



Mylin Martin visits with some of the youth from St. Lucia. She was one of three teens from the Saint John the Evangelist Youth Group who travelled to St. Lucia as missionaries earlier this month.

Read Mylin's story on page 7.



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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by

August 27, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM + Paul Grip Sandy & Al Pistoctcchi

Vigil Services

3:00 PM Josephine Manes Toney Manes
5:00 PM Ludwig & Mary Ann Abruzzo

55th Wedding Anniversary

Dr. Edmond J. McDonnell

August 28, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM

9:00 AM + Ed DeJohn Virginia Corte's

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Herold Paul, Jr. Dr. Roberta Horton

5:00 PM + Nanci Walker Daughter, Nanci Walker

Wine & Host in Memory of Jean Chapman - Requested by The Chapman Family Altar Flowers in Memory of June & Rocco Vacca - Requested by Sandra Vacca

Frank Holterhoff

August 29, 2011 Monday

8:30 AM + Rev. Al McPartland Bill & Eileen Carr

August 30, 2011 Tuesday

8:30 AM Vincenza Masotti John Palumbo

August 31, 2011 Wednesday

8:30 AM Nancy DeAngelis

September 1, 2011 Thursday

8:30 AM Robert Wahl Children & Grandchildren

September 2, 2011 Friday

8:30 AM + Cecilia Schultz Joanie Schultz

September 3, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM + Catherine Pfau William & Patricia Pfau

Vigil Services

5:00 PM

3:00 PM + Joe Rossi Bobbie Turner

5:00 PM + Clara Gazzaroli Frank & Joseph Gazzaroli (Sons)

September 4, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM + Thomas S. Riley Esther Riley
9:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Blacklidge Mr. & Mrs. Michael Blacklidge
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Fay Moots Mark Moots Family

Mary Lou & Ned Leibig

Wine and Host in Memory of Earl Sundstrom - Requested by Tim & Mary Pettay Altar Flowers in Memory of Patricia Curcio - Requested by Husband & Family

Homebound: Eucharistic Ministers are available at any time to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Contact Lou Altieri, 450.6004

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 27, 2011

St. Monica

1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30

Vigil Services

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Sunday, August 28, 2011

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Monday, August 29, 2011

The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mk 6:17-29

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

Eid al-Fit'r (Islamic feast of the conclusion of Ramadan) celebrated this week

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, August 31, 2011

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, September 1, 2011

Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Friday, September 2, 2011

First Friday

Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday, September 3, 2011

St. Gregory the Great; First Saturday

Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Vigil Services

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Sunday, September 4, 2011

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95; Rom 13:8-10;

Mt 18:15-20

Dr. James Dillon

This Is the Youth of the Pope

"Esta es el joventud del Papa!"

Ask anyone within earshot of Madrid's sun baked streets this past week what refrain echoed loudest and vou would be told: Esta es el joventud del Papa! (This is the youth of the Pope!) Chants, cheers, songs and a youthful energy were all part of the grandiose gathering between the Pope and our worldwide Catholic youth this past week. I was privileged to witness the throng of over 1 million persons excited about life, faith, the church and one another.



This was my first World

Youth Day and the atmosphere and my companions couldn't have been better in any measure. I found myself with some 100 young pilgrims, youth directors and priests from the Diocese of Venice outbound from Miami. The expectations were high and the immediate familiarity was felt by everyone. Upon our arrival, both seasoned veterans and newcomers alike took advantage of the many opportunities World Youth Day offers. All of us attended conferences, talks, and group catechesis. We met with other groups and found old friends. It was great to share experiences and converse on just about everything with other youth.

Coming together for Mass offered opportunities to worship with and befriend people from across the globe. One might find themselves singing with students from Singapore, sisters from Kenya or teens from Sweden. For the traveler, above

all, it helps to remember that World Youth Day is a pilgrimage. This means great experiences of prayer and fellowship, but the occasional endurance of crowds and long lines for pretty much everything. The sacrifices, however, are very much worth the experiences. Personally, the gathering was very compelling for me. To see the enthusiasm of so many from around the world is a sign of hope that good things, great initiatives and a powerful witness lies ahead for the future of the church.

The impression I took from

my many encounters and conversations with fellow young people from home and abroad is that many of us do have a desire to live good lives, promote our faith and love our church. The message of Jesus Christ is alive and well no matter how dismal things may seem or even be at times. While all of us share an inner commitment and disposition to live the Gospel, it really helps to come together at times and share our beliefs, triumphs and struggles. In fact, our communion with one another in Christ is an essential ingredient. Not a single one of us believes, lives or prays alone. We know and need to remember that we are united with people all around the word in faith.

To me, the experience of Christ through our gathering together seems to be the great genius behind world youth day as laid out by its founder Blessed John Paul II. Many of us young people are at such a fragile stage in our lives, we are weighing, discerning

and balancing all that we know to be good and what new things others tell us are good. Sure, having good roots and principles help, but as we struggle to identify ourselves we often need the encouragement of peers and role models to take what good we have been given and work to make things even better. The involvement of so many church leaders, catechists, priests, youth directors and the Pope himself, all attest to the priority of educating and encouraging youth to be active in the life of Faith.

For myself as a young person soon to be entering ministry, which means a different leadership role in the Church, I really felt like this experience of World Youth Day served as an enlightening transition. I am leaving one role in the Church and entering a new one with all the vigor, happiness and aspirations God has given me, and World Youth Day has helped me see that even more clearly than I did before. I am happy to be young, blessed to be Catholic and anxious to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Article submitted by Seminarian Matthew Grady

Parish Clergy



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli Associate
Fr. Thomas Kelly Associate

Fr. George Hazler Retired

Deacon Hal Brenner

Deacon Rob Chalhoub

Deacon Frank Paniccia

Deacon Al Groh

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of Baptism

The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. Classes are offered once a month and baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 1:00 p.m. Mass. Please call the parish office to register for a class. Upon completion of the class and fulfillment of the godparent requirements, parents may schedule a baptism date.

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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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

8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Mases:

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

11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

Contemporary Sunday Mass:

5:00 p.m.

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Thank you!

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2011 & 2012.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2011 & 2012 availability. Call or visit the office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION...

Help Welcome Newly Baptized Infants Into Our Parish Community

Are you a warm and welcoming person who has two hours a month to welcome newly baptized infants and their families into

our parish community?



If you are interested in sharing in the excitement and joy of the sacrament of baptism with young parents, our Baptism Hospitality Team could use your help! The St. John Baptism Team is seeking caring and friendly parishioners willing to greet and

guide families on their baptism day from their initial arrival at the church and throughout the baptism ceremony.

Give witness to your faith and belief in the importance of baptism as you welcome newborns and their families. With baptisms now being offered at St. John on the first and third Sundays each month after the 1:00 p.m. Mass, we will create a schedule based on your availability to serve.

To learn more about this beautiful ministry, please contact Natalie at 566.8740 ext. 134 or Natalie@saintjohntheevangelist.com

A one-hour training session for our Hospitality Team members will be offered in September, so please contact us soon if you'd like to volunteer!

Faith Formation Department

Margie Lynch, Director of Faith Formation • Tiffany Moody, Administrative Assistant
Phone: 239.514.2927 • Fax: 239.566.9117

Email: Faithformation@saintjohntheevangelist.com

Registration for 2011-2012 Faith Formation Program is now Open!

Deadline: August 31, 2011

- Our Faith Formation Program is open to all children of our parish. If you are not a member of our parish,
 please complete a separate Family Parish Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms must be completed
 and submitted to the Faith Formation office located in the Claussen Family Center prior to registering your child in the
 program. Parish registration forms can be found online or in our parish office.
- 2. Please complete a separate Faith Formation Registration Form for each of your children. Along with each child's registration form, please include a copy of their Baptismal Certificate as well as any and all applicable fees. Please note when completing medical release form the form must be notarized.

 Incomplete registration forms will not be accepted!
- 3. Registration deadline is August 31, 2011. Mail or drop off your completed Faith Formation Registration Form to the Faith Formation office located in the Claussen Family Center Monday Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please make all checks payable to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church and include each individual child's name on the memo line.

Faith Formation students are now on Summer Break!

Faith Formation classes will resume Sunday, September 11, 2011 and Wednesday, September 14, 2011



Due to a growing Faith Formation Program, we are in need of additional catechists and aides. If you feel called to this ministry of working with God's children, please contact Margie Lynch, Director of Faith Formation at 239.514.2927, or email Faithformation@saintjohntheevangelist.com.



RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We are presently accepting names for September 2011. For more information: Please call Margie Lynch, Director of RCIA, at 239.514.2927, or email RCIA@saintjohntheeyangelist.com

SAVE THE DATES



Mass of Remembrance on 10th Anniversary of September 11

Sunday, September 11, 9:00 a.m.

Mass Taping at St. John the Evangelist

(Change of Date)

Wednesday, September 21, 10:00 a.m. Celebration of the Feast of Christ the King

> New Parishioners Meet Your Priests

Saturday, November 5

Veterans Day Mass

Thursday, November 10, 9:00 a.m.

PRAYER GROUPS

Centering Prayer

The Centering Prayer group meets weekly on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. in room 15 of the Claussen Center. On Tuesday mornings, The Centering Prayer group will meet in the Parish Library after the 8:30 Mass (9:15.) Everyone is welcome. Vincent Cinque: 566.2937

Divine Will Prayer Group

Fridays at 9:45 a.m.: The Divine Will Prayer Group studies living the "Our Father" through the writings of Venerable Louisa Piccarreta. We meet in the Claussen Center. Please join us. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Liturgy of the Hours after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

St. John Prayer Group

St. John prayer group meets Wednesday mornings after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Pat & Eloisa Velasquez

Carmella Weeks

Francis Whitlock

Tom Wood

Billie Ray Whitlow

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Bradley N. Chartier

U.S. Army

Sgt. Chris Counts U.S. Marine Corp

BU3 Charlie Davidson

U.S. Navy

Specialist Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army, serving in Ft Bragg, N.C

Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force

Lt. Joseph Gilig

1st Marine Division * LAV Recon

Ssgt. Patrick H. Hammer

U.S.Marine Corp * LAV Recon

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

Lt. John Meyers

U.S. Army

Lt. Col. David McNulty

U.S.Air Force, (Serving in Afghanistan)

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)

PFC. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Capt. Daniel Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. John Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. Martin Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Capt. Oliver Schrang

U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Houng Tran

U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

Deployed on US.S. Boxer

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Rodger Welker

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

Tyler Ostos Maryann Hart Jacob Andrew Paticia Palumbo Thomas Hartsell Makayla Basile Maryla Panagos Dick Becker Mary Haynes Linda Berry Joe Hilberg Marigo Pappas-Daley Robet Brassil Scott Hoban Dolly Parker Matt Brown Mary Charlotte Hollohan Mary Petty Christine Cassara Val Hunt Joe Pohrer Mario Incatasciato Angela Preuss James Castaldi IxChel and Zara Alex Primrose David Colando Alicia Rodriguez Jordan Cole Ann Marie Johnson Patricia Brady Convery Cade Joslin Judy Roth Matt Koswenda and Family Joseph Ryan Robert Cuellar Mary Seegar Cammie Leake Tanya Cuellar Patricia Shannahan Marigo Pappas-Daley Emil Liberatore Leonard Sbrocco Shirley Lisk Anthony D'Antuono Jean Smith Ruth Lisser Owen Destino Deacon Norman LaLone Jeffrey Smith Maurice DeVito Jeanne Snodgress Peggy Marino Donna DiMaggio Allan Stencil Dee Donnelly **Brad Martin** Andrew and Christian Suarez Jeanne Majeske Carl Edwards Theresa Marcie Erickson Mary Jane Mary Tracy Elsa Everstijn Barbara A. Matyas Jim Fargo Bruce Metcalf Marie Trucco Conchita Turros Lois Finucane Colleen McIntosh Raymond Vasko Christina Gable James Miller

Bob Garbinsky
Gladis Garcia
Rev. Richard Mueller
Jackie Gibson
Rosemary Gold
Matt, Laura, Leo & Lola Grabinski
Raymond H.

Alex Moody
Rev. Richard Mueller
Marjorie Nelson
Peter Nicoletta
Roger Oberg
Janice O'Connor

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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.

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Name		
Please print first and last name		
Requested by		
Your Phone Number	Date	

Seeing God In the Faces of Those We Meet

"I sense that my purpose here on Earth is to help spread the word of God. I feel that we get so caught up with society that it easy to just close our eyes at things we're not accustomed to seeing." — Mylin Martin

Three teens from the Saint John the Evangelist Youth Group travelled to St. Lucia as missionaries August 1 -12, 2011. They were accompanied by Brendan Budlong, director, and Fr. John, pastor. Over the next several weeks these missionaries will share their insights and experiences while serving as missionaries.

I was told that in order to make a difference, you have to want to make the difference, and you have to be willing to sacrifice more than just your time. From the moment I stepped off of the plane in the simply beautiful island of St. Lucia, I then knew that my life would forever be changed.

Getting to St. Lucia was a mini adventure; let's just say we got to know the airport of San Juan, Puerto Rico, pretty well! However, being stranded in the airport for those two days (for some three days) wasn't completely dreadful, they were quite beneficial. Those two/three days gave us all the chance to bond and help us become the "family" we are today.

Even though I didn't exactly have a particular experience that stood out from any other, each and every task I did, every place I went, and every person I met, had its own individual meaning. One aspect that I will mention was the fact that even though these people had no idea who we were, or what we were there to do, they put all of their trust in us. For instance, when we would go to the local elementary school (Babonneau Primary School to be exact) for vacation bible school, the kids there would cling onto you, knowing that they were safe and taken care of.

When I took on the mission, I was told that I was to see God in the face of those I'd meet; but when I got there, I saw more than God in their face. One astonishing person I met and got the privilege to speak to was a woman known as Cecil. As soon as I walked through the doors of Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity house, I noticed the lame, helpless person adjacent to her. I began talking to Cecil and hearing her story on how she knew the person next to her, named Shena. She began to explain to me, when Shena was little she was abandoned and was evidently mentally and physically disabled. Cecil took her in as her own and cared for her; right then and there, I saw the face of God, the maternal ways of the Blessed Mother Mary, and the strength, patience and will of Mother Teresa.

Throughout my entire mission trip, I found myself realizing how amazing and rewarding it feels to have someone say or just knowing that you've made an impact on their life. I feel that they've taught me and given me so much more than I anticipated; for that,

I am so thankful. To see the poverty and the hurt (emotional and physical) was very difficult and, I admit, there were some disturbing sights; but what I noticed is that despite all of the hurt and the dangers

surrounding them, these people live their lives with vitality, hope, and a feeling of contentment.

I may not be famous or a well known, important person, but I have a voice and my voice does matter. As a part of the next generation to rule the world, I sense that my purpose here on Earth is to help spread the word of God. I feel that we get so caught up with society that it easy to just close our eyes at things we're not accustomed to seeing. When I signed up for this mission trip, I had no idea what to expect, and sure, I had to step

out of my comfort zone and reach my hand out to those who yearned for it the most.

I am a child of God. From this day forward, I shall walk with not only an open heart and open mind, but with open eyes and an open hand.

"I have but one candle of life to burn, and I would rather



(Far Top) Mylin Martin with school supplies to a St. Lucian student. visits with some of the youth from St. Lucia.

hands over a backpack (Above and Left) Mylin

burn it out in a land filled with darkness, than in a land flooded with light!'

— John Keith Falconer

Article submitted by Mylin Martin, Youth Ministry

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St. Vincent de Paul:

Bill Smart 566.8740

Arimatheans

A group of caring parishioners who wish to support their brothers & sisters in Christ, who have experienced the loss of a loved one, by attending the funeral as representation of our faith community. Virginia: 597.7687

Bible Teaching

Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m., Claussen Center for relevant Bible teaching and oral interpretation of the Scriptures. Everyone interested in acquiring greater understanding of the weekly readings and growing in faith with us are welcome to join. Victor 290.9090

Cursillistas

Third Tuesday monthly at 7:30 PM: The Naples area Ultreya meets at St. William's Ministry Center, Seagate Drive. All Cursillistas are welcome including visitors & seasonal residents. Loretta Judy: 596.2291

The Circle of Comfort

Are you or a loved one affected by cancer? We are a support team. Our mission is to help, encourage, pray, listen, laugh or whatever it takes to help each other live one day at a time. So for anyone who has been affected by cancer, let us share our journey of experience, strength and hope. We do not meet on a regular basis. If you can't come to us, we will come to you. Call Jim or Darlene: 495,9741

Divorced and Separated

Join us to accept, love and discover the person God creates us to be. The end of a marriage does not mean the end to our life. Always remember we are always welcome at our church and most important in our Lord's loving arms. For more information call 200.8881

Families Helping Families

Mondays at 6 p.m. A program for families with a member who has a problem with alcohol &/or drugs. This is a small group setting where we talk & answer questions. Bill: 498.7523

Grief Support

There will be no more Grief Support sessions in August. Sessions will resume in September with sessions on the second and fourth Wednesdays monthly in room 13 of the Claussen Center at 10:00 a.m. Deacon Al: 566.8740, ext. 125

Knights of Columbus

Last Monday of every month: St. John K of C Officers. First Monday of every month: Regular meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited to join our Council meeting. 495.9741

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

First and third Tuesday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Bill Smart: 566.8740

Knitting & Crocheting

Tuesdays from 10:00-Noon: Want to learn? We are a service group that knits & crochets to benefit those in need: blankets for soldiers, hats for cancer patients, baby hats & booties, & prayer shawls. Anne Orem: 566.9636

Ladies of Charity

The group meets monthly and volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. They are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

Mah Jong

Wednesday, noon-3 p.m.. Beginners welcome. Joan Scariotti: 594.0994

Maternity Outreach

This ministry is for new or expectant mothers who are interested in this ministry's support or are just looking for fellowship and friendship. Tiffany Moody: 514.2927, or email: tmoody123@comcast.net.

Men's Club

Group of dedicated men — with the superb assistance from their ladies — whose primary mission is to assist and pastor and the parish. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at 2:00 for about one hour. The next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 13.New members welcome. Andy Sanfelippo: 949.7122

M.O.F.I.A.

The group discusses the Holy Scriptures and its application to everyday life. Pizza, soft drinks, & a casual discussion group. Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

Philothea

Wednesday nights from 7-9 p.m. Women ages of 20-45 meet to support & encourage one another through the joys & sufferings of their respective vocations as mothers, wives, & career women. This is a time to grow in fellowship with one another in & towards a greater relationship with Jesus, our Savior. Ruth Wardein: 398.4428 or email: redheded28@yahoo.com

Pinochle

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

Religious Gift Shop

Summer hours effective until November 7: Saturday 2:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m., Sunday 7:45 a.m. -1:00 p.m. The shop is closed Monday through Friday. 591,4668

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities

Sing-a-longs at the local nursing homes and assisted living facilities will resume in October, 2011 through April, 2012. Schedules will be printed in the parish bulletin. Remember there are many in these places who would enjoy your joy-filled visit all year round. Jayne Potter: 597.5483.

St. John Choir

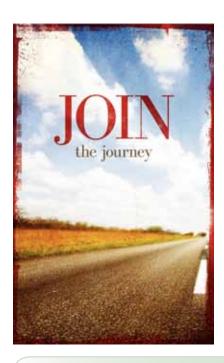
Rehearsals: Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 p.m.

St. John Nursery

Available for the 3 & 5 on Saturday, & 9, 11, & 1 on Sunday. The nursery is located in the PLC. Children ages 1-5. Kellymarie: 514.2937

St. John Sewing

Sewing for Immokalee and Jamaica. Will return November, 2011.



RCIA

Is something lacking in your life?

Do you want true happiness?

Are you ready to put Christ in your life?

Do you need spiritual growth?

Do you want to renew your faith iourney?

Are you returning to the church?

Are you seeking the Sacraments of Initiation?

Do you know your faith?

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

For more information, please contact Margie Lynch at 239-514-2927 or email us at RCIA@saintjohntheevangelist.com.

New Ministry For "Seniors Only" Coming Thursday, September 22

Plans are now underway to develop a new ministry that will offer the senior citizens at St. John the Evangelist an opportunity for entertainment and socialization.

The first social event will be Thursday, September 22 at 11:30 a.m. with a complimentary lunch in the PLC ballroom. *Couples. Singles. All "Seniors" are invited.*

SAVE THE DATE.

More details will follow in a future issue of *The Evangelist*.

Irish High Tea with Fr. John

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Library at the PLC

All Men & Women Invited!

Bring this form to the Parish Office

For validation with Payment of \$10 (This is your ticket)

Limited to 40 tickets



Ticket #

Tuesday, September 27, 2011 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Questions for Fr. John: (about our Church, our Parish, our Faith)					
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If the forecast held true, then Hurricane Irene made a northerly turn and completely missed the state of Florida. Let us pray for the safety and well being of those in the path of Irene in the Carolinas and beyond. We may get some wind and rain but will have been spared from any serious weather or damage. I would say that this would be

much needed rainfall, however, we are on a roll recently and have received measurable rainfall (at least a trace) every day since August 14. We are building a healthy surplus of water in

our lake at the front of the site. Our Canadian goose seems to have risen several feet over the last few weeks. We still have approximately two months remaining in the rainy season so barring a dry spell, we should be in pretty good shape heading into fall.

The lighting in the North parking lot behind the Claussen Center has been an issue since the installation back in 2005.

The bollard lights initially installed have deteriorated and been reduced to a corroded mess in only six years. Mark Stahlman (buildings and grounds committee member) recently contacted the original vendor to come out and inspect the bollards. Based on their deplorable condition, the vendor has agreed to replace all 45 fixtures at no cost to the parish. We will only be responsible for labor to install the new fixtures. Thanks to Mark for his efforts in saving the parish substantial dollars and enhancing the poor lighting in our parking lot.

In last week's column, I inadvertently included the wrong dates for the flu shots. Here is the correct information. The Visiting Nurses Association will once again offer Flu and Pneumonia shots right here at St. John the Evangelist on **Thursday**, **October 6** and **Tuesday**, **November 15** beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. The seasonal Flu shot is \$25 and the Pneumonia shot is \$65. Both shorts are covered by Medicare Part B.

After meeting with several members of the finance council last week, the subject of the Catholic Faith Appeal came up and a long discussion ensued. These members were concerned that many of our parishioners are still not completely aware of the mechanics of the CFA. Over the past eight years, I have explained in detail from the altar and in writing the importance

of the CFA and the financial implications of reaching and exceeding our goal. However, I will once again lay it out in detail. As you know, the CFA is the single most important component of our annual budget. This year's assessment/goal is \$440,000.00. How is this number derived? We are assessed at a rate of 26% on all receipts which the Diocese of Venice deems to be assessable income. This includes regular offertory, rental income, memorial garden income and special gifts and donations. Jamaica Outreach, Habitat for Humanity and all Diocesan Collections (Catholic University, Peters Pence, etc...) are non-assessable. We then receive a credit (30%) for all donations made for tuition subsidies and gifts to other



parishes. Gifts to other parishes would include the payment of our obligation for the convent in Clewiston. The net of the assessable receipts and credits results in our annual assessment. which is based on the prior fiscal year. Beginning in February with kickoff Sunday, we have approximately 11 months to raise the funds to meet our goal. Everyone receives a mailer from the Diocese

and has the option of making an annual pledge. We strongly encourage all parishioners to make a pledge. Many choose to forego this option and make donations to the CFA through the offertory during the course of the year. These checks are then sent directly to the Diocese of Venice. The funds allocated for the CFA are non-assessable and every penny of every dollar donated will be used to offset our assessment. Your contributions to the CFA are not recognized by the parish, and, therefore, you will not see your gifts on the annual statement from St. John the Evangelist. You will receive an acknowledgement from the Diocese of Venice at year's end detailing your contributions to the CFA if you gave in excess of \$250.00 during the calendar year. If not, you will need to retain your cancelled checks or copies for tax purposes. If we exceed our \$440,000.00 goal by the first week of January 2012, the excess will be returned to the parish free of assessment to be used for whatever programs or ministries we choose. This could be a huge windfall for the parish as we could use these funds to create reserves to replace the aging Parish Life Center air conditioning units or to purchase materials for Faith Formation, Music, etc. Conversely, if we fall short of our goal, which we have numerous times in the past, we must use funds out of our general operating income to pay the shortfall. We

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have exceeded our goal for the past three years straight, however, this year we seem to be lagging behind somewhat. Our budget for 2011/2012 is based on meeting our CFA goal, therefore, if we fall short, this could certainly be a "budget buster." I hope this lengthy explanation has cleared up any questions you may have about the mechanics of the Catholic Faith Appeal. It is imperative that we reach our goal and with your help, I am confident that we can extend our streak to four years.

a pledge or contribution to the Catholic Faith Appeal. Please make your check payable to the CFA with St. John the Evangelist in the memo line.

I have included in this bulletin (page 15) frequently asked questions regarding the Catholic Faith Appeal. This should clear up an misconceptions you may have as to the use of your donations. Thanks you again for your support of the Catholic Faith Appeal.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA

If you are able, please consider making General Manager **Collection Summary** \$27,000.00 \$30,000.00 \$25,000.00 August 20 & \$18,695.00 \$18,151.00 21, 2011 \$20,000.00 August 14 & \$15,000.00 15, 2010 \$10,000.00 Weekly \$5,000.00 Budget \$0.00 August 20 & August 14 & Weekly Budget 21, 2011 15, 2010 YTD/CFA Summary \$440,000.00 \$450,000.00 \$400,000.00 Fiscal YTD \$350,000.00 \$276,147.67

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25th Anniversary Florida **Respect Life Conference**

Registration is now open for the statewide Respect Life Conference! Join others from across the state for the 25th Anniversary Florida Respect Life Conference October 14 & 15 at St. Martha School, Sarasota. Hear excellent national and state speakers share how "With God All Things Are Possible" including: Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann; Bishop Frank J. Dewane; Abby Johnson, a former Planned Parenthood Director and pro-life/Catholic convert; a death row chaplain; a fertility doctor and other exciting speakers.

For details and registration visit the Diocesan website at www. dioceseofvenice.org and click on the Florida Respect Life Conference button or call 941.441.1101.



Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

God, our Father, Creator of the Universe, You have set the earth on its foundation and all the elements of nature obey Your command.

We humbly beseech You to keep us safe from all dangers and calm the storms which may threaten us. May we be secure in Your loving protection and serve You always with grateful hearts.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Jeremiah 20:7-9
Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

The Challenge of the Cross

s we listen to the gospel today, we continue to the episode that took place in Caesarea Philippi. One can almost feel the beating of the heart in Peter's chest; afterall, Christ has just given him heavenly authority. The mood quickly changes, however, as Jesus begins to spell out to his disciples what he will have to endure for the message that he was handing on to

Reflection Questions

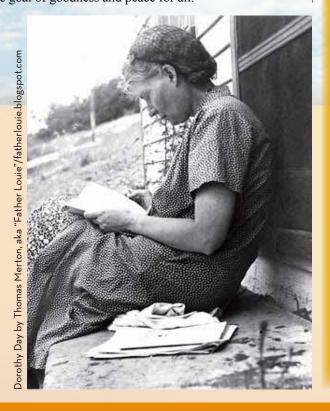
- 1. Why is Jesus so harsh in responding to Simon Peter?
- 2. Why did Jesus have to suffer at the hands of the religious leaders?
- 3. What are the problems of the present age which contradict God's will?
- 4. What is God's will for you?
- 5. How do you see the cross of discipleship in dealing with the obstacles that stand between you and God?
- 6. How far are you willing to go to follow Christ?

his friends. Jesus was no stranger to the deception that was taking place among the leaders. He foresaw what was going to happen, knowing that he would shed his blood for his message. Peter's heart skips a beat as he listens and his humanity spurs him onto rebuking Jesus, telling him that no such thing shall ever happen. Little did this new leader know that one day it would also happen to him — he too would be crucified for the sake of the gospel.

Jesus in turn rebukes Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" How must have Peter felt at that moment? One minute he is acclaimed as leader, the next Satan! Jesus invites Peter, along with his disciples, to move beyond the limitations of their human understanding. He reminds Peter and he reminds us that we cannot put obstacles ahead of God's will. He invites Peter and the disciples to take up the cross. The cross was the sign of humiliation for the Jews. Jesus is challenging his followers to forego humiliation and rejection for the sake of his teachings and his name. Jesus was offering his followers a radical challenge. Jesus tells them that he will take up that cross and

invites them to do the same for the sake of the kingdom, finding their reward in heaven.

The challenge of the gospel calls us to move beyond worldly desires and it involves sacrifice. For Jesus and the early Church, this sacrifice involved their very lives. For us, however, this sacrifice involves something different. As St. Paul says in today's second reading to the Romans: "Do not conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." The sacrifice involved in following Christ today is that of foregoing popularity for the sake of the kingdom. We will not be popular when we stand up against the realities of abortion, euthanasia, or experimentation with embryos, which are the beginnings of life. We will not be popular if we tell the economists of our world that bigger is not always better if it involves the oppression of the poor and the elimination of family owned businesses. We will feel the weight of such a cross if we stand up to individual injustice and confront individuals with their sin. The weight of the cross is the weight of truth. If we remain steadfast to the truth, then it will truly set us free. In the shadow of the cross, this is our fundamental option — to direct our lives and choices to the ultimate goal of goodness and peace for all.





Prayer

We pray for all those who bear the name of Christian, encourage us to accept and bear the cross of discipleship. Help us to embrace the truth that you have given. Whenever we are challenged by the sin of this age, give us the words and the strength to make your will known. In our witness to your truth, may we encourage others to embrace the life of the kingdom. Amen

The Feminine Genius

"...It was human love that helped me to understand divine love. Human love at its best, unselfish, glowing, illuminating our days, gives us a glimpse of the love of God for man. Love is the best thing we can know in this life, but it must be sustained by an effort of the will. It must lie still and quiet, dull and smoldering, for periods. It grows through suffering and patience and compassion. We must suffer for those we love, we must endure their trials and their suffering, we must even take upon ourselves the penalties due their sins. Thus we learn to understand the love of God for His creatures. Thus we understand the Crucifixion."

Dorothy Day
Union Square to Rome
Published by
The Preservation of the Faith Press, January 1938

Parts of the Mass



he Mass follows a "fundamental structure which has been preserved throughout the centuries down to our own day" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1346). Though the Mass is one unified act of worship, it consists of many parts, each with its own purpose and meaning. The entries in this article follow the order in which the parts occur in the Mass.

Introductory Rites: "The rites that precede the Liturgy of the Word, namely, the Entrance, the Greeting, the Penitential Act, the *Kyrie*, the *Glória in excélsis* (Glory to God in the highest) and Collect, have the character of a beginning, an introduction, and a preparation. Their purpose is to ensure that the faithful who come together as one, establish communion and dispose themselves properly to listen to the word of God and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal [GIRM], no. 46).

Collect: "The [opening] prayer . . . through which the character of the celebration finds expression" (GIRM, no. 54). This prayer literally "collects" the prayers of all who are gathered into one prayer led by the priest celebrant.

Liturgy of the Word: "The main part of the Liturgy of the Word is made up of the readings from Sacred Scripture together with the chants occurring between them. As for the Homily, the Profession of Faith and the Universal Prayer, they develop and conclude it" (GIRM, no. 55).

Creed: A brief, normative summary statement or profession of Christian faith. The Nicene Creed, which is recited or chanted at Mass, comes from the Councils of Nicea (AD 325) and Constantinople (AD 381).

Canon of the Mass: The central part of the Mass, also known as the Eucharistic Prayer or anaphora, which is the prayer of thanksgiving and consecration. It begins with the Preface Dialogue (i.e., "The Lord be with you. . . . Lift up your hearts. . . . Let us give thanks to the Lord our God") and concludes with a final Doxology ("Through him, and with him, and in him") and Amen.

Epiclesis: The prayer petitioning the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify offerings of bread and wine so that they may become the Body and Blood of Christ.

Consecration: The consecration is that part of the Eucharistic Prayer during which the priest prays the Lord's words of institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Through this prayer the bread and wine become the risen Body and Blood of Jesus.

Anamnesis: From the Greek, meaning "remembrance." We remember Jesus' historical saving deeds in the liturgical action of the Church, which inspires thanksgiving and praise. Every Eucharistic Prayer contains an anamnesis or memorial in which the Church calls to mind the Passion, Resurrection, and glorious return of Christ Jesus.

Doxology: A Christian prayer that gives praise and glory to God often in a special way to the three divine Persons of the Trinity. Liturgical prayers, including the Eucharistic Prayer, traditionally conclude with the Doxology "to the Father, through the Son, in the Holy Spirit."

Communion Rite: The preparatory rites, consisting of the Lord's Prayer, the Rite of Peace, and the Fraction, lead the faithful to Holy Communion (see GIRM, no. 80). The Prayer After Communion expresses the Church's gratitude for the mysteries celebrated and received.

Rite of Peace: The rite "by which the Church asks for peace and unity for herself and for the whole human family, and the faithful express to each other their ecclesial communion and mutual charity before communicating in the Sacrament" (GIRM, no. 82).

Fraction: "The priest breaks the Eucharistic Bread. . . . The gesture of breaking bread done by Christ at the Last Supper . . . in apostolic times gave the entire Eucharistic Action it's name" (GIRM, no. 83).

Communion: Holy Communion, the reception of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist.

Concluding Rites: "To the Concluding Rites belong the following: brief announcements . . .; the priest's greeting and blessing . . .; the dismissal of the people by the deacon or the priest, so that each may go back to doing good works, praising and blessing God; the kissing of the altar by the priest and the deacon, followed by a profound bow to the altar by the priest, the deacon, and the other ministers" (GIRM, no. 90).

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Welcome to CATHOLIC GIVING Praise God with Joyful Gratitude

Catholic Faith Appeal Frequently Asked Questions

What is the money for the CFA used for?

The funds raised by the CFA help your parish to pay its Diocesan assessment, which is based on parish income. The assessments pay the parishes share in supporting the following work in the Diocese of Venice:

Catholic Charities, Respect Life
Ministry, Office of Vocations, Catholic
Schools, Religious Education,
Seminarian education, Support of
missions/convents, Outreach to the
homebound, TV Mass for homebound,
Criminal Justice, HIV/AIDS Ministry,
Campus Ministries, Office of Ministry,
Permanent Diaconate, Support of poor
parishes, Office of Family Life, Peace
and Social Justice, Safe Environment
Program, Haitian Ministries, Diocesan
services, Tribunal, Hispanic Ministries,
Diocesan Retreat Center, Blessed
Edmund Rice School

How does the CFA benefit my parish and me?

Thousands of Catholics in the Diocese are directly or indirectly served through Diocesan agencies and programs that are beyond the scope of an individual parish. While your gift to the CFA helps to pay your parish assessment, any money that is pledged over the parish goal will be returned to your parish for its own programs and services.

Why does Catholic Charities do additional fundraising?

Approximately 13 % of the entire Diocesan budget is given to Catholic Charities to help support its very worthwhile presence in our Diocese. However, this amount is only a percentage of the money needed to achieve Catholic Charities mission. In addition to what the Diocese provides, aggressive fundraising is needed to meet its budget.

Why are the administrative services included?

The mission of the Church is to continue the work of Christ. To achieve this requires

the Diocese to be a business overseeing more than 1000 employees in our schools, parishes and agencies. A commercial business would produce an income but, in the Church, the parishioners are the primary source of income.

Are CFA funds used to pay legal fees or settlements from sexual abuse cases?

No. In fact, money contributed to the CFA helps to fund programs to prevent sexual misconduct in any form through the Offices of Child and Youth Protection and the Safe Environment Program.

Why are there so many mailings?

More than 4 million dollars of the Appeal is generated through the mailings. Once you have made a gift to the CFA, all mailings to you will stop with the exception of a thank you letter and tax receipt at the end of the year. Tax receipts are sent to anyone who gives a gift of \$250 or more, as required by the IRS. It is always wise to keep receipts of your charitable giving for audit purposes.

How much should I give?

As Christian stewards, we should take the time to reflect on our individual Godgiven gifts of time, talent and treasure. Charitable giving is a reflection of our Christian stewardship of treasure. Giving back to God, either through contributions to our parish, the CFA, or other charities, should require a sacrifice that reflects God's generosity to us individually. Therefore, your gift is a personal decision between you and God and should be made after careful consideration.

Why should I make a pledge instead of a one-time gift?

Making a pledge allows you to spread your gift throughout the year, which may make it easier for you to pay, and may also allow you to give a larger gift. Pledge statements, which are simply reminders and not bills, are sent out monthly unless

otherwise requested. You can pay your pledge anytime before the end of the year. If your situation changes, you may also cancel or increase your pledge.

How can I make my gift?

You can make a gift through cash, check, credit card, direct debit, on-line giving, stock donations, and charitable distributions from your IRA, etc. For bequests and gift annuities, credit is given to the parish when the gift is realized.*

Give us a call at 941-486-4719 and we'll happily answer your questions. For online donations visit: www.catholicgiving.org. If you donate stock please call us first in order to obtain the correct DTC number and to make sure your gift is properly credited.

*Bequests and gift annuities are not assessed by the Diocese and may be designated for any acceptable purpose. Please call Joseph Citro, 941-441-1124 for more information about remembering your parish in your estate plans.

Can I put my donation directly into the parish offertory collection?

Twice yearly, the parish will take up a collection for the CFA. At other times, if you wish to make a gift, please use a CFA envelope or mail your gift directly to the following address:

Catholic Faith Appeal P.O. Box 60759 Fort Myers, FL 33906

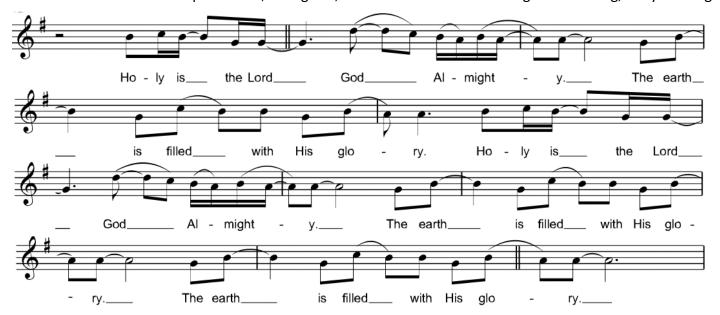
WAIT! There may be fifty donors in the Diocese with your last name. Every donor to the CFA has an individual constituent number. If you are making more than one gift, please call us at 941-486-4719 to find out your individual number to ensure you and your parish receive proper credit. Better yet, make a pledge and we will send you monthly statements to help you track your giving!

source: http://www.catholicgiving.org/cfa_faq.html

5 PM Contemporary Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, August 28, 2011: the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song: Holy Is the Lord Chris Tomlin

Verse) We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength. We bow down and worship him now; how great, how awesome is he! And together we sing, ev'ryone sing:



Kyrie • spoken

Gloria • 30 Heritage Mass

Responsorial Psalm (63)

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Gospel Acclamation

7 Celtic Alleluia

Preparation

455 You Are Mine

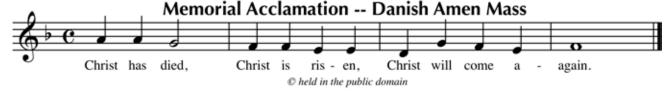
David Haas

Sanctus

64 St. Louis Jesuits Mass

Memorial Acclamation

Danish Amen Mass

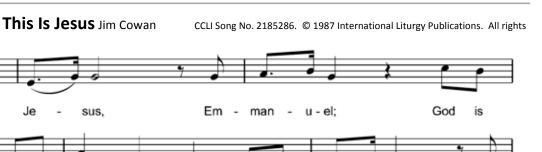


Communion Song

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This

Celtic Mass





Verse 1) Bright Star of David, Radiance of God Now become the Living Bread, the Body of the Lord! Come in adoration, Receive with trembling hands The Sacrament most holy, the Banquet of the Lamb!

Je

sus,

Verse 2) Drink of living waters flowing from the Lord, Taste the Cup of blessing, partake of Precious Blood! River of salvation, holy cleansing tide, Fountain of redemption flowing from the Savior's side!

Verse 3) Priest of highest honor, King and Sov'reign Lord Unblemished Lamb of sacrifice, your very life outpoured! Royal Paschal victim, true begotten Son Offered as our ransom by the Holy One!

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Verse) I'm forgiven because you were forsaken I'm accepted; you were condemned I'm alive and well; your Spirit is within me Because you died and rose again (to Chorus)

Bridge) You are my King; you are my King Jesus, you are my King, Jesus, you are my King Chorus) Amazing love, how can it be That you, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true It's my joy to honor you; in all I do, I honor you; in all I do, I honor you

Lord. I Lift Your Name On High Closing Song CCLI Song No. 117947. © 1990 Maranatha Praise, Inc. All rights Reserved. CCLI License #2008891.

Lord, I lift your name on high. Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life. I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way; from the earth to the Cross, my debt to pay; From the Cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky, Lord, I lift your name on high!







THE MUSIC PAGE III





Hymns for the 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 27 & 28, 2011			
Entrance Hymn:	370	Praise To the Lord	
Preparation Hymn:	455	You Are Mine	
Communion Hymn:	495	Bread of Life	
	418	Christ, Be Our Light	
Closing Hymn:	293	Take Up Your Cross	

Perhaps now would be a good week to mention that I have been writing the responsorial psalms for the Masses at which I play—since this is the first week in a while that I did *not* write the psalm! I haven't brought it up over the last seven months because I find it quite hard to talk about without seeming to "toot my own horn". Since I took over the Contemporary Mass, the psalms have been heard regularly there, sung by our middle- and high school teens, but the talent of our own Ellie VanderMeuse has been such that she and I have been able to collaborate in bringing them to the other Masses. (And I thank her profusely for that, & the kids who do such a great job too.)

If you can read music, then you'll no doubt have noticed when the notes for the response given in the missalette don't match what is sung. In that case, it's because it's a "Tom Oram original", and the music can then be found on the Contemporary Music pages in the bulletin, if you desire to follow along. Of course, the text is identical to that which you find in the missalette.

I bring this up this week because today's psalm, as set by Michael Joncas, was particularly influential in the development of my own style. Fr. Joncas (author of On Eagles' Wings, as well as plenty of other hymns you love) eloquently captures in music the longing expressed in Psalm 63—the thirsting of the soul for the Lord. Further, the odd verses use different music than the even, a simple enough-seeming change, but one that was groundbreaking at the time. I hope you enjoy this musical setting of Scripture—this week and every week!

Parents Kids, grades Stuents, you will be able to add your musical talents to

Masses over the year! Rehearsals will be on **Wednesday** evenings, before the Faith Formation classes meet, from 5 to 5:25 P.M. Our first rehearsal will be September 14th. Returning members will be contacted personally. If you are newly interested, please check our parish website, saintjohntheevangelist.com, then go under the "Ministries" tab to "Music ministry" for more information. (It's there now, I promise! :) We'd love to have you sing with us this year!

Middle or High School-age singer or instrumentalist? Contact Tom after Mass or via phone or email (listed below) to talk about some exciting new opportunities we're developing. It's going to be a fantastic year—if you get involved with the team we're putting together!

Summer choir: For the next two weeks, the St. John the Evangelist Adult Choir will resume singing at one Mass each weekend, according to the schedule below. Would you like to try your hand at singing great music with great people? All you need to do is show up, 45 minutes before the Mass, in the Choir Room in the Claussen Center. It's that simple! If you have any questions, feel free to call or Tom or Ellie: 566-8740 ext. 179. tom@saintjohntheevangelist.com!

Summer Choir Schedule We meet in the Choir Room 45 minutes prior to Sunday Mass (8:15 or 10:15 AM)

September 4 11:00 AM Mass September 11 9:00 AM Mass

Choir rehearsals (Wed., 6-8 PM) resume September 14.

Choral Anthems for the 9:00 AM Mass				
Before the Mass: As the Deer (Nystrom)	During Communion:	At the Table of the Lord (Althouse)		

Mass Parts for Ordinary Time (July 2 to November 26, 2011)					
Kyrie: spoken		Memorial Acclamation:		found on Contemporary Mass Page	
Gloria:	30	Heritage Mass	Great Amen:	77	Danish Amen Mass
Gospel Acclar	nation:	7 Celtic Mass	Our Father:		spoken
Sanctus:	64	St. Louis Jesuits Mass	Agnus Dei:	19	Celtic Mass