

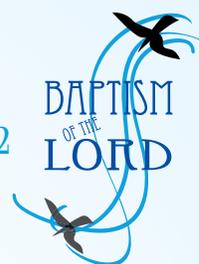
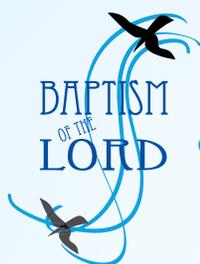
January 13, 2013  
*Feast of the Baptism of the Lord*



the  
**EVANGELIST**  
 SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Saint John Celebrates 51 Newly Baptized**

The Catholic Community of St. John the Evangelist,  
 along with our Clergy and Baptism Team,  
 celebrate with our newest baptized members from 2012  
 on this special Feast Day of The Baptism of the Lord.



God Bless you all and welcome to our parish family!

Audrey Tresa Bergen  
 Lucas Artemio Bermudez  
 Kevin Anthony Borucki  
 Lillian Nguyen Brooks  
 Michael Anthony Burkard III  
 Cara Elizabeth Calabrese  
 Corbin Calleja  
 Mia Belle Brown Castillo  
 Alexandra Lee Chrusciel  
 Sean Issac Clairmont  
 Lily Ahlea Bell Costello  
 Liam Patrick Coyle  
 Alexandria Nicole Dolkas  
 Anthony Vito D'Amico  
 Avery Skylar Davis  
 Vincent Anthony Dillon  
 Naomi Sefinew Erickson

Cooper James Feipel  
 Zachary Blaise Goduti  
 Leo Matthew Grabinski  
 Lola Fortunata Grabinski  
 Anna Marilyn Greco  
 Pierce David Hahn  
 Evelyn Ann Hale  
 Emma Grace Hall  
 Ian Edward Haynes  
 Beckham Brees Loebig  
 Thomas Maximus Lund  
 Genevecia Madonna Maffei  
 Jagger Leigh Mameli  
 Izabella Berta Marchand  
 Lucas Matthew McCreary  
 Ian Gustavo Merzvinkas  
 Bella Kaci Metz

Caroline Katherine Myers  
 Michael Anthony Nicoletta II  
 Madison Marie Nugent  
 Vitangelo Mariano Petruzzella  
 Logan Patrick Plumley  
 Anthony Christian Prattini  
 Jude Philip Radel  
 Georgia Lee Resch  
 Lynlee Rae Richards  
 Maximo Joseph Rock  
 Maya Rose Rock  
 McKenzie Paige Roggenburk  
 Evelyn Campbell Sherwood  
 Henry Richard Slamin  
 Dezaray Dominique Soto  
 Hailey Joelle Steffan  
 Sophie Grace Szatkowski



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 Daily Mass: 8:00 & 9:00 a.m., Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3 & 5 p.m. – Sunday: 7, 9, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5 p.m.

Scan this tag with your smartphone to view our mobile website.

**Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by**

<b>January 12, 2013</b>	<b>Saturday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Blanche Bouvy	Ned & Mary Lou Leibig	
	<b>Vigil Masses</b>		
3:00 PM +	Emma Geoffray	Dolores Kernochan	
5:00 PM +	Keith Kurnath	Ken & Marianne Kurnath	
<b>January 13, 2013</b>	<b>Sunday</b>		
7:00 AM +	Rita Perrotta	Susie & Steve Linzalone	
9:00 AM +	Rita Perrotta	N. & G. Lattarulo	
11:15 AM	For Our Parishioners		
1:15 PM +	Vincent Leone	Settimo & Lorraine Leave	
5:00 PM +	Florence Setlak	Deanne Czaple	
<b>January 14, 2013</b>	<b>Monday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Valmar Lauzon	Jim & Lois Colgran	
9:00 AM +	Joan McDermot	Deacon Frank & Sandy Paniccia	
<b>January 15, 2013</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Nan Groh	Deacon Al Groh	
9:00 AM +	Frank Healey	Jackie Davie & Bill Tapinekis	
<b>January 16, 2013</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Robert Colleary	Peter Ryan	
9:00 AM +	Warren Parsons	His Wife, Nora	
<b>January 17, 2013</b>	<b>Thursday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Eugene Korzec	Vincent Lasprogata	
9:00 AM +	Virginia Ventro	Fran & Nick Pishotti	
<b>January 18, 2013</b>	<b>Friday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Elda Bradley	Robert & Rita Doody	
9:00 AM +	Nancy Buckley	Emmy Lesnick	
<b>January 19, 2013</b>	<b>Saturday</b>		
8:00 AM +	Amir Nourkashemi	Paul & Alicia Ade	
	<b>Vigil Masses</b>		
3:00 PM +	Lambert & Louise Abell	Bob & Kathy Sims	
5:00 PM +	Elvin Tirado	Richard & Nosene Trapani	
	<i>Altar Flowers in Memory of Diane Esteves - Requested by Ann Mullally</i>		
<b>January 20, 2013</b>	<b>Sunday</b>		
7:00 AM +	Rita Perrotta	Tina Tambone	
9:00 AM +	Joan & Al Moser	Children	
11:15 AM	For Our Parishioners		
1:15 PM +	Vincent Leone	Frank & Maria Arone	
5:00 PM +	Wendy Murphy Burke	Her Family	

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK****Saturday, January 12, 2013**

1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

**Vigil Masses**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Sunday, January 13, 2013****The Baptism of the Lord;***National Vocation Awareness Week*

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Monday, January 14, 2013****First Week in Ordinary Time begins**

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday, January 15, 2013**

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday, January 16, 2013**

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday, January 17, 2013****St. Anthony**

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday, January 18, 2013****Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins**

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday, January 19, 2013****Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany);****Blessed Virgin Mary**

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

**Vigil Masses**

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

**Sunday, January 20, 2013****Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

**FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to 5** is available during the following Mass times: Saturday Vigil 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 and 5:00 p.m. The nursery is located in the Parish Life Center, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is in attendance during these nursery hours.

**Homebound:** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available at any time to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Contact Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

**THIS WEEK'S MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULE...**SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH • WWW.SAINTJOHNTHEEVANGELIST.COM

# Saint John Reaches 2012 Catholic Faith Appeal Goal!



## DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA *OFFICE OF THE BISHOP*

December 27, 2012

Very Reverend John J. Ludden  
St. John the Evangelist Parish  
625 111<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Naples, FL 34108

Dear Father Ludden and Parishioners,

It is an honor to extend my profound congratulations to all the faithful of St. John the Evangelist Parish for reaching the 2012 Catholic Faith Appeal goal! Your commitment to those in greatest need throughout our Diocese is most appreciated and valued by all. We are one faith-filled community responding to the needs of our Catholic family.

Saint Peter says, "Above all, let your love for one another be intense...As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." You have risen to the challenge given in the words of our first Pope. Without this generosity, the spiritual, educational and material needs of people who have experienced Christ through our programs could not continue.

St. John the Evangelist Parish inspires our entire Catholic Faith community here in the Diocese of Venice to strive to make substantial contributions to help others. Your Parish is an example of the dedication and commitment required to further the mission of the Gospel.

I take this opportunity to convey my heartfelt gratitude to each of you, along with my prayers for you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Frank J. Dewane".

+ Frank J. Dewane  
Bishop of the Diocese of  
Venice in Florida

## PARISH CLERGY



**Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor**

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Thomas Kelly	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Rob Chalhoub	
Deacon Frank Panicia	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Al Groh	Senior Status

## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. Classes are offered once a month and baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 1:15 p.m. Mass. Please call the parish office to register for a class. Upon completion of the class and fulfillment of the godparent requirements, parents may schedule a baptism date.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice.

### **Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements**

Call the parish office 566.8740. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

*Business Office is located in the PLC (behind the Church)*

**All Administrative Staff  
239.566.8740**

### **General Manager**

Scott Schlossberg: 566.1678

**Fax: 239.325.2100**

### **Administrative Assistant & Records**

Melanie Harrison: *Ext. 113*

### **Assistant to the Pastor**

Martha Oram: *Ext. 134*

### **Pastoral Musician and Liturgist**

Tom Oram: *Ext. 179*

### **Choir Director**

Ellie Roberts: 682.5609

### **Sacristan**

Lorna Woonsam: *Ext. 133*

### **Communications**

Kathy Sims: *Ext. 128*

### **Memorial Garden**

Scott Schlossberg: *Ext. 114*

### **Religious Boutique**

Jackie Gibson: 325.2107

### **Director of Maintenance**

Marcos Burgoa: *Ext. 117*

## **Education Staff**

### **Director of Faith Formation**

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

### **Director of Youth Ministry**

Bill Maguire: 566.8740, *Ext. 177*

### **Director of RCIA**

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

### **Family Ministry**

Charlene Youngs: 566.8740 *Ext. 123*

### **email staff members at:**

**info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com**

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: [saintjohntheevangelist.com](http://saintjohntheevangelist.com) Click on the **Welcome** tab on the top left side and scroll down to **Forms**. Return to office.

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### **Administrative Office Hours are:**

Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

*(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)*

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

*(until all are heard)*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### **Daily Mass:**

*Monday-Friday*

8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

### **Saturday Vigil Masses:**

3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

### **Sunday Masses:**

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,

11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

## FOR OUR RECORDS

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the front office at 239.566.8740 or email: [info@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.com)  
Thank you!

## BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Please submit all ordinary time submission requests by Thursday at 10:00 a.m. **10 days prior** to the Sunday publication you are requesting. You can **e-mail: [kathys@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:kathys@saintjohntheevangelist.com)** or drop your submission off in the parish office.

### **Mass Cards**

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

### **Mass Intentions**

We are currently accepting intentions for 2013.

### **Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine**

We have 2014 Mass availability and 2013 wine and host and flowers availability. Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*The spirit-filled community of St. John the Evangelist is committed to following the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church through stewardship and serving its parishioners, the community and those most in need.*

## PARISH INFORMATION...

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## Hymns for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, January 12 & 13

Entrance Hymn:	232	Songs of Thankfulness and Praise
Preparation Hymn:	471	Like a Shepherd
Communion Hymn:	497	Ubi Caritas
	332	Baptized In Water
Closing Hymn:	216	Go, Tell It On the Mountain

### Choral Anthems at the 9 & 11:15 AM Masses

Before the Mass	Baptized In Water, O My Soul	Tom Silvia, arr. Oram
At Communion	River In Judea	Marcus / Feldman

### Finance Council Says Thank You to Parishioners for Meeting 2012 CFA Goal

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

In last week's bulletin, Scott Schlossberg, our General Manager, conveyed the good news to the parish — we exceeded our goal for the 2012 Catholic Faith Appeal. This means that any excess over our goal comes back to us free of assessment to use as operating income.

The Finance Council thanks you for your help in this endeavor. St. John parishioners are incredible. Without your support this could not have happened.

God Bless You! We wish you and your loved ones a Peaceful and Blessed 2013!

*From Your Saint John the Evangelist Finance Council*

## Understanding Spirituality & Prayer

will be the theme at the  
*Parish Retreat*

**January 26, 2013**

**Speaker: Fr. J.J. McCarthy**

Open to Men and Women  
of St. John the Evangelist

**Cost: \$30**

includes breakfast, lunch and speaker

*Attendance at Retreat fulfills Sunday obligation.*

*Limited to 60 participants.*

**Location:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat and Spirituality Center, 3989 South Moon Drive, Venice, FL

**Registration: See Deacon Al**

**239.597.5172**

**deaconalg@comcast.net**

*Carpooling available.*

### Coming Events for the Jamaica Outreach Program

The next six weeks will be a busy time for the JOP, and we welcome anyone who would like to climb aboard our volunteer wagon or join us in our efforts to make a difference in Kingston, Jamaica.

**January 25: Jamaica Festival: "We Be Jammin' Mon!"**

The Festival provides an evening of dancing and dining with a silent auction to add to the fun. This is a great opportunity to fill a table with friends and neighbors from the North who have just arrived back in town. For ticket information check elsewhere in the bulletin or call Jeanne Stamant at 514.0290.

**February 1-4: Jamaica Choir visits St. John the Evangelist**

Hosting opportunities are still available for anyone who would like to get up close and personal with choir members from Jamaica. This is a rare opportunity to welcome into your home some wonderful representatives from our sister parishes in Jamaica. Martha Mador can fill you in on all the particulars. Call her at 992.2646 if you feel inclined to widen your comfort zone and reach out to some amazing people.

**February 16 -17: Annual Food Drive for the St. Pius Food Pantry**

Now is the time to take advantage of the "Buy One Get One Free" at our local supermarkets. Our Annual Food Drive will be held on February 16-17. The food pantry at St. Pius is nearly empty and the need to fill the shelves is greater than ever. This year's challenge is to fill the 20 foot ocean bound container with canned vegetables, fruit and juice; dry pasta and beans; that's something we have never had to do before. It will be a formidable task that will depend on everyone's participation and good will. Can we count on you to help? Call Martha and Jean Mador at 992.2646 if you have any questions or ideas on how to make this our most productive food drive ever!

— JOP

## Bishop Dewane Will Celebrate Diocesan Appreciation Mass for Volunteers During Year of Faith

During this Year of Faith, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites all of the volunteers throughout the Diocese of Venice to three separate Masses, each with the intention of expressing appreciation and thanks to all volunteers. The goal of celebrating three separate Masses is to reduce the travel-time for many individuals and to honor the greatest number of people.

The Masses will be held Tuesday, March 5 at Our Lady of Light Parish in Estero for volunteers in Lee and Collier counties.

These important Masses provide a “thank you” and formal sign of appreciation for the volunteers of our parishes and those throughout the Diocese. Each Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. and will be followed by a reception in the respective parish hall. To register, please go to [www.dioceseofvenice.org/volunteermass](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/volunteermass) and follow the prompts. To register by phone, please call 941.441.1136. For more information please call Gail Ardy at 941.484.9543.

### Martha’s Guild Volunteers

Thank you to all the ladies who expressed interest in volunteering for Martha’s Guild. At this time we have enough volunteers.

*Lorna Woonsam, head Sacristan*

### 2013 Mah Jongg Cards Orders Due by January 25

Orders for 2012 MAH JONGG CARDS (standard \$7.00/ large \$8.00) will be taken through January 25, 2013. Place your name, address and telephone number, plus the number of cards you want to order, on a slip of paper. Enclose the paper with a CHECK (payable to Joan Scariati) or CASH in the total amount of order PLUS 45 cents (stamp or cash) per card in an envelope addressed to MAH JONGG. Drop off your order at the receptionist desk in the PLC. Your order will be shipped directly from the Mah Jongg League to your designated address by April 1.

### Next Magnificat Breakfast Saturday, January 19

The next Magnificat breakfast is Saturday, January 19, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. Our speaker is Fr. Stephen Asante Bakor, from Ghana in West Africa. Fr. Stephen is assisting in pastoral ministries at St. Vincent de Paul Parish. He loves the Blessed Virgin Mary and believes God is using her, through Magnificat, to make Pentecost happen in our own time. Advanced registration is required by mail. Seating is limited; no walk-ins. Please call Joanne Tarantino, 887.0060 or Shirley Ruehl, 239.949.7015.

### The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a “Friday Night Fish Bake”

At St. John the Evangelist PLC during Lent  
Dinner will be served from 5PM to 7 PM.

Please plan on attending

Dates are: February 13, 2013 (Ash Wednesday)

Friday Nights in Lent of

February 15 and 22; March 1, 8 and 15

Fridays: February 15 and February 22

March 1, 8 and 15

(No Fish Bake on Good Friday)

\$12.00 Adults, \$5.00 under 10 yrs. old

Tickets at Door Only

#### Menu

Baked Fish, Rice Pilaf, Mac and Cheese

Coleslaw, String Beans Almandine,

New England Clam Chowder,

Bread & Butter,

Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade & Soda

Dessert

(Take Outs Available)

### St. John’s 15th Annual

## SUPERBOWL PARTY

Sunday, February 3, 2013

Doors Open & Dinner @ 5:00 p.m.

Game Time - TBA

#### \$25 PER PERSON INCLUDES:

**Pork loin Sandwiches, Chicken Wings,  
Sausage, Salads, Cheese Trays, Chips,  
Popcorn, & Cake**

**\*\*BEER & WINE INCLUDED  
AT NO EXTRA CHARGE**

**\*\*BYOB—MIXERS PROVIDED**

### WATCH THE GAME ON OUR FOUR 12’ SCREENS

while enjoying the best Superbowl deal in town

*(Ask those who have attended in the past and understand why this is true.)*

Games of Chance Available

**BET A BUCK**

— **WIN A BUNDLE**

Tickets are available

in Parish Office

Reserved tables for parties of 8 or more

# Christmas Bike and Food Drives Help Many In Need



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church with the help of the Ladies of Charity of Naples provided 226 new bikes to the needy children at the Guadalupe Center in Immokalee this Christmas

Under the direction of Father John and Valerie Matulis, president of Ladies of Charity of Naples, the parish was invited to choose a Christmas ornament from our giving tree to provide a bike for a child in Immokalee.

The parish response was overwhelming. Over \$10,000 was contributed to buy new bikes and another 120 new bikes were donated. The new bikes and locks were purchased at Big Momma's Bike Shop in Naples. Amy and Hung worked tirelessly to assemble 100 new bikes for us. Marcus and Ovideo from St. John delivered all the bikes to the Guadalupe Center. Merline Dejeuste was in charge of the distribution at the Guadalupe Center.

The Ladies of Charity made all the beautiful ornaments under

the magnificent direction of Sandy O'Connor.

What a beautiful sight to behold, 226 new bikes. Many of the parishioners commented on what a great idea it was, especially since they had never experienced a new bike growing up. The children were ecstatic!

Over \$7,000 was also donated with a second giving tree to help support St. Matthew's House and the Guadalupe Soup Kitchen.

Thank you to all those involved in making our first bike drive a HUGE SUCCESS as well as those that contributed to our food drive.

"Through Him All Things Are Possible"

*Valerie Matulis*

*President of Ladies of Charity of Naples*



*Photos courtesy of Ladies of Charity of Naples*

**Altar Servers:**

Neal Borter 804.357.5712

**Arts & Liturgical Environment:**

Kay Sanfelippo 949.7122

**Calling & Caring:**

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

**Eucharistic Ministry**

Ernest Woonsam 947.8618

**Homebound**

Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

**Greeters & Ushers:**

John Smith 598.2306

**Jamaica Mission:**

Al &amp; Ann Kerns 514.1553

**Lectors:**

Victor Yopez 290.9090

**Daily Mass Lectors:**

Rosemary Slevin 596.7057

**Prayer Group:**

Linda Reilly 821.8982

**Respect Life:**

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

**Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.**

Develops programs for adults to grow as Catholics through activities such as retreats, small groups meetings, lectures, seminars, social action and workshops. Stephanie Wardein: 289.5541; Perpetualimagesofnaples@gmail.com

**AGA (Alienated Grandparents**

**Anonymous).** Provides information and support to grandparents who feel alienated or estranged from access to their grandchildren. First Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the library and third Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the PLC ballroom. aga-fl.org

**AA.** Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. PLC.

**Al-Anon.** Monday 9:00 to 10:00 a.m., PLC; Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. PLC.

**Ala-Teen.** Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. PLC.

**Arimatheans.** A group of caring parishioners who support parishioners by attending funerals as representation of our faith community. Virginia: 597.7687

**Bible Story Time.** Bible stories, crafts, prayer and fun Mondays, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., in PLC pre-school classroom. Parents and children ages 0-5 years old welcome. Jennifer Grenardo: grenardo@comcast.net

**Bible Teaching.** Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m., Claussen Center for relevant Bible teaching and retelling of the Scriptures. Join us in acquiring greater understanding of the weekly readings and growing in faith with us. Victor: 290.9090

**Choirs:****Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.**

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Residents and seasonals welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.**

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:25 p.m. Grades 1-5. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.**

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Circle of Comfort.** Are you or a loved one affected by cancer? We are a support team who help, encourage, pray, listen, laugh and do whatever it takes to help each other. We don't meet on a regular basis, so please call Jim or Darlene: 495.9741

**Cursillistas.** Third Tuesday monthly at 7:30 PM: The Naples area Ultreya meets at St. William's Ministry Center, Seagate Drive. All Cursillistas are welcome including visitors. Loretta Judy: 596.2291

**Divine Gift Boutique. WINTER HOURS:**

Saturday: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Jackie Gibson: 325.2107

**Evangelization.** Designed to psychologically bring back individuals who have left the Catholic Church. Deacon Al: 566.8740, ext. 125

**Families Helping Families.** Mondays at 3 p.m. For families with a member who has a problem with alcohol &/or drugs. This is a small caring group to talk & answer questions. Bill: 732.5979

**Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.** Last Monday of every month: St. John K of C Officers. First Monday of every month. Regular meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited to join our Council meeting. Paul Barrus, Grand Knight: 609.741.4593

**Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308.** Meeting are the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K John A. Fazackerley FN 495.5380

**Knitting & Crocheting.** Tuesdays from 10:00-Noon: Want to learn? We are a service group that knits & crochets to benefit those in need: blankets for soldiers, hats for cancer patients, baby hats & booties, & prayer shawls. Anne Orem: 566.9636

**Ladies of Charity.** Meets the second Friday of every month, volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. For friendly visits

and simple errands for the homebound, call Jan Sukay: 431.7376. If interested in joining, call Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

**Mah Jong.** Wednesday, 12-3 p.m. Beginners welcome. Joan Scariotti: 594.0994

**Men's Club.** Group of dedicated men (with the superb assistance from their ladies) who assist the Pastor and the parish. Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month, 2-3:00. New members welcome. Andy Sanfelippo: 949.7122

**Gospel Forum.** Group of men who join together to discuss the following Sunday's gospel and its application to everyday life. Prayer and casual discussion of various spiritual writings follows. Pizza and soft drinks offered. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in PLC. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

**Narcotics Anonymous.** Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8:00 p.m. PLC.

**Philothea.** Women ages 20-45 meet to support & encourage one another through the joys & struggles of life, work and motherhood in a Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. Martha Oram: 566.8740, ext. 177

**Pinochle.** Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. Angie Cornelius: 498.4512

**Respect Life.** A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its stage. They coordinate all respect life activities within the parish as well as outreach to the community. Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Claussen Center. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

**Sewing Group.** Meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in room 1 of the PLC. New members are invited. Nancy Cote: 514.0410

**St. Vincent de Paul.** Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:30 a.m., Mass in PLC. Bill Smart: 566.8740

**Sing-A-Long** at Nursing Facilities. Tuesday, Jan. 22 at Harbor Memory Care, Naples, at 2:00 p.m. Jayne Potter: 597.5483

**Third Order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites.** Phyllis Gryskiewicz, 566.7307

**Women's Bible Study.** Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Library and Monday evenings in Room 3 and 4 in the PLC. We are currently studying the book "Come and See The Gospel of St. John" by Emmaus Road Publishing. You are welcome to join at any time. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

## PRAYER GROUPS

### Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Blessed John Paul II said "a great prayer for Life is urgently needed!" Cenacle participants pray for an end to the Culture of Death every Tuesday evening, 6:00 to 6:45 p.m., in the Adoration Chapel. In the powerful presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we offer 10 mysteries of the rosary and related prayers and we fast one day a week on our own. All are welcome! Please call the parish office for the Chapel code.

### Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

Forty-five minutes of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Only your quiet presence is needed. Mondays: 5:30 p.m., Room 15 Claussen Center. Tuesdays: 6:00 p.m., Room 15, Claussen Center. Centering Prayer will meet in the Parish Library on Wednesday mornings following the 9:00 a.m. Mass (9:45 a.m.).

## THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

*Please pray for our loved ones who are serving in the military:*

**Sp. Petrus Botha**  
U.S. Army

**S. Isaiah Brutus**  
U.S. Air Force

**Ensign Stuart  
Campbell**  
U.S. Navy

**Bradley N. Chartier**  
U.S. Army

**BM2 Charley  
Davidson**  
U.S. Navy (USS  
Samuel B. Roberts)

**Specialist Anthony J.  
Diamante**  
U.S. Army, serving in  
Ft Bragg, N.C

**Joshua Emmons**  
U.S. Air Force

**Lt. Colin Flood**  
U.S. Army, Special  
Forces

**Lt. Bernardo Garcia**  
U.S. Marines

**Lt. Joseph Gilig**  
1st Marine Division \*  
LAV Recon

**Cpl. Dylan Granza**  
(Serving in  
Afghanistan)

**Sgt. Patrick H.  
Hammer**  
U.S. Marine Corp \*  
LAV Recon

**Specialist Douglas  
Hennessy**  
U.S. Army

**Marine Lt. Colonel  
Brian Howlett**  
U.S. Marine Corp

**David Jensen**

**Lt. John Meyers**  
U.S. Army

**LCpl. Randy A. Novak**  
(USMC)

**LCpl. Ryan D. Novak**  
(USMC)

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(USMC)

**Lt. Martin Palmer**  
U.S. Army

**1Lt. Robert Pedrigi**  
U.S. Army

**Lt. Joseph Schafer**  
U.S. Army

**Lt. Gregory Spencer**  
U.S. Army, (Serving in  
Afghanistan)

**Houng Tran**  
U.S. Army

**IT2 Jason E. Tydingco**  
(USN) Deployed on  
U.S.S. Boxer

### Divine Will Prayer Group

Are you hungering and thirsting for the Lord. Come. Grow in the knowledge of his most adorable will where you will be filled to overflowing with his love. The group meets on Fridays at 9:45 a.m. in the Claussen Center, room 15. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

### Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Morning Prayer after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

### Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

We pray every morning in the Church except Sunday. We begin 45 minutes before Mass. Please join us. (*We have printed guides with the prayers.*)

### St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

Prayer group meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in cry room. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

## PRAYER LIST

*Let us pray for the sick of the parish, especially:*

Joan Abele	Ann Marie Esposito	William Line	Diana Pecaro
Tom Abele	Thomas O. Flood	Victor & Marie	Joan Peters
Jacob Andrew	Donna Flynn	Louise Lisabeth	Patty Pilkington
Ed Barber	Barbara Fuller	Mr. & Mrs. George	Joe Pohrer
Jerry Barton	Lauran Gaines	Losure	Angela Preuss
Makayla Basile	Randall Galt	Catherine Lusk	David Pupo
Jennifer Basile	Rick Greenwood	Shari Lussier	Linda & Tom Riley
A.J. Becker	Helen Gressers	Betty Maher	Don Robinson
Rick Becker	Tim Hagan	Jeanne Majeske	Maria Scarcella
Linda Berry	Kathleen Hall	F. Mansfield	Cathy Schloendorn
Mary Bessner	Charlotte Hallohan	Richard Maynard	Carol Seiffert
John Brooks	William & Linda Hart	Judy Mazza	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Tiffany Baumann	Gerald Heyen	Jean K. McCarthy	Teresa Shengulet
Cantelupe	Coleen Hill	Sharon McCarthy	Annette Sholette
Kathleen Caputo	Mary Kay Hoban	Bill McConnell	Liam Sjostrom
Christine Cassara	Karen Hohne	Bob McEvoy	Jean Smith
James Castaldi	Bob Homan	Carolyn McNichols	Jeff Smith
Rosalia Castro	Cheryl & Jeff Horkey	Melina Megaris	Ray Stankard
Senise Clairmont	Val Hunt	Nancy Meleo	Bob Stonebrook
Members of the	Madeline Hurley	John Miller	Katie Sullivan
Claussen Family	Mario Incatasciato	Shirley Moran	Kay Sullivan
Paul Conte	Florence John	Ed Moriarty	Pat Sutter
Tuck Coon	Cade Joslin	Rich Moriarty	Tara and children
Pat Corr	Sr. Margaret Ann Kelley	Rev. Richard Mueller	Rita Taranto
Dick Crnkovich	Marita Kelly	Sebastian Nagy	Patricia Trapnell
Edna D'Antuono	Michael & Colleen	Louis Naumoff	Dolores Varone
Roberta Dabronzo	Kirkmaier	Peter Nicoletta	Pat & Eloisa
Alice Daley	Susan Koundalapis	Judy Nowik	Velasquez
Brian Davis	Toni Kosak	Jordan Obrochta	Jim Vinton
Carol Dickeson	Col. Al LaBarbara	Anne Orem	Bea Weglarz
Donna DiMaggio	Al LaRocco	Patricia Palumbo	Tom Wernes
Alexandria Dolkas	David Land	Irene Papin	Tom Wright
Douglas Donaldson	Wayne Lee	Maryla Panagos	Jeannie and Sara
Dana Downs	Mary Lenick	Michael Paul	Zaykowski
Michael Dunlop			

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740,  
email: [info@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.com),  
or complete the form below and return it to the parish office.

*Please add to the PRAYER LIST*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print first and last name

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**LET US PRAY...**

JANUARY 13, 2013 ~ FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Here we are in the middle of January and it feels like it could be April from the weather we have experienced recently. By the time you read my column, we will have set several record highs for the month of January. While we are experiencing unusually warm weather,

many other parts of the nation are dealing with normal winter conditions. As you may remember, last winter in Naples and throughout most of the contiguous United States was the year without a winter as everyone experienced above normal temperatures. For those wintering in Naples and for those who may be vacationing, enjoy the amazing weather while it lasts. Although my comments may irritate some, I for one would like to have some cooler weather so that it feels like winter rather than late spring. I believe that us “year rounders” pay our dues during the brutal summer months and are entitled to cool weather, if only for a few short months.

This past week, our entire staff realized first-hand how dependent we are on technology in our personal and professional lives. Our computer server crashed (hard) on Saturday and we were not back up and running until Wednesday morning. All of our files, calendars and contacts are stored on the server and we were basically helpless for two business days. On behalf of the clergy and staff, I would like to apologize for the delay in responding timely to email or other requests which required computer assistance. Unfortunately, we were at the mercy of our server and had very little recourse. The good news is that everything is backed up nightly and we didn’t lose any data. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

#### **Important notice regarding IRA Charitable Distributions**

The retroactive reinstatement of the highly popular IRA charitable rollover provision (as part of the “fiscal cliff” deal) is welcome news for donors and charities alike. It clarifies that direct transfers made from an IRA to eligible charities at any time during 2012 qualify for IRA charitable rollover treatment, as ATRA retroactively reinstates the rollover treatment to January 1, 2012. Although the transitional relief is welcome news, such relief is somewhat limited, as taxpayers having taken distributions from their IRAs prior to December 1, 2012, are not eligible for rollover treatment with respect to such distributions, as the relief provision only applies to distributions received in December 2012, not for any distributions received during 2012. The transitional relief does allow, however, a direct distribution from an IRA to charity in January 2013 to be treated as made in 2012, so that another charitable rollover can be made in 2013. So, for charitably-inclined individuals having large IRAs, the transitional relief

does allow, in any event, for a \$100,000 IRA charitable rollover in both 2012 and 2013. Contact me at 566.1678 if you have questions about making a charitable gift from your IRA to St. John the Evangelist.

The final results are in for the 2012 Catholic Faith Appeal. To say that our parishioners really came through this year is an understatement. As you know, our assessment or goal was \$443,000.00. We officially ended the annual appeal with pledges of \$501,296.16. This means that we exceeded our goal by \$58,296.16. In my 15 years at St. John the Evangelist, we have never achieved such success. This entire surplus will now be returned to the parish free of assessment to be used for whatever programs and ministries are most in need. Thank you again for your extreme outpouring of generosity.

Tickets for the 15th Annual Super Bowl Party are flying out of the office at a very brisk pace. If you would like to join us, please get your ticket soon. We are limiting sales to the first 300 to ensure that everyone has a great viewing experience. Your \$25 ticket (price has not increased in 15 years) will entitle you to a full buffet and an open bar with beer and wine included. Proceeds from this event will be used for the benefit of our Youth Ministry program.

After a long hiatus, we are hosting another AARP driver Safety Program at St. John the Evangelist. The next class will take place on January 18 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Center. There will be a one hour lunch break. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. The focus of the course is to give drivers over the age of 50 an opportunity to compensate for the changes occurring in their aging bodies, however, anyone may take the course. As a bonus, you receive a discount on your auto insurance premium. For more information or to register, please contact Toni Valery at 239.593.9329.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA  
General Manager

## Ladies of St. John's Monthly Luncheon January 30 at Stonewood Restaurant

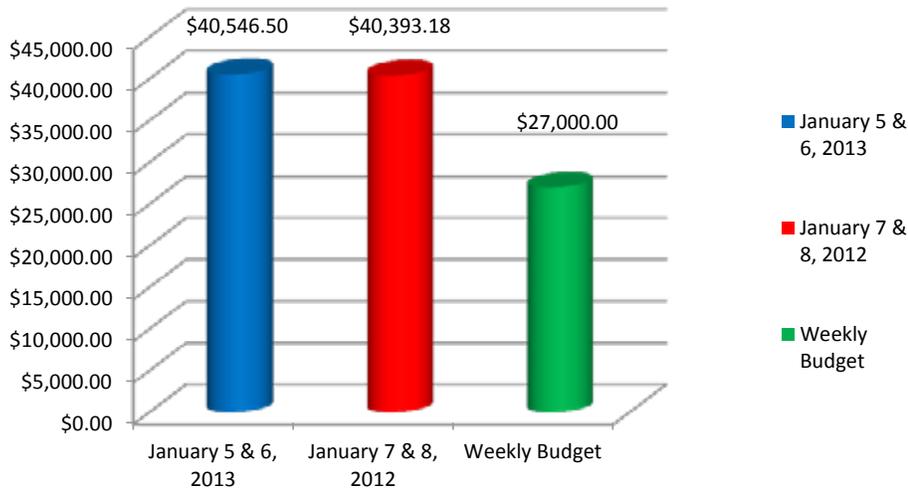
The Ladies of St. John's monthly luncheon will be on Wednesday, January 30 at 11:30 a.m. at the Stonewood Restaurant, 7935 Airport Road, Suite 20. We will order from the menu and pay with cash or credit card.

A free will offering for St. Vincent de Paul will be taken.

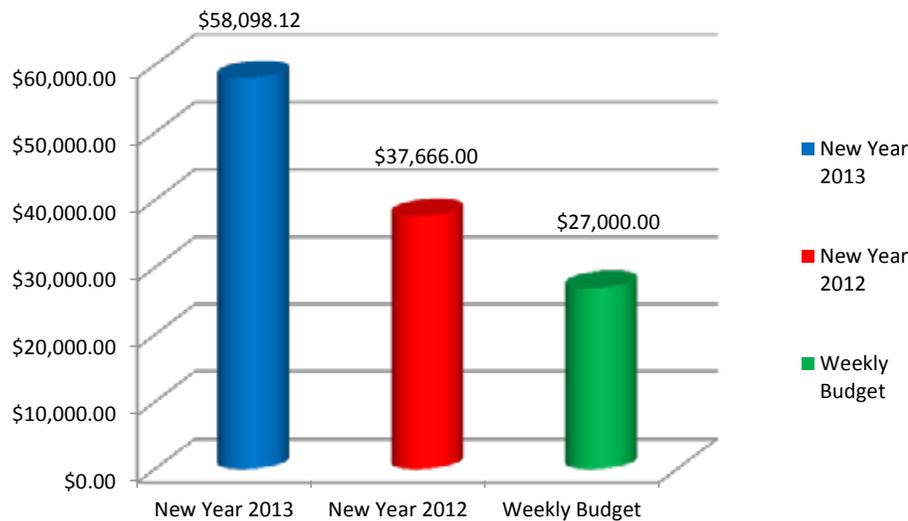
Call Barbara Fenn at 261.1894 by January 26 to reserve your spot.



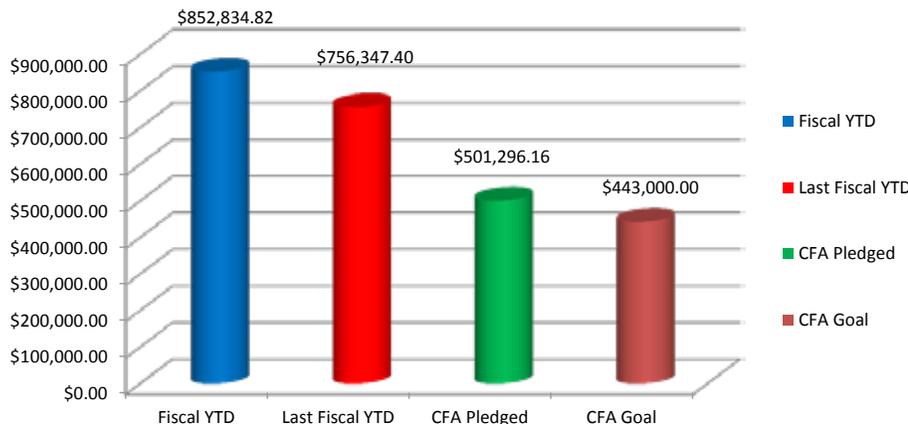
### Collection Summary



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### YTD/CFA Summary



## Diocese of Venice in Florida Prayer for the Year of Faith



O my God, I firmly believe that You are one God in three divine persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that Your divine Son became man and died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths the holy Catholic Church teaches because You have revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I intend to live and die.

We turn to you in humble supplication for ourselves and our Parish and Diocese in which we work, live, and pray, that this Year of Faith may be a true source of renewal for each of us. May we be strengthened to live our faith in the midst of the world with joy and love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

## Sunday, January 13, 2012: the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Opening Song **Holy Is the Lord** Chris Tomlin CCLI Song #4158039. ©2003 worshiptogether.com songs / sixsteps Music. For use solely with the SongSelect Terms of Use. All rights reserved. CCLI License #2008891.

Verse) We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.

We bow down and worship him now; how great, how awesome is he! And together we sing, ev'ryone sing:

Ho - ly is the Lord God Al - might - y. The earth  
is filled with His glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord  
God Al - might - y. The earth is filled with His glo -  
ry. The earth is filled with His glo - ry.

Kyrie & Gloria • *The Glendalough Mass* (please see worship aid in pew)

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 104) Music by Tom Oram. © 2003, 2012, A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI). All rights reserved. Used with permission.

*Cantor*      *Congregation*      *Cantor*      *Congregation*      *etc.*  
Resp. (cf. v1) (O bless the Lord, my soul!) O bless the Lord, my soul! (O bless the Lord, my soul!) O bless the Lord, my soul!  
6 (Bless the Lord!) Bless the Lord! (O my soul!) O my soul! (O bless the Lord, my soul!) O bless the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation *The Glendalough Mass* (please see worship aid in pew)

Preparation Song **There Is a River** Tim Manion © 1985, OCP Publications. Reprinted under LicenSingOnline.Net #U19759.

Refrain  
There is a riv-er, a great flow-ing riv-er, and it makes glad  
the cit-y of God. Broad are its wa-ters, and deep are its  
voic-es. Its songs are of peace in the house of the Lord.



## *Feast of the Baptism of the Lord: Year C*

*Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 of Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*

*Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10.*

*or Psalm 104:1B-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30*

*Acts 10:34-38*

*Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*

*Luke 3:15-16, 21-22*

# The Word & Life

## A New Beginning

### Reflection Questions

1. Why was it necessary for Jesus to be baptized?
2. What does baptism represent to you?
3. How are you called to live God's mercy?
4. In what ways do you exercise charity in your life?
5. Are you willing to live the prophetic office of your baptism today?
6. How do you discern and respond to God's will?
7. Define the kingdom of God for you personally?
8. What does it mean to be a disciple of the kingdom?

In today's gospel we recall the event of Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River. It marks the final day of our Christmas season. In Christmas, we celebrate salvation dawning upon the world and in the celebration of the Lord's baptism we recall Jesus Christ's entering into the depths of the human condition. Christmas recalls how salvation came to us – the Baptism of the Lord explains why Jesus came. On the surface we might well say that Jesus was just following the local custom of his fellow citizens who were going through the baptism of repentance. As always, Jesus' act of being baptized goes far beyond the surface. Did Jesus need this baptism for himself? No – Jesus was conceived without sin and did not enter the world of sin because he was the Son of God. Jesus was baptized in order to identify with our humanity. When people came to the Jordan to be baptized, they entered into the waters of rebirth. In immersing themselves in these baptismal waters, they were washed clean of their sins. Such baptism offered transformation because of this change of heart and it also initiated a new beginning. As Jesus walks into the waters of the Jordan, he is making a statement about God's initiative to save us. Christ is the embodiment of transformation. His Incarnation ushers into the world a new beginning. Whilst he enters these cleansing waters, he is the one who is born clean and he becomes the means by which humanity will be saved once and for all by the blood of his cross. Jesus' baptism is a radical gesture in which God knows the state of humanity and wants to restore it by giving us his only Son. Jesus offers to us a new baptism in his Spirit – a new beginning where we can be restored and made whole.

The two choices of reading from Isaiah prophesied that God would not send his Messiah with forceful fanfare. On the contrary, the Messiah would come with authority, ruling the people with mercy and justice, carrying the lambs in his arm. God's presence would firmly be established in the coming of the Messiah in which he would take us by the hand and show us how we are to live. Jesus' ministry does not bring damnation and

judgment, but communicates the tender compassion of our God, dawning upon each one of us. In entering the world of sinners, God's initiative becomes clear. Conversion and transformation comes through the very person of Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus' words and outreach to the poor, the broken and the forgotten, reveals that God wants us to feel comforted by his presence. Once we experience Christ's compassion in our lives, then we are asked to reach out to others in the same way.

Today, we remember the call of our own baptism – the call to be priests, prophets, and people of the kingdom. Priests, in the way that we are called to charity and sacrifice; prophets, in the call to discern the will of God in the midst of the complexities of the world; people of the kingdom – walking in the newness of life! Our baptism is an entry into the life of the Church in which we allow ourselves to be taken by the hand of God and allow the gospel to impact our lives. Every aspect of the gospel becomes a sure foundation in building our lives. Jesus' example of unconditional love, servitude, mercy, transformation and healing, becomes a blueprint for the Christian life. As Jesus entered into the River Jordan, he was telling us that God wants to walk with us. As we remember our baptism this day, we are telling God that we want to walk with Him by loving one another!

*Image: Christ's Baptism at Jordan River depicted in a stained-glass window at St. Therese of Lisieux Church in Montauk, N.Y. Source: Catholic News Service/Gregory A. Shemitz, Long Island Catholic*

## Reflecting on the Sunday Readings with Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor



### Prayer

*Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of Jesus, your Son. In gratitude we remember His willingness to accompany humanity as he stepped into the waters of new beginnings. May we be always be aware that we have been immersed into his life, in which we are shown to live in right relationship; his death in which we surrender to what is passing; and his resurrection in which we have been promised hope and salvation. Amen.*



## Voices of Faith

### The Rebirth of Baptism

In the beginning was the Word  
Amidst the chaos of formless earth  
Where darkness reigned supreme  
Where beauty was yet undiscovered  
The Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep  
Waiting to breathe life, light and promise

And so God spoke – “Let there be light”  
Let there be....Let there be.... Let there be!  
The creative Spirit of God brought forth light and life  
Beauty came to be  
Male and female He created man in his immortal image  
And God saw that it was very good!

A perfect world was created by perfection itself  
Freedom was man's first gift  
Beautiful in the eyes of God  
Go forth....multiply....have dominion  
Be faithful stewards of the gifts freely offered  
By the hands of Love itself

Soon was paradise lost  
As man used freedom not for God's desire  
But that of his own  
A world filled with light where beauty reigned supreme  
Now chooses the darkness of night  
Where shadows swallows up innocence

In freedom endless prophets choose to heed God's call  
To make known His will  
Sackcloth, repentance, covenants....endless attempts to regain paradise  
The mercy of God persists in the passing of time  
And then comes John, dressed in camel's hair  
His baptism of repentance prepares a way for the Lord

And so came the day when prophesy gives birth to light  
Man gathers at the Jordan  
Bringing forth his darkness and chaos  
To be reborn once again as a child of light  
But then the Light of the World stands at the river bank  
Ready to step foot into the chaotic waters of rebirth

As Christ enters these sacred waters  
The Spirit hovers once again  
And the voice of God is heard:  
“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”  
And so the dawn of the new creation  
Brings forth a baptism of fire!

The fire of God's love ascends from the Jordan  
Man is to follow this new freedom's path  
As Jesus steps out upon roads once traveled  
By sinner and prophet alike  
He strides forth with God's purpose and mercy  
Setting all things right and making all things new

— “Peaceful Moments” - Fr. John J. Ludden

# Faith Formation



## Mark Your Calendar

**January 16**

*First Communion Parent Meeting*

**February 13**

*Ash Wednesday*

*(NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES)*

**February 20**

*First Communion Parent Meeting*

**March 20**

*First Communion Activity Night*

## Faith Formation News

**First Communion Parent Meeting...**will be on Wednesday, January 16, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the seminar room in the Claussen Center. All parents who have children making their First Eucharist in May 2013 need to attend this meeting.

**Ash Wednesday...**is on Wednesday, February 13, 2013. No Faith Formation classes are scheduled. However, families are encouraged to receive their ashes at the 7 p.m. evening Mass to remind ourselves and our children to turn away from sin, to be faithful to the Gospel, and to proclaim our Catholic Christian identity to others.

**First Communion Parent Meeting...**will be on Wednesday, February 20, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the seminar room in the Claussen Center. All parents who have children making their First Eucharist in May 2013 need to attend this meeting. This is our last First Communion parent meeting.

**First Communion Activity Night...**will be on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom, seminar room and classrooms. Banners will be made that will be hung in the church for the First Holy Communion Ceremony. All sacramental students must participate.

**Faith Formation** continues on page 17



By Kathleen M. Carroll

We all strive for our parents' approval. I spent decades trying to redeem the disappointment I caused my father when I turned down an invitation to West Point and failed to get a full football scholarship to Notre Dame (in my defense, I was a 110-pound girl). When I had children of my own, I had to laugh at what an idiot I'd been.

My toddlers all played dress-up and told me stories of the great things they'd do when they grew up. I had a future "fire-truck driver," "Miss America," "army guy," and "psychiatrist." They'd study my face intently as they revealed these goals, trying to hit on the career that would impress me.

What they didn't know is that I was already impressed. From Day One, each child's every expression, smile, and step was an astonishment. No volume of spilled milk, jelly-faced tantrums, D minuses, or fender-benders could ever change that.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord hints at this same doting from our heavenly parent.

*Bringing Home the Word, January 13, 2013, Franciscan Media*

## PRAYER

Father in heaven,  
You say to us as you said  
to Jesus  
on the banks of the Jordan:  
"You are my beloved son;  
With you I am well pleased."  
May we always know  
In our hearts  
this deep love you have for us  
and live our lives so they reflect  
your face to the world.

Amen

*Bringing Home the Word, January 13, 2013, Franciscan Media*

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

### GRADE 1

**Life Question:** What happens at baptism?

**Gospel Question:** Who belongs to Jesus' family?

### GRADES 2-3

**Life Question:** What happens at baptism?

**Gospel Question:** Who does this Gospel show will be with Jesus in his work?

### GRADES 4-5

**Life Question:** What kind of social justice work inspires you?

**Gospel Question:** How do the Father and Spirit bless Jesus at his baptism?

### GRADES 6-8

**Life Question:** What makes belonging to the Christian community important to you?

**Gospel Question:** How does John the Baptist help Jesus begin his work?

### GRADES 9-12

**Life Question:** What makes belonging to communities and groups so important?

**Gospel Question:** To what communities does Jesus belong?

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# faith & ale

a GATHERING of CATHOLIC MEN

## upcoming events:

Feb. 20: Teresa Tomeo  
Event open to men and women

March 20: Damian Goddard

April 17: Fr. Dennis Cooney



## fr. michael gaitley, mic

author,  
MARIAN HELPERS ASSOCIATION DIRECTOR

A captivating speaker and best-selling author (*Consoling the Heart of Jesus*), Fr. Gaitley is a regular on EWTN and Catholic radio.

January 16

6 pm - 8 pm

Parish Life Center Ballroom  
St. John the Evangelist Parish  
625 111th Ave., Naples

Suggested donation at the door: \$15  
Season tickets available

Faith & Ale is monthly gathering of men. We gather for food, drink, camaraderie, and an inspirational speaker. All men are invited: the saints, the sinners and everyone in between. Faith & Ale strives to encourage, exhort, and equip men to be spiritual leaders in their homes, workplaces, and parishes.

[FaithAndAle.com](http://FaithAndAle.com)



## Teresa Tomeo

Men & Women Are Invited!  
Pre-Payment Strongly Encouraged  
SEATING IS LIMITED

## BRINGING AMERICA BACK TO LIFE

Teresa Tomeo is an author, syndicated Catholic talk show host, and motivational speaker with more than 30 years of experience in TV, radio, and newspaper. Her daily morning radio program, *Catholic Connection*, is heard on over 200 Catholic stations nationwide. In her eye-opening presentation, *Bringing America Back to Life*, Teresa points out how the corruptive campaign promoting abortion, birth control, euthanasia, and sexual promiscuity is insidious. The media have crept into virtually every area of the culture and our lives. Teresa shows us the depth of this problem and how we can engage rather than give in to the culture of death.

Wednesday, February 20, 2013  
6:30pm to 8:30pm

St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom  
625 111th Avenue North  
Naples, FL 34108

\$15/person Early Bird - \$20/person after 2/13/2013  
(includes a glass of wine or beer and light dinner)

Register & Pre-Pay at  
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OR

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# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

## *Understanding the Gospels*

*Presented by Deacon Hal Brenner*

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church will be conducting a course on **Understanding the Gospels** beginning on Tuesday January 8, 2013, and continues for thirteen consecutive Tuesdays. Classes will be held from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Parish Life Center at St. John. The course will cover the four Gospels with background on when, why and to whom they were written, as well as the central themes of each Gospel. Also presented will be methods to read, understand and interpret the Bible.



### Course Objective

The objective of the course is to develop a richer understanding of God's message to us and to grow in our faith. All are welcome and there is no charge for the class. To register please call Deacon Hal Brenner at 566.8740, extension 174 and leave a message.

### Course Description

In addition to examining the Gospels, this course will present methods on how to read, interpret and understand the Bible. It will also provide an historical overview along with an analysis of how the Gospels were written. This will be done through a combination of lectures, CDs and group discussions.

Class 1 - 1/8/13	<b>Introductions, Format, Important Terms and Course Description</b> <b>The Living Gospels</b>	Class 8 - 2/26/13	<b>Key Biblical Dates</b> <b>Luke's Good News</b>
Class 2 - 1/15/13	<b>Theology</b> <b>Mark's Good News</b>	Class 9 - 3/5/13	<b>Tools for Biblical Interpretation</b> <b>Luke's Good News of Mercy</b>
Class 3 - 1/22/13	<b>The Bible — What Is It?</b> <b>Mark: The Onion Approach!</b>	Class 10 - 3/12/13	<b>The Bible — Process and Understanding</b> <b>Luke's Grand Finale</b>
Class 4 - 1/29/13	<b>The Bible — Inspiration, Revelation, and Gospels</b> <b>Solving the Mystery</b>	Class 11 - 3/19/13	<b>How to Read the Bible</b> <b>The "Un-Synoptic" Gospel</b>
Class 5 - 2/5/13	<b>How Do You Know?</b> <b>Matthew: The Bridge</b>	Class 12 - 3/26/13	<b>Review/Summary/ Images of God</b> <b>John's "Book of Signs"</b>
Class 6 - 2/12/13	<b>The Bible — How to Use It and Gospel Sources</b> <b>Matthew's Good News</b>	Class 13 - 4/2/13	<b>THE Relationship</b> <b>From Death to Life</b>
Class 7 - 2/19/13	<b>Gospel Summary</b> <b>Jesus the Teacher</b>		

## Women's Bible Study to Reflect on the Gospel of St. Mark

Women's Bible Study will meet on Thursdays at 9:45 a.m. or on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. to study the Gospel of St. Mark.

One of the authors has just appeared on EWTN "Bookmark" with Doug Keck. The other author is the Cardinal of the Netherlands.

For more information, call Linda Reilly at 821.8982 or Maggie Miller at 687.0687.

Join the women for fun and friendship and learn a lot.

## Save the Dates

### Women's Conference

The 2013 Diocese of Venice Women's Conference will be Saturday, February 16, at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. Celebrate the "Year of Faith" with other women.

The keynote speaker is Teresa Tomeo, author, syndicated Catholic talk show host and motivational speaker. Also speaking is Sister Mary Gabriel of the Sisters of Life and Dr. Jennifer Morse.

Announcements will be forthcoming regarding registration details.

### Men's Conference

The 2013 Diocese of Venice Men's Conference will be held Saturday, March 2, at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. Celebrate the "Year of Faith" with other men.

The keynote speaker will be Scott Hahn, author, theologian and Catholic apologist. Also speaking at the conference is Dr. Peter Kleponis and Gus Lloyd.

Announcements will be forthcoming regarding registration, conference details and the presenters.

# BIG BAND DANCE

## Next Dance of the Season

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

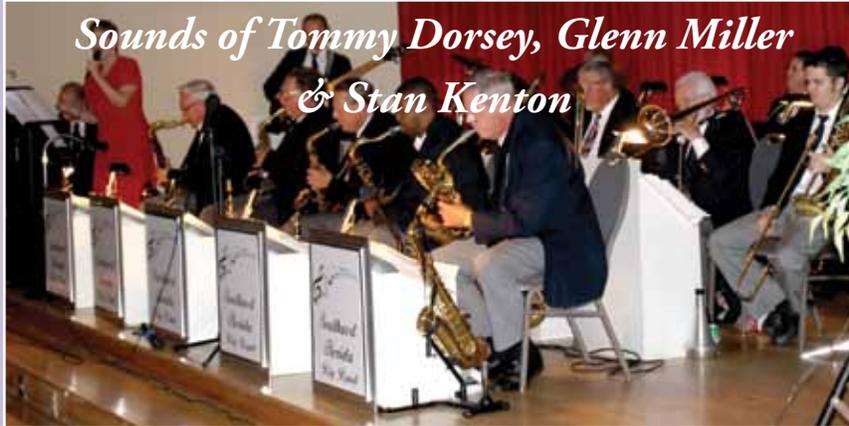
7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist PLC

*Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era*

*Featuring the Live Southwest Florida*

*16-piece Orchestra*

*Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller  
& Stan Kenton*



Remaining  
Big Band  
Dances

Tuesday,  
January 22

Thursday,  
February 7

Tuesday,  
February 19

Tuesday,  
March 5

Tuesday,  
March 19

Tuesday,  
April 2

*Singles Welcome*

### Admission:

\$10.00 cash  
only at the door  
~ includes snacks

**Cash Bar:** Water  
and Soda ~ \$1.00

- Beer ~ \$2.00  
per 12 oz. cup;  
\$7.00 per 60 oz.  
pitcher

- Wine and  
Mixed Drinks  
~ \$3.00

**Dress:** Country  
Club Casual  
(*No shorts please.*)

*Sponsored by  
the Men's Club*

## Jamaica Outreach Program

### Jammin' for Jamaica Festival

### Very Casual Attire Dinner/Dance

### Friday January 25, 2013

5:30 p.m. St. John the Evangelist Ballroom

**\$50 per person**

Complimentary Cocktails, Dinner, Dancing,  
Auctions and Treasure Chest



Mail checks payable to Jamaica Outreach, P.O. Box 110581, Naples, FL 34108-1929

Or, call Jeanne Stamant 514-0290 for credit card and telephone orders .

Order forms and envelopes are in the office, mail or give sealed envelopes to receptionist.

Telephone and mail ordered tickets will be mailed to you .

Please let us know who you want to be seated with.

## Diocesan Marriage Tribunal Info Evening January 15

The Marriage Tribunal, in association with the Office of Evangelization, will host an information evening at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 15, at St. Agnes Parish in Naples. The evening is for those who have experienced a civil divorce/dissolution and wish to consider

reestablishing their freedom for a new marriage in the Catholic Church.

Members of the Diocese Tribunal will make a presentation and be available for questions. No reservation required. For information please call Mariana Bartolillo at 941.484.9543.

### St. John the Evangelist Men's Club

625 111th Ave No., Naples  
Presents

## SOCK HOP

Tickets \$15.00 per person available at the door,  
Includes five \$1.00 tickets to be used to purchase  
hot dogs, ice cream, cookies, beer, wine and soda.



Friday, February 1, 2013  
6:30 - 10:00 PM  
**MUSIC @ 7:00 featuring  
oldies of the 50's, 60's & 70's  
By Detroit Joe Turner**

### Join in the fun!

Jitter Bug Contest

- Best Dressed Couple
- 50/50 Raffle

Enjoy free popcorn

### NOTE:

If you wish to reserve a table  
for 8, call Andy @ 949-7122  
no later than January 18.

Payment must be made to  
hold your table.

### Bonita Village Band

### FREE Concert

*Director Al Dalton*

**Friday, February 8**

**7:30 p.m.**

**in Parish Life Center**

*Donations accepted for music  
scholarships, elementary and  
high school students.*

*Questions - Call Pat Lampe  
592-7845*

### **Saint Ann Catholic School Open House Sunday, January 27**

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated nationally and locally the week of January 27 to February 2. Saint Ann Catholic School will kick off the week with an all-school Open House on Sunday, January 27. All parishioners are invited to the Open House from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Library. Guests can enjoy refreshments, take a tour of the campus and meet the faculty.

Saint Ann Catholic School is located at 542 Eighth Avenue South, Naples. For more information, contact Liz Simoes at 239.262.4110 ext. 300, or email her at [lsimoes@stann.net](mailto:lsimoes@stann.net)

### **St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School Open House Sunday, January 27**

St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School will host its Open House Sunday, January 27, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. There will be classroom tours, information and refreshments. New families receive \$100 off registration at Open House. St. Elizabeth Seton is located at 2730 53rd Terrace SW, Naples.

For more information, contact Mrs. Gina Groch, M.A., Assistant Principal at 239.455.2262. Visit the website at [www.saintelizabethseton.com](http://www.saintelizabethseton.com)

**The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist**

**Proudly Presents**

**The Valentine's Day Dance**

**Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**With Billy Dean and Dawn**

**6-9:30 p.m.**

**-Appetizer Display-**

**CHEESE & FLATBREADS**

**VEGETABLE CRUDITE**

**FRESH FRUIT DISPLAY**

**BUTLER PASSED GULF SHRIMP COCKTAIL**

**-Salad Course-**

**FRESH GARDEN SALAD WITH BALSAMIC VINAIGRETTE, SERVED WITH CHEF'S  
BREAD ASSORTMENT AND SEA SALTED BUTTER.**

**-Entrée**

**CHICKEN NAPOLI**

**(OAK FIRED CHICKEN BREAST WITH BRAISED SPINACH, ROASTED PEPPERS, &  
CHEVRE CHAUD)**

**WHIPPED BUTTER BLISS POTATIOES**

**HERB THYME GREEN BEANS**

**-Dessert-**

**CHEF'S TIRAMISU**

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Entertainment and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Last year's event supported the following charities:  
Guadeloupe Social Services, Immokalee Pregnancy Center, Providence House, St. Joseph Food Pantry, St.  
Mathews House, St. Vincent DePaul, and Sunlight Home. All sales will be after weekend masses starting  
January 5<sup>th</sup>. No sales after February 3<sup>rd</sup> or at the door. We will attempt to meet any dietary needs. The  
cost is \$45 per person. Jackets required. Please make checks payable to: **The Knights of Columbus.**