# St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 4, 2024















#### Catholic Schools Week

January 28-February 3, 2024

Thank you to all the
Parishioners who support
Catholic education. We
appreciate all that you do to
keep Catholic education
thriving in Southwest Florida.

During select Masses on February 3rd & 4th, students from the Diocesan schools of St. John Neumann, St. Ann, and St. Elizabeth Seton will be speaking about the importance of Catholic education.

#### 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 Update

Total Households: 3428



**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

**1/17/24-1/23/24** \$81,262.05



Congratulations to the families of those baptized in January:

-Nicolas Espinosa

-Jose Pablo Otero

-Mia Palermo

-Ashlynn Howlett -Malcom Bautista

-Olivia Maker

-Anthony DiPietro -Grace Hartman

#### Weddings

#### Congratulations to those married in our Church in January:

-Melissa Becker & Jack Wurfel, Stephanie Mazur & David Boduch,

-Catarina Albino & Javier Almeida, Amy Chu & Jon Waller

#### **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



Tickets are available on eventbrite, in the Main Office, and after select Masses in front of the Church

#### Sunday, February 4

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

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

11:00am Mass(Church) 1:00pm Mass (Church) 5:00pm Mass (Church)

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

#### Monday, February 5

6:00pm OCIA (Claussen) 6:00pm Trivia (Pulte Cafe)

#### Tuesday, February 6

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

#### Wednesday, February 7

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 (PLC)

5:00pm Faith Formation K-8 (Claussen & PLC)6:30pm Catechist Certification: Morality (Claussen)

\*for current catechists only

#### **Thursday, February 8**

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

w/ Fr. Nick (Nazareth)

9:30am Bocce for Gentlemen (Pulte Patio)

6:30pm Catechist Certification: Morality (Claussen)

\*for current catechists only

#### Friday, February 9

6:00pm

Middle School Youth Group (Youth Room)

#### Saturday, February 10

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

Lead Sacristans: Lan Tran: lan@sjecc.com

Pollyanna Caddell-Vierling: pollyanna@sjecc.com **Bookkeeper:** Karen Beebe: karen@sjecc.com **Memorial Garden:** Karen Beebe: karen@sjecc.com

**Facilities:** Jesus Arce: jesus@sjecc.com, Jonathan Enright: jonathan@sjecc.com, Jim Calcaterra: jim@sjecc.com,

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:**

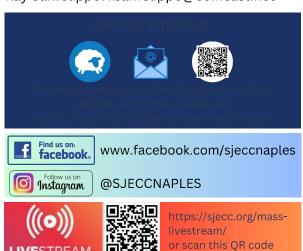
Bill Fuller: wfuller1@comcast.net

#### **Altar Servers:**

Briana Billanti: servers@sjecc.com

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

Kay Sanfelippo: ksanfelippo@comcast.net



## **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:00 AM + Robert McKnight, Sr. Mark McKnight

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Charles Mazzoni The Mazzoni Family

5:00 PM + Ralph Carbino Kathryn and Vincent Corbino

Requested By

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#### Sunday, February 4, 2024

7:00 AM + Matthew Cornwell Terrence and Merilouise Wall

9:00 AM + Ethan Beronja Branko Beronja 11:00 AM + Laura Endres Helen Endres

1:00 PM + Peter Kellie and Anthony Ventricelli and Family Georgia Len and June Troiano

5:00 PM SI For Our parishioners

#### Monday, February 5, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM + James Conley Conley Family

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM SI Declan Aigner Kay Sanfelippo

Wednesday, February 7, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM + Leandrea Cesarow Ann Twyman

Thursday, February 8, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM + Victor Hernando and Augusto Cabrera Irvine Family

Friday, February 9, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM + Marty Sullivan Loretta Sullivan
Saturday, February 10, 2024 Requested By

8:00 AM + Tom Erbland Carol Erbland

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM

5:00 PM SI Peter Ebert The Donnelly's

#### Sunday, February 11, 2024 Requested By

SI For Our Parishioners

7:00 AM + Catherine McKnight Mark McKnight

9:00 AM + John J. and Anne L. Klimek Carolyn and John Klimek
11:00 AM + Martin Sullivan Dick and Pat Schermerhorn

1:00 PM + Aldo Camai Susanna Camai

5:00 PM + Nicholas and Rosalie Senatore Daughters, Debbie and Jodie



# **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
- Tom Duncan
- Elizabeth Harrington Dyer
- Patricia Dynda
- Megan Ebert
- Pamela Eck
- John Eddy
- Monica Ellis
- Steven Eno
- Elkin Escobar
- 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
- **Edward Hommel**
- Jim Hubbard
- Becky Huff-Cook
- 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 Lozano Bobby 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
- Eileen Miner
- Maryann Mondragon
- Dustin Moonaur
- Patrick Moorton
- Molly Moran
- Christopher Morgan
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- **Robert Murphy**
- John Murphy
- JoAnn Natale Candy Nordland
- Lea Noves
- **Eleanor Nute** Jennifer O'Connor
- **Bob Oliveria**
- Mike O'Neill
- **Bob Pacer**
- Deacon Frank Paniccia
- Joseph Pandolfo
- Eric Parker
- Patty
- Lenard Pelletier
- Ann Petrillo
- Carol Petrone
- Sylvia & Vinny Pierro
- **Richard Pointer**
- Anna Polley

- Alex Portar
- **Dennis Powers**
- Christ Psilakis
- Doreen Psilakis
- Robert Pulte
- Karen Pulte
- John Repice
- George Reves Mary Ann Rilley
- - 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 Jeanne Stoll
- Christopher Suki
- Kathleen Sullivan
- Katie Sutton
- Sue and Tom Sweeney
- Joan Marie Switalski Joan Switalski
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn Thyen
- Kathleen Trotter
- Lisa Marie Turner
- **Ury Family**
- Raymond Vanasse
- Maria Elena Vassoloeti
- Noah Wagner
- Joy Wagner
- Callie Watson Jennifer Weidenbruch Dana, Geneva and
- Greigh Wells
- Olivia Whiteside Natalie Williams
- Carol Williamson
- Harry Witt Levente 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

- 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
- 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:

Rita Doody, Eileen Hennessy, John Michael Jannusch



# **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 wfuller1@comcast.net

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 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

# **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 February 4, 2024

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

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

#### Observances for the week of February 4, 2024

Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Friday:

Saturday: St. Scholastica, Virgin



# **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 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7

Job spoke, saying:

Is not man's life on earth a drudgery? Are not his days those of hirelings? He is a slave who longs for the shade, a hireling who waits for his wages. So I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me. If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

# R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. or: R. Alleluia.

Praise the LORD, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him.
The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

# R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. or: R. Alleluia.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He tells the number of the stars; he calls each by name.

# R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. or: R. Alleluia.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit. The LORD sustains the lowly; the wicked he casts to the ground.

# R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. or: R. Alleluia.

#### Reading 2 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Brothers and sisters:

If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense?

That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

#### Alleluia Mt 8:17

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ took away our infirmities and bore our diseases.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### Gospel Mk 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them.

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.



# Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

The question of human suffering, especially that of the just, was a big problem in biblical times. This was the problem Job was wrestling with. Job was a good man yet he suffered terrible tragedies. This resulted in his gloomy view of life.

Suffering is still a big problem. There are lots of people today who could identify with Job. Think of all who suffer from poverty, hunger, sickness, injustice, oppression, tragedy ... In Old Testament times suffering was seen as a punishment from God for sin.

What was Jesus' answer to the problem of suffering? He did not accept the view that suffering was a punishment from God. God does not do evil. God does good. What we see in the Gospel is not so much an answer to the question 'why suffering?', as Jesus' response to actual suffering.

That response was a very practical one - as we see from today's Gospel. Here we see Jesus surrounded by throngs of physically and mentally sick people. And he gives himself to each of them, healing them one by one. He didn't insulate himself against human pain. He made himself totally vulnerable before the wounded and the sick.

Suffering is a lonely condition. Jesus wasn't sentimental about suffering. Nor did he preach resignation as we often do. He did not like to see people suffer. Suffering was one of the evils he came to fight. He had compassion on sufferers and made them well. He cast out the devils of guilt, fear, shame, despair ... that held people bound.

The problem of suffering became an opportunity for Jesus - an opportunity to show what God is like. By the way he gave himself to the sick, he reveals to us the compassion of God in the face of human suffering.

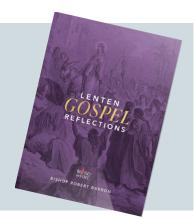
The suffering of others is an opportunity for us too. We may not be able to cure, but it is always within our power to care. And to care is a very healing thing. Just to be with the sufferer, is in itself a very worthwhile thing. But it's no easy thing, because it means that instead of relieving someone's pain, we have to be prepared to share it.

We come to sufferers with empty hands. What can we do for them? We can use those empty hands for comforting. All they ask is that we do not desert them. 'That we stand our ground at the foot of the cross as Mary did on Calvary. Simply to be there - that in some ways is the hardest thing of all. The one thing the sufferer longs for is in our power to give - human warmth. A person can be healed without being cured.

As regards our own suffering. Suffering is an unavoidable element of the human condition. Nevertheless, the road of suffering is a narrow and dark one. It's a great comfort to us to know that Jesus went down this road, and went down it to the end. It is not the same since he travelled it. A bright light illuminates it. He shows us that though it leads to Calvary, it doesn't end there. It ends at Easter. Thus for Christians suffering becomes an opportunity to share in Christ's Passion in the hope of sharing in his Easter victory.

#### 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 Shop for \$5.00 while supplies last.



# 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: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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#### I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



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#### Praise the Lord Who Heals the Brokenhearted



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#### **How Great Thou Art**



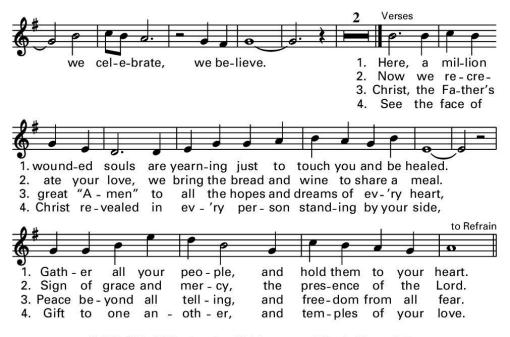
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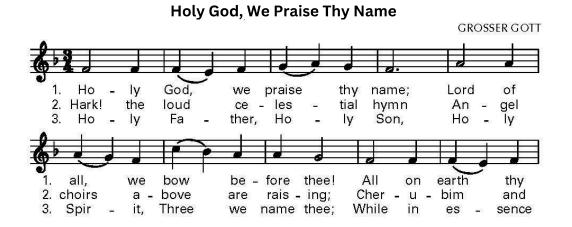
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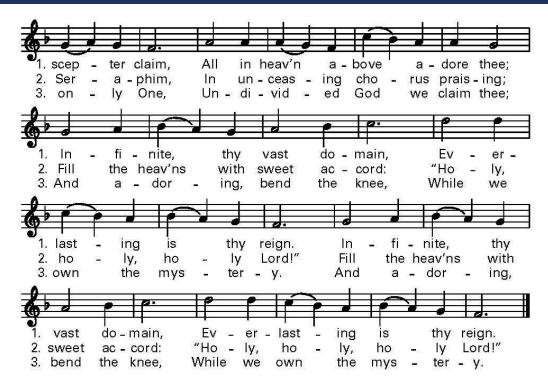
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Refrain Here I am, standing right beside you. Here I am; do not be afraid. Here I am, waiting like a lover. I am here; here I am.

- Do not fear when the tempter calls you.
   Do not fear even though you fall.
   Do not fear, I have conquered evil.
   Do not fear, never be afraid.
- 2. I am here in the face of ev'ry child. I am here in ev'ry warm embrace. I am here with tenderness and mercy. Here I am; I am here.
- 3. I am here in the midst of ev'ry trial. I am here in the face of despair. I am here when pardoning your brother. Here I am, I am here.

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# Music for the 11:00 Mass with the Children's Choir

Opening Hymn: Here I Am to Worship

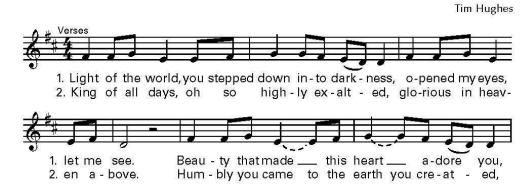
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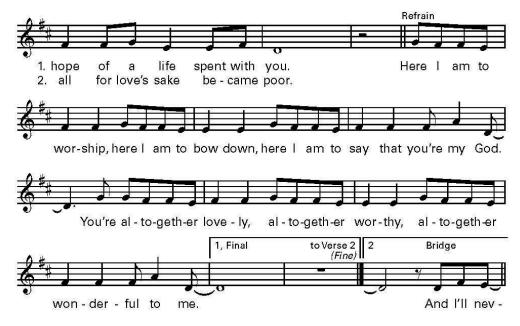
Communion Hymns: We Are One Body, Here I Am

Closing Hymn: I Will Choose Christ

#### Here I Am to Worship



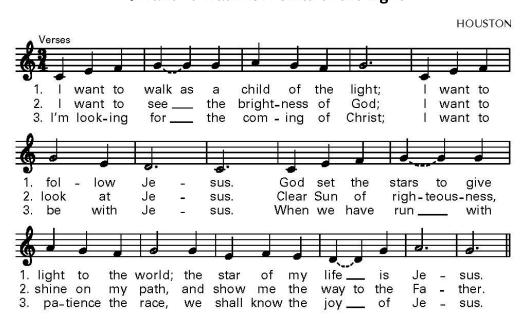
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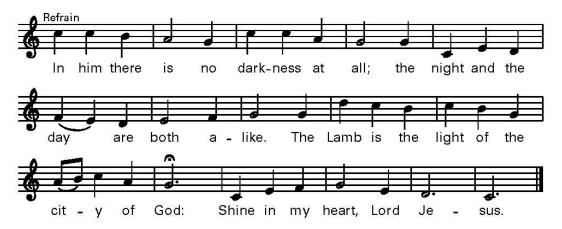
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#### I Want To Walk As A Child of the Light



# Music for the 11:00 Mass with the Children's Choir



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#### We Are One Body

#### Refrain:

We are one body, one body in Christ; and we do not stand alone. We are one body, one body in Christ; and he came that we might have life.

- 1. When you eat my body and you drink my blood, I will live in you and you will live in my love. When you eat my body and you drink my blood, I will live in you and you will live in my love.
- 2. Can you hear them crying, can you feel their pain? Will you feed my hungry, will you help my lame? See the unborn baby, the forgotten one, they are not forsaken, they are not unloved.

- 3. I am the way, the truth, the life, I am the final sacrifice, I am the way, the truth, the life, he who believes in me will have eternal life. I am the way, the truth, the Life, I am the final sacrifice, I am the way, the truth, the life, he who believes in me will have eternal life.
- 4. I have come your Savior that you might have life. Through the tears and sorrow, through the toils and strife. Listen when I call you, for I know your need; come to me, your shepherd, for my flock I feed.
- 5. At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bend; Jesus is the Lord and He will come again. At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bend; Jesus is the Lord and He will come again.

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#### I Will Choose Christ



# Music for the 11:00 Mass with the Children's Choir



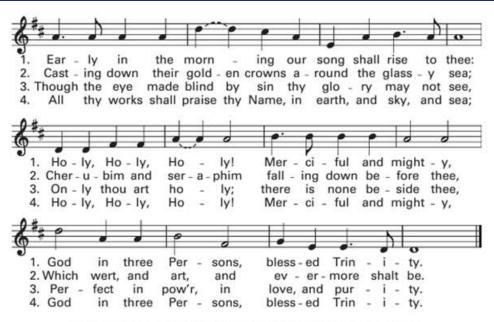
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# **Music for the 5:00 Sunday Mass**

#### Opening Song: Holy, Holy, Holy



# **Music for the 5:00 Sunday Mass**



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#### Preparation Song: Great Are You, Lord

You give life You are love You bring light to the darkness You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken And great are You Lord Chorus: It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

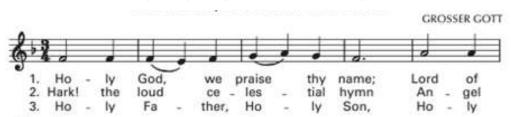
#### **Communion Song: How Beautiful**

V1: How beautiful the hands that served The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross

Chorus: How beautiful, how beautiful, How beautiful is the body of Christ V2: How beautiful the heart that bled That took all my sin and bore it instead How beautiful the tender eyes That chose to forgive and never despise

V3: How beautiful the feet that bring
The sound of good news and the love of the King
How beautiful the hands that serve
The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth

#### Closing Song: Holy God We Praise Thy Name



# **Music for the 5:00 Sunday Mass**



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Are you an elder who is aging alone with no family available to address your aging needs? More than 1 in 5 Americans older than 65 are and 23% of boomers will eventually be without family available to care for them. It is imperative that everyone think ahead but especially this group of aging adults to need to consider where and how they might like to age.

Join SBB University and area expert Melissa Weigle with Senior Care Authority as we arm you with the knowledge on how to evaluate your living situation and make a plan while you're still healthy.

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educate yourself today for the resources you, or someone that you love may need tomorrow.

Event is FREE but RSVP is required, Call 239-776-7353 to reserve your spot! February 22, 2024 12:00pm - 1:30pm

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# **Faith Formation**

# Luz Lozano, Past Faith Formation Assistant ~ To receive her Solemn Investiture

on February 6th

Many of you may remember that Luz Lozano served as a Faith Formation Assistant here at St. John for almost five years from the age of 20. Luz touched many lives in the time she was here and was a blessing to our parish and to our Faith Formation program. On May 18th, 2023, Luz entered Annunciation Monastery in Minooka, Illinois where she joined the Poor Clare Colettine Nuns of Joliet. On Tuesday, February 6th, 2024, the Monastery will host a special luncheon for her as she receives the habit of a Poor Clare Nun. This all takes place on the feast of St. Dorothy, Virgin and Martyr. Luz has a special place in her heart for all of us at St. John the Evangelist and prayers for us daily. Please keep her in your prayers.





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

**VBS SCUBA: Diving Into Friendship With God** 

Save the Dates: June 3rd-7th - 9:00-12:00PM



Camp Counselor Applications Open- March 1st-**Limited Positions for Summer 2024 Camper Registration Opens April 1st** 

















#### This Week in Faith Formation:

#### Sunday, February 4

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

\*Coffee in the Pulte Cetner for Parents during the kid's session 3:30-6:00PM - Confirmation Session (We attend the 5PM Mass

3:45-4:45PM - Confirmation Parent Session - Year 1 Parents will meet in the in the Alexandria/Year 2 Parents will meet in the Nazareth Room.

#### Wednesday, February 7th

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

#### **Upcoming Information:**

#### Sunday, February 11th

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

#### Wednesday, February 14th

Ash Wednesday and Happy Valentine's Day! We will NOT have Faith Formation on Wednesday, February 14th. We will have Mass in the church at 5:00PM and 7:00PM so that Faith Formation Families may attend together with their families. We will have special Kid Bulletins and handouts at the Kid's Area in the Church outside of the Gift Boutique. Have a Blessed Day!

# **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 life. Join us as Fr. Nick Thompson continues to lead us on Thursdays from 9:30AM-11:00AM in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Life Center. Coffee and light refreshments. Walk-ins welcome. Handouts provided.



#### 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 <u>aff@sjecc.com</u>

#### Come on a Lenten Spiritual Pilgrimage to Easter

Jesus' invites us, "Come and See." (John 1:39). Introduced last Lent, our Spiritual Pilgrimage to Easter returns! Meeting in small groups, and using this Lent's Sunday Scripture and commentaries, we read, reflect and share faith and friendship as we encourage on another on to Easter Sunday!

Who: Full time and seasonal parishioners

When: Six Friday mornings, 9:30-10:45am, beginning Feb.16-ending March 22

Where: Library of the Claussen Center Materials: Provided, online and printable

For more information or to register, please reference "Lenten Spiritual Pilgrimage" and email: <u>AFF@sjecc.com</u> or call: 239-566-8740 Space is limited; please sign up by Feb. 12th!

# **Adult Faith Formation**

#### "An Encounter with the Merciful Jesus"

This mini-retreat will be led by Sr. M. Teresa de la Fuente from the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy—the same congregation to which St. Faustina belonged .The mystery of God's merciful love for each person is an age-old truth revealed to the Church. Sister's talk seeks to bring this truth closer to people, to show how close this Merciful God of ours is to us, even now in the midst of the world's chaos. Sister will speak of Jesus – Mercy Incarnate, and point out the sources of mercy where we can draw strength for the battle for the Kingdom of God. Please register in advance by emailing <a href="mailto:aff@siecc.com">aff@siecc.com</a>.



# 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. We Continue with Season One, Episode 4- Wednesday, February 7th -FREE BREAKFAST- Donations accepted - See you then!

#### This Week in Adult Faith Formation

**Sunday, February 4th -** Confirmation Parent Session – 3:45-4:45PM - \*For Parents of Youth Enrolled in Confirmation Preparation Only.

Monday, February 5th - OCIA- 6:00PM - Room 11 & 12 of the Claussen Center

**Wednesday, February 7th -** THE CHOSEN - Season 1 - Episode 4- 9:30-10:45AM with Deacon John Sebastian-Nazareth Room- Free Breakfast

**Thursday, February 8th** – Session 5 – Discovering God's Plan for Your Life with Fr. Nick Thompson – Nazareth Room 9:30-11:00AM – Coffee and treats \*MADE for MORE tickets available for purchase at this session.

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

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

Tickets are also available for purchase in our Main Office during business hours. <a href="Checks">Checks</a> only -made payable to THEOLOGY OF THE BODY INSTITUTE - \$25 per ticket

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



# **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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**Steven Ray, Keynote Speaker** 

**English and Spanish Sessions!** 

Bishop Verot High School 5598 Sunrise Drive Fort Myers, Florida

QR Code to register!

For more information contact: Jim Gontis, 941-486-4754 gontis@dioceseofvenice.org



**Bishop Frank J. Dewane** 

# **Respect Life**

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

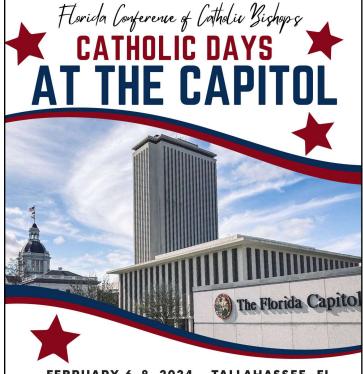
The St. John's Respect Life team will participate in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each 1st Friday of every month 9am - 12. For info on our Prayer Vigil or to join our Respect Life team, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

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.



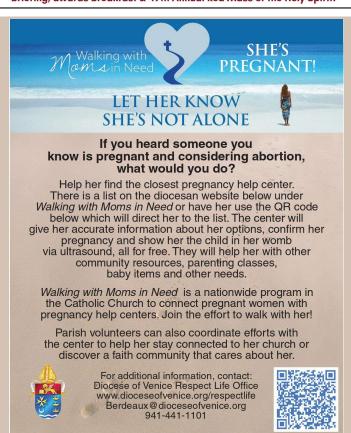




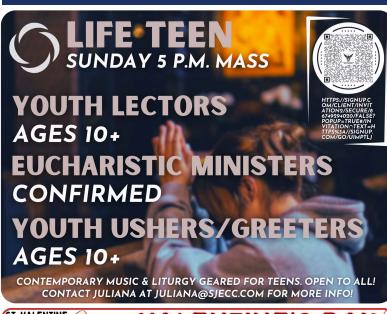


FEBRUARY 6-8, 2024 ~ TALLAHASSEE, FL WWW.FLACCB.ORG/CDAC

Florida's bishops invite you to advocate for the protection of human life & dignity as lawmakers continue the important work of shaping Florida's laws and future for the common good. Events include a legislative briefing, awards breakfast & 49th Annual Red Mass of the Holy Spirit.



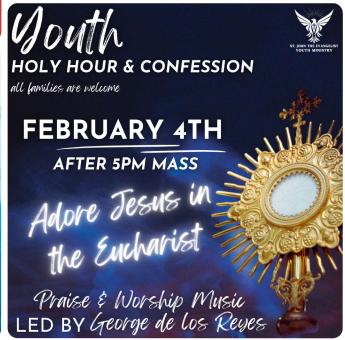
# **Youth Ministry**















SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH 12:00 P.M. - 3 P.M. PULTE CENTER

JOIN US FOR CRAFTS & TREATS

# **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



Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281



"And He took 2 fish and 5 loaves and fed 5,000"

Feb. 16th through Mar. 22nd 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Seating in the Parish Activity Center Ballroom Drive Up Take Out Menu Available!

#### **BAKED or FRIED COD**

Includes:

Your choice of fish FOUR side dishes

Clam Chowder Ice cream cup

Child's Fish Meal (under 7 yrs) \$7.00

Proceeds benefit numerous charities in and around Naples/Collier County.

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Complimentary

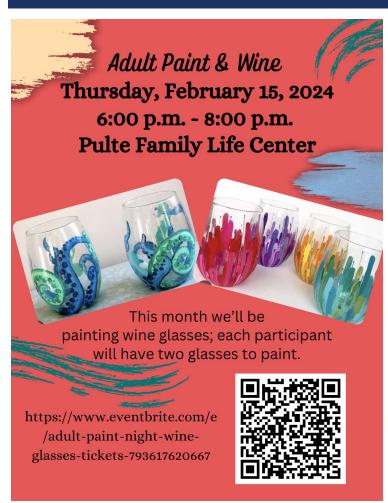
for purchase

Soda, Beer & Wine,

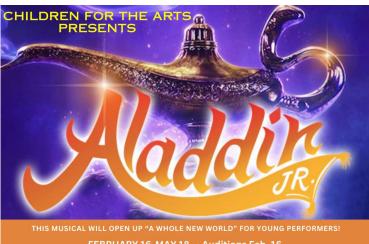
Lemonade, Iced Tea, Coffee.



# **Events & Programs**







FEBRUARY 16-MAY 18 - Auditions Feb. 16
Actors age 6-16

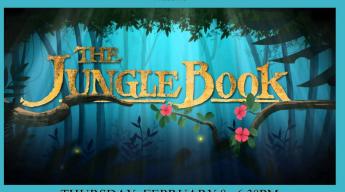
Rehearsals and Performances Held at The Pulte Family Life Center
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Contact Tish Poorman, Producer/Director
tpoorman@childrenforthearts.com

Participation Fee Required
Rehearsals held Fridays 4:30PM-7:00PM
www.childrenforthearts.com
239-571-3305









THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - 6:30PM FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - 6:30PM SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - 1:00PM

GENERAL ADMISSION AT THE DOOR \$20/ADULT \$10/CHILD CASH OR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

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# **Pulte Family Life Center**



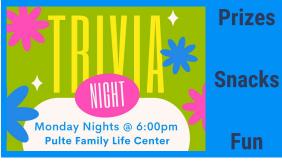




# **Recreational Bocce Ball**

AT THE PULTE LIFE CENTER COURTS

LADIES: TUESDAYS AT 9:30AM
GENTLEMEN: THURSDAYS AT 9:30 AM



# 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

# **Pulte Family Life Center**



# PULTE CENTER

THE FOR MEMBERS
\$10/CLASS FOR GUESTS

**JOIN AT ANY TIME!** 

February - April

# ZUMBA

#### MONDAY'S AT 10 A.M.

LATIN-INSPIRED DANCE AEROBIC CLASS THAT WILL BURN CALORIES AND HAVE A BLAST!

B.B.B.

BURN.BUILD.BLAST.

#### WEDNESDAY'S AT 10 A.M.

BURN CALORIES, BUILD MUSCLE, HAVE A BLAST WITH DUMBBELLS, BANDS, WITH FUN ALONG THE WAY!

# SPIN CLASS

#### FRIDAY'S AT 11 A.M.

FITNESS CARDIO CLASS ON INDOOR CYCLING BIKES TO FUN MUSIC!

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE
INFORMATION, CONTACT JAMIE
AT JAMIE@SJECC.COM OR VISIT
FITNESSCOACHNINO.COM