

St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church

The Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2024

Lenten Services

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:30am & 5:30pm Saturday: 8:00am

Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday 9:00am Saturday 8:30am & 2:00pm Friday, March 22 4:00-8:00pm Saturday, March 23 8:30-11:30am

Parish Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 19 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 12:00pm in the Church

Family Stations of the Cross, March 29 (Good Friday) 7:00pm in the Church

Lenten Programs

Lenten Pilgrimage

Fridays, February 16 -March 22 9:30am-10:45am in the Claussen Center

Lenten Bible Study

Thursdays, February 15 -March 21 1:30pm-3:00pm in the Claussen Center

Parish Mission

With Simeon Gallagher March 4-7 9:00am-10:00am and 6:30pm-8:00pm

Made for More

February 29 7:00pm-9:30pm In the Church

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil: 3:00pm & 5:00pm in the Church. Overflow Mass in the Ballroom at 3:15pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm, 5:00pm. Overflow Mass in the Ballroom at 9:15am and 11:15am

Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer: 8:00am Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00pm

Good Friday

Morning Prayer: 8:00am
The Passion of the Lord: 3:00pm

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Morning Prayer: 8:00am Easter Vigil: 8:00pm

Easter Sunday

Holy Saturday

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm, 5:00pm in the Church. Overflow Mass in the Ballroom at 9:15am & 11:15am

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 Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, 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), 5:30pm

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

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Greeters & Ushers:

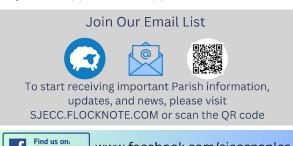
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https://sjecc.org/mass-livestream/ or scan this QR code

CFA / Rectory Campaign



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.

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.

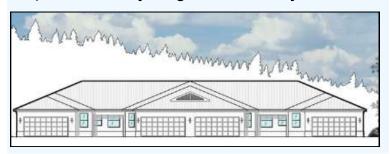
To donate to the Catholic Faith Appeal:

- Use a contribution envelope from the CFA table in the Narthex,
- Give directly on the Diocese of Venice website at dioceseofvenice.org/ways-togive/cfa, or
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page



Rectory Campaign Update

Thank you for your prayers, support, and generosity toward our Rectory Campaign. We are pleased to announce that we have reached our goal! We will still welcome donations toward furnishings, maintenance, and other unforeseen expenses. Thank you again. We are truly blessed.



CFA Supports:

Ministry, Outreach, and Services: 45%

Evangelization • Youth & Young Adult Outreach • Office of Stewardship and Development • Respect Life Department • Worship Office • Parish Services • Hispanic Apostolate • Prison Outreach • Catholic Center Administrative Services • Marriage Tribunal • Inter-Religious Affairs and Ecumenism Office • Bishop's Office and Episcopal Duties • Marriage Preparation • Family Life Outreach • Haitian

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Catholic Education: 22%

Catholic Schools Department • Office of Religious Education • Catholic School Subsidy

Support of Parishes, Missions & Convents: 14% Worship sites located in financially challenged communities

Catholic Charities: 13%

Shelter for homeless mothers and their children

- Affordable housing for veterans, seniors and families
- Food pantries and kitchens Counseling Clothing banks
- Shower Program for the homeless Disaster Response and Recovery Program After School Reading Program
- Head Start Program Anti-Human Trafficking Programs

Vocations and Clergy Support: 6%

Seminary Education and Formation • Permanent
Diaconate Formation • Continuing Education for Clergy
• Office of Religious Life

CFA Supports



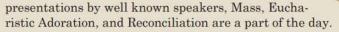
The Office of Marriage and Family Life helps prepare men and women for their lifelong marriage vows through retreats, conferences, and Natural Family Planning classes. In an effort to continuously promote marriage, enrichment seminars are also offered for those already married.

Witness to Love is the marriage prep program being used for the formation of young engaged couples. This program integrates modern principles of psychology and builds upon virtues to help couples explore more deeply into their relationship with each other and the Lord.

This process is used as an evangelization tool in a way that truly renews trust among young Catholic couples, families, and the parish that becomes their

new home. "Witness to Love" provides this process through leadership formation as well as through sacramental preparation and enrichment, ultimately, leading to parish renewal.

The annual Together in Holiness Conference provides an opportunity for married and engaged couples to spend quality time together. Inspiring



The Annual Anniversary Mass, attended by over 600 couples yearly, celebrates 25 and more years of marriage. This special remembrance Mass honors those in attendance and serves as a testimony of the Sacrament of Marriage.

Through the **Bereavement Ministry**, suffering from the loss of life in a family is addressed. This group setting facilitates the expression of emotions through natural stages of grief.





Business Information / Weekly Calendar

Offertory

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

1/24/24-1/30/24 \$62,452.20

1/31/24-2/6/24 \$68,168.06

2/7/24-2/13/24 \$51,842.50



Total Households: 3429

Please note that our collections are taken at the end of Mass at all exits of the Church. We also offer online giving at: https://www.wesharegiving.org/app/giving/WeShare-1897?



Scan to Give

Envelopes for offertory, second collections, and CFA are located in the Resource Center outside the Gift Shop.

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

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

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

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

Sunday, February 25

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 26

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
5:30pm Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm OCIA (Claussen)
6:00pm Trivia (Pulte)

Tuesday, February 27

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:30am Grief Support (Claussen)
9:30am Living Divine Mercy (Nazareth)
9:30am Bocce for Ladies (Pulte Patio)
10:00am Knitting & Crocheting (PLC)
12:00pm Ephesians, Session 1 (Nazareth)

1:00pm Bingo (Pulte Cafe) 5:30pm Daily Mass (Church)

Wednesday, February 28

8:30am Mass (Church)

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

5:00pm Faith Formation (Claussen & PAC)

5:30pm Mass (Church)

6:30pm Well Read Mom (Library)

Thursday. February 29

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

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

w/ Fr. Nick (Nazareth)

9:30am Bocce for Gentlemen (Pulte Patio)

1:30pm Lenten Study with Dee Schwartz (Alexandria)

5:30pm Daily Mass (Church)

7:00pm Made for More (Church) *ticketed event

Friday, March 1

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

9:30am Lenten Pilgrimage with Teddy Sitter (Library)

12:00pm Stations of the Cross (Church)

4:30pm KOC Fish Fry (Ballroom) 5:30pm Daily Mass (Church)

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

Saturday, March 2

6:30am TMIY (Pulte Cafe) 8:00am Mass (Church) 3:00pm Mass (Church) 5:00pm Mass (Church)

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 25, 2024

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-

17, 18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and

23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-

19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-

12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Observances for the week of February 25, 2024

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Monday:

Tuesday: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of

the Church

Baptisms in January



- -Nicolas Espinosa
- -Jose Pablo Otero
- -Mia Palermo
- -Ashlynn Howlett
- -Malcom Bautista
- -Olivia Maker
- -Anthony DiPietro
- -Grace Hartman

Weddings in January

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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 24, 2024

8:00 AM + Maria, Giovanni, and Franco Catalano Anna Nardulli and Family

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Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D'Addario Janet D'Addario 5:00 PM + Lambert and Louise Abell Kathy and Bob Sims

Sunday, February 25, 2024

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

9:00 AM + Kelly Rubelowski and Walter Loboda Carolyn and John Klimek

11:00 AM + Salvatore Santorelli Carmela Santorelli 1:00 PM + Lorna McGrory Family

5:00 PM + Harry Witt Harry Witt

Wine and Host + Jose Nicolas Arteta **Parents** Requested By

Monday, February 26, 2024

8:30 AM + Teresa Kane Betty and Dave Shober 5:30 PM SI Trina Goduti Friend

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 Requested By

8:30 AM + Jose Nicolas Arteta Parents 5:30 PM + Sabina Brunetti Monigue and Bill Holden

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

8:30 AM + Joseph Kelly Gail Wernes

5:30 PM + Anna, Colonna and Elena Cosentino Anna Nardulli and Family

Thursday, February 29, 2024

8:30 AM Jacki and John + Lesa Morrissey 5:30 PM Harry and Isabella Witt Harry Witt

Friday, March 1, 2024

8:30 AM Janice and Eric Bartholomae + Joseph N. Resha, Jr. 5:30 PM + Ted Bouchard Ashley Benedict

Saturday, March 2, 2024

8:00 AM + Theodore Kanamine Lan Tran

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM Tom Carroll Mark and Colleen Wernig 5:00 PM Helen Alpers Denyce and Bill Mahoney

Sunday, March 3, 2024

7:00 AM Pete and Joan Mattera + Elvira Caprio 9:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners 11:00 AM Bernice Kindsvater Connie and Jack Kindsvater 1:00 PM + Elaine Motyl Carolyn and John Klimek 5:00 PM + Sara Wilcox **Bob and Sue Massey** Wine and Host + James Casale Charlene Mencini Altar Flowers Lyn Hirt and Dave Davis + James Casale

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 •
- Briella Luikert
- Marina and Tulia Cabrera
- Candice
- Bob Capicchioni
- Frank Carillo
- Karen Cassady
- Roseanne Christinzio
- Mr and Mrs Ciano
- Tom Collins
- Matthew Cummings
- Mike and Judy Davies
- Daniel Delarosa
- Dolores DeMiglio
- 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
- Darlene Follese
- Ron Fongemie
- Phyllis and Peter Foti
- Tom Froh
- Lester Fuller
- Terry Gallagher
- Kathy Gallucci
- Joanna Gasparrino
- Jeffery Gatt
- Veronika Gavelis
- Marg Gheller
- Tamie Gibbons
- Mary Jane Gibley
- Fr. Len Gioeli
- · Mary Good
- Amy Goodwine
- Florence Gordon
- Nancy Graves
- Ian Greenberg
- Sam Greenberg
- Joan Griffin
- Frank Grzesk
- Gary Gwizdala
- Patricia Gynba
- Raymond Hall
- Victoria Halloran
- Bob Hearson
- Margaret Hearson
- Bob Hilliard
- Kathleen Cleary Hinkle
- Brian Hintz
- Jerry Hirsch
- Edward Hommel
- Kathy Hower
- Jim Hubbard
- Becky Huff-Cook
- Carolyn Jansen
- Jimmy
- Cynthia Johnson
- Charry Taylor Jones
- Gesse Joseph
- Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman
- Yvonne Keenan
- Dennis Killian
- Tracey Kirk
- Anthony Knapp
- Elizabeth Knott
- Victoria Kramer
- Mary Lou Kreber
- Richard C. KrugerMary Langdon
- Ramona Langman

- Alicia Laplant
- John Thomas Lawson
- Dr. Constanos Levanos
- Rosemary Litwin
- Nancy Loftus
- Drew Loggi
- MaryEtta Loggi
- Michele Loggi
- Elaine Lopresti
- Vince LoPresti
- Teresa Lozano
- Bobby LutzAlbert M.
- Nicolas Giovanni Maggio
- Diane Maloney
- Ruth Martin
- Donna Masse
- Robert McAloney Jr
- Lana McBride
- Diane McCormack
- Barbara McDonald
- Thomas Joseph McLoughlin
- Wendy Mercer
- Edward John Metz
- Lucille Metz
- Orville Middendorf
- Steven Miller
- Eileen Miner
- Maryann Mondragon
- Dustin Moonaur
- Patrick Moorton
- Molly Moran
- Christopher Morgan
- Marie Morsetti
- Kimberly Mullin
- John Murphy
- Robert Murphy
- JoAnn Natale
- Candy Nordland
- Lea Noyes
- Eleanor Nute
- JenniferO'Connor
- Barbara O'LearyBob Oliveria
- Mike O'Neill
- Bob Pacer
- Joseph Pandolfo
- Eric Parker
- PattyLenard Pelletier
- Lenarurelle
- Carol Petrone
- Wiesia PetroskeSylvia & Vinny Pierro

- Amy Pine
- Richard Pointer
- Anna Polley
- Alex Portar
- Dennis Powers
- Christ Psilakis
- Doreen Psilakis
- Karen Pulte
- Robert Pulte
- Trisha Reed
- John Repice
- Mary Ann Rilley
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- Judith & Michael S.
- Peggy O'Neil Saba
- Lisa Sanfelippo
- Steve Savory
- Catherine Schmacht
- Karen Schrimpl
- Marie Sestito
- Carlos Somarribas
- Laura Sotkes
- George SparacinoColin Spence
- Norma J. Spriggle
- Jeanne Stoll
- Christopher Suki
- Kathleen Sullivan
- Katie Sutton
- Sue and Tom Sweeney
- Joan Marie Switalski
- Joan Switalski
- Marian Szymanski
 Stalla Thamasan
- Sholle Thomson
- Marilyn ThyenKathleen Trotter
- Lisa Marie Turner
- Urv Family
- Raymond Vanasse
- Maria Elena Vassoloeti
- Joy Wagner
- Noah Wagner
- Callie WatsonJennifer Weidenbruch
- Dana, Geneva and Greigh Wells
- Olivia Whiteside
- Natalie Williams

Levente Wolber

- Carol Williamson
- Jimmy WiseHarry Witt
- S. J. ZarebiNancy Zilavy

To ensure that we can add additional people to our Prayer List, we will clear the names from our current Prayer List to begin a new Prayer List. If there is a name from the current Prayer List that you would like to include going forward, please contact the office by February 29 at 239-566-8740 and we will assist you. Going forward, names will be included on our Prayer List for a period of 6 months.

Please Pray For Our Loved Ones 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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- 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 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: Joseph Yaeger, James Berliner, Cynthia Wychocki, Joan Marie Lynch



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

Safe Environment & Volunteers

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.



Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist



At each Mass we pray to be made worthy to receive Holy Communion and all the promises of Christ. He makes us worthy. Could you serve our Lord and our Parish by becoming a Eucharistic Minister? Some of our Sunday and Vigil Masses could use additionalministers to serve Holy Communion alongside our Priests and Deacons. If you wish to serve as a member of this essential ministry, please email: maureen@sjecc.com. Please note that you must be able to navigate the altar steps and complete a background check and Safe Environment training.

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 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied.

Then God said:

"Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you."

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven,

"Abraham, Abraham!"

"Here I am!" he answered.

"Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger.

"Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."

As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said:

"I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth

shall find blessing—all this because you obeyed my command."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. I believed, even when I said,

"I am greatly afflicted."

Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;

you have loosed my bonds.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people, In the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Reading 2 Rom 8:31b-34

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him?

Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us, who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised— who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

Verse Before the Gospel Cf. Mt 17:5

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

Gospel Mk 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,

"Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

The story of God asking Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac is a strange story. In truth, it is a shocking story. What we find most disturbing is the image of God that comes across. However, we must try to understand what the story is meant to convey. It has something very important to teach us. As a story, it is a very clever one. It sets out in the opposite direction to that in which it hopes to leave the listener. It starts out by seeming to say that God approves of human sacrifice, and even on occasion demands it. But its object is to show the exact opposite. It tries to show us that human sacrifice is in fact abhorrent to God.

And it does this very well: What God appears to ask of Abraham is so cruel and unjust that it makes us want to cry out, "Stop! This is wrong. This is terrible!" We are revolted by the idea of the elderly Abraham being asked by God to sacrifice his son Isaac. Our sense of revulsion is heightened by the special burden of hope that rested on Isaac's youthful shoulders -- the fulfillment of the promise that Abraham would have numerous descendants.

The aim of the story is to evoke horror at the idea of God demanding the sacrifice of human beings. Abraham lived among the Canaanites who practiced human sacrifice. He must somehow have got the idea that God was demanding this deed of him. But God showed him otherwise. This story was meant to put an end to human sacrifice to God.

Why did God test Abraham? So that the world would know that if anyone tells us, I am committing murder in the name of God," we'll know that he's a liar. That is the unanimous opinion of the Orthodox Jewish tradition. Sadly, killing in the name of God has been widely practiced down the ages. Even in our own day there are people who kill for religious beliefs, and who think that in doing so they are honoring God. God does not want us to mete out hurt for hurt, pain for pain, life for life. The pages of history are stained with the blood spilled by people who see themselves as "God's avengers". Kings and heads of states have killed, claiming God's authority and God's blessing on their dark deeds.

One thing the story shows clearly is the depth of Abraham's faith. He was prepared to sacrifice what was dearest to him. His extraordinary faith was rewarded in an extraordinary way. No wonder we call him "our father in faith". The story condemns the idea of honoring God by taking a life. But Jesus introduced something that is a lot more challenging: the idea of honoring God by giving our lives in the service of God and others. He set the example himself. God didn't demand his life from him. He gave it up freely in the service of his brothers and sisters. "Giving our lives" doesn't necessarily mean dying. It means spending our lives for others.



Opening Hymn: The Glory of These Forty Days

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116 - I Will Walk Before the Lord.

Lenten Gospel Acclamation: Glory to You, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gifts: The Lord Is My Light

Sanctus XVIII

Save Us, Savior of the World

Agnus Dei XVIII

Communion Hymns: Christ Be Our Light, Christ In Me Arise

Closing Hymn: Jerusalem, My Destiny

The Glory of these Forty Days



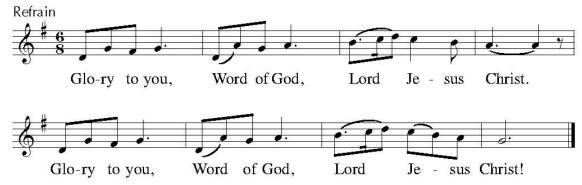
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I Will Walk Before the Lord



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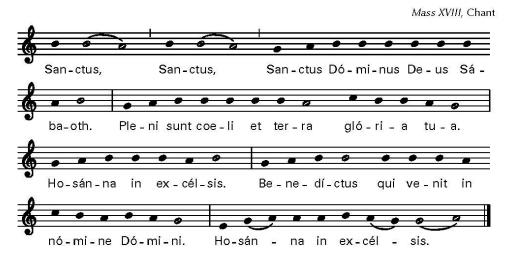
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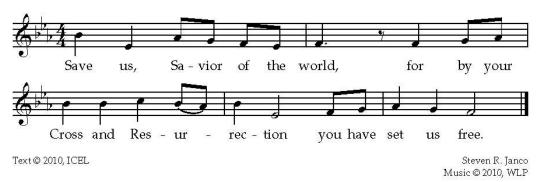
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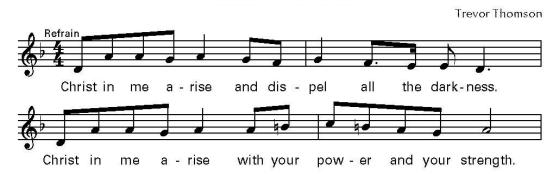
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Christ be our Light



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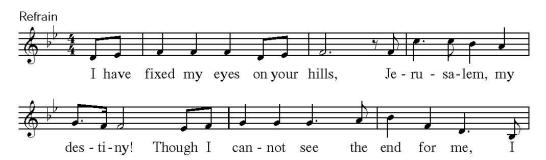
Christ in Me Arise





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Jerusalem, My Destiny





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ST. JOHN RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

We are pleased to offer Sacramental gifts, rosaries, statues, crucifixes, homemade gifts, home decor, children's gifts, and more! We also 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 2:30-6:15PM and Sundays 8:30AM-1:00PM

Music for the 5:00 Sunday Mass

Opening Song: At the Name of Jesus

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; crown him as your captain in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and pow'r.

Preparation Song: What Wondrous Love

What wondrous love is this
O my soul O my soul
What wondrous love is this O my soul
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse
For my soul for my soul
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

When I was sinking down
Sinking down sinking down
When I was sinking down
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown
Christ laid aside His crown
For my soul for my soul
Christ laid aside
His crown for my soul

To God and to the Lamb
I will sing I will sing
To God and to the Lamb I will sing
To God and to the Lamb
Who is the Great I Am
While millions join the theme
I will sing I will sing
While millions join the theme
I will sing

Communion Song: At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

V1: There's a place Where mercy reigns and never dies There's a place Where streams of grace flow deep and wide Where all the love I've ever found

Comes like a flood comes flowing down

Chorus: At the cross at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white
I owe all to You I owe all to You (Jesus)

V2: There's a place
Where sin and shame are powerless
Where my heart
Has peace with God and forgiveness
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down

Bridge: Here my hope is found Here on holy ground Here I bow down here I bow down Here arms open wide Here You saved my life Here I bow down here I bow (down)

Closing Song: Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name

Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the Hosts of God in conquering rank combine



Faith Formation

Lent: A Season for Reflection

During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God and our neighbors. Reflect on how the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey and how the Eucharist helps us to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more and read this week's Story of Hope. Thank you for continuing to collect small change this Lent. You may pick up your cardboard boxes to collect change in the church, Parish Office or Faith Formation Office. Thank you!



Long-Sleeve Relief Drive 2024 ~ Ash Wednesday through Palm Sunday

We are all integrally connected to the farmworkers every time we eat. These men, women and children do some of the most important work in this country – feeding a nation –and deserve our support. Our brothers and sisters in the field are in need of shirts to wear to protect them from the sun and toxic elements as they gather the food we put on our tables. We hope to show our support and that we care about the inherent dignity and humanity of the people in these communities. Will you help this Lent? We will accept donations of clean NEW and gently used long sleeve t-shirts ~ Preferably button-down shirts – but cotton long-sleeve t-shirts welcome. Men's and women's sizes S, M & L. We will also accept large-brimmed sunhats! Please look for containers in the Narthex of the church. Thank you!

Get Ready to DIVE into Vacation Bible School this Summer!





Crew leader applications open on March 1

















This Week in Faith Formation:

Sunday, February 24th

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

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

Wednesday, February 28th

Pre-School Atrium 12:30-2:30PM & K-8 Faith Formation 5:00-6:15PM

Adult Faith Formation



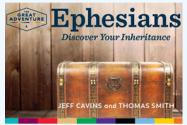
St. John the Evangelist OCIA Candidates Participate in the Rite of Election

This year Saint John's has 15 candidates to be initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. These candidates have been in formation both catechetically and spiritually since last September. The season of Lent begins their final preparation. Saturday evening at 5 p.m. Mass, they participated in the Rite of Sending where they were blessed and affirmed by Fr. Nick and our parish to be sent to Bishop Frank Dewane on Sunday for the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion (photo above). This year marks a milestone in the Diocese of Venice with the highest

number of Catechumen and Candidates to participate in the Rite of Election. There were 47 parishes participating with 316 catechumen and 346 candidates total.

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance 8-Week Bible Study with Sue Hamilton begins – February 27th – 12:00-1:30PM

Ephesians was one of the most widely circulated of St. Paul's writings because of its powerful, practical instructions for disciples of Christ. In fact, its six short chapters contain some of the most discussed passages in the New Testament. Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance examines many important themes that are still relevant in today's Christian culture and society—the nature of marriage, the purpose and role of the Church, the preeminence of grace in God's plan, and the reality of spiritual warfare. Presenter Jeff Cavins explores what Paul's letter to



the Ephesians tells us about the nature of the Church—as a body, a household, a mystery, a communion, a bride, and an army. Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance shows the treasures that await us as adopted sons and daughters in the family of God. Please register in advance for this study at AFF@sjecc.com Optional Study Guide available for \$30.00.

As We Forgive Those... Forgiveness and Boundaries Presentation by, Mariette Danilo, PhD



You think you're over it. You pretend everything is ok. But you just can't find peace. You may have trouble sleeping or you can't stop thinking about what happened. You can't seem

to move on. You keep returning to the "rotten room".

We have a hard time forgiving people, some more than others. The reason is because many of us don't really understand exactly what forgiveness is and what it entails.

Forgiving others is a basic tenet of our Faith-not a request. But it can be a difficult process, especially with those who will never acknowledge wrongdoing. And especially when serious permanent damage has been done. Grudges and a perpetual state of unforgiveness can eat us up alive. It is seriously damaging however, because it can hurt our relationship with God.

Join us in this presentation that clarifies our faulty notions about forgiveness, helps us set compassionate boundaries in order to protect ourselves, and may even help us sleep better at night!

We are excited to welcome back Dr. Mariette Danilo to St. John's as she presents, "As We Forgive Those... Forgiveness and Boundaries."

This event takes place on Tuesday, March 12th ~ 9:30-11:00AM in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Center – Coffee and Treats provided.

Please Register at aff@sjecc.com to attend and reference "Forgiveness and Boundaries" in the email.

Adult Faith Formation

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

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 will watch Season 1, Episode 6, "Indescribable Compassion" together. Come and see!

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, February 26th

OCIA- 6:00PM - Room 11 & 12 of the Claussen Center

Tuesday, February 27th

Ephesians- Session 1 - Nazareth Room of the Pulte Center

Wednesday, February 28th

THE CHOSEN – Season 1 Episode 6- Facilitated by Deacon John Sebastian – Nazareth Room 9:30-10:45AM – Free Breakfast

Wednesday, February 28th

WELL READ MOM- Book discussion of TRUE GRIT- 6:30-8:00PM - Library of the Claussen Center

Thursday, February 29th

MADE FOR MORE with Christopher West and Mike Mangione- 7:00-9:30PM in the Church – Doors open at 6:30PM. Ticketed Event. Book Sales. See bulletin page for QR Code to purchase tickets.

Thursday, February 29th

Week 3: Bible Study with Dee Schwartz-Thursdays in Lent – 1:30PM-3:00PM- Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Friday, March 1st

Week 3: Lenten Pilgrimage with Teddy Sitter - 9:30-10:45AM - Library of the Claussen Center

Made for More

We Are Made for More.

A Q&A with Christopher West and Mike Mangione

As parishes and families try to keep up with a fast-moving world where the definition and purpose of our humanity seem to constantly change, an eye-opening and breathtakingly beautiful national touring event called **Made** for More: Visions of the Promised Land is coming to ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, 625 111th Ave North, Naples, FL 34108 at 7 pm THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024.

"Where do we come from and where are we going? If we don't have compelling answers to these questions, we have no orientation in our lives." says Christopher West, world-renowned teacher of St. John Paul II's liberating vision of human life and love called "Theology of the Body."

The event, led by West and internationally touring folk/Americana musician Mike Mangione, will dive deeply into life's deepest questions and provide both grounding and great hope.

"This is not just a lecture or a talk," insists West. "It's an evening of beauty and reflection that weaves music, video, images and the spoken word into a message of hope that there really is a banquet of love that corresponds to the deepest hunger of our hearts."

West and Mangione recently spoke to the media about some of these clues and much more, including the transformation they hope takes place in those who attend Made for More. ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH.



Christopher West (left) and Mike Mangione.

What is Made for More? Why is this your focus?

Christopher West: We call it Made for More because we yearn for so much more than what the world is telling us. The world understands that we are creatures of hunger and passion, but they lead us to what I call "the fast food gospel," which is the promise of immediate gratification for that hunger. Many people think Christianity, on the other hand, is an invitation to a "starvation diet." No! That's not the Gospel. Christianity is an invitation to an infinite feast of life-giving love, and that's what this event is all about.

Mike Mangione: It's a presentation meant to meet you where you are and bring you to a place of communion. It is the culmination of Christopher's 25 years in this work, my 15 in music and our friendship. It is a conversation through sight and sound about how God reveals himself through creation and how our desires are meant to draw us closer to Him. It is a special and unique opportunity coming to your area.

It is my focus because it addresses the question of what it means to be human, Christian, Catholic right at a crucial moment in our history. We really need to look at these questions before we lose ourselves and slip into a stale state of indifference as a culture.

How is it different from other Catholic presentations?

MM: It is broad and relevant to all types of people. "Catholic talks" tend to be more on a specific element of the Catholic tradition/faith. This talk will be focused on the human heart no matter where it has been before. This presentation uses sight, sound, video, music, and images to reveal, teach and enable us to experience something communally as a group. CW: Catholicism is a sensual religion – meaning, we experience the divine in and through our bodies, through our senses. And this event is designed to engage your senses, to wake them up and enable a new way of seeing, of hearing, of experiencing the world.

Mike, what is your role in the event? What are you trying to convey through your music?

MM: I am a co-creator as well as the musician for the event. My goal is to facilitate an experience that is communal between presenters, recipients and the Holy Spirit. I call it the Holy Campfire experience ... where we can all gather around and discuss the deepest mysteries of what it means to be human and be part of the human mystery. It is sometimes easier to achieve this with music because, like most art forms, it is often felt first and understood later. My aim is to create an event that brings the audience into the experience rather than just simply watching a talk.

Christopher, what are you trying to convey through your presentation?

CW: We're taking people on a journey through some particular words of Christ. We start with: "They look but do not see." So we've been trained to look at the world, but not see it; to look at the human body, for instance, but not see it. All of creation has a message, and Jesus says, "Come and become one who sees." He's in the business of giving sight to the blind.

The great battle between lightness and darkness is particularly intense in the world today. The meaning of our humanity is being eclipsed. The goal of this event is really to help turn the lights on for people, so they can see the mystery of God revealed through all of creation, and especially through our own humanity, our own bodies as male and female. Through that "coming to see," our eyes are opened in stunning new ways to God's plan for creation and for our own lives.

Mike, what is the "dance" between your music and Christopher's presentation?

MM: There are places music can go that the spoken word cannot. There is so much happening at once: lyrics, melody, instrumentation etc. All of these things can combine into a potent force that can pierce the heart. Sometimes the spoken word can tease out very clear ideas in a way that music never can. Combined, if done correctly, you can create a full head and heart experience. We try to create an experience where Christopher sets up a thought or a vision and then the music helps to prayerfully reflect upon it.

Is Made for More just for adults and parents? Or can youth attend?

MM: Made For More is for everyone who is ready to ponder the questions "Who am I, what am I, and where am I going?" This event is for married, single, celibate, Catholic, non-Catholic, devout, skeptic, youth and ... experienced.

Why is art and beauty essential to the event?

CW: Art is the language of the heart and the heart is wired for beauty, but, sadly, a lot of us are anesthetized in the modern world. "Anesthetized" actually means "numb to beauty." We want to wake people up to beauty, and through that, help people get in touch with their deepest yearnings. That's where we discover the great mystery we are all part of.

How can Made for More transform a parish? How can it help the priest and parish leadership?

MM: Made for More can tenderize the hearts and dig the furrows for the Holy Spirit to drop seeds and cultivate. We provide post-event resources that help those seeds take root and potentially grow into something beautiful and life-giving. Any seeds dropped in the right conditions can provide an abundant harvest.

What would you like attendees to come away feeling?

MM: Empathy, affirmation and hope. CW: That they're not crazy to yearn for more than what this world offers. They're not crazy to want to be loved and affirmed as they are, behind the masks, warts and all. They're not crazy to imagine a world where every tear is wiped from the eye and every cry of the heart is

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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.

Adoration at St. John the Evangelist

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

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

Prayer asking for Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Oh Father, who has given us the ardent testimony, of the young Blessed Carlo Acutis, who made the Eucharist the core of his life and the strength of his daily commitments so that everybody may love You above all else, let him soon be counted among the Blessed and the Saints in Your Church.

Confirm my faith, nurture my hope, strengthen my charity, in the image of young Carlo who, growing in these virtues, now lives with You. Grant me the grace that I need...

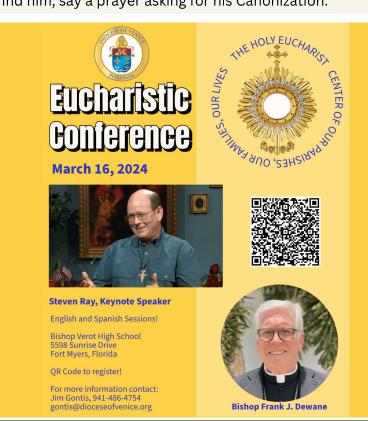
I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus, in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother, and in the intervention of Your Blessed Carlo Acutis. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

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Find Carlo!

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





Respect Life / Special Needs Mass

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.







HELP SAVE LIVES IN NAPLES!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

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- Over 100 abortion centers closed

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Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood, 1425 Creech Road (corner Goodlette-Frank), Naples

Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm Mon-Sat

March 1 9am-4pm

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

For information, please contact: Mary 239.273.6472 Rosemary 239.250.0432







If you heard someone you know is pregnant and considering abortion, what would you do?

Help her find the closest pregnancy help center.
There is a list on the diocesan website below under
Walking with Moms in Need or have her use the QR code
below which will direct her to the list. The center will
give her accurate information about her options, confirm her
pregnancy and show her the child in her womb
via ultrasound, all for free. They will help her with other
community resources, parenting classes,
baby items and other needs.

Walking with Moms in Need is a nationwide program in the Catholic Church to connect pregnant women with pregnancy help centers. Join the effort to walk with her!

Parish volunteers can also coordinate efforts with the center to help her stay connected to her church or discover a faith community that cares about her.



For additional information, contact:
Diocese of Venice Respect Life Office
www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife
Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org
941-441-1101





Special Needs Ministry of SWFL

Join us for the

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

St. Williams Church, Naples

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

Questions? Contact Travis Martinez and David Joyce by email at specialneedsswfl@amail.com or call (941) 800 - 3461



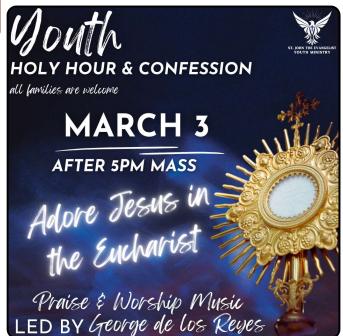
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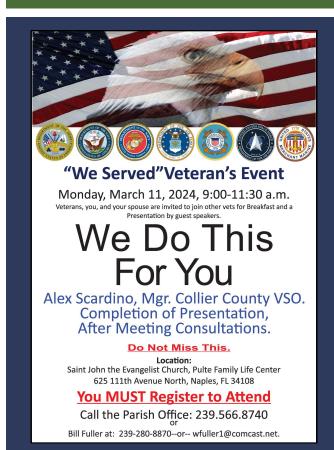
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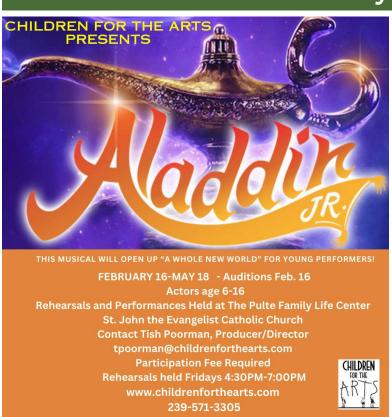








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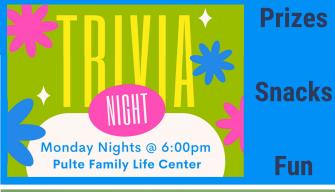






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AT THE PULTE LIFE CENTER COURTS



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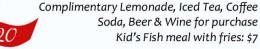
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The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual drive to support charities for the handicapped and intellectually disabled on the weekend of March 9 and 10. This is known as the Tootsie Roll Drive and 100% of all donations are distributed to charities such as Special Olympics of Collier County and the STARability Foundation.

We thank the parishioners of St. John The Evangelist for your generosity in past campaigns. Thank you for your support!





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