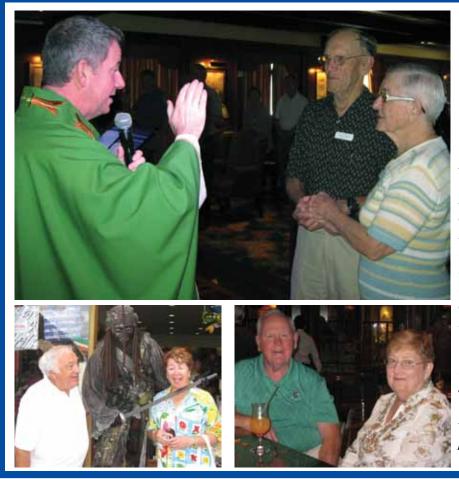


URGENT ACTION ALERT

U.S. Health and Human Services recently announced that it would not expand the religious exemption in the mandate requiring private health plans to pay for abortifacients, sterilizations and contraceptives. This unprecedented mandate will affect many Catholic organizations and institutions and require them to purchase what is contrary to our beliefs and conscience. Bishop Frank J. Dewane urges us as Catholics to write to our Congressmen and ask their support for the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act. *Read his letter on page 7.*



Some 120 parishioners, families and friends joined Fr. John on the first parish cruise

For parishioners George and Iris Weiland (left) this was a truly memorable cruise. Joined by their six children, grandchildren, other family members and friends, they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on board the Crown Princess. Included in the festivities was a Mass in their honor, conducted by Fr. John, at which they renewed their marriage vows.

Other cruisers enjoyed all the amenities the ship offered, as well as various shore excursions and shopping.

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625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108 • Phone 239.566.8740 • Fax 239.566.9117 www.SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com • E-mail: info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com Sunday Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. – Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by

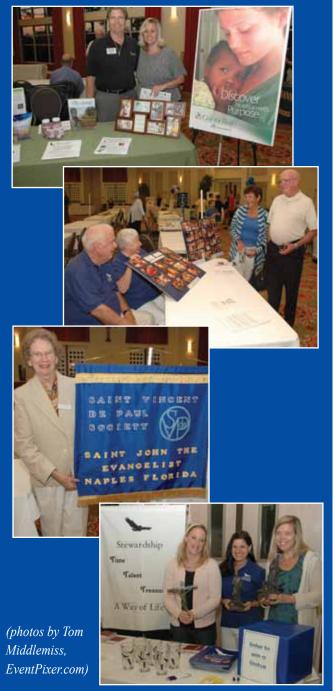
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Februar	-	12	Saturday		
8:00	AM	+	Georgetta Meyer	Cathy Klug	Saturday, February 4, 2012
					Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
Vigil Ser					1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
3:00	PM	+	James McCormack	William Pfau	
5:00	PM	+	Mildred Tracy	Mary Crane	Vigil Services
Februar	W E 20	10	Sunday		Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39
7:00	у 5, 20 АМ	+	Mildred Adele Repking	Chrys Fisher	I*IK I:29-39
9:00	AM	+	Lynn Dembicki	Art & Eileen Warburton	Sunday, February 5, 2012
9.00	AM		For Our Parishioners	Art & Elleen Warburton	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
1:15	PM	+	Lambert & Louise Abell	Kathy Sims	World Day for Consecrated Life;
5:00	PM	+	Henry Krystaszek	Renee Schutz	Boy Scout Sunday
9.00		Ho	st in Memory of Helen Wasiuk ~ re		Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23;
					Mk 1:29-39
Februar	v 6. 20	12	Monday		
8:00	-	+	Roseann Bernon DeFrancesca	Peter DeFrancesca	Monday, February 6, 2012
9:00		+	Jane McBride	Harry Witt	St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
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Februar	y 7, 20	12	Tuesday		
8:00	AM	+	Joanne Salamone	Barbara Malone (sister)	Tuesday, February 7, 2012
9:00	AM	+	Cecilia & Wm. Schultz	Joanie Schultz	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Februar	y 8, 20	12	Wednesday		Wednesday, February 8, 2012
8:00	AM	+	Gerald Dalpra	Bill & Denny Sjostrom	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine
9:00	AM	+	Carole Rafter	M/M Robert Pollak	Bakhita
					1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Februar	y 9, 20	12	Thursday		
8:00		+	Benjamin Battista	M/M DePeppo	Thursday, February 9, 2012
9:00	AM	+	Melanie Lynn Porter	Carole Calandrucci	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
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Februar	-	012			Friday, February 10, 2012
8:00		+	Richard Hefferan	Peggy Cuschieri	St. Scholastica
9:00	AM	+	Vern Foecking	Mary J. Magner	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
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	-		Hilda Occhuzzo	Delores Kernochan	Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin
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Vig <mark>il Se</mark> r	vices				1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
3:00	PM	+	John Silva	Family	
5:00	PM	+	Joe Rossetti	M/M Patrick Monachino	Vigil Services
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Februar	v 12. 20	012	Sunday		1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1; Mk 1:40-45
7:00		+	Robert Marten	Ginny Marten	
9:00	AM	+	Russ Hanus	John & Janet Moro	Sunday, February 12 , 2012
11:15	AM		For Our Parishioners		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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5:00	PM	+		Roland Krystaszck	1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1; Mk 1:40-45
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SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND

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 Ministry Fair January 28-29



Mass of Remembrance February 7

Family members of parishioners who died in 2011 will be remembered at a Mass of Remembrance on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Memorial Garden. A candlelight service in remembrance of the deceased will be part of the celebration.

If you wish to reserve a candle, please call Rita Spagnola at 514.1302.

When you come to the church on February 7 a candle will be given to you. When the name of your loved one is called, you will come forward to light the candle which will remain lit until the end of the service. All parishioners are encouraged to attend this memorial.

A reception will follow in the Parish Life Center for those attending the Mass.

Parish Mission with Fr. Carl Arico Will Be Offered February 27, 28, 29

Fr. Carl Arico will lead our parish mission in "A Taste of Silence" this month. The mission will be offered to the parish Monday, February 27, Tuesday, February 28 and Wednesday February 29 following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Additionally, the mission will be offered from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the church, with Benediction to follow.



Fr. Arico will preach at all the Masses the weekend of February 25 and 26.

Bishop Dewane Will Celebrate Milestone Anniversary Mass at St. John March 3

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to special Anniversary Mass in their honor. The celebration Mass will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Naples.

Family and friends may join in the celebration at the reception immediately following the Mass in the Parish Center. Please call the parish office for reservations no later than February 28.

Hymns for the 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 4 & 5, 2012						
Entrance Hymn:	361	God, We Praise You				
Preparation Hymn:	428	Be Not Afraid				
Communion Hymn:	502	Our Blessing Cup				
	523	The Servant Song				
Closing Hymn:	526	Sent Forth By God's Blessing				

FEBRUARY 5, 2012 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, PastorFr. Len GioeliAssociateFr. Thomas KellyAssociateFr. George HazlerWeekend AssociateDeacon Hal BrennerJeacon Rob ChalhoubDeacon Frank PanicciaDeacon 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 1:00 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

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Director of RCIA Margie Lynch: *514.2927*

Family Ministry Charlene Youngs: 566.8740 Ext: 123

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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.

Contemporary Sunday Mass: 5:00 p.m.

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@ saintjohntheevanglist.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 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 2012 & 2013 availability.

Call or visit the 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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Spotlight on Stewardship: Jamaica Oufreach Program

Shanika Allen's Faith Drives Her Success

Exceptional: that which is not included in a rule, outstanding, superior.

The above definition is so appropriate in describing our featured personality from St. Pius X. It would seem the definition was written with her in mind. Anyone would be hard-pressed to find a person who matches Shanika Allen's courage, tenacity, and her complete love and faith in the goodness of God.

Shanika lives in the poor, depressed, drugridden community of Tavares Gardens in a small flat with her widowed mother, her grandmother, two brothers, a sister and a cousin. Although Tavares Gardens is approximately four miles from St. Pius, Shanika attended Mass faithfully and was very active in the Youth Group until her entry into high school.

Due to her family's lack of money, Shanika knew as a sixth grader she needed to be aggressive to find the means to pay her tuition to high school and college. And so began the years of struggles and sacrifice by Shanika and her mother to find the resources for her to further her education and eventually fulfill her dream of becoming a lawyer.

As an academically talented student, Shanika attended the prestigious high school of The Queen's School for Girls, as well as the pre-university school at St. Georges College. She received financial aid her first year from a distant uncle, and from the Honorable Portia- Simpson Miller, a member of Parliament who represents her constituency, the second and third year. For her fourth and final year at The



"There are people worse" off than me, so who am I to complain. I thank God for every day, even the days I cannot get a bite to eat, even the days I have to walk because I don't have the bus fare to go to church or school and have to beg from strangers. I know God has a plan for me; I am willing to fight any battle and go through any struggle as I know that at the end of my trials I will be successful. Faith is what keeps me going."

— Shanika Allen

Queen's School, as well as her studies at St. George's, she received a grant from the scholarship fund established by JOP for deserving students of the St. Pius parish. If Shanika graduates from Law School she will be the first member of St. Pius to earn a Law Degree.

When asked to describe herself, Shanika responded in the following manner, "I am known as a person filled with faith and a pleasant disposition. No matter how depressed I might feel, I never let it show. Her attitude is, "There are people worse off than me, so who am I to complain. I thank God for every day, even the days I cannot get a bite to eat, even the days I have to walk because I don't have the bus fare to go to church or school and have to beg from strangers. I know God has a plan for me; I am willing to fight any battle and go through any struggle as I know that at the end of my trials I will be successful. Faith is what keeps me going."

JOP has awarded Shanika a grant to help pay her first year of Law School, and we wish her success in attaining her goals. Truly, Shanika is an exceptional person. God bless Shanika Allen.

For more information about Shanika, you may contact John Oustrich at 239.598.4335

article submitted by John Oustrich, Jamaica Outreach Program

PRAYER GROUPS

Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

The Centering Prayer group meets weekly on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. in room 15 of the Claussen Center. On Wednesday mornings, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (9:45 a.m.) Centering Prayer will be held in the Parish Library. Following Centering Prayer, both groups pray Lectio Divina. Everyone is welcome. (Brochures are available in the foyer.)

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy

Bradley N. Chartier U.S. Army

Sgt. Chris Counts U.S. Marine Corp

James Cunningham

BM3 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. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines

Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon

Ssgt. Patrick H. Hammer U.S.Marine Corp * LAV Recon

Spec. Adam C. Janes U.S. Army, Ft. Bragg, NC

Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC) PFC. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Lt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Capt. Oliver Schrang U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Houng Tran U.S. Army

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

Divine Will Prayer Group

The Divine Will Prayer Group studies the writings of Servant of God Louisa Piccarreta. The group meets on Fridays at 9:45 a.m. in the Claussen Center, room 15. Please join us. Linda Reilly: *821.8982*

Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Liturgy of the Hours 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 available.*)

St. John Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts" St. John prayer group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Linda Reilly: *821.8982*

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

John Flynn, Delores "Dolly" Parker

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

Tom Abele Mr. & Mrs. Roy Allard Jacob Andrew Jennifer Basile Makavla Basile Linda Berry Matt Brown Christine Cassara James Castaldi Eunice Chowdry Thomas Cress Virginia D'Agostino Vincent DeStasio **Owen** Destino Donna DiMaggio John Duffy Ami Durante Connie Eckert Rita and Carl Edward Elsa Everstijn William Farhet Jim Fargo Dr. Stephen Ferrante NancyFitzgerald Donna Flynn Fino Giordano Arleen Glavonavich

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Alex Moody Rev. Richard Mueller Thomas Murphy Marjorie Nelson Darlene Nicholas Peter Nicolleta Tyler Ostos Maryla Panagos Ron Parker & Family Susan Peterson Joe Pohrer Angela Preuss Betty & Howard Preuss Timothy Ray Dale Reynolds Jason Reynolds Leonard Sbrocco Carol Seiffert Jean Smith Andrew and Christian Suarez Betty Sundstrom Margaret Sweikert Theresa Don Wilson Thomas Wood Amy Young

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, email: 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

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URGENT ACTION ALERT

DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

January 31, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

An alarming and serious matter that negatively impacts the Church in the United States directly has arisen, and strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith. The federal government, which claims to be "of, by, and for the people," has just dealt a heavy blow to almost a quarter of those people—the Catholic population—and to the millions more who are served by the Catholic faithful.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced last week that almost all employers, including Catholic employers, will be forced to offer their employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be forced to include those "services" in the health policies they write. Further, almost all individuals will be forced to buy that coverage as a part of their policies.

In so ruling, the Administration has cast aside the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, denying to Catholics our Nation's first and most fundamental freedom, that of religious liberty. And as a result, unless the rule is overturned, we Catholics will be compelled either to violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties for doing so). The Administration's sole concession was to give our institutions one year to comply.

We cannot—we will not—comply with this unjust law. People of faith cannot be made second class citizens. Do not be misled by attempts to turn this into a debate about Church teaching or the morality of contraception. The issue here is religious liberty and freedom of conscience.

Already our brothers and sisters of all faiths and many others of good will have joined in this important effort to regain our religious freedom. Our parents and grandparents did not come to these shores to help build America's cities and towns, its infrastructure and institutions, its enterprise and culture, only to have their posterity stripped of their God given rights. In generations past, the Church has always been able to count on the faithful to stand up and protect Her sacred rights and duties. I hope and trust She can count on this generation of Catholics to do the same. Future generations deserve nothing less.

Therefore, I would ask of you two things. <u>First</u>, as a community of faith we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty may be restored. Without God, we can do nothing; with God, nothing is impossible. <u>Second</u>, I would also recommend visiting <u>www.usccb.org/conscience</u>, to learn more about this severe assault on religious liberty, and how to contact Congress in support of legislation that would reverse the Administration's decision.

I take this opportunity to extend to all of you my continued consideration and prayers. United in prayer and in confidence in God's goodness, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ, + Frank J. Dewane

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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 1:00 p.m. in the Library; third Thursdays 7:00 p.m. in the ballroom. www.aga-fl.org **Guest speakers:** February 9: Glenn R. Caddy, PhD, "The Continuum of Alienation and Its Impact on the Child" ~ February 16: Caryn Hacker, A.C.S.W., D.C.S.W., "How Your Energy Influences Your Situation"

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

Al-Anon. Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. PLC.

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

Arimatheans. A group of caring parishioners who support parishoners

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

Evangelization. Designed to help people leaving the church. Deacon Al 566.8740, ext. 125

Families Helping Families. Mondays at 6 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: 498.7523

Grief Support. Sessions on the second and fourth Wednesdays monthly at 10:00 a.m. in room 13 of the Claussen Center. Dee Donnelly: 594.7193

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. 495.9741

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meetings are the day after the first Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Visiting Sir Knights are invited. Rudy Kamenick, FN, 248.1853

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 2nd 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. Also friendly visits and simple errands for the homebound. Jan Sukay. 431.7376

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. MeetsWednesdays 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, 7-9 p.m. Ruth Wardein: 398.4428, redheded28@ yahoo.com

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

Religious Gift Shop. Open Saturday and Sunday and after daily Mass. The gift shop is in need of volunteers after Mass on Wednesdays. 591.4668

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 welcome. Nancy Cote: 514.0410

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities. Tuesday, Feb. 7 at Imperial Health Care in Naples and Tuesday, Feb. 28 at Emeritus in Bonita Springs, both 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, 9:30 a.m. or 7:00 p.m., Library. The new bible study resumes January 12. Linda Reilly, 821.8982



Extraordinary Ministers Once Again Need Rosaries for Hospital Visits

"A simple rosary is all the patients desire."

Last August the Extraordinary Ministers who visit the

catholic patients in the hospital made a plea for new or used rosaries to distribute to the sick. The response was overwhelming, but once again they find themselves running short on rosaries to distribute.

> Devotion to the rosary, and the Blessed Mother in particular, is an important tradition to Catholics and particularly to those Catholics who are ill and find themselves in the hospital.

> > "Hospital patients

never say no to a rosary when it is offered to them," Pat Bernetich, Extraordinary Minister, said. "They are always happy to receive a rosary while they are hospitalized." "A simple rosary is all the patients desire," she said. "If you have a spare rosary that you don't need we would love to have it. The patients appreciate anything — it doesn't have to be fancy or brand new."

The Extraordinary Ministers also visit the birthing centers at NCH with the new moms, babies and siblings. While there they also offer a rosary to the siblings.

"It makes the siblings feel special and not forgotten while all the attention is focused on the newborn," Pat said.

Anyone wishing to donate a new or used rosary may drop off the rosaries in the altar server room adjacent to the Religious Boutique during Mass times. On weekdays the rosaries may be dropped off at the office during regular business hours.

"The Extraordinary Ministers and the patients are very grateful for your past generosity and hope that you will consider donating any spare rosaries. The rosaries are all blessed before distribution to the patients," Pat said.

For more information, email Pat Bernetich at joebpatb@ comcast.net.



Did you know that we participate in a sandwich program for the Immokalee Friendship House? As a matter of fact, the sandwiches used to be prepared in our kitchen. In 2001, North Naples United Methodist Church offered to move the distribution headquarters to their location on Goodlette Road. Many

of our parishioners still prepare sandwiches and deliver them weekly to Immokalee. Below is a brief history of the Immokalee Friendship House.

Immokalee Friendship House was founded in 1987 by Sister Marie McFadden, and a small group of caring community leaders. Working in the area, these individuals noticed that many men, women and children, many of them hard-working migrants, had no place to sleep at night. To address the lack of emergency housing in this farming community of 25,000, the Immokalee Friendship House was created.

Since its inception, Immokalee Friendship House has provided meals, clothing and shelter to thousands of individuals in Greater Collier County. The shelter is nearly always at capacity, quite often including families with young children. Abused women and children, migrant farm workers, convalescents, people fighting addiction and families that recently suffered a loss of income all come through the doors of the Immokalee Friendship House.

Many of you may be unfamiliar with the Immokalee Friendship House but may be familiar with St. Matthew's House. It just so happens that St. Matthew's House merged with the Immokalee Friendship House in 2008. Immokalee Friendship House now operates under the umbrella of St. Matthew's House.

We are looking for a few new volunteers who would be interested in preparing sandwiches for the Immokalee Friendship House and more importantly, volunteers who would be willing to deliver them to Immokalee. If you are interested, please contact Doug Durrenberger with North Naples United Methodist Church at 450.1135 or ddurrenberger@stockdevelopment.com.

As you are now well aware, we came up short (\$23,000.00) in our efforts for the 2011 Catholic Faith Appeal. This means that we will have to recognize the shortfall out of much needed operating funds. The new campaign for 2012 kicks off in a few short weeks. Every year for the past

ten, I have addressed the parish community in an effort to generate interest in the annual appeal. This year we are going to switch things up a bit.

On February 18 and 19, you will see a new face. Barbara Kuryea (Finance Council Member) will be speaking to you to discuss the importance of the Catholic Faith Appeal. She will address the financial implications of failing to meet our goal, but more importantly, she will discuss the amazing programs supported by the Catholic Faith Appeal.

Making a pledge is the best way to ensure that we meet with success. This year, you will have the opportunity to make your pledge on kickoff weekend. Barbara will walk our parishioners through the pledge process and will ask that everyone make their pledge at that time. I will ask now (two weeks in advance) that you prayerfully consider making a pledge to the 2012 Catholic Faith Appeal. Consider the amount that you are willing to gift and be prepared to fill out your pledge card on the 18th and 19th of this month.

The Ministry Fair was a great success this past weekend. We had representation from 45 ministries and many of our parishioners came down to visit the various booths. We raffled off statues of the Blessed Mother, St. John the Evangelist and the Crucifix. As a result of the raffle, I was able to capture several hundred email addresses to use for our future correspondence. Thank you to those parishioners who took time out of your weekend to visit the fair and support our parish ministries.

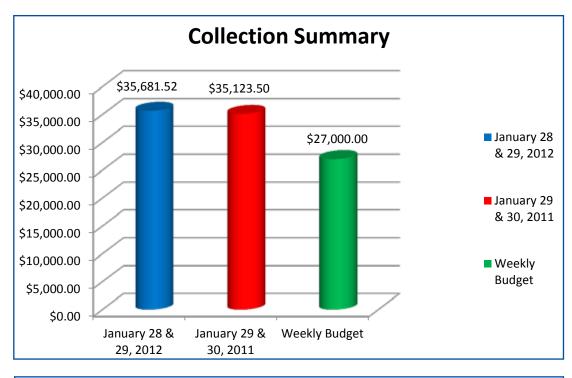
Comcast came out this past week and made the final connections to allow for our HD (High Definition) digital signal in the ballroom. What does this mean for you? For those attending the Super Bowl Party this Sunday, you will be treated to an amazing picture on all four of our 12' screens. In addition, because all of the equipment is ceiling mounted, the location of your seat really doesn't matter as everyone will be treated to the same amazing picture. The quality of the picture is as good or better than what you may have at home. I am extremely excited for the game and even more excited for our attendees to enjoy the amazing picture on our new AV system. As of this past Wednesday, we were nearing capacity with 221 tickets sold.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA General Manager

SCOTT'S CORNER...

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J.O.Y. Club Will Meet Thursday, February 16 With Presidents Theme

The J.O.Y. Club will meet Thursday, February 16 at 11:30 a.m. in the PLC. This month's activities will include a tribute to Presidents Washington and Lincoln. There will be a patriotic dessert and a quiz on American History. The one who has the most correct answers will receive a prize.

Call 566.8740 to register your name. Wear something red, white or blue, and.bring a non-perishible item for our church food pantry in return for a fun time.

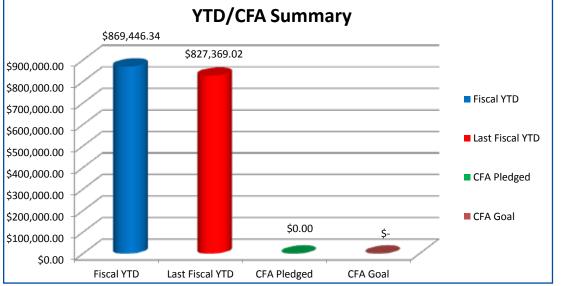
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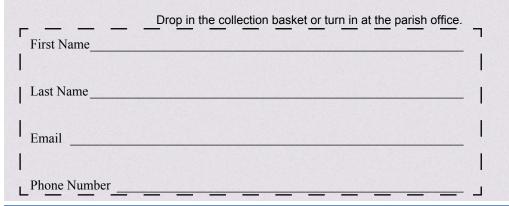
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& Chad Hankins



In order that we may enhance communication within the parish through our new email module, we must have your email address. We will use the email address to send out newsletters and pertinent emails relating to upcoming events which you may want to be involved. Thank you for your cooperation.



40 Days for Life Opening

Please join Bishop Frank J. Dewane on Ash Wednesday, February 22 for the kick-off of the

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil at the Planned Parenthood on Goodlette-Frank Road in Naples. The day begins with a Mass at 8:00 a.m. here



at St. John the Evangelist.

FEBRUARY 5, 2012 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5 PM Contemporary Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, February 5th: the 5th Week of Ordinary Time

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V.2) One thing I ask and I would seek: to see your beauty, to find you in the place your glory dwells (repeat, then chorus)

Bridge) My heart and flesh cry out for you, the living God—your spirit's water to my soul. I've tasted and I've seen—come once again to me—I will draw near to you, I will draw near to you, to you...

Sanctus / Memorial Acclamation (A) / Great Amen / Agnus Dei • The Mass of St. John the Evangelist

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Chorus) This is the Body; this is the Blood; broken and poured out for all of us. In this Communion, we share in his love...This is the Body; this is the Blood.

Verse 1) I will remember ev'rything, Lord, that you've done for me I won't take for granted the Sacrifice that set me free I hunger and thirst for your love, come fill me today

Verse 2) We hunger and thirst for your love and your righteousness We long for your Presence here, Lord...Be with us again...

Meditation 523 The Servant Song

Closing Song Awesome God Rich Mullins CCLI Song No. 41099. © 1988 BMG Songs, Inc. CCLI License #2008891. Verse 2

Verse 1

When he rolls up his sleeves, he ain't just puttin' on the ritz Our God is an awesome God!

There is thunder in his footsteps and lightning in his fists Our God is an awesome God!

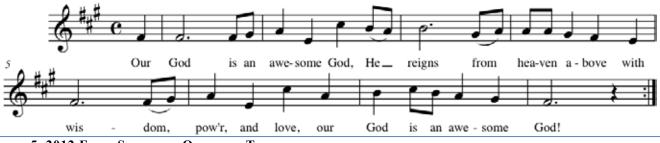
And the Lord wasn't joking when he kicked 'em out of Eden It wasn't for no reason that he shed his blood

His return is very close and so you'd better be believin' That our God is an awesome God!

When the sky was starless in the void of the night Our God is an awesome God!

He spoke into the darkness and created the light Our God is an awesome God!

Judgment and wrath he poured out on Sodom; Mercy and grace he gave us at the Cross I hope that we have not too guickly forgotten That our God is an awesome God!



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Mark 1:29-39

A Divine Helping Hand

e encounter a very human predicament in today's gospel. Jesus and his disciples fulfill their Jewish duties of attending synagogue where they are at prayer and worship, but they still must deal with the realities of life. No matter how they attend to worship, illness is still part of their existence. We

Reflection Questions

- 1. Why do you think people suffer?
- 2. In what ways have you experienced suffering?
- 3. Where have you experienced God in the midst of the trials of your life?
- 4. What suffering exists in the world?
- 5. How did Jesus respond to suffering of the world?
- 6. When considering the event of Calvary, why does Jesus understand the depth of the suffering of humanity?
- 7. How will you respond to such suffering?
- 8. How do you offer hope in times of trial?

find Simon's mother-in-law ill with a fever — she appears to be suffering. When Jesus encounters her suffering, he reaches out his hand to help her and alleviate her distress. We also are told about people who are ill or possessed who were brought to Jesus. He cures these people. Jesus' acts of healing communicate God's initiative of compassion and redemption. The Book of Job deals with the experience of human suffering. Job despairs with the lot that he is given, but he realizes in the end that God never abandons him. God does not intend suffering, rather God offers us healing through His Son. Jesus' purpose is to bring us to a knowledge and love of the Father in the midst of everyday life.

Theologians have debated the question of suffering through the centuries. None of them has ever been able to give an adequate response to the problem of suffering and evil. Every human being who has ever lived has, in some way or another, been exposed to suffering. Personal suffering or watching another suffer brings us to the depths of our soul and causes us to ask the question "why?" While we will never know the answer as to the "why" of suffering, the gospel sheds light on the "where", the presence of God in the midst of suffering. God, through Jesus Christ, offers us a divine helping hand when we suffer. When we call upon

the name of Jesus through our trials and through our joys, He is there. When Christ encounters people who are suffering, he heals their brokenness — they receive God's healing when they ask Jesus, in faith, to heal them. God always responds in a compassionate way. We might well ask, why then must I watch someone that I love die? Is it that God has not answered my prayer? Maybe God's response to the request of healing is to allow someone to leave this world and enter paradise rather than to continue in misery and pain.

Through the life of Jesus Christ in the gospels, we get glimpses into the mind of God, but we will never fully know the mind of God. All we can do is reflect and pray. We are called to discern in order to know what God intends. The great work of the Church, therefore, is evangelizing the broken and bringing Jesus' mission of healing to the world. What we do know is that Jesus was no stranger to suffering. Suffering confronted him, he recognized it and transformed it. Likewise, he knew what suffering was all about. He himself suffered ridicule, rejection, humiliation, the agony and the scandal of the cross, and even death itself. However, that too was transformed through the gift of resurrection. We too are constantly reminded in the Mass that we are people of the resurrection, called to share in that same hope!

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

The Feminine Genius

"One day, I saw two roads. One was broad, covered with sand and flowers, full of joy, music and all sorts of pleasures. People walked along it, dancing and enjoying themselves. They reached the end of the road without realizing it. And at the end of the road there was a horrible precipice; that is, the abyss of hell. The souls fell blindly into it; as they walked, so they fell. And their numbers were so great that it was impossible to count them. And I saw the other road, or rather, a path, for it was narrow and strewn with thorns and rocks; and the people who walked along it had tears in their eyes, and all kinds of suffering



befell them. Some fell down upon the rocks, but stood up immediately and went on. At the end of the road there was a magnificent garden filled with all sorts of happiness, and all these

souls entered there. At the very first instant they forgot all their sufferings."

— Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, paragraph 153 (Born 1905 – Died 1938)

Prayer

We pray: Heavenly Father, give us a helping hand when we encounter suffering in our lives. Help us to understand your purpose. Reveal yourself in our lives so that we can know your truth and compassion. Whenever we despair, offer us the hope that is truly ours. Bring your healing to the harsh realities of life — mend broken hearts, restore our faith and bring us to the joys of salvation. Amen



Upcoming Events

February 5 Families in Christ

February 15 First Communion Parent Meeting

> February 22 Ash Wednesday

March 4 Families in Christ

Faith Formation News

Families in Christ...Our fourth Families in Christ session will be on Sunday, February 5, 2012, in the ballroom from 9:15 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Mark your calendars! Join us for whole-community catechesis. Come and enjoy reflections, skits, table study, games, prizes, and refreshments. Live the Gospel and be a witness to your faith. Meet other members of our faith community and have fun. <u>Attendance at Families in Christ is a requirement for all Faith Formation students</u>. Childcare is available for preschool and kindergarten.

First Communion Parent Meeting...will be on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom. All parents who have children making their First Eucharist in May 2012 need to attend this meeting.

Ash Wednesday...is on February 22, 2012. One of our parish priests will be giving ashes to Faith Formation students after class.

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Faith Formation News continued from page 16

"And with your spirit" explained

When a man is ordained a priest, the Holy Spirit comes upon him, enabling him to perform the sacred rites of the Mass and consecrate the Eucharist. When we respond, "And with your spirit, "we acknowledge that since God works through the priest offering the Mass, it is actually Jesus Christ who is the head of the community gathered together, and it is his Spirit who is leading the Liturgy, regardless of who the particular priest may be.



Growing in Faith, February 2012, Success Publishing

What are your children giving up for Lent?

This month Catholic children all over the country will ask each other, "What did you give up for Lent?" Giving something up — abstaining from a favorite food or activity — is a good way to observe the season of Lent. But when this abstinence is too hard to maintain for the whole season, children get a dim view of Lent. Here are some suggestions for helping youngsters sacrifice during Lent.

Encourage your child to give up something he really values - a favorite dessert or a cherished pastime. When he starts to miss it, tell him to think of it as giving Jesus a "thank you gift" for his sacrifice on the cross. Make sure what your child gives up is reasonable. lt should be something specific and limited so that a child his age can see it through. If possible, help him pick something he shouldn't have anyway. Sweets. soft drinks, or too much television make healthy choices for Lenten abstinence. He may even decide he can do without it after Lent is over.

Partners in Faith, February 2012, Success Publishing

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

GRADE 1

Life Question: How can you help at home and school? Gospel Question: How does Jesus help people?

GRADES 2-3

Life Question: What does it mean to serve others? Who do you know that serves others? Gospel Question: How does Jesus serve and help people?

GRADES 4-5

Life Question: When have you been sick? What is hard about being sick? Gospel Question: When have you acted like Jesus?

GRADES 6-8

Life Question: Who serves the Christian community in a way you can see yourself doing? Gospel Question: How does Jesus make a difference to people in need?

GRADES 9-12

Life Question: What peer pressure would you face if you or your girlfriend were pregnant? Gospel Question: What is Jesus' attitude toward people who are sick or possessed?

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Join Fr. John and fellow parishioners for this spectacular 11 night cruise to the southern Caribbean aboard the newly renovated Norwegian Sun, round trip from Miami. Ports of call include Cartagena, Aruba, Curacao, St. Marteen and St. Thomas, where you can "shop till you drop".

Inside cabins begin at an amazing \$940 — that's \$85.00 per day. Balcony cabins begin at \$1310 or \$119.00 per day. Check out the Norwegian website, <u>www.ncl.</u> <u>com</u> to view this wonderful ship and its amenities and explore the ports of call and excursions available. Mass with Fr. John, a cocktail reception, bus transfers to and from St. John and free parking behind the Claussen Center will again be available.

PARISH CONTACT: DAVE QUIST 239-594-2071

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Detailed pricing information will be in the bulletin in the next several weeks.



SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

FAMILIES IN CHRIST

Join us for whole-community catechesis. Pray and study the Gospel with your family members, neighbors, and priests. All ages are welcome. Come and enjoy reflections, skits, table study, games, prizes, and refreshments. Live the Gospel and be a witness to your faith. Meet other members of our faith community and have fun. Childcare is available for preschool and kindergarten. For more information please, contact Margie Lynch at 239-514-2927 or email us at familiesinchrist@saintjohntheevangelist.com

February 5, 2012 9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Ballroom

Sponsors Wanted for the 6th Annual West Coast "Run for Life"

The Knights of Columbus are pro-life. A few K of C members along with other adult and youth runners in unity with pro-life principles are running to help our local life-affirming organizations that protect the unborn through crisis pregnancy centers, provide maternity and post-birth homes and provide shelters for battered and abused women, children and senior citizens.

Last year we ran from Marco Island to Ocala (272 miles) and raised \$8,000. Funds raised in Collier & Lee Co were distributed to Collier Pregnancy Centers, Our Mother's Home, Providence House and Sunlight Home through Florida K of C Charities, Inc / Helping Life Fund — a 501 (c) (3) IRS certified, non-profit organization dedicated to help life-affirming service providers.



The financial needs of these organizations to fulfill their missions are huge. In addition the Immokalee Pregnancy Center needs to purchase an ultrasound to counter the abortion option offered by Planned Parenthood. The Florida K of C "Run for Life" with your act of charity as sponsors of our runners will help these organizations.

This year our goal is 360 miles from Marco Island to St. Augustine. Beginning February 18th we plan to cover 40 miles per day for the next 9 days. You can sponsor our efforts by making a donation while we run the miles; examples at 10ϕ per mile = 36.00, 20ϕ = 72.00 or any small / large amount that you care to donate. You can make your donation in the parish office or to a Knights of Columbus member. Checks may be made payable to Knights of Columbus with the memo line notation "Run for Life". **Run, donate or both? Call Gary Ray 596-4976 for more info.**

FRIDAY NIGHT FISH BAKE at St. John the Evangelist PLC during Lent

MENU Baked Fish Rice Pilaf Macaroni and Cheese Coleslaw String Beans Almandine New England Clam Chowder Bread & Butter Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade & Soda Dessert (Take Outs Available)

DATES OF FISH BAKE

Ash Wednesday & Friday Nights in Lent

February 22 February 24 March 2 March 9 March 30 (No Fish Bake on Good Friday)

Serving From 5:00 p.m to 7:00 p.m. COST \$ 12.00 Adults \$ 5.00 under 10 years old Tickets at Door Only

Beer and Wine Available

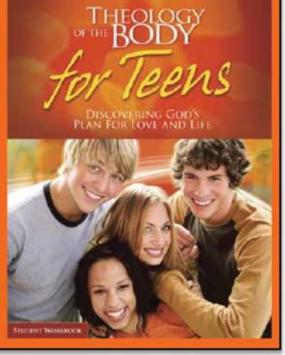
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Theology of the Body for Teens In the Youth Room

This 12-week course is geared towards explaining Blessed John Paul II's compelling vision for love and life. Meetings are for 8th-12th graders and will be on Tuesdays at 6:30 P.M., starting February 7th. For more information and/or to register, please contact Martha Oram (mjr.oram@gmail.com or 407-615-9017!)

There will be an **INFO SESSION** just for **parents** on Monday, **February 6th**, at 6:30pm. Parents can review the materials to be used and get all of their questions answered!



FEBRUARY 5, 2012 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pancake Breakfast February 12th!! Come Support Your Boy Scouts!

Boy Scout Troop 168 will hold a pancake breakfast on February 12th after the morning Masses. With your donations this fundraiser will help us raise money for summer camp and other activities. Please join us in the ballroom for mouthwatering pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, tea and juice. If any boys, age 11 or older,







are interested in joining Boy Scouts, this is a perfect opportunity to see what it is all about.









Regale your friends with exotic flavors, Honor thy church with 10%



Recognized by Zagat as Naples' #1 Chinese restaurant, Charlie Chiang's owes it all to our community's support. We wish to pass this forward through giving to St. John the Evangelist, another recognized leader in the community. Charlie Chiang's will donate 10% of sales from parishioner visits to the Catholic Faith Appeal, now through April 30. Please mention St. John to any of our representatives before, during, or after the visit. Therefore, we can ensure the contribution is made.

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL | DAILY 3-6 | \$16.99 3-course Dinner HAPPY HOUR | DAILY 3-6 | Two for One Drinks, Appetizers & Sushi Rolls LUNCH EXCLUSIVE | MON-FRI 11:30-3 | \$7.99 Lunch Sets (15 Minutes Guaranteed) PRIX FIXE DINNER FOR TWO | DAILY 3-CLOSE | \$35.99 4-Course Dinner KIDS EAT FREE | TUE 3-CLOSE | FREE Kid's Meal with Purchase of Two Regular Entrées DIM SUM CHEF'S TABLE | SAT & SUN 11:30-2:30 | Bite-sized Chinese Delicacies



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Emerald Ball

benefiting Catholic Charities in Collier County

Saturday, March 17 at Ritz Carlton Tiburon Golf Resort in Naples

For more information, please contact 239-455-2655 or email michelle@catholiccharitiescc.org.

WE NEED YOU! Helping Children Have Success in School PLEASE VOLUNTEER

(YOU can make a difference in a child's life in only a couple of hours a week!)

For Refugee Children, Kindergarten through High School, we provide:

- Homework & academic help to students
- Career awareness & other activities
- Cultural/Educational Field Trips
- English Language conversation practice

Can you help a few hours a week after school? To help these Children be Successful !

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Phone: (239)455-0520 e-mail: tery@catholiccharitiescc.org Sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, and funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement and administered by the Florida Department of Children & Families

IS CATHOLICISM STILL RELEVANT?

Thursday, February 9, 2012

Doors open at 6:15pm for networking

Program begins at 730pm

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church Parish Life Center 1829: Beaumont Rd., Bonita Springs, FL Registration is Required

\$15/person

For Those Who Have Already Registered and Paid:

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- Event is in the Parish Life Center at St. Leo the Great
- No tickets will be issued-check in at arrival and we will have your registration information from your prepayment
- Be sure to eat dinner before attending- only light finger foods will be served at the event!

Hosted by: Faith & Wine, Faith & Ale-Naples & Ft. Myers and San Marco Council of Catholic Women



MAKE YOUR SWEETHEART HAPPY **CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY AT ST. JOHN!!**

Join us for the St. John Knights of Columbus Annual

VALENTINE'S DINNER/DANCE

Sit Down Dinner Menu Penne Cardinal Camerones (Penne pasta with garlic sauteed shrimp in tomato *cream sauce)* Fresh Baked French Rolls Sliced Herb Roasted Center Cut Pork Loin Red Skinned Mashed Potatoes Fresh Asparagus Red Velvet Luscious Cake **Colombian** Coffee Assorted Hot Teas

Featuring the music of the popular **BILLY DEAN & DAWN**

Friday, February 10, 2012

6:00 – 10:00 PM in the PLC

Sit Down Dinner & Open Bar

Catered by Cappelli's

Great Entertainment • GREAT VALUE

Tickets: \$45 per person

Available in the parish office during regular office hours



Tables of 8 suggested

Jackets Requested

First Annual Parish Cruise January 21-28, 2012



Lee and Sharon Myers celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary at a special Mass where they also renewed their marriage vows.





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Some 120 parishioners, family and friends joined Fr. John for a sevennight cruise to the Western Caribbean aboard Crown Princess January 21-28. Parishioners parked their vehicles in the rear of the Claussen Center and boarded the buses for the one and one-half hour ride, hassle free, to the Ft. Lauderdale cruise terminal.

The itinerary included the ports of Grand Cayman, in the Bahamas, Roatan, Honduras, Belize, formerly British Honduras, and Cozumel, Mexico. Travelers enjoyed all the amenities that Princess has to offer and participated in a variety of shore excursions, including the Mayan ruins in Belize and Cozumel, a variety of water sports activities and opportunities to scuba dive and snorkel at the second largest "barrier reef" in the world off the coast of Belize, among just a few of the various shore excursions that were available. Many travelers perused the shops the ports have to offer and strolled the various locations, taking advantage of the tax- and duty-free purchases available.

Fr. John conducted Mass daily, assisted by Deacon Frank. Lorna Woonsam, St. John sacristan, handled the Mass arrangements, and her husband Ernie was the altar server.

For parishioners George and Iris Weiland this was a truly memorable cruise. Joined by their six children, grandchildren, other family members and friends, who flew to Ft. Lauderdale from all parts of the country, they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on board the Crown Princess. Included in the festivities was a Mass in their honor, conducted by Fr. John at which they renewed their

conducted by Fr. John, at which they renewed their marriage vows.

Two other St. John parishioners, Lee and Sharon Myers, celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary at a special Mass where they also renewed their marriage vows.

A farewell cocktail party on the last night of the cruise, hosted by Toucan Travel and Fr. John, ended a memorable

week.







Their six children, grandchildren, other family members and friends, helped George and Iris Weiland celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

The Second Annual Parish Cruise will be held beginning January 16, 2013. Please see page 18 of this week's bulletin for more information.

article submitted by Dave Quist; photos by Tom Middlemiss (EventPixer. com) and Ernie Woonsam

