

February 15, 2015
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Senior Prom Celebrates All Ages and All Dance Moves

From the flashing bulbs of cameras on the red carpet and at the Hollywood sign to the packed dance floor of over 100 parishioners from all different decades, the Senior Prom was a roaring success! We had stories from partygoers who missed out their own Senior Prom due to being deployed for the Korean War, crowning both a youthful and experienced set of Kings and Queens, and a wonderful sit-down meal served by Frisco's. This jointly sponsored event from the Men's Club and the Youth Group was decked out by our Parish Youth, who spent all day building the Hollywood Hills and decorating the ballroom for this first-ever St. John Senior Prom.

One comment we received:

What a great night!!!! We had a blast. Thank you so much for doing this and that wonderful youth group...those kids are just the greatest. Years ago I taught CCD in Pennsylvania and seeing those kids brought it all back. They are our future! – Liz Koplitz

And with dancing from the big bands of the 40s, the jitterbug of the 50s, the disco of the 70s, and the electric slide, everyone got up and danced till the party was over.



See more Senior Prom photos on page 17



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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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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions	Requested by
February 14, 2015 Saturday	
8:00 AM + Bob Bolster	The Family
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Katherine Hilgendorf	Mr & Mrs. Dennis Edson
5:00 PM + Cecilia & William Schultz	The Schultz Family
February 15, 2015 Sunday	
7:00 AM + Veronica Glennon	Mr. & Mrs. Garrett Crespy
9:00 AM + Philip Severs	The Family
11:15 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM + Michael Garzarelli Brice	The Michitsch Family
5:00 PM + Jim Parejko	Jeffrey
<i>Flowers in Memory of Mary H. Brown & Rev. Thomas J. Shea</i>	
<i>~ requested by Claudia T. Brown & Charles E. Jones</i>	
February 16, 2015 Monday	
8:00 AM + Brother Jefferey W. Oxx C.F.C.	The Family
9:00 AM + Tom Hutchinson	Lyn
February 17, 2015 Tuesday	
8:00 AM + Jerry J. Oxx	The Family
9:00 AM + Ron Rick	Liz Rick
February 18, 2015 Ash Wednesday	
8:00 AM + Madeline Sheehan & Margaret McCool	John & Madeline Gaffey
10:00 AM + Madalina Renzulli	Joe & Rosalie Ciaramitaro
NOON + Donna Lomanto	Terry Sisk
5:00 PM + Ann Nungesser	Kulousek Family
7:00 PM + Edward & Howard Kelly	Mary & Bill Cuthbertson
February 19, 2015 Thursday	
8:00 AM + Maria Bettino	Frank & Marcella
9:00 AM + William Gibson, Sr.	Jackie Gibson
NOON + Dr. Robert C. Sullivan	Ed & Sue Gausselein
February 20, 2015 Friday	
8:00 AM + Eddy Kelly	Mary & Bill Cuthbertson
9:00 AM + Kathy Klacko	Husband Phil
NOON + Patricia Slattery	Co-Workers of Rick's at the Gerry Estate
February 21, 2015 Saturday	
8:00 AM + John McCusker	Smart Family
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Joseph DeFrancisco	3:00 PM Ushers
5:00 PM + James Tranchida	Nancy & Dick Fuller
February 22, 2015 Sunday	
7:00 AM + Thomas Mooney	Nan & Tim Mooney
9:00 AM + Anthony Terzi, Jr.	John & Maureen Wurtz
11:15 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM + Emilia & Aniello Musella	Terry Sisk
5:00 PM + Lowell Wallace	The Wallace family

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 14, 2015
 St. Cyril and St. Methodius; *Valentine's Day*
 Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
 Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11;
 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Sunday, February 15, 2015
 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11;
 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Monday, February 16, 2015
Presidents' Day
 Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 17, 2015
 The Seven Holy Founders of the
 Servite Order; *Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday*
 Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,
 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 18, 2015
 Ash Wednesday; *Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving*
 Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
 2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, February 19, 2015
Chinese New Year 4713
 Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday, February 20, 2015
 Abstinence
 Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, February 21, 2015
 St. Peter Damian
 Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
 Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Sunday, February 22, 2015
 First Sunday of Lent
 Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

Friday, February 20, 10:00 AM
 at Juniper Village
 + Douglas Willshire req. by Nellie Willshire



Campaign Corner

Sunday, February 15, 2015

*Do all the good you can, by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can, in all the places you can,
at all the times you can, to all the people you can,
as long as you can*

John Wesley

A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

We have a big weekend for our Campaign planned for next Saturday and Sunday, February 21 and 22. Fr. John will be speaking at all Masses about his Vision for our Parish Family and how this Campaign will ensure its success. He will also be blessing all our volunteers during the Mass, so please thank those members of our Team when you see them at Mass.

Here is a list of the current **BUILD OUR FUTURE - SERVE OUR PAST** Campaign volunteers who are giving of their time to make this campaign a success!

Campaign Coordinator: Joe Lichwalla*

Awareness Meetings Speakers: Tom Godlasky*, Maureen Reed*, and Joanne Stahlman*

Awareness Meetings Note Taker: Karen Lichwalla

General Co-Chairpersons: Lou Altieri*, Philip Baier*, Paul Barrus*, Miguel Castillo*, Troy & Lena Costain*, Paul dell Uomo*, Mark & Laura Maran*, Jerry & Lucille McMahon*, and Bill Warvel*

Team Members:

John & Marianne Brooks
Frank & Jo Caccavo
Jennifer Cox
Anthony Curatolo
Ed Da Dura
Jim Deagle
John Dee
John Dina
Pamela Galas
Liz Hansch*
Martin & Debbie Haugh
Barbara Kuryea
Frank & Maryann Lagonigro
Larry & Sally Lappin
Ned & Mary Lou Leibig

Chet Lucarelli
Beth Lucci
Hank & Joan Maier
Richard & Peggy Maynard
Randy McNichols
Mary Ellen Metro
Jeff & Kathleen Meyerson
Fred & Anne Michaels
Ambrose Murphy
Mark & Anne Nagan
Frank & Sandra Paniccia
Toby Pasalodos
Timothy Pellegrino
Julia Perrotta
Nick & Fran Pishotti

Gary Ray
Maureen Reed*
Victoria Rewiako
Maggie Roy
Jennifer Sadallah
Robert Senkarik
Nancy Squittieri
Jeanne Stamant
Michael & Michele Standish
Randy & Sheila Studer
Dick Sullivan
John & Marilyn Thyen
Tom Ulanski
Lawrence Varone
Patsy Valentine

*Steering Committee Member

Campaign Steering Committee: Charles & Laura DeGrange, Lisa Godlasky, Court & Pat Larkin, Fr. John Ludden, and Mark Stahlman

You will have another opportunity today at 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. in the Ballroom to hear information about our **BUILD OUR FUTURE - SERVE OUR PAST** Campaign at the Awareness/Education meetings. Additional meetings are scheduled for:

Sunday, February 22, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ballroom

Sunday, March 1, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. in the Ballroom

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Joe Lichwalla, our Campaign Coordinator, at: 248.877.3332 or email: campaign@sjecc.com

Jean-Paul Boucher, General Manager • jp@sjecc.com

BUILD OUR FUTURE - SERVE OUR PAST CAMPAIGN

FEBRUARY 15, 2015 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Jim Simko	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Panicia	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 Secretary
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Lorna Woonsam

Director of Family Mission
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Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor
Kathy Sims

Memorial Garden
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Religious Boutique
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566.8740

Education Staff
Interim Director of Faith Formation
Natalie Campbell: 228.3904/3909

email staff members at:
info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: saintjohntheevangelist.com 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
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 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 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 15 & 16

Readings:	697
Entrance Hymn:	168 Holy, Holy, Holy
Preparation Hymn:	570 Blest Are They
Communion Hymn:	236 How Beautiful
	331 The Lord Is My Light
Closing Hymn:	484 We Are Called

Choral Anthems at 9 & 11:15 AM Mass

Prelude	Great Is Thy Faithfulness Chisholm / Runyan, arr. Hayes
Communion	Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts Dale Peterson

Hymns for Ash Wednesday, February 18

Readings:	634
Entrance Hymn:	114 The Glory of These Forty Days
Preparation Hymn:	104 Hosea
Communion Hymn:	228 Eat This Bread
Closing Hymn:	456 There's a Wideness In God's Mercy (<i>with traditional tune</i>)

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, February 16: Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 31 (30): 3-4*
 Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
 For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me,
 for the sake of your name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30*

They ate and had their fill,
 and what they craved the Lord gave them;
 they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Tuesday, February 17: Tuesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 31 (30): 3-4*
 Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
 For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me,
 for the sake of your name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

COMMUNION 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.

Thursday, February 19: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 55 (54): 17-20, 23*
 When I cried to the Lord, he heard my voice; he rescued
 me from those who attack me.
 Entrust your cares to the Lord, and he will support you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 51 (50): 12*

Create a pure heart for me, O God; renew a steadfast spirit
 within me.

Friday, February 20: Friday after Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 30 (29): 11*
 The Lord heard and had mercy on me; the Lord became
 my helper.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not
 spurn.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 25 (24): 4*

O Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths.

Saturday, February 21: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 69 (68): 17*
 Answer us, Lord, for your mercy is kind;
 in the abundance of your mercies, look upon us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your
 truth.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 9: 13*

I desire mercy, not sacrifice, says the Lord, for I did not
 come to call the just but sinners.

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 who will be helping you.

#Getting ToKnow Our Staff – Assistant to the Director of Religious Education Tauni Grossklas

In our continued efforts to invigorate St. John programs and events, especially to create a joyous, inclusive, and engaging environment, we have been blessed with many staff members that embody those traits that our Holy Father calls “the Church as a Mother”. Our latest hire will be bringing her enthusiasm and warm demeanor to supporting our Faith Formation programs as the Assistant to the Director of Religious Education, Tauni Grossklas.

I have been a parishioner at St. John for the past four years. I am also a graduate of Ave Maria University, where I majored in Political Economy and Government. As an alumnus of a Catholic University, I also studied Theology and Philosophy as part of the Liberal Arts curriculum. In addition to my new position at St. John, I am a full time mother and wife. My husband’s name is Dennis and our daughter’s name is Abigail.



Tauni will be assisting Natalie Campbell in organizing and executing the wonderful program that supports over 300 youth of our parish in their spiritual and educational growth. This is no easy task as we have more children that made their First Reconciliation last month than some parishes have in their entire Faith Formation program. It is a testament to the growth and activity of our Parish Family and Tauni is a wonderful addition to our program.

I am very excited to get to know more of the families here at St. John. Most importantly, I am looking forward to helping our families come to know, love and serve God, through our Religious Education Programs.

#ToKnow – Yearly Giving Statements: Mailings Going Out and Online Giving

Many calls have come into our office recently about a very important piece of information, the tax letters for your giving to Saint John the Evangelist. As some of you may remember

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from this Fall, we were directed by the Diocese of Venice to switch to a new computer Church Management System, called ConnectNow, from ParishSOFT. This migration, as with any complex change, caused several delays, from new parishioners to envelope mailings. Most of the issues that popped up have been expertly handled by our amazing team in our front office, including Deb Marsh, Geri Jostes and Kathy Mooney. However, the new software has caused a delay in our ability to send out the tax letters. ParishSOFT would not allow for the letters to be printed until about a week ago, so our staff and volunteers have been working overtime to get them together. They are getting into the mail now and you should have them within the week.

Additionally, if you have generously given to our parish via our online program, you are able to print out your own statements. Simply log into the WeShare site (<https://sjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/>) and choose the “View Giving History” button. This will allow you to choose which year you would like to see and provide you with the printout of the statement.

We are very sorry for any delay this transition has caused and we are hopeful that there will not be further requirements for the future tax seasons now that we have completed the transition to our new system.



#ToLove – Selling Out of Recent Events Showcases Need for Life Center

If you take a look throughout our bulletin, on our website, and anywhere around the St. John campus, you can see just how many events and programs our active Parish Family gets to experience. Never before in our history have major events like our Super Bowl Party, Forgotten Broadway, and JOP Casino Night sold out so fast and been so well attended. New events like the Senior Prom and Trunk or Treat have had amazing support, even though they have never been done at St. John before. We have even more exciting new opportunities

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#ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe

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for all the members of our Parish Family to know, love and serve God in the coming months and years: from Divorced and Separated Support Groups, monthly couple dinners to learn from experienced relationships, food distribution support for the homeless, and the first Catholic Youth Organization in Florida.

If there is one thing that these events have illustrated it is the need for more available space for activities for our Parish Family. Some people have asked, "Can we use what we have already?" The answer is simply, "no". The space we have now does not accommodate afterschool programs for parishioners and disadvantaged youth in the area. The space we have now does not have the engagement possibilities to bring people to St. John and have them want to stay for more than just a meeting or a Mass during the course of their day. The new Life Center has the ability to do all of this, to feed our souls and our bodies, and support the community, which is crying out for our beliefs and our spirituality, our joy and our happiness. Fr. John will be making the Future of our Parish Family the focus for the Masses next weekend, but if you want to learn more, please join us at one of our Awareness Sessions in the coming weeks. The dates and times can be found on page 3.



Super Bowl 2015

Bishop Frank J. Dewane To Celebrate the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday,

Bishop Frank J. Dewane will celebrate the 8:00 a.m. Mass here at St. John on Ash Wednesday, February 18. All are invited to pray for a greater respect for life. Following the Mass (approximately 9:45 a.m.) participants will process with Bishop Dewane from the parking area at 2630 Tamiami Trail N. (corner of 28th Ave. N.) to Planned Parenthood (corner of Creech and Goodlette-Frank). The Prayer Vigil marks the opening of 40 Days for Life which runs from February 18 to March 29.

2015 Lenten Little Black Book Will Be Available February 14

We are happy to provide the 2015 Lenten Little Black Book, located on both tables by the main entrance of the church. The books will be available starting February 14. Please feel free to take a book on your way out of Mass. It is filled with prayers, customs, details on saints and other interesting Catholic information to fill your Lenten season with daily faith engagement.

Associated Alumnae of Sacred Heart Luncheon February 28

The Associated Alumnae of the Sacred Heart (AASH) Luncheon at Imperial Golf Club on Saturday, February 28 to benefit the RSCJ nuns retirement fund. All alumnae and their friends are welcome. \$40 per person. For information and reservations please call Carla Grieve at 566.7680 or Mary Lou Steffens at 643.9744.

Saint John the Evangelist Lenten Liturgies

Masses on Ash Wednesday, March 5 will be:

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Daily Masses will be:

8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and Noon

Saturday Morning Masses will be:

8:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross will be:

Fridays following Noon Mass and at 7:00 p.m.

On Good Friday, Prayer Around the Cross will include Veneration of the Cross.

Reconciliation:

Friday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Lenten Penance Service:

March 31, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Week:

March 29 ~ Palm Sunday

April 2 ~ Holy Thursday

April 3 ~ Good Friday, Prayer

April 4 ~ Blessing of the Easter baskets; Easter Vigil

April 5 ~ Easter Sunday

April 12 ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

More specific celebrations and times will be published in a later bulletin.

Altar Servers:

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Respect Life:

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

Pastoral Stewardship Council:

President/Contact Jack Kindsvater
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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

Grief Support. Sessions will run for seven consecutive Tuesdays beginning February 17 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 except January and February when they meet at 6:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Gary Ray: 821.5115

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

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:

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

One hour of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Mondays: 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Centering Prayer will meet

weekly after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Maria Jones: 348.5361

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

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LET US PRAY...

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, or email: info@saintjohntheevangelist.com

FEBRUARY 15, 2015 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe on Ash Wednesday

February 18, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In his Annual Message for Lent, Pope Francis speaks of “global indifference” and urges parishes to reach out to the greater society paying special attention to the poor and those far away. The Holy Father added “The Church is missionary by her very nature; she is not self-enclosed but sent out to every nation and people”.

On February 18, Ash Wednesday, the Diocese of Venice along with all Dioceses throughout the country will take up a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection offers an opportunity to send a strong message of solidarity and support to our brothers and sisters in these previously Communist countries.

Donations collected are used to fund projects in a geographical area covering 20 countries and extending into Central Asia. These projects focus on rebuilding Catholic schools and orphanages, charitable programs, formation programs for seminarians, and the preservation and dissemination of Catholic education and intellectual life, etc.

Prayers and financial assistance are needed to continue to support and bolster the pastoral needs of the Local Church; that is to rebuild and restore the faith in Central and Eastern Europe. Your generosity will assist in providing the much needed resources to fund these projects, tasks often complicated in a still anti-religious and secular climate.

Please know of my prayers for you and your families on this Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent. Thank you for your generosity!

Sincerely yours in Christ,


+ Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida



GRIEF SUPPORT

Grief Support Sessions

begin February 17

Grief support will be offered for seven sessions on Tuesdays beginning Tuesday, February 17 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. in room 2 of the Parish Life Center. The last session will be March 31.

Anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one is encouraged to come and share their story with others who understand the loss and pain.

If you have any questions, contact Dee at 594.7193.

Pre-registration is not necessary. You will be most welcome.



Soup for the Soul

Feeding Hunger, Filling Hearts, a soup and bread meal, is the first fundraiser of its kind here at St. John and will benefit Guadalupe Social Services, which serves the people of Immokalee with food, clothing, social services, and a host of other programs.

Seatings for the soup and bread meal are on Ash Wednesday, February 18 at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the St. John parish ballroom. After the meal there will be a short presentation by Guadalupe Social Services.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12 years old.

Tickets are available on our website at:
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We thank you in advance for your consideration and continued support of the weekly bulletin. We ask that you also continue to support our current sponsor advertisers, many of whom have been advertising for years, and let them know you saw their ad in the bulletin.

Diocesan Volunteer Appreciation Mass and Lunch February 28

In appreciation of the volunteers of the Diocese of Venice, Bishop Dewane invites all volunteers to a Mass on Saturday, February 28 at 11:00 a.m. at Epiphany Cathedral Parish, Venice. The Mass is an opportunity to extend gratitude and appreciation for those who generously give of their time and talent. A lunch will follow the Mass in the Parish Center. Please call the St. John parish office no later than February 22 to register.

Milestone Anniversary Mass at St. Leo Saturday, March 14; Please RSVP to Parish Office

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in two locations: February 7 at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice and March 14 at St. Leo Parish in Bonita Springs. Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. Please call the St. John office for reservations no later than a week before the event (Epiphany or St. Leo) you choose to attend.

Next St. John's Ladies Luncheon Is February 26 at the Dunes

The St. John's Ladies will have their monthly meeting at the Plantation in the Dunes Thursday, February 26 at 11:30 a.m. Reservations are made by sending a check for \$18.00 by February 24 to: Marianne Brooks, 10140 Regent Circle, Naples, FL 34109.

We encourage those who are new to St. John to come and enjoy this time of fellowship with your sister parishioners. We ask that you bring a gift of food for the less fortunate.

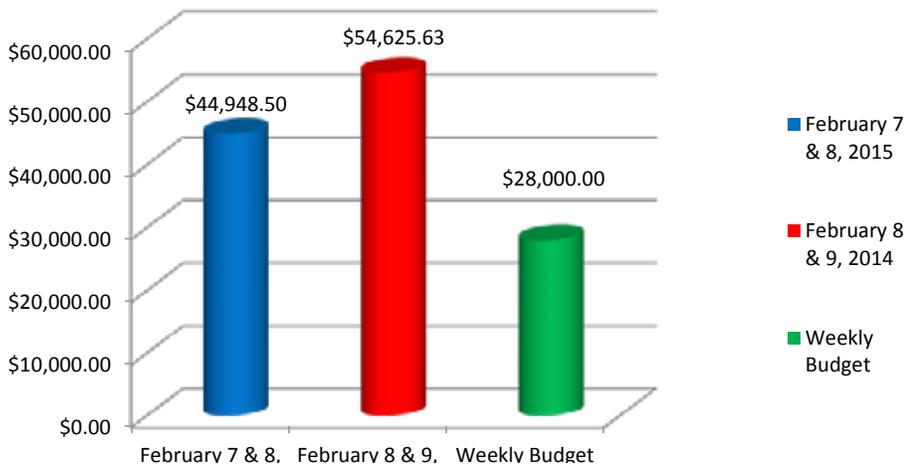
If you have any questions, please call 239.591.4668.

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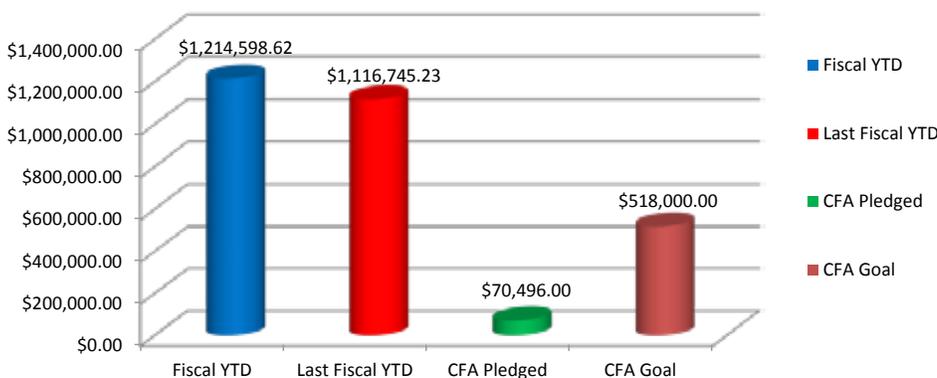
Learn to dance in time for the St. Patrick's dinner dance which will be on March 15.

Join the fun: Wednesdays in the Library, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., January 28, February 4, February 11, February 25, March 4, and March 11. Contact Kathy Millard, 239.260.7289 with any questions.

Collection Summary



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



5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, February 15, 2015:

the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **484 We Are Called** David Haas

Kyrie • *spoken* Gloria • *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist* (please see worship aid in pew)

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I turn to you, Lord, in time of trou-ble, and you fill me with the joy of sal - va - tion.

Gospel Acclamation

The Mass of St. John the Evangelist

Preparation Song **570 Blest Are They** David Haas

Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (C) • Great Amen • *Agnus Dei* •

The Mass of St. John the Evangelist (please see worship aid in pew)

Communion Songs **How Beautiful** Twila Paris CCLI Song No. 443594. © 1990 Ariose Music | Mountain

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Verse 1) How beautiful the hands that served
The Wine and the Bread, and the children of earth
How beautiful the feet that walked
The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross

Chorus) **How beautiful, how beautiful**
How beautiful is the body of Christ

Verse 2) How beautiful the Heart that bled
That took all my sins, and bore them instead
How beautiful the tender eyes
That choose to forgive and never despise (*Chorus*)

Bridge) And as he laid down his life
We offer this Sacrifice, that we will live just as he died
Willing to pay the price, willing to pay the price

Verse 3) How beautiful the radiant Bride
Who waits for her Groom with his light in her eyes
How beautiful when humble hearts give
The fruit of pure lives so that others may live (*Chorus*)

Verse 4) How beautiful the feet that bring
The sound of good news and the love of the King
How beautiful the hands that serve
The Wine and the Bread, and the children of earth

Fragrance Prayer

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The musical score for 'Fragrance Prayer' is written in G minor (three flats) and 4/4 time. It consists of several staves with lyrics underneath. The score includes a Refrain, a Final section, Verses 1 and 2, Verse 3, and a section labeled '2' leading to a Refrain. The lyrics are: 'Dear Je - sus, help me to spread your fra-grance ev - 'ry-where that I go. Dear Je - sus, flood my soul with your spir - it and your love. Dear Je - sus, dear Je - sus, dear Je - sus. 1. Pen - e - trate and pos-sess my be - ing so ut-ter-ly that all 2. Shine through me and be so in me that ev-'ry soul I come 1. my life may on - ly be a ra - di-ance of you. 2. in con - tact with may feel your pres-ence in my soul. Verse 3 3. Let them look up and see no long - er me but on - ly you, my Je - sus. 3. Stay with me and then I shall be - gin to shine as you shine so to shine 3. as a light to all.

Closing Song

Your Grace Is Enough

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Verse 1

Great is your faithfulness, O God
 You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
 You lead us by still waters into mercy
 And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-chorus

So remember your people, remember your children
 Remember your promise, O God

Chorus

**For your grace is enough, your grace is enough
 Your grace is enough for me!**

Verse 2

Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob
 You use the weak to lead the strong
 You lead us in the song of your salvation
 And all your people sing along (to pre-chorus)

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11

1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

Mark 1:40-45

The Word & Life

As Reach Out and Touch the Leper Clean

As we examine the Sacred Scriptures of today's liturgy, we discover a startling contrast. Both the first reading from the Book of Leviticus and the gospel reading from Mark deal with the disease of leprosy. Leprosy was a deadly disease in Jesus' day. The disease attacks the nerves and skin, which leads to a loss of feeling. In some cases the extremities of the body waste away. Leprosy is extremely contagious and during Jesus' time could result in death. A leper was condemned to a life of loneliness, forced solitude, and separation from the family unit. In the Book of Leviticus the leprosy were asked to humiliate themselves by changing their appearance in a hideous way and shouting out, "Unclean, unclean!"

It is not surprising that the leper in today's gospel yearned to be healed. What is surprising about this encounter is that the leper had the courage to break the prescribed laws to ask Jesus' healing. Jesus' response also goes against the prescribed law. If a Jew touched a leper, it was said to make him unclean

as well as putting him at risk of catching the disease. Jesus' mercy transcends all law, disease, and social conditioning. The compassionate way that Jesus reaches out and touches the leper shows the world that God wants to bring healing and restoration. When the leper is made clean, he is restored to a rightful place in society, and is returned to his family. He is told to continue with prescriptions of the laws of Moses to solidify his return to the community. What is important to note is that Jesus tells the leper to go and show himself to the priest. The priest in Jesus' day would offer sacrifices on behalf of the people and make their needs known to God. The priest was also the one who would expel lepers from their communities of faith. Once the leper returns cleansed, the priest was the one to officially declare him fit to have a place of belonging in the community. The healed man is also told to keep quiet about this, but his sheer excitement and healing urges him to tell everyone.

Reflection Questions

1. Why do you think the leper begged Jesus to make him clean?
2. What is significant about Jesus touching the leper?
3. How does Jesus return the leper to a place of belonging?
4. Where is Jesus calling you to touch the lives of others?
5. Name the ways in which people are being isolated and discriminated against in society today.
6. How are you called to bring others to a place of belonging?
7. How does Jesus need to touch your life?

The Sacred Scriptures remind us that we all belong to God. The

heavenly Father does not want us to be separate or discriminated against. Neither does God want us to suffer. Every time someone is healed in the gospel, it is a statement of God's intention to heal, restore, forgive, and make whole the dignity of the human person. Leprosy exists today in developing countries and is kept under control with the use of drugs. However, there are things that create "an emerging leprous reality". A.I.D.S. has appeared as the new pandemic destroying many lives in poorer countries. It is possible for people to live a long life when they become positive with the help of medication. Yet there are very few who reach out to touch the "new leprosy" in countries where a stigma is attached to this painful reality. Discrimination of all kinds adds to this emerging severance of human relationships. As Catholic Christians, we are called to reach beyond ourselves and touch the painful realities of the world. We can help restore people to health by offering assistance to countries where people suffer from various diseases. The dignity of the human person can be made sacred by the choices that we make today. Whenever attempts are made to isolate individuals because of gender, identity or because of the mistakes they have made, it is the duty of every Christian to return them to a place of belonging. This is the desire of God.

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



Prayer

Heavenly Father, inspire us to bring your healing and dignity to those who feel they do not belong. Give us the courage to face the unknown and fears that keep us from loving others. Let your love be our love, your mind our mind, your heart our heart. May our lives become the song of the Spirit. Amen.

Voices of Faith

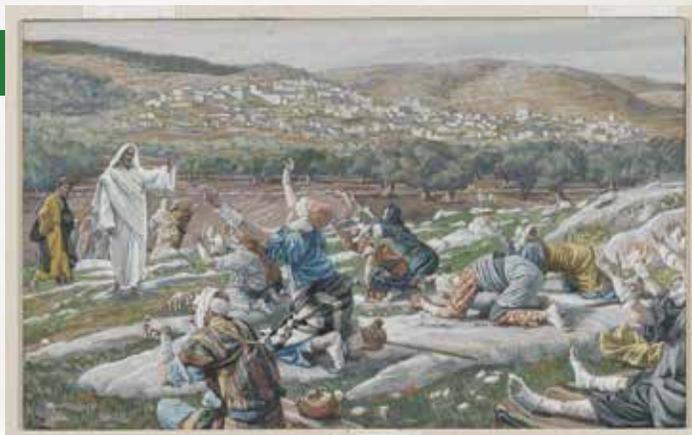
Belonging

Since the beginning of creation
The Most High desires a place of belonging
For every woman, man, and child
All have a place in the heart of God
Made in His Immortal Image
Traces of divinity placed upon every soul

Through every place and time
God journeys onward with every language, faith, and nation
His love eternal, unconditional, nondiscriminatory
For He loves what he has made
Concerned for those he has made
His heart pained with the sufferings of all

A leper, isolated, banished and bound by his shackles
Falls at the feet of the one who is love itself
Afraid of the unknown he begs for healing
"I do will it, Be made clean" you need to belong
The Nazarene makes known the initiative of God
The disease no more a man restored

Jesus commands the man God home
Show yourself to the priest and he will tell you that you belong
Return to your home and fill your family's longing
To see you return healed and restored
Their hearts no longer broken and their minds no longer disturbed
For you return a new creation now undeterred



"The Healing of Ten Lepers" by James Tissot (1836-1902)

For the leper in each one of us
We risk to be touched by the hand of God
With all that disturbs and inhibits us
Fall down at the feet of the One
Who knows how to heal us
And bids us to journey safely home

For all who have been created yesterday, today and forever
The Most High desires a place of belonging
For every woman, man, and child
All have a place in the heart of God
Made in His Immortal Image
Traces of divinity placed upon every soul

— "Peaceful Moments" by Fr. John J. Ludden

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Faith Formation

Just a reminder that there will not be Faith Formation Classes on Ash Wednesday, February 18. By not having class that evening, we hope this will allow families time to attend Mass together.

Mass times at St. John on Ash Wednesday are 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Faith Formation February Calendar

February 18 - ASH WEDNESDAY - No Faith Formation Classes

February 22 - Sunday Faith Formation Class

February 25 - Wednesday Faith Formation Class

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The Knights of Columbus will host

"Friday Night Fish Fest"

at Saint John the Evangelist PLC during Lent
Dinner will be served from 5 PM to 7 PM

Fish Fest Dates:

**Friday Nights in Lent: February 20, February 27,
March 6, March 13 and March 27;**
(No Fish Bake on March 20 nor on Good Friday)

Complete NEW Menu!

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Lemon butter baked fish, cup of New England clam chowder, rice, broccoli florets, cole slaw, fresh baked garlic roll, dessert, soda, lemonade, coffee, tea.

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Linguini pasta with shrimp in a scampi sauce, cup of New England clam chowder, cole slaw, fresh baked garlic roll, dessert, soda, lemonade, coffee, tea.

Fried Cod Filet ~ \$15.00

2 piece beer battered fried cod basket (7 oz.), cup of New England clam chowder, broccoli floret, fresh baked garlic roll, tartar sauce, dessert, soda, lemonade, coffee, tea.

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Senior Prom 2015 at St. John

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Naples

PRAYER Walk

FOR



Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2015
 8:00 a.m. Mass, Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant
 St. John the Evangelist Parish, 625 111th Ave. N., Naples

Come to pray for a greater respect for life. Following the Mass (approximately 9:45 a.m.) participants will process with Bishop Dewane from the parking area at 2630 Tamiami Trail N. (corner of 28th Ave. N.) to Planned Parenthood (corner of Creech and Goodlette-Frank).

ALL ARE WELCOME!

42nd Anniversary of Roe v Wade and Doe v Bolton
 In memory of more than 57 million unborn babies who have died since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion for any reason.



The Prayer Vigil marks the opening of *40 Days for Life* which runs from February 18 to March 29.



Thanks to all who made this event so successful, especially Ben and Teresa Weber, Gina Manfredi, Miguel Castillo, John Smith, Joe Lichwalla, Bob Lomicka, and Fred Rowe!



For more information: www.40daysforlife.com/naples, 239-227-5192 or 40daysforlifenas@gmail.com
 Sponsored by the Diocese of Venice Respect Life Department www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife



Family Fun and Ministry Day

Sunday, March 8 from Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Meet with representatives from the Ministries and enjoy a family fun-filled afternoon.

Event will be held in the courtyard, ballroom and back fields near the Claussen Center.

If you are a retiree, single parent or the parents of a family of 12,
Please Come and Enjoy Our Parish Family!



Something for Everyone!

- bounce houses and obstacle courses
- a dunk tank
- a climbing wall
- numerous crafts
- a balloon toss
- potato sack races
- a cake walk
- and many more activities
- a clown and a juggler who fabricates balloon characters
- live entertainment outside

Food and More Food!

- a full picnic fare complete with hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork sandwiches, mac and cheese
- snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn
- Beer and wine

Food Service hosted by the St. John's Men's Club.

ABSOLUTELY FREE, but you must RSVP by March 6.
Family Fun and Ministry Day RSVP

Please complete and drop in the collection basket or drop off in the parish office. Thank you for your co-operation.

Family Name _____

Number in family attending _____ Phone Number _____

Ages of children attending _____

Please RSVP
Absolutely
FREE

Jamaica Outreach Casino Night Raises Over \$13,000



The Casino Night held February 6 was sold out and was a great success, raising over \$13,000 for the poor in Jamaica. Guests were greeted at the door with a flashing red carpet entrance and early bird donation specials on raffle tickets or casino chips. Fun and joy were reflected on the faces of guests as they enjoyed fine food and drink and got great deals on the Silent Auction.



When the Casino opened there was a mad dash to favorite gaming tables: Roulette, Blackjack, Craps, Texas Holdem and slot machines... People were three and four deep watching others play or waiting to get in on the action. Cheers, moans and groans could be heard throughout the ballroom as winners and losers reacted to the turn of a card or roll of the dice. The atmosphere was electric and everyone left happy (especially those who won the great raffle prizes... Nancy Tuck won the grand prize cruise).

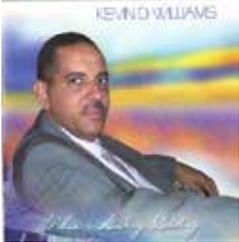


Casino Party Nights Florida created a very professional Casino and the dealers were real characters. We will definitely do this again next year.

Thank you to all who contributed to the success of this event, especially our sponsors: Gary and Peg Wendlandt, Jeanne and Bob Stamant, John and Mary Tingle, Steve Pala and two anonymous donors.

*text and photos submitted
by Jamaica Outreach Program*

Monday, March 2 7:00 pm
St John Ballroom open seating
doors open 6:30



Concert



Billy Dean & Dawn

Kevin Williams Jamaican tenor

Tickets: \$20
call Roger 239-948-2145
Or St John website

Renowned Baritone **Dino Valle**

To Benefit

Jamaica Outreach Program



Broadway - Gospel - Caribbean - Jazz - Classical - Opera
all your favorite happy and inspirational songs

5:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass
Parking Opportunity

In recent years, Jamaica Outreach Program has received no auction bids for its preferred parking space (main entrance near the pastor's space) at the 5:00 p.m. SUNDAY Mass. If you would like to bid on this reserved parking space (Sunday 5:00 p.m. Mass only) from Easter 2015 to Good Friday 2016, please contact Jeanne Stamant 239.514.0290 or JBStamant@gmail.com. You need not attend our event to bid on this item.



FR. LEO PATALINGHUG



“GRACE BEFORE MEALS”

Father Leo is the founder of Grace Before Meals, an apostolate to strengthen families around the dinner table. What may look and sound like a “cooking show” is actually more than just cooking. It is actually an opportunity to grow in Body, Mind and Soul! Fr. Leo Patalinghug is able to make important connections on food, faith, family and fun in this unique and dynamic presentation. More than a talk, this event will be a can't-miss experience!

Thursday, February 19
Doors open at 6 pm

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

\$30 per person
(includes light dinner)
FREE babysitting!

Cost: \$30 per person before Feb. 17. Includes light dinner. Seating is limited. Sell-out expected.

Please prepay for this event NO LATER THAN NOON on Feb. 17. Drop off check payable to “Faith and Wine, Inc.” at St. John’s parish office or pay at **faithandwine.com**. You can mail a check (postmarked before Feb. 12) to: Mary Beth Clary, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP, 9132 Strada Place FL3, Naples, FL 34108.

Faith & Ale is honored to team up with its sister organization Faith & Wine to bring you this special event for single and married men and women. Please visit our websites to find out more about our upcoming speakers and events.

FaithAndWine.com

FaithAndAle.com

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST

25th ANNUAL FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

Friday, March 20, 2015 • 5 P.M. Mass
Followed By Dinner/Dance and St. Joseph’s Altar



Breads and Altar Offerings/Blessing
“la tavola di San Giuse”

Traditional St. Joseph Feast Italian Dinner

Catered by Frisco’s

- APPERTIVO:** Wine, Soda, Beer **ANTIPASTO:** At each table with bread and oil dip
- MINESTRA ZUPPA (soup):** w/grated cheese garnish
- PRIMO PIATTO (first dish):** Pasta with Shrimp in garlic butter
- SECONDO PIATTO (main dish):** Eggplant Parmesan, Baked White Fish
- CONTORNO:** Vegetable **DOLCE (dessert):** Italian Cannoli
- DRINKS:** Caffe/Tea **Mangia, Mangia, Mangia**



Celebrant/Homilist: Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia, S.A.C., S.T.D., V.F.

ENTERTAINMENT: “Greg & Claudia”

All Tickets \$40.00 per person

To Purchase Tickets: via website at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2015SaintJosephFeast>

- on sale in February and March after Masses
- or contact Bill Warvel wwarvel@aol.com; 239.331.7151

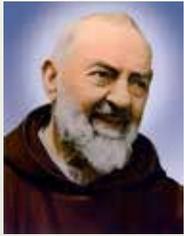
Knights of Columbus Council # 11281

(Tables of 8 available)



Procession to PLC





Honoring Saint Padre Pio with Inspiration, Song and Prayer

Tuesday, February 17 • 7:00 p.m.
St. John Ballroom

Guests

Speaker Anthony M. Fuina
(Brooklyn, NY) will share his story about his extraordinary miraculous healing encounter from God through the intercession of St. Padre Pio.

Singer Al Barbarino
(Brooklyn, NY) will sing his favorite inspirational songs for the Lenten Season.

Admission Fee

Admission free, but please reserve your seat by calling 239.566.8740 and providing your name and contact information. We will confirm your reservation within 24 hours

Complimentary refreshments.

Limited Seating.

Donations

Any and all donations will be gratefully accepted. Proceeds benefit the Saint Padre Pio Miracle Foundation, Inc. and the Saint Padre Pio Homeless Shelter, an eighteen bed facility for homeless men in the South Bronx, operated by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal.

Make donations payable to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and write St. Padre Pio special event on the memo line.

To volunteer to assist and help with this very special evening or for additional information, please contact Mark Maran at 239.777.3301 or mmaran1@hotmail.com

BIG BAND DANCE EVERYONE WELCOME! Next Dance of the Season

Tuesday, February 24, 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*



Remaining
Big Band
Dances

Tuesday,
February 24

Tuesday,
March 10

Tuesday,
March 24

Tuesday,
April 14

*Singles
Welcome*

Admission:

\$10.00 cash
only at the door
~ includes snacks

Cash Bar: Water
and Soda ~ \$1.00

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

- Wine and
Mixed Drinks
~ \$3.00

Dress: Country
Club Casual
(No shorts please.)

*Sponsored by
the Men's Club*

Bishop Dewane Encourages Participation in Operation Rice Bowl During Lent

February 18, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pope Francis, reminds us that "To live charitably means not looking out for our own interests, but carrying the burdens of the weakest and poorest among us". These words inspire us to join together with families and individuals of other countries fighting hunger and poverty as we begin the Lenten Journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

During Lent, the faithful are asked to contribute to Operation Rice Bowl. Operation Rice Bowl has been a Lenten program since 1975 whereby participants are asked to eat lesser meals as part of their Lenten Sacrifice. The money saved or that which would have been spent on better food is placed into symbolic rice bowls and donated at the end of Lent.

The money collected goes to support Catholic Relief Service's mission to fight global hunger and poverty. By contributing to Operation Rice Bowl, participants give more than food to the poor and hungry; contributions also fund projects that provide training and resources to help individuals and communities reach their own potential and capacity, ultimately improving their lives. Of the funds collected, 75% is used for projects in over 40 countries overseas. The remaining 25% goes to the Diocese of Venice to support local food pantries and soup kitchens.

Please visit the Operation Rice Bowl website at <http://www.crsricebowl.org> to learn more about this worthy program including prayers and reflections, recipes for simple meatless meals and fasting suggestions.

During this Lenten Season, I encourage all to participate in Operation Rice Bowl to help our brothers and sisters in need. On behalf of those who benefit from your participation, I express their appreciation and add my acknowledgement of your continued support.

I take this opportunity to extend to you and your family my continued consideration as well as my prayers throughout this Lenten Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



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



St. John the Evangelist Men's Club 625 111th Ave No., Naples

SOCK HOP

Tuesday, March 3, 2015
6:30 - 10:00 PM



**MUSIC @ 7:00 featuring
oldies of the 50s, 60s & 70s**

Tickets \$15.00 per person **cash only** at the door.
Includes five \$1.00 tickets to be used to purchase
pizza, beer, wine, soda and mixed drinks.

Join in the fun

50/50 Raffle
Contests for:
Best dressed couple
Best dressed woman
Best dressed man

NOTE:

If you wish to reserve a table
for 8, call Joe @ 248-877-3332
no later than February 17.
Payment must be made to hold
your table.