St. John The Evangelist Catholic <u>Church</u>

January 7, 2024 The Epiphany of the Lord





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.

<u>A Prayer for World Peace</u>

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 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

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Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 6, 2024

8:00 AM Andrew Grutkowski

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM Mary and George Waddell Terri and Anthony King 5:00 PM Mentello and Corbino Families Kathryn and Vincent Corbino

Sunday, January 7, 2024

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners 9:00 AM **Beatrice Corcoran**

11:00 AM Bob Hommel and Jose Ricardo Cabrera **Irvine Family** 1:00 PM Kreszenz and Anton Podest

5:00 PM + Emilio and Esmeralda Varela

Monday, January 8, 2024

8:30 AM + Sam Migliore

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

8:30 AM + Rosalie Senatore

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

8:30 AM + Matilde Suarez-Montalvan

Thursday, January 11, 2024

8:30 AM Melinda Shannon

Friday, January 12, 2024

8:30 AM + John Lafferty

Saturday, January 13, 2024

8:00 AM Vincent Dam Vu

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + James Orr, Sr.

5:00 PM + Lambert and Louise Abell

Sunday, January 14, 2024

7:00 AM Ann Canniffe

9:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

11:00 AM Jose Mozo 1:00 PM **Brent Rubeck** 5:00 PM **Ronald Bordeaux** Requested By

Family

Requested By

Richard Corcoran

Carolyn and John Klimek

Carmen Fernandez and Family

Requested By

Migliore Family

Requested By

Cindy Johnson

Requested By

Carmen Fernandez and Family

Requested By

Adult Choir

Requested By

Anne and Fred Michaels

Requested By

Huong Tran

Loving Family

Kathy and Bob Sims

Requested By

The Brennan Family

Huong Tran

Kathleen and Ronald Rubeck Donna and Kent Adams



Prayer List

- Mary A.
- Priscila Abgala
- Family Agoston
- 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
- Bob Capicchioni
- Frank Carillo
- Karen Cassady
- Roseanne Christinzio
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Tom Collins
- Matthew Cummings
- Mike and Judy Davies
- Tom Despres
- Donna DiMare
- Lorraine Dolan
- Anita Doran
- 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
- 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
- T atricia dyriba
- Raymond Hall
- Bob Hearson
- Bob Hilliard
- Kathleen Cleary Hinkle
- Brian Hintz
- Jerry Hirsch
- Patrick Howlett
- Becky Huff-Cook
- John Michael Jamnusch
- Carolyn Jansen
- Jimmy
- Cynthia Johnson
- Charry Taylor Jones
- 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
- Dr. Constanos Levanos

- Rosemary Litwin
- Nancy Loftus
- Drew Loggi
- Michele Loggi
- MaryEtta Loggi
- Elaine Lopresti
- Vince LoPresti
- Teresa Lozano
- Bobby LutzAlbert M.
- Nicolas Giovanni Maggio
- Diane Maloney
- Ruth Martin
- Donna Masse
- Robert McAloney Jr
- Lana McBride
- Wendy Mercer
- Lucille Metz
- Edward John Metz
- Orville Middendorf
- Steven Miller
- Eileen Miner
- Patrick Moorton
- Molly Moran
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- Robert Murphy
- John MurphyJoAnn Natale
- Candy Nordland
- Lea Noves
- Eleanor Nute
- JenniferO'Connor
- Mike O'Neill
- Bob Pacer
- 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
- Christ Psilakis

- Doreen Psilakis
- Robert Pulte
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- Karen Pulte
- John RepiceGeorge Reyes
- Mary Ann Rilley
- Ron
- Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Steve Savory
- Catherine Schmacht
- Karen Schrimpl
- Carlos Somarribas
- Laura Sotkes
- George Sparacino
- Colin Spence
- Norma J. SpriggleJeanne Stoll
- Christopher Suki
- Kathleen Sullivan
- Katie Sutton
- Sue and Tom Sweeney
- Joan Marie SwitalskiJoan Switalski
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn Thyen
- Kathleen Trotter
- Lisa Marie TurnerUry Family
- Raymond Vanasse
- Noah WagnerJoy Wagner
- Callie Watson
- Jennifer WeidenbruchDana, Geneva and
- Greigh Wells
- Olivia WhitesideNatalie Williams
- Carol WilliamsonBruce Williamson
- Brynn Wilson
- Harry WittLevente Wolber
- S. J. ZarebiNancy 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

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- Drew Kendall Petty Officer U.S. Navy
- 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
- 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



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

Robert Bashaw, Jr., Lucille Blatner, Richard Mulvey



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.

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 wfuller1@comcast.net

Knitting & Crocheting. Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. – Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. Knits and crochets baby and children's items, baptismal blankets, prayer shawls, blankets for veterans in VITAS Hospice Program, nursing home, and elderly blankets. No experience necessary. Donations, both monetary and yarn, are welcome. Contact: Sharon Campbell 239.438.7867 or sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com

Ladies of Charity. Our motto is to serve rather than to be served in humility, simplicity, and charity. We strive to serve the poor, sick, and marginalized in our community. Membership is open to any Catholic woman. For more information, please contact Karen Kaspar at kcmk77@aol.com or 216.496.7414.

Pray the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena -Every Saturday at 7:50 a.m. before Mass on the 1st
Saturday and immediately after Mass on the other
Saturdays of the month. Allan Degnan:, 239-919-4465

Pray the Rosary & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited every day starting 50 minutes before Mass begins, Monday through Saturday. Summer Schedule at 7:40 a.m., Winter Schedule at 7:10 a.m. Barbara Hardebeck: 765-714-6589

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

Sewing Ministry. Sewing Ministry meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2. Donations, both monetary and of fabrics and supplies are welcome. If you like to sew we encourage you to come and see what we are all about. Please contact Marianne Swan 305.965. 5980, email swan11@bellsouth.net or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email jandpcrivelli@gmail.com before coming to make sure we are meeting that day.

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul. We give glory to God by offering direct/in-home help to anyone in need within the boundaries of our parish. Our work spans fighting food insecurity, keeping families in their homes, and a wide variety of special projects and programs focused on helping our neighbors address difficult challenges. We meet the FIRST and THIRD Tuesdays of every month at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be in classroom 1, in the Parish Life Center. Contact Bob Westenberg: bwstjohn@SVDPnaples.org.

AA Brian R. 732-735-7037 **Adult Children of Alcoholics** Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195

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



Ministries and Groups



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.







St. John the Evangelist-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-SVDP 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 loves of those in need.

To learn more about our ministry or to get involved, please contact Bob Westenberg, President of SCdP-St. John the Evangelist COnference, at bwstjohn@svdpnaples.org

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.

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

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Jamaica Outreach Program

Hosts Needed for Jamaican Choir Members Feb. 9 - Feb. 12



We are in need of host families for members of Kevin Williams's Jamaican choir who will be visiting our parish on the weekend of February 9, 2024. If you live in the proximity of St. John the Evangelist Church and feel you might be able to host one or two choir members, please contact Jeanne Pittman at JBStamant@gmail.com or call her at 239.248.3248. No one has ever regretted welcoming these wonderful people into their homes.

Tax Time!

Do you need a record of your 2023 donations to Jamaica Outreach Program? If yes, email info@JamaicaOutreach.ORG, subject "Tax receipt" and include your name, address and email with your request.

(Note: JOP donations made at St John's will not be included in St John's contributions receipt letter)













St. John Religious Gift Shop

We are pleased to offer home décor, mugs, homemade gifts (crafted by one of our sewing ministry members), jewelry, books, rosaries, statues, children's gifts, and more! We stock the renowned Trappist preserves made by the Roman Catholic priests and brothers of St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Massachusetts. Located just inside the church entrance, the Gift Shop is open Saturdays 2:30-6:15 p.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We look forward to serving you!

Business Information



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 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



Offertory

11/29/23 - 12/5/23 \$80,854.36

12/6/23 - 12/12/23 \$60,826.51

12/13/23 - 12/19/23 \$152,216.04

12/20/23-12/26/23 \$161,370.77

St. John the Evangelist ~ at a glance

Total Households

We have 3425 Parish households

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

Memorial Garden Notes

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.

CFA 2023 133.36% to Goal 16.96% of Households Contributing \$804,187

To donate to our Catholic Faith Appeal:

• Use a contribution envelope from the CFA table in the Narthex,

Goal

- Give directly on the Diocese of Venice website at dioceseofvenice.org/waysto-give/cfa, or
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page



Pledged

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.

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 7, 2024

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Observances for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord Monday: The Baptism of the Lord

Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:

Saturday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; BVM

Next Sunday: 2nd 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 I

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance.

Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. Justice shall flower in his days,

and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Reading II Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace

that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Alleluia

Mt 2:2

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

Today's feast of Epiphany is meant to speak to our minds and hearts in a variety of ways. It speaks of the power of the stars in the sky to capture our attention. It speaks of how God worked through the guidance of one particular star to reveal Jesus as both Messiah and Savior to the world. It speaks of how the Magi who by means of a miracle or the assistance of God's grace were able to recognize, against the backdrop of the myriad of the other stars in the sky, the appearance of a new star. And as our Gospel reading for today tells us, the Magi seem to have understood the appearance of this new star as a sign that a new and great king had been born. They set out on a long and arduous journey, bearing gifts, to go and pay this new born king homage.

When the Magi set out on their journey, led by the light of a star, they probably never expected that the new born king they were coming to pay homage to was the true Light of the World. The long promised Messiah and Savior who had come to dispel the darkness of sin and evil in the world and open the way to salvation. It also seems easy to surmise that the Magi probably felt surprised upon finding the new born king of the Jews, whom they had traveled many miles to pay homage to, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. Despite this fact the Magi did what they had come to do as they prostrated themselves before the infant Jesus, did him homage, and then presented their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. After their encounter with the child Jesus, the Magi then departed for their country by means of a different route with their lives most likely forever changed.

The way that the Magi were led to the infant Jesus reaffirms for us the reality that God works in wonderful and surprising ways to bring about our salvation. This is why it is crucial for us to have a daily routine of prayer, so that even amidst the busyness of life we are setting aside time to truly open ourselves to God, to his grace, and to the new and perhaps surprising ways God wants to bring Christ's light and love to others. The pilgrim journey that the Magi made to pay homage to Jesus reminds us similarly that each of us are pilgrims on a journey striving to grow in our knowledge and love for the Lord, Jesus, so that we might one day reach our true home which is heaven. The good news is that we do not walk our pilgrim journey of faith alone. Rather, we have the teachings of Jesus in Sacred Scripture, the teachings of the Church, the sacraments, the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us, the prayers and support of one another, so we may live more faithfully as a disciple of Jesus and keep our feet firmly planted on the path that leads to eternal life in heaven.

Finally, the way the Magi humbly prostrated themselves before the child Jesus and presented him with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, reminds us that each and every day we should prostrate ourselves before the Lord and offer him the greatest gift we can give him, that of our lives. And then after doing this with hearts grateful for the new life and promise of salvation we have received in and through Christ, we are then to go forward offering all that we have and are in love and service to God and our neighbor. If we do these things we will truly lead lives which will help lead others to Jesus, so they too may know the joy, peace, and salvation we have found in him.

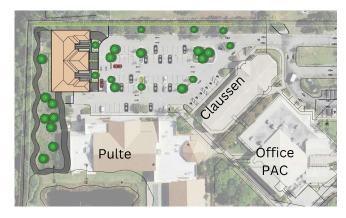


A Rectory for St. John the Evangelist

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	St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave North, Naples, FL 34108 All pledges must be received by April 1, 2024 In support of the "St. John the Evangelist Rectory Campaign", I/We would like to pledge: \$500 \$1000 \$2500 \$5,000 \$10,000 Other Name
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Opening Hymn: We Three Kings

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72 - Lord, ev'ry nation on earth will adore You.

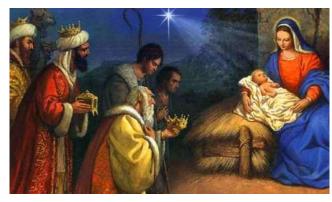
Gifts: As With Gladness Men Of Old Lamb of God: Christmas Carol Mass

Communion Hymns: Away In A Manger, The First Noel

Closing Hymn: Go Tell It On the Mountain



Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1–11.
Text and music: Carols, Hymns and Songs, 1863; John H. Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891, alt.



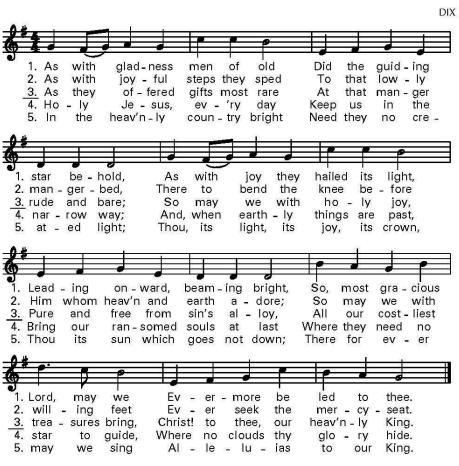
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PSALM 72



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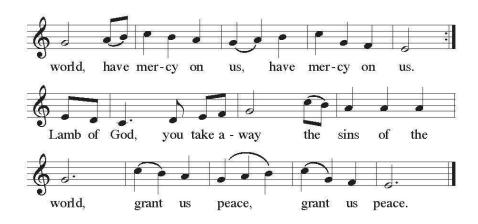
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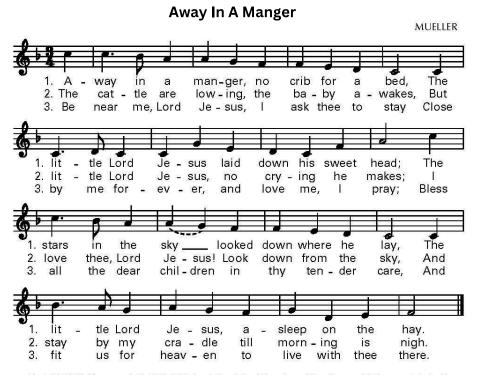
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Lamb of God





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Text: 11 11 11 11; verses 1–2, Little Children's Book for Schools and Families, ca. 1885; verse 3, John T. McFarland, 1851–1913; Gabriel's Vineyard Songs, 1892, alt. Music: attr. to James R. Murray, 1841–1905.

The First Noel





Text: Irregular with refrain; trad. English Carol, 17th cent.; verse 6, alt. Music: Trad. English Carol, 17th cent.

Go Tell It On the Mountain



Text: 76 76 with refrain; John W. Work, Jr., 1872–1925, alt.; from *American Negro Songs and Spirituals*, 1940, © Mrs. John W. Work III. Music: Spiritual.

Music for the 5:00 Mass

Opening Song: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

V1: Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King Peace on earth and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled Joyful all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies With th'angelic hosts proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem

Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King

V3: Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace Hail the Sun of Righteousness Light and life to all He brings Ris'n with healing in His wings Mild He lays His glory by Born that man no more may die Born to raise the sons of earth Born to give them second birth

Preparation Song: Silent Night

Silent night holy night
All is calm all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

Silent night holy night
Wondrous star lend thy light
With the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

Communion Song: What Child is This?

What Child is this who laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping This this is Christ the King Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste haste to bring Him laud The Babe the Son of Mary

Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding
Good Christian fear for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading
Nails spear shall pierce Him through
The cross be borne for me for you
Hail hail the Word made flesh
The Babe the Son of Mary

So bring Him incense gold and myrrh
Come peasant king to own Him
The King of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone Him
Raise raise the song on high
The Virgin sings her lullaby
Joy joy for Christ is born
The Babe the Son of Mary

Closing Song: Angels From the Realms of Glory (Emmanuel)

V1; Angels from the realms of glory Wing your flight o'er all the earth Ye who sang creation's story Now proclaim Messiah's birth Come and worship Come and worship Worship Christ the newborn King

V2: Shepherds in the field abiding Watching o'er your flocks by night God with man is now residing Yonder shines the infant light Come and worship Come and worship Worship Christ the newborn King

Chorus: Emmanuel Emmanuel
You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises
Emmanuel Emmanuel
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

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.

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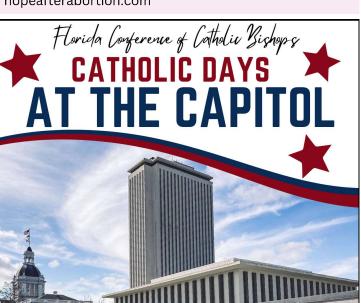
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We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

St John the Evangelist - Respect Life Ministry

Questions? Contact us at relife@aol.com





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This Week in Faith Formation

Sunday, January 7th

K-8 Faith Formation 9:30-10:45AM Confirmation Session 3:30-6:00PM (We attend the 5PM Mass together) Confirmation Parent Session 3:45-4:45PM

Wednesday, January 10th

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

Upcoming Information:

Due to the MLK Junior Holiday on Monday, January 15th, we will not have Faith Formation Sessions on Sunday, January 14th and Wednesday, January 17th.

Tuesday, January 16th

6:00PM -7:00PM-1st Reconciliation Rehearsal in the Church

Wednesday, January 17th

6:00-7:30PM-First Reconciliation Ceremony in the Church Please arrive and be seated by 5:45PM.

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. Register at aff@sjecc.com.





A MOST IMPORTANT NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION with Dr. Brant Pitre: "Lectio Divina and Your (Spiritual) Life" - Facilitated by Dee Schwartz

New Start Dates January 11 & 18 at 3:30 - 5:00pm 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.

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.

This Week in Adult Faith Formation:

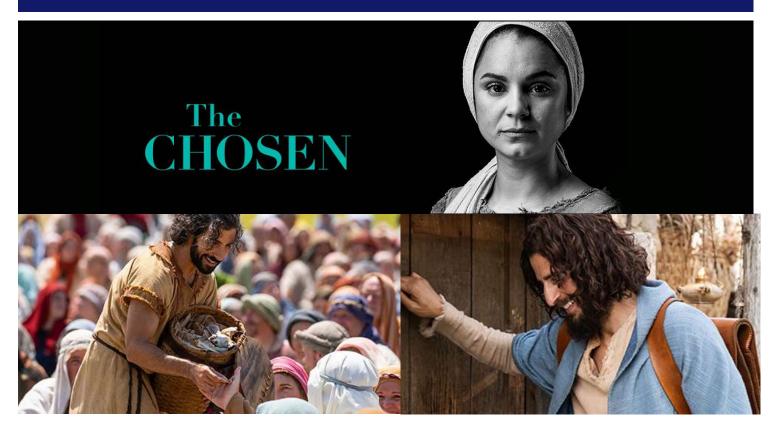
Monday, January 8th - OCIA- 6:00PM - Room 11 & 12 of the Claussen Center

Wednesday, January 10th - 9:30-11:00AM Eucharistic Miracles with Dr. David Keys- Nazareth Room – Free Breakfast

Thursday, January 11th – Session 2 – Discovering God's Plan for Your Life with Fr. Nick Thompson – Nazareth Room 9:30-11:00AM – Coffee and treats

Thursday, January 11th – Lectio Divina and Your Spiritual Life – Part 1 – 3:30-5:00PM Library of the Claussen Center

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 The Chosen begins Wednesday morning, January 17th -- See you then!

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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.



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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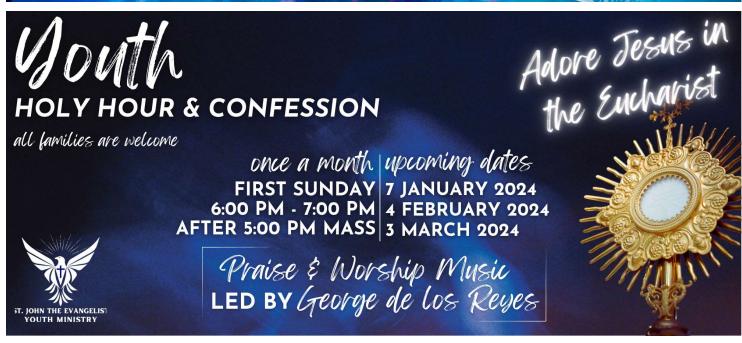


Join us in praying for the Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Each week this year, we will hide a cartoon of Carlo somewhere in the bulletin. When you find him, say a prayer asking for his Canonization.

In the December 31st bulletin, Carlo was on page 31 in the Bocce ad

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Bishop Frank J. Dewane



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Mass at 8:00 AM St. John the Evangelist 625 111th Avenue North Naples, Florida

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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 specialneedsswfl@amail.com 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.

Save the Date - Catholic-Jewish Dialogue Program -

The Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County invites all to the program "Jewish and Catholic Perspectives on Sin and Forgiveness," at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, January 21, at the Nina Iser Jewish Cultural Center, 4720 Pine Ridge Road, Naples. Father George Ratzmann, Pastor of St. William Parish in Naples, and Rabbi Mark Gross of the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island, will present their commentaries on the topic. Table discussions will follow the presentations and refreshments will be served. Please call 239-263-4205 to RSVP for this event.

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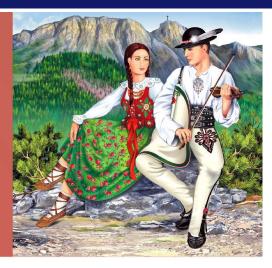


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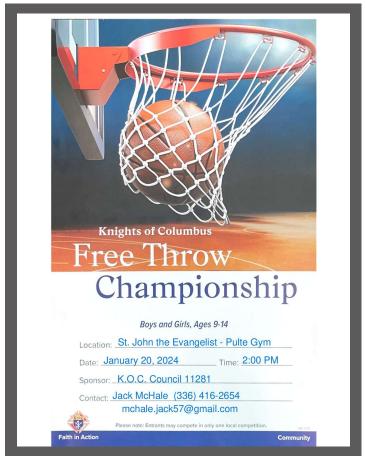
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Day 1: 15 Oct, 2024	DEPARTS THE USA
Day 2: 16 Oct, 2024	The Holy Haven of San Giovanni Rotondo
Day 3: 17 Oct, 2024	Walking in the Footsteps of Padre Pio
Day 4: 18 Oct, 2024	Trabocchi Coast & the Miracle of Lanciano
Day 5: 19 Oct, 2024	Loreto and the Hallowed Path to Assisi
Day 6: 20 Oct, 2024	Assisi's Serenity and a Journey into the Wine Coun
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 NIGI	HT 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	Exploring the Charms of Amalfi and Ravello
Day 4: 15 Oct, 2024	Iconic Capri and Breathtaking Beauty
Day 5: 16 Oct, 2024	DEPARTURE Sorrento/San Giovanni Rotondo
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