

December 28, 2014  
*Feast of the Holy Family*



the  
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SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

We Are St. John, and We Are All Bethlehem Bound!



We are St. John, and we are all **Bethlehem Bound!** At our Night in Bethlehem this year, Family Mission led more than 100 people through a whimsical and faith-filled play on December 13 in the ballroom. Everyone attending joined in a scene, singing and using a craft they had made as their prop for the production. We each learned from the play that life is all about Jesus, not about ourselves! Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus, come!

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

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<b>Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions</b>	<b>Requested by</b>
<b>December 27, 2014 Saturday</b>	
8:00 AM + Margaret Barrett	Veronica Glennon
<b>Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday</b>	
3:00 PM + John Cusano III	Bob & Mary Duels
5:00 PM + Margaret Barrett	Veronica & Family
<b>December 28, 2014 Sunday</b>	
7:00 AM + DeFrancesca & Vell Families	Peter DeFrancesca
9:00 AM Sharon McCarthy	Joseph McCarthy
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM Robert Martin	Ginny Martin
5:00 PM + Matthew & Helen Anderson	Mr. & Mrs. John Fredrickson Family
<b>December 29, 2014 Monday</b>	
8:00 AM + Joseph DeFrancisco	Janet D'Addario
9:00 AM + Holy Innocents	Loretta Judy
<b>December 30, 2014 Tuesday</b>	
8:00 AM Claussen Family	Ned & Mary Lou Leibig
9:00 AM + Alfred Gaddis	Dorothy Daly
<b>December 31, 2014 Wednesday ~ New Year's Eve</b>	
8:00 AM + Meg Judge	Sharon Fay
9:00 AM + Jason E. Webster	Deborah Marsh
<b>Vigil Mass for New Year's Day</b>	
5:00 PM + Bridget Anne Cullen	George & Marge Cullen
<b>January 1, 2015 Thursday ~ New Year's Day</b>	
8:00 AM + Patricia Sullivan	Jack & Madeline Gaffey
10:00 AM + Fr. Al McPartland	Dennis & Fran Powers
Noon + Gia Camilleri	Morrison Family
<b>January 2, 2015 Friday</b>	
8:00 AM + Ralph & Frances Danilo	James & Elsa Cattano
9:00 AM + Sandra DeLaurentis	Mr. & Mrs. Edward A. Lenart
<b>January 3, 2015 Saturday</b>	
8:00 AM + Bea Truhow	Donald & Rita Pasternak
<b>Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday</b>	
3:00 PM + Joseph DeFrancisco	Kathleen Flaherty
5:00 PM + Janet N. DiNorcia	Dick & Lillian Rudd
<b>January 4, 2015 Sunday</b>	
7:00 AM + Muriel Brennan	Mr. & Mrs. William Matre
9:00 AM + John Claussen	Bill & Karen Wright
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM + Jim Parejko	Mariam Tanner
5:00 PM + Averie Petro	Mike & Patty Maurer

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, December 27, 2014**

**St. John**  
1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5  
or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or  
Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

**Sunday, December 28, 2014**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5  
or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or  
Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

**Monday, December 29, 2014**

**Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket**

1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

**Tuesday, December 30, 2014**

**Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

**Wednesday, December 31, 2014**

**Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve**

1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

**Thursday, January 1, 2015**

**The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day**

Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

**Friday, January 2, 2015**

**Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Friday**

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Saturday, January 3, 2015**

**The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Saturday**

1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Sunday, January 4, 2015**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**MASS INTENTIONS...**

## Mass Times ~ New Year

### Wednesday, December 31

*Vigil of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

5:00 p.m.

### Thursday, January 1, 2015

*Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon

## The 2015

## Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Calendar

is available this weekend.

Please pick up your copy.

## Safe Environment Training Will Be Held at St. John January 8 and January 10; Fingerprinting Now Available at St. John Also

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all diocesan employees, clergy, religious, laity and those volunteers who have routine contact with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment.

“As Christian adults, we have a moral and legal responsibility and are entrusted by God with the spiritual, emotional and physical well-being of minors and vulnerable adults. As they participate in activities within or sponsored by our diocese, it is our commitment to provide an environment which is safe and nurturing. (<http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/safe-environment-home/>)

Fingerprinting is now available here at St. John. St. John employees and volunteers as well as employees and volunteers from other parishes in the diocese may be fingerprinted here.

Before visiting a processing center, either here or one listed on the website <http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/fingerprinting/> applicants must complete registration form online using photo identification, such as a driver's license, at [www.dov.sofn.net](http://www.dov.sofn.net). After registration is complete, a receipt with a bar code will be issued, and new applicants must present this receipt at the screening location in order to continue the process. Individuals who do not have access to a computer or require assistance in registering should contact parish office.

The cost for fingerprinting is: **New Applicants:** Employee/Clergy/Religious/Seminarian/Vendor - \$57.50. **Volunteers** - \$51.00. Rescreening after 5 years of the “initial” electronic screening (reuse of retained prints): Employee/Clergy/Religious/Seminarian/Vendor - \$47.50, Volunteers - \$40.00. Payment must be made in advance by credit card only – NO PERSONAL OR DIOCESAN ENTITY CHECKS accepted. St. John will reimburse all parishioners who are required to be fingerprinted. When you perform the online

background check, the system will provide you the ability to schedule your fingerprint confirmation at the St. John location.

Parishioners will also have the opportunity to attend a Safe Environment Training session here as two sessions have been scheduled at St. John. The first session is Thursday, January 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room in the Claussen Center. Another session will be held Saturday, January 10 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Library. Please call the parish office to register for the class. In addition, other sessions will be offered in other locations throughout the diocese. Visit <https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/45669ebe001/7cfd2d57-c343-40b8-b5fe-ce066c4ed74c.pdf> for additional times and locations.

For further information regarding Safe Environment Training, visit the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment). Report all abuses against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800.962.2873. To report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers, please also call the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara DiCocco at 941.416.6114.



## PARISH CLERGY



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

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Jim Simko	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Paniccia	Senior Status
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**  
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## 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) When on the website, click on the **Forms** tab at the top of the home page and select New Parishioner Form. Download the form, complete it and return the completed form to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

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

Monday - Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 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 a.m. 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 2016.

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

We have 2016 Mass availability and 2015 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.

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*To Know, To Love, and To Serve God  
in His church and our community.*

## PARISH INFORMATION...

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## Hymns for the Feast of the Holy Family, December 27 & 28

Readings:	<b>626</b>	<i>Year B; Gospel is at 625</i>
Entrance Hymn:	<b>90</b>	Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Preparation Hymn:	<b>95</b>	Once In Royal David's City
Communion Hymn:	<b>page 13 of the bulletin</b>	Jesus, Savior
	<b>93</b>	Away In a Manger
Closing Hymn:	<b>80</b>	Angels We Have Heard On High

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

<i>Prelude</i>	<b>Fanfare For Christmas Day</b>	<i>Martin Shaw</i>
<i>Communion</i>	<b>Carol of the Stable</b>	<i>Robert Lehmann</i>

## Hymns for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, December 31 & January 1

Readings:	<b>628</b>
Entrance Hymn:	<b>187</b> Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly
Preparation Hymn:	<b>81</b> What Child Is This
Communion Hymn:	<b>258</b> Now In This Banquet
Closing Hymn:	<b>184</b> Hail, Holy Queen

## ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday, December 29: The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Jn 3:16*

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. (11a) Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Lk 1:78*

Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

**Tuesday, December 30: The Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Wis 18:14-15*

When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. (11a) Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Jn 1:16*

From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

**Wednesday, December 31: The Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Is 9:5*

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. (11a) Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *1 Jn 4:9*

God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.

**Friday, January 2: Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Cf. Sir 44: 15, 14*

Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints, and let the Church proclaim their praise. Their names will live on and on.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. (3cd) All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24*

We proclaim Christ crucified; Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**Saturday, January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Phil 2:10-11*

At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. (3cd) All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Ps 8:2*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!

by Jean-Paul Boucher

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As part of an on-going effort to communicate the renewed focus and efforts of our Parish Mission, I wanted to start a new series in our bulletin, Getting #ToKnow Our Staff. Each week, we will spotlight a staff member here at St. John, including some of their responsibilities and background. That way, if you have a question, or need some assistance, you can put a name and face to those that will be helping you.

## Getting #ToKnow Our Staff – New Youth Group Coordinator Ben Weber

When I first came to St. John about one full year ago, I was asked “What are you doing? Are you the new Youth Minister? Do you run Family Ministry? What is the Family ‘Mission’ anyway?”

Hopefully, I have been able to answer many of those questions (if you still have them, however, please do not hesitate to contact me. By placing our “New Wineskin” of Family Mission into St. John, we have developed several teams dedicated to supporting the renewed programs and events for youth, young adults, couples, families, and seniors. When over 400 attendees of our Families in Christ make 600+ bookmarks to assist the Ladies of Charity in their annual Christmas Shoe Drive (which now includes books and gifts, not just shoes), we know we are on to something.



One member of the High School Youth Group has been particularly supportive and engaged. Martha Oram has been the Youth Group Coordinator since Fr. John asked her to step in late last year. She has done a tremendous job in developing, educating, and engaging the high schoolers in our Youth Group and she has our church’s (and my) undying gratitude. She will continue as part of the team of our Youth Group, assisting with the future of our Youth programs for years to come. Thank you, Martha!

We have found a new High School Youth Group Coordinator in Ben Weber. Ben has been active at St. John for several years and has been a member of the Youth

Group Core Team, so he can “hit-the-ground-running” for our high schoolers. Additionally, Ben is tremendously excited to provide additional focus on making our Youth Group a social and service-focused program, to engage all the high schoolers in the parish and the area with the joyous and exciting message of our faith. Ben is a teacher at Immokalee High School, as well as part of the Athletic Program, so he brings tremendous experience and energy with him. Please join me in welcoming Ben. His email is: [ben@sjecc.com](mailto:ben@sjecc.com) if you have any suggestions or want to contact him. More communications about his plans and activities will be coming soon, so please check out the upcoming bulletins, websites, and our social media for more details.

The Core Team of volunteers is the only way we can increase and expand our Youth Group. I want to thank those that are already serving:

- Jen Cox
- Gina Manfredi
- Zach Gibbons
- Tom Oram
- Martha Oram
- Jessica Berman
- Stephanie Gatt
- Theresa Weber

We would love to include more of the Parish Family in our efforts to enliven the Catholic faith to support our high schoolers, who face more obstacles to their lives that can draw them away from the path Jesus has set for them than many of us “experienced” people can imagine. The future of our culture and our church are in these young individuals, so please come help us help them.



#ToKnow – Life Center Introductory Video Online

I announced last week, we have begun a new chapter at St. John, with a new Life

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Center, to Build our Future and Serve our Past. Words do not provide enough illustration of the scale and scope of activities and programs that are possible here at St. John with this new facility acting as their “New Wineskin”. In order to provide a visual, we have put a video online for the entire parish to view. It can be found at: <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/featured/welcome-to-the-new-saint-john-life-center-the-heart-of-our-parish-community>. If you have the ability to watch it on your computer, or mobile device, I would highly recommend you do so. If you do not have the ability to watch it, come on by the office and we will show it to you.

## #ToServe – End of the Year Thank You’s to Volunteers!

As you have seen over the past year, the new Family Mission has exploded out of the gate, with dozens of new and renewed programs. These programs have only been successful due to the hundreds of volunteers who have stepped up #ToServe. From Vacation Bible School crew leaders, to Youth Group members directing traffic for fundraisers, to the Men’s Club and Knights supporting Families in Christ, we have all come

together in the “We Are Saint John” collaborative efforts for the parish. There are a few individuals that I do feel need some special mention:

- **Melissa O’Brien** – Not only has Melissa assisted with all the family-centric programs, including Families in Christ and Vacation Bible School, Melissa was the Director for our Night in Bethlehem
- **Natalie Campbell and Lena Costain** – From Altar Server Team members to new Capital Campaign leaders, to cleaning up the church during Parish Beautification Day, these amazing women are always ready to pitch in
- **Ed and Lisa Koon** – New parishioners to St. John, they immediately came to the parish with new ideas (like Dad’s Rule) and willingness to assist

There are so many others I would like to thank (and of course, recruit for our excitement for the next years), so please accept my appreciation for all you do for our parish!

I hope you all had a Blessed Merry Christmas and I wish you all the best in the New Year!

Invest in your child's future. You CAN afford it!



## Open House

Sunday, January 25, 2015  
12:00pm - 2:00pm

Join us for classroom tours, information, and refreshments!  
**New families receive \$100 off registration at Open House!**

Faith Formation and Academic Excellence are at the heart of our mission. Visit our campus, meet our dedicated faculty and staff, and experience the difference a Catholic Education can make for your child!

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**Pancake Breakfast**

**with sausage and bacon**

**Sunday, January 4**

**Available after**

**7:00 a.m.,**

**9:00 a.m.**

**and 11:15 a.m. Masses**

**in the St. John Ballroom**

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**Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.**

Offers adult education programming for continued growth in our faith through such activities as retreats, Bible & Catechism studies, lectures, seminars, social action opportunities and workshops. Margie Lynch: 228.3909; margie@saintjohntheevangelist.com

**AGA (Alienated Grandparents**

**Anonymous).** Provides information and support to grandparents who feel alienated or estranged from access to their grandchildren. Third Thursdays at 7 p.m.

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

**Al-Anon.** Monday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday - beginners, 11:30 a.m.; and noon - discussion; all in PLC. Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Leo Catholic Church, Juan Diego Building. Carol: 804.306.5323

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

**Arimatheans.** A group of caring parishioners who support parishioners by attending funerals as

representation of our faith community. Elaine: 566-8160

**Bible Teaching.** Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m. in the 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 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Circle of Comfort.** If you have cancer, or are taking care of someone who does, you may be facing challenges that may leave you feeling overwhelmed, frightened, alone and in need of comfort. Let us share our experience of faith, strength and prayer with you. We help each other live one day at a time through encouragement, prayer, laughter or whatever it takes to bring comfort to each other. Jim or Darlene 566.8740

**Cursillistas.** Third Tuesday monthly at 7:30 p.m. The Naples area Ultreya meets at St. William's Ministry Center, Seagate Drive. All Cursillistas and visitors welcome. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

**Divine Gift Boutique** (located across from the ladies restroom). **Winter Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

**Faith Chat.** Wednesdays at 5:45 - 7:30 p.m. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687

**Grief Support.** Sessions will run for seven consecutive Tuesdays beginning October 14 at 10 a.m. Dee: 594.7193

**Hospitality Ministry.** Volunteers serve light refreshments for parishioners who gather after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses for sharing, communicating and extending fellowship. If interested in helping contact Elida Gil: 239.597.8909 or Judy Hemond: 561.779.6024

**Job Search Skills & Support.** Mondays 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the library. Free. Carol Marlow: 948.0050

**Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.**

Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6 p.m.; business meeting at 7 p.m. Social meeting last Monday of the month. Visiting Knights are welcome. Scott Schwarz, Grand Knight: 293.6876

**Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308.** Meets third Tuesday of every month at

Noon. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Gary Ray: 596.4976

**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. Call the office: 566.8740

**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 Diane Pesce at 630.571.0707. If interested in joining, call MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702.

**Mah Jong.** Wednesday, Noon - 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 the second Thursday of the month, 7:45 - 8:45 a.m. New members welcome. Joe Lichwalla: 248.877.3332 or Richard Bergeron: 593.6092

**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 - 8 p.m. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

**Narcotics Anonymous.** Thursday, Saturday, 8 p.m.

**Philothea.** Women ages 20-45 meet to support and encourage one another through the joys and struggles of life, work and motherhood in Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. Martha Oram: 407.615.9017 or mjr.oram@gmail.com

**Pinochle.** Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

**Respect Life.** A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its stages. 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. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

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

**St. Vincent de Paul.** Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. SVdP Office: 775.1667

**Sing-A-Long.** Tuesday, January 6 at Bentley Village-Skilled at Naples - at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 20 at Harbor Memory Care - at 2 p.m. Jayne Potter: 598.5483

**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. and Monday evenings. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687 or maggana@comcast.net or Linda Reilly, 821.8982

■ Please check the Event Sheets on the building doors for the meeting location of the group. Groups do not always meet in the same location from week to week. ■

## PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

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## PRAYER GROUPS

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

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

### 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 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.

### THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

<b>Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga</b> U.S. Marines	<b>Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett</b> U.S. Marine Corp
<b>Sp. Petrus Botha</b> U.S. Army	<b>AT3 Corinne MacFarlane</b> U.S. Navy
<b>S. Isaiah Brutus</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Lt. John Meyers</b> U.S. Army
<b>Ensign Stuart Campbell</b> U.S. Navy	<b>LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)</b>
<b>BM2 Charley Davidson</b> U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	<b>LCpl. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)</b>
<b>Adam Decker</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Ryan D. Novak (USMC)</b>
<b>Nicholas Detloff</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Cpt. Daniel Palmer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante</b> U.S. Army	<b>Cpt. John Palmer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Joshua Emmons</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Cpt. Martin Palmer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Lt. Colin Flood</b> U.S. Army, Special Forces	<b>Lt. Robert Pedrighi</b> U.S. Army
<b>Lt. Bernardo Garcia</b> U.S. Marines	<b>Lt. Joseph Schafer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Lt. Joseph Gilig</b> 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	<b>Cpt. Martin Palmer</b> U.S. Army (Afghanistan)
<b>Cpl. Dylan Granza</b> U.S. Army Ranger	<b>Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek</b> U.S. Army
<b>Specialist Shelby Granza</b> U.S. Army	<b>Lt. Kelly Spencer</b> U.S. Air Force
<b>S. Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer</b> U.S. Marine Corp * LAV Recon (Afghanistan)	<b>Houng Tran</b> U.S. Army
<b>Specialist Douglas Hennessy</b> U.S. Army	<b>IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)</b>
	<b>SSGT. Matthew Watson</b> U.S. Air Force (Afghanistan)

### 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. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

### 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. Wednesday

Centering Prayer will meet weekly after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

### 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.

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

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

## PRAYER LIST

Deacon Al Fernando Ardila Tomas Ardila Elizabeth Arena Agatha Barczynski Dick Becker Jimmy Bee Howard Begley Margie Benefico Barbara Berg Linda Berry Kathleen Bradach Patricia Bruno Frank Caccavo, Jr. Nancy Campbell Cathy Carroll Christine Cassara James Castaldi Rosalie Castro Marie Castry Diane Centenaro John Chiravallatti Chloe Frank Ciccarelli Gerald Clancy Claussen Family Pat Corr Nancy Cote Michael Cotteta Violet Crane Forest Crowley Anthony & Edna D' Antuono Esther Davis Barbara de Mauriac Adele Deiger Nathan Dent Jim Diamante Julie Dieter Al DiMenna Alexandria Dolkas Leon Doughty Ann Marie Esposito Marie Fabiano Claire Fabrizio	Brian Patrick Ferreira Taelor Fiedler James Fish Donna Flynn Jim Follse GFD Edward Gaynor Theresa & Paul Giandina Richard Goepel William Grogevant Sam Hardy Reg Hart Raymond Hartwick Harriet Hayes Richard Hennings Gerard Heyen Charlotte Hollohan Peggy Hooper Jeff Horkey Colton Horvatt Donald Howe Michael Hutchins JMG JRB Jan J. Bobbie Johnson Charleen Kasabian Chester T. Kauffman Peggy Kegaly Kevin Kincaid Krista Kozowyk Jim Krauser Family Lilian Kudile Cammie Lake and baby Josephine Lancia Lindsay Lavery Diane Leahy Mary Jane Leake Tash & Brian Lee Mary Lenick Leta Catherine Lombardo Lillian Luchini Jeanne Macari	Hope Malpeli D. Martin Barbara Massey Barbara McCabe Sharon K. McCarthy Catherine McCusker Carolyn McDonald Simone McGaffee Carolyn McNichols Carol Midili Ed Moriarity Alisa Morgan Elsie & Ken Moskal Eddie and Anne Murphy Forrest Murphy Paige Nelson Peter Nicoletta Gloria Oliver Emma O'Rourke Edmund Ostos Michael "Jesse" Owens Maryla Panagos Piccirelli Family Albert Pellegrino Rayna Perez Megan Peterson Philip Petrone Barbara Picicci Patricia Poczatek Joe Pohrer Jean Prather Richard Pratt Baby Gage Presnell Mary Alice Qualls Nancy Reddy Joe Reid Aurelia Rein David Rohan Tony Ross Jerry Salvi	Edna Sanvidge Bud Sauser Cynthia Scariati Peter Scariati Cathy Schloendorn Charles Schumacher Debra Sciacqua Claire Scott Jane & Bob Shengulet Teresa Shengulet Karen Shin Judy Siderio Barbara Silva Louis Simonini Marianna Smith Winnie Smith Dan Spreng Frank Squartino Justin Strickland Susan Stokes Kathy & David Struble Pat Sutter Joanmarie Switalski Tara & Family Rita Taranto Margaret Tomaszewski Lorraine Torrance Patricia Trapnell Betty Vallerand Pat Velasquez Mary Ellen Wheeler Mary Ann Williams Lisa Tomei Wilton Tom Wood Bob Wright John & Mary Yotis Mary Youlio
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**LET US PRAY...**

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, or email: [info@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.com)

DECEMBER 28, 2014 ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

## St. John Welcomes 8 Newly Baptized in November and December

The Catholic Community of Saint John the Evangelist, along with our Clergy and Baptism Team, will celebrate our newest baptized members at the 11:15 a.m. Mass on January 11, 2015, the special Feast Day of The Baptism of the Lord. All are welcomed to attend.

*Chelsea Elise Hampshire  
and Ellis Phillip Hampshire*

November 23  
December 7  
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December 27  
December 27  
December 28

Levi Charles Waligora  
Grayce Cathleen Garthoeffner  
Chelsea Elise Hampshire  
Ellis Phillip Hampshire  
Polina Porcelli  
Mila Anne Bocwinski  
Stella Alessandra Brao  
Logan Christian Gerace



## We Are St. John, and We Are All Bethlehem Bound!

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It was a fun family evening, and it wouldn't have been possible without many wonderful volunteers. Special "thank yous" go to:

- Max Berman and Francesco D'Agostino, two members of our youth group who jumped in to portray our two main characters in the production, finding their way to Jesus, the real Star of Bethlehem
- Emily Anton, Nick Lomas and Paul D'Agostino, youth group members who took on additional roles in the play
- Karen and Rick Beebe, our amazing set designer and constructor
- Jennifer Joseph, Annemarie Jardon, Anna Braun and Liza Koon, adult volunteers that directed each act of the play
- Donna Boucher, who is frequently behind the scenes at SJE making things run smoothly
- The Men's Club, which provided snacks and our "cast party" dinner after the play



*text submitted by Melissa O'Brien,  
Family Mission*

***Please join us for our next Family Mission event, our monthly Families in Christ gathering, on Sunday, January 11 at 10:00 a.m. in the ballroom. Everyone is welcome!***

## Annual Christmas Appeal

The 13th Annual Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal is underway and needs your support! The Christmas Appeal runs through January 2015. This year's goal is to raise \$525,000. The Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal is the largest annual fundraiser and critical to operating this social service organization. Gifts provide funding for the many Catholic Charities programs and services available throughout Southwest Florida. Your generosity enables us to serve those seeking help all year long. To donate please mail a contribution to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. 5824 Bee Ridge Road, PMB 409, Sarasota, FL 34233-5065 or visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org).

### SAVE THE DATE

#### Bonita Village Band

#### Annual FREE Concert

Friday,  
January 23, 2015

at 7:30 p.m.

in Parish Life Center

More details will follow.

#### Contact:

Pat Lampe  
592.7845



## All Christmas merchandise in the Divine Gift Boutique now HALF PRICE.

**Gift Shop Hours:**  
 Saturday: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
 Monday through Friday: 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

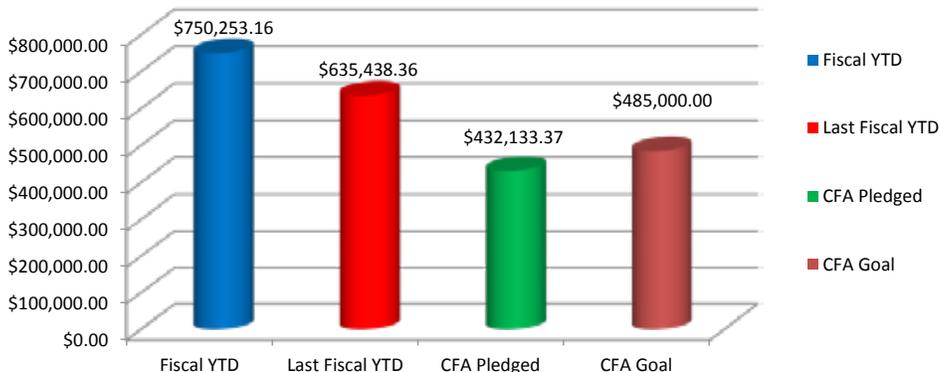
*Located across from ladies restroom.*

Theology on Tap will resume Tuesday, January 6, 2015 here at St. John! If you would like more information about our Young Adult Programs, please contact Jen at [jen@sjecc.com](mailto:jen@sjecc.com).

### Collection Summary



### Fiscal YTD (7/1/2014-6/30/2015) & CFA Summary



## St. John's Men's Club

*"We welcome new adult members of all ages."*

The St. John's Men's Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, January 8 at 7:45 a.m. in the Library. **We are looking for new adult members of all ages.**

Please come and join us and help us plan more fun activities.

**A FREE Light Breakfast will be served!**

### Save the Dates:

#### Diocesan Women's and Men's Conferences

The 2015 Diocese of Venice Women's Conference will be held Saturday, February 14 at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. The 2015 Diocese of Venice Men's Conference will be held Saturday, March 7 at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. Registration details will be forthcoming.

# Holiday Spirit Around St. John



The Ladies of Charity wrap and package the sneakers and socks donated by the St. John parishioners for the needy children at both Naples Park Elementary School and Immokalee. Parishioners generously donated over 600 pairs of sneakers. Along with the sneakers and socks, the packages included toothbrushes, McDonald gift certificates, crayons and other goodies. More details regarding the Sneaker and Sock Drive will be published in future bulletins.



The Young Adult Christmas Party was held Saturday, December 6. "It was a night where we dressed up, ate good food and busted out our BEST dance moves! Everyone had a blast! At a time when we are so busy with Advent/Christmas festivities, it was nice to come together and have some fun. We were also able to help our community NOT go hungry this Christmas by bringing in bags and bags of food items for Guadalupe Social Services," said Jen Cox, Coordinator of the Young Adult Program.



Jean-Paul Boucher, general manager, expresses appreciation for the hours of service the volunteers give to St. John.



# 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

## Sunday, December 28, 2014: the Feast of the Holy Family

Opening Song      **90 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**      Felix Mendelssohn

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

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 105) Music by Tom Oram. © 2014, A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI). All rights reserved. Used with permission, obsv.

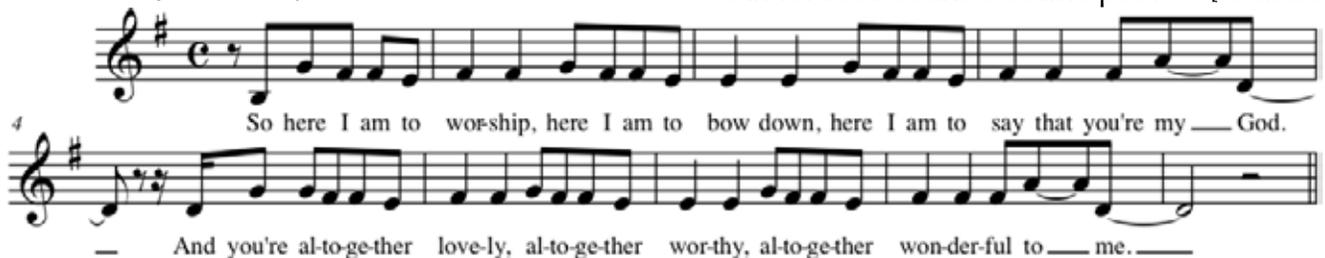
***The Lord remembers his covenant forever.***

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

Preparation Song      **Here I Am To Worship** Tim Hughes      CCLI Song No. 3266032. © 2000 Thankyou Music  
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V.1) Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore you,  
Hope of a life spent with you: [to chorus ↓]

Verse 2) King of all days, oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly you came to the earth you created  
All for love's sake became poor [to chorus ↓]



*Bridge* **And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sins upon that cross.** (repeat, then chorus:)

Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (B) • Great Amen • *The Glendalough Mass* (worship aid in pew)  
The Lord's Prayer • *chanted*      Agnus Dei      •      *The Glendalough Mass*

Communion Songs      **Jesus, Savior** Fr. John Ludden & Gary Guyon © the Very Rev. John J. Ludden. All rights reserved.  
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v.1) I am the Bread of Life; I come to you this day.  
You will not go hungry again.  
I am there for you, my friends,  
if you call upon my name. I will give you rest.

v.2) I am the True Vine and you my branches are.  
You will not go thirsty again.  
Come drink of this Cup, my friends,  
and you will be free. I will give you rest.

v.3) Ask and you shall receive; seek and you will find.  
Knock and the door will open to you.  
For when you call upon my Name  
I will be there for you, and I will give you rest.

v.4) I am the Good Shepherd, and I look on you with love.  
I call to you, now hear my voice.  
If you listen close to me  
you will grasp the gift of life, and I will give you rest.

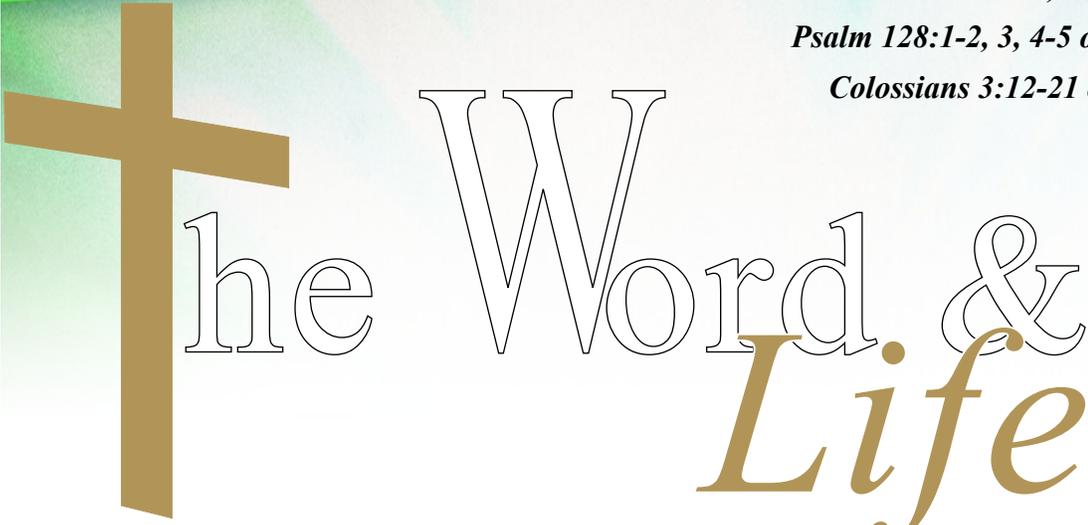
Closing Song      **80 Angels We Have Heard On High**      Traditional

*Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 or Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3*

*Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9*

*Colossians 3:12-21 or Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19*

*Luke 2:22-40*



## The Word & Life

### *The Dream of Prophets and Prophetesses Fulfilled*

The day parents bring their child for baptism is a special day. It marks the beginning of a journey into God and into the world. The parents bring their child and promise to teach their child in the ways of faith and to allow their child to participate in a life of the Church. As we listen to the gospel from St. Luke on the Feast of the Holy Family, we recall the great day that Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple to dedicate his life to God and to circumcise him. Mary and Joseph were marking Jesus' entry into a life with God and also preparing him to journey into the world. This religious rite was a sacred passage for them and for their child. It was a moment of encounter in which God speaks through others to the Holy Family.

The two people God chooses to reveal his plan are Simeon and Anna, a prophetess. Simeon is an old man whose name means 'God has heard'. We are told that he was religious and devout. He had prayed to God all of his life that he would not die before he had seen the Anointed One of God – the Christ. What a tender moment as we listen in the gospel account recall how Simeon took Christ Jesus into his arms and realized that his prayer had been heard and his life's dream fulfilled. "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace,

according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all peoples, a light for revelation...." This is a moment of encounter with Simeon and his Lord, and for Jesus' parents and Anna, the discerning prophetess. However, for Simeon, it is a bittersweet moment in which he realizes that the life of Jesus would meet opposition and pain. Anna whose name means "favor" or "grace" and whose life was spent in fasting and prayer, thanks God for the redemption the child would bring into the world.

The most amazing thing about this encounter is that Mary and Joseph, along with their son, Jesus, had to return to their own town of Nazareth and make sense of what was going to unfold in their lives and the life of their son. We are told that Jesus, after returning, started to grow and become strong. He also allowed the favor and wisdom of God to be with him. The Holy Family, like all families, would help one another discern God's wisdom and help bring security to one another. Sometimes we have to listen to what is not being said in the Sacred Scriptures to figure out the divine drama that was waiting to unfold. Jesus had to come to terms with who he was and his purpose in regard to the heavenly Father's will. As a young child he must have asked the impossible questions in which Mary and Joseph in the simplicity could only respond in a humble way. There were most probably times when Jesus'

### Reflection Questions

1. What sacrifices do Mary and Joseph make in their lives?
2. How does Joseph discern God's will in his life?
3. How do you imagine life was for the Holy Family?
4. How would Mary and Joseph have aided Jesus in his faith formation and life?
5. Why is the family important for society?
6. How do you discern God's will?
7. What sacrifices are you prepared to make for Jesus Christ?
8. In what ways can you contribute to the faith formation of others?

parents were confused and unsure of the path that God was leading their son on. However, we hear elsewhere, that Mary pondered on all these things in her heart and trusted in the Lord.

So we could ask ourselves how can such an example inspire us many years later. The truth is that God is still with us. God wants to be a part of our lives and so encourages us to bring others to this reality. Salvation is within our grasp when we discern and live the will of the Father. Contemplating the wisdom of Jesus and living the truth of his love enables us to pave our destiny that leads us to our heavenly wisdom. It is within the context of the family that we start to build a civilization of love. Parents share in the nature of God, as they become co-creators – bringing life into the world and teaching their children the ways of faith. Just as the Holy Family had to deal with divine consequences in raising Jesus, so too, parents share in the same sacred dilemma as they seek to do best for the children. The place of the family is of utmost importance to society. It is there that a solid foundation is firmly set and where children learn values, morality and ethics. It is within the context of the family that children learn by example of their parents, setting the stage for their lives. Hopefully, it is within the interaction of family life where children comprehend God's love and God's will. As children become adults and move away from the family unit, they are called to shape the world around them with the values that have been instilled in them.

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



## Prayer

*We pray in the words of Paul to the Colossians: Lord, help us to truly understand the gift of family life as we contemplate the sacrifices and virtues of your Holy Family. Help us to "... put on heart-felt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience by bearing with one another and forgiving one another". Amen.*



*The Holy Family/Wikimedia Commons/Juan Simon Gutierrez*

## Wisdom of the Fathers

“How do we keep our faith? Do we keep it for ourselves, in our families, as a personal treasure, or are we able to share it by our witness, by our acceptance of others, by our openness? We all know that families, especially young families, are often “racing” from one place to another, with lots to do. But did you ever think that this “racing” could also be the race of faith? Christian families are missionary families, in their everyday life, in their doing everyday things, as they bring to everything the salt and the leaven of faith...!

...There is one more thought we can take from God's word: the family experiences joy. In the responsorial psalm we find these words: “let the humble hear and be glad” (33/34:2). The entire psalm is a hymn to the Lord who is the source of joy and peace. What is the reason for this gladness? It is that the Lord is near, he hears the cry of the lowly and he frees them from evil...

...Dear families, you know very well that the true joy which we experience in the family is not superficial; it does not come from material objects, from the fact that everything seems to be going well... True joy comes from a profound harmony between persons, something which we all feel in our hearts and which makes us experience the beauty of togetherness, of mutual support along life's journey. But the basis of this feeling of deep joy is the presence of God in the family and his love, which is welcoming, merciful, and respectful towards all. God alone knows how to create harmony from differences. But if God's love is lacking, the family loses its harmony, self-centredness prevails and joy fades. But the family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is the leaven of society.

Dear families, always live in faith and simplicity, like the Holy Family of Nazareth! The joy and peace of the Lord be always with you!”

—Pope Francis, St. Peter's Square, Sunday, October 27th, 2013



# Faith and Wine

**Very Rev. John J. Ludden**  
Pastor of St. John the Evangelist  
Thursday, January 8, 2015

## Pope Francis, Pastor of the Church: Our New Pope Facing Contemporary Issues



6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM)  
St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom  
625 111th Avenue North, Naples

**\$20 prepay**  
(includes light dinner, glass of wine/beverage, and speaker)

Father John Ludden, one of our most popular speakers, returns to Faith and Wine to talk about Pope Francis, one of our most remarkable Popes. This is expected to be a sell out so don't delay in reserving your spot!!

*Free babysitting available on site!!*

### Save the Dates!

February 19 – Father Leo Patalinghug\*\*  
March 12 – Valli Leone  
April 9 – Father George Ratzmann  
\*\*Joint event with Faith & Ale

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on January 6th by going to [www.faihandwine.com](http://www.faihandwine.com) or dropping off exact cash (no change) or your check made payable to "Faith and Wine, Inc." to the St. John parish office.. Or you can mail (post-marked before January 2nd) your check to Mary Beth Clary, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP, 9132 Strada Place, 3rd Floor, Naples, Florida 34108.

**NEW THIS YEAR - You must prepay - NO WALK-INS!**

Faith and Wine is a group of diverse women who seek fellowship with each other and a greater understanding of their Catholic faith in order to enrich their lives and help them cope with the ever-changing challenges presented by today's society. For more information, please visit our website at [www.faihandwine.com](http://www.faihandwine.com).

*Oh Lord, how precious is your Love, we seek your Holy Will.*

The Ladies of Charity Annual

# Christmas Food Drive for our local soup kitchens

Ending: January 31, 2015

- A tree is outside the front of church with ornaments on it.
- Parishioners are encouraged to take an ornament and generously donate a check to St. John the Evangelist with "Food Drive" written in the memo line. Your checks can be placed in the collection baskets passed during Mass or taken to the church office.

**NO FOOD PLEASE! We are requesting checks only.**

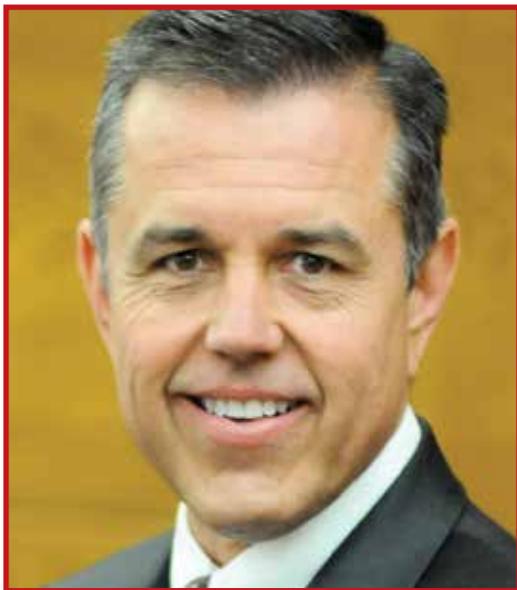
- The organizations that will benefit are Guadalupe Soup Kitchen, St. Matthews House and the St. Vincent de Paul Counsel. Last season each charity received \$3000 each.
- The Ladies of Charity will designate the money collected to be used during the summer months when food shelves are near empty.

**Thank you for helping us stock the soup kitchens.**



# faith & ale

a gathering of catholic men



**tom peterson**

*free to be ... you!*

Tom Peterson is the founder and president of Catholics Come Home, an apostolate which produces television ads encouraging lapsed Catholics to return to the faith.

**Wednesday, January 21**

**6 pm - 8 pm**

Parish Life Center Ballroom

St. John the Evangelist Parish

625 111th Ave., Naples

Suggested donation at the door: \$15

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## upcoming events:

February 19, 2015: Fr. Leo Patalinghug, Grace Before Meals

March 18, 2015: Larry Blanford, Green Mountain Coffee

April 15, 2015: Fr. John Ludden, St. John the Evangelist

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)

## ***First Small Business Fair Attracts 18 Business Owners From St. John***

The first Small Business Fair, held December 6-7, was an opportunity for members of the parish to meet small business owners who are also members of the parish.

Refreshments were served at the fair which was open after all the Masses, and everyone who attended received a free raffle ticket to prizes purchased from our own gift shop, The Divine Gift Boutique. The first prize was a beautiful Nativity set, won by Nancy Harhen. The other two prizes were unique Advent wreaths, won by Angela Cristanello and Laurie Inkel.

Small Business Owners represented the following companies: Color Plus Studio Gallery, Miller's Sheet Music and Studios, Tutors For Improvement, Personal Image Salon & Spa, Ciccarelli Advisory Services, Hardwood Floors by Manny, Southwest Florida Estate Planning, Creative Home Watch, H Papa & Associates CPA & Advisors, Jason's Plumbing Services, Petersons Family Law, Premier Sotheby's Realty, Pena Plastic Surgery, Greenklean Cleaning Services, Liliana's Custom Drapes, Optimeyes Vision, Portrait Artist Vanessa Morris and Craft Master Pool.

If you are a business owner and a member of the parish and have an interest in exhibiting at the next Small Business Fair, call Carol Marlow at 239.948.0050.



*text and photos submitted by Carol Marlow, Job Search Skills & Support*

### ***Fr. Jim and Rabbi Adam Miller to Speak About On Heaven and Earth at Reader's Theater at The Catholic Jewish Dialogue of Collier County***

The Catholic Jewish Dialogue of Collier County invite you to join us for Reader's Theater on Tuesday, January 6 at 4:00 p.m. at the Jewish Federation of Collier County, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Suite 2201, Naples (located in Naples Walk Plaza next to Subway, Second Floor)

The book *On Heaven and Earth* is a New York Times Bestseller. It encompasses the exchange of thoughts and opinions on critical challenges of our time between two long-standing friends, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio (now Pope Francis) and Rabbi Abraham Skorka.

The discussants for this program are Fr. Jim and Rabbi Adam Miller, Rabbi, Temple Shalom of Naples. They will focus on selected chapters from the book that they believe will be of interest and consequence to the audience.

Fr. Jim and Rabbi Miller will then receive questions from the attendees.

### ***St. Vincent de Paul November Food Drive and Thanksgiving Collection***

The support of St. John parishioner in the St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive was tremendous, resulting in a full truck packed from front to back. Our pantry will be over-flowing — for three months — then we start over again.

“We are humbled to be the face of St. John's to those who are hurting. Thank you for all you do to make this work possible,” said Bill Smart, SVdP.

The Thanksgiving collection was almost \$12,000.00 and the poor boxes nearly \$2,000.00, which will go to our food pantry during the summer months.

*text submitted by Bill Smart  
St. Vincent de Paul Conference*



# BIG BAND DANCE

## EVERYONE WELCOME!

### First Dance of the Season

## Tuesday, January 13, 2015

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*



**Big Band  
Dance  
Schedule**

**Tuesday,  
January 13**

**Tuesday,  
January 27**

**Tuesday,  
February 10**

**Tuesday,  
February 24**

**Tuesday,  
March 10**

**Tuesday,  
March 24**

**Tuesday,  
April 14**

#### 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.)

*Singles Welcome*

*Sponsored by  
the Men's Club*

The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist

Will Present



## The Valentine's Day Dance

### Thursday, February 12, 2015

More details coming.



## SAVE THE DATE! Tickets go on sale next weekend.



# Casino Night - Jamaican Style

To Benefit Jamaica Outreach Program

Very Casual Attire, Open Bar, 5000 Free gaming chips

Food Stations (5:30-7:00 pm) - Gaming (6:30-9:30 pm)

Play games like Craps, Roulette, Blackjack, Poker, Slots on Genuine Vegas Tables

Professional Dealers will coach and entertain you.

Your chance to win great Raffle prizes— you must be present to win.



**Friday, Feb. 6, 2015 5:30 p.m.**

**St. John Ballroom - 625 111th Ave N.**

**tickets \$50 per person**

**Also Wanted! Sponsors! call Jeanne 239-514-0290**



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

Or, call Jeanne Stament 514-0290. Or buy/donate at [www.jamaicaoutreach.ORG](http://www.jamaicaoutreach.ORG)

The Casino gaming tables are provided for entertainment purposes only by:  
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## JOP Casino Night — Ticket Order or Sponsor donations

Mail to JOP's P.O. Box (address above) or give to the office receptionist in a sealed envelope.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ . Paying for \_\_\_ tickets at \$50 each.

Or sponsor donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (sponsor recognition via event signage and in program)

List names of people you want to sit with and check those included in your payment .

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Mail tickets to (circle one) :    Address on check or credit card    Alternate address (please list):

My check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed (Payable to Jamaica Outreach)

Charge my credit card :     VISA     MasterCard     Discover

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_    Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Billing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_    Date: \_\_\_\_\_



St. John 17th Annual

# SUPER BOWL PARTY



Sunday, February 1, 2015

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

Game Time - TBA

## **\$25 PER PERSON INCLUDES:**

**Pork Loin Sandwiches, Chicken Wings,  
Sausage, Salads, Cheese Trays,  
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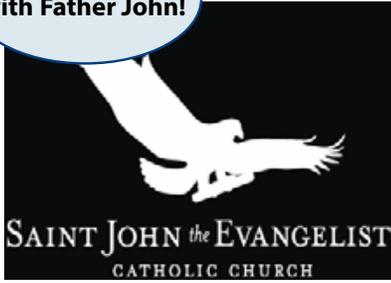
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12	At Sea	~	~
13	George Town, Grand Cayman	8am	5pm
14	At Sea	~	~
15	Cartagena, Colombia	7am	4pm
16	Colon, Panama	8am	6pm
17	Puerto Limon, Costa Rica	7am	6pm
18	At Sea	~	~
19	Belize City, Belize	9:30am	6pm
20	Cozumel, Mexico	8am	5pm
21	At Sea	~	~
22	Fort Lauderdale, Florida	7am	

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#### Parish Contact:

**David Quist**  
239.594.2071

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Category 2B (balcony)	\$1,784
Category 8 (ocean view)	\$1,644
Category 9 (interior)	\$1,534
Category 10 (interior)	\$1,494
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