# St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 28, 2024





# Catholic Faith Appeal

"...faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead." [1227]



Please see Page 1 for information about this year's campaign

#### 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.

#### **CFA**



Dear Parish Family, In 2023, you contributed \$825,449 toward our Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) goal of \$603,000! We can't thank you enough for your generosity and support. And, because we surpassed our goal, \$222,449 will come back to the parish to further support our programs and ministries. Now, once again, we have been called to work together toward our 2024 goal. The needs in our communities are more pressing than ever, and your support will directly help those in Southwest Florida. St. John the Evangelist has been assigned a goal of \$603,000 for 2024.

#### Programs supported by CFA include:

- Catholic Charities: As a leading provider of social services, Catholic Charities supports over 40,000 people with programs like direct assistance to pay their utility bills, emergency intake programs for those that have become homeless, ending human trafficking in our backyard, citizenship assistance, and veteran housing. In 2023:
  - 195,354 individuals were fed through groceries acquired in a food pantry or hot meals from a soup kitchen.
  - 17,016 seniors had their needs assessed by a caseworker and were offered assistance with interpretation services, transportation, food, and community referrals in order to remain in their homes and live independently.
  - 14,007 adults & children benefited from educational services which help to empower and build a brighter future.
  - o 5,020 victims of human trafficking received comprehensive case management and housing services. -
  - o 3,840 adults & children obtained permanent or temporary housing.
- Catholic Education: The Office of Religious Education oversees the faith formation of children and administering adult faith formation programs such as the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. On-going formation and support for leaders are offered through retreats, conferences, and workshops. The Catholic Schools Department serves more than 6,200 students, a record-breaking number, at 15 Catholic schools. STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Math) is integrated as the learning model in all classrooms. At the same time, the Diocesan curriculum called, "The Gifts of Christ: Truth, Beauty, Goodness, Affability, Fortitude, Humility, and Prudence is the norm. This approach enables students to develop cognitive thought processes and gain skills such as leadership, communication, complex problem solving, teamwork, and creativity. Catholic virtues are infused in every subject as well as promoted and practiced throughout the school environment. The result is a 97% graduation rate with the remaining 3% of students entering the military or work force. In addition, students receive college scholarship awards that are three times the amount of that of public school counterparts.
- **Vocations:** From the Seminarian programs that instruct our future priests and deacons to providing support for the 35 different women's religious orders and 26 different communities of brothers and priests within the Diocese, the CFA ensures we provide for the education and well-being for those who have dedicated their lives in service to us and our faith.

Throughout the CFA campaign, we will highlight both personal stories about CFA as well as the programs and communities it supports. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving to the CFA. To donate, please visit: https://dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa, pick up a CFA envelope in the Narthex, or scan the QR code. If you need assistance, please contact Colleen Donnelly, our Operations Manager, at: colleen@sjecc.com. Thank you, as always for your support and generosity.



#### **Business Information / Weekly Calendar**

#### St. John the Evangelist Weekly Update



#### **Total Households**

We have 3430 Parish households

#### Offertory 12/20/23-12/26/23

\$161,370.77

**12/27/23-1/2/24** \$148,483.96

**1/3/24-1/9/24** \$44,861.35

1/10/24-1/16/24

\$53,346.27

#### **Baptisms**

Congratulations to the families of those baptized in December:

- -Charlotte Brown
- -Ella Fortune
- -Kinsley Rose Hurtley
- -Catherine Zita Kadeli
- -Cooper Kellar
- -Chase Klopack
- -Kellan Robovitsky
- -Banks Vanderhagen

#### **Donation Reminders**

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 **Knights of Columbus**, please make all checks payable to: **Knights of Columbus** 

For donations to the **Catholic Faith Appeal**, please make all checks payable to:

Catholic Faith Appeal

For donations of stock, please complete the form on our website (under the Donate tab), visit our Main Office for a Stock Donation form, or call 239.566.8740

If you would like to give online, please call Karen Beebe at 239.566.8740



#### Sunday, January 28

7:00am Mass (Church) 9:00am Mass (Church)

9:30am Faith Formation K-8 (Claussen & PLC)

1:00pm Mass (Church) 5:00pm Mass (Church)

6:00pm High School Youth Group (Youth Room)

#### **Monday, January 29**

6:00pm OCIA (Claussen) 6:00pm Trivia (Pulte Cafe) 6:15pm Boy Scouts (Alexandria

#### Tuesday, January 30

9:30am Grief Support (Claussen)
9:30am Bocce for Ladies (Pulte Patio)
10:00am Knitting & Crocheting (PLC)

#### Wednesday, January 31

8:30am Parish Breakfast (Pulte Cafe)
9:30am The Chosen (Nazareth)
10:00am Quilting Ministry (PLC)
12:30pm Sewing Ministry (PLC)
12:30pm PreK Atrium Session

5:00pm Faith Formation K-8 (Claussen & PLC)

6:30pm Well Read Mom (Library)

#### Thursday, February 1

9:30am Discovering God's Master Plan for Your Life

w/ Fr. Nick (Nazareth)

9:30am Bocce for Gentlemen (Pulte Patio)

#### Friday, February 2

6:00pm Middle School Youth Group (Youth Room)

#### Saturday, February 3

6:30am TMIY (Pulte Cafe) 8:00am Mass (Church) 3:00pm Mass (Church)

4:00pm Polish Dinner Dance (Ballroom)

5:00pm Mass (Church)

#### **Memorial Garden Notes**

Please note that we have on-going refurbishment & renovations underway in the Memorial Garden. Our landscapers are currently replacing sod and leveling the ground. Oce that is complete, markers will be cleaned and



repainted.

#### **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 Email: info@sjecc.com

#### Office Hours of Operation

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

#### **Religious Gift Shop Hours**

Saturday: 2:30pm - 6:15pm Sunday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

#### Clergy

Fr. Tom Zalewski, Pastor Fr. Mark Harris, Associate Fr. Nick Thompson, Associate

Fr. Len Gioeli, Retired Deacon Jim Walworth

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

#### **Administrative Staff**

Operations Manager: Colleen Donnelly: colleen@sjecc.com Front Office Manager: Tricia Hoffman: tricia@sjecc.com Front Office Assistant: Rachael Jensen: rachael@sjecc.com

**Director of Music:** Edward Persin: edward@sjecc.com

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Ivan Torres: Ivan@sjecc.com

Director of Programs & the PFLC: Jamie Ojala:

jamie@sjecc.com

#### OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

#### **Faith Formation Assistants:**

Melissa O'Brien: melissa@sjecc.com Carol Chorba: carol@sjecc.com

Christian Initiation of Adults for those who want to become Catholic: Jean Kechejian:

jeankechejian@yahoo.com

CYO & Youth Ministry Director: Juliana

LoGiudice: juliana@sjecc.com

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen Reed

maureen@sjecc.com

Homebound ministry: Mary Ellen Metro:

maryellen@sjecc.com

Hospital ministry: Mary Pat Salomone:

marypat@sjecc.com

#### **Lectors Ministry:**

L. Philip Baier: lectors@sjecc.com

Youth Lectors: Call the Office, 239.566.8740

#### **Greeters & Ushers:**

Bill Fuller: wfuller1@comcast.net

#### **Altar Servers:**

Briana Billanti : servers@sjecc.com

#### **Arts & Liturgical Environment:**

Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, January 27, 2024

8:00 AM + Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Mary Edgar and Family

Vigil Masses for Sunday

Jeff and Carol Chorba 3:00 PM **Edward Wesolek** 5:00 PM **Barrett Family** Kathy and Ginger

#### Sunday, January 28, 2024

7:00 AM Nicholas and Rosalie Senatore 9:00 AM + Robert Mangiante Peggy and John Hoffman 11:00 AM + Paul Swope Teresa Nadolski

1:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

+ Sandra Geffert 5:00 PM

#### Monday, January 29, 2024

8:30 AM + Mary Klauer

#### Tuesday, January 30, 2024

8:30 AM + Russ Hanus

#### Wednesday, January 31, 2024

8:30 AM + William and Cecilia Schultz

#### Thursday, February 1, 2024

8:30 AM + Sandra Geffert

#### Friday, February 2, 2024

8:30 AM + Robert Dongvillo

#### Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:00 AM + Robert McKnight, Sr.

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

5:00 PM

3:00 PM Charles Mazzoni 5:00 PM + Ralph Carbino

#### Sunday, February 4, 2024

7:00 AM + Matthew Cornwell 9:00 AM + Ethan Beronia 11:00 AM + Laura Endres 1:00 PM

+ Peter Kellie and Anthony Ventricelli and Family SI For Parishioners

#### Requested By

Sons

#### Requested By

Daughters, Debbie and Jodie

Jim and Jeanne McQuillen

#### Requested By

Joseph and Sandra DeJesus

#### Requested By

Virginia Hanus **Requested By** 

The Schultz Family

#### Requested By

**Tony Maglione** Requested By **Iammarino Family** Requested By Mark McKnight

The Mazzoni Family

Kathryn and Vincent Corbino

#### Requested By

Terrence Merilouise Wall Branko Beronja **Helen Endres** Georgia Len and June Troiano



#### **Prayer List**

- Mary A.
- Priscila Abgala
- Adela
- Family Agoston
- Declan Aigner
- Antonio Amador
- Hugh Andrews
- Jerry B.
- Anna and Angelo Babbo
- Florence Ballachino
- Barbara Barber
- Jennifer Basile
- Nadine Baxter
- David Bearce
- Linda Berry
- Sara Boettcher
- Frank and Therese Brennan
- Marina and Tulia Cabrera
- Bob Capicchioni
- Frank Carillo
- Karen Cassady
- Candice Child
- Roseanne Christinzio
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Tom Collins
- Matthew Cummings
- Mike and Judy Davies
- Daniel Delarosa
- Tom Despres
- Donna DiMare
- Lorraine Dolan
- Anita Doran
- Tom Duncan
- Tom Duncan
- Elizabeth Harrington Dyer
- Patricia Dynda
- Megan Ebert
- Pamela Eck
- John Eddy
- Monica Ellis
- Ira Faber
- Robert Falbo
- Bill Farley
- Brian Fay
- Tiffany Fellenz
- Bruce Fenske
- Lori Fenske
- Denise Fisher
- Amy FitzGerald
- Rachel Fling

- Peter T. Flood
- Anna Focht
- Ron Fongemie
- Phyllis and Peter Foti
- Tom Froh
- Lester Fuller
- Terry Gallagher
- Joanna Gasparrino
- Jeffery Gatt
- Veronika Gavelis
- Marg Gheller
- Tamie Gibbons
- Mary Jane Gibley
- Fr. Len Gioeli
- Amy Goodwine
- Florence Gordon
- 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
- Jim Hubbard
- Becky Huff-Cook
- John Michael Jamnusch
- Carolyn Jansen
- Jimmy
- Cynthia Johnson
- Charry Taylor Jones
- Gesse Joseph
- Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman
- Yvonne Keenan
- Tracey Kirk
- Anthony Knapp
- Elizabeth Knott
- Victoria Kramer
- Frank and Mary Lou Kreber
- Richard C. Kruger
- Ramona Langman
- Alicia Laplant
- John Thomas Lawson
- Dr. Constanos Levanos

- Rosemary Litwin
- Nancy Loftus
- Drew Loggi
- Michele Loggi
- MaryEtta Loggi
- Elaine Lopresti
- Vince LoPresti
- Teresa LozanoBobby Lutz
- Albert M.
- Nicolas Giovanni Maggio
- Diane Maloney
- Ruth Martin
- Donna Masse
- Robert McAloney Jr
- Lana McBride
- Diane McCormack
- Wendy Mercer
- Lucille Metz
- Edward John Metz
- Orville Middendorf
- Steven Miller
- Paula Minardi
- Eileen Miner
- Maryann Mondragon
- Patrick Moorton
- Molly Moran
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- Robert Murphy
- John Murphy
- JoAnn NataleCandy Nordland
- Carray No
- Lea Noyes
- Eleanor Nute JenniferO'Connor
- Bob Oliveria
- Mike O'Neill
- Bob Pacer
- Joseph Pandolfo
- Eric Parker
- Patty
- Lenard Pelletier
- Ann Petrillo
- Carol Petrone
- Sylvia & Vinny Pierro
- Anna Polley
- Alex Portar
- Dennis Powers

- Christ Psilakis
  - Doreen Psilakis
- Robert Pulte
- Karen Pulte
- John Repice
- George Reves
- Mary Ann Rilley
- Pon
- Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Steve Savory
- Catherine Schmacht
- Karen Schrimpl
- Marie Sestito
- Carlos Somarribas
- Laura Sotkes
- George Sparacino
- Colin Spence
- Norma J. Spriggle

Christopher Suki

- Jeanne Stoll
- Kathleen Sullivan
- Katie Sutton
- Sue and Tom Sweeney
- Joan Marie SwitalskiJoan Switalski
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn Thyen
- Kathleen TrotterLisa Marie Turner
- Ury Family
- Raymond Vanasse
- Maria Elena Vassoloeti
- Noah Wagner
- Joy WagnerCallie Watson
- Jennifer WeidenbruchDana, Geneva and
- Greigh Wells
- Olivia WhitesideNatalie Williams
- Carol Williamson
- Harry WittLevente Wolber
- Joseph Yaeger
- S. J. Zarebi Nancy Zilavy

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

#### **Military Prayer List**

#### Please pray for our loved ones who are serving in the military:



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.

- Captain Jesse Adamson: US Army, Kuwait
- Captain Will Adamson: US Army, Anchorage AK
- Cadet Samantha Bocis, West Point
- Sam Bradley, Marines
- 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. Capt. Gregory Sacenti US Army
- Sophie Koeppl 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
- 1st Lieutenant Deanna Ogrinc, **US Army**
- Cpl. Derek Perez US Marine Corps
- Daniel Petito US Army
- Matthew Popielec, PFC-Germany
- Captain Anthony James Raguso, **US Marines**
- 1st Lieutenant Robert W. Raleigh Austin Zicht USAF IV - US Marine Corps

- 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



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

Noor Ahsan, Vincent Falcone, Dudley Ferrari, Gregg Hart, Norma Ponicall, John Sullivan



#### **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** - Please join us for a discussion a discussion class lead by Father Nick called "Theology of the Body". This will take place in the Pulte Center in the Nazareth room from 9:30-10:30. For more information contact Lee Pinto @ Leepinto2924@aol.com.

**Grief Support** - 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.

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. 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.

Knights of Columbus - Wheelchair Program. If you or someone you know are in need of a wheelchair, please contact Bill Fuller at 239-280-8870 or <a href="wffuller1@comcast.net">wffuller1@comcast.net</a>

Knitting & Crocheting. Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. – Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. 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 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 50 minutes before daily Mass begins. 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. 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

#### Children & Youth Ministries

**Altar Servers** - 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 <a href="mailto:servers@sjecc.com">servers@sjecc.com</a> for more information.

**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.

**High School Youth Group:** Every Sunday from 6 PM to 7:30 PM after 5 PM mass. Classrooms 7 & 8.

**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

#### **Ministries & Groups / December Baptisms**

#### The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

WE ARE ALL CALLED TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

When you give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, of Saint John the Evangelist parish, you are sharing help and hope with neighbors in need, along with material aid like food and clothing, housing, rent and utility assistance, and more.

#### **PLEASE DONATE TODAY**

Saint John the Evangelist Members of the Society are inspired by Gospel values to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to neighbors in need.

**CONSIDER JOINING US** 

#### TAKE ACTION TODAY - WE HELP PEOPLE IN NEED

Contact Bob Westenberg, President of SVdP-St John the Evangelist Conference. Email bwstjohn@svdpnaples.org



#### Lenten Gospel Reflections- On Sale in the Gift Shop



For Christians, Lent is an important time of reflecting on the suffering and death of Jesus so as to enter into the joy of his Resurrection. In this devotional booklet, Bishop Robert Barron invites readers to enter more deeply into the prayerful nature of the season. Lenten Gospel Reflections features the full Gospel reading for each day of Lent, a daily reflection from Bishop Barron, space for journaling and answering reflection questions, and more! On sale now in the Gift Dhop for \$5.00 while supplies last.



# Congratulations to the families of those baptized in December





Banks Vanderhagen



Ella Fortune



Kinsley Hurtley



Catherine Kadeli



Charlotte Brown



Cooper Kellar



Kellan Robovitsky

#### Sacraments and Weekly Readings

#### 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

#### Weekly Readings and Observances

#### Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13 Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

#### Observances for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Monday: Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. John Bosco, Priest

Thursday:

Friday: The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life

Saturday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **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 Dt 18:15-20

Moses spoke to all the people, saying:

"A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is exactly what you requested of the LORD, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said,

'Let us not again hear the voice of the LORD, our God, nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the LORD said to me, 'This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die.'"

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

#### R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; let us acclaim the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

#### R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship;

let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

#### R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:

"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the desert, Where your fathers tempted me;

they tested me though they had seen my works."

#### R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

#### Reading 2

#### 1 Cor 7:32-35

Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided. An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. A married woman, on the other hand, is anxious about the things of the world, how she may

please her husband. I am telling you this for your own benefit, not to impose a restraint upon you, but for the sake of propriety and adherence to the Lord without distraction.

#### Alleluia

#### Mt 4:16

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### Gospel

#### Mk 1:21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out,

"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are —the Holy One of God!"

Jesus rebuked him and said,

"Quiet! Come out of him!"

The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another,

"What is this?

A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."

His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.



#### Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

Ralph Waldo Emerson stands as one of the great literary figures of nineteenth century America. A hugely influential lecturer, essayist and poet, he became one of his country's most vital voices. He was a fierce foe of slavery and political corruption. In one of his essays he said something that has great relevance in the light of today's Gospel.

Only so much do I know as I have lived. Instantly we know whose words are loaded with life. I learn immediately from any speaker how much he has lived. One person speaks from within, or from experience, as a possessor of the fact; another speaks from without, as a spectator, or as acquainted with the facts on the evidence of a third person. It is no use to preach to me from without. I can do that myself. In today's Gospel we read that Jesus' teaching 'made a deep impression on the people because, unlike the Scribes [the official teachers], he taught them with authority.' Why did Jesus make such an impact on his listeners? Because, in the words of Emerson, 'Jesus spoke always from within, and in a degree that transcended all others. But this is the way it should always be. All people stand continually in the expectation of the appearance of such a teacher.'

In the spiritual life the second-hand is of little worth. Here the only person who speaks with authority is the one who has experienced what is being talked about. There is no authority like the authority of the one who has lived what he is saying. As soon as Jesus began to teach, the people recognized at once that there was a freshness and a transparency about his teaching. Yet he didn't have the same kind of background as the rabbis of his day. But in a way this was an advantage. Van Gogh said, in a way I'm glad I have not learned painting.' There are more ways of learning than from books. There is the great school of life.

What most impressed Jesus' listeners was the authority with which he taught. Yet he held no official position. But one doesn't have to hold an office in order to be able to speak with authority. In fact, sometimes the opposite is nearer the truth. The person in the official position is seen as not being his/her own person. He is forced to toe the party line. Whereas the person who has no such position has the freedom to say it as it is.

At the time of Jesus no Scribe ever expressed an opinion of his own. He would always begin by quoting his authority. He would buttress his statement with quotations from the great legal masters of the past. The last thing he would do was give an independent judgment.

Jesus spoke with his own voice, with his own authority. He didn't justify everything he said by quoting the Bible or some other master. That would only have shown lack of authority.

We must distinguish between authority and influence on the one hand, and power and control on the other. Some of the people with greatest moral authority are quite power-less, and the most influential have no need to control those they influence. One can have all the authority in the world, and still fail as a teacher.

Jesus possessed this kind of authority to a degree unequalled by any one else. Every Christian, irrespective of whether or not he/ she holds an office, can and should have some of this kind of authority-the kind that comes from being a person of transparent integrity.

#### 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. We are getting closer and need continued support to reach the Diocesan goal in order to begin construction. 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. In order to begin construction, we will need to be at 80% of our goal. 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

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Opening Hymn: Come, Christians, Join to Sing

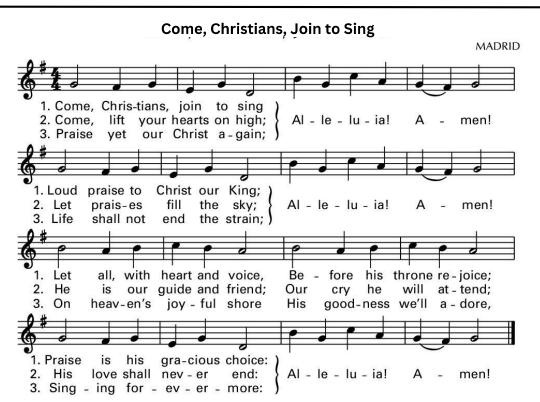
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95 - If today you hear His voice

Gospel Acclamation - Jubilation Mass

Gifts: Be Not Afraid

Communion Hymns: Take and Eat, Only in God

Closing Hymn: Lead me, Lord



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#### Psalm 95 - If today you hear His voice

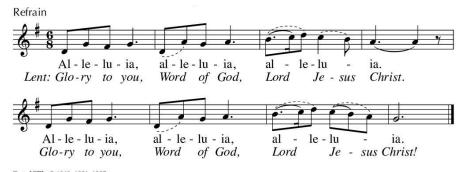


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#### **Gospel Acclamation - Jubilation Mass**



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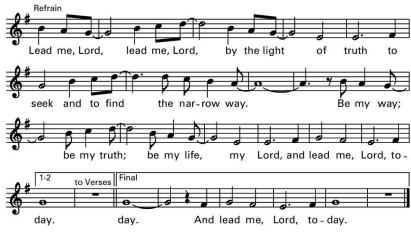
#### Only in God



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#### Music for the 5:00 Mass

#### Opening Song: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before, O my soul I'll worship Your holy name The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

#### **Preparation Song: Set a Fire**

No place I would rather be No place I would rather be No place I would rather be Than here in Your love Here in Your love (REPEAT) Chorus: (So) set a fire down in my soul That I can't contain and I can't control I want more of You God I want more of You God

#### **Communion Song: Jesus Paid it All**

I hear the savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

And when before the throne I stand in him complete
Jesus died, my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

Jesus paid it all All to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

Oh, praise the one who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and thine alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone

#### **Closing Song: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus, out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood." Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay; Alleluia! here the sinful flee to you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, hear our plea where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

#### **Faith Formation**

#### **Enrollment Mass Memories**

Last Sunday, we welcomed to the First Communion Enrollment Mass our Faith Formation Children and their families preparing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. The Rite of Enrollment Ceremony marked another milestone along their "journey of faith" as they prepare for First Holy Communion this May. Fr. Tom and Fr. Nick distributed blessed necklaces to the children to wear to Mass each Sunday as they prepare for First Holy Communion. Please continue to pray for these children and their families. They are a blessing to our church!





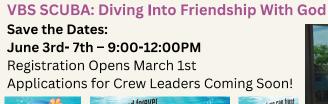






#### **Get Ready to DIVE into Vacation Bible School this Summer!**























#### **This Week in Faith Formation:**

#### Sunday, January 28th

9:30-10:45AM - K-8 Faith Formation \*Coffee in the Pulte Cetner for Parents during the kid's session

#### Wednesday, January 31st

12:30-2:30PM - PreK Atrium Session 5:00-6:15PM - K-8 Faith Formation Session

#### **Upcoming Information:**

#### Sunday, February 4th

9:30-10:45AM - K-8 Faith Formation

\*Coffee in the Pulte Center for Parents during the kid's session

3:30-6:00PM – Confirmation Session ( We attend the 5PM Mass together)

3:45-4:45PM - Confirmation Parent Session in the Alexandria Room

#### Wednesday, February 7th

12:30-2:30PM - PreK - Atrium Session 5:00-6:15PM - K-8 Faith Formation Session

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

#### Discovering God's Master Plan for Your Life

An 8-Week Study – Video Presentation by Christopher West and Study Facilitated by Fr. Nick Thompson Not Too Late to Join!

An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life is an eight-part study designed to give you a solid understanding of God's plan for humanity. It addresses the two most fundamental and universal questions:



- 1. What does it mean to be made human, male and female, in the image and likeness of God?
- 2. How can I live my life in a way that brings happiness and fulfillment?

This study is for every "body" who desires to reach his or her full potential in this life. Join Fr. Nick as he leads us through this study for 8 Thursdays beginning on January 4th, 9:30-11:00AM in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Center. Coffee and light refreshments. Optional Study Guide available for \$20 purchase- with video access included. Please send an email to <a href="mailto:aff@sjecc.com">aff@sjecc.com</a> to register. Walk-ins welcome.

#### Save the Date

"An Encounter with the Merciful Jesus"

– A Mini-Retreat with Sr. M. Teresa de la Fuente, ISMM – Tuesday, February 20 - 9:00-12:00PM- Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Center. Please register in advance by emailing <u>aff@sjecc.com</u>. More Details coming soon!

#### A Powerful & Essential Bible Study for Lent

Join us for comprehensive and profound understandings of Lent and the Passion from both the Jewish perspective and from Jesus' very own experience of Ash Wednesday, The Last Supper, Good Friday, and the Resurrection.

This Bible Study begins with JESUS THE BRIDEGROOM and continues with Saint Peter, the central Disciple, and the THREE STAGES OF SPIRITUAL LIFE from Saint Peter's call to follow Jesus to the PASSION and finally to his own Martyrdom. The final lectures are from the DVD, HOLY WEEK FROM A JEWISH PERSPECTIVE.

Christ Jesus, our Bridegroom, trains 12 Disciples to complete His mission, but before that Jesus turns water into wine at a Wedding Banquet, heals the sick, gives sight to the blind, converts thousands of sinners to follow of God, cleanses the Temple, and so much more before He completes His victorious mission on Passover and Good Friday to become Passover's Sacrificial Lamb in approximately 33 A.D.

This Bible Study's Lecturer is the renown theologian Dr. Brant Pitre, a Biblical Scholar, and Professor at St. Augustine Seminary, Notre Dame, and other universities. Outlines of Dr. Pitre's lectures will be distributed to participants for further study and Group Discussion.

The facilitator is Dee Schwartz, a Retired Director of Faith Formation.

Meetings are on Thursdays, February 15 – March 21 at 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Registration is Required. To attend: Please Register at  $\underline{aff@sjecc.com}$ 

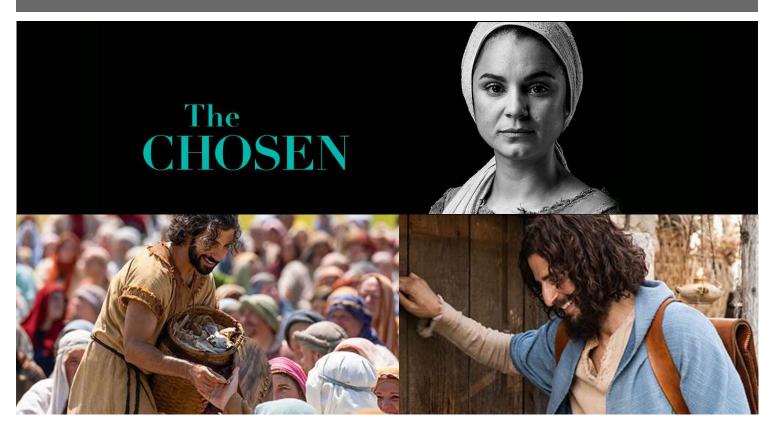
## This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, January 29th – OCIA- 6:00PM – Room 11 & 12 of the Claussen Center Wednesday, January 31st- THE CHOSEN – Season 1 – Episode 3 – 9:30-10:45AM with Deacon John Sebastian – Nazareth Room- FREE Breakfast

**Wednesday, January 31st**- Well Read Mom – The Four Quarters, by T.S. Elliott, Discussion- 6:30-8:00PM – Library

**Thursday, February 1st-** Session 5 – Discovering God's Plan for Your Life with Fr. Nick Thompson- Nazareth Room -9:30-11:00AM – Coffee and treats

#### **Adult Faith Formation**



## There are more than 300 million people, worldwide, that have viewed episodes of the widely acclaimed hit drama, "The Chosen."

This is a four- season series that is true to the gospel, but includes terrific dialogue and character portraits of the men and women that Jesus chose. We get a real sense of the daily life of the apostles, their struggles, and how their relationship with Jesus begins and blossoms. You will grow and appreciate their personalities. We will meet important characters like Mary Magdalene and Nicodemus as well as Roman administrators. You will understand the motivations and feelings of those men and women that Jesus cured by his miracles.

The Chosen will be presented every Wednesday morning, beginning January 17in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Center. Start with attending Mass at 8:30am, walk to the Pulte Center right after Mass, and enjoy a wonderful hot breakfast, compliments of the parish. Somewhere around 9:30am, you can walk to the classroom with beverage in hand, if you wish, and watch the movie.

You may be interested to know that the actors in this movie are deeply religious. The actor who plays Jesus is a devout Catholic and daily communicant.

Each episode will last about one hour. Deacon John Sebastian will be your moderator and host. He will briefly introduce each episode and answer any questions you may have about the content.

This is a "do not miss" attraction. What a wonderful morning you will have! Mass, breakfast, and a great series. You do not need a reservation. Feel free to bring a friend. Season One Episode One of We continue with Season One, Episode 3 – January 31s --- See you then!

#### **Made for More**

#### save the date

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



#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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 us for adoration with benediction on the First Friday of every month at 6:00pm and on the First Saturday of every month after the 8:00am Mass in the Church.

Visit our Adoration Chapel on the left side of the Church. For more information, please contact our Main Office.

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#### **Respect Life**

#### Prayer Vigil - Join our Respect Life Team

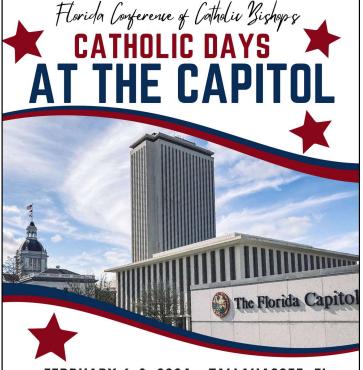
The St. John's Respect Life team will participate in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each 1st Friday of every month 9am - 12. For info on our Prayer Vigil or to join our Respect Life team, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.



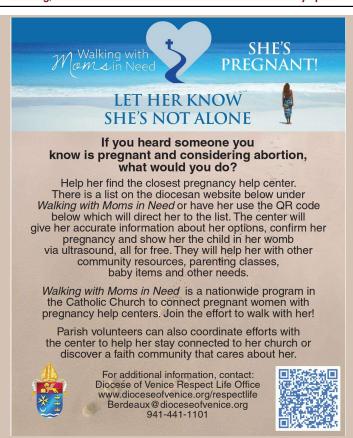




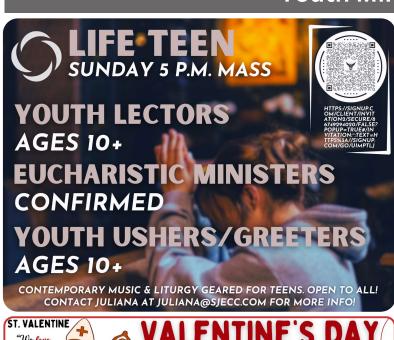


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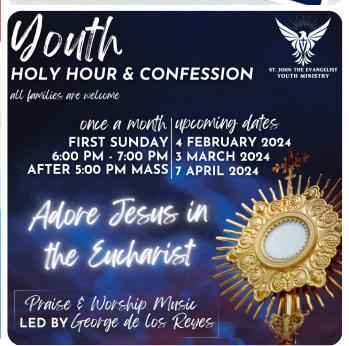
#### **Youth Ministry**











"Be patient with everyone, but above all with yourself...do not be disheartened by your imperfections, but always rise up with fresh courage."

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Saint Francis de Sales

#### **Around the Diocese**





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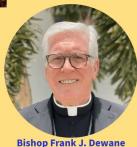
#### Steven Ray, Keynote Speaker

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## Inaugural Special Needs Mass at 3 PM on April 14th, 2024

St. Williams Church, Naples

A mass created for individuals with special needs and their families in mind, this mass strives to create a place where everyone feels welcome to worship, socialize and grow!





Want to volunteer, attend, or receive updates about the mass? Visit our website at specialneedsministryswfl.org

Questions? Contact Travis Martinez and David Joyce by email at <a href="mailto:specialneedsswfl@amail.com">specialneedsswfl@amail.com</a> or call (941) 800 - 3461



Wedding Anniversary Mass - All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Masses will be celebrated in two locations: 11 a.m., Saturday, February 3 at St. Leo the Great Parish, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs, and 11:00 a.m., Saturday, February 24 at Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Avenue West, Venice. Please contact your local parish office for reservations no later than one week before the event you choose to attend.



#### **Casino Night**



#### **Events & Programs**

# Valentine's DINNER DANCE

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 St. John the Evangelist Ballroom 6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Delicious dinner catered by Heather Decker Catering Choice of Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine/Honey Glazed Carrots Charcuterie Boards and Dessert Table, Cash Bar





#### Reserved Seating Only!

Order tickets online through **Eventbrite**, after weekend masses beginning January 20th, or contact Don Free (210) 373-1645 or email donsfree56@yahoo.com

\$85 per Guest
Jackets & Evening
Attire

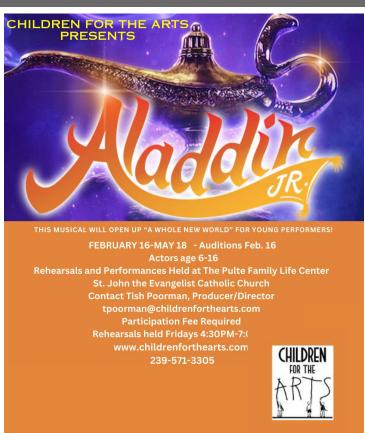


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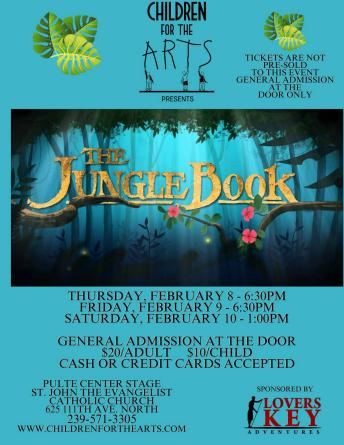




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#### **Pulte Family Life Center**

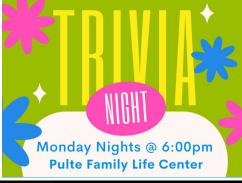


#### **Pulte Family Life Center**









**Prizes** 

**Snacks** 

Fun

# FITNESS ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER MEMBERSHIP



#### **FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS\*:**

\$250 PER FAMILY PARISHIONER

\$500 PER FAMILY NON-PARISHIONER

\*UP TO 6 PEOPLE LIVING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD. \$25 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER.

**INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS:** 

\$150 PER PERSON PARISHIONER

\$300 PER PERSON NON-PARISHIONER

GUESTS ARE WELCOME. EACH GUEST MUST COMPLETE A WAIVER FORM. \$10/GUEST PER VISIT

INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING IN TRAININGS OR CLASSES MUST REGISTER AS A PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER MEMBER

TO BECOME A MEMBER, OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER OR CONTACT JAMIE OJALA AT JAMIE@SJECC.COM

#### Parish Pilgrimage



## <u>Your Trip Includes:</u>

- Round-trip Airfare
- All Airport Taxes & Fuel Surcharges
- 7 Nights: Dragicevic Family Home with Private Baths & Air-Conditioning in Double Occupancy
- · Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- · Wine with Dinner

- · Transfers by Private Motor Coach
- Escorted by Professional Local Christian Guide(s)
- · Sightseeing and Spiritual Activities
- Mass Daily & Spiritual Activities (English at 10am & Croatian at 6pm)
- Special Times of Prayer & Group Meetings
- Unlimited Use of the Private Home Chapel Books
   & Tapes
- Luggage Handling (1 piece per person)

## September 2 - 10, 2024

\$3,490 per person from New York, Newark, Fort Myers or Chicago in Double Occupancy Room Spiritual Directors:

Fr. Nick Thompson Naples, FL

Fr. Rob Ryan Chicago, IL



Questions? Contact:

Dave & Bette Shober
(847) 372-4097

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#### Parish Trip With Fr. Nick

# JOIN FATHER NICK & YOUR PARISH FAMILY ON A SPIRITUAL & CULTURAL ODYSSEY OF ITALY



PLEASE COME & JOIN OUR TRIP PRESENTATION at the Parish in the "ROME" room WEDNESDAY JANUARY 31, 2024 at 10h30am YOU NEED TO RSVP FOR THE PRESENTATIONS

#### "All Are Welcome"

DATE	ITINERARY
Day 1: 15 Oct, 2024	DEPARTS THE USA
Day 2: 16 Oct, 2024	The Holy Haven of San Giovanni Rotondo
Day 3: 17 Oct, 2024	Walking in the Footsteps of Padre Pio
Day 4: 18 Oct, 2024	Trabocchi Coast & the Miracle of Lanciano
Day 5: 19 Oct, 2024	Loreto and the Hallowed Path to Assisi
Day 6: 20 Oct, 2024	Assisi's Serenity and a Journey into the Wine Country
Day 7: 21 Oct, 2024	Norcia and the Allure of Spoleto
Day 8: 22 Oct, 2024	Rome's Revered History Unveiled
Day 9: 23 Oct, 2024	A Papal Audience and the Riches of the Vatican
Day 10: 24 Oct, 2024	Catacombs, Basilicas, and Castel Gandolfo
Day 11: 25 Oct, 2024	DEPARTURE DAY

#### **OPTIONAL 3 NIGHT PRE AMALFI COAST EXTENTION**

Day 1: 12 Oct, 2024	DEPART THE USA
Day 2: 13 Oct, 2024	Sorrento – A Coastal Marvel
Day 3: 14 Oct, 2024	<b>Exploring the Charms of Amalfi and Ravello</b>
Day 4: 15 Oct, 2024	Iconic Capri and Breathtaking Beauty
Day 5: 16 Oct, 2024	<b>DEPARTURE Sorrento/San Giovanni Rotondo</b>

#### **OPTIONAL 3 NIGHT POST TUSCIA - LAZIO EXTENTION**

Day 11: 25 Oct, 2024	Tuscia Tarquinia - Unveiling the Secrets of Etruria
Day 12: 26 Oct, 2024	Tracing History and Miracles of Lake Bolsena
Day 13: 27 Oct, 2024	Caprarola & Villa Lante - 16th Century Marvels
Day 14: 28 Oct, 2024	DEPART BACK TO THE USA.

#### INCLUDED FEATURES

Round Trip transportation from the Parish to MIA airport
 Round Trip airfare from MIA including Airline fuel & tax
 1st class hotels for 9 nights at centrally located hotels
 Services of an English Speaking Tour Manager
 Guided tours, admissions and entrance fees
 Wine tastings, daily masses & experiences
 Breakfasts daily, 2 Lunches and 5 dinners
 Air Conditioned motor coaches
 All VAT, City and local taxes

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This spiritual sojourn takes you on a mesmerizing path with daily mass from the tranquil shores of San Giovanni Rotondo, where Padre Pio's miracles come to life, to the hallowed streets of Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis, a man deeply connected to nature and is an iconic Saint of the Catholic Church . Along the way, we'll trace the miraculous Eucharistic events of Lanciano and uncover the wonders of Loreto and the eternal Madonna. We'll also immerse ourselves in the cultural treasures of Rome, visiting iconic sites like the Colosseum, Vatican Museums, and the Sistine Chapel. Our pilgrimage culminates with the Major Basilicas of Rome, the Catacombs and a special mass, and visit to Castel Gandolfo, the summer residence of the Pope.

#### **Optional pre tour:AMALFI COAST**

Supplement of \$1,099 pp

Venture southwards to the picturesque Sorrento Peninsula, a region of enchanting beauty and rich culture. Discover the Costiera Amalfitana, a dramatic coastline that winds from Sorrento to Salerno, the landscape boasts majestic cliffs cascading into the crystal-clear Mediterranean waters, charming fishing villages nestled in small harbors.

#### Optional post tour: Tuscia - Lazio

Supplement of \$999 pp

Journey to the Heart of Etruscan Civilization. "La Tuscia," the ancient name of this region, resides in the northern part of Lazio. Nestled between the captivating destinations of Tuscany and Rome, this is the cradle of the illustrious Etruscan civilization. Tracing History and Miracles by the Shores of Lake Bolsena, journey through 16th Century marvels exploring architectural wonders and enchanting gardens of the region.





For additional information and booking:
Contact **JET VACATIONS** at
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or ops@jetvacations.com

Single Supplement is \$879 for the Pilgrimage to Italy main program; \$279 single supplement for Amalfi Pre extension and \$229 single supplement for the Tuscia - Lazio Post extention. All taxes and fuel surcharges are included and correct at the time of printing, but subject to change. The price does not include restaurants except the ones mentioned above, excursions that might be offered in addition to our daily included excursion program, tips for guides/drivers and onboard staff such as maid, waiter, wellness/spa center, airline luggage overage fees, passports fees, visas as well as items of a personal nature.