

February 2, 2014
The Presentation of the Lord



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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 1, 2014	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Carl Edwards	Mrs. Panebianco & Family
		Sunday Vigil Mass	
3:00 PM		Carolyn McDonald	Kathy & Bob Sims
5:00 PM	+	Anita Anderson	Tom & Lisa Godlasky
February 2, 2014	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Rose & Vernon DeFrancesca	Peter DeFrancesca
9:00 AM	+	Jack Evans	Ted & Pat Fischer
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Eamonn Walsh	Family
5:00 PM	+	Bruce Horne	Madeleine Savore
		<i>Wine and Host in Memory of Louis Johnson ~ Requested by JoAnn Family</i>	
February 3, 2014	Monday		
8:00 AM	+	Mary Anita McHugh	Paul & Karen Truono
9:00 AM	+	Michael Coogan	Pat & Bill Pfau
10:00 AM	+	David Santi (At Aristocrat)	Allan Winick
February 4, 2014	Tuesday		
8:00 AM	+	Marie A. Combs	Larkins Family
9:00 AM	+	James Moorekemp	Mr. & Mrs. Philip Duff
February 5, 2014	Wednesday		
8:00 AM	+	Patricia Sullivan	Madeline & Jack Gaffey
9:00 AM	+	Shirley Swiglo	Bob and Mary Verville
February 6, 2014	Thursday		
8:00 AM	+	Dorst Williams	The Davies Family
9:00 AM	+	Anthony J. Rose	Robert & Rita
February 7, 2014	Friday		
8:00 AM	+	Raymond Szulik	The Tuesday Tennis Group
9:00 AM	+	Vivan Henkstebek	Phillip & Mary McKinnon
February 8, 2014	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Carol Rafter	Jack Rafter
		Sunday Vigil Mass	
3:00 PM	+	Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Leo	Janet D'Addario
5:00 PM	+	Diana Pecaro	Sue & Bob Massey
February 9, 2014	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	William Whelan	Norma & Family
9:00 AM	+	Gene Timbers	Richard Timbers
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Francis Nagrowski	Pat & Kathy Monachino
5:00 PM		Agnes & Toni Amato (60th Anniv)	Req. by Fr. John

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, February 1, 2014**

Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday Vigil Mass

Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;

Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Sunday, February 2, 2014

The Presentation of the Lord; Blessing of

Candles; *World Day for Consecrated Life;**Boy Scout Sunday; Groundhog Day*

Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;

Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Monday, February 3, 2014

Fourth Week in Ordinary Time;

St. Blaise; St. Ansgar

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19:3;

Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 5, 2014

St. Agatha

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 6, 2014

St. Paul Miki and Companions

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 7, 2014

First Friday

Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 8, 2014

St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;

Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday Vigil Mass

Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Sunday, February 9, 2014

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

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

Homebound: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available at any time to bring Holy Communion to the homebound.
Contact the office: 566.8740

MASS INTENTIONS...SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH • WWW.SAINTJOHNTHEEVANGELIST.COM

Hymns for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 1 & 2

Entrance Hymn:	64	The King of Glory
Preparation Hymn:	457	Amazing Grace
Communion Hymn:	243	I Am the Bread of Life
	239	See Us, Lord, About Your Altar
Closing Hymn:	378	Shine, Jesus, Shine

Children say **THANK YOU** for the sneakers



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The Ladies of Charity of Naples would like to extend a very special Thank You to all the parishioners of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Through your generous donations during our Sneaker Drive, we were able to deliver over 476 gift bags for “specifically named” children at RCMA (Immokalee), Naples Park Elementary and Casa Maria. Some samples of these notes are posted in the Narthex.

A special thank you to Dr. MaryAnn Kriger for the 500 toothbrushes, Karen of New York Hair Salon for 500 candy canes, McDonalds and Chick-fil-A for the free ice cream cones. The children were just so happy and the spirit of Christmas really shined through.

Thanks again for being such a loving and generous parish. God Bless each of you!

*text and photos submitted by MarieElaina Mullin,
President, Ladies of Charity*

The Ladies of Charity received several thank you notes from the children at RCMA (Immokalee), Naples Park Elementary and Casa Maria in appreciation of the sneakers, socks and other goodies they received for Christmas.

Bishop Frank Dewane to Celebrate Couples Wedding Anniversary Mass February 15 and March 8; Registration Required for Event

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 Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in two locations: February 15 at Epiphany Parish in Venice and March 8 at St. Leo's Parish in Bonita Springs. Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m.

Please call the parish office for reservations no later than a week before the event you choose to attend.

GRIEF SUPPORT

A seven week grief support group will begin at St. John on Tuesday, February 18. The gathering will be from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and will meet in the Parish Life Center. Meeting dates are: February 18, February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, March 25 and April 1.

Anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend. No pre- registration is required and there is no fee. For further information call Dee at 594.7193.

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

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

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

All Administrative Staff
239.566.8740

General Manager
Scott Schlossberg: 566.1678
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Melanie Harrison

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Tricia Schwarz

Pastoral Musician and Liturgist
Tom Oram

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Director of Family Mission & Communications
Jean-Paul Boucher

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Margie Lynch: 228.3904/3909

Director of Youth Ministry
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Director of RCIA
Margie Lynch: 228.3909

Family Ministry
Call the Office: 566.8740
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 Click on the **Welcome** tab on the top left side and scroll down to **Forms**. Return to office.

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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday

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

(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday

8:00 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 2014.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2015 Mass availability and 2014 wine and host and flowers availability. Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION...

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ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, February 3: Monday of the Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (8a) Lord, rise up and save me.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 31 (30): 17-18*

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Tuesday, February 4: Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (1a) Listen, Lord, and answer me.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 5: 3-4*

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land.

Wednesday, February 5: Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (see 5c) Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 31 (30): 17-18*

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Thursday, February 6: Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name,

and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (12b) Lord, you are exalted over all.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 5: 3-4*

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land.

Friday, February 7: Friday of the Fourth Week In Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (see 47b) Blessed be God my salvation!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 31 (30): 17-18*

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Saturday, February 8: Saturday of the Fourth Week In Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 106 (105): 47*

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. (12b) Lord, teach me your statutes.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 5: 3-4*

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land.

Mass of Remembrance Tuesday, February 11

Family members of parishioners who died in 2013 will be remembered at a Mass of Remembrance on Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. 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 Memorial Mass on February 11 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 and Arimatheans are encouraged to attend this memorial to provide comfort and compassion to those who are grieving. A reception will follow the Mass of Remembrance in the Parish Life Center for those attending the Mass.

Women's Conference Saturday, February 8 at Bishop Verot H. S.

The 2014 Diocese of Venice Women's Conference will be held on Saturday, February 8 at Bishop Verot High School. Featured speakers include the popular author and radio host Sonja Corbitt, Lisa Hendey, and Mary Jo Anderson. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast and vendors available. The Conference will start at 9:00 a.m. and concludes with a Mass at 2:00 p.m., celebrated by Bishop Frank J. Dewane. Lunch will be provided. Online Registration is available at www.dioceseofvenice.org/events. Questions? Call 941.484.9543 or email evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org.

#ToKnow

#ToLove

#ToServe

Our Vision

Thank you to all of you who have wished blessings for me and luck in our new parish endeavor, the Family Mission. Our Family Mission will bring together facets of Youth Ministry Programs and Family Ministry Programs into a new, cohesive environment. This “new wineskin” (Matthew 9:17) will ensure engagement, support, services, and communication throughout a parish members’ family life. Instead of a set of distinct events in the Catholic life (Confirmation, Wedding, Baptism, etc.), we want the community to love and experience their faith every day, and to take action in service to the Church.

Our vision for the Family Mission is to put the Vision of Saint John the Evangelist into practice. The Vision of Saint John the Evangelist is:

#FamilyMission

by Jean-Paul Boucher
Director, Family Mission
& Communications

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

For the Family Mission, we will take this vision and turn it into action:

To Know = Educational Programs that enrich our understanding of our faith;

To Love = Social Programs that allow us to engage the parish and each other;

To Serve = Ministerial Programs that allow us to serve our community and the world.

But how do we accomplish this? First, we need to identify and prioritize what our parish family needs to make our vision a reality. Then we need to work together to positively step forward in this journey. There will be more information on Listening Sessions and ways to communicate your thoughts and ideas coming very soon.

Thank you again for all your support and encouragement. If you have any questions or thoughts, please do not hesitate to contact me at: jp@saintjohntheevangelist.com

Catholic-Jewish Dialogue Presents Musical Which Honors Warsaw Ghetto Heroes

Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County will be bringing a professional New York cast to Naples for the Florida premier of “Warsaw: A Story in Song.” This highly acclaimed musical drama, based on true events, tells the story of a young Jewish man, Roman, trapped inside the Warsaw Ghetto and separated from his Catholic fiancée, Ana.

“With a richly harmonic and soaring score, we watch their struggle to reunite against overwhelming odds as Roman struggles to support his family amidst a crumbling ghetto and Nazi occupation. He is inspired to join a small group of resistance fighters in their struggle for freedom and dignity.”

This musical drama has already been performed to sell out audiences at numerous venues in New York and New Jersey and has received rave reviews. Past venues, information about the show, and some of the songs from the musical can be found on www.warsawthemusical.com.

A special matinee that is dedicated to the memory of humanitarian Ann Jacobson will be performed at St. Ann Catholic Church, Jubilee Center, 985 3rd St., Naples at 1:00 p.m. Ticket prices for the matinee are \$25 general admission and \$10 for students. Proceeds from the matinee will help support the Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County and the Holocaust Museum, with sponsorships available. For tickets, please send a check to payable to JFCC to P.O. Box 413005, PMB216, Naples, FL 34101.

Drivers Available to Drive Shut-in Parishioners to Mass on Weekends

The **Drivers of Compassion** Ministry offers rides to Masses on the weekends to any parishioner who is a shut-in and would like to attend a weekend service. Call the parish office at 566.8740 by 10:00 a.m. on Friday if you need a ride to a weekend Mass.

Please Take Caution With New Automatic Doors at Front of Church

Many parishioners seem to be having problems with the new automatic door opener at the front of the church. The door will open from the outside if you tug on the handle or push the handicap access button to the left of the door. From the inside, push on the push bar or the button on the left jamb.

DO NOT TRY TO OVERCOME THE BUILT IN CYCLE OF THE DOOR by pulling it open or trying to pull it closed as this works against the mechanism and will damage it. Thank you.

Nace Baier Is New Coordinator of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Nace Baier, a native of Pittsburgh and cradle Catholic, received her K-8 education from Our Lady of Grace and then attended Chartiers Valley High School. She earned her BS in Home Economics and Business at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Nace married Philip, her high school sweetheart, best friend and husband of 35 years, and moved to Philadelphia where she began her career in retail merchandising. After relocating to Louisville, KY, Nace worked as an Account Administrator for IBM, supporting the marketing team in contract execution where she acquired her organizational skills.



John the Evangelist when vacationing in Naples and became members of the church in 2006. On Holy Thursday, 2009, Nace was inspired by Fr. Dan Smith's message to use her time, talent and treasures which led her to follow Peggy Zerrer's example to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Most recently Nace has worked with Lorna Woonsam, sacristan, organizing the processes of this ministry, and I have invited her to volunteer as the **St. John Coordinator of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**.

Please welcome Nace Baier as she begins her new role as the Coordinator of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

Blessings,

Fr. John

Parishioners may contact Nace at
EMMinistry@sainjohntheevangelist.com

When IBM downsized and eliminated her position, Nace pursued her passion as a kitchen and bath designer and was subsequently drafted by her husband, to help in the financial administration of his practice. This spun off consulting in medical practice management which finally brought her to operations management of a startup medical transcription company.

Nace and Philip relocated to Naples in 2006 when Philip received an appointment to work in the VA medical center in Port Charlotte and Fort Myers. They attended Mass at Saint

Fr. Jim Finds New Home With Saint John the Evangelist Parish

Editor's Note: This is a re-print of the article that ran in the June 16 parish bulletin following Fr. Jim's appointment to St. John. We thought our seasonal parishioners would enjoy reading a little bit about his background.

It did not take long for Fr. Jim Simko to get into the spirit of Saint John the Evangelist as he mesmerized the Vacation Bible School children when he gave them a short lesson this past summer, Tuesday, June 11. Fr. Jim, age 59, comes to us directly from St. Francis Xavier parish in Fort Myers, where he served the parish from 2009.

Born in Springfield, IL, Fr. Jim is one of four siblings. He has a brother who resides in Atlanta, a sister in Mobile, AL and another sister in Brisbane, Australia.

Fr. Jim and his family moved to Bradenton, FL in 1971, when he was just 16 years old. "I was a parishioner at St. Joseph's in Bradenton where Fr. Rourke served as pastor in 1974." The two reminisced over a Staff Welcome Lunch Tuesday, June 11, here at St. John.

After graduating from Metropolitan State College in Denver in 1976 with a degree in Business Management, Fr. Jim worked in various retail and restaurant venues until 1985 when he entered the seminary. He was ordained a priest in 1991 for the Archdiocese of Denver. He served in parishes in the Denver area and was the pastor at Our Lady of the Mountains in Estes Park, CO from 1996 to 2002. A year later Fr. Jim returned to Southwest Florida.

Fr. Jim says he enjoys traveling and "everything Florida has to offer as well as my Terrier-Schnauzer."

Welcome, Fr. Jim, to St. John the Evangelist.



(From top to bottom) Fr. Jim gives the VBS children a lesson about the strength of spirit and smiling, which he says makes you stronger inside. At the Staff Welcome Lunch Fr. John, Fr. Len and the rest of staff enjoyed meeting and getting to know Fr. Jim. Fr. Rourke and Fr. Jim catch up on their days at St. Joseph's in Bradenton.



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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. in the PLC ballroom. Feb. 20 Speaker: Jim Karl, Esq. aga-fl.org

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

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. Carol: 804.306.5323

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

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

Bible Story Time. Bible stories, crafts, prayer and fun Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m., in PLC preschool classroom. Parents and children ages 0-5 years old welcome. Mary Chalhoub: 414.791.9363

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 495.9741

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). Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop on Sunday contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

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

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

Grief Support. Sessions will run for seven weeks beginning February 18 at 10 a.m. in room 1 of the Claussen Center. Dee: 594.7193

Job Skills Search & Support. Mondays 6:30-8:30 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. Paul Barrus, Grand Knight: 609.741.4593

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly

3308. Meeting are third Tuesday of every month at Noon in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Center. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Bill Wright FN 593.5965

Knitting & Crocheting. Tuesdays from 10 - 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. Mary Chalhoub: 414.791.9363

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 Dianne 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, 2-3 p.m.. New members welcome. Joe Lichwalla: 348.1828

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. in PLC. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

Narcotics Anonymous. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8 p.m. PLC.

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. in the Claussen Center. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

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

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

Sing-A-Long. Tuesday, February 4 at Merrill Gardens, Naples; Tuesday, February 18 at Imperial Healthcare, Naples; - at 2 p.m. Jayne Potter: 597.5483

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

Women's Bible Study. Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Library and Monday evenings in Room 3 and 4 in the PLC. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687 or maggnana@comcast.net or Linda Reilly, 821.8982

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 Adoration Chapel. In the powerful presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we offer 10 mysteries of the rosary and related prayers and we fast one day a week on our own. All are welcome! Please call the parish office for the Chapel code.

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Lcpl. Francisco Alvarenga U.S. Marines	Specialist Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army
Sp. Petrus Botha U.S. Army	Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett U.S. Marine Corp
S. Isaiah Brutus U.S. Air Force	AT3 Corinne MacFarlane U.S. Navy
Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy	Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army
Bradley N. Chartier U.S. Army	LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)
BM2 Charley Davidson U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	LCpl. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)
Adam Decker U.S. Air Force	Ryan D. Novak (USMC)
Nicholas Detloff U.S. Air Force	Cpt. Daniel Palmer U.S. Army
Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army, (Afghanistan)	Cpt. John Palmer U.S. Army
Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force	Cpt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army
Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special Forces	1Lt. Robert Pedrigi U.S. Army
Lt. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines	Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army
Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	Lt. Gregory Spencer U.S. Army, (Afghanistan)
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)
	Co. Glenn Yeck U.S. Navy (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. in the Claussen Center, room 15. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

Forty-five minutes of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Only your quiet presence is needed. Mondays: 5:30 p.m. and Tuesdays 6 p.m. in Room 15 Claussen Center. Following the morning

Mass, every Wednesday, Wednesday Centering Prayer will meet in the Parish Library.

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. in cry room. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Richard Brown and Judith Ann Mazza

May they rest in eternal peace.

Let us pray for the sick of the parish, especially

Deacon Al	Edith Esposito	Diane Leahy	Mary Rossi
Marie Amont	Claire Febrezio	Mary Jane Leake	Betsy Russo
Jim Amont	Troy Feidler	Mary Lenick	Francisco Saigos
Jacob Andrew	Tiffany Fiedler	Lindsay Lavery	Edna Sanvidge
Bev Basler	Thomas O. Flood	Becky Locke	Cynthia Scariati
Molly Bayer	Sophia Forrester	Josh & Carl Locke	Michael Scheidemann
Margie Benefico	Jan Fritz	Kevin Locke	Cathy Schloendorn
Barbara Berg	Edward Garzarelli	Catherine Lombardo	Joanne Scimone
Linda Berry	Edward Gaynor	Alex Magiera	Douglas Scott
Mary Bessner	Stephen Gibson	Mary Jo Magner	Mary Seeger
Lucretia Biasi	Veronica Glennon	Ann & Ray Maniuszko	Carol Seiffert
Marge Bond	Dick Goepel	Anne McCarthy	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Vicki Brenner	Stephen Golia	Sharon McCarthy	Teresa Shengulet
Brooks Family	Rich Greenwood	Michael McCormack	John Skoviak
Frank Caccavo Jr.	James Gullilan	Carolyn McDonald	Jean Smith
Lois Caprata	Diana Gust	McKee Family	Jeff Smith
Joe Carpino	Barbara Hanson	Stanislav Met	Winnie Smith
Robert Carnevale	Frank Harris	Dodd Millard	Inga Sovia
Christine Cassara	Raymond and Virginia Hartwick	Tom Middlemiss	Kathy & David Struble
Diane Centenaro	Peter Heaney	Jim Moran	Pat Sutter
Joanne Chalhoub	Jerry Heyen	Ed Moriarity	Joanmarie Switalski
Drew and Kanema Clark	Chad Hickman	Mary Ann Myslewic	Tara & Family
Richard Clark	H.J.	Mark Nichols	Rita Taranto
Claussen Family	Jack Hodges	Peter Nicoletta	Patricia Trapnell
Edna D' Antuono	Ann Hogg	Ed O'Brien	Norma Trevino
Lillian Danser	Karen Hohne	Jim Orlando	Pat & Eloisa Velasquez
Alice Daley	Charlotte Hollohan	Tyler Ostos	Larry Watson
Kay Davis	Peggy Hooper	Maryla Panagos	Lucy Westman
James Diamante	Jeff Horkey	Irene Pires	Frederick Wilhelm
Julie Dieter	Val Hunt	Patricia Poczatek	Raymond Wilson
Alexandria Dolkas	Charleen Kasabian	Joe Pohrer	Don and Lucille Wilson
Margaret Dudley	Chester T. Kauffman	Kimberly Porter	Aimme Witcoff
Michael Dunlop	Colleen Kirkmaier	Katherine Prince	Brandon Woods
John Dziedzic	Robert Kroupa	Radel Family	John Yotis
Trudy Eddy	Joanne & Glenn Krume	Joe Reid	Mary Yotis
Nancy Ellert	Anna LaGrasta	Esther Riley	
Sue Ells	Lampport Family		
Ann Marie Esposito			

LET US PRAY...

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

FEBRUARY 2, 2014 ~ THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



I would like to make a very exciting announcement about an upcoming addition to our campus and more importantly, to our Veterans' Memorial. In the grassy area (picture) immediately adjacent (east) to the existing Veterans'

Memorial, we will be creating a rose garden. The centerpiece of the rose garden will be a magnificent granite pedestal featuring all branches of the armed services. Many of you remember our prior discussion about engraving the emblems on the benches currently in place. After further discussion, it was determined that this location would not be an appropriate place to recognize the branches of our armed services. The pedestal will be in the shape

of a hexagon (see picture) allowing each branch to be prominently engraved on its own panel. The granite pedestal will match the existing granite which serves as the tops for the benches surrounding the "Lest we Forget" statue. The top of the pedestal is being reserved for the wishes of the individual(s) who wish(es) to sponsor the Rose Garden. If you are interested in sponsoring the Rose Garden and having naming rights as well as the inscription of your choice on top of the pedestal, please contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss. Unfortunately, there is only one opportunity available in this situation. The cost for all of the above is \$15,000.00.

This past Sunday afternoon, we hosted a "Meet the Priests" event in the PLC ballroom. This event was our way of welcoming new parishioners to our parish family. Over 80 individuals attended including everything from young families to retirees. Fr. John, Fr. Len and Fr. Jim spent the better part of

two hours mingling and getting to know the newcomers. We will continue to host these events either on a quarterly or semi-annual basis in the future.

As I have mentioned on numerous occasions, we are in the process of replacing all of the old markers in the Memorial Garden and replacing them with much nicer looking engraved granite markers. As we replace each section, we have been storing the old markers in an area behind the Parish Life

Center. This area has become extremely congested, therefore, we are going to make a change. If you would like the old marker of your loved one, please contact Marcos to arrange a pickup no later than 60 days after the replacement of the marker. If the old markers are not picked up within 60 days, the granite will be thrown away and

the bronze marker will be sold for scrap. Thanks for your understanding.

For the first time in my 16 years of hosting our Super Bowl party, we have officially sold out a full week in advance of the game. My hunch that the word has gotten out about our great party must be correct! Especially considering that this year's game consists of two teams from the west. This should serve as an FYI for those interested that there will be NO tickets available at the door this year. Even if you are not able to attend our party, please consider purchasing a Super Bowl square

outside of Mass this Sunday which will give you the chance to win a cash prize depending on the score of the game at the end of each quarter of play. Remember that ALL of the proceeds from this event will be used to subsidize our Youth Ministry program!

SCOTT'S CORNER... continues on page 11



SCOTT'S CORNER... *continued from page 10*

As many of you know and some most likely do not, we have hired a new employee. This new employee just so happens to be Jean-Paul Boucher (JP.) His addition to our staff was featured on the front page of the bulletin two weeks ago and is also scrolling on the home page of our website. JP has been coordinating our Altar Servers for the past six months and has displayed amazing organizational skills and developed a great rapport with the children. In his bulletin announcement, Fr. John did allude to the fact that JP has a strong Information Technology (IT) background. He did not however elaborate on the fact that JP will also be responsible for overseeing and upgrading our current technology at Saint John the Evangelist. As a result of his hire, we are able to eliminate the vendor who has been overseeing our computer server for the past 12+ years at a substantial cost. Although JP's job description does sound quite diverse, ultimately as we move forward, a significant cost savings will be recognized as a result of his new position. In addition, our capabilities with regards to technology will increase exponentially as we will have someone in-house who

is capable of making our dreams a reality. Some examples of these dreams that will come to fruition are the live streaming of Masses on our website and video blogs by Fr. John, myself and others which will be available on our website at the click of a mouse. As an aside, JP chose to accept this new position, not for financial gain but rather for love of his church. I, for one, am thrilled with his addition and look forward to seeing him flourish in his new diverse job responsibilities.

In His work together,

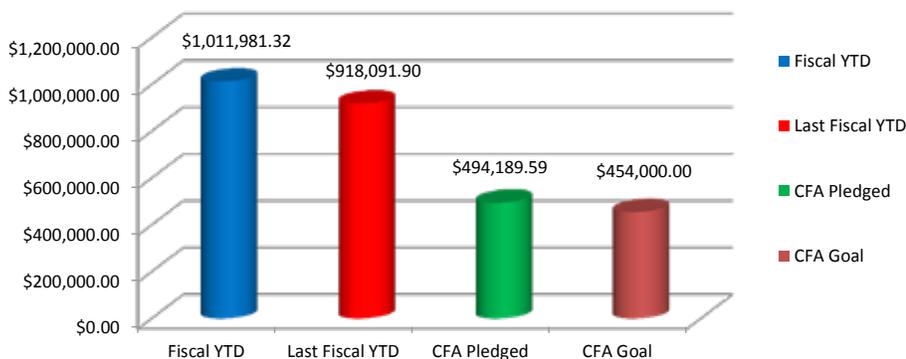


Scott Schlossberg, MBA
General Manager

Collection Summary



Fiscal YTD (7/1/2013-6/30/2014) & CFA Summary



Spotlight on Stewardship: Did you know?

Saint John the Evangelist now Tweets! Please follow us at: <https://twitter.com/sjecc> to keep up with the latest news, events, pictures and stories for our parish and our faith.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION *Mysteries of Our Faith*

Presented by Deacon Hal Brenner

REMAINING CLASSES:

- Class 5 - 2/4/14 **Tradition**
- Class 6 - 2/11/14 **Incarnation**
- Class 7 - 2/18/14 **Salvation**
- Class 8 - 2/25/14 **Trinity**
- Class 9 - 3/4/14 **Reconciliation**
- Class 10 - 3/11/14 **Vocation**

Classes are held on Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center.

Wedding Banns

Third announcement between
Julie Novoa & Thomas Kurtz

First announcement between
Kristin Ambrozic & William Diaz-Garcia II

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, February 2, 2014

the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Opening Song 539 **Come, Now Is the Time To Worship** Brian Doerksen

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

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 40)

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist*

**“Now, Master, you may let your servant go
in peace, according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared
in the sight of all the peoples:
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel.”**

Luke 2:29-32

Preparation Song 457 **Amazing Grace**

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

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



Communion Songs **The Heart of Worship** Matt Redman

Verse 1) When the music fades, all is stripped away
and I simply come; longing just to bring
something that's of worth, that will bless your heart

Pre-chorus) I'll bring you more than a song,
for a song in itself is not what you have required.
You search much deeper within, through the way
things appear—you're looking into my heart...

Chorus) **I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about you, all about you Jesus.
I'm sorry Lord, for the thing I've made it,
When it's all about you, all about you, Jesus.**

Verse 2)

King of endless worth, no one could express
How much you deserve; Though I'm weak and
poor, all I have is yours, ev'ry single breath.

Verse 3)

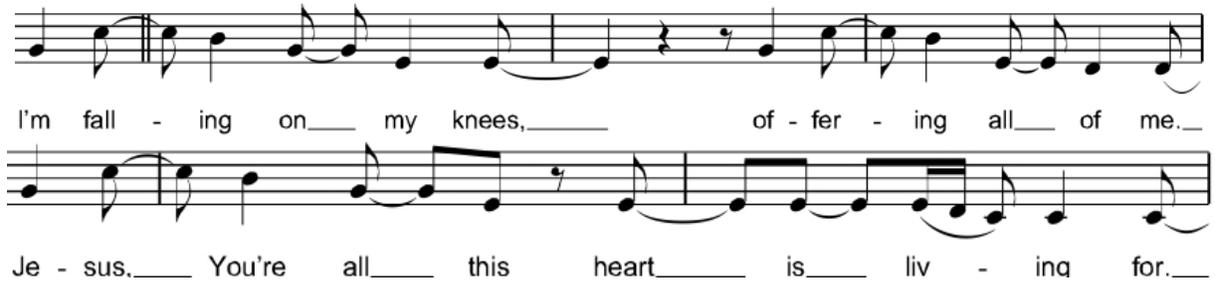
And as I receive your Body and your Blood,
given up for me; Take me as I am, call me to the
Feast—say the word, I'm healed—

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Verse 1)
Hungry I come to you for I know you satisfy
I am empty but I know your love does not run dry
And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)

Verse 2)
Broken I run to you for your arms are open wide
I am weary, but I know your touch restores my life
And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)



Closing Song **Your Grace Is Enough Your Grace Is Enough** Matt Maher CCLI Song No. 4477026 © 2003 spiritandsong.com | Thankyou Music | (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights Reserved. CCLI License #2008891.

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)

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“Forgotten Broadway 2014!”

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Friday, February 21st • PLC Ballroom

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Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

Psalm 145:7-10

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 5:1-12

The Word & Life

The Gift of Blessing

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s we gather to listen to God's Word today, our attention is drawn to Christ's teaching on the Sermon on the Mount. The Beatitudes offer us a sacred teaching moment where God tells us that he is capable of turning weak experiences into moments of blessing. The non-Christian would probably view the Beatitudes as a strange concept. How can we be blessed when we struggle or experience suffering and injustice? For people who look upon the gospel with faith, the beatitudes urge us to put on the mind and heart of Christ in our everyday experiences. The day that Jesus gave us these teachings on the Sermon on the Mount,

was a day in which he showed us that all of life can be lived as a blessing regardless of how positive or negative it may be. What makes this possible? All of this is made possible if we live in the hope of resurrection. Jesus shows us that we can overcome suffering and death by his rising from the dead. God's initiative is to be with the poor, the vulnerable, and the weak and to redeem their lives.

Throughout Jesus' ministry we are shown glimpses into the very desire of God. Jesus redeems what is broken, sinful and disturbed. He does what is right, but he is criticized for it. Jesus instills within his listeners the importance of hungering and thirsting for God through acts of compassion, justice, peace, and mercy. However, the "religious" people are disturbed with the whole notion of God reaching into the depths of humanity, living in close relationship with those who are broken, meek, poor, and persecuted. For those who strictly observed the law in order to be close to God, such a concept of finding God in the midst of weakness was too radical. Jesus is led to his death because the religious leaders of his time could not comprehend the blessings

Editor's Note: This Sunday we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. However, at the time of the bulletin deadline, Fr. John had prepared the Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time. We are printing it for your own personal reflection.

Reflection Questions

1. How is Jesus' teaching revolutionary for the people of his day?
2. What is shocking to you about the Beatitudes?
3. What do you think it means to be poor in spirit?
4. How can you make hungering and thirsting for righteousness a reality in your life?
5. How can you become a peacemaker?
6. What do you understand about those who mourn being comforted?
7. What does "clean of heart" mean to you?
8. How are the Beatitudes both a blessing and a challenge to you?

of God in all people and in all things.

Today, we are invited to see our lives as a blessing. For those of us who live in hope of the resurrection, we are called to a deeper reality. When we are faced with poverty of spirit the blessing comes when we realize that God has put others our way to lift our spirits and when we recognize Christ as our reason to have hope. The Church constantly encourages us through Word and Sacrament to be still and know the Lord is in our midst. Blessing also occurs when we let go of those we love in death, knowing that we will see them again when we journey through death ourselves. The way in which we honor God in the small things will ultimately lead us to the greater inheritance of the kingdom. Our gentle approach with one another through our mercy and our work for peace will gift us with His mercy and peace. All we have to do is simply love as Jesus loves. Living with such an attitude will bring us and others grace and our lives will become God's blessing.

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



Prayer

Lord of all blessing, may we become like you. Teach us constantly your commandment of love. May our lives be a radiance of your love, casting blessings upon the world. Help us to be aware of your divine will in all things. Whenever we are shunned or persecuted for standing up for what is right, remind us of the blessing that your Son left for future generations. May we be blessed as You are blessed. Amen.

Voices of Faith

Beatitudes

How Blessed are the poor in spirit
For theirs is the kingdom of God.

What does it mean to be Blessed?
Gift of God's grace freely given
An indelible mark of God's graciousness
A warming of the heart
A quality of the Saints in heaven
A state of peace and contentment
Light sent from heaven to illuminate the soul.

It is when we know
That we are truly poor without God
That we experience the treasures
Of His presence.

The vulnerability of self
And the fragile spirit
Wait in eager anticipation
Of renewed hopes, dreams, and vision.

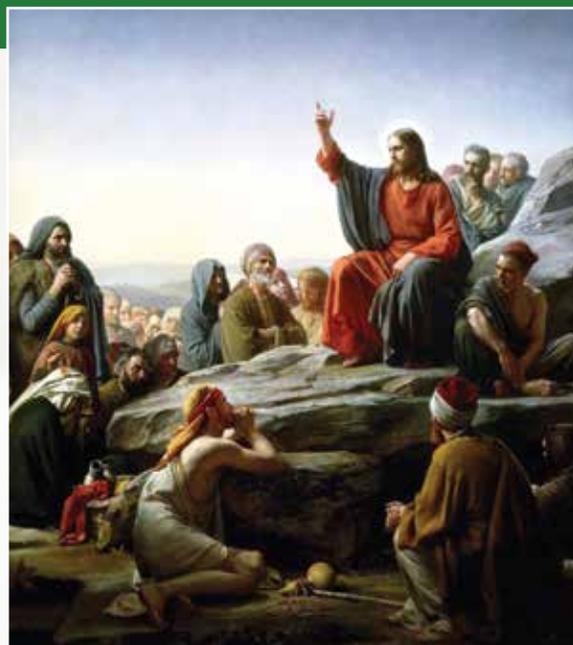
The reign of God is here,
Waiting for the tender hearted
To come and be still
A divine knowing of Truth
The wisdom of Love,
The key to happiness.

The kingdom is here
In the sacrament
Of the present moment
But also in the tomorrows
Yet to be born.

The rivers of time
Await the divine awakening
The gift of delight
And promise

How Blessed is the one
Who comes to know
And love
This Truth.

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



*The Sermon on the Mount
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Faith Formation



Presentation of Jesus at the Temple

Mark Your Calendar

February 26

Families in Christ

March 5

Ash Wednesday

(No Faith Formation Classes)

March 12

Families in Christ

April 2

First Communion Activity Night

April 17-20

Easter Triduum

April 20

Faith Formation News

Families in Christ...will take place on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the ballroom.

Ash Wednesday...is on March 5, 2014 and there are no Faith Formation classes. However, families are encouraged to attend Mass and receive their ashes as a symbol of our Catholic faith.

Families in Christ...will take place on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the ballroom.

First Communion Activity Night...will be on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom, seminar room and classrooms. Banners will be made that will be hung in the church for the First Holy Communion Ceremony. All sacramental students must participate.

Easter Triduum...starts on the evening of Maundy Thursday and ends at Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Thus, the Triduum consists of three full days which begin and end in the evening.

Easter Sunday...is on April 20, 2014.

Faith Formation continues on page 17

REFLECTION

In Sunday's Gospel Mary and Joseph bring Jesus to the Temple. As good Jews they are following tradition and law by "presenting" their firstborn son to God. However, Jesus is not simply a child being dedicated to God, but God's own Son coming to the Temple. Simeon, a Spirit-filled prophet, reveals Jesus is the Messiah, the one who will be the glory of his own people and a light to all people of the world. Our task as students and believers in Jesus is to be the light of Christ to one another.

Gospel for All Ages, Good Ground Press and Pflaum Publishing Group



By Kathleen M. Carroll

Those of us privileged to raise children have a special kind of magical thinking. We delight over that infant bundle as the child struggles to learn to do all those things we do without thinking. We must teach her to eat, serving spoonful of mush through a toothless grin. We must teach him to walk, shuffling along with uncertain steps. We must train her to use the toilet, gushing with praise at each improvement. Despite the evidence we see, we are certain that this child will do great things one day.

At the same time, many of us wrestle with a dark view of our own capacity. As adults, presumably responsible for our own progress, we convince ourselves again and again that we can't possibly make the grade.

Today's Gospel tells us that we're much closer to that child with infinite capacity than to the adult washout we imagine ourselves to be. No matter what his neighbors thought, Jesus was no mere carpenter's son from Nazareth. He followed his calling to a destiny beyond dreaming and he asks us to do the same. It takes only one shaky step at a time to follow Christ to a glorious future.

Bringing Home the Word, February 3, 2014, Franciscan Media

PRAYER

Loving God,
You present us with the gift of life.
Help us to share you light.
You give us dirt, air, water, food on Earth.
Help us to carry your light.
You give us the ability to choose, to learn, and to grow.
Help us be your light.
Amen.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

GRADE 1

Life Question: What does light do?

Gospel Question: Who brings Jesus to the Temple?

GRADES 2-3

Life Question: How do kids your age spread God's light?

Gospel Question: How will Jesus be a light to all people?

GRADES 4-5

Life Question: When have you faced a hard choice? Who or what helped you?

Gospel Question: Why do you think Mary and Joseph bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem?

GRADES 6-8

Life Question: Who is a bright light for the world today? Why?

Gospel Question: What does Simeon anticipate will be Jesus' significance to his people? To all the nations of the world?

GRADES 9-12

Life Question: What experience do you have with oppression – one party has power, the other does not?

Gospel Question: What light does Jesus reveal to the world?

ADULTS

Life Question: What wisdom do you hear from the elders in your parish?

Gospel Question: What experiences of light in worship have helped you recognized the mystery of God's presence among us?

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Faith and Wine



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A Skeptics Guide to Pope Paul VI's *Humanae Vitae*: What the Church Really Teaches About Sex

February 19
Doors open at 6 pm

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

Cost: \$30 per person before Feb. 17; \$40 at the door. Includes light dinner. Seating is limited. Sell-out expected. Tickets available at: faithandwine.com or mail (before Feb. 13). Make checks payable to: Faith and Wine, Inc. Mail to Mary Beth Clary, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP, 9132 Strada Pl, 3rd Floor, 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.

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FaithAndAle.com

Meet the Priests Reception for New Families



Over 80 new parishioners attended the Meet the Priests reception Sunday, January 26 in the Parish Life Center Ballroom.

New families were given a crucifix for placement in their homes.

See more photos in a future bulletin.

(Photos by Scott Schwarz)

Saint Ann School

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"Education of Spirit, Mind, and Body"

This year, **RE-REGISTRATION DAY** for current families is Wednesday, February 19. Parents need to bring the completed registration forms to the Jubilee Center.

- Times are: 7:30-8:30AM
- 2:30-3:30PM
- 5:30-6:30PM



In order to ensure your child a place in the class, registration must be done on February 19.

Open registration for the general public is February 20.

So save the dates:

February 19 7:30AM, 2:30PM or 5:30PM
RE-REGISTRATION DAY - Jubilee Center

st. john the evangelist youth ministry

SPOTLIGHT ON...our teens!

Joseph Wilton

Freshman, St. John Neumann High School

Extra-curriculars: I write for the school newspaper (*The Celtic Sentinel*) & play trombone in the school Band. I am also on the SJN Tennis Team.

Other activities or ministries at St. John: Besides attending Youth Group, I am a regular lector at the 5 o'clock Sunday Mass.

Favorite part of youth ministry: My favorite part of youth ministry is the fun and spiritual environment. I have met some of my best friends at Youth Group and we enjoy being together there with Tom & Martha helping us to understand more about our faith.

A moment you truly felt the presence of God in youth ministry? I truly feel the presence of God in youth ministry when we attend the annual Diocesan Youth Rally. It is a day filled with worship and enjoyment, with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Dewane. Spending the day together with teens from other parishes celebrating and learning about our faith makes us joyful to be Catholics.



Favorite Bible verse: **Matthew 16:24-25** Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. It reminds me what I must try to do to become a faithful follower of Jesus.

← **Joseph in action, lecturing at our annual production of The Christmas Story this past Christmas**

Any advice to younger teens? My advice to younger teens would be to become active in our parish as soon as you can. You will not only learn to grow spiritually, but you will meet many people who want to help you. The priests and parishioners are very encouraging to young teens and can help us to become better Christians. This is an experience I will remember all my life.

**Middle School youth meet every Wednesday,
5:30 to 7, in the Youth Room.**

**High School teens meet every Sunday,
6 to 8, in the Seminar Room.**

**For more information, contact Martha Oram
at ext. 3915 or email
youthministry@saintjohntheevangelist.com**

From March to Life to K of C Chili Cook-off Respect Life Sees Positive Results

So much good news to report: The **March for Life** on January 22 was cold, but sunny, so the hundreds of thousands of marchers did not have to slog through the ice and snow. I spotted our own diocesan marchers on the TV, and although they had to be cold in the 20 degree weather, they were happy and smiling for the cameras.

Thank you to all who visited our table on **Sanctity of Life Sunday**, January 19. It was great to talk to so many folks.

Congratulations to Jessica Long who was the lucky winner of the book "Life Giving Love" by Kimberly Hahn.

Finally, I want to report on the positive results at the **Martin Luther King festivities at Cambier Park** following the parade on January 20. The little rubber babies that we have given out at our table here were a big hit at the park as well. We are used to seeing those little baby models. Most of the young people I met, and quite a few adults as well, had no idea what a real baby looked like.

One girl asked if you have to "water them" to get the babies to grow. I hope the girl keeps

asking questions that her mom will answer.

The **Knights of Columbus social/chili supper** was a slam dunk hit with great food, great company, and funds raised for some truly great organizations: The Sunlight Home, Providence House, Immokalee Pregnancy Center and the Naples and Fort Myers Community Pregnancy Centers, Inc. Two contestants tied for first place in the chili cook-off. They were Gary Ray, co-chair of the event, and Marty Welzmuller. This is the second first place win for Gary's chili recipe. He was also the winner of the inaugural event several years ago. In addition to cooking up some great chili, Gary will be running in a 360 mile K of C sponsored run to raise funds for pro life organizations here in Collier and Lee Counties. Congratulations again and thank you for your work in supporting life.



*text submitted by Loretta Judy,
Respect Life*

First place winners in the chili cook-off were Gary Ray and Marty Welzmuller.

The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist
Proudly Presents

The Valentine's Day Dance
Thursday, February 13, 2014
With Billy Dean and Dawn

Menu

- **Appetizer Display** -

Cold Antipasta, Vegetable Crudite,
Fresh Fruit Display, Butler Passed
Stromboli Assortment

- **Salad Course** -

Salad di Pomodori, Fresh
Mozzarella Layered with Fresh Basil
and Plum Tomatoes. Served with
Chef's Bread Assortment

- **Entrée** -

Venetian Tour (A Sampling
of Lasagna al Forno, Chicken
Parmesan, Pork & Veal Meatballs)

- **Dessert** -

Death by Chocolate Cake
*We will attempt to meet
any dietary needs.*

6:00 - 9:30 p.m. OPEN BAR

(Entertainment and dinner
begin at 6:30 p.m.)

Tickets: \$50 per person.

Register and pay online by going to: <http://www.saintjohntheevangelist.com/news/2014valentinesdaydance>

Also n sale after all weekend masses.

No sales after February 9th or at the door.

*Please make checks payable to:
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For more information, please contact

Jim McDonald at 598-3789 or Co-chairman, Tim Pellegrino (908)-400-0598.

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This year's theme...

Casino Royale

Saturday, February 22

6pm

Come for the kids... Stay for the...



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Silent, Live, and Chinese Auctions



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All proceeds go to
St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School

For full details and reservations, contact the main office at 239-455-2262

2014 Men's Conference Will Be Saturday, March 1 at Bishop Verot High School

There is an opportunity for men to deepen their knowledge and love for the Catholic Faith by attending the 2014 Diocese of Venice Men's Conference! This year's conference will be on Saturday, March 1 at Bishop Verot High School.

Featured speakers this year include well known author and apologist Peter Kreeft, John Bergsma and Msgr. Stuart W. Swetland. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast and vendors available. The Conference will start at 9:00 a.m. and concludes with a Mass at 2:00 p.m., celebrated by Bishop Frank J. Dewane. Lunch will be provided.

Online Registration is available at www.dioceseofvenice.org/events. Questions? Call 941.484.9543 or email evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org.

March 9th, 2014

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Diocesan Marriage Tribunal Information Evening February 13

The Marriage Tribunal of the Diocese of Venice in Florida will host an information evening at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Naples, on Thursday, February 13, at 7:00 p.m. The evening is for those who have experienced a civil divorce/dissolution and wish to consider reestablishing their freedom for a new marriage in the Catholic Church.

The evening includes a short presentation on the types of marriage cases considered by the Tribunal along with an opportunity for questions and answers by participants with Tribunal personnel. No reservation is required and all are welcome.

For further information please call the Tribunal Department at 941.484.9543.

Director of Development Position Available

St. John Neumann Catholic High School in Naples, Florida is seeking a Director of Development. The Director oversees all fund raising activities for the school including major gifts, annual giving, capital campaigns and other school related solicitations.

Successful candidate must have a bachelor's degree and a minimum of four years of proven leadership skills in managing a comprehensive development program.

Qualified candidates are invited to email a cover letter, outlining career major accomplishments, salary requirements and the name of their parish with an attached resume to: humanresources@dioceseofvenice.org

BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Tuesday, February 11, 2014

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
Dance
Schedule:

Tuesday,
February 11

Tuesday,
February 25

Tuesday,
March 11

Tuesday,
March 25

Tuesday,
April 8

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
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Singles Welcome

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