

You are cordially invited to inquire
about the Catholic Christian Faith
by attending an open informational meeting
on September 15, 17, or 19
in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center at
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

This is your opportunity to ask questions about "things Catholic" such as what do Catholics believe and what do Catholics do? Get information with no commitment!

These meetings are for those never baptized to investigate what it means to be Catholic, for those baptized in another Christian tradition to explore the process to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, as well as for those baptized Catholic as infants but never raised as Catholic to be Confirmed and receive the Eucharist.

These meetings will be held on different days at different times to accommodate the schedules of as many people as possible:

Tuesday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 17th at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, September 19th at 10:00 a.m.

No reservations are necessary, but more information can be obtained by contacting Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Coordinator by phone at 239. 556.8740, ext. 3918 or by e mail at Jack@sjecc.com.

Invite your family members, friends, co-workers, or others to come and see what it means to be Catholic.



625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108 • Phone 239.566.8740 • Fax 239.566.9117 www.SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com • E-mail: info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. – Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 & 5:00 p.m.

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Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday						
3:00	PM	+	Jean Smith	Tom & Jeff Woods		
5:00	PM	+	Tom Reilly	Linda Reilly		
August 2			Sunday			
7:00		+	Louis Thompson (4th Anniv.)	Nan & Tim Mooney		
9:00		+	Jim Parejko	Ben & Dorothy Gorecki		
11:00			For Our Parishioners			
1:00		+	Robert Ullen	Marge Brickner		
5:00	РМ	+	Raymond Salvi	Deborah Kopko		
			(Anniv. Death August 24)			
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#### Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound

Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing <code>emministry@sjecc.com</code>. An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will bring Holy Communion at a mutually agreed upon time. Please note that the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion to North Naples NCH on Monday through Friday.

# SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, August 22, 2015

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

#### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

#### Sunday, August 23, 2015

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

#### Monday, August 24, 2015

St. Bartholomew

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

#### Tuesday, August 25, 2015

**St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz** 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mt 23:23-26

#### Wednesday, August 26, 2015

1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

#### Thursday, August 27, 2015

St. Monica

1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

#### Friday, August 28, 2015

St. Augustine

1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

#### Saturday, August 29, 2015

The Passion of St. John the Baptist 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mk 6:17-29

#### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

#### Sunday, August 30, 2015

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

#### FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to

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



A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church



August 23, 2015

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

# Building the Place of Belonging

The Parish Family of Saint John the Evangelist has recognized the vision Fr. John has placed in front of us in his "Peaceful Moments" poem, called "Belonging". Our **Build Our Future**, **Serve Our Past** Campaign is focused on this effort for every single parishioner of St. John. The relationships and togetherness we have when we are at church bring a sense of belonging and community, and that is so important, no matter if you are 7, 17, 71, or 107 years old.

A few individuals have asked what a "Life Center" will do for them, since they are older and do not see a need for a gym or a coffee shop. "Life" has many components to it. So does wellness. It is now a proven fact that belonging to a religious group provides an individual with "sustained happiness". *The American Journal of Epidemiology* released a study that specifically states that one of the secrets of finding happiness is to participate in a religion.

"The church appears to play a very important social role in keeping depression at bay and also as a coping mechanism during periods of illness in later life," Mauricio Avendano, an epidemiologist at the London School of Economics and an author of the study, said in a statement. "It is not clear to us how much this is about religion per se, or whether it may be about the sense of belonging and not being socially isolated."

This Campaign is for so much more than just a gym. It is focused on developing and nurturing the sense of belonging that all of us need in our lives, especially as we get older and we need more assistance in getting around and being a part of the community. With vehicles specifically dedicated to our new Companion Driving Ministry (which includes companionship just as much as a ride to Mass), to the Catholic Adult Organization (with daily social and wellness activities), our efforts will increase the joy, community, and belonging of all our Parish Family.

We need our entire Parish Family to give in order to reach our additional goals. If you haven't turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. If you did not receive your Campaign Packet or if you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator, at 239.495.2001 or email: <a href="mailto:campaign@sjecc.com">campaign@sjecc.com</a>.

You can also learn more information about the Campaign at: www.sjecc.com/future

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

#### Parish Clergy



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy Associate Fr. Jim Simko Associate

Deacon Hal Brenner Deacon Forrest Wallace

Deacon Frank Paniccia 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 1:00 p.m. Mass. Please call the parish office to register for a class. Upon completion of the class and fulfillment of the godparent requirements, parents may schedule a baptism date.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

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

#### Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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

#### All Administrative Staff 239.566.8740

**General Manager** 

Jean-Paul Boucher: 228.3910

Fax: 239.566.9117

*jp@saintjohntheevangelist.com* 

**Parish Secretary** 

Deborah Marsh

**Assistant to the Pastor** 

Tricia Schwarz

**Pastoral Musician and Liturgist** 

Tom Oram: 228-3920

Choir Director

Ellie Roberts

Sacristan

Lorna Woonsam

**Director of Family Mission** 

Jean-Paul Boucher

Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor

Kathy Sims

Memorial Garden

Jean-Paul Boucher

**Religious Boutique** 

Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

Maintenance

566.8740

Education Staff

**Director of Religious Education** 

Natalie Campbell: 228.3904/3909

Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: 556.8740, ext. 3918

email staff members at:

info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

#### Parish Registration

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: *saintjohntheevangelist.com* When on the website, click on the Forms tab at the top of the home page and select New Parishioner Form. Download the form, complete it and return the completed form to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

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#### **Administrative Office Hours are:**

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

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Daily Mass:**

Monday-Friday 8:30 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., 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 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@ 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*(a) saintjohntheevangelist.com or drop your submission off in the parish office.

#### Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

#### Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2016.

#### Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2016 Mass availability and 2015 wine and host and flowers availability. Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

### ARISH INFORMATION...

Hymns for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 22 & 23						
Readings:	742					
Entrance Hymn:	367	We Are the Light of the World				
Preparation Hymn:	463	I Will Choose Christ				
Communion Hymn:	on p	age 14 of this bulletin Taste and See				
	574	Eye Has Not Seen				
Closing Hymn:	426	Faith of Our Fathers				

Choral Anthems at 9 AM Mass					
Preparation	Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho	Traditional spiritual, arr.			
Communion	In Jesus' Name We Pray	Jay Althouse			

## ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, August 24: Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 96 (95): 2-3

Proclaim the salvation of God day by day;

tell among the nations his glory.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Lk 22: 29-30

I confer a kingdom on you,

just as my Father has conferred one on me,

that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, says the Lord.

# **Tuesday, August 25: Tuesday of the Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time**

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cf. Ps 86 (85): 1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;

save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. You have searched me and you know me, Lord.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Cf. Jn 6: 54

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood

has eternal life, says the Lord,

and I will raise him up on the last day.

# Wednesday, August 26: Wednesday of the Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cf. Ps 86 (85): 1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;

save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. You have searched me and you know me, Lord.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Cf. Ps 104 (103): 13-15*

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth

and wine to cheer the heart.

#### Thursday, August 27: Memorial of Saint Monica

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 86 (85): 1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;

save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Jn 6: 54

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood

has eternal life, says the Lord,

and I will raise him up on the last day.

# Friday, August 28: Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cf. Sir 15: 5

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, and the Lord filled him

with the spirit of wisdom and understanding and clothed him in a robe of glory.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. Rejoice in the Lord, you just!

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Mt 23: 10. 8

Thus says the Lord:

You have but one teacher, the Christ, and you are all brothers.

# Saturday, August 29: Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 119 (118): 46-47

I spoke, O Lord, of your decrees before kings, and was not confounded:

I pondered your commands and loved them greatly.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*Jn 3: 27, 30* 

John answered and said,

He must increase; but I must decrease.

## Parish Mission & Life

by Jean-Paul Boucher General Manager jp@sjecc.com



# #ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe — #ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe — Ministry Spotlight: Pastoral Stewardship Council

It always amazes me to see just how much is going on here at St. John and how many people dedicate so much of their lives to the ministry of our Parish Family. Some of you may not realize the opportunities you have to get involved in such amazing and rewarding functions of the church, from supporting the Masses to assisting the local community. The following series will give you all a snapshot on some of these programs, along with some stories of how wonderful it can be to engage our faith through action.

St. John is blessed with so many talented and experienced individuals that Fr. John and I would be remiss to not ask for their guidance and support to lead our Parish Family. As such, we have developed a renewed structure for advisory efforts. We now have three long-term Councils, each of which has a Charter which directly relates to our Parish Mission, To Know, To Love, and To Serve God, in His Church and Our Community. These Councils have parishioners who provide advice and recommendations in their particular areas of expertise, for a three-year term. The Councils are: The Pastoral Stewardship Council, the Finance Council, and the Buildings and Grounds Council. The Councils will also be responsible for creating and operating Committees, short-term groups that will be focused on particular issues, sometimes with recommendations for the church and for our Parish Family. With this open and transparent structure we will be able to illustrate how decisions for our parish are made and who each of you can engage to ensure we are including your thoughts and plans into our community.

I would like to introduce Rick Beebe as the President of the Pastoral Stewardship Council here at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Rick was born and raised in Orlando where he earned his undergraduate and M.B.A, with a concentration in finance, from the University of Central Florida. His diverse professional background is in organizational operations management, investment analysis and portfolio management. Rick and his wife, Karen, moved to Naples in 2002 and have since been members of St. John. They have two boys, Jackson (12) and Carter (9) who have been active in all Faith Formation Programs. Rick is very active in both the community and parish. He serves on the Student Advisory Council for both

Veteran's Memorial Elementary School and North Naples Middle School. At St. John, Rick is a current member of the Capital Budget Committee, past member of the Finance Council, assists his wife to construct Vacation Bible School and many of you may recognize him as he helped organize the Ministry Banner Parade and Ministry Appreciation Day this past year.

I humbly appreciate the opportunity to serve the parish to the best of my abilities as President of the Pastoral

Stewardship Council (PSC).
Our mission as a council
is to "Create awareness of
God's gifts of time, talent and
treasure and to encourage
their use to the best of one's
ability for the good of the
Parish." As part of the "New
Wineskin" of St. John's
programs and efforts, the
Pastoral Stewardship Council
will leverage its members
and their expertise to support
and assist all Ministries with
their valuable foci. We will



work to increase visibility for all Ministries and support their efforts to increase their ability to serve the Parish and community. The mission of St. John is simple, "To Know, To Love, To Serve God, in His Church and Our Community." The most direct and impactful way to accomplish this mission is to become active in the various Parish Ministries via your time, talent and treasure.

God Bless,

Rick Beebe

#### PRAYER GROUPS

# Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

#### Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

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

#### THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga U.S. Marines

**Sp. Petrus Botha** U.S. Army

S. Isaiah Brutus U.S. Air Force

Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy

**BM2** Charley Davidson U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)

Adam Decker U.S. Air Force

Nicholas Detloff U.S. Air Force

Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army

Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force

LCpl. Conor Fleurant USMC

Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special Forces

**Lt. Bernardo Garcia** U.S. Marines

Lt. Joseph Gilig
1st Marine Division
\* LAV Recon

Cpl. Dylan Granza U.S. Army Ranger

Specialist Shelby Granza U.S. Army

Gunnery Sgt.
Patrick H. Hammer
USMC \* Embassy
Security (New Zealand)

Specialist Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army

Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett USMC

Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak USMC

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak USMC

Ryan D. Novak

**Cpt. Daniel Palmer** U.S. Army

**Cpt. Martin Palmer** U.S. Army (Afghanistan)

Lt. Robert Pedrigi U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army

Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek U.S. Army

Lt. Kelly Spencer U.S. Air Force

Houng Tran U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

Watson
U.S. Air Force
(Afghanistan)

#### Divine Will Prayer Group

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

#### Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

One hour of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Mondays: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday morning Centering Prayer will resume in September

Stephen Golia

Cindy Harold

Harriet Hayes

Judy Hemond

Gerard Heyen

Donald Howe

Maria Joyce

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Charleen Kasabian

Chester T. Kauffman

Delores Kernochan

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Margie Lynch

Jeanne Macari

Julia Maciocia

Gloria Maloney

Lynne Malpeli

Maria and Family

Katherine Malatespa

Joan Maier

Jean Lydon

Pat M

Josephine Lancia

Lindsay Lavery

Diane Leahy

LeBlanc

Ned Leibig

Family

Family

Dan & Louise

Kevin Kincaid

Bill Kinchla

Pat Kirk

Joan Lane

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Thomas Greene

following the morning Mass in the Parish Library. Maria Jones: 348.5361

#### Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Morning Prayer after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

# St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

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

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Fernando Ardila Tomas Ardila Ron Backer Patty Barry Richard Becker Jimmy Bee Margie Benefico Barbara Berg Linda Berry Camdon Billows Kathleen Bradach Steven Bratcher Vicki Brenner Carol Brooks Ron Caiazzo Steve Caputo Glenn Carroll Richard Cave Frank Ciccarelli Sam Comeriato Susan Culey Anthony D'Antuono Jim Diamante Julie Dieter Al DiMenna Lauren Di'Orio Ciaran Doherty Jorge Donis Leon Doughty Amanda Duffy Marsha Embaugh AnnMarie Esposito Dr. Steve Evans May Flanagan Donna Flynn Anna Focht Roseann Foglio Joanne Fromert Rois Maire Ni Gabann Dick Gaepel

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Let Us Pray...

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

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949.7122

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566.8740

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Linda Reilly

821.8982

#### **Respect Life:**

Rosemary Erickson

597.3941

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President/Contact R

Rick Beebe psc@sjecc.com

Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry. Offers adult education programming for continued growth in our faith through such activities as retreats, Bible & Catechism studies, lectures, seminars, social action opportunities and workshops. Jack Kindsvater: 566.8740, ext. 3918

AA. Monday, 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Al-Anon. Monday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday - beginners, 11:30 a.m.; and noon - discussion; all in PLC. Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Leo Catholic Church, Juan Diego Building. Carol: 804.306.5323

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

*Arimatheans.* A group of caring parishioners who support parishoners by attending funerals as representation of our faith community. Elaine: 566-8160

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. For information: scoutmaster@troop-226.com

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. All 1st - 5th grade boys welcome.

Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. For information: pack226naples@gmail.com

Choirs: Adult

Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Residents and seasonals welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

*Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.*Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:25 p.m. Grades 1-5. Tom Oram: 566.8740

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

Circle of Comfort. If you have cancer, or are taking care of someone who does, you may be facing challenges that may leave you feeling overwhelmed, frightened, alone and in need of comfort. Let us share our experience of faith, strength and prayer with you. We help each other live one day at a time through encouragement, prayer, laughter or whatever it takes to bring comfort to each other. Jim or Darlene 566.8740

Companion Driving Ministry. Ongoing "Need a Ride/Give a Ride" program offered to anyone in need of transportation to attend church services. For more information or to sign up for a ride or to become a volunteer driver, contact the parish office at 566.8740 or the ministry director, Beth Lucci at 877.6254 or email speride@gmail.com

Cursillistas. Third Tuesday monthly at 7:00 p.m. The Naples area Ultreya meets at St. William's Ministry Center, Seagate Drive. All Cursillistas and visitors welcome. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

**Divine Gift Boutique** (located across from the restrooms). Non Season Hours: Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed Monday through Friday. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

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

Gospel Forum. Group of men who join together to discuss the following Sunday's gospel and its application to everyday life. Prayer and casual discussion of various spiritual writings follows. Pizza and soft drinks offered. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

*Grief Support.* Sessions will resume in October. For any concerns related to the Bereavement Ministry contact Dee: 594.7193

Hospitality Ministry. Volunteers serve light refreshments for parishioners who gather after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses for sharing, communicating and extending fellowship. If interested in helping contact Elida Gil: 239.597.8909 or Judy Hemond: 561.779.6024

*Job Search Skills & Support.* Thursdays 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the library. Free. Carol Marlow: 948.0050

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.

Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6 p.m.; business meeting at 7 p.m. Social meeting last Monday of the month. Visiting Knights are welcome. Scott Schwarz, Grand Knight: 293.6876

*Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308.* Meets third Tuesday of every month at Noon except January and February when they meet at 6:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Gary Ray: 821.5115

Knitting & Crocheting. Tuesdays from 10:00 - Noon: Want to learn? We are a service group that knits & crochets to benefit those in need: blankets for soldiers, hats for cancer patients, baby hats & booties & prayer shawls. Call the office: 566.8740

Ladies of Charity. Meets the second Friday of every month, volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. For friendly visits and simple errands for the homebound, call Diane Pesce at 630.571.0707. If interested in joining, call MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702.

*Mah Jong.* Wednesday, Noon - 3 p.m. Beginners welcome. Joan Scariotti: 594.0994

*Men's Club.* Group of dedicated men (with the superb assistance from their ladies) who assist the Pastor and the parish. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month, 7:45 - 8:45 a.m. New members welcome. Joe Lichwalla: 239.495.2001

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

*Pinochle.* Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

**Project Rachel Lay Companion.** A post-abortion healing ministry providing one-on-one counseling. Loretta Judy: 239.293.5897or *Inbjudy@comcast.net* 

**Respect Life.** A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its stages. They coordinate all respect life activities within the parish as well as outreach to the community. Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

**Sewing Group.** Meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. New members are invited.

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

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

*Women's Bible Study.* Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and Monday evenings. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687 or *maggnana@comcast.net* or Linda Reilly, 821.8982

Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center offers affordable mental health counseling to children and adults. We accept some insurances and have a sliding scale for those who cannot afford the minimum fee. Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center is located at 2210 Santa Barbara Boulevard. Call 239.455.2655 for an appointment.

■ Please check the Event Sheets on the building doors for the meeting location of the group. Groups do not always meet in the same location from week to week.■

# You've Anvited to Two Sunday Mass Tapings at St. John

The taping of two Masses for the Diocese of Venice will begin at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 9 at Saint John the Evangelist. The Masses are televised for those who are unable to attend Sunday Masses in one of the parishes of the Diocese.

The first Mass taped will be the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also World Mission Sunday and will aire October 18. Fr. John will be the celebrant. The second Mass taped will be the

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time and will aire September 20. Fr. Jim will be the celebrant.

All parishioners are invited to attend the tapings.

Televised Masses for Collier, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte, Glades and Desoto counties aire on WFTX-TV FOX 4 on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

# St. John's next Pray for Life Monday Is Monday, August 24

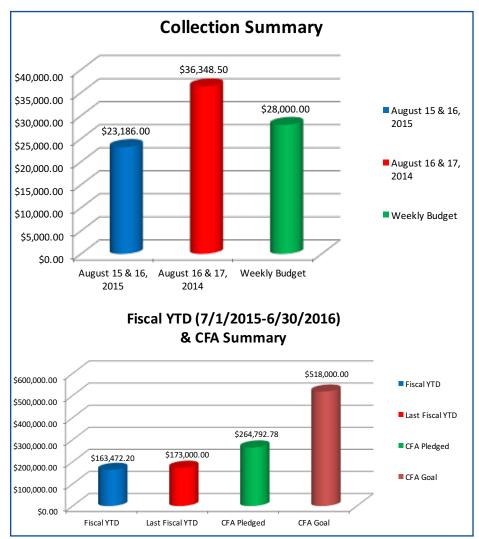
Would you like to get involved in the pro-life cause? Our parish has committed to praying for an end to abortion outside of Planned Parenthood on the fourth Monday of every month, from 8:30a.m. until 3:00 pm. Planned Parenthood is located at 1425 Creech Road (on the corner of Goodlette-Frank and Creech Road). Please join fellow parishioners for this peaceful prayer time. Our next "prayer Monday" is Monday, August 24.

Why should you pray outside the abortion center?

 When women arrive for abortions and see you praying, they know that you are praying specifically for them when they need it most. Women often change their mind and choose life when they see others praying for them.

- It demonstrates your love for the pre-born baby and for the mother carrying the baby. You're showing that you love them both.
- Your prayerful witness awakens the conscience of our Naples community.

Contact Nancy or Paul Curti for more information at *plancurti@gmail.com* or 612.616.1434.



# Happy Birthday, Eleanor!! Eleanor T. McDonald will celebrate her 102nd birthday on Thursday, August 27. Best Wishes, Eleanor!

# Youth Group News The High School Youth

# Group Will Attend Disney's Night of Joy

The High School Youth Group will be attending the Night of Joy concert event at Walt Disney World on Saturday, September 12. Night of Joy is a contemporary music festival featuring performances by Christian superstars in rock, pop and gospel. We will depart on a bus mid-morning and return very late that night. The cost to attend is \$100 and covers the event ticket and transportation.

Please email ben@sjecc.com if you are interested in joining us for this awesome event. We also have some spots for parents as chaperones.

# 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, August 23, 2015:

# the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song Our God Chris Tomlin / Matt Redman CCLI Song # 5677416. Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman. © 2010 Thankyou Music, sixsteps Music, Said And Done Music, Vamos Publishing, SHOUT! Music Publishing, and worshiptogether.com songs (All admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

*v.1*) Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind; There's no one like you, none like you *v.2*) Into the darkness you shine, out of the ashes we rise; There's no one like you, none like you (*Chorus*)

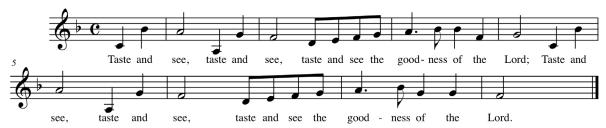


Bridge) And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us? And if our God is with us, then what could stand against? (repeat, then back to Chorus)

Kyrie • spoken

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

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 34) Music by Tom Oram. © 2006, 2012 A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI.) All rights reserved. Used with permission.



Gospel Acclamation • The Mass of St. John the Evangelist

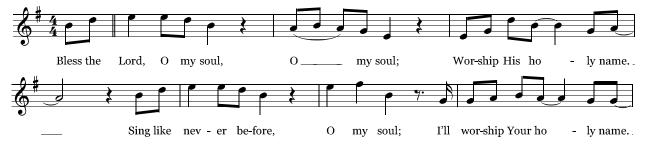
**Preparation Song** 

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Matt Redman & Jonas Myrinccli

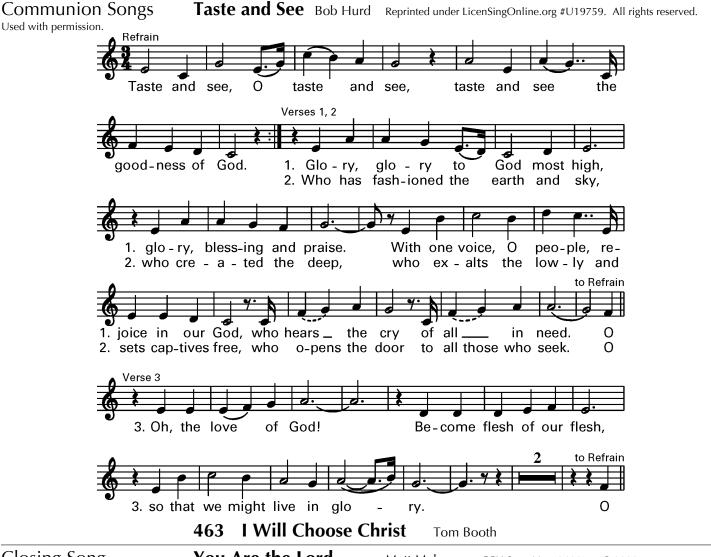
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*Verse 1*) The sun comes up it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing your song again.



Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me—let me be singing when the evening comes. (*Chorus*) *Verse 2*) You're rich in love and you're slow to anger; your name is great and your Heart is kind. For all your goodness I will keep on singing: Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (*Chorus*) *Verse 3*) And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come, May my soul sing your praise unending: Ten thousand years and then forevermore! (*Chorus*)

# Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (**C**) • Great Amen • *Agnus Dei* • *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist* (please see worship aid in pew)



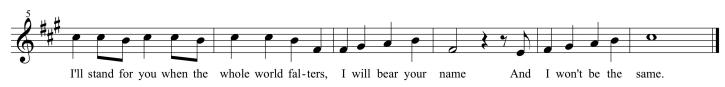
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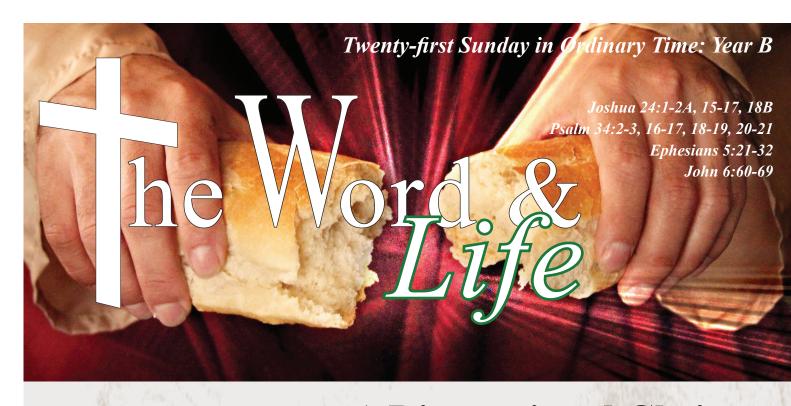
V.1) You gave me a title, although I didn't know you. You called my name, and blessed me with life. Now I've squandered the fortunes of my childhood, given in to a world of lies...

But I can't hide forever from what I know is true; Jesus, I surrender my life to you— (to chorus)

V.2) The mountains, they move at the sound of your holy name; the lame will walk and the blind will see.I know you want my heart, I know that I am nothing; you are the source of ev'rything...And I can't live forever, unless I live in you; Jesus I surrender my life to you— (to chorus)







# A Disappointed Christ

ometimes people engaged in preaching the gospel can feel disillusioned when their message of the kingdom falls on deaf ears. There is usually a reason why people reject people for the message they preach. Maybe it is because people do not like the message – it makes them feel too uncomfortable. It could be that they just do not like the messenger. Personalities sometimes get in the way of the gospel message. Knowledge of personal histories can sometimes block the wisdom that has been gifted to people. Jesus was not alien to this kind of rejection and arrogance.

Today we hear that many of his disciples could not accept his message and decided to walk away. Jesus had fed the five thousand people who were hungering for meaning and in need of his healing, teaching and his very presence. The message that he taught was that he was the bread that had come down from heaven. He foretold the great sacrifice that he would make of offering his own flesh and blood for the salvation of the world. These very people had seen great things accomplished at the hands of Jesus and heard the wisdom that came from his mouth. However, they still managed to succumb to the narrow mindedness which rejected God's wisdom and understanding. One can almost hear their sentiments, "Who does this man think he is? Isn't he just the offspring of a simple carpenter - how on earth can he say that he is of God?" This translated - "I have my own concept of God – I think that it is right and I am not going to allow anyone to change that." Jesus witnesses the rejection and is disappointed by the response. The gospel tells us that many left his company when he offered himself as the Bread of Life. The people who left Jesus' company were not able to surrender their hunger and accept Jesus as food for their journey. Jesus challenges his disciples in making a choice. He asks, "Do you also want to leave?" Peter's response in faith centers Christ ministry once again, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of everlasting life." The words of the fisherman anchor the believer in the person of Christ.

## **Reflection Questions**

- What do I find difficult with Jesus' message?
- 2. Where do I allow narrow mindedness to get in the way of the gospel?
- 3. How far am I willing to go to follow Christ?
- 4. What areas of my life need to be transformed?
- 5. Am I satisfied by the wisdom that Jesus gives to me?
- 6. What are my spiritual hungers?
- 7. Where do I encounter the presence of Jesus?
- 8. Do I take adequate time nourishing myself with the Living Bread that Jesus offers?

We are given the ultimatum to accept or reject the whole of Jesus' life project. We are challenged to understand and internalize the message of the gospel; to understand the stories of the healing done in his time and become healing in our time. If we decided to follow Jesus we must accept the challenge of the gospel and realize that Jesus is the one who offers salvation. Jesus' message of love, forgiveness, compassion, acceptance, healing and tolerance are the attributes that lead us into paradise. In following the example of Christ and accepting Jesus as Bread of Life, we participate in a life that brings with it the promise to live with Christ in eternity.



## **Voices of Faith**

#### **Bread for the Journey**

This saying is hard
The people did say
Who can accept it?
Our stomachs are full from the loaves and fish

But our hearts are closed to the Living Bread His flesh? Bitter the taste of such a Sacred Passion! Mind boggling is such wisdom given by God in humble abode!

This saying is hard

The people did say
Who can accept it?
Words from the Nazarene
We know of his human estate
Our minds are closed to the God whose dwelling is too close
God Incarnate, touchable, lovable, approachable...we were taught not

With stomachs full but hearts empty
Many leave his company only to find themselves hungry again
A disappointed Christ with a heart swollen with mercy and love looks on
Longing for the seekers that want to be satisfied
And nourished by this Food of heavenly estate
To whom shall we go? The seeker says
Music to the ears of Love itself

And so we find ourselves at the edge of eternity
Seekers for this Living Bread ourselves
Such is the source of life eternal that infuses us
To continue our Pilgrim Way
Delightful is the taste of this heavenly Food
The taste of love, mercy, compassion, and truth
Bitter is the taste of Sacred Passion, Sweeter the taste of Resurrected Joy!

Enough is this wisdom... It remains Bread for the Journey

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

## Prayer

Lord, help us to be all that you want us to be. You are the bread that comes down from heaven. The food that you offer lasts for all eternity. Help us to become a song of your spirit of love – willing to walk with you all the way, sharing your message of hope, your message of love. Give us courage to face the hardships of discipleship and help us to carry the crosses that come our way. Amen.

# Faith Formation

2015-2016 School Year

## Registration 2015-2016 School Year ALL REGISTRATION FORMS DUE AUGUST 31.

#### **FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2015-2016**



SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST Office of Faith Formation

625 111th Avenue North Naples, Florida 34108 Phone: 239-228-3904/3909 Fax: 239-449-6426

Website: www.saintjohntheevangelist.com E-Mail: Faithformation@saintjohntheevangelist.com

Please return registration forms by August 31, 2015 as classes fill up quickly.

3. Registration Forms and checks can also be dropped off in the main office. Ask that they be put in Natalie's mailbox.

Registration packets are available in the Parish Office and Faith Formation offices for the 2015-2016 school year, grades Pre-K through grade 12. Please note the time changes for next year. There is also an opportunity to register for the Children's Choir on the registration form.

Please fill out one packet on each child. If you have children in your family who are new to the program, please secure a copy of their Baptismal certificate. If you do not have a copy, you can call the church of their baptism and have it sent directly to our office. If your child was baptized at St. John please indicate that on the form and we will secure a copy from our records for you.

#### Registration Forms are ALSO available to print at

www.saintjohntheevangelist.com. To access the calendar and the forms, go to the Faith Formation tab at the website homepage and then go to the drop-down marked "Grades Pre-K to 12th Grade." Forms are all located at the bottom of that page.

Early registrations are greatly appreciated so that we may secure the necessary number of catechists and classroom materials. Thank you!

#### A Summary of Next Year's Offerings

#### WEDNESDAYS

Preschool-K: 12:00 -2:00 p.m.

Faith Formation Classes - Grades K-8: 5:45-7:00 p.m.

Children's Choir: 5:15-5:45 p.m.

#### **SUNDAYS**

Faith Formation Classes K-8: 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Sacramental Prep Classes - \*Year 2, Grades 3-8: 9:00- 9:30 a.m.

Year 2 - These children are in grades 3-8 and are in their second year of sacramental preparation.

\*These children must attend Faith Formation class with their grade level

Confirmation Classes - High School: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

High School Youth Group - Please contact Ben Weber at ben@sjecc.com to register through him.

#### **Faith Formation needs catechists**

for the 2015-2016 school year. If you have ever considered being a catechist, we could really use your help! We have many wonderful children ready to learn! Currently, our greatest need is in the 6th grade. We have a new and exciting video based program to kick off the year with these children. We are looking forward to offering six graders their own group a group separate from 7th & 8th graders. Many 6th graders have just recently made a transition into a new school where they are the youngest group in the school. We hope that this class will offer them the support they need during this new time in their life, the beginning of the middle school years. If you are interested in learning more about being a catechist, please contact Natalie Campbell, Director of Religious Education, at *natalie*(a) sjecc.com or call 239.566.8740 ext. 3909.

#### A Note About Sacramental **Preparation**

The Diocese of Venice requires that students must attend a minimum of two consecutive years of Faith Formation to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation. Students must be at least 7 years old by September 30, 2015, and in the 2nd grade to be eligible to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Students are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of 10th grade. They must be at least 15 years old.



We are grateful for the dedication and support of all of our Faith Formation catechists.

Michelle and Dr. Anthony D'Agostino, Confirmation Catechists

# Faith Formation

2015-2016 School Year

# New Times for High School Confirmation **Preparation Program**

6:15 - 7:30 p.m. on Sundays starting Sunday, September 27.

If you have not been confirmed and you will be in Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 in the Fall, join us on this 2-year (28 session- 14 sessions each year) plan towards preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. *Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation* is a video-based Confirmation program uniquely created for students of high school age. This program has received great reviews from teenagers and parents throughout the country.

"Filmed on locations all around the U.S. and internationally, **Chosen** keeps teens' interest with the right balance of faith, fun and powerful vignettes that challenge their existing perspectives on the meaning of their lives and their ultimate call to holiness."

- Ascension Press

**New This Year:** If you are of high school age and have already received the sacrament of Confirmation, you are welcome to join us as well. Perhaps you received the sacrament of Confirmation in 2nd grade and would like to learn more about your faith or maybe you would like to sponsor a friend who is entering this faith journey. All are welcome! Please register soon and feel free to contact the Faith Formation Office if you have questions.



# **Faith Formation Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30-1:30 p.m.

Natalie Campbell Director of Religious Education natalie@sjecc.com 239.566.8740, ext. 3909



## 2015-2016 Confirmation Calendar Grades 9 - 12

We are excited to share our Faith Formation Calendar for our students Grades 9-12 for the 2015-2016 School Year. Whether you are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation or you have already received the sacrament and want to learn more about your faith, you are welcome! High School students will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. on the dates listed below.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2015**

Sunday, September 27: Confirmation #1 Class

#### **OCTOBER 2015**

Sunday, October 11: Confirmation #2 Class Sunday, October 25: Confirmation #3 Class

#### **NOVEMBER 2015**

Sunday, November 1:. Confirmation #4 Class Sunday, November 15: Confirmation #5 Class

#### **DECEMBER 2015**

Sunday, December 13: Confirmation Class #6

#### **JANUARY 2016**

Sunday, January 10: Confirmation Class #7 Sunday, January 31: Confirmation Class #8

#### FEBRUARY 2016

Sunday, February 7: Confirmation #9 Class Sunday, February 28: Confirmation #10 Class

#### **MARCH 2016**

Sunday, March 6: Confirmation #11 Class Sunday, March 13: Confirmation #12 Class

#### **APRIL 2016**

Sunday, April 3: Confirmation #13 Class Sunday, April 17:

Confirmation #14 Class

\*\*Confirmation Date and Location To Be Determined

\*\*Sunday Confirmation Classes: Grades 9-12, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. (14 Select Sundays)

Confirmation Class of 2015



## A GREAT start to a new school year!

Saint Ann School was blessed to welcome 280 students in grades PK3 through 8!

80 new students joined our school community for the 2015-2016 school year!

#### Learn about our new technology integrated curriculum!

The STREAM initiative seeks to integrate Science, Technology, Religion, Art, and Mathematics. Our Mac Lab will be the hub for this school year's new Technology classes.





Call today to schedule a tour of our campus! (239) 262-4110 542 8th Avenue South ~ Naples, Florida 34102

www.stann.net ~ ffacebook.com/SaintAnnSchool

#### First Anniversary Memorial Mass for Bishop Emeritus John J.

Nevins at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice on Wednesday, August 26 at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Instructions for Fingerprinting at St. John and Other Diocesan Approved Screening Sites

Before visiting St. John (or another diocesan screening location) for fingerprinting, applicants must complete the registration form online at: http:// www.dov.sofn.net. Registrants will need a photo identification (such as a driver's license), a major credit card and your social security number. After registration is complete, a receipt with a bar code will be issued. New applicants must present this receipt at St. John (or another diocesan screening location) in order to continue the process. Do not make an appointment at St. John until you have the printed receipt with the bar code.

When registering online, choose St. John as the place to get fingerprinted. Please register at: http://www.dov.sofn.net

Individuals who do not have access to a computer or require assistance in registering should contact the St. John parish office during business hours.

Christ is Still Counting on You! Have you made a Cursillo Weekend? Are you looking to continue sharing your Fourth Day experience? Are you looking for the opportunity to group again? If so, come to an Ultreya and meet your brothers and sisters in Christ. For a list of all the Ultreya's Meetings in the Diocese of Venice go to: http://www. jesusinflorida.com.

## Next Magnificat Breakfast Will Be Saturday, September 19 at the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, September 19, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. The speaker, Maureen Sullivan, moved from NY to Fort Myers in 1986. She served as Youth Director at Our Lady of Light for 23 years. Through the truths and promises in His Word and the revelations of the Holy Spirit, she learned her true identity as a Daughter of the Most High King.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Iris Diaz, 10410 Strike Lane, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, 239.498.7204 or Shirley Ruehl, 11451 Pembrook Run, Estero, FL 33928, 239.949.7015. Requests must be postmarked by Friday, September 11.



# Faith Formation & RCIA

# Help Wanted

#### COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

This parishioner will develop recruiting, promotion and publicity programs and prepare copy to inform and invite parishioners and others to the various offerings for adult faith formation, adult enrichment, and rites of initiation.

#### AMBASSADORS OF WELCOME

Do you love meeting new people and networking? Are you someone who enjoys setting a table of refreshments and snacks for guests and visitors? Do people feel welcome and valued when they are with you? If so you are a perfect candidate to provide that personal touch to the evening and weekend adult programs at our parish.

#### **SPONSORS**

God does not choose the gifted, but gifts the chosen. The sponsor walks with inquirers and catechumen as they journey toward initiation into the Catholic Church. A sponsor is a person of faith and a practicing Catholic who becomes both coach and cheerleader. Many times great sponsors are already involved as Eucharistic ministers, lectors, catechists or choir members. They may have been initiated into the Church as an adult through the RCIA process, or had a spouse, relative or friend that was. Training and guidance are provided

#### **FACILITATOR/CATECHIST**

Even though you may not think of yourself as a "teacher", you may be valuable assisting in a RCIA topic session or faith formation program. Adults learn most effectively through storytelling or "witnessing", and when someone is speaking from the heart and from their personal experience about a topic about which they are passionate, true communication occurs.

To apply for any of these positions please send an email with your name, contact information and position(s) of interest to:

Jack Kindsvater, AFF and RCIA Coordinator

jack@sjecc.com or call 239.566.8740 extension 3918

## The Joy of Being of An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist at St. John

The blessedness of bringing our Lord to others is an obvious joy of being an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. At St. John, the pleasure of being an EME is enhanced by several special events which our Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist enjoy exclusively. During the summer months, the special events are three "Summer Coffees with the Clergy".

This summer, our EMEs enjoyed being introduced to Fr. Bob at the first summer coffee. Fr. Bob shared stories from his childhood, his decision to become a priest and some of his experiences in the priesthood. It was a nice opportunity to get to know the newest clergy member in our St. John family. At the second summer coffee, Fr. Jim shared a wonderful talk he had prepared for the EMEs about applying



the Ten Commandments to the EME ministry. The EMEs enjoyed Fr. Jim's engaging talk and left with new and deeper insights about the Ten Commandments. Our EMEs are looking forward to the final summer coffee on Tuesday, September 8.

The summer coffees provide a relaxed atmosphere in which the EMEs can get to know each other over coffee and breakfast pastry, and address any questions about their ministry to a clergy member. All Extraordinary



Ministers of the Eucharist come together at the coffees: those who serve at Mass, at the hospital and those who serve the homebound.

text submitted by Annemarie Jardon, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist







Thursday, September 10, 2015 6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.) featuring

Tom Oram, Jennine Fuentes and Gabi Frei

It has been a long, hot summer! How about refreshing your soul and spirit with some uplifting music and a Christ-centered message of Mercy and Hope!? Our first event will feature three local liturgical musicians as they share their experiences and offer helpful thoughts on how to pray with and through music. The evening will include several beautifully prayerful songs. Come and hear the inspirational voices of Tom Oram, Jennine Fuentes and Gabi Frei, while enjoying dinner and a glass of wine with friends and fellow parishioners. Some things will be new this year and we will keep some things just the same as before. But at every event you will be surrounded by friends, peers, laughter, joy, prayer and the love of God! Free Babysitting!







Invite your BFF and your neighbors!

Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.

#### Italian Night Menu

Appetizer Display:

Italian Cheese Display • Vegetable Crudite Buffet:

Classic Lasagna • Chicken Picatta
Baked Ziti Pasta • Sausage & Peppers
Italian Meatballs • Market Salad
Garlic Rolls

An Assortment of Petite Italian Desserts

# Cost: \$20 prepay

**Please prepay for this event no later than noon on September 8**, by going to **www.faithandwine.com** or dropping off your check made payable to "Faith and Wine, Inc." to the St. John parish office. Or you can mail (post-marked before September 3) your check to Kathleen Millard at 1937 Crestview Way Unit 172; Naples, FL. 34119

**Event held at:** St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom 625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL

Go to www.FaithandWine.com to learn more!

# **Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Five**

The Spiritual Adoption Program is heading into the fifth month. Your commitment is to pray a short prayer daily through Christmas.

MONTH 5 - Developing Baby - "Mommy felt me kick today!"



Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now, and his mother can feel his movement. Before this time he was too small for her to feel. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the

outside wall and dent it - - the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John will be Tuesday, August 25 at 8:30 a.m. This Mass will be celebrated in special observance of the life of Jesus in the womb of our Blessed Mother. For a complete schedule of the Novena of Masses for Life, check the diocesan website at: www. dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.

Isaiah 44:24 - "Thus says the Lord, your redeemer, who formed you from the womb: I am the Lord, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, I spread out the earth by myself."