

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST Catholic Church

The Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024



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

Administrative Staff

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marypat@sjecc.com

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Briana Billanti: servers@sjecc.com

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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.

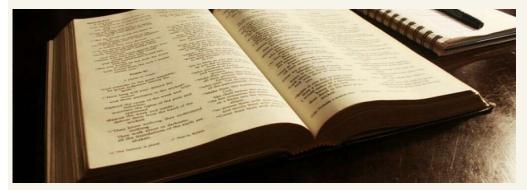
Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements: Call the parish office. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024



Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1,

6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn

7:40-53 /Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9, 2024			Requested By
8:00 AM	+	Ann Harper	Stephanie and Dan Tamulevich
Vigil Masses for Sunday			
3:00 PM	+	Mary and George Waddell	Terri and Anthony King
5:00 PM	+	Virginia Mary Bonness	St. John's Sacristans
<u>Sunday, March 10, 2024</u>			Requested By
7:00 AM	+	John Barry and Harold Lehay	Betty Barry
9:00 AM	+	Kathy Stanton	Branko Beronja
11:00 AM	SI	For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM	+	Janet Hans	John and Julie English
5:00 PM	+	Len Mrachek	St. John's Choir
Wine and Host	+	Peter Lawson	Kerri Farley
Monday, March 11, 2024			Requested By
8:30 AM	+	Armand Maran	Laura and Mark Maran
5:30 PM	+	Marian Brooks	The Michitsch Family
Tuesday, March 12, 2024			Requested By
8:30 AM	+	Joseph Kelly	Denise Guilbert
5:30 PM	+	Elias Deeb	Kathleen Brown
Wednesday, March 13, 2024			Requested By
8:30 AM	+	Deceased members of the Mundo and O'Sullivan Families	Jim and Geri Jostes
5:30 PM	+	John J. Connors	Anne and Fred Michaels
Thursday, March 14, 2024			Requested By
8:30 AM	+	Edwin Pfaff	Jacquie Brodeur
5:30 PM	+	Joseph N. Resha, Jr.	Janice and Eric Bartholomae
Friday, March 15, 2024			Requested By
8:30 AM	+	Ramy Garrido	Elida Gil
5:30 PM	+	Randal Jon Lyons	George and Laurie Pfotenhauer
Saturday, March 16, 2024			Requested By
8:00 AM	+	Sara Suter	EME
(Vigil Masses for Sunday	v)		
3:00 PM	+	Mary and George Waddell	Terri and Anthony King
5:00 PM	+	Lambert and Louise Abell	Kathy and Bob Sims
<u>Sunday, March 17, 2024</u>			Requested By
7:00 AM	+	Mary and James Conley	Conley Family
9:00 AM	+	Neil Joseph Montello	Kathryn and Vincent Corbino
11:00 AM	+	Ed McCarthy	Jane McCarthy
1:00 PM	SI	For Our Parishioners	
5:00 PM	+	Gloria and Edward Schroeder	Kevin and Patrice Beach
Wine and Host	SI	George Stash	Patricia Vail

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Weekly Calendar / Gift Shop

Sunday, March 10

7:00am Mass (Church) 9:00am Mass (Church) 11:00am Mass(Church)

12:00pm Family St. Patrick's Day Party (Cafe)

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

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

Monday, March 11

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

9:00am We Served Breakfast (Ballroom)

5:30pm Daily Mass (Church) 6:00pm OCIA (Claussen) 6:00pm Trivia (Cafe)

Tuesday, March 12

8:30am Daily Mass (Church) 9:30am Grief Support (Claussen)

9:30am As We Forgive Those (Nazareth)10:00am Knitting & Crocheting (PLC)12:00pm Ephesians, Session 2 (Nazareth)

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

Wednesday, March 13

8:30am Mass (Church)

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

5:30pm Mass (Church)

Thursday, March 14

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

9:30am MADE FOR MORE – One-Time Follow-Up

Q&A with Fr. Nick (Nazareth

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

5:30pm Daily Mass (Church)

Friday, March 15

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)

7:00pm Paradise Coastmen Concert (Gym)

Saturday, March 16

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

6:00pm St. Joseph Feast Dinner (Ballroom)

ST. JOHN'S GIFT SHOP

Come see our selection of beautiful

St. Patrick's Day and Easter Merchandise!

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



Giving

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

DONATE THE EASY WAY WITH ONLINE GIVING

Your weekly contributions to St. John the Evangelist help us in our continued efforts to bring Christ to our parishioners and the community and to make a difference in the lives of so many. Scan below to get started.

If you need assistance, have questions, or need to make changes to an existing reoccurring donation, please call Karen Beebe 239.566.8740.



Scan Here

DONATION REMINDERS

Please review the guidelines below to help streamline the counting process for our volunteers.

Offertory

Our collections are taken at the end of Mass at all exits of the Church. We ask that you use your weekly envelope OT write your envelope number on the memo line of your check. Make the check payable to **St. John the Evangelist.** We cannot accept checks made payable to CASH.

St. Vincent De Paul

Make check payable to St. Vincent de Paul

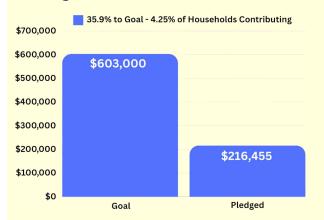
Jamaica Outreach Program

Make check payable to **JOP**



2024 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

St. John the Evangelist's 2024 CFA goal is \$603,000. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution.



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
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page

OFFERTORY

2/14/24-2/20/24 \$93,083.53

2/21/24-2/27/24 \$85,767.58

Total Households 3436



CFA Supports



The **Office of Vocations** has the primary responsibility to foster and support individuals who feel called to serve the Church as priests or members of religious communities. This is accomplished through discernment retreats, prayer, reflection, and fellowship with others on a similar journey. The Office actively collaborates with the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Catholic schools, and parishes in a joint effort to provide a nurturing environment for young people discerning a religious vocation.

The formation process of seminarians involves several years of academic study, spiritual development, hu-

man formation, and pastoral training. These studies aim to provide a solid foundation in Catholic Theology and prepare them for the responsibilities of priesthood.

Seminarians experience life as a priest by assisting a pastor in a parish, bringing communion to shut ins, visiting the elderly, and serving the youth of the Dioceses during the summer months.

Religious sisters working within the Diocese of Venice have dedicated their lives to serving God and oth-

ers through prayer, ministry, and various works of charity. They often serve as teachers, administrators, and directors of Religious Education. The sisters bring their spiritual commitment, virtues, and training to Catholic education, nurturing the

intellectual, moral, and spiritual formation of youth. Often, they are assigned to locations where they can serve the most in need.

The Permanent Diaconate Program serves to facilitate the formation of men called to the roll of Permanent Deacon. Once ordained,

these men receive pastoral care and ongoing formation.



Safe Environment & Volunteers Needed

DIOCESE OF VENICE - SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY

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 additional ministers 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.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND



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

STREAM TEAM



St. John the Evangelist's stream team brings our Daily, Sunday, and Funeral Masses to those who are unable to attend in person. This important ministry is looking for new members. No experience necessary, but a comfort level and familiarity with technology is preferred. If you would like more information, please contact Colleen Donnelly, colleen@sjecc.com

Ministries and Groups

Arimatheans. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Please contact the Main Office 239.566.8740

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group – Every Wednesday from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Rosemary Erickson: 239.250.0432

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina – Mondays at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. Kathleen Dunne: kadunne61@aol.com, 901.574.2947

Faith Chat - Faith Chat will resume meeting March 21st at 9:30. We will be discussing the Book of Tobias in the Old Testament. We will enjoy coffee and snacks and discuss what we will study in upcoming weeks. Bring some ideas! For more information contact Lee Pinto at 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

Prayer List

We pray that those on our prayer list find hope, healing, and health.

Hugh Andrews Barbara Barber

Sara Boettcher

Candice

Bob Capicchioni

Kathleen Crotter

Kathy Davidson

Dolores DeMiglio

John Eddy

John and Monica Ellis

Darlene Follese

Ron Fongemie

Lester Fuller

Barbara Fuller

Kathy Gallucci

Mary Jane Gibley

Makayla Hall

Kathy Hower

Dennis Killian

Tracey Kirk

Mary Langdon

Lisa Marie Turner

Teresa Lozano

Karen Madigan

Ruth Martin

Barbara McDonald Thomas Joseph McLoughlin

Orville Middendorf

Eileen Miner

Joyce Morrissey

Tom Nell

Barbara O'Leary

Wyatt Olenn

Eric Parker

Donald Payne

Wiesia Petroske

Tom Petroske

Amy Pine

Anna Polley

Trisha Reed

Romilda Bryden

Steve Savory

Catherine Schmacht

Norma J. Spiggle

Christopher Suki

Natalie Williams

Jimmy Wise



RECENTLY **DECEASED**

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

Patricia Benisch, Thomas Zboril



BOOK

NEW MASS The Mass Book for 2025 will open on March 18. If you would like to request a Mass, please visit our Main Office during regular business hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00

If you would like to add a name to either of our prayer lists or delete a name, please contact our Main Office 239.566.8740. Names will stay on our prayer list for a period of six months.

Prayer Lists

MILITARY PRAYER LIST



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. We also give our sincere appreciation to all veterans who have served their country. Amen.

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

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



Divine Mercy



Divine Mercy Sunday

What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the second Sunday of Easter. It is based upon the private revelations given to **Saint Faustina Kowalska**, in which Christ recommended a particular devotion to His Divine Mercy.

Who is St. Faustina?

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament was born in Poland on Aug. 25, 1905. She died on Oct. 5, 1938, after being chosen by Jesus to become the apostle of the Divine Mercy. She was canonized by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, as the first saint of the new millennium. Her feast day is Oct. 5.

Is Divine Mercy Sunday approved by the church? Yes, Divine Mercy Sunday is officially approved the Church. A decree by the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, promulgated it on May 5, 2000.

St. Faustina's Diary contains many passages in which Our Lord Jesus is quoted as requesting that a <u>"Feast of Mercy"</u> be officially established in the Church. In the diary Jesus declared:

Divine Mercy

"This Feast emerged from the very depths of my mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of My tender mercies ... It is My desire that the Feast of Mercy be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on that day shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment due".

What is the Divine Mercy Chaplet?

A chaplet is a form of prayer, the usual five-decade Rosary is also considered a chaplet, other chaplets often have fewer beads and decades than a traditional rosary and use a different set of prayers. A chaplet can be used as a novena or to highlight special days and special seasons. Its purpose is to initiate a devotion. **The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy** is a set of prayers that includes the use of the traditional five-decade Rosary with specific prayers.

What is the Image of the Divine Mercy?

Jesus described to St. Faustina how his divine mercy image should look. Faustina wrote that on the night of Sunday, Feb. 22, 1931, while she was in her cell in Plock, Poland, Jesus appeared wearing a white garment with red and pale rays emanating from his heart. According to her diary, Jesus told her:

"paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You' [in Polish: "Jezu, ufam Tobie"]. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and then throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."

On April 7th, 2024, We invite you to the Recitation of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 2:30 pm then Holy Mass, and the Veneration of both the Divine Mercy Image and a First Class Relic of Saint Faustina.

Reminder Confessions are on Saturday at 8:30 am and 2pm

For more information Visit:

https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/image

Prayers

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria (Glory to God in the Highest)

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Communion Prayer

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Ukraine Prayer

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. Amen

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living, and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

The Prayer of Divine Mercy

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



Readings

Reading I 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled."

In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing:

"Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Responsorial Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion. On the aspens of that land we hung up our harps.

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

For there our captors asked of us the lyrics of our songs, And our despoilers urged us to be joyous: "Sing for us the songs of Zion!"

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! How could we sing a song of the LORD in a foreign land? If I forget you, Jerusalem, may my right hand be forgotten!

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

May my tongue cleave to my palate if I remember you not, If I place not Jerusalem ahead of my joy.

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Reading II Eph 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

Verse Before the Gospel Jn 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Gospel Jn 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,

Readings

but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people

preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

Lenten Schedule & Programs

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



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

Holy Saturday

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

Easter Sunday

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



EASTER OFFICE HOURS

In observance of Easter, our Main Office will be closed on Friday, March 29, 2024 (Good Friday) and Monday, April 1, 2024 (Easter Monday).

Gospel Reflection with Fr. Tom

St. John says, "Whoever does what is true [good], comes into the light." Coming to the light is conditional on doing the truth. It's not one who speculates about the truth but the one who does the truth who comes to the light. The shortest journey to the light is by doing the good. But we don't always act like this in practice.

Normally what we do is we try to achieve a state of inner peace, and then do the peaceful deed. We try to attain a state of joy and gratitude, and then do the joyful and grateful thing. But often we have to do the opposite. We have to perform a peaceful act in order to achieve inner peace. We have to do the joyful or grateful deed in order to experience inner joy and gratitude. In the same way, if we are in darkness, and we do the good deed, then most certainly the light will shine for us. The following true story beautifully illustrates this.

In the Lithuanian city of Kovno there lived a Jewish professor. Though he had been an agnostic all his life, the professor began to be more and more troubled by the sad, neglected condition of the Jewish graveyard in the city. Since the holocaust of Jews by the Nazis and the harassment of them by the Soviets, no one had taken care of their graves. So, out of the goodness of his heart, the professor himself decided to do so.

Whether or not he was aware that tending graves is a mitzvah, that is, a traditional good deed, we do not know. In any case, the good man acquired a spade, a sickle and a shears, and began the job of making the graveyard worthy of those buried in it. At first he was on his own, but as the weeks went by other Jews joined him in the work. Most of these were once observant Jews but had become agnostics like the professor. Eventually there were some two hundred of them, all doing the true thing. As they worked a beautiful thing happened. Their Jewish faith came alight in them. Practically all of them became observant Jews once more.

Anyone who does wrong, hates the light and avoids it. But those who do good, love the light and come out into it. How many of our deeds are done in the light? How many of them could bare the scrutiny of the light?

We have to accept that there is darkness in our lives and in our world. We have to recognize that darkness and learn how to live in relationship with it. It is futile to wait for the darkness to go away. We wish it would. But we have to accept that it is here, and will always be here.

What we mustn't do is call the darkness light. When we do that we get trapped by it. When we call it darkness we can learn how to live so that the darkness does not overcome us. When everything is permissible we have failed to distinguish between light and dark.

People who have come to know the love and joy of God do not deny the darkness, but they choose not to live in it. They trust in the light that shines in the darkness, and know that a little light can dispel a lot of darkness. And the light of Christ is such that no darkness can overpower it. If we do the good thing, then the light will shine for us.

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.



Opening Hymn: I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 137 - Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget You.

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

Gifts: Amazing Grace

Sanctus XVIII

Save Us, Savior of the World

Agnus Dei XVIII

Communion Hymns: Only This I Want, You Alone Closing Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



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Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget You



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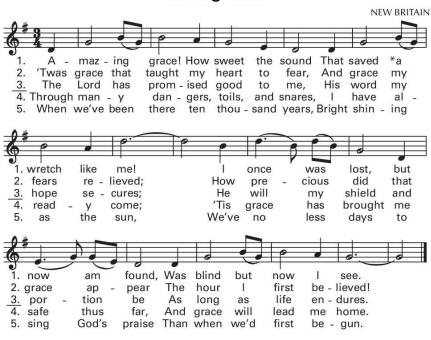
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Lenten Gospel Acclamation



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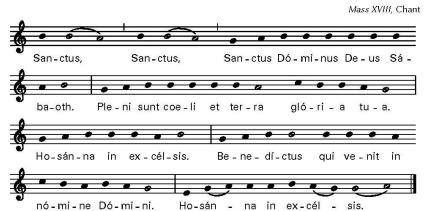
Amazing Grace



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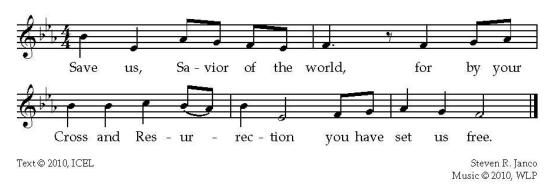
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Sanctus XVIII



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Save Us, Savior of the World



Agnus Dei XVIII



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Only This I Want





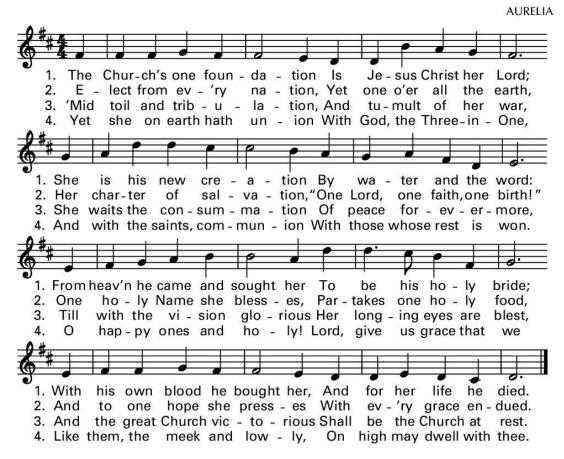
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The Church's One Foundation



Text: 76 76 D; Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900. Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876.

Music for 5:00pm Sunday Mass

Forty Days and Forty Nights

Forty days and forty nights You were fasting in the wild Forty days and forty nights tempted and yet undefiled

Shall not we thy sorrow share And from worldly joys abstain Fasting with unceasing prayer Glad with thee to suffer pain? Then, if Satan on us press Flesh or spirit to assail Victor in the wilderness Grant we may not faint nor fail

Keep, or keep us, Savior dear, Ever constant at thy side That with thee we may appear At the eternal Easter tide

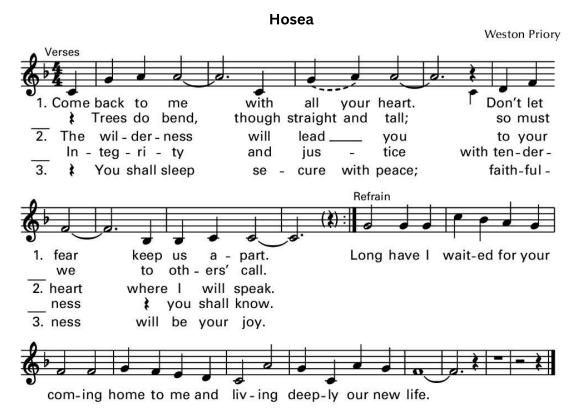


Music for 5:00pm Sunday Mass

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom



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My Tongue, the Savior's Glory

Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, Of his flesh the myst'ry sing: Of the Blood, all price exceeding, Shed by our immortal King, Destined for the world's redemption, From a noble womb to spring. Of a pure and spotless virgin Born for us on earth below, He, as man, with us conversing, Stayed, the seeds of truth to sow; Then he closed in solemn order Wondrously his life of woe.

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!

VBS SCUBA: Diving Into Friendship With God

Save the Dates:

June 3rd-7th - 9:00-12:00PM

Volunteer applications for VBS Camp Counselors are now OPEN! Please register using the QR code:









Registration for Campers opens on April 1st. More information to come soon!

This Week in Faith Formation:

Sunday, March 10th

Spring Break – No Faith Formation This Week

Wednesday, March 13th

Spring Break – NO Faith Formation This Week

Mrs. Paula's Class Visits the Adoration Chapel to Pray

We are so blessed to have such a beautiful Adoration Chapel where we can all come to pray and spend quiet time with Jesus.



Adult Faith Formation

MADE FOR MORE - One-Time Follow-Up Q&A with Fr. Nick - Thursday, March 14



We are most grateful for Fr. Nick and the wonderful 8- Week study he led this winter leading up to our Made For More Event with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. Fr. Nick will meet with us one more time to answer some of our questions about Theology of the Body and our Made for More event. This will take place in the Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Life Cetner from 9:30AM-11:00AM. Coffee and treats. Walk-ins welcome.

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance 8-Week Bible Study with Sue Hamilton continues – March 12th – 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.

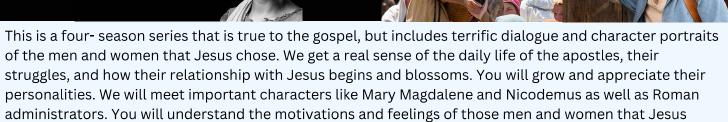
Please Register at aff@sjecc.com to attend and reference "Forgiveness and Boundaries" in the email.

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

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 resume this week with Season, 1, Episode 7, "Reckoning."

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

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

Tuesday, March 12th- Presentation by Dr. Mariette Danillo – 9:30-11:00AM Nazareth Room of the Pulte Center

Tuesday, March 12th - Ephesians- Session 3- Nazareth Room of the Pulte Center - 12:00-1:30PM

Wednesday, March 13th - THE CHOSEN – 9:30-10:45AM Nazareth Room – Season 1, Episode 7.

Thursday, March 14th – Week 5: Bible Study with Dee Schwartz-Thursdays in Lent – 1:30PM-3:00PM-Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Friday, March 15th - Week 5: Lenten Pilgrimage with Teddy Sitter - 9:30-10:45AM - Library of the Claussen Center

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...

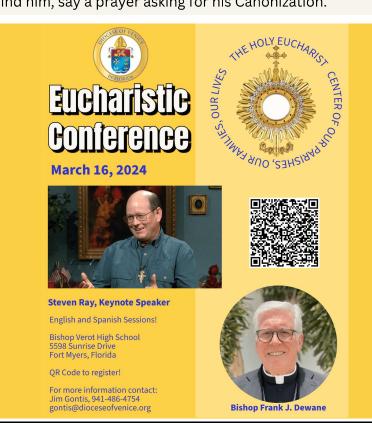
I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus, in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother, and in the intervention of Your Blessed Carlo Acutis. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

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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

Join our Respect Life Team Prayer Vigil

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.





Join us for the

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

St. Williams Church, Naples

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





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

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





LET HER KNOW SHE'S NOT ALONE



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



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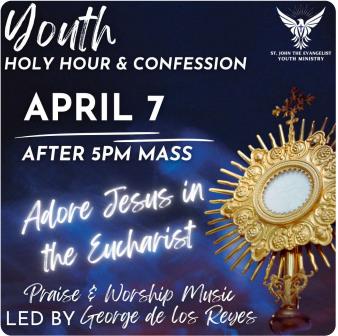
Join local and national Pro-Life leaders and advocates for the 2nd Annual Naples Summit, Wednesday, March 20 through Friday, March 22, in Naples, (New Hope Church). The first day, March 20 includes an excursion and meet-up opportunities. March 21 includes trainings and panel discussions on a wide range of important topics from Sidewalk Advocacy to legal trends and so called lawfare against pro-lifers. Additional activities include: a sneak peek for Abby Johnson's new movie, Unthinkable; a legal panel presented by Thomas More Society; a maternity home visit; and tour a mobile pregnancy unit. Network with leaders and advocates at this end annual Naples Summit! There is also an expo and lunch events planned. Space is limited. Register and learn more at www.NaplesSummit.com.

Youth Ministry / Events









"THE WORLD OFFERS YOU COMFORT, BUT YOU WERE NOT MADE FOR COMFORT. YOU WERE MADE FOR GREATNESS."

- POPE BENEDICT XVI -

In Our Diocese & Community







Plan to attend this joint event between Faith and Ale and Faith and Wine, 6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 21 at St. John XXIII Catholic Church Parish Life Center, 13060 Palomino Lane, Fort Myers. The guest speaker is Father Larry Richards, EWTN radio host, author and pastor in Erie, Pa., who will speak on "Living Easter Joy." Tickets are limited and will not be available at the door. The cost is \$25 and includes wine, beer, and heavy appetizers. Register at faithandale.com/.... Ticket sales end March 18.



Cabrini, a new film by the director of Sound of Freedom, Alejandro Monteverde, tells the true story of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini, after witnessing disease and poverty in the slums of New York, embarks on a daring journey to persuade the hostile mayor to provide housing and healthcare for hundreds of orphaned children, and ultimately succeeds in building "an empire of hope." The film has been described as "uncompromising in its Catholicism" by reviewers. It will be released Friday, March 8, International Women's Day.

Events & Programs

St Patrick's Day Celebration

at St John the Evangelist Sunday, March 17th

1pm Mass – St. Patrick's Day Mass

Hymns, Prayers and Bagpipe music

2pm Celebration - in the Ballroom Music! Fun!

Irish Coffee & Desserts!

In Support of

Our St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations Much Appreciated



Lenten

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Osprey proudly announces their Parish Lenten retreat will feature Retreat international speaker and musician Jimmy Mitchell. The theme is

Wounded by Love: Understanding Salvation from Creation to the Cross. This retreat is 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 23, and will be held at the Epiphany Cathedral Parish Hall, 310 Sarasota St., Venice. Tickets are \$35 per person. Please contact Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish for more details at 941-966-0807.

CIEMONS

A SACRED MUSIC CONCERT



WHERE: ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

TIME: 7 PM - 8 PM

COST: FREE ADMISSION (DONATIONS ACCEPTED TO HELP MAKE THIS EVENT POSSIBLE)

Domine Clemons, a cantor at St. John the Evangelist, embarks on a

and Ming Gao, Associate Concertmaster of the Naples Philharmonic,

REGISTER HERE:

www.domineclemons.com/events





Pulte Family Life Center

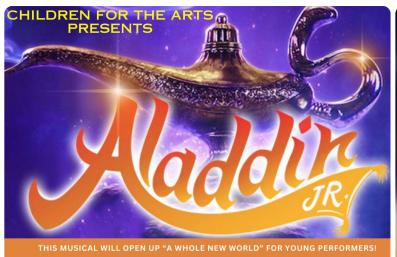








Pulte Family Life Center



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









St. John Council 11281 Knights of Columbus





Every Friday through Lent

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



4:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Eat on Site or Drive Up and Take Out

BAKED or FRIED COD - includes 4 delicious sides PLUS dessert! Kid's fish meal only \$7 Wine/beer available for purchase.

Proceeds benefit numerous local charities.

THIS WEEKEND!

Tootsie Roll Drive!



This year's Tootsie Roll drive will be held on March 9 and 10. Support charities for the handicapped and intellectually disabled. 100% of all donations are distributed to charities such as Special Olympics of Collier County and the STARability Foundation.

Look for the yellow vests after all masses!



MARCH 12th 8am to noon





Sign up for an arrival time -Call Bernie McLoughlin at 203-213-1580 or bernardmc1248@aol.com



2nd Annual
Catholic Education
Tuition Assistance
Golf Scramble

May 4th, Cypress Woods Country Club \$150 per golfer - includes luncheon

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March 15