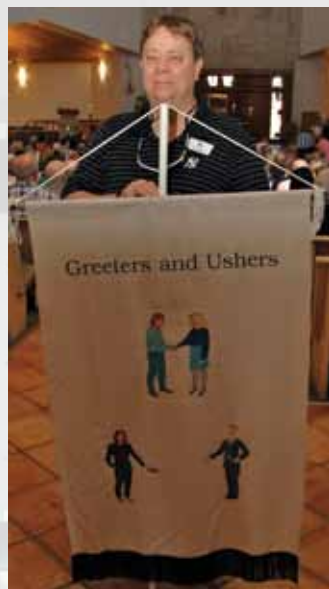


February 3, 2013
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions**Requested by****February 2, 2013 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Charles Kosciusko

Mary & Frank Alberts

Vigil Masses

3:00 PM + Rita Perrotta

Violet Salwan

5:00 PM + Dennis Lozada, Jr.

Family

February 3, 2013 Sunday

7:00 AM + Rose & Vernon DeFrancesca

Peter DeFrancesca

9:00 AM + Joan & Al Moser

Children

11:15 AM For Our Parishioners

1:15 PM + Agnes O'Brien

Mary & Frank Alberts

5:00 PM + Alice Morais

Family

February 4, 2013 Monday

8:00 AM + Adrian Riney

Kath, Gen & Hang Schmacht

9:00 AM + Janice A. O'Connor

Douglas O'Connor

February 5, 2013 Tuesday

8:00 AM + James Ray

Jim & Darlene Follese

9:00 AM + Rita Harney

Thomas Hanley

February 6, 2013 Wednesday

8:00 AM + Rosemary Damico

Dan & Kathleen Mezzalingua

9:00 AM + Dolly Parker

Darlene Follese

February 7, 2013 Thursday

8:00 AM + James Ray

Madeline & Jack Gaffey

9:00 AM + Philip Finn

Paul & Lois Charlebois

February 8, 2013 Friday

8:00 AM + Mary Lawyer

Kay Jette

9:00 AM + Ami Durante

Nancy Fitzgerald

February 9, 2013 Saturday

8:00 AM + Frank Stams, Sr.

Bob & Barb Garbinsky

Vigil Masses

3:00 PM + David Berte

Dolores Kernochan

5:00 PM + Keith Kurnath

Ken & Marianne Kurnath

February 10, 2013 Sunday

7:00 AM + Richard Burns

Peter DeFrancesca

9:00 AM + Carol Oxx

Family

11:15 AM For Our Parishioners

1:15 PM + Lambert & Louise Abell

Kathy & Bob Sims

5:00 PM + Philip W. Mellow

James & Robin Riesenberg

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

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, February 2, 2013**

The Presentation of the Lord;
Blessing of Candles; First Saturday;
Groundhog Day

Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Vigil Masses

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
1 Cor 12:31-13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

Sunday, February 3, 2013

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Boy Scout Sunday

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
1 Cor 12:31-13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

Monday, February 4, 2013

Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 5, 2013**St. Agatha**

Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32;
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 6, 2013**St. Paul Miki and Companions**

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14,
17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 7, 2013

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 8, 2013**St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; First Friday**

Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3-5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 9, 2013**Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday**

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34

Vigil Masses

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8;
1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

Sunday, February 10, 2013**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8;
1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

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

THIS WEEK'S MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULE...

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Life Matters



One of the biggest criticisms of the pro-life world is that we only care about the babies, but have no compassion for the women involved in an unplanned pregnancy with few choices available to her. Of course we know that is not true. We not only help the pregnant woman right now with programs like Project Gabriel, which mentors a woman through her pregnancy and helps her get pre-natal care, cribs, diapers, and all the necessary baby stuff, as well as being a person who truly cares about them and their baby. But what about the person who had an abortion 10, 20, even 40 years ago or more who feels guilt, may feel cut off from the church. What about the husband or boyfriend who facilitated or insisted upon the abortion? What about the grandmothers and grandfathers who have never known those children? We are also responding to those hurting souls. My own ministry here in the Diocese of Venice, is Project Rachel, which speaks to all those who have been touched by an abortion in the past. Statistics show that 1 in 4 women in this country have had an abortion. There is also evidence that 7-9 people in that woman's circle have also been wounded by that abortion. The numbers are staggering, which explains the popularity of retreats like Rachel's Vineyard, which offer a place to grieve, to heal and to feel God's enormous mercy. My ministry offers the same opportunities, but the format is done one on one in a 12-week process. There's a lot to be said for both ways. The important thing is that the women and men affected by a past abortion go through some sort of healing process.

I know of the power of the process through my own abortion experience. When I was 25 years old, a college graduate who had thrown away her faith with both hands, I became pregnant. Although I was a budding feminist, living on my own, I was too ashamed to tell Mom and Dad. I don't think I even gave it a second thought at the time. I had an abortion on Good Friday, 1979. Then I went home and had Easter dinner with the folks like nothing had happened. Later I met and

married my husband and through our struggles with infertility, I finally confessed my abortion to our parish priest. I felt God was punishing me for the abortion. That confession was the first step in my healing process, which led to some counseling, (where the subject never came up) and finally led to Rachel's Vineyard. I have learned a lot about things like post-abortion stress

disorder, the higher rates of suicide, promiscuity, and failure to bond with living children, all among women who have had an abortion.

I know that many who need help are sitting in our pews reading this now, but because of the shame and guilt are afraid to come forward for the help they need.

The world of post abortion healing is expanding almost daily. The newest entry is a DVD series called "Into My Arms". If you need help, please don't hold back. Most of the people involved in this work are like me — also with an abortion in their history. God's love and mercy is infinite and abortion is absolutely NOT the one unforgivable sin.

Find your help among the following resources:

Books:

Forbidden Grief; The Unspoken Pain of Abortion by Theresa Burke

Redeeming a Father's Heart by Kevin Burke

Her Choice to Heal, by Sydney Massa

Forgiven and Set Free: a Post-abortion Bible Study for Women by Linda Cochran

Healing a Father's Heart: a Post-abortion Bible Study for Men by Linda Cochran

Websites:

RachelsVineyard.org

PriestsforLife.org

OperationOutcry.org

hopeafterabortion.com

Phone Numbers

Loretta Judy 293.5897

Project Rachel: 1.800.hope.4me

article submitted by Loretta Judy, Respect Life

Naples Prayer Walk for Life

Bishop Frank J. Dewane will celebrate the 12:15 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 13, at St. Ann Parish, 985 3rd St. South, in Naples to kick-off the 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign. Following Mass, at approximately 2:00 p.m., Bishop Dewane will lead a Prayer Walk (under ½ mile) from U.S. 41 to the sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood on Creech and Goodlette-Frank Roads in Naples to pray the rosary. Go to www.40daysforlife.com/naples for details or call 239.503.0295 or 941.441.1101.

40 Days for Life Naples Spring Campaign

Looking for a Lenten sacrifice? Be a witness to moms and dads who think they have no choice but abortion. Take an hour to join others in prayer for an end to abortion during Lent from February 13 to March 24 outside Planned Parenthood in Naples daily (except Sunday) between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. For information and other details, go to www.40daysforlife.com/naples or call 239.503.0295.

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

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

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

***All Administrative Staff
239.566.8740***

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Fax: 239.325.2100

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Assistant to the Pastor

Martha Oram: *Ext. 123*

Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

Tom Oram: *Ext. 179*

Choir Director

Ellie Roberts: 682.5609

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Lorna Woonsam: *Ext. 133*

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Director of Maintenance

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Margie Lynch: 514.2927

Director of Youth Ministry

Bill Maguire: 566.8740, *Ext. 177*

Director of RCIA

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

Family Ministry

Charlene Youngs: 566.8740 *Ext. 123*

email staff members at:

info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

PARISH REGISTRATION

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

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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday

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

(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday

8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

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

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

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2013.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

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

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Hymns for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 2 & 3

Entrance Hymn:	377	Sing a New Song
Preparation Hymn:	406	Lord of All Hopefulness
Communion Hymn:	504	I Am the Bread of Life
Closing Hymn:	434	Though the Mountains May Fall

Choral Anthems at the 3, 5, 9, 11:15 & 1:15 Masses: Welcome Jamaica Choir!

Preparation	Song of a Young Prophet
	Take My Life Fr. Richard Ho Lung
At Communion	To Be the Body Harvey
	Now, Lord Fr. Richard Ho Lung or Be Still For the Presence
Postlude	The Right Hand of God Dexter

SECOND ANNUAL DIOCESE OF VENICE APOLOGETICS CONFERENCE

Mary, Our Model of Faith

Come learn more about our Model of Faith, the Blessed Virgin Mary, during this Year of Faith!

Topics will include:

Mary in the Bible



The Four Marian Dogmas



Mary and the Value of Suffering
and more!

The Conference will include dynamic speakers, Mass, and opportunity for questions and answers.

Tuesday, February 5th, 2013

8:30 am - 4 pm

Blessed Pope John XXIII

Catholic Church

13060 Palomino Lane, Fort Myers, Florida

COST: \$25

Includes Lunch

To Register go to: dioceseofvenice.org/events or mail a check payable to

"Diocese of Venice" to:

Diocese of Venice attn: Apologetics Conference
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For more information contact the Office of Evangelization at
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Saint John the Evangelist Mass Schedule for Ash Wednesday

Masses on Ash Wednesday, February 13, will be:

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

Daily Masses during Lent will be:

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

Saturday Morning Masses will be:

8:00 a.m.

Next week's bulletin will include more information on Lent and events that will occur during the Lenten season along with the times.

AASH Luncheon February 23

The Associated Alumnae of the Sacred Heart (AASH) Luncheon will be at Imperial Golf Club on Saturday, February 23 to benefit the RSCJ nuns retirement fund. All alumnae, former students and their friends are welcome. The cost is \$40 per person. For information and reservations, please call Carla Grieve at 566.7680.

Literacy Council Needs Tutors

To teach English to fellow residents you don't need to speak the student's language or have teaching experience. The Literacy Council will train you in a Tutor Training Workshop. Volunteer commitment is an hour twice a week. The next workshop will be held February 12 and 15 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at The Literacy Council offices at 26820 Old 41 Rd. in Bonita Springs. Workshop donation fee is \$30. Call the Council for more information or to register at 239.676.5202.



Mass of Remembrance February 11

Family members of parishioners who died in 2012 will be remembered at a Mass of Remembrance on Monday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. 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 are encouraged to attend this memorial.

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

Annual Day of Renewal February 2

Come and be renewed at the annual Day of Renewal for Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Venice. Saturday, February 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Rev. Bob Hogan, BBD, is the featured speaker. Fr. Bob is an outstanding teacher and preacher. He currently serves as Chairman of the National Service Committee and as the Coordinator of Teaching and Outreach for the Catholic Center in San Antonio, TX. The theme for the renewal is "Living the Year of Faith."

The gathering will be held at Jesus the Worker Parish, 881 Nuna Ave, Fort Myers, FL. The cost is \$15.00 if registered by January 31, and \$22.00 after that date. To register, send checks to Stephanie Oefinger, at 716 Taplow Road, Venice FL 34293.

For additional information call Stephanie at 941.493.6354 or Lois and Gerry Mader at 239.267.2684

St. Finbarr Day Sunday, March 3

All are invited to celebrate St Finbarr Day, which is the second anniversary of St. Finbarr Parish. The celebration will be held Sunday, March 3.

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Frank Dewane at 10:00 a.m. The social hour starts at 3:00 p.m. and dinner is at 4:00 p.m. St. Finbarr Parish is located at 13520 Tamiami Trail East in Naples.

Tickets are \$20.00 each and can be purchased at the St. Finbarr Parish Office or by calling Florence Garofalo Office at 239.417.2084.

Group Support Series Begins February 12

Support for anyone suffering the loss of a loved one will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Claussen Center on the following Tuesdays: February 12, February 19, February 26, March 5, March 12, March 19 and March 26.

Sharing your story with others who are also grieving helps you to realize you are not alone.

For additional information, call Carol at 992.4190 or Dee at 594.7193.

"Friday Night Fish Bake"

At St. John the Evangelist PLC during Lent

Dinner will be served from 5PM to 7 PM.

Please plan on attending

Dates are: February 13 (Ash Wednesday)

Friday Nights in Lent of

February 15nd, 22th; March 1st, 8th and 15th

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

Tickets at Door Only

St. Joseph Dinner/ Dance will be held on
Friday, March 22, 2013
(No Fish Bake on Good Friday)

Menu

Baked Fish, Rice Pilaf, Mac. and Cheese
Coleslaw, String Beans Almandine,
New England Clam Chowder,
Bread & Butter,
Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade & Soda
Dessert

Hosted by The Knights of Columbus



Catholic/Jewish Dialogue of Collier County

2013 PROGRAM

This season the topic of discussion will be

**"The Role of Women in
Catholicism and Judaism"**

Presented by a Panel of Professional and Community Leaders

Second Session

Sunday, February 3, 2013 at 2:00PM
St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church
Seminar Room - Claussen Center
625 111th Avenue N, Naples

Take this opportunity to come and learn more about your own faith as well as your neighbor's. The more we have in common, the more we are like one another.

RSVP to Jewish Federation at 239-263-4205

St. John Youth Ministry

Praying for the Living And the Dead

An essential component of a successful youth ministry program is to encourage young people to be active in outreach/service projects. When we think about outreach/service projects, what usually pops into our minds first are “sweat and labor” projects: hammers, nails, paintbrushes, cleaning supplies, etc. Or we think about food drives, clothes drives, pregnancy center supplies drives, etc. All these are important and necessary. They fall under the category of the *Corporeal Works of Mercy*.



Bill Maguire
Director
of Youth Ministry

Last November, our young people engaged in a corporeal work of mercy by volunteering for our parish Mulch Day. And, in December, we visited the sick by Christmas caroling at local nursing home facilities.

There is, however, another category of the works of mercy: the *Spiritual Works of Mercy*. The fact that we hear more about the *Corporeal Works of Mercy*

should not, however, lead us to believe that they are somehow more important or pressing than the *Spiritual Works of Mercy*. We should approach the works of mercy with an attitude of both/and, rather than either/or. Thus, it is important to encourage our young people to engage not only in the corporeal, but the spiritual works of mercy as well.

Last week, our young people engaged in a powerful spiritual work of mercy: *praying for the living and the dead*. We are all too aware of the tragedy that took place recently at the Sandy Hook Elementary School. What is perhaps less well-known is that the Catholic parish in Sandy Hook has a Life Teen high school youth group. Life Teen is a national group that provides cutting edge resources and programs for Catholic high school and middle school youth ministry programs.

One of the national directors of Life Teen sent an email to all youth ministers who participate in either their high school or elementary school program. (We use their middle school program, *The Edge*.) He asked the youth groups to pray the Rosary for all those who died, their families, and the entire Sandy Hook community. Additionally, he requested each group to take a picture and write short notes. At the end of the month, he will gather all the pictures and notes and present them to the Life Teen group in Sandy Hook.

Our young people answered this invitation with a cheerful “yes.” As we prayed the Rosary and discussed the issue afterwards, our young people were blessed with a sense of peace, knowing that they helped in their own small way to alleviate some of the pain and suffering in Sandy Hook. Our prayer was that the teens of Sandy Hook will experience an increase in the grace of hope, secure in the knowledge that their peers from all over America are praying for them.

This *Spiritual Work of Mercy* was a meaningful opportunity for our young people to be aware and conscious of the sufferings of their peers and how through prayer we can offer those who suffer a sense of solidarity and hope. It was a powerful experience of the *Mystical Body of Christ*, raising our awareness of how prayer allows us to join with others both in times of great tragedy and sorrow and in times of great triumph and joy.



High school youth group (above) and middle school youth group (left).

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Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

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Respect Life:

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Bob Claussen naplesrgc@gmail.com

Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.

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

AGA (Alienated Grandparents

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

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

Al-Anon. Monday 9 to 10 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 pre-school classroom. Parents and children ages 0-5 years old welcome. Jennifer Grenardo: grenardo@comcast.net

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

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

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

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 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. Loretta Judy: 596.2291

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

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

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

Grief Support. Starting Feb. 12 sessions will be held every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in room 13 of the Claussen Center. Dee: 594.7193 or Carol: 992.4190

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.

Last Monday of every month: St. John K of C Officers. First Monday of every month. Regular meetings begin at 7 p.m. 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 7:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K John A. Fazackerley FN 495.5380

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. Anne Orem: 566.9636

Ladies of Charity. Meets the second Friday of every month, volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. For friendly visits and simple errands for the homebound, call Jan Sukay: 431.7376. If interested in joining, call Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

Mah Jong. Wednesday, 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. Andy Sanfelippo: 949.7122

Gospel Forum. Group of men who join together to discuss the following Sunday's gospel and its application to everyday life. Prayer and casual discussion of various spiritual writings follows. Pizza and soft drinks offered. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30 - 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 & encourage one another through the joys & struggles of life, work & motherhood in Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. Martha Oram: 566.8740, ext. 123

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

Respect Life. A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its 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 after 8:30 a.m., Mass in PLC. Bill Smart: 566.8740

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities. Tuesday, Feb. 5 at Emeritus, Bonita Springs; Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Imperial Healthcare, Naples; both 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. We are currently studying the book "Come and See The Gospel of St. Mark" by Emmaus Road Publishing. You are welcome to join at any time. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

PRAYER GROUPS

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

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

Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

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

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Lcpl. Francisco Alvarenga U.S. Marines	Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer U.S. Marine Corp * LAV Recon
Sp. Petrus Botha U.S. Army	Specialist Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army
S. Isaiah Brutus U.S. Air Force	Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett U.S. Marine Corp
Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy	David Jensen
Bradley N. Chartier U.S. Army	Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army
BM2 Charley Davidson U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)
Specialist Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army, serving in Ft Bragg, N.C	LCpl. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)
Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force	Ryan D. Novak (USMC)
Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special Forces	Lt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army
Lt. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines	1Lt. Robert Pedrigi U.S. Army
Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army
Cpl. Dylan Granza (Serving in Afghanistan)	Houng Tran U.S. Army
	IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

Divine Will Prayer Group

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

Liturgy of the Hours

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

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

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

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Anita Claire Anderson, Diana J. Pecaro, Marguerite Robinson and Dorst William

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

Joan Abele	Michael Dunlop	Wayne Lee	Maryla Panagos
Tom Abele	Ann Marie Esposito	Irma Leonard	Barbara Parada
Jacob Andrew	Tiffany Feidler	Mary Lenick	Michael Paul
Ed Barber	Jennifer Fletcher	William Line	Patty Pilkington
Agatha Barczynski	Thomas O. Flood	Victor & Marie	Ginny Poon
Jerry Barton	Donna Flynn	Louise Lisabeth	Angela Preuss
Makayla Basile	Bob Follese & Family	Mr. & Mrs. George	David Pupo
Jennifer Basile	Tara Follese	Losure	Linda & Tom Riley
A.J. Becker	Barbara Fuller	Catherine Lusk	Don Robinson
Rick Becker	Rick Greenwood	Shari Lussier	Jesse Sanchez
Linda Berry	Helen Gressers	Betty Maher	Maria Scarcella
Mary Bessner	Tim Hagan	Jeanne Majeske	Cathy Schloendorn
John Brooks	Kathleen Hall	Edward Malloy	Carol Seiffert
John Calahan	Charlotte Hallohan	Ann Maniuszko	Jjoanne Semonetti
Christine Canapari	William & Linda Hart	F. Mansfield	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Tiffany Baumann	Gerald Heyen	Richard Maynard	Teresa Shengulet
Cantelupe	Coleen Hill	Judy Mazza	Annette Shollette
Kathleen Caputo	Mary Kay Hoban	Jean K. McCarthy	Liam Sjostrom
Christine Cassara	Karen Hohne	Sharon McCarthy	Kathleen Skahill
James Castaldi	Cheryl & Jeff Horkey	Bill McConnell	Jean Smith
Rosalia Castro	Val Hunt	Bob McEvoy	Jeff Smith
Senise Clairmont	Madeline Hurley	Margaret McGinness	Ray Stankard
Members of the	Mario Incatasciato	Carolyn McNichols	Katie Sullivan
Claussen Family	Florence John	Melina Megaris	Kay Sullivan
Anturo Ciro	Cade Joslin	Nancy Meleo	Robert Sulski
Paul Conte	Yvonne Keenan	John Miller	Pat Sutter
Nick Crnkovich	Sr. Margaret Ann Kelley	Shirley Moran	Tara and Children
Edna D'Antuono	Marita Kelly	Ed Moriarty	Rita Taranto
Alice Daley	Colleen Kirkmaier	Rich Moriarty	Patricia Trapnell
Brian Davis	Dr Bob Klotz	Rev. Richard Mueller	Marge Traver
Carol Dickeson	Susan Koundalapis	Sebastian Nagy	Dolores Varone
Donna DiMaggio	Toni Kosak	Louis Naumoff	Pat & Heloisa Velasquez
Nancy Dineen	Michael Kurzeja	Loretta Necas	Jim Vinton
Alexandria Dolkas	Al LaRocco	Frank Nicolazzi Peter	Maureen Wilkinson
Douglas Donaldson	David Land	Nicoletta	Tom Wright
Dana Downs		Tyler Ostos	

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740,

email: info@saintjohntheevangelist.com,

or complete the form below and return it to the parish office.

Please add to the PRAYER LIST

Name

Please print first and last name

Requested by

Your Phone Number

Date

LET US PRAY...

FEBRUARY 3, 2013 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



On Sunday, March 10 we will host what is now to be known as "Family Fun & Ministry Day." We have been through several iterations of exactly what this day will incorporate. After discussion with numerous ministry representatives, it was decided that March 10 will be a day to bring together all members of the parish (young and old) in a fun and cost-free setting while showcasing the many ministries at St. John the Evangelist. The event will take place from noon to 3:00 p.m. in the courtyard, ballroom and back fields near the Claussen Center. When I say there will be something for everyone, I truly mean it! We want families and their children to attend. As a result, we are going all out to encourage your attendance. We will have numerous bounce houses and obstacle courses, a dunk tank (with myself and others as dunkees), a climbing wall, numerous crafts, a balloon toss, potato sack races, a cake walk and many more activities. We will also have a clown and a juggler who fabricates balloon characters. There will also be live entertainment in the ballroom for those wanting to simply relax. All of the activities will be operated by representatives from our various parish ministries. If your parish ministry would like to participate in operating any of these events, please contact me to make further arrangements. The Men's Club will provide a full picnic fare complete with hamburgers and hot dogs. In addition, there will be a snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn stand to keep the kids happy. Beer and wine will be provided to keep the adults happy. Remember, this event is completely free of charge so there is no reason for you to pass it up. If you are a retiree, single parent or the parents of a family of 12, we want you in attendance! We will have full page flyers in upcoming bulletins so be on the lookout. Please mark your calendars for this all inclusive parish event!

Miniature replicas of the "Lest we Forget" statue have arrived and are available in the gift shop. There are an extremely limited number available (8) so get yours sooner than later. The next shipment will not arrive until April as the foundry has exhausted their inventory and are fabricating more. Four of the eight miniatures are from a different mold and are lighter in color. If you like the appearance, I can get more of these prior to April.

This is Super Bowl weekend and I look forward to seeing you outside of all morning Masses this Sunday. Please consider purchasing a Super Bowl square with the possibility of winning up to \$300 during the game. The cost is only \$5 and

\$10 per square. Proceeds from the Super Bowl will benefit the Youth Ministry program. If you would like to join us at the Super Bowl party and have not yet purchased a ticket, you may purchase one from me outside of Mass or get one at the door. We have a great crowd attending and are looking forward to a magnificent game. For those attending the Super Bowl Party, you will be treated to an amazing picture on all four of our 12' screens. In addition, because all of the equipment is ceiling mounted, the location of your seat really doesn't matter as everyone will be treated to the same amazing picture. The quality of the picture is as good or better than what you may have at home.

I sent out an email blast this past Wednesday to all parishioners regarding the upcoming Family Fun and Ministry Day. If you did not receive this email then we do not have your email address or have an incorrect email address. Have you submitted your email address? Email is an extremely effective way to convey important information quickly to all of our parishioners. If you would like to be included, please submit your email address to me at scotts@saintjohntheevangelist.com.

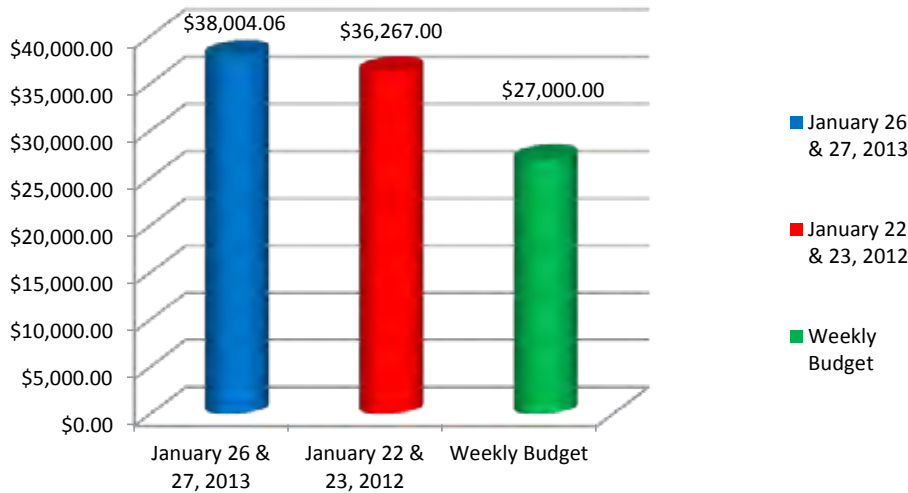
Did you know that we already have \$36,378.00 pledged towards the 2013 Catholic Faith Appeal? We are well "ahead of the 8-ball" with regards to reaching our goal for 2013. Thanks to those parishioners who have already contributed in 2013. Here's looking forward to another very successful appeal in 2013. And since I can't thank you enough.....Thank you again so much for your generosity in allowing us to greatly exceed our goal in 2012.

As you read my column, many members of our choir are travelling through Italy, culminating with a performance at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican. Other performances will include St. Francis Basilica in Assisi and Santa Maria Novella in Florence. Please pray for our very talented musicians as they entertain thousands throughout Italy.

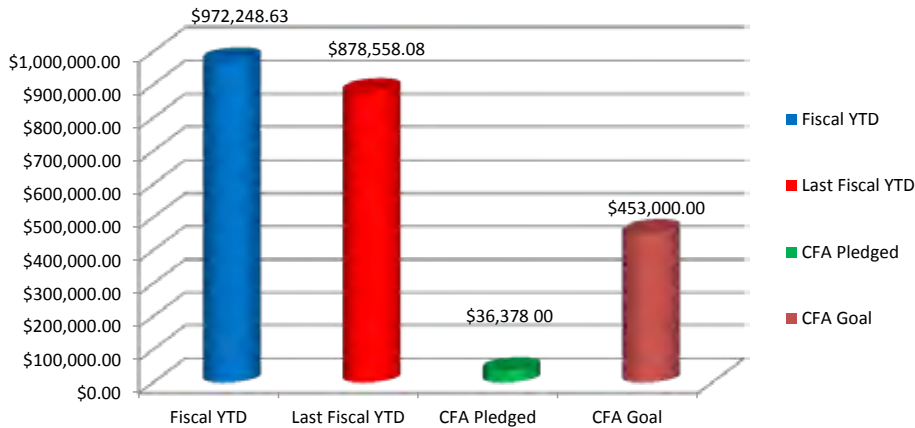
In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA
General Manager

Collection Summary



YTD/CFA Summary



Second Collection to Benefit Pius X Next Weekend

Poverty knows no season or recess at our sister parish in Kingston, Jamaica. The monies from this week's collection will keep the doors of St. Pius open and the programs there intact. We thank you for your support.

— *Jamaica Outreach Program*

Women's Conference Saturday, February 16

The 2013 Diocese of Venice Women's Conference will be Saturday, February 16, at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. Celebrate the "Year of Faith" with other women. The keynote speaker is Teresa Tomeo, author, syndicated Catholic talk show host and motivational speaker. Also speaking is Sister Mary Gabriel of the Sisters of Life and Dr. Jennifer Morse.

Register at: www.dioceseofvenice.org/events. For more information, call 941.484.9543 or email evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org

Diocesan Marriage Tribunal Information Evening

February 4 at 7:00 p.m.

**at St. Peter the Apostle
Ministry Center**

**5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd.
Naples, FL 34113**

This presentation is open to anyone who wants to learn more about the annulment process.

Members of the Diocese Tribunal will make a presentation and be available for questions. Please call Liz at 239.775.9576 ext. 102 for more information. Registration is not required.

Diocese of Venice in Florida Prayer for the Year of Faith

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



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

Bonita Village Band FREE Concert

Director Al Dalton

**Friday, February 8 at 7:30 p.m.
in Parish Life Center**

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

Questions - Call Pat Lampe 592-7845

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, February 3, 2013: the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **377 Sing a New Song** Dan Schutte

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

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

Preparation Song **Your Love Is Extravagant** Darrell Evans

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Your love ____ is ____ ex - tra - va - gant. ____ Your friend - ship, ____ mm, ____ in - ti - mate. ____

9 I find I'm mo - ving ____ to the rhythms of your grace; your fragrance is intox - i - cat - ing ____ in our se - cret place; ____

13 Your love ____ is ____ ex - tra - va - gant. ____

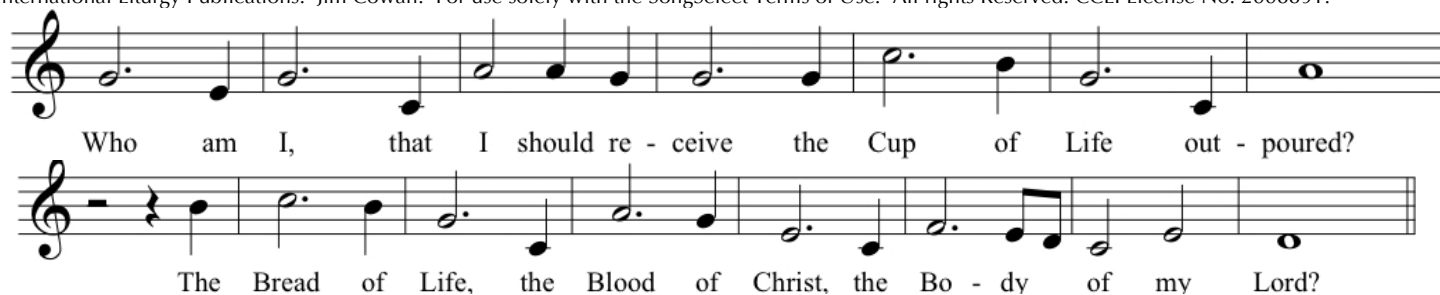
17 Spread wide ____ in the arms of Christ ____ is the love that con - quers sin.

21 No great - er love ____ have I ev - er known, ____ you con - sid - er me ____ a friend;

24 ____ cap - ture my heart a - gain. ____ Cap - ture my heart a - gain. ____

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

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



Verse 1) Lord, I believe! Help my unbelief!
Cause me to see you as you are:
The King of glory, the Lord of love
The Shepherd of my heart!

Verse 2) Too great for me, this wisdom of the Lord:
to hold the Savior in my hand.
And greater still, the gift of God:
That I should be one with Him!

Br.) Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*), Holy God (*Holy God*)
I come to receive you now. Come into my heart,
Fill my life, with your very Presence, Lord!

Coda) Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*),
Holy God (*Holy God*), Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*), Holy God (*Holy God*)—Lamb of God!

468 I Have Loved You

Fr. Michael Joncas

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

Verse 1
When he rolls up his sleeves, he ain't just 'puttin' on the ritz'
Our God is an awesome God!
There is thunder in his footsteps and lightning in his fists
Our God is an awesome God!
And the Lord wasn't joking when he kicked 'em out of Eden
It wasn't for no reason that he shed his blood
His return is very close and so you'd better be believin'
That our God is an awesome God! (*to chorus*)

Verse 2
When the sky was starless in the void of the night
Our God is an awesome God!
He spoke into the darkness and created the light
Our God is an awesome God!
Judgment and wrath he poured out on Sodom;
Mercy and grace he gave us at the Cross
I hope that we have not too quickly forgotten
That our God is an awesome God!



Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Psalms 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17

1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13

Luke 4:21-30

The Word & Life

Extraordinary Gifts for Ordinary People



he appealing discourse of the fulfillment of the Prophet Isaiah turns deadly when Jesus confronts the people of his town with the naked truth. In today's gospel, the people of Nazareth speak highly of Jesus because of his appealing words. No sooner do they express their admiration, than skepticism raises its ugly head. "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" One can almost hear the sentiments being voiced by some of those gathered in that place of worship — "Who does he think he is? We have seen this young man grow up and we know everything about him." Jesus understands the people of his hometown and confronts them with their narrow-mindedness and hardness of heart. Jesus calls to mind the stories of the widow in Zarephath and Naaman the Syrian, to point out that people can only experience God's presence and healing when their hearts are open. The extraordinary gifts of God can only be outpoured when people realize that God speaks to us in the ordinary realities of life. Jesus confronts his own with this basic truth. His townsfolk are not ready to be confronted by this wisdom and they are ready to kill him.

Today's message is applicable to us. We are being asked to remain open to God's truth and presence around us. There are times when people can confront us with certain sin, lack of love or respect — through their words they offer an opportunity to come back to the truth of knowing and loving God. Humility allows us to accept the whisperings of God's Spirit, through others, who are willing to bring us back to the way of love. In today's second reading, we are told that the highest spiritual gift is the way of love. This way is Jesus' example given to us in the gospels. God often surprises us during those moments when we become overwhelmingly aware of his presence. These moments of transcendence come to us when our hearts are open to a greater depth. A sunset often takes us away from life for just a moment in time where we experience the timeless energy of yesterday, today, and forever. An act of kindness offered to us reveals that God's power still shines through human

Reflection Questions

1. How am I open to God's Word?
2. Where have I been surprised by God's presence?
3. At what moments have I closed my heart to God's will?
4. What has God chosen for my life?
5. Do I resist God?
6. How do I allow love to shape my life?
7. How do people reject the presence of God in the world today?
8. Where do we encounter hardness of heart?
9. How is this gospel inviting me to transform my life?

weakness, making us strong. When we encounter the needs of others, we come to know the Christ of the poor and the broken. Before the Lord formed each one of us in the womb, He knew the kind of people we are. God understands the human heart within each one of us. He set aside something for each of us to accomplish. Through the choices that we make with the gift of free-will, we can accomplish extraordinary things in the humble and ordinary realities of our lives. If our hearts remain open to His presence, we will love without conditions, embrace others without question, and bring dignity to those who feel rejected and feel that life is not worth living. Maybe this is a good time for all of us to examine ourselves and consider where we have become hard of heart with others or ourselves.

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



Prayer

Lord, teach us yours ways — make known your ways in our lives. May we remain open to You in the unexpected of life. Let us hold on to the gifts of faith and hope – loving You in all people and in all things. Amen!

Voices of Faith

Aspects of Love - The Reality of God

To live without love
Is not to live at all
For man was born to love
Made in the image and likeness of Love itself

To go throughout life
And receive not the gift prepared for man
Is to leave him feeling isolated
In the darkness of loneliness

In silence does God speak
Whispering words of transforming power
“Love one another as I have loved you.
Remain in my love.”

For to live in love
Is to comprehend the mystery of God
And to experience His presence
In every humble act and prayer

In the ordinary comes the extraordinary
When a soul has been touched
And when a heart is opened
To aspects of love

In the patience of a parent toward a child
God’s holy presence is to be found
In the patience of a care-giver toward a loved one
God’s presence is to be found

In the kindness shown toward a lover
God’s initiative is extended in humanity’s capacity to give
In the kindness shown to the stranger, the bereaved, the poor and the broken
God’s initiative is extended in humanity’s capacity to give

God’s mystery unfolds not
Amidst jealousy and arrogance
Neither is God’s purpose clearly seen
In injuries kept or tempers raised

To understand the mystery of man’s existence
He has to enter into the sacredness of silence
To find his purpose and fulfillment
There he will find love beckoning him to move beyond

Faced with the knowledge of the threefold gift
Of Faith, Hope & Love
Spurs man on to grapple with these higher gifts
It is then that his love leads him to God and God leads him to an everlasting home

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



Image Jesus Sits by the Seashore and Preaches.
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Faith Formation



Jesus in the Synagogue

Mark Your Calendar

February 13

Ash Wednesday

(NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES)

March 20

First Communion Activity Night

March 28-31

Easter Triduum

May 3

First Holy Communion Rehearsal

May 4

First Holy Communion Ceremony

Faith Formation News

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

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

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.

First Holy Communion Rehearsal...will be on Friday, May 3, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom and the church. This will be the only rehearsal. Attendance is mandatory for all children receiving the sacrament.

First Holy Communion Ceremony...will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

Faith Formation continues on page 17



By Kathleen M. Carroll

Those of us privileged to raise children have a special kind of magical thinking. We delight over that infant 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, 2013, Franciscan Media

How do we know Mary was conceived without sin?

This is called the Immaculate Conception. Contrary to what many think, it refers to the conception of Mary, not of Jesus (that's the Annunciation). When the archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary at the Annunciation, he greeted her with, "*Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you*" (Luke 1:28). "Full of grace" is the key to the Immaculate Conception.

When Adam and Eve disobeyed God, they committed the first (Original) sin and their descendants (us) were all born with the stain of Original Sin. We also have personal sins we commit. We are not full of grace until we are baptized. Of course after baptism we still commit sin. At that point we need the Sacrament of Penance to get back to a state of grace.

For Gabriel to say Mary was full of grace means that she was without sin, even Original Sin. God granted Mary this gift since she was to be the mother of the Savior. She was a pure vessel for carrying Christ in her womb.

Growing in Faith, February 2013, Success Publishing & Media, LLC

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

GRADE 1

Life Question: What problems do you see around you?

Gospel Question: How can we help as Jesus teaches us?

GRADES 2-3

Life Question: Who believes in you?

Gospel Question: Who believes in Jesus?

GRADES 4-5

Life Question: Why do people reject prophets?

Gospel Question: Who does Jesus say he is?

GRADES 6-8

Life Question: How do you deal with rejection?

Gospel Question: What does Jesus mean when he says that a prophet is not welcome in his hometown?

GRADES 9-12

Life Question: Who do you see rejected in your community?

Gospel Question: Why does Jesus anger the hometown folks?

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Join us for a casual talk on preparing for Lent!

THIS Wednesday, February 6th, 5:30pm—7:00pm

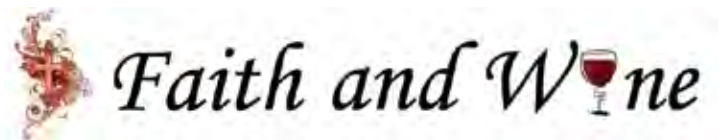
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Finger-Food Pot-Luck!

Meet New People!

Learn More About Our Faith!

Nursery Available for
the Little Ones!



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author, catholic radio and tv host

A captivating speaker, Teresa hosts
"Catholic Connection" (Ave Maria Radio)
and co-hosts "The Catholic View
for Women" (EWTN)

**Bringing America
Back to Life**

**February 20
6 pm - 8:30 pm**

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

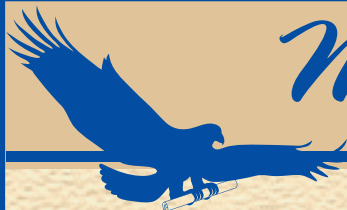
Cost: \$15 per person (includes light dinner). Pay in advance online at FaithAndWine.com.

Seating is limited. Sell out expected.

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Ministry Spotlight

To learn more about these ministries or to join any of the ministries, please contact the names listed with each ministry. Brochures are also available in the Ministry Wagon in the church narthex. In addition, representatives from various ministries will be at the Family Fun & Ministry Day Sunday, March 10 from noon to 3:00 p.m.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Contact: Andrea Bamrick
ambamrick@comcast.net; 239.691.8896

Description: The Baptism Preparation Ministry prepares families for the sacrament of Baptism for their child. Working as a team, the ministry consists of class facilitators, hospitality and administration. The program helps parents to understand that through Baptism their child will receive from God the great heritage of the gift of faith.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Contact: David Quist
dquist@comcast.net; 239.594.2071

Description: The Buildings and Grounds Committee advises the Pastor, Pastoral Council and Finance Council on all issues related to existing and future parish buildings, property and equipment. The Committee conducts an annual review of all parish facilities, grounds and equipment; and the Committee identifies, prioritizes and determines responsibility for various maintenance projects and equipment.

CIRCLE OF COMFORT

Contact: Jim and Darlene Follese
jdfollese@comcast.net; 239.495.9741

Description: **AFFECTED BY CANCER?** 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. Jim and Darlene have experienced those feeling during their journey with cancer. Share experiences of faith, strength and prayer to help each other live one day at a time through encouragement, prayer, laughter or whatever it takes to bring comfort to each other.

CRAFT AND SEWING GROUP

Contact: Nancy Cote
cncote@aol.com; 239.514.0410

Description: The Sewing Group Ministry provides children's clothing for the needy children of Immokalee, which are distributed through the Guadalupe Center or the Compassionate Friends of St. John's, and they provide

clothing for an orphanage in Kentucky. Additionally, the Sewing Group provides various needs for other needy groups, including victims of Hurricane Sandy in New York. The Sewing Group also works with the Arts and Liturgical Commission to provide altar cloths and banners. In addition, the group makes vestment repairs and works with the Family Ministry in making costumes for events like "The Christmas Story."

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Contact: Ernie Woonsam
lwoonsam@embarqmail.com; 239.947.8618

Description: The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Commission assist the clergy in the distribution of Holy Communion within the Catholic community of St. John the Evangelist so as to ensure that all Catholics, within the parish boundaries, desiring to receive Holy Communion are offered that opportunity at least weekly. Ministers distribute Holy Communion at all Masses and on a daily basis to Catholic patients of North Collier County hospitals, as well as nursing homes and homebound parishioners.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

Contact: Bill Shanahan
billpat@embarqmail.net; 239.514.2927

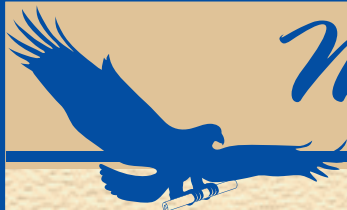
Description: The Families Helping Families Ministry is a service for families with a member who has a problem with alcohol and/or drugs.

GREETERS AND USHERS

Contact: John Smith
johngramps@comcast.net; 239.598.2306

Description: The Greeters and Ushers Commission greets, welcomes and assists the faithful as they gather for worship. They assist in seating parishioners, help at the offertory, appoint and assist gift bearers and direct the communion process. They are trained to handle any emergencies that may occur.

SEE PAGE 20 FOR MORE MINISTRIES



Ministry Spotlight

To learn more about these ministries or to join any of the ministries, please contact the names listed with each ministry. Brochures are also available in the Ministry Wagon in the church narthex. In addition, representatives from various ministries will be at the Family Fun & Ministry Day Sunday, March 10 from noon to 3:00 p.m.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Contact: Nick Kouloheras

NKouloheras@HFHcollier.com; 239.775.0036

Description: Habitat for Humanity of Collier County works in partnership with God and people of all walks of life in the Naples area to build homes for qualifying families in need. Homes are sold at cost with a no-interest mortgage to eligible families who are living and working in Collier County. All Habitat families qualify if they are legal residents or U.S. citizens, earn low wages, live in unacceptable conditions and are willing to partner with Habitat.

JAMAICA OUTREACH PROGRAM (JOP)

Contact: Al Kerns

akerns@centurylink.net; 239.514.1553

Description: The Jamaica Outreach Program (JOP) Ministry helps the poor in Jamaica through the sister-parish relationship of St. John the Evangelist and St. Pius X in Kingston, Jamaica. JOP provides funds, goods and services in the following areas: food and clothing, housing and community support, optical, medical and dental care.

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

Contact: Ann Orem

agorem@comcast.net; 239.566.9636

Description: The Knitting and Crocheting Ministry knits and crochets to benefit those in need. It makes baby hats and booties, blankets for babies, hats for chemo patients, lap robes for hospitalized servicemen and prayer shawls for people who are ill.

LADIES OF CHARITY

Contact: Valerie Matulis

valmatulis@aol.com; 239.390.3545

Description: Ladies of Charity is a local chapter of a national organization, the Ladies of Charity of the United States of America. The Ladies meet monthly and they volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and

to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. This past Christmas the Ladies of Charity sponsored a bike drive and parishioners donated over 200 bikes for the children in Immokalee.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Contact person: Martha Oram

imartha@saintjohntheevangelist.com;

239.566.8740, ext. 123

Description: The Marriage Preparation Program is mandated by the Diocese of Venice and requires a six-month notice. Couples typically attend a Pre-Cana Conference first and then meet with facilitators and complete a FOCUS inventory. After completing the inventory the facilitators and couple meet again to review the results. Married couples interested in serving as facilitators are welcome to join the program.

MEN'S CLUB

Contact: Andy Sanfelippo

Email: aksanfelippo@comcast.net; 239.949.7122

Description: The Men's Club organizes, cooks, orders and serves food and beverages and otherwise provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. It hosts the parish picnic, Children's Easter Egg Hunt, and the men work closely with the Family Ministry at many of their events. The Men's Club organizes four or five big band dances each year and donates the proceeds to parish causes.

SING-A-LONG

Contact: Jayne Potter

nfn19816@naples.net; 239.597.5483

Description: The Sing-along consists of groups of parishioners who visit local nursing homes and assisted living facilities and conduct sing-a-longs with residents. The group meets twice a month, volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound.

MORE MINISTRIES WILL BE FEATURED IN FUTURE BULLETINS

**Remaining Big
Band Dances**

**Thursday,
February 7**

**Tuesday,
February 19**

**Tuesday,
March 5**

**Tuesday,
March 19**

**Tuesday,
April 2**

**To reserve a
table of 8, call
239-394-0470**

Singles Welcome

BIG BAND DANCE

Next Dance of the Season

Thursday, February 7, 2013

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

Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era

Featuring the Live Southwest Florida

16-piece Orchestra

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



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*

The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist

Proudly Presents



The Valentine's Day Dance

Saturday, February 9

With Billy Dean and Dawn

6:00 - 9:30 p.m.

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

OPEN BAR

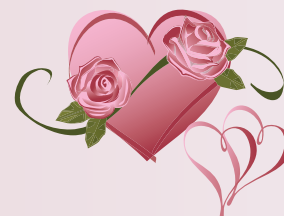
Tickets: \$45 per person.

**On sale after all weekend masses. No
sales after February 3rd or at the door.**

*Please make checks payable to:
The Knights of Columbus.*

For more information, please contact

Jim McDonald at 598-3789



**JACKETS
REQUIRED.**

Last year's event supported
the following charities:
Guadeloupe Social Services,
Immokalee Pregnancy
Center, Providence House,
St. Joseph Food Pantry, St.
Mathews House, St. Vincent
DePaul, and Sunlight Home.



Safe Environment Training Classes Offered at St. John the Evangelist February 14 and 16

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment.

Classes will be held at St. John the Evangelist on Thursday, February 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 16 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

To register for the classes at St. John, call the parish office during regular hours at 239.566.8740

For further information or to find other classes in the area, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment. The next classes will be offered in the Summer/Fall 2013.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Understanding the Gospels

Presented by Deacon Hal Brenner

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



Course Objective

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

Class 5 - 2/5/13 How Do You Know?

Matthew: The Bridge

Class 6 - 2/12/13 The Bible — How to

Use It and Gospel Sources

Matthew's Good News

Class 7 - 2/19/13 Gospel Summary

Jesus the Teacher

Class 8 - 2/26/13 Key Biblical Dates

Luke's Good News

Providence House Needs Your Help!

Providence House, a Naples non-profit 501c organization, is completely community supported with no government funding. Providing a faith-based, transitional program for motivated low income single women with young children, Providence House offers these mothers the opportunity to overcome the barriers that contribute to homelessness and hinder the goal of earning a living wage.



Your help matters to them! How can you help? Become a volunteer, join a mentoring group, make a gift of your time, talent or treasure and/or help with the Providence House Annual Luncheon Fundraiser.

For more details, call Barbara Kuryea, at 239.253.0567, who is a St. John parishioner and also a current volunteer and mentor at Providence House.

"Life is an adventure, dare it."

- Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

St. John's 15th Annual

SUPERBOWL PARTY

San Francisco 49ers vs. Baltimore Ravens

Sunday, February 3, 2013

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

Game Time - about 6:08 p.m.

\$25 PER PERSON INCLUDES:

Pork Loin Sandwiches, Chicken Wings, Sausage, Salads, Cheese Trays, Chips, Popcorn and Cake

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

****BYOB—MIXERS PROVIDED**

WATCH THE GAME ON OUR FOUR 12' SCREENS

while enjoying the best Superbowl deal in town

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

***Tickets are available after all Sunday Morning Masses
in front of church and at the door in the evening.***

Games of Chance Available

BET A BUCK — WIN A BUNDLE