

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church-Naples



The Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Nativity of the Lord



The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

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.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Mass Responses and Prayers

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting:

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: The Lord be with you. *(or another greeting)*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Penitential Act (Confiteor and/or Kyrie):

A) All: **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.**

B) Priest: Lord, have mercy. People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Christ, have mercy. People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy. People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria (an ancient hymn of praise):

All: **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.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Response after the First and Second Readings:

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

Dialogue before the Gospel Proclamation:

Cantor: Alleluia! *(sung)* People: **Alleluia!**

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ____.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel Proclamation:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed; or the Apostles Creed may also be recited):

**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.**

Universal Prayer / Prayer of the Faithful:

Lector: ...let us pray to the Lord. People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Table / Presentation of the Gifts (first part may be done silently):

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness... (2x)

People: **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

Acclamations during the Eucharistic Prayer:

Preface Dialogue:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. People: **It is right and just.**

Sanctus:

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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Mystery of Faith:

Priest: The mystery of faith:

People: A – **We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**
B – **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.**
C – **Save us, Savior of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.**

Great Amen:

Priest: Through him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.** (*may be sung more than once*)

COMMUNION RITE

Lord's Prayer:

All: **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.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,...

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**

Sign of Peace:

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. All: **And with your spirit.**

Breaking of the Bread:

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

Preparation for Communion:

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

Reception of Communion:

Minister: The Body of Christ. Communicant: **Amen.**

Minister: The Blood of Christ. Communicant: **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITE

Blessing & Dismissal:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Go in peace. (*or another longer formulation*)

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading I

Mi 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD: You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel; whose origin is from of old, from ancient times. Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time when she who is to give birth has borne, and the rest of his kindred shall return to the children of Israel. He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock by the strength of the LORD, in the majestic name of the LORD, his God; and they shall remain, for now his greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth; he shall be peace.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
Rouse your power, and come to save us.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Reading II

Heb 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters: When Christ came into the world, he said:

"Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight. Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, behold, I come to do your will, O God.'"

First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in."

These are offered according to the law. Then he says, Behold, I come to do your will."

He takes away the first to establish the second.

By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Alleluia

Lk 1:38

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 1:39-45


Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

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Immaculate Mary

LOURDES HYMN

Verses



1. Im - mac - u - late Ma - ry, your prais - es we sing. You
2. In heav - en the bless - ed your glo - ry pro - claim; On
3. We pray for our Moth - er, the Church up - on earth, And

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1. reign now in heav - en with Je - sus our King.
2. earth we your chil - dren in - voke your fair name.
3. bless, Ho - ly Ma - ry, the land of our birth.

Refrain
A - ve, A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a! A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a!

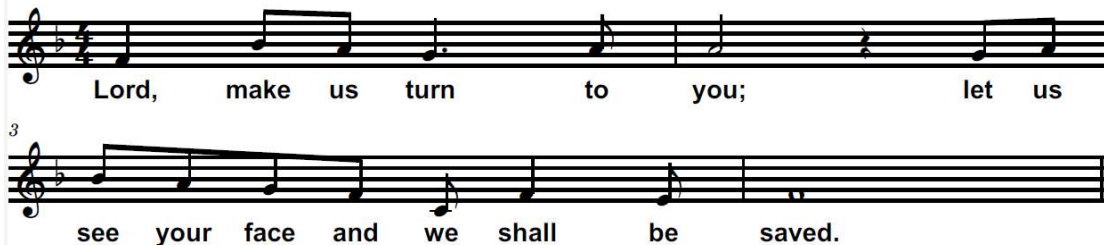
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Lord, Make us Turn to You

(Psalm 80)

(Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19)

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Lord, make us turn to you; let us
see your face and we shall be saved.

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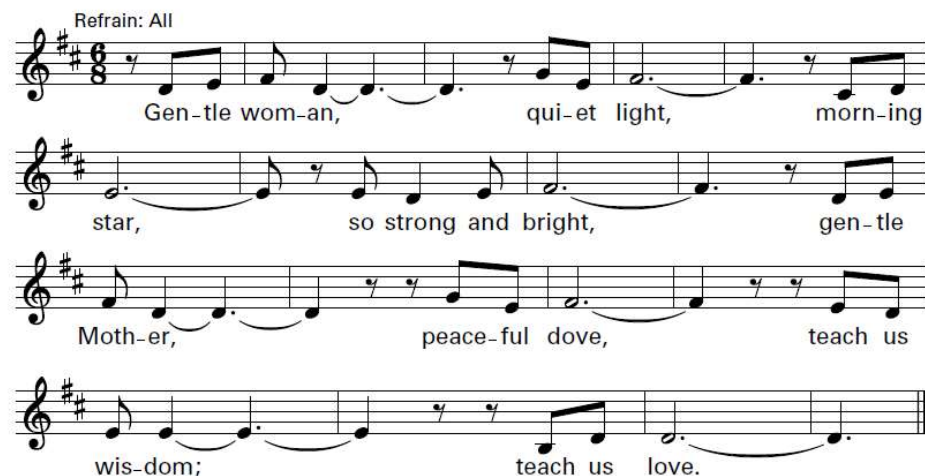
Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Carey Landry

Intro: Cantor

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and
blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death. Amen.

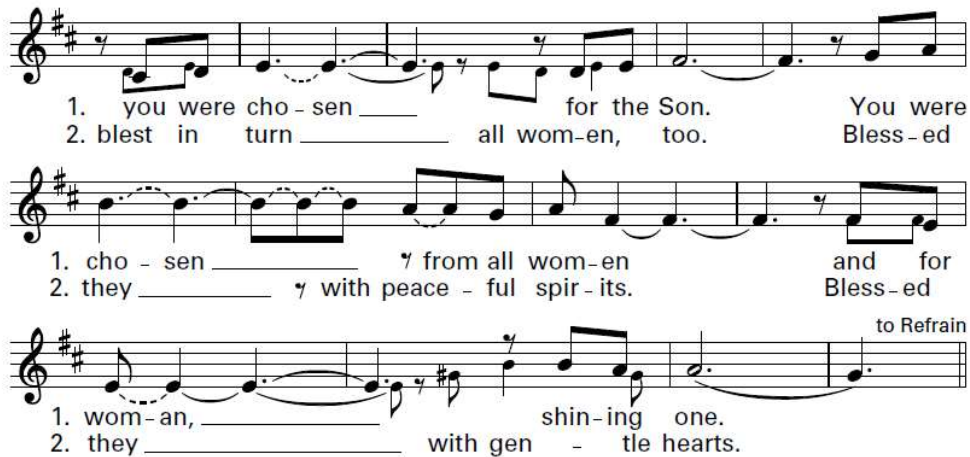


Refrain: All
Gen-tle wom-an, qui-et light, morn-ing
star, so strong and bright, gen-tle
Moth-er, peace-ful dove, teach us
wis-dom; teach us love.



Verses: All
1. You were cho - sen by the Fa-ther;
2. Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en,

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1. you were cho - sen _____ for the Son. You were
2. blest in turn _____ all wom-en, too. Bless-ed

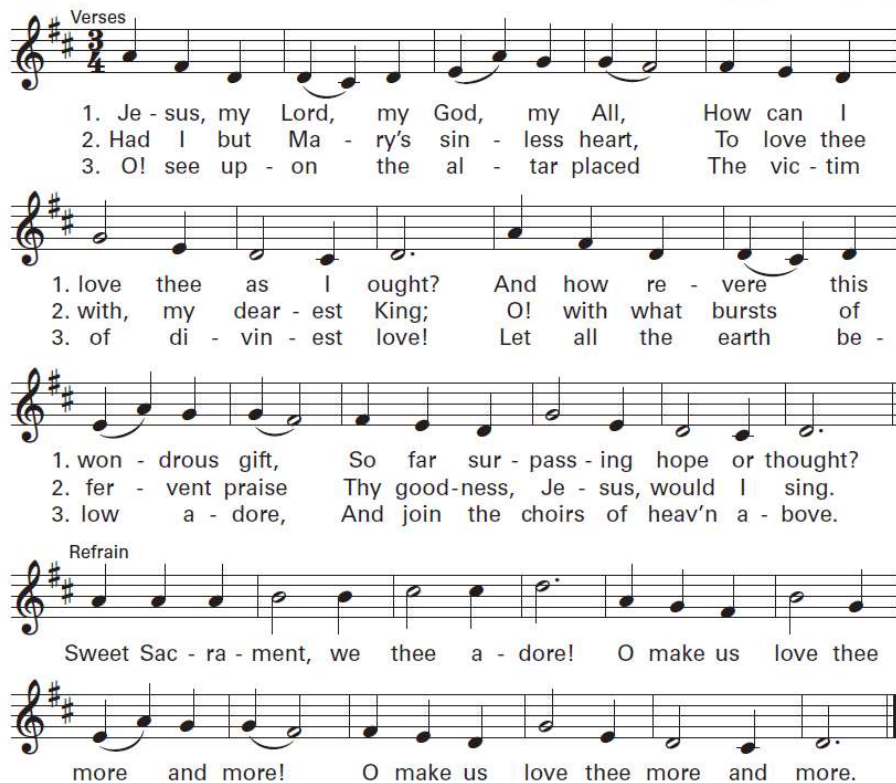
1. cho - sen _____ ♪ from all wom-en and for
2. they _____ ♪ with peace - ful spir - its. Bless-ed

1. wom-an, _____ shin-ing one. to Refrain
2. they _____ with gen - tle hearts.

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Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

SWEET SACRAMENT



Verses

1. Je - sus, my Lord, my God, my All, How can I
2. Had I but Ma - ry's sin - less heart, To love thee
3. O! see up - on the al - tar placed The vic - tim

1. love thee as I ought? And how re - vere this
2. with, my dear - est King; O! with what bursts of
3. of di - vin - est love! Let all the earth be -

1. won - drous gift, So far sur - pass - ing hope or thought?
2. fer - vent praise Thy good-ness, Je - sus, would I sing.
3. low a - dore, And join the choirs of heav'n a - bove.

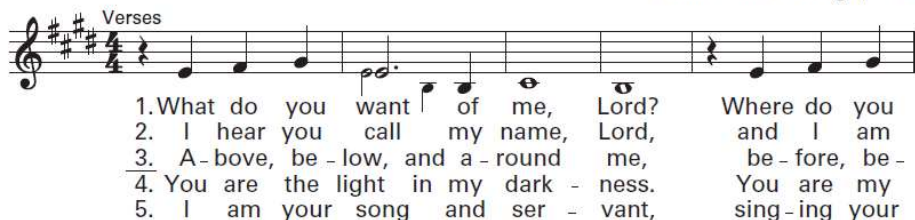
Refrain

Sweet Sac - ra - ment, we thee a - dore! O make us love thee
more and more! O make us love thee more and more.

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Servant Song

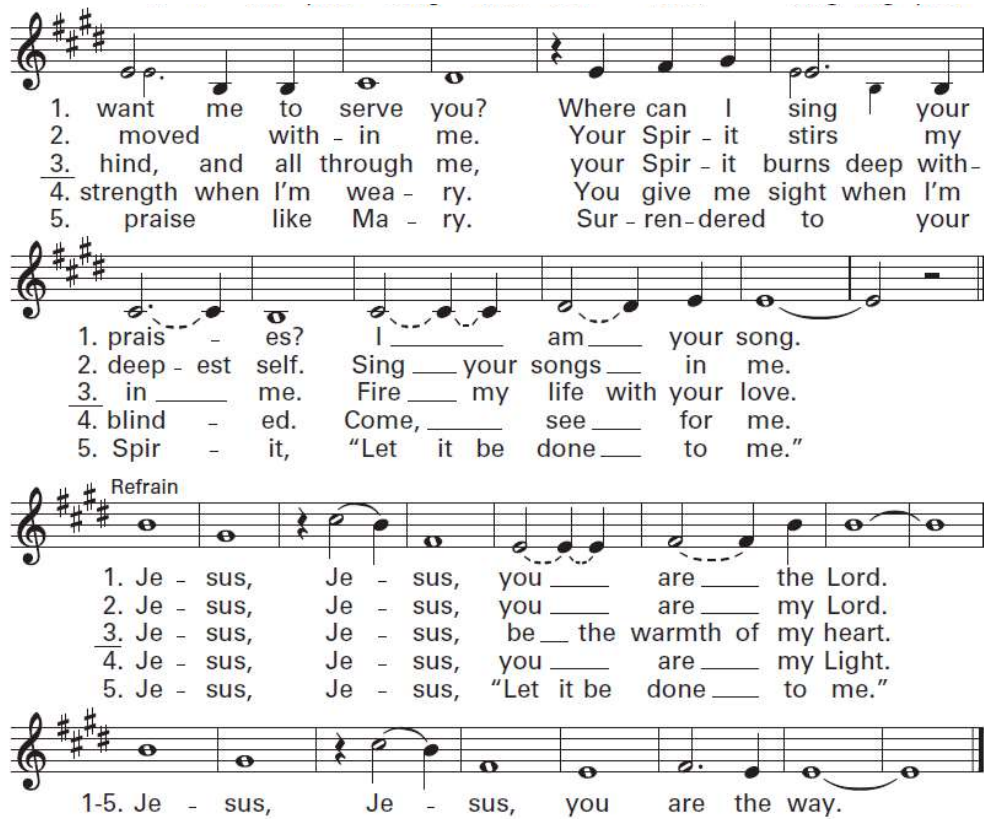
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Verses

1. What do you want of me, Lord? Where do you
2. I hear you call my name, Lord, and I am
3. A - bove, be - low, and a - round me, be - fore, be -
4. You are the light in my dark - ness. You are my
5. I am your song and ser - vant, sing - ing your

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1. want me to serve you? Where can I sing your
 2. moved with - in me. Your Spir - it stirs my
 3. hind, and all through me, your Spir - it burns deep with -
 4. strength when I'm wea - ry. You give me sight when I'm
 5. praise like Ma - ry. Sur - ren - dered to your

1. prais - es? I am your song.
 2. deep - est self. Sing your songs in me.
 3. in me. Fire my life with your love.
 4. blind - ed. Come, see for me.
 5. Spir - it, "Let it be done to me."

Refrain
 1. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are the Lord.
 2. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are my Lord.
 3. Je - sus, Je - sus, be the warmth of my heart.
 4. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are my Light.
 5. Je - sus, Je - sus, "Let it be done to me."

1-5. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are the way.

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Soon and Very Soon

SOON AND VERY SOON



1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy - ing there, We are going to see the King;

1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy - ing there, We are going to see the King;

1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy - ing there, We are going to see the King; } Hal-le-

1-3. lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! We're going to see the King.

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Fr. Tom's Gospel Reflection



The appearance of the crib in our churches is a sure sign that Christmas is near. Once there was a parish which had a beautiful crib. The parishioners were very proud of it.

Mary was depicted as a handsome young maiden with snow-white hands. Joseph was a strong man with a serene expression on his face. The smiling child had the face of an angel. The shepherds were dressed in the garb of gentlemen. The background consisted of low hills with a gorgeous castle perched on the summit of one of them. The star-strewn sky completed the idyllic picture.

Then a new parish priest was appointed to the parish. One of the first things he did was to change the crib. Mary and Joseph and the infant Jesus were now not as perfect. As were the shepherds. The backdrop consisted of a shanty town with row after row of impoverished shacks. The whole scene spoke of poverty. The devout parishioners took an instant dislike to it. They insisted that their traditional crib be put back.

When we look at the crib, everything seems so pretty, so peaceful, so orderly. Not a cry is heard from the child, not a sound from the donkey or the oxen, not a smell of any kind. The straw is clean. The colored but subdued lights add a surreal quality to the whole scene. With our inward ear we hear the singing of the angels, and with our inward eye we see the star which led the Magi to Bethlehem.

This is pretty, and we may want to believe it. But we know it's not real. It's not true. It's a false picture. Everything wasn't as neat and tidy and pretty as that. The first Christmas was as full of hurry and worry as our Christmas is. It was full of uncertainty, disappointment, and fear. It was no picnic for Mary and Joseph. It was more like an ordeal, perhaps even a nightmare.

They had just completed a long journey. They arrived in Bethlehem poor, unknown, and without influence of any kind. They were unable to find accommodations. When the time came for Mary to give birth to Jesus, there were no doctors or nurses on standby.

It's easy to move away from the poverty of the original crib. We have a tendency to pretty up the Christmas story. But in doing that we remove it from us. We empty it of much of the meaning it carries for us.

It was St Francis of Assisi who assembled the first crib in a cave on an Italian hillside in the year 1223. His aim was to make the Christmas story come alive for the people of the locality. His idea was to show them how close it was to them and their lives.

And it seems that he succeeded. On Christmas eve the friars and the people assembled with candles and torches around the crib. Francis spoke to the people, who were mostly farmers and shepherds, about God's Son coming among us to teach us that we too are children of God, and that as such we have an eternal destiny.

The shepherds and farmers got the message: God had time for simple folks like them. At the end of the vigil they all returned to their homes, full of peace and joy, feeling very close to God and to one another. Hopefully, the same will be true for us!

Readings for The Nativity of the Lord Vigil Mass

Reading I

Is 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch. Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God. No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused." For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant:
Forever will I confirm your posterity
and establish your throne for all generations.

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Blessed the people who know the joyful shout;
in the light of your countenance, O LORD,
they walk. At your name they rejoice all the day,
and through your justice they are exalted.

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

He shall say of me, "You are my father,
my God, the rock, my savior."
Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him,
and my covenant with him stands firm.

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Reading II

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue, he stood up, motioned with his hand, and said, "Fellow Israelites and you others who are God-fearing, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and exalted the people during their sojourn in the land of Egypt. With uplifted arm he led them out of it. Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king; of him he testified, 'I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my

own heart; he will carry out my every wish.'

From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel; and as John was completing his course, he would say, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.'"

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed:

the Savior of the world will reign over us.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."

When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.



Readings for The Nativity of the Lord Mass at Midnight

Reading I

Is 9:1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.
Announce his salvation, day after day.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice;
let the sea and what fills it resound;
let the plains be joyful and all that is in them!
Then shall all the trees of the forest exult.

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes;
for he comes to rule the earth.
He shall rule the world with justice
and the peoples with his constancy.

R. Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

Reading II

Ti 2:11-14

Beloved:
The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly

desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

Alleluia

Lk 2:10-11

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I proclaim to you good news of great joy:
today a Savior is born for us,
Christ the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



Readings for The Nativity of the Lord Mass During the Day

Reading I

Is 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!" Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
his right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

The LORD has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;
break into song; sing praise.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn
sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Reading II

Heb 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets;

in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say: You are my son; this day I have begotten you? Or again: I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A holy day has dawned upon us.

Come, you nations, and adore the Lord.

For today a great light has come upon the earth.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying,

Readings for The Nativity of the Lord Mass During the Day

"This was he of whom I said,
'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of
me because he existed before me.'
From his fullness we have all received,
grace in place of grace, because while the law

was given through Moses, grace and truth came
through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God.
The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side,
has revealed him.

Music for The Nativity of the Lord

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

Verses

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
3. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,
4. Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes, Ve -

1. come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
3. Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;
4. ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.

1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
4. Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -

come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!
ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mí - num.

Text: Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, ca. 1711-1786;
tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, alt. Music: John F. Wade.

Forever I Will Sing the Goodness of the Lord

(Psalm 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29)

(Psalm 89)

Francesca LaRosa

For ev - er I will sing the good - ness, the

good - ness of the Lord. For ev - er I will sing the

good - ness, the good - ness of the Lord.

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Music for The Nativity of the Lord

Today is Born Our Savior (Psalm 96)

REFRAIN



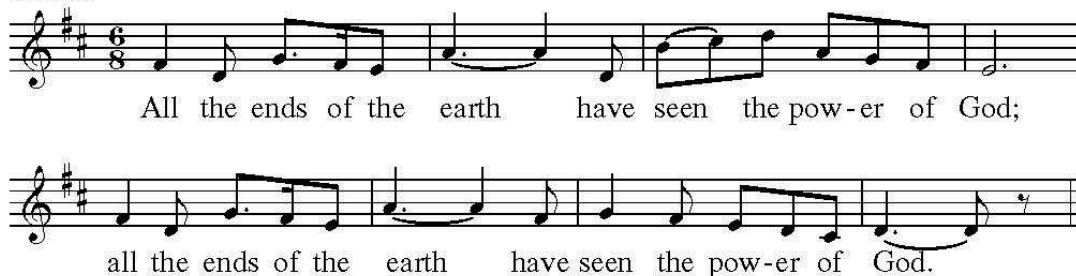
1. Sing, O sing brand new melodies.
Raise your voices, shout for joy.
All creation sings a new song:
Glory! Alleluia!
2. Day by day, sing salvation.
Tell all nations: great is our God.
All you people, join in the song:
Glory! Alleluia!
3. Let the heavens rejoice and the whole world be glad.
Let the sea and its creatures thunder with praise. Alleluia!
4. God is here, alleluia!
Truth and justice, light for the world—
all God's people, singing as one:
Glory! Alleluia!

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All the Ends of the Earth (Psalm 98)

Refrain



Music for The Nativity of the Lord

Verses

1. Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done wondrous deeds;
whose right hand has won the vict'ry for us, God's holy arm.
2. The Lord has made salvation known, and justice revealed to all,
remembering kindness and faithfulness to Israel.
3. All of the ends of earth have seen salvation by our God.
Joyfully sing out all you lands, break forth in song.
4. Sing to the Lord with harp and song, with trumpet and with horn.
Sing in your joy before the king, the king, our Lord.

Text: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; David Haas, Marty Haugen
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Angels We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

Verses



1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?
3. Come to Beth-le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man-ger laid Whom the an - gels praise a - bove;
1. *Án - ge - les can-tan-do es-tán Tan dul - cí - si - ma can-ción;*
2. *Los pas - to - res sin ce - sar Sus can - ta - res dan a Dios;*
3. *Hoy a - nun-cian con fer-vor Que ha na - ci-do el Sal - va - dor;*
4. *Oh, ve - níd pron-to a Be-lén Pa - ra con-tem-plar con fe*



1. And the moun-tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
2. Say what may the tid - ings be Which in-spire your heav'n-ly song.
3. Come, a - dore on bend-ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new-born King.
4. Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.
1. *Las mon - ta - ñas su e - co dan Co - mo fiel con - tes - ta - ción.*
2. *Cuán glo - rio - so es el can-tar De su me - lo - dí - o - sa voz.*
3. *Los mor - ta - les go - za - rán Paz y bue - na vo - lun - tad.*
4. *A Je - sús, Au - tor del bien, Al re - cién na - ci - do Rey.*

Refrain



Glo - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De-o!
Glo - ri - a a Dios en el cie-lo.



Glo - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o!
Glo - ri - a a Dios en el cie - lo.

Text: 77 77 with refrain; trad. French Carol, ca. 18th cent.; tr. fr. *Crown of Jesus Music, II*, London, 1862;
English tr. by James Chadwick, 1813-1882; Spanish tr., anon. Music: trad. French Carol.

Music for The Nativity of the Lord

Lamb of God

From the Ordinary of the Mass

Originally adapt.
Carroll Thomas Andrews, 1918–2014
Adapt. John T. Kyler

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Silent Night

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| 1. Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright Round yon Virgin Mother and child! Holy Infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace. | 2. Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. | 3. Silent night! Holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light. With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King. Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born." |
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The First Noel

THE FIRST NOWELL

Verses

1. The first No - well, the an - gel did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw a star
3. And by the light of that same star
4. This star drew nigh to the north-west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three,
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord

1. Was to cer - tain poor shep-herds in fields as they lay;
2. Shin-ing in the east, be - yond them far;
3. Three wise men came from coun - try far;
4. O'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5. Full rev - 'rent - ly up - on the knee,
6. Sing prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord;

Music for The Nativity of the Lord



1. In fields where they lay keep-ing their sheep,
 2. And to the earth it gave great light,
 3. To seek for a king was their in - tent,
 4. And there it did both stop and stay,
 5. And of - fered there, in his pres - ence,
 6. Who with the Fa - ther we a - dore

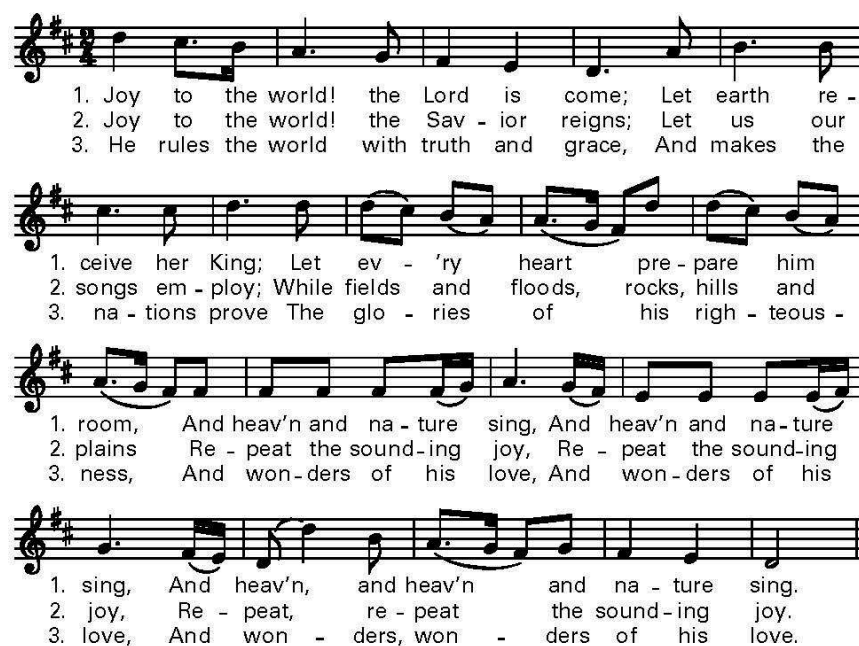
1. On a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
 2. And so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 3. And to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
 4. Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 5. Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.
 6. And Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.

Refrain
 No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,
 Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

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

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our
 3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
 3. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -

1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
 2. plains Re - peat the sound-ing joy, Re - peat the sound-ing
 3. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his

1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound-ing joy.
 3. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats; based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
 Music: T. Hawkes' *Collection of Tunes*, 1833; George Frideric Handel, 1685-1759.

Faith in Action

Jamaica Outreach Program



Hosts needed
for Jamaican choir members
Feb. 14 -Feb. 17, 2025

We are in need of host families for members of Kevin Williams' Jamaican choir who will be visiting our parish on the weekend of February 15, 2025. If you live in proximity to St John the Evangelist Church and feel you might be able to host one or two choir members, please contact Jeanne Pittman at JBStamant@gmail.com or call her at 239-248-3248. No one has ever regretted welcoming these wonderful people into their homes.

FIND CHIARA

This year, our Faith Formation Students are learning about Blessed Chiara. Each week in the bulletin, the illustrated version of Blessed Chiara is hidden. When you locate her, say a prayer for her canonization. Learn more about her selfless life; she is an amazing example for all of us.



In last week's bulletin, she was on pg. 21 in the Gift Shop ad. Hint: We carry a lot of Tiny Saints in our shop.

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Church
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families of
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FOOD 4 FAMILIES!

CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN



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During the week, bring food donations to the Main Office to be placed in our St. Vincent de Paul bins.



The office is open
Monday-Friday
8:30am-4:00pm



Please do not leave food in the Church.

Thank you for supporting those in need in our community.

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed)

Saturday: 8:30am, 3:00pm (livestreamed), 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am (livestreamed), 11:00am (livestreamed), 1:00pm, and 5:00pm

Reconciliation Times

Monday and Wednesday after morning

Mass Saturday: 9:00am and 2:00-2:45pm

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Sacraments

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 in the Church confessionals on Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass and Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00-2:45 p.m.

Christmas Mass Schedule



Tuesday, December 24

Vigil Masses

3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 12:00am

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Masses

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm

On behalf of
the Clergy
& Staff
of St. John the
Evangelist,
have a Blessed and
Happy Christmas!



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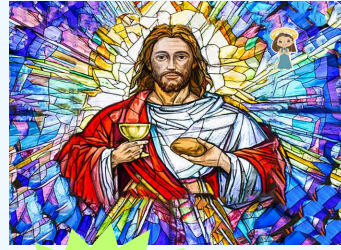
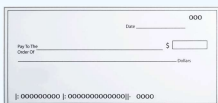
Our collections are taken at the end of Mass at all exits of the Church. We ask that you use your weekly envelope and write your envelope number on the memo line of your check. Make the check payable to **St. John the Evangelist**. *We cannot accept checks made payable to CASH.*

St. Vincent De Paul

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Jamaica Outreach Program

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126.52% to Goal

14.14% of households contributing



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OFFERTORY

11/13/24-11/19/24
\$99,196.41

11/20/24-11/26/24
\$74,283.40

Total Households
3486



Calendar and Weekly Readings

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 22

7:00am Mass (Church)
9:00am Mass (Church)
11:00am Mass (Church)
1:00pm Mass (Church)
5:00pm Mass (Church)

Monday, December 23

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm Trivia (Pulte Cafe)

Tuesday, December 24

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
3:00pm Mass (Church)
5:00pm Mass (Church)
7:00pm Mass (Church)
11:00pm Christmas Music (Church)
12:00am Midnight Mass (Church)

Wednesday, December 25

7:00am Mass (Church)
9:00am Mass (Church)
11:00am Mass (Church)
1:00pm Mass (Church)

Thursday, December 26

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

Friday, December 27

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm Happy Hour Karaoke (Pulte Cafe)

Saturday, December 28

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
3:00pm Vigil Mass (Church)
5:00pm Vigil Mass (Church)

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of December 22, 2024

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Tuesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Wed: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/ Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18

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: 941-416-6114.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 21, 2024

8:30 AM + Lowell Teal

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Loretta Wesolek

5:00 PM + Jim Rankin

Sunday, December 22, 2024

7:00 AM + Marianne Byrne

9:00 AM + McEntee Family

11:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Paul Swope

5:00 PM + Paula Goldner

Wine and Hose + Jose Nicolas Arteta

Alter Flowers + Jose Nicolas Arteta

Monday, December 23, 2024

8:30 AM + Jose Nicolas Arteta

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

8:30 AM + Rose Palumbo

3:00 PM + Ozzie D'Addario

5:00 PM + Teresa Dep Pham

7:00 PM + Andy Sanfelippo

12:00 AM + Patsy and Rose D'Errico

Wednesday, December 25, 2024

8:30 AM + Vincent Lasprogata

9:00 AM + Nicholas and Rosalie Senatore

11:00 AM + Tom Sanders

1:00 PM + Eric F. Vierling

Thursday, December 26, 2024

8:30 AM + Rose Palumbo

Friday, December 27, 2024

8:30 AM + Jerri Biggs

Saturday, December 28, 2024

8:30 AM + Deceased Members of the Kegaly Family

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Dolores Kernochan

5:00 PM + Peyton Stewart

Sunday, December 29, 2024

7:00 AM + Norbert Loesing

9:00 AM + Barbara D. Elefante

11:00 AM + Mary Beth Shane

1:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

5:00 PM + Rocco and Cora Gambatesa

Wine and Host + Nicholas and Rosalie Senatore

Requested By

The Beebe Family

Jeff and Carol Chorba

Mike and Maureen Reed

Requested By

Frances and Edward Lenart

Barbara McEntee

Teresa Nadolski

Brian, Christina and Kayla Rickles

Parents

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The Caccese Family

Janet D'Addario

Timothy Pham

Kay Sanfelippo

Marie and Bob Harris

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John and Maureen Wurtz

Daughters, Debbie and Jodie

Mary Sanders

Polly Vierling

Requested By

Yvonne and Howard Steinruck

Requested By

Lan Tran

Requested By

Jack Kegaly

Pauline Cataldo

Janet and Marc Gerber

Requested By

Laurie and George Pfothenauer

Her Husband

Mary Sanders

Don and Linda Gambatesa

Daughters

Prayer List

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

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|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mary A. | Mary Ann Dowd | Deacon John | Dave Roberts |
| Antoinette Acquaviva | John Doyle | Cynthia Johnson | Susie Romanovich |
| Angelo Babbo | Megan Ebert | Brad Johnson | Peggy O'Neil Saba |
| John (Ben) Bailey | Baby Bennett Edington | Joseph Julian | Lisa Sanfelippo |
| Sharon (Sherry) Bailey | Tom Endres | James Kadary | John Schloendorn |
| Barbara Barber | Tiffany Fellenz | Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman | Catherine Schmach |
| Anthony Barzyz | Henry Ferris | Robyne Keane | Bernard & Martina Sherman |
| Jennifer Basile | Anna Focht | Carol Kelley | Joe Sherman |
| Andrea Becker | Raymond Foley | Fran King | Bob Snowdon |
| Richard & Elaine Beebe | Ronald Fongemie | Hannah K & Kathleen Kotscher | Norma June Spriggle |
| David Behle | Phyllis and Peter Foti | Jean Kowalski | Ila Stienly |
| Gerry Beronja | Lester and Barbara Fuller | Valeri Landi | Jeanne Stoll |
| Edwin Betancourt | Bruce Gaker | Alicia LaPlant | Christopher Suki |
| Patty Bleicher | Terry Gallagher | Myles Levy-Vixler | Joan Marie Switalski |
| Sara Boettcher | Steven Gillis | Baby Hudson Matthew Lopes | David Tague |
| Torey Botti | William Gilmartin | Charles Lucas | John Thyen |
| Al Brown | Fr. Len Gioeli | Bob Lutz | Anna Tran |
| Charlotte Byron | Norma Golia | Ruth Martin | David Trott |
| Josefino Cabaltica | Julian Gomez | Mary A. | Ronald Trybus |
| Candace | Patty Grafstron | Anthony Masse | Elaine Tryjankowski |
| Frank Carillo | Sam Greenberg | Pat Matre | Josephine Mable Tucker |
| Al and Lorraine Clano | Peter Greenberg | Eileen Miner | Lisa Turner |
| Norma & Tom Collins | Frank Grzesk | Tom Mullen | Raymond Vanasse |
| Nicholas Costanza | Thomas Gunn | Meg Mullen | Maria Elena Vassolotti |
| Francine Crawford | Gary Gwizdala | Andy Murphy | Juile Ventura |
| John Cullen | Terry Hansberry | Kathy O'Loughlin | Gina Vitale |
| Edie Joan Daker | Becky Hansberry | Margo O'Malley | Terry Wagner |
| Kyle DeMartino | Dana Harrell | John and Michelina Oteri | Adam Wais |
| George Deauchan | Elizabeth Hetnarski | Eric Parker | Chelsea Watson |
| Jack Dilorio | Elaine Hill | Ann Petrillo | John Wholihan |
| Theresa DiLella | Evzen Hlavalcek | Sebastian Pica | Harry Witt |
| Donna DiMare | Kelly Honsberger | Ludmila Pridalova | Michael Wolfe |
| Jodi Divjak | Andrew & Lisa Humphrey | Bill Redmond | Carl Yasharian |
| Linda Donaldson | Deanne Hutchinson Pinto | Maureen Reed | |
| Thomas Donlan | John Jartz | John Repice | |

ADD A NAME TO OUR PRAYER LIST

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.

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

Joan Mariani



2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS NOW CLOSED

The Mass Intention Book for 2025 is now full as all the Masses have an Intention. The Book for 2026 will open in March of 2025.

Please come to the office if you would like to secure the Wine and Host in Memory of your loved ones for 2025.

Military Prayer List

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.

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| Captain Jesse Adamson: US Army, Kuwait | Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – US Army |
| Captain Will Adamson: US Army, Anchorage AK | 1st Lieutenant Deanna Ogrinc, US Army |
| Cadet Samantha Bocis, West Point | Cpl. Derek Perez - US Marine Corps |
| Sam Bradley, Marines | Daniel Petito – US Army |
| Mark Burger, US Army | Matthew Popielec, PFC-Germany |
| Stephen Burger, US Army | Captain Anthony James Raguso, US Marines |
| Lieutenant Carson Brial – US Navy | 1st Lieutenant Robert W. Raleigh IV - US Marine Corps |
| Private 1st Class Joseph Albert Cary | Lt. Jill Rice, Commander in the US Navy |
| Private David Clark | Lt. Joseph Rice, Commander in the US Navy |
| Gavin Cooper, Navy, EMN3 | Duke Roach- US Navy |
| Captain Quentin Danyov, US Army | Clayton Rutz, US Army |
| Adam Decker | Capt. Gregory Sacenti - US Army |
| Alexander Denha 1st Lt. Army Ranger, Ft. Bragg N.C. | Hunter Scalzo – Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th |
| Major Derek-Army National Guard | Infantry |
| Nick Detloff | Ben Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army |
| LT Andrew Douglas, United States Navy | Luke Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army |
| SGT Ashlyn Ducharme Us Army | Sophie Sekutera (Koepl) – First Lieutenant, US Army |
| Capt. Stephen English – US Army | Lieutenant Jane Shelley- US Navy |
| Brendan C. Finnegan-USAF | Charlie Sjostrom-Martinez |
| SFC Lon Giancola | Austin Spagnola |
| Matthew Gordon, US Navy | Captain Fox Stevens- US Army, South Korea |
| SSG Douglas Hennessy | First Lieutenant Matthew Stevenson, USMC |
| 1st Lieutenant Brock Hinkle- US Army, Germany | LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans |
| Zachary Horwitch | Lt. Brendan Tourek – USN |
| 2nd Lieutenant Daniel Huber, US Marines | Corporal Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps |
| Cadet Sloane Janopoulos, USAF Academy | Captain Grant Ullrich, US Army in Kuwait |
| Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy | Lance Corporal, Christopher Vandyck- US Marine |
| Capt. Ashlyn M. Kennedy, USMC Quantico | Corps |
| Senior Airman Jack Kirk, US Airforce | 1st Lieutenant Mackenzie Warren- Space Force |
| Max Koepl- Plebe Candidate at the US Merchant | 1st Lieutenant Hollis Webster- Space Force |
| Marine Academy, Kings Point NY | Petty Officer 3rd Class, Logan Wehrheim- US Navy |
| Sgt. Nicholas LaManna | Andrew Wieland US Air Force |
| Sgt. William McKinney | SFC Eugene Williams-US Army in Poland |
| PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft. Eustis, VA | Kaden Winckel, Airman 1st Class, USAF |
| Connor Miller: US Navy search and rescue | Michael Wolfe- US Marines |
| Col. Brian Murphy | Master Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey |
| Lt. Col. Jill Murphy | Tech. Sgt. Kaitlin Zecchino |
| 2nd Lieutenant, Samantha Naples, US Marine Corps | Austin Zicht – USAF |
| Hugh O'Donnell, SPEC 4, 75th Ranger Regiment | |

Eucharistic Revival

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.

please join us for

24 HOUR ADORATION

***Every Thursday in the SJ ECC Chapel
we will have 24 hour adoration.***



**TO SIGN UP GO TO
www.adorationpro.org/SJ ECC**



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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 8:30am Mass in the Church.

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

Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration.

~Mother Teresa

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 Tuesday from 5:30 pm - 6:30pm in the Church. For more information, contact Rosemary Erickson: 239.250.0432 or visit our ad on the Respect Life page of this bulletin.

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

Grief Support - St. John the Evangelist provides 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 information, contact Jeanne Pittman: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org

Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus 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, 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.
<https://stjohnknittersandcrocheters.wordpress.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.

Legion of Mary. The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization of lay people, priests, and religious under the patronage of our Blessed Mother; One with Mary's love and Mary's will, dedicated to bring Christ to the world and to the souls who need Him, through corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Pulte Center. sjeccadoration@gmail.com

Pray the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena - Every Saturday at 8:20 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, at 7:40 a.m. Contact 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, welcome. Sharon Campbell 239.438.7867, sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com.
<https://stjohnquilting.wordpress.com>

Respect Life - 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. The team participates in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each 1st Friday of every month 9am-12pm. For more info, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

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 washable, child friendly fabrics are welcome. No supplies PLEASE. If you like to sew, we encourage you to come and see what we are 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.

Streaming Ministry. Our streaming ministry provides the homebound and parishioners who are away from Naples the opportunity to view our Masses. We stream weekday Masses and three weekend Masses. Contact colleen@sjecc.com.

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 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be in classroom 1, in the Parish Life Center. For more information, contact Bob Westenberg: bwstjohn@SVDNnaples.org.

AA Brian R. 732-735-7037

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

Ministries and Groups

Join us for the **Legion of Mary**

St. John The Evangelist

Wed 16:30 p.m | Pulte Center

For more details:
sjeccadoration@gmail.com



Ushers are needed for all Masses.
Please contact Dominick Blasioli
for more information:
dominick@sjecc.com or contact
the Main Office

Altar Service



THE CLOSEST PLACE TO SERVE CHRIST
IS AT HIS TABLE

JOIN US THERE - SERVE WITH US
THE ALTAR MINISTRY
CONTACT LOU@SJECC.COM

Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Saint John the Evangelist Church

October - Information to Consider



The Naples Council aided a **Total of 552-Families** and Individuals with **269-services** and grants.
The October assistance totaled **\$109,021.** support of Families with rent support, utility payments and supplies.

Helping Neighbors to Stay-In-Their-Home is the major Mission of St Vincent de Paul at St John. We extend spiritual and financial support, lifelines during the lean months, to help our Neighbors continue to live with dignity.

Your Support stays here in Naples and is deeply valued



FAITH CHAT

Faith Chat is studying The Acts Of The Apostles on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 in the Claussen Center. All are welcome to join us for this study of Luke's presentation of Biblical History. Coffee and snacks are provided. For more information contact:

Janis Bolbrock:
janis_bolbrock@msn.com

Ministries & Groups

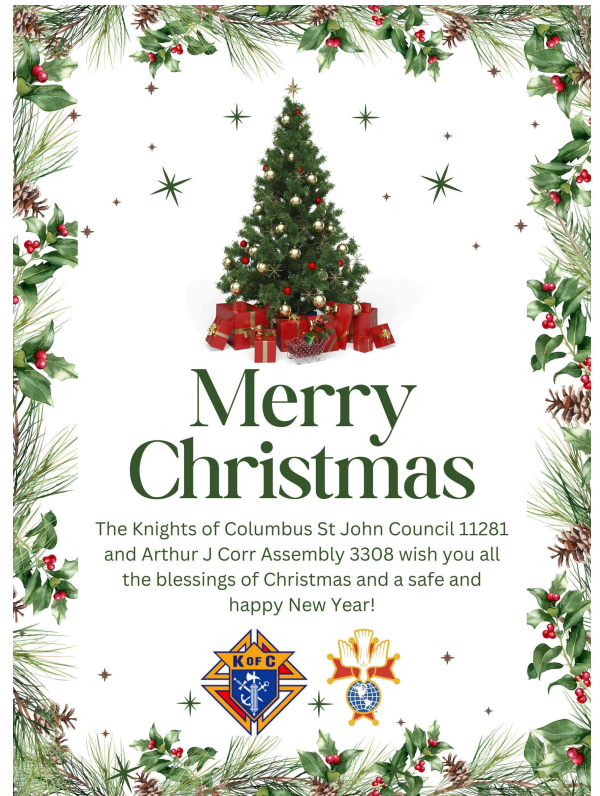
St. John's Gift Shop

Saturdays 2:30-6:15 PM

Sundays 8:30 AM-1:00 PM



We are pleased to offer Christmas decor and gifts for everyone on your list. We carry nativity sets, ornaments, mugs, homemade gifts (crafted by one of our sewing ministry members), jewelry, books, rosaries, statues, children's gifts, St. John the Evangelist Christmas Cards, and more! Our Gift Shop is located inside the Church entrance



NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR SORROWFUL MOTHER

NOVENA TIME

The first Friday of every month* after the morning Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church, 625 111th Ave N, Naples, FL 34108

WHY CHOOSE A NOVENA DEDICATED TO MARY?

Mary plays an important role in our salvation and we plea for her intercession so that we may follow her example in following Christ her Son. Our church is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. People are looking for someone who cares for them and the Sorrowful Mother has her arms open to welcome and listen.

WHY A NOVENA SPECIFICALLY TO HONOR OUR SORROWFUL MOTHER?

Mary has promised to grant seven graces to the souls who honor her by meditating on her tears and sorrows.

MARY'S SEVEN PROMISES:

1. I will grant peace to their families.
2. They will be enlightened about the divine mysteries.
3. I will console them in their pains and I will accompany them in their work.
4. I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does not oppose the adorable will of my Divine Son or the sanctification of their souls.
5. I will defend them in their spiritual battles with the infernal enemy and I will protect them at every instant of their lives.
6. I will visibly help them at the moment of their death, they will see the face of their Mother.
7. I have obtained from my Divine Son that those who propagate this devotion to my tears and dolours, will be taken directly from this earthly life to eternal happiness since all their sins will be forgiven and my Son and I will be their eternal consolation and joy.

Books for this Novena will be available in our Gift Shop



This perpetual Novena in Honor of Our Sorrowful Mother will bring people closer to Christ and His Sorrowful Mother.

Upcoming Novena Dates

(mark your calendar)
December 6, 2024
January 3, 2025
February 7, 2025

The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady

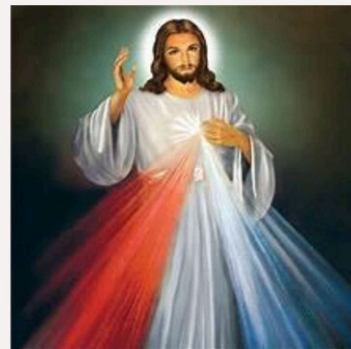
1. The prophecy of Simeon (St. Luke 2:34, 35).
2. The flight into Egypt (St. Matthew 2:14, 14).
3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple (St. Luke 2:43-45).
4. Mary meets Jesus on the Way to Calvary.
5. Jesus dies on the Cross.
6. Mary receives the dead Body of Jesus in her arms.
7. Jesus is placed in the tomb.

Adult Faith Formation

7 SECRETS OF DIVINE MERCY

7 SECRETS OF DIVINE MERCY, by Vinny Flynn is a powerful book that offers us an invitation to understand Divine Mercy as an overflow of love from the Holy Trinity that can transform our lives. It is easy to understand and guides us on how to LIVE Divine Mercy.

Join us for this 9-week study this winter to focus on what Divine Mercy means to each of us personally...and to the whole world.



Dates: Tuesdays, January 7- March 4
Times: 9:30- 11:00am
Where: Alexandria Room in the Claussen Center
Facilitator: Jean Kechejian

The book may be purchased in the Gift Shop for \$12.

To register, email the Office of Faith Formation: aff@sjecc.com

"There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy." ~ Pope St. John Paul

SAVE THE DATES

February 19th and February 20th

Eucharist 2-Day Parish Mission with Dr. Mary Amore

"Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist -Becoming the Very Mystery We Receive"

Morning and Evening Sessions - Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Life Center –

*Coffee and Free HOT Breakfast on Wednesday

*Coffee and Pastries on Thursday



Dr. Mary Amore holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree and a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union. Dr. Amore is the author of Primary Symbols of Worship and the Call to Participation and the newly released DVD entitled Eucharist: A Journey to Transformation, Healing and Discipleship. A Cardinal Bernardin Scholar and distinguished member of the North American Academy of Liturgy, Mary is a highly sought after presenter of parish missions in the area of the Eucharist and Pope Francis Year of Mercy, plus workshops, seminars and retreats. A monthly columnist at Ministry and Liturgy Magazine, Dr. Amore also serves as the full time Executive Director of Mayslake Ministries in Downers Grove, IL. Mary is a wife, mother and grandmother!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Faith Formation

Bless Your Home in the NEW YEAR with Epiphany Home Blessing Kits FREE in the Gift Boutique

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here.....

Stop by the Gift Boutique to pick up a kit to help you bless your home this new year. Instructions, prayers, and chalk that has been blessed are included in each bag. Kits available starting December 22nd, while supplies last!



INSTRUCTIONS

20 + C + M + B + (two digits for new year. Ex: 25)

Using the blessed chalk, mark the lintel of your front door (or the front porch step) with these numbers and letters while saying: The three wise men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and (twenty five) years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love, and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in knowledge and love of you. Guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

The letters C, M and B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* ("May Christ bless the house."). The "+" signs represent the cross.

"Chalking the door" is a way to celebrate and literally mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time, the chalk will fade. As it does, we let the meaning of the symbols written sink into the depths of our heart and be manifest in our words and actions.

After chalking your door, the blessed chalk may be saved for the following years, or buried as is the tradition with blessed items.

Important Dates

Upcoming in 2025 - PreK3 & PreK4

January 8th -12:30-2:30PM - Pre-K Atrium

Upcoming in 2025 - K-8th Grade

Sunday, January 12th - 9:30-10:45AM - K-8

Faith Formation

Wednesday, January 8th - 5:00-6:15PM K-8

Faith Formation

High School Confirmation & Parent Session

Sunday, January 12th - 3:45-6:00PM

First Reconciliation 2025

Tuesday, January 7th -6:00PM - Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 14th - 6:00PM - First

Reconciliation Ceremony

We wish all of our Faith Formation Families
and volunteers a very Merry Christmas!



Save the Dates

MARCH FOR LIFE-

Ave Maria for High School Youth - January 18th-

Juliana@sjecc.com

CONFIRMATION YEAR 2 RETREAT

APRIL 13TH -11am-7pm - Required

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 9-13 - Registration opens online March 1st

COVECREST CAMP IN GEORGIA AUGUST 4TH-9TH -Contact

Juliana@sjecc.com to register- High School Youth

We do not have Faith Formation activities this week. Please note that the 5:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve will feature the Christmas Nativity story portrayed and told by our children and youth.

Youth Ministry and Young Adults



ST. VALENTINE EVENT

All are welcome!

Join us for
crafts, treats & pizza

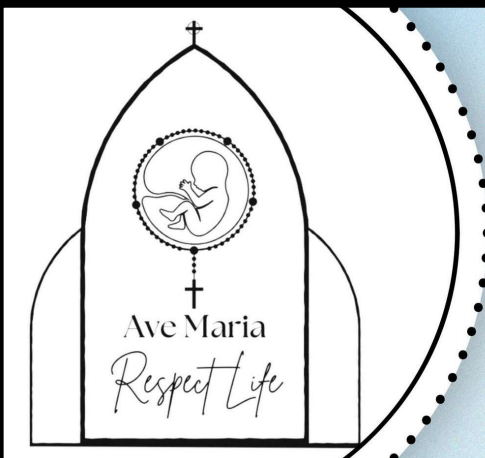


SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

PULTE CENTER

*"We love
because he first
loved us."
John 4:19*



MARCH FOR LIFE

*To honor and glorify Jesus Christ
and defend innocent life.*

AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY

JANUARY 18

8:30 A.M. - 3 P.M.

\$10

**FOR YEAR 1 & YEAR 2
CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**
*INCLUDES BUS TRANSPORTATION

REGISTER BY 1/13



[HTTPS://SJECC.ORG/NEW
S/RETREATS-
AND-CAMPS/](https://sjecc.org/new/s/retreats-and-camps/)

EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 2024 - 2025 CALENDAR

FRIDAYS 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

DECEMBER

- NO YOUTH GROUP UNTIL JANUARY.
- HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

JANUARY

- 01/10 - EDGE NIGHT
- 01/17 - EDGE NIGHT
- 01/24 - EDGE NIGHT

WHAT WE DO...

- BIBLE STUDY
- ADORATION
- PRAY
- VOLUNTEER
- PRAISE AND WORSHIP
- TRIPS - COVECREST, MISSION TRIP...
- LAUGH, PLAY GAMES & SO MUCH MORE!

JULIANA@SJECC.COM
JULIANA D'AGOSTINO

*DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WELCOME TO SJECC EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP! YOUR YOUTH MINISTERS ARE JULIANA D'AGOSTINO AND MAX BERMAN. WE HAVE A PASSION FOR LEADING THE YOUTH TO CHRIST, AND PROVIDING OUR YOUTH WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OTHER CATHOLICS THEIR AGE WHO ARE SEEKING TO BUILD A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST. YOUTH GROUP IS A TIME FOR YOUTH TO DEEPEN THEIR FAITH, BUILD RELATIONSHIPS, BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN THE PARISH, AND HAVE FUN!

COME WHEN YOU CAN - ALL ARE WELCOME!



IGNITE HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP 2024 - 2025 CALENDAR

WEDNESDAYS 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

DECEMBER

- NO YOUTH GROUP UNTIL JANUARY.
- HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

JANUARY

- 01/15 - PRAISE & WORSHIP
- 01/22 - IGNITE NIGHT
- 01/29 - IGNITE NIGHT

WHAT WE DO...

- BIBLE STUDY
- ADORATION
- PRAY
- VOLUNTEER
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COME WHEN YOU CAN! ALL ARE WELCOME!



Youth Ministry and Young Adults



NAPLES CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

GAMES | POTLUCK | BYOB

FOR AGES
21+



PIZZA IS PROVIDED!
PLEASE BRING WHAT
YOU CAN - FOOD,
DRINKS, OR
A FRIEND!



SATURDAY,
JANUARY 11 AT 6 P.M.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER
625 111TH AVE. N., NAPLES, FL

CONTACT JULIANA AT JULIANA@SJECC.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION

• ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH •

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

CLAUSSEN CENTER - ALEXANDRIA ROOM

Praise
AND
Worship
LED BY GEORGE DE LOS REYES

• UPCOMING DATES •
JANUARY 15TH

JULIANA@SJECC.COM

JULIANA D'AGOSTINO - YOUTH MINISTER

JOIN OUR SUNDAY 5 P.M. YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT MASS

BECOME A...

- LECTOR
- ALTAR SERVER
- USHER/GREETER
- EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

JULIANA@SJECC.COM
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY



ALL CATHOLIC ADULTS ARE
WELCOME TO JOIN US! COME TO
STRENGTHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP
WITH GOD, AND BUILD COMMUNITY
WITH EACH OTHER!

- FORMED VIDEOS
- ADORATION
- DISCUSSIONS
- SOCIAL EVENTS
- PRAYER
- SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

NO RSVP NEEDED. ALL ARE WELCOME!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL US AT
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CATHOLIC ADULTS OF NAPLES SMALL GROUP

EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30 P.M.
FOR AGES 35-55

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EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.
FOR AGES 21-39

HAPPY HOUR
FOR AGES 35-55
DECEMBER 21ST FROM 6 P.M. TO 8 P.M.
IN THE PULTE CENTER
THERE IS AN OPTIONAL \$20 GIFT CARD EXCHANGE
FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE!
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
CLAUSSEN CENTER - ALEXANDRIA ROOM
(LOCATION MAY CHANGE - SEE OUR CALENDAR)



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POLISH DINNER DANCE

Saturday, February 22, 2025
4:00 - 9:00 P.M.

**TICKETS GO ON SALE
1/18/25**



St. John the Evangelist Casino Night & 1950s Party

January 18, 2025

6:00 cocktail hour
7:00 casino opens



Dance to Music from the Del Prados
50s Diner sponsored by **Patlo Cafe**
featuring burgers, fries, tater tots, and more!
Ice Cream provided by **Royal Scoop**
Classic cars from **Cool Cruisers**
Outstanding raffle prizes

Dress Code: Casual or Fabulous Fifties Attire



For tickets:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/casino-night-1950s-party-tickets-107928555149>
Tickets on sale 11/18/24

Joey & Maria's

Comedy Italian Wedding

\$60
Per Guest

*The Original
Nationwide #1
Dinner Show
Since 1992*

**Saturday, February 1, 2025
6pm, SJECC Ballroom**

Traditional Italian Dinner ♥ Ceremony ♥ Reception

Tickets on sale after masses Jan 11/12 & 18/19

Contact: Don Free at 210-373-1645
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Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council #1281

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, March 29, 2025
Pulte Family Life Center

