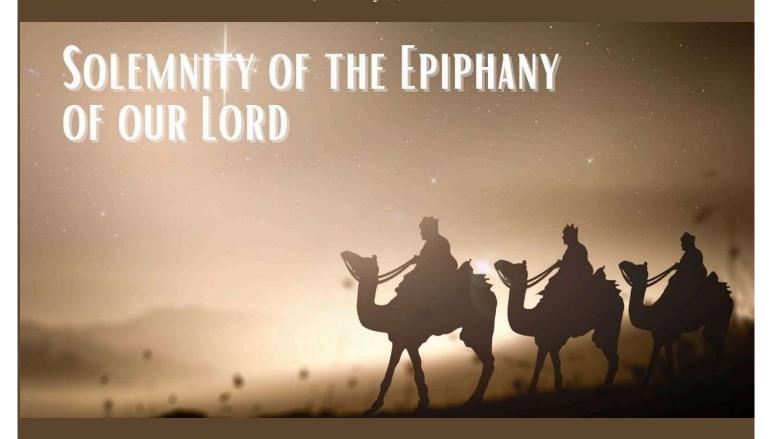
# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

January 5, 2025



#### 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.
Priest: Christ, have mercy.
Priest: Lord, have mercy.
Priest: Lord, have mercy.
People: 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.

# Mass Responses and Prayers

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.

# Mass Responses and Prayers

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 Epiphany of the Lord

#### Reading I Isaiah 6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

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

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

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

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

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

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

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

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

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

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

#### Reading II Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely,

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

#### Alleluia Matthew 2:2

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

# Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him,

"In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage."

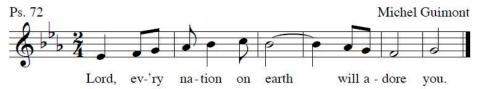
After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

#### We Three Kings



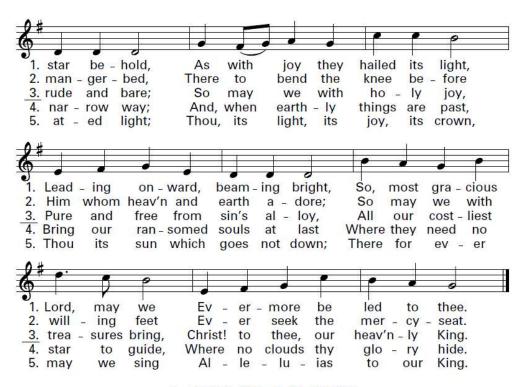
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Text and music: Carols, Hymns and Songs, 1863; John H. Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891, alt.

#### Lord, every Nation on Earth will Adore You



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#### As With Gladness Men of Old DIX with glad - ness 1. As men old Did the guid - ing joy - ful 2. As with steps they sped To that low - ly 3. As they of - fered gifts most rare At that man - ger 4. Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - 'ry day Keep us in 5. In the heav'n - ly coun - try bright Need they no cre -



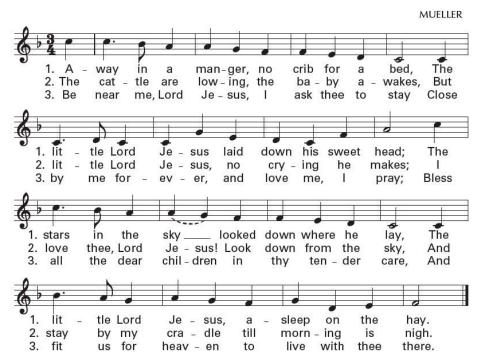
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#### **Lamb of God**



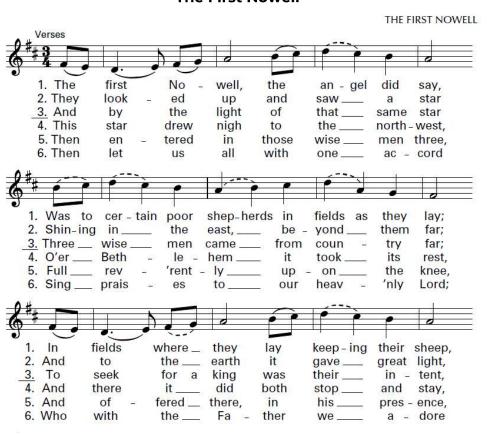
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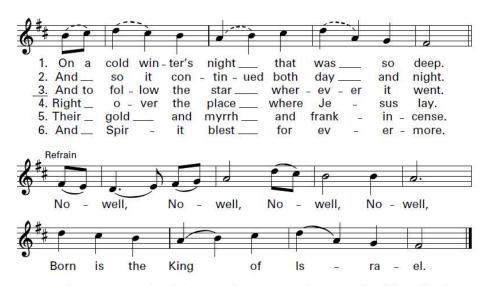
#### Away in a Manger



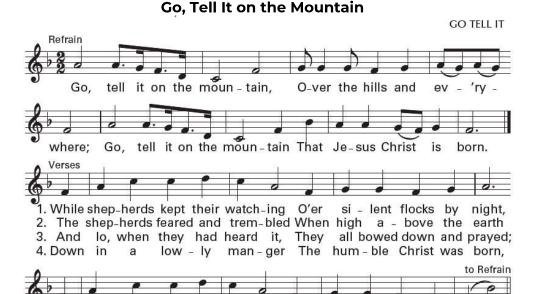
Text: 11 11 11 11; verses 1–2, Little Children's Book for Schools and Families, ca. 1885; verse 3, John T. McFarland, 1851–1913; Gabriel's Vineyard Songs, 1892, alt. Music: attr. to James R. Murray, 1841–1905.

#### **The First Nowell**





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



Be - hold, through-out the heav-ens There shone a ho - ly light.
 Rang out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.

3. They tray - eled on to-geth-er To where the Babe was laid.

4. And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

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



# Fr. Tom's Gospel Reflection

There is a legend that says there were not three but four Magi. The name of the fourth was Artaban. He too saw the star and decided to follow it, taking with him a sapphire, a ruby, and a pearl as gifts for the new King.

His three friends, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar were waiting for him at an agreed spot. However, on the way there he came upon a man lying wounded by the roadside. He brought the man to an inn and had him taken care of.

When he finally got to the agreed meeting place he found that his friends had left. Needing a camel and supplies to get across the desert, he sold the sapphire to buy them. When he reached Bethlehem, once again he was too late. Joseph and Mary had taken the baby and fled into Egypt to escape Herod's killers.

In the house where he was staying there was a year-old baby boy. The mother feared for the life of her child. One evening soldiers came to the door. Artaban went out to meet them. With the ruby he bribed the captain not to enter, and the child was saved. The mother was overjoyed.

Artaban, however, was sad because now he had only the pearl left as a gift for the King. During the years that followed he searched in many places for the King. But he always seemed to be late. Some thirty years later he came to Jerusalem. He was now old and weary and dispirited. A number of crucifixions were taking place the very day he arrived. He was horrified to hear that Jesus was among those who were being executed. He hurried towards the hill of execution. Perhaps with the pearl he could save his life.

However, on his way to Calvary he met a girl who was fleeing from a band of soldiers. The girl's father had incurred large debts, and she was being sold into slavery. Artaban took out his pearl, gave it to the soldiers, and the girl was allowed to go. But now he had to face his King empty-handed.

Just then the sky began to get dark. An earthquake shook the ground. Houses began to rock. Roof tiles began to fly. One of them hit Artaban on the head. Mortally wounded he struggled onwards. But he died before reaching the hill of execution. He never quite succeeded in catching up with his King.

Yet in a sense Artaban always had his King. All those years he had carried him in his mind and heart. The King had inspired in him deeds of love and generosity, and had illuminated all his journeying with meaning and hope.

Artaban had found his God, because the person who is genuinely searching for God has already found him. Artaban is a model of faith. Those who believe in and love Jesus are changed; they act and live differently. May this New Year, 2025, be a year of searching for God and of renewed commitment to our faith for all of us.

# 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

#### **OFFICE**

#### INFORMATION

#### **Mailing Address & Contact Information**

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#### 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 & STAFF**

#### Clergy

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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.

# Marian Devotion

# 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:

- 1.1 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 dolors, 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 Cift 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.

# 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.





If you currently give online and would like to STOP receiving offertory envelopes, please contact Rachael Jensen in the Main Office: 239.566.8740 or rachael@sjecc.com

## **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 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

Make check payable to St. Vincent de Paul

#### **Jamaica Outreach Program**

Make check payable to **JOP** 





# 2024 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated to help us reach our CFA goal. For those who have not yet donated, please prayerfully

consider giving. Money raised for CFA supports many important programs in our community, such as Catholic Charities, Catholic Education, and Vocations. And any amount over our goal (up to 125%) is returned to the Parish (unassessed) to help us with programs and operations.

# 128.23% to Goal 14.26% of households contributing

\$603,000 \$773,255

Goal Pledged

## TO DONATE TO CFA:

- 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**

**12/4/24-12/10/24** \$87,017.70

**12/11/24-12/17/24** \$81.495.36

**Total Households** 3486



# Calendar and Weekly Readings

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### Sunday, January 5

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

#### Monday, January 6

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

#### Tuesday, January 7

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

9:30am 7 Secrets of Divine Mercy (Alexandria)

1:00pm Bingo (Pulte Cafe)

6:30pm C.Y.A.N. Small Group 35-55 (Antioch)

#### Wednesday, January 8

8:30am Mass (Church

9:00am Breakfast (Pulte Cafe)

5:00pm K-8 Faith Formation(Claussen & PAC)

#### Thursday, January 9

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am Faith Chat (Alexandria)
6:00pm Mary's Mantle (Library)

6:30pm C.Y.A.N. Small Group 21-35 (Claussen)

#### Friday, January 10

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

#### Saturday, January 11

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

2:00pm KOC Free Throw Comp. (Gym)

3:00pm Vigil Mass (Church) 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Church)

## **BOY SCOUT TROOP 226**



**Sunday, January 12** 

AFTER THE 7AM, 9AM & 11AM MASSES
IN THE BALLROOM

Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee & OJ

FREE

DONATIONS APPRECIATED TO SEND SCOUTS TO SUMMER CAMP IN NORTH CAROLINA JUNE 2025

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Readings for the week of January 5, 2025

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

5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44 Wed: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn

3:22-30

# 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, January 4, 2025

+ Charles Pickron 8:30 AM Rosemary and Philip Erickson

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Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM Alina + Jane Russo

5:00 PM + Harry Nell Rosemary and Philip Erickson

Sunday, January 5, 2025

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners 9:00 AM + Patricia Haughey Karen Carew

11:00 AM + Katherine Carey Peter and Mary Ellen Heaney 1:00 PM + Kreszenz and Anton Podest John C. and Carolyn Klimek

Daughters, Deborah and Jodie 5:00 PM + Rosalie Senatore Wine and Host + Patricia Kaplow Kathy Komar

Monday, January 6, 2025

8:30 AM + Joe Agnoli Harry Darr

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

8:30 AM + Bob Hommel Nydia Irvine Requested By

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

8:30 AM + Marylou Liebig Natalie Campbell

Thursday, January 9, 2025 Requested By

+ Jackie Ulanski 8:30 AM Ulanski Family

Friday, January 10, 2025 Requested By 8:30 AM + Jane Altemus Tom and Margie Kirsch

Saturday, January 11, 2025 Requested By 8:30 AM Melinda Shannon Paul Shannon

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

+ Rose Palumbo 3:00 PM Betsy Mooney + Matthew Piccillo 5:00 PM Marie and Bob Harris

Sunday, January 12, 2025

7:00 AM + John J. and Anne Klimek John C. and Carolyn Klimek

9:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners 11:00 AM + Myatt Family

Agnes Boudreau 1:00 PM + Rose Lubrano Viola Lynch 5:00 PM + Charles Campbell Natalie Campbell

Wine and Host SI George Capone Patricia McCarthy

#### **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.



# Prayer List

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

Mary A.
Antoinette Acquaviva
Angelo Babbo
John (Ben) Bailey
Sharon (Sherry) Bailey

Barbara Barber Anthony Barzyz Jennifer Basile Andrea Becker

Richard & Elaine Beebe

David Behle Gerry Beronja Patty Bleicher Sara Boettcher Torey Botti Al Brown

Charlotte Byron Josefino Cabaltica Rodrigo Cadena

Candace Frank Carillo

Al and Lorraine Clano Norma & Tom Collins Nicholas Costanza Francine Crawford Edie Joan Daker

Kyle DeMartino George Deauchan Jack Dilorio

Donna DiMare Jodi Divjak Linda Donaldson Thomas Donlan Mary Ann Dowd John Doyle

Megan Ebert

Baby Bennett Edington

Tom Endres
Tiffany Fellenz
Henry Ferris
Anna Focht
Raymond Foley

Ronald Fongemie Phyllis and Peter Foti Lester & Barbara Fuller

Steven Gillis

William Gilmartin Fr. Len Gioeli Norma Golia Julian Gomez Patty Grafstron Sam Greenberg

Peter Greenberg Frank Grzesk Thomas Gunn Gary Gwizdala Terry Hansberry Becky Hansberry

Dana Harrell Keri Hemrick

Elizabeth Hetnarski

Elaine Hill

Kelly Honsberger Andrew & Lisa Hump

Andrew & Lisa Humphrey Deanne Hutchinson Pinto

John Jartz Deacon John Brad Johnson Joseph Julian James Kadavy

Baby Bayli Rose Kaufman

Robyne Keane

Carol Kelley Fran King

Hannah K & Kathleen Kotscher

Jean Kowalski Valeri Landi Richard Landwehr Alicia LaPlant Myles Levy-Vixler

Baby Hudson Matthew Lopes

Charles Lucas
Bob Lutz
Ruth Martin
Mary A.
Anthony Masse
Pat Matre

Dawn Miller Eileen Miner Tom Mullen Meg Mullen Andy Murphy Margo O'Malley

John and Michelina Oteri

Eric Parker Ann Petrillo Sebastian Pica Frances Powers Bill Redmond Maureen Reed John Repice

Dave Roberts
Susie Romanovich
Peggy O'Neil Saba
Lisa Sanfelippo
Lee Schilling

John Schloendorn Catherine Schmacht Joanne Smyth Brian Smyth

Norma June Spriggle

Ila Stienly
Jeanne Stoll
Sally Stookey
Christopher Suki
Joan Marie Switalski

David Tague
Dan Tessoni
John Thyen
Anna Tran
David Trott
Ronald Trybus
Elaine Tryjankowski
Josephine Mable Tucker

Lisa Turner Raymond Vanasse Maria Elena Vassolotti

Gina Vitale
Terry Wagner
Adam Wais
Chelsea Watson
John Wholihan
Harry Witt
Michael Wolfe
Carl Yasharian



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**

#### **Rose LoPresti**

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

# 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.

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

Private David Clark

Gavin Cooper, Navy, EMN3

First Lieutenant: Dante Dalmaso- US Army

Captain Quentin Danyov, US Army

Adam Decker

Alexander Denha 1st Lt. Army Ranger, Ft. Bragg N.C.

Major Derek-Army National Guard

Nick Detloff

LT Andrew Douglas, United States Navy

SGT Ashlyn Ducharme Us Army Capt. Stephen English – US Army Brendan C. Finnegan-USAF

SFC Lon Giancola

Matthew Gordon, US Navy SSG Douglas Hennessy

1st Lieutenant Brock Hinkle- US Army, Germany

Zachary Horwitch

2nd Lieutenant Daniel Huber, US Marines Cadet Sloane Janopoulos, USAF Academy Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy Capt. Ashlyn M. Kennedy, USMC Quantico

Senior Airman Jack Kirk, US Airforce

Max Koeppl- Plebe Candidate at the US Merchant

Marine Academy, Kings Point NY

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

2nd Lieutenant, Samantha Naples, US Marine Corps

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

Lt. Jill Rice, Commander in the US Navy Lt. Joseph Rice, Commander in the US Navy

Duke Roach- US Navy Clayton Rutz, US Army

Capt. Gregory Sacenti - US Army

Hunter Scalzo – Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th

Infantry

Ben Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army Luke Sekutera, First Lieutenant, US Army

Sophie Sekutera (Koeppl) – First Lieutenant, US Army

Lieutenant Jane Shelley- US Navy

Charlie Sjostrom-Martinez

Austin Spagnola

Captain Fox Stevens- US Army, South Korea First Lieutenant Matthew Stevenson, USMC LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans

Lt. Brendan Tourek – USN

Corporal Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps Captain Grant Ullrich, US Army in Kuwait

Lance Corporal, Christopher Vandyck- US Marine

Corps

1st Lieutenant Mackenzie Warren- Space Force 1st Lieutenant Hollis Webster- Space Force

Petty Officer 3rd Class, Logan Wehrheim- US Navy

Andrew Wieland US Air Force

SFC Eugene Williams-US Army in Poland Kaden Winckel, Airman 1st Class, USAF

Michael Wolfe- US Marines

Master Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

Tech. Sgt. Kaitlin Zecchino

Austin Zicht – USAF

## **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**

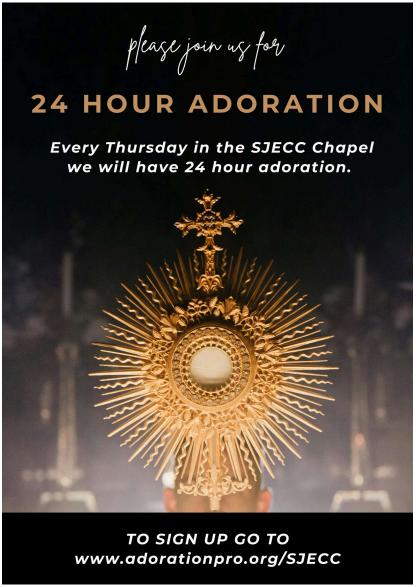
Active encouragement and facilitation for increased participation in Eucharistic Adoration by our parishioners.

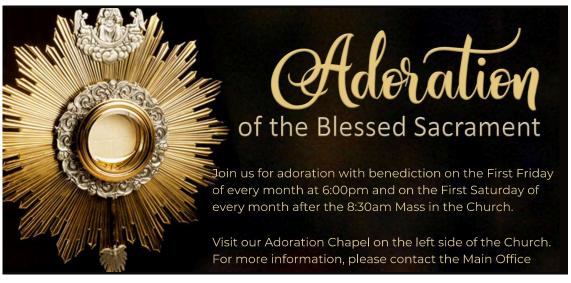
#### **Robust Faith Formation**

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.

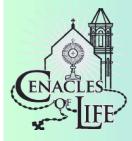




Jesus has made
Himself the Bread
of Life to give us
life. Night and day,
He is there. If you
really want to grow
in love, come back
to the Eucharist,
come back to that
Adoration.

~Mother Teresa

## Respect Life



#### Join us in prayer

The Cenacle is an opportunity to pray for the conversion of our American family in support of protecting the human rights of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

We do this as a community in the presence of our Lord, present in the Tabernacle, with the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and other traditional Catholic prayers. The Cenacle meets Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30pm in the Main Sanctuary. For additional information, contact us at 239.250.0432 or relife@aol.com

"The first and most fundamental of all human rights is the right to life, and when this right is denied all other rights are threatened ... A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying."

- Pope John Paul II





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, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

Join our Respect Life team at our next meeting the 1st Monday of the month at 10:30am in the Pulte Center.



#### YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Explore your options and find the help you need here.



#### These are the closest pregnancy help centers:

Community Pregnancy Clinic 239-689-1543 Fort Myers 239-262-6381 Naples www.communitypregnancyclinic.com

Pregnancy Resource Center of Southwest Florida 239-990-8186 Fort Myers 239-280-5523 Naples – www.prcnaples.org

Verity Pregnancy & Medical Resource Center, Fort Myers 239-433-1929 www.pregnancyfortmyers.com

Immokalee Pregnancy Center, Immokalee 239-657-2016 – www.immokaleepregnancy.com

# 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



# 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 n 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 steaming 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@SVDPnaples.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, Volunteers, and Groups

# Facilities Volunteers

Contact:
Jesus Arce
Facilities Manager
jesus@sjecc.com

# needed

We are seeking individuals who are handy to assist with tasks around campus



## Help is needed with:

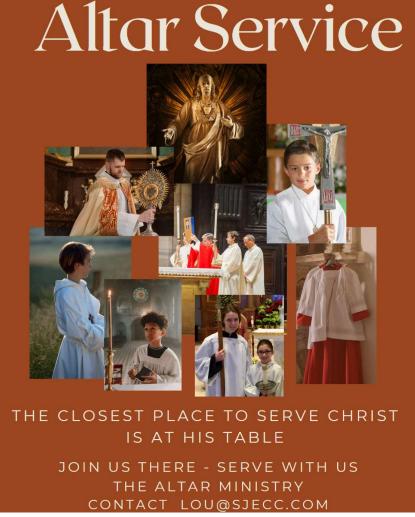
- event set-up & breakdown
- event staffing
- painting
- cleaning

\*Must be able to work outside, stand for long periods of time, and lift 20 pounds. Must pass a background check and complete safe environment training



# Ushers are needed for all Masses

Please contact Dominick Blasioli for more information: dominick@sjecc.com or contact the Main Office



# Ministries, Volunteers, and Groups



#### **Mentor Couples Needed**

The Marriage Preparation program at St. John the Evangelist is in need of mentor couples who are willing to embark on a life-changing journey. A mentor couple serves and accompanies an engaged couple during their time of sacramental marriage formation.

Your marriage, imperfect as you may think it to be, has something unique to offer. When you were married in the Church, you not only received a sacrament, but you became a sacrament by which others can encounter the love of Christ.

If this ministry sounds interesting to you, give us a call and get more information. Today, resolve to let your marriage and your home bless others!

> Wayne and Susan Hamilton Marriage Preparation Coordinators (239) 592-7190





CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO BRING FORWARD DRY PANTRY ITEMS TO PLACE IN BASKETS AT THE ALTAR TO HELP FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY YEAR ROUND AT ALL WEEKEND MASS TIMES!

PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY IN ANSWERING THE CALL TO SUPPORT OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST!

## **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.

## St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

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



Please do not leave food in the Church.

Thank you for supporting those in need in our community.



Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm



# Ministries, Volunteers, and Groups



# Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive



The Knights of Columbus are raising money to help build a Culture of Life in our community. We are planning to purchase an Ultrasound Machine for CPI (Community Pregnancy Clinics) and provide financial support to other Pro-Life organizations.

#### Here's how the Baby Bottle Drive works:

- 1) Pick up a baby bottle after Mass from the Knights the weekend of January 18/19.
- 2) Take the baby bottle home with you and fill it with coins, cash or a check made payable to "St. John Council 11281". Write "Baby Bottle Drive" on the memo line.
- 3) Drop the baby bottle off with the Knights before Mass the following weekend, January 25/26.

Please give what you can to support these great organizations!



# **HOPE** in a **BOX**

As you exit the Church door, know that your gift makes someone's life better.

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

There are greater needs than our resources, so please join us or donate so we can bring support to the ever-growing people in need.



Your Support stays here in Naples and is deeply valued

## Adult Faith Formation

#### Let's Start the New Year off with: THE ROSARY IN A YEAR

If you've ever struggled to build a habit of prayer, this podcast is for you!

In Ascension's Rosary in a Year podcast, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, CFR, guides listeners in a step-by-step journey that will change the way you pray – no matter where you are in your spiritual life.

By starting small and adding on over time, listeners will find themselves falling more in love with this powerful Marian devotion, becoming a source of grace for the whole world.

Listen to discover....

- · How to build a daily habit of prayer
- How to form a relationship with Jesus and Mary
- The Biblical foundations of the Rosary
- How to meditate with sacred art (visio divina), saint writings, and scripture (lectio divina)
- The power of Mary's influence in your life

...and more.

For the complete prayer plan, visit <a href="https://ascensionpress.com/riy">https://ascensionpress.com/riy</a>.



Fr. Mark-Mary Ames is the Director of Communications and the Director of Priestly Studies of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR). The primary mission of the CFR community is a wholehearted embracing of Jesus Christ and their Holy Father, St. Francis of Assisi. Through their commitment to prayer and contemplation, the study of Sacred Scripture, fidelity to the Church and the sacraments, their fraternal life, and their generous service to others especially the poor, the CFRs receive the nourishment necessary to live out their lives as sons of St. Francis in the Capuchin tradition.

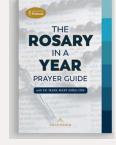
He is the host of the <u>Ascension Presents</u> video series <u>The CFRs</u>. He was also the executive producer of the *Poco a Poco* music album featuring Br. Isaiah, CFR, and is the author of both <u>Habits for Holiness: Small Steps for Making Big Spiritual</u>

<u>Progress</u> and <u>The Father: 30 Meditations to Draw You Into the Heart of God.</u>

#### The Rosary in a Year Prayer Guide

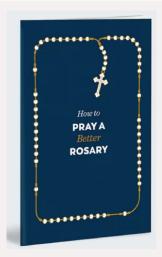
The Rosary in a Year Prayer Guide helps Catholics develop a lasting love for the Rosary and build a relationship with Jesus and Mary. Every day for 365 days, readers will be accompanied through daily reflections, insights, and meditations as they grow in praying the Rosary. The Prayer Guide presents daily content, including:

- The proprietary Rosary in a Year Reading Plan
- An introduction from Fr. Marl-Mary Ames, CFR
- Introductions to each of the six phases of the learning method
- The scripture passages associated with each mystery pf the Rosary
- Sacred art to reflect on while praying each mystery of the Rosary
- Reflections associated with specific days of the podcast
- The full text of the prayers of the Rosary
- The Biblical foundation basis for the prayers of the Rosary



Available in our Gift Shop while supplies last for \$25.00

# Adult Faith Formation



#### **How to Pray a Better Rosary**

Unlike other rosary booklets, How to Pray a Better Rosary doesn't just teach readers how to pray the rosary. It teaches readers how to build the mental muscle of meditation necessary to truly enter into this powerful prayer.

How to Pray a Better Rosary moves readers from dry repetition to deep relationship, so the rosary becomes a source of grace for you and the whole world.

With this slim but powerful aid, you will:

- Learn how to pray the rosary step-by-step
- Dive into every prayer and mystery of the rosary
- Explore the Biblical roots of the rosary
- Learn about how to use the Litanies often paired with the rosary as a wellspring for your personal relationship with Jesus and Mary

SOLD OUT online, but available in our Gift Shop for \$5.00 while supplies last!

#### 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!

# 7 SECRETS OF DIVINE MERCY



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

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

Faciltator: Jean Kechejian

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

#### This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Monday, January 6th – 6:00PM- OCIA- Room 11 & 12 – Claussen Family Center

Tuesday, January 7th - 7 Secrets of Divine Mercy -9:30-11:00AM - Alexandria Room

Thursday, January 9th – Faith Chat 9:30AM-11:00AM- Alexandria Room

## 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 **FREE** 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**

#### PreK3 & PreK4

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

#### K-8th Grade

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

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

#### Save the Dates

#### MARCH FOR LIFE-

Ave Maria for High School Youth – January 18th-<u>Juliana@sjecc.com</u>

#### **CONFIRMATION YEAR 2 RETREAT**

APRIL 13 -11am-7pm - Required

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

JUNE 9-13 - Registration opens online March 1st

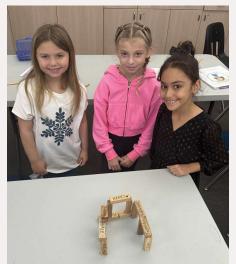
#### **COVECREST CAMP IN GEORGIA**

AUGUST 4-9 –Contact
<u>Juliana@sjecc.com</u> to register-High School Youth

# Faith Formation

#### 70 YOUTH BUSY PREPARING FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION

While our children prepare for their First Reconciliation this month, please keep them in your prayers. They are all so busy preparing and learning about God's love, mercy, and friendship, as well as the grace that awaits them in this most precious sacrament of healing! Children are preparing by examining their conscience, learning the steps of how to make a good confession, learning their Act of Contrition prayer, and much more about this sacrament. As part of their preparation, students were given wooden blocks with different qualities listed (both good and bad) to build a house for Jesus! They were to choose only the good qualities to build their house- the kind of qualities we want to have when we welcome Jeus' into our hearts.









First Reconciliation









# Youth Ministry and Young Adults



# ST. VALENTINE **EVENT**

# All are welcome!



# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH 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.



FOR YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 **CONFIRMATION STUDENTS** 

\*INCLUDES BUS TRANSPORTATION

#### **REGISTER BY 1/13**



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 COME WHEN YOU CAN - ALL ARE WELCOME

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# 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!

- WHAT WE DO...
- BIBLE STUDY PRAISE AND WORSHIP
- · ADORATION
- · PRAY
- TRIPS COVECREST, MISSION TRIP.
  - LAUGH, PLAY GAMES & SO MUCH
- JANUARY 01/10 - EDGE NIGHT
- 01/17 EDGE NIGHT
- 01/24 EDGE NIGHT

JULIANA@SJECC.COM JULIANA D'AGOSTINO





# <u>IGNITE HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP</u> 2024 - 2025 CALENDA WEDNESDAYS 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

# DECEMBER

· NO YOUTH GROUP UNTIL JANUARY. **HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS!** 

WHAT

- · ADORATION

- · PRAY
- VOLUNTEER
- - - LAUGH, PLAY GAMES & SO MUCH

TRIPS - COVECREST, MISSION

# JANUARY

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



WELCOME TO SJECC IGNITE HIGH SCHOOL SMALL **GROUP! YOUR YOUTH MINISTER'S ARE JULIANA** D'AGOSTINO AND MAX BERMAN, IGNITE IS A TIME FOR YOUTH TO DEEPEN THEIR FAITH, BUILD RELATIONSHIPS, BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN THE PARISH, AND HAVE FUN! IT IS A EUCHARIST-CENTERED CATHOLIC MINISTRY OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. BY SHARING THE TEACHINGS OF OUR CHURCH AND FACILITATING POWERFUL **ENCOUNTERS WITH CHRIST, WE HELP TEENAGERS** GROW IN KNOWLEDGE OF OUR FAITH WHILE TRANSFORMING HEARTS TO HELP THEM PASSIONATELY LIVE OUT THE GOSPEL BY SERVING AND LOVING ONE ANOTHER. COME WHEN YOU CAN! ALL ARE WELCOME!

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# 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! CONTACT JULIANA AT JULIANA@SJECC.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION



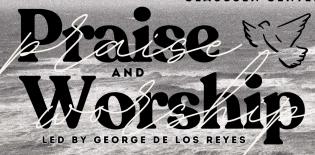
SATURDAY. JANUARY 11 AT 6 P.M.

St. John the evangelist catholic church PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER 625 111TH AVE. N., NAPLES, FL

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

CLAUSSEN CENTER-ALEXANDRIA ROOM



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
- **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 CATHOLICYOUNGADULTSOFNAPLES@GMAIL.COM

# CATHOLIC ADULTS OF NAPLES **SMALL GROUP**

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

**CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS OF NAPLES SMALL GROUPS** EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

FOR AGES 21-39

# HAPPY HOUR IN THE PHITE CENTER

THERE IS AN OPTIONAL \$20 GIFT CARD EXCHANG FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE!



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Please join us for an interesting dialogue program "UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS WITH A CATHOLIC AND A JEW"

Presenters: Lawrence Hermalyn, JD and Deacon Dick Surrusco

This program offers a supportive environment and a dialogue approach to the lived experiences of Catholics and Jews. Our presenters are CJD members who will share and discuss their experiences as a Catholic and a Jew. Our table discussions will provide the audience an opportunity to speak from their lived experience as an individual, a spouse, a parent, a grandparent, and a member of a faith community.



Deacon Dick Surrusco



Lawrence Hermalyn, JD

Sunday, January 26 | 2:30 PM Nina Iser Jewish Cultural Center

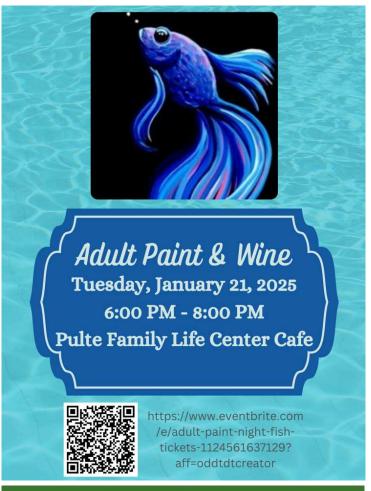
4720 Pine Ridge Rd

This program is free and open to all Registration is required at jewishnaples.org

Presented by the Catholic Jewish Dialogue of Collier County



THE STRENGTH OF A PEOPLE. THE POWER OF A COMMUNITY





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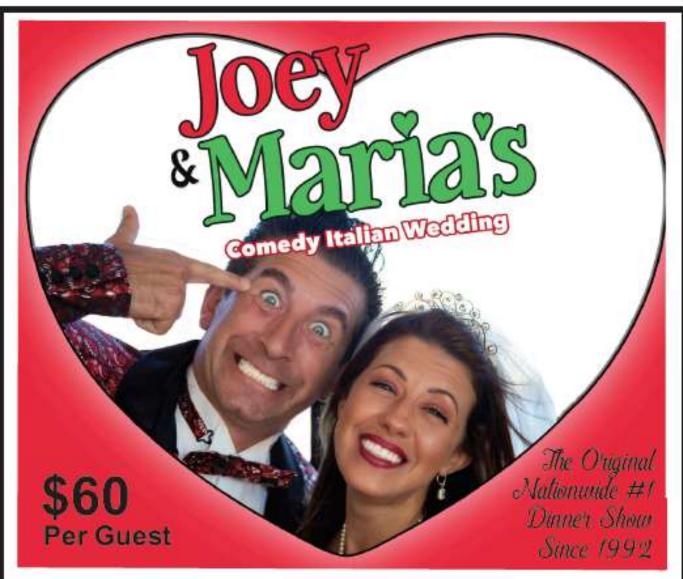
Senior attendance

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is by RSVP only.







# 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 donsfree56@yahoo.com

Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281



# **POLISH DINNER DANCE**

Saturday, February 22, 2025 | 4:00PM - 9:00PM St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## Spend a Night Enjoying...

- Authentic Polish Dinner appetizer table, hot foods, including: golabki, pierogi, kielbasa, kraut, and full dessert table
- Lively Polka Music featuring the legendary Pan Franek & the Polka Towners
- Cash Bar & 50/50 Raffle

Tickets go on sale January 18, 2025 via EventBrite.

Access the bulletin that weekend for the EventBrite QR

Code. For questions contact

sjeccpolishdinnerdance@gmail.com or call Carol

Roberts 239-272-2212.

ADULTS: \$65 VIP: \$75 CHILDREN UNDER 12: \$25 Tables of 10











