 6:00 PM

Pulte Life Center Cafe

***light snacks and beverages**



Christmas Karaoke
December 16 @ 6:00PM

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KARAOKE NIGHT & HAPPY HOUR



December 12
December 19

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