

You Can Help Us Make 20,000 Meals



Parishioners from St. John who attended the World Meeting of Family last September in Philadelphia helped prepare 30,000 MREs (Meals Ready to Eat) to help stop hunger in Africa.

"It was one of my favorite things to do on the trip to Philadelphia," said Carter Beebe. Right here at Saint John the Evangelist we are providing an opportunity for our parishioners to make a huge impact for those who are suffering around the world.

We are hosting a meal-packing event where we hope to make 20,000 individual meals that will be shipped to Africa. We need people of all ages to come out and help pack these meals.

The event, which will be held Thursday, August 4 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services' Helping Hands program, which provides meals to refugee camps and starving families internationally.

Please RSVP with the link below if you, your friends, and your family are able to assist. This is a community-wide effort so please invite and bring everyone you know.

If you are unable to come to the event on August 4, but would like to donate money in order to help us reach our goal, you may do so using the link below as well.

To register or donate, visit: http://helpinghands.crs.org/events/sjecc/



Our Parish Family will come together to learn about the people of Burkina Faso and the hunger they face, to reflect on our Catholic call to address hunger and to have fun packaging thousands of meals that will help save lives.



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Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Thursday Evening: 6:30 p.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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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 emministry@sjecc.com. 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, July 9, 2016

St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions; Blessed Virgin Mary

Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday;

Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37; or Ps 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Sunday, July 10, 2016

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37; or Ps 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Monday, July 11, 2016

St. Benedict

Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 - 11:1

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

St. Henry

ls 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 14, 2016

St. Kateri Tekakwitha

ls 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 15, 2016

St. Bonaventure

ls 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; ls 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 16, 2016

Our Lady of Mount Carmel; Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday;

Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Sunday, July 17, 2016

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

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.



"Faith cannot be shared if it is practiced apart from life."

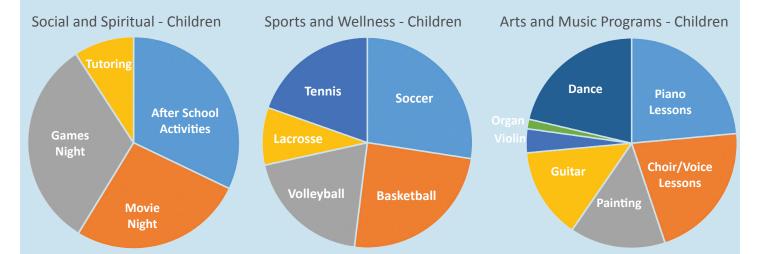
— Pope Francis



A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Survey Results: Children Programs

The results are in! We have had over 1,400 individual responses to our new programs survey from our Parish Family. These responses span multiple age groups for our three primary categories of efforts: sports and wellness, social and spiritual, and arts and music. These next few weeks, I wanted to share the priorities we have been given by you to enhance the programs here at Saint John the Evangelist. The first age group we will focus on is Children, ages infant to 12 years old. The survey says:



Some of the additional requests that stand out for children's activities also included:

- Cooking Classes
- Gardening
- Golf Instruction
- Theater Productions and Acting

We will be choosing the top priorities from these results and developing programs over the next year to respond to your needs. Stay tuned for more survey information in the upcoming bulletins and online, where you can see all these results together.

While the money has been pledged in our **Build Our Future**, **Serve Our Past** capital campaign to accomplish the facility and some of our other urgent needs, we still need our entire Parish Family to give in order to reach our additional goals, including the detailed execution of the above programs. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator at 239.495.2001 or email: campaign@sjecc.com.

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

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Assistant to the Pastor

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Parish Secretary

Deborah Marsh

Front Office Manager

Kathy Mooney

Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

Call the office

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Ellie Roberts

Sacristan

Lan Tran

Director of Family Mission

Jean-Paul Boucher

Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor

Kathy Sims

Memorial Garden

Jean-Paul Boucher

Bookkeeper

Karen Beebe

Religious Boutique

Jackie Gibson: Ext. 3921

Maintenance

566.8740

Education Staff

Director of Religious EducationNatalie Campbell: *Ext. 3904 and 3909*

Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation

& RCIA Jack Kindsvater: Ext. 3918

email staff members at:

info@sjecc.com

PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: www.sjecc.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.

Thursday Evening

6:30 p.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@sjecc.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@sjecc.com* or drop your submission off in the parish office.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

Mass Intentions

We are now accepting 2017 intentions.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2016 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 Information...

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9 & 10

Readings: 725

Entrance Hymn: 121 Make Us True Servants

Preparation Hymn: 391 Shepherd of My Heart

Communion Hymn: 245 The Cup Of Life Outpoured

511 Whatsoever You Do

Closing Hymn: 484 We Are Called

Choral Anthem at 9 AM Mass

Prelude: Shout to the Lord Zschech

Preparation: Turn To Me Foley

Communion: Thy Word Grant

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, July 11: Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

There was a man of venerable life, Benedict, blessed by grace and by name, who, leaving home and patrimony and desiring to please God alone, sought out the habit of holy

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

living.

R. To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Lk 12: 42

This is the steward, faithful and prudent, whom the Lord set over his household

to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

Tuesday, July 12: Tuesday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 17 (16):15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. God upholds his city for ever.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 84 (83):4-5

The sparrow finds a home,

and the swallow a nest for her young:

by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house,

for ever singing your praise.

Wednesday, July 13: Wednesday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 21 (20):2-3

In your strength, O Lord, the just one rejoices; how greatly your salvation makes him glad! You have granted him his soul's desire.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord will not abandon his people.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 6:33

Seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things will be given you besides, says the Lord.

Thursday, July 14: Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ.

REPONSORIAL PSALM

R. From heaven the Lord looks down on the earth.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Mt. 25:6

Behold, the bridgegroom is coming; come out to meet Christ the Lord.

Friday, July 15: Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ez 34:11, 23-24

I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, and I will appoint a shepherd to pasture them,

and I, the Lord, will be their God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. You saved my life, O Lord; I shall not die.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. In 15:16

It was not you who chose me, says the Lord,

but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.

Saturday, July 16: Saturday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Do not forget the poor, O Lord!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Lk 11:27

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

#ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe

Parish Mission & Life

#ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Organizations in the Bulletin: First Step

Last week, I introduced the new structure for the organizations that are integrated here at St. John, including three major categories that help us shape the role of the church to achieve our mission: operational, ministry, and group. As you will see in the next few weeks, we will take the first step in communicating the various opportunities to be involved here by separating them in the bulletin on different pages. Operational organizations will move to the very front of the bulletin, along with the staff and clergy. The impact of these groups on the mission essential functions of the parish, namely serving Mass and sacramental services to our Parish Family, deserve such a position. Ministries will now have an entire page in which their message, along with contact information, can be visible. Groups have been put together on another page, so those looking for those types of activities can easily find them.

As we have described in the Ministry Town Halls, Ministries and Groups have a lifecycle. They are born from an idea and some wonderful people getting together. As that idea grows and more people are interested in joining and helping, we now have resources to assist with the development of that group and if desired, growing it into a ministry of St. John. There are ebbs and flows during that lifecycle, with membership and leadership transitions, new ideas for growth, and changes in mission. Sometimes, when a ministry or group no longer has the capability to fulfill its mission, it should disband. That is the nature of ministry and we should embrace this lifecycle, which will allow for resources and focus to be dedicated to what our Parish Family wants and needs.

This effort will be a work-in-progress and if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Pastoral Stewardship Council, whose contact information is currently on page 8,

but will soon be moved to page 4. Thank you all for your patience and responsiveness to our active Parish Family.

#ToKnow – Budget 2017: Financial Support to Saint John

As many of you know, Saint John the Evangelist operates on a fiscal year structure that begins July 1 and ends on June 30 of the following year. We have just completed our Fiscal Year 2016 and have begun our Fiscal Year 2017 this past week. In upcoming bulletins, even if it is a little dry, I will be providing you all the details of our financial progress over the past year and the picture of this year's new budget. However, I wanted to use this small introduction timeframe to communicate a few priorities.

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



It is true that the Diocese of Venice imposes a 26% assessment on all our operational income. That means that the financial gifts you provide to this parish, or any in this area, may be impacted by this assessment. This is a normal process, and our Diocese is by no means the highest assessment in the country. This money does go to serve some very significant efforts for our area, including Catholic Charities and the seminarian programs.

There are several ways to provide your gifts that would not be impacted by this assessment, and these may be ways you could consider giving as part of your offertory. The first is to give to our Capital Campaign. Every single dollar, whether in the blue envelopes, from a pledge, or given to the campaign office, goes toward our buildings and programs without assessment through March of 2018. We are developing an endowment with those funds as well, which will support the operations of the parish, without assessment, for decades to come. The second way to give without assessment is through the Catholic Faith Appeal. All your giving to the Catholic Faith Appeal goes towards our goal provided by the Diocese, and once we reach that goal and exceed it, we get to keep all the overage for our Parish Family.

When you are planning your gifts to St. John, I would ask that you consider these two options as part of your overall giving so we can maximize the impact of the blessings and resources of our Parish Family to achieve our mission, To Know, To Love, and To Serve God, in His Church and Our Community.

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City, State, Zip:			
Telephone:	*		
9	Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Avenue North • Naples, FL 34108 In support of the "BUILD OUR FUTURE-SERVE OUR PAST" Campaign, I/We pledge		
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For Office Use Only TOTAL GIFT: \$ PAID HEREWITH: \$	Named Gift#: In Honor/Memory of: I would like to talk with someone about including the church in my will or living trust. Email Address:		
BALANCE: \$	SIGNED: DATE: Please make checks payable to: SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH. NOTE: Please enter in check memo line: BUILD OUR FUTURE-SERVE OUR PAST CAMPAIGN.		

Guadalupe Center Gearing Up for its Back to School Shoes & Supplies Drive for More Than 1,100 Children

School is barely out, but the Guadalupe Center is already gearing up for its next Back to School Shoes & Supplies Drive! This is a time of year when Guadalupe Center looks to individuals, churches, communities and other organizations to help them supply children of all ages with new shoes, socks and school supplies.

"Shoes and supplies are used throughout the school year, as little feet don't stop growing and our busy, hands-on educational programs reach more than 1,100 children a day, year round. Serving children six-weeks old through high school, materials constantly need to be replenished, so your help is greatly needed," said Kelly Hammer, Director of Donor Relations at Guadalupe Center

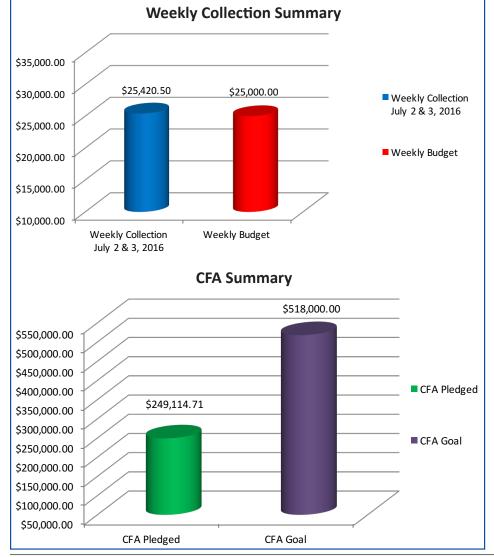
Backpacks filled with needed items for a new school year, shoes, school supplies or monetary donations may be dropped off at the Guadalupe Center Resale & Consignment Shop on US 41, just south of Vanderbilt Beach Road, across the street from Steinmart.



"Thank you for your support of the Guadalupe Center and its children," said Kelly.

For additional information, contact

Kelly Hammer at 239.657.7158 or khammer@guadalupecenter.org.



Providence House Provides Transitional Housing for Motivated Women with Young Children Who May Be Homeless

The mission of Providence House is to provide a faith-based self-sufficiency and transitional housing program for motivated women with young children who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless.

Melanie (not her real name), a daughter of two alcoholic parents, stated that, "I've been on my own since I was 12." She did not see anything wrong with her parenting style of screams and threats. In fact, Melanie was proud of the fact that she did not beat her children, "like happened to me my whole childhood."

Slowly, with the help of parenting classes and the guidance of her case manager, Melanie learned to be a warmer and more effective parent. While at Providence House, she also was able to attend a vocational program, which helped to improve her financial situation.

You can be so proud of the help you give to the hard-working and motivated moms of Providence House, benefiting them, their children and the community.

If you would like to learn more about Providence House, we would welcome you for a tour, to show you around our beautiful wooded campus. Call 239.692.8779. You can also like us on Facebook or check us out on the web, *www.providencehousenaples.org*. Thank you for your consideration.

Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities						
Tuesday, July 12	11:00 AM					
, ,	Brookdale					
Fr. D. Whelan	2.000.000					
req	. by Gina Hernandez					
Wednesday, July 13	3:00 PM					
,, , ,	Aston Garden					
Mass of Thanksgiving						
req. by Jerry & Sally Detloff						
Thursday, July 14	10:00 AM					
, ,	Solaris Health Care					
+ Mary Ann Dubois						
req. by Michele DuBois Mulderrig						
Friday, July 15	10:00 AM					
	Juniper Village					
+ Raymond Beyers, Jr.						
req. by Peter DeFrancesca						

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Jean-Paul Boucher

jp@sjecc.com

Arts & Liturgical Environment: Kay and Andy Sanfelippo 949.7122

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President/Contact

Rick Beebe psc@sjecc.com

Adult Faith Formation. See page 17

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. Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Leo Catholic Church, Juan Diego Building, Carol: 804.306.5323. Thursday evenings 7:00 p.m. Juliette: Lysack

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.

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Residents and seasonals welcome. Call the office: 566.8740

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

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Call the office: 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 sjeride@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). SUMMER 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 Elaine: 566.8740.

Divorced and Separated Support Group. Anyone who is going through a separation or has experienced it in the past (no matter how many years ago) is welcome. Meets every other Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meeting dates are: July 6, July 20, August 3 and August 17. Lhara Echeverria:

239.293.3694 or *Lhara@sjecc.com* and Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254.

Faith Chat. Wednesdays at 5:45-7:30 p.m. Nancy Griffin: 239.777.0575

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. Keep checking here for the next 7-session series. For any concerns related to the Bereavement Ministry call the office: 566.8740

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 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the library. This is an open meeting for anyone who is unemployed or seeking a career change. Free. Carol Marlow: 948.0050

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281. Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6:30 p.m.; business meeting at 7:15 p.m. Social meeting last Monday of the month. Visiting Knights are welcome. Bill Warvel, Grand Knight: 331.7151

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 Jim McDonald: 598.3789

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. Vicki Brenner: 498.9900

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 Carolyn McNichols at 239.919.2675 or carolyn@tsusa.us. If interested in joining, call MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702.

Mah Jong. Wednesday, Noon - 3 p.m. Beginners welcome. Lessons NOT provided. Lanelle Bishop: 352.1860

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Our organization combines service work in support of the parish with social activities. We always welcome new members. Monthly meetings are held at 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday from October to May. Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551.

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 lnbjudy@comcast.net

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Saturday, 7 p.m. Britta: 348.5031 or Roger: 250.6888

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. Phyllis Crivelli: 594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 250.4162

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

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. 🗖

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 |Lt. John Meyers

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

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 Spc. Shelby Granza

U.S. Army Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer USMC * Embassy

Security (New Zealand) Spc. Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett USMC 2nd Lt. Sean Kealey

U.S. Army

U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak **USMC**

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak USMC

Ryan D. Novak USMC

Cpt. Daniel Palmer U.S. Army

Cpt. John 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

Ensign Gabriella Scrudato U.S. Coast Guard

MidShipman Micaela Scrudato

U.S. Naval Academy Spc. Andrew Smith U.S. Army (Kuwait)

Spc. Devin Snyder U.S. Army (Ft. Drum,

Houng Tran U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN) Staff Sgt. Brandon Waithe U.S. Air Force

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino U.S. Air Force

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. Maria Jones: 348.5361. Wednesday morning

Centering Prayer will resume in the fall.

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. Phyllis Gryskiewicz,

St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

Meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially: Joyce Marie Brune, Marianne B. Sauter and Walter Serafin

May they rest in eternal peace.

Please pray for those on our prayer list below as well as those whose names appear on our online Prayer List at http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by PRAYER and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. – Philippians 4:6

AJM

Rich Annunizata Fernando Ardila Thomas Ardila

Jean & Emmunale Ballmiro

Kristen Barson Richard Becker Margie Benefico

Ryan Bennis Barbara Berg Linda Berry

Michelle Bocchino Kathleen Bradach **Brooks Family**

Connie Cahill Nancy Campbell Steve Caputo Tiffany Chill

Eric Christianson Frank & Joan Ciccarelli

Fran & Becky Comeriato Sam Comeriato

Anthony D'Antuono Florence Demski Sandra Demski

Carol Donovan Roseann Dugan Veronica Fawcett

George Ferdinand Wendy Bui Fewell

Donna Flynn Anna Focht Susan Foster

Janet Gainey **Edward Gaynor** John Gazzola

Michael Getty Jackie Gibson Emma Gilardi Don Goodwillie

Joe Goss

Richard Granger Keri Grasso Donald Howe Carolyn Jansen

Chester Kauffman Sean Keating Yvonne Keenan Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Jim Krauser & Family Glenn & Joanne Krumel

John Kurvea Jerry Lane Tiffany LaPointe Lindsay Lavery Dan & Lu LeBlanc Ned & Mary Lou Leibig

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Christine Maher Katherine Malatespa Gloria Maloney Ann Maniuske Maria and Family

Barb Marsh John Mass Kenneth J. McAvoy Simone McGaffee

John McGlinn Carolyn McNichols McReynolds Family Beth Ann Meloche Amanda Merhige

Paul Miller Heather Milner Shirley Monacelli Marylee Olsen Maryla Panagos Anthony Parisi

Ann Petrillo Jamie Piazzon

Renee Rake Cindy Renner

Ellen Roberts Rea Rossi Jean Ruel Lisa Sanfelippo

Richard Pratt

Peter Scariati Darlene Scerbinski Eli Schneider

Pat Schuler Ben Schweninger Leonard Seidi

Bruce Sherman Marilyn Shields Lisa Siegwarth Winnie Smith

Krista Sowers Nancy Stewart Susan Stokes

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William J. Teplica James Thompson Joanne Timmerman Maria Torres Jennifer Toth Patricia Trapnell Fay VanWie Pat Velasques Lena Vittolo Patti Wakim

Jonathon Werner **Bob Wright** Helen Zaks Robert Zazzara Ed Zerrer

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like the name(s) you submit to be on our prayer list for longer than one month, please notify us by phone or email or the names will be removed. These names also appear on our online prayer list at: http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ ministries/prayer-list

 $P_{RAY}...$

To submit a one-month prayer request call 566.8740, or email: prayerlist@sjecc.com

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, July 10, 2016: the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song

We Are Called 484

David Haas

Kyrie • spoken

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

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Gospel Acclamation

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

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Verses 1 & 2) Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,

Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place,

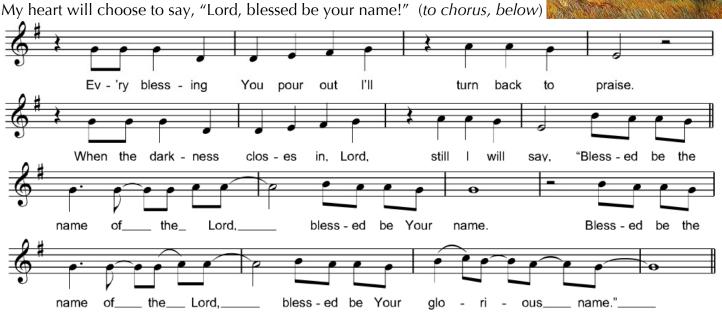
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name. (chorus, below)

Verses 3 & 4) Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering

Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. (to chorus, below)

Bridge) You give and take away; you give and take away



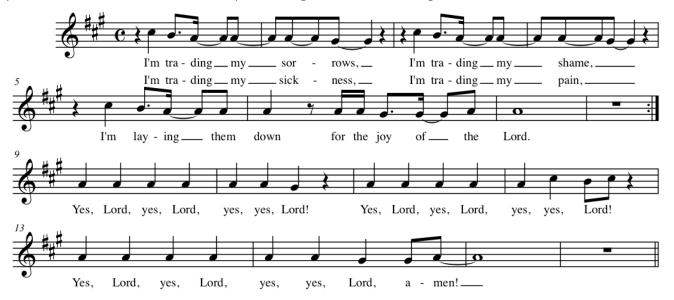
Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (C) • Great Amen • Agnus Dei

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511 Whatsoever You Do

Willard Jabusch

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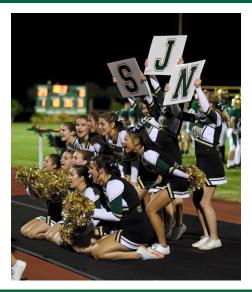


Bridge) Oh, I am pressed, but not crushed, persecuted, not abandoned, struck down, but not destroyed. I am blessed beyond the curse for his promise will endure that his joy's gonna be my strength!

Though the sorrow may last for the night, his joy comes with the morning!



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37
or Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Colossians 1:15-20
Luke 10:25-37

To Love the Lord Is to Serve with Mercy

e often find that Jesus answers a question with a question. In doing so, he challenges people to seek the truth themselves in order to know what God expects of them. In today's gospel, a scholar of the God's law asks Jesus how to inherit eternal life. Jesus invites the lawyer to seek the answer himself through the gift of the law. His reply, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." The scholar who still seeks clarification asks the ultimate question, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus answers with the parable of

end, the scholar has to agree that even people held in low esteem are capable

of expressing God's mercy and compassion.

the Good Samaritan. The parable illustrates that the law can only go so far in determining the truth. In the

Reflection Questions

- 1. How do you show your love for God?
- 2. How much energy or time do you give to God?
- 3. Where do you experience God the most?
- 4. When has God surprised you through your experience?
- 5. Who do you view as the undesirables of today?
- 6. Do you think such people are capable of love and mercy? Why or why not?
- 7. What do you think these people can offer the world?
- 8. What do you think God believes about these people?
- 9. Have you ever neglected to attend to the needs of another?
- 10. What is the main lesson that lies in the parable of the Good Samaritan for you?

Although we might not intend to, we can easily fall into the same trap when we judge others by outward appearances or by hearsay. If we truly open ourselves to one another we will sometimes be surprised with what we encounter. A few years ago I went to Connecticut to be with friends for Thanksgiving. That morning I attended a football game with all the guys, after which we went into a local Irish bar before dinner. The owner of the bar seemed very gruff. He looked terrible and his language was deplorable. After coming to the conclusion that he lacked moral character and Christian virtue, something happened to teach me a great lesson. At three o'clock the owner invited the homeless in for a Thanksgiving dinner. I was humbled as I watched him and his family serving the poor with a free meal and free drink. That gruff character with all the colorful language was truly a neighbor to the poor that day. The bar owner's expression of charity revealed the gift that lay deep within his heart — he was a person of mercy and concern.

Sometimes we are asked to go the extra mile in order to see God at work in our lives and the lives of others. If we dig beneath the surface we often learn something new about someone or about some situation. We have to allow ourselves to be surprised by the stranger by extending the boundaries of our lives. We may find Christ in the guise of the undesirables of the present day. When we remember the parable of the Good Samaritan, we are challenged to serve with mercy no matter how unworthy the recipient may seem. We too may find ourselves outside the graces of people and the Church, either

by ignoring the truth or by making mistakes. During these times we are called to conversion; a change of heart that will lead us to the truth that sets us free. Regardless of fragility, misunderstanding, or wrong doing, we are called to love the Lord with everything we have and never to lose sight of his mercy.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we want to love you with all that we possess. Help us to see the good in one another. May we allow others to be neighbors to us. May we see your divine love in each person that comes our way. Let your mercy flow through us like a never-ending stream. Amen.

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



Voices of Faith

To Love

Love is a mysterious gift
It comes suddenly, surprisingly, passionately,
It reaches a depth that cannot be explained
It opens man to an unfathomable realm
It sets women and men alike upon a voyage of
discovery
It leads man forth to his destiny

Love is an expression
It exudes the warmth of affection
It sparks the source of passion
It opens the benevolent heart pouring forth mercy
It opens one's hands to give in charity
It inspires man on and gives him hope

Love is multidimensional
It reveals itself in passing fancies
It is in the passionate touch and intimacy within the covenant

It is the virtue that ties family and friends together It unites a nation with a cause of freedom It is the love of the soul which breaks down walls

Love is a gift from God
It is the gift from the heart of the Giver
It does not discriminate
It knows no bounds
It inspires peoples and nations
It brings man to his journey's end

Love is the gift of man to God
It is the offering of man's heart's desire to God
It is gift of man's being blessing the Lord's name
It is the use of man's strength in bearing witness to the kingdom

It is the collision of the human and divine imagination It is the bestowal of man's all

Love is the gift of humanity
It is where man finds meaning
It is where souls connect
It is where women and men reach out to others in love
It is the gift which transcends all things
It is the treasure of unity and peace

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



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus Council 11281 Present:



White Castle Slider Tribute Night II

Thursday, August 11th, 2016 • 6:00 P.M.



St. John the Evangelist

Million Dollar Tribute to Elvis and some friends...

Featuring Naples'

Joe Marino and "All the Kings Men"

ADMISSION: \$15 Per Person in advanced or \$20 at the door (if available)

PAY BAR

Ticket includes oldies snacks & 2 White Castle tribute sliders & fries





Pay at the door or in advance (to ensure seating) after weekend Masses (starting July 16) or online at: https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/WhiteCastleSliderTributeNight2

or contact Bill Warvel at (732) 672-4109

Elvis Presley died at Graceland on August 16, 1977. He was 42 years old.



Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

Registration 2016-2017 School Year

ALL REGISTRATION FORMS DUE AUGUST 31.

~ REGISTER BY AUGUST 31ST TO ENSURE A SPOT ON YOUR DAY OF CHOICE! ~

Class units are filling quickly!

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2016-2017



SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST

Office of Faith Formation

625 111th Avenue North Naples, Florida 34108 **Phone: 239-228-3926/3909 Fax: 239-449-6426** Website: www.saintjohntheevangelist.com
E-Mail: Faithformation@saintjohntheevangelist.com

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 at the time you submit your

Registration packets are available in the Parish Office and Faith Formation offices for the 2016-2017 school year, grades Pre-K through grade 12. 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.sjecc.com. To access 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.

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

*Ask about Sunday morning Confirmation Classes

Catechists Needed for Upcoming 2016-2017 School Year

With approximately 425 kids in our Faith Formation program this year, we are in need of several Catechists for the next school year. We are looking for catechists to serve the needs of our Pre-K through 12th grade students. If interested, please contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com.

SEPTEMBER - SAVE THE DATES

Families In Christ: September 11, 2016

Faith Formation Classes Begin:

Sunday Classes, K-8, September 18, 2016

Wednesday Classes, K-8, September 21, 2016.

High School Confirmation, Sunday, September 25, 2016

*Full Faith Formation Calendar, Coming Soon!

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, 2016, 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.

Faith Formation for Mom and Dad

Parents, as we begin the new year, we want you to know that we want to meet your Adult Faith Formation needs! Whether you have never been baptized and want to learn more about the faith or maybe you have never received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, or you have received all of your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation), we have a plan for you!

Please feel free to contact me and *read more* about Adult Faith Formation in our bulletin with articles by our Adult Faith Formation and RCIA coordinator, Jack Kindsvater. He can be contacted at jack@sjecc.com.

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

Faith Formation & RCIA

Where in the World Is Bob Barron, and What Has He Been Up To?

For those hundred plus parishioners who viewed and discussed the **CATHOLICISM** study program last fall or winter, no introduction to him is needed. For others Bob Barron is Fr. Robert Barron who produced and hosted that award-winning series that took participants around the world and deep into our faith to consider what Catholics believe and why.

For the last two years he has resumed his travels, and he has taken his camera crew to a dozen places in the world to discover the figures who shaped the Church and changed the world, *THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS*. In this journey he unlocks the truth behind the handful of saints, artists, mystics, and

scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

The new study program CATHOLICISM: *The Pivotal Players* is already on order and will be delivered to Saint John the Evangelist in September. Look for the schedule in late August.

The first part will feature an artist, a convert, an evangelist, a mystic, a reformer, and a theologian. If you are curious about who they are, go to www.wordonfire.org and see.

While you are on that site, you may also want to look around and see what else Fr. Barron has been up to.

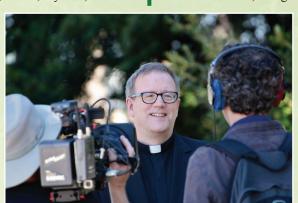
First, you will learn that he is now *Bishop Barron*, a new auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles. (how fitting that this video personality now lives in "film land")

But you will also see that he continues to author articles and write books. CDs, homilies and lectures are also posted there.

Click on Articles, and go to the recent article, *Thomas Aquinas*

and the Art of Making a Public Argument. In it he revisits "a time when people knew how to have a public argument about the most hotly-contested matters.... the High Middle Ages." He suggests that "It wouldn't be a bad model for our present discussion of serious things."

I agree. What do you think? I'd like to hear from you.



Conceived in Liberty... Here are the authors of last week's Bulletin quotes:

- "Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged."

 H. Ronald Reagan
- "Our freedom fades when it is handed over to the blind forces of the unconscious, of immediate needs, of self-interest, and of violence." D. Pope Francis;
 2015 Encyclical Laudato Si, paragraph 105
- 3. "They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." *E. Benjamin Franklin*
- 4. "What is the essence of America? Finding and maintaining that perfect, delicate balance between freedom 'to' and freedom 'from."
 - I. Marilyn vos Savant
- 5. "The boisterous sea of liberty is never without a wave." *G. Thomas Jefferson*

- 6. "Emergencies have always been the pretext on which the safeguards of individual liberty have been eroded." *F. Friedrich August von Hayek*
- 7. "The very idea of freedom incites fear in the hearts of terrorists across the world." *C. Elizabeth Dole*
- 8. "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same." *H. Ronald Reagan*
- 9. "This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." B. Elmer Davis, World War II Director, Office of War Information
- 10. "Posterity: you will never know how much it has cost the present generation to preserve your freedom. I hope you will make good use of it."

 A. John Quincy Adams

Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator, Call 239,566,8740, ext. 3918 or email jack@sjecc.com

Spotlight on Time and Talent

Sam Comeriato Honored to Have Served on Committee

to Form the New Parish of St. John

Editor's Note: Many parishioners give numerous hours of time and talent to the Parish Family in order to see St. John flourish. Sadly, the time comes when a parishioner decides he/she must step aside from one of the ministries, often for personal reasons. This is part of an on-going series to express our gratitude, by honoring those individuals with a Spotlight.

The Parish of Saint John the Evangelist and the ushers want to honor and to express deepest gratitude for the decades of work of Sam Comeriato who is lightening his responsibilities because of health issues. Sam was born in Akron, Ohio, and after attending Catholic elementary school, he went to public high school there. This was followed by some study at Kent State. He was married to Merlyn in 1959 at the Church of the Annunciation. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary here at St. John. Sam and Merlyn have three children.

The Comeriatos moved here in 1977 and while attending St. Williams were asked to serve on a committee of 22 to form the new parish of Saint John the Evangelist. Sam transported and set up the folding chairs lent by St. Williams for the first masses at St. John which were held in the Naples Park Elementary School. Sam was asked to be the usher for those first 100 parishioners. Sam went on to serve as Head Usher a couple of times. He also was a founder and first president of the Men's Club. He has happy memories of the first Parish Picnic that he organized at Delnor-Wiggins State Park; and the Children's Christmas Parties.

Sam feels privileged and blessed to have been able to do so much for the parish and to be part of its formation. He feels that this has been one of the biggest event of his life.

Saint John the Evangelist thanks you,

text and photo submitted by John Roy

Companion Driving Ministry Offers Rides, Needs Drivers

If you have space available in your vehicle to allow a fellow parishioner to ride along with you and attend a daily or weekend Mass, please contact the Driving Ministry at sjeride@gmail.com or Beth Lucci at



IOIN US TO HEAR FROM LEADING NATIONAL EXP MONTE STILES



A former state and federal drug prosecutor, Stiles supervised the Organized Crime/Drug Enforcement Task Force – a group of agents and prosecutors who investigate and prosecute high-level drug trafficking organizations, including Los Angeles street gangs, Mexican cartels and international drug smuggling and money laundering operations. He left government service in April 2011 to devote all of his time to drug education.

Stiles is a passionate drug educator and motivational speaker traveling to schools, businesses, churches, law enforcement agencies, as well as youth and parent organizations throughout the country. Using real life experiences and research, Stiles' multi-media presentation will highlight the influence of popular culture on both youth and adult attitudes regarding substance abuse. His training allows participants to recognize drug normalization trends and also empowers individuals to take an active role in combatting this within the community.

Arrive early to walk through our traveling exhibit.

Hidden In Plain Sight is a traveling exhibit designed to help parents of teens recognize unfamiliar hazards that are often in plain sight. With more than 100 items in this interactive exhibit, local experts guide parents through a simulated teenager's bedroom and explain potential areas of concern.

The exhibit is for ADULTS ONLY!

About us: A local non-profit, Drug Free Collier was established in 2005 as a coalition of parents, youth, teachers, religious and fraternal organizations, health care and business professionals, law enforcement and media. Our mission is to unite the community to protect the children of Collier County from substance abuse.

877.6254. Thank you!

St. John the Evangelist

625 111th Avenue N.

Naples, FL 34108

The event is FREE but

nail: CarlyG@drugfreecollier.org

RSVP is requested.

(239) 302-6717 or

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