

March 13, 2016
Fifth Sunday of Lent

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SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

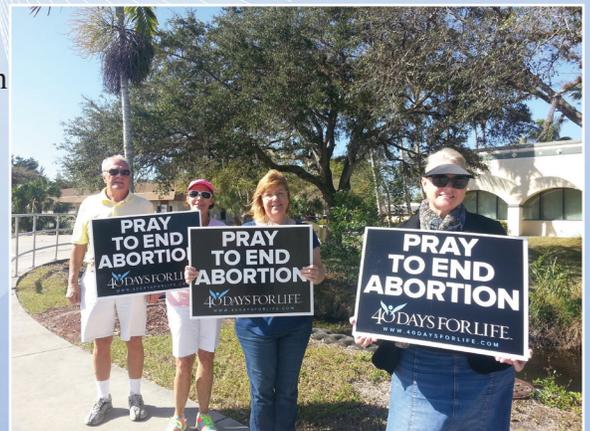


Have you noticed the 58 crosses in the front lawn of the church? These 58 crosses represent the 58 million babies who have lost their lives due to abortion in the U.S. since the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision. Each cross represents one million babies who have been aborted.

Thanks to the 120 parishioners who prayed for an end to abortion on February 19, February 23 and March 2 at the Naples Planned Parenthood. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful, proven-effective pro-life campaign that has been embraced by over 700,000 people in 32 countries. More than 11,000 babies have been saved and 64 abortion facilities have closed during past 40 Days for Life campaigns.

Please continue to pray for an end to abortion.

*text and photos submitted by Nancy and Paul Curti,
Parish Coordinators, 40 Days for Life*



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Daily Masses: 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. and 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, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5:00 p.m.

Scan this tag with your smartphone to view our mobile website.

Mass for Deceased (*) and Special Intentions Requested by

March 12, 2016	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Cecilia & William Schultz	The Family
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Jerome Paul VanderHorst	Vicki VanderHorst
5:00 PM	+	Grace & Dominick Corbino	Vincent & Kathryn Corbino
March 13, 2016	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Sharon McCarthy	Marian Haley
9:00 AM	+	Dorst Williams	Gwen Williams
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Thomas Gillick	Mary Gillick
5:00 PM	+	Erin Conan	Melanie & Randy Harrison & Family
March 14, 2016	Monday		
8:00 AM	+	Betty Carrier	The Family
9:00 AM		George Keefe	
6:30 PM	+	Arnold & Emelia Musella	Terry Sisk
March 15, 2016	Tuesday		
8:00 AM	+	Ramy Garrido	Elida Gil
9:00 AM	+	Paul Fellin	Charlotte & Ken Tarr
6:30 PM	+	Jennie Costello	Frank & Maryann Lagonigro
March 16, 2016	Wednesday		
8:00 AM	+	Frank Scalia	Ronald & Delores Fiano
9:00 AM	+	Ch. Davy Davis	Dave Davis
6:30 PM	+	George Fahy	Terry Sisk
March 17, 2016	Thursday		
8:00 AM	+	Frank Bellotti	Mary Lynn
9:00 AM		The Connors Family	
6:30 PM	+	Michael Sissman	John & Ann Sissman
March 18, 2016	Friday		
8:00 AM	+	Elizabeth Mary Carrier	The Family
9:00 AM	+	Florence Raimondi	Charlotte & Ken Tarr
6:30 PM	+	Antonio Pena	Hiverica
March 19, 2016	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Harry Hammond	Edward James Synowka
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Joseph DeFrancisco	Vickey
5:00 PM	+	Lambert & Louise Abell	Kathy & Bob Sims
March 20, 2016	Palm Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Marget Igoe	Tim & Mary Pettay
9:00 AM	+	Steven Tauro	Benito & Debora Tauro
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Frank Bellotti, Jr.	Mary Lynn
5:00 PM	+	Myra & Bob Auzat	Gwen Williams

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, March 12, 2016**

Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Saturday Vigil Mass for SundayIs 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11;
Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]**Sunday, March 13, 2016****Fifth Sunday of Lent;***Daylight Saving Time begins*

Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11.

11:15 a.m. Mass Year A: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45**Monday, March 14, 2016***Julian Calendar Lent begins*Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6;
Jn 8:12-20 (or Jn 8:1-11 if Year A readings were used on Sunday)**Tuesday, March 15, 2016**

Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday, March 17, 2016**St. Patrick**

Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday, March 18, 2016**St. Cyril of Jerusalem; Abstinence**

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, March 19, 2016**St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Spring begins**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 [23:1-49]

Sunday, March 20, 2016**Palm Sunday**

Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 [23:1-49]

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.

MASS INTENTIONS...



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Campaign Corner

March 13, 2016

*“Charity is certainly greater than any rule.
Moreover, all rules must lead to charity.”*

— St. Vincent de Paul

Central Services that Need Care

Over the past few weeks, we have been describing the significant needs we have still here at St. John. The lists of urgent and needed renovations for the church, the PLC, the Claussen Family Center, and the grounds are the reason we have a Challenge goal for our Capital Campaign to reach \$10 million. This should not be a reach, given the current pledge amount of \$8.7 million, and I hope all of you who have not contributed yet will consider prayerfully your support.

There are several major central services for all our campus that will be part of this renewal effort. Central services are utilities and other components that are used across the buildings that will ensure you will feel safe, comfortable, and engaged when you are here at St. John. A few of these services that are priorities are:

- **Air Conditioning:** You may have noticed that AC is on the list of every single building’s renovation plan. We will be looking closely at centralizing the AC systems of all the buildings to make them more efficient and controlled, so half of the church will not freeze while the other half is fanning itself.

- **Doors:** If you have noticed, the doors of all the buildings are all different shapes, sizes, and materials. Many of them have small glass inserts, others are industrial. Other than the front doors to the church, they are all original to their building construction. After decades of constant use, they need to be replaced, as many of you can attest to as they slam shut during Mass, or stick due to the humidity. Rather than doing piecemeal replacements, we plan to institute a new door system across the entire campus. This system will include integrated access control, allowing each and every one of us to visit the different parts of buildings as we need to with a single fob instead of a janitor’s keychain.



- **Digital Signage:** When you next visit a hotel or convention center, you will notice that instead of paper signs on doors, organizations have placed small screens at each room and larger ones at the entrances to the buildings. These screens provide interactive and direct information to individuals looking for their next meeting as well as directions on how to get there. I have heard the need for

help in finding the Ballroom on a daily basis, and these signs will assist our visitors and Parish Family in finding their way around our campus. Additionally, they will provide direct feedback for those looking for assistance, information on the upcoming activities, and many other functions.

While we have begun the work our current blessings have allowed us to accomplish for the **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** capital campaign, we still need our entire Parish Family to give in order to reach our additional goals. 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
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image: A volunteer uses a programmed FOB to unlock an office door.

BUILD OUR FUTURE - SERVE OUR PAST CAMPAIGN

MARCH 13, 2016 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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Fax: 239.566.9117

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Parish Secretary

Deborah Marsh

Assistant to the Pastor

Tricia Schwarz

Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

Call the office

Choir Director

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 Education

Natalie 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

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

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

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

info@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.

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 MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION...

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Hymns for the 5th Sunday in Lent, March 12 & 13

Readings:	649	Year C	at Sun 11:15 AM	647	Year A, for the 3 ^d Scrutiny
Entrance Hymn:	282	I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say			
Preparation Hymn:	439	On Eagles' Wings			
Communion Hymn:	215	Deep Within			
	278	Humbly We Adore Thee			
Closing Hymn:	117	These Forty Days of Lent			

Choral Anthems at 9 & 11 AM Masses

Preparation	On Eagles' Wings	
Communion	You, O Lord, You Are Close	<i>Christopher Walker</i>

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, March 14: Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 56 (55): 2*

Have mercy on me, O God, for people assail me;
they fight me all day long and oppress me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Even though I walk in the dark valley, I fear no evil; for
you are at my side.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Jn 8: 10-11*

Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.
Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Tuesday, March 15: Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 27 (26): 14*

Wait for the Lord; be strong;
be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Jn 12: 32*

When I am lifted up from the earth,
I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Wednesday, March 16: Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 18 (17): 48-49*

My deliverer from angry nations, you set me above my
assailants;

you saved me from the violent man, O Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Glory and praise for ever!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Col 1: 13-14*

God has brought us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption through his Blood,
the forgiveness of sins.

Thursday, March 17: Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Heb 9: 15*

Christ is mediator of a New Covenant,
so that by means of his death, those who are called
may receive the promise of an eternal inheritance.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord remembers his covenant forever.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Rom 8: 32*

God did not spare his own Son, but handed him over for us
all;
with him, he has given us all things.

Friday, March 18: Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 31 (30): 10, 16, 18*

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in distress.

Deliver me from the hands of my enemies and those who
pursue me.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my
voice.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *1 Pt 2: 24*

Jesus bore our sins in his own body on the cross,
so that dead to sin, we might live for righteousness.
By his wounds we have been healed.

Saturday, March 19: Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Lk 12: 42*

Behold, a faithful and prudent steward, whom the Lord set
over his household.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Son of David will live forever.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 25: 21*

Well done, good and faithful servant. Come, share your
master's joy.

#ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Catholic Faith Appeal: Supporting Critical Services to our Community

St. John is incredibly blessed with such a vast spectrum of individuals and families that we call our Parish Family. Some have been parishioners for 25+ years, having helped established this church when it was meeting next door at Naples Park Elementary. Others just joined last week. Some have watched the buildings and events mature over decades. Still others have only just begun to explore the vast array of programs and opportunities here to engage their faith. One term that those who have been part of our Parish Family for many years will recall is the Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA). There are many, however, who may not know about the CFA, or what it is for. I wanted to spend this week educating everyone, just in case there are some preconceptions about this very important and worthy cause.

The CFA is a Diocesan contribution in which all the members of the churches in Southwest Florida work together to support the central services we all rely on as Catholics and active community members. There are several essential efforts that rely on the CFA:

- **Catholic Charities:** As a leading provider of social services, Catholic Charities supports over 40,000 people with programs like direct assistance to pay their utility bills, emergency intake programs for those who have become homeless, ending human trafficking in our backyard, citizenship assistance, and veteran housing.
- **Catholic Schools:** It costs a tremendous amount to provide a high-quality education, and the CFA supports the Catholic Schools in the area to ensure all members of



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our community can have access to this faith-based education system through high school

- **Vocations:** From the Seminarian programs that instruct our future priests and deacons to providing support for the 35 different women’s religious orders and 26 different communities of brothers and priests within the Diocese, the CFA ensures we provide for the education and well-being for those who have dedicated their lives in service to us and our faith.

Every year, the Diocese of Venice places a goal for each parish to provide a certain amount towards an overall need the Diocese has. It is absolutely true that St. John has been one of the primary supporters of the CFA, and, in fact, we have normally been the largest contributor parish. Our goal this year is large, but still obtainable. For 2016, we have been asked to contribute \$518,000. We have understandably been focused on our Capital Campaign, which has been successful in reaching and exceeding our goals in very short order. I ask if you have any additional resources you wish to support Catholic organizations with, that you make a donation to the Catholic Faith Appeal. Your support, which is fully tax deductible, will provide assistance to thousands in our area. You can make a donation via St. John by calling the office, giving to the Diocese directly at <https://secure.pledgeconnect.com/donation.aspx?catholicgiving>, or on our website: <http://sjecc.com/ways-to-give>

(top to bottom) Catholic Charities’ family reunification and citizenship assistance and their emergency intake program. Diocesan supported Catholic education, and 2015 Diocesan seminarians.

**Bishop Frank J. Dewane Will Celebrate
Easter Sunday Televised Mass for the Homebound**

Bishop Frank J. Dewane will be the Celebrant of the Easter Sunday televised Mass for the homebound. The Mass airs from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday morning, March 27, in northern portions of the Diocese (Manatee, Hardee, Highlands, Sarasota, DeSoto and Charlotte counties) on the CW44 Television Network (check local listings for channel information); and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the southern portions of the Diocese (Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and DeSoto counties) on WFTX-TV (FOX-4).

Leaflet missals are available upon request by calling 941.484.9543 and asking about the TV Mass or by writing: TV Mass, Diocese of Venice, 1000 Pinebrook Road, Venice, FL 34285.

**Jamaica Outreach Program
HELP WANTED**

Jamaica Outreach has for 18 years served the poorest of God's children in and around our sister parish in Kingston, Jamaica. Our services there have provided optical, medical, dental, and educational support for a deserving people.

JOP is in need of dedicated workers at all levels to aid in the delivery of loving services to those less fortunate.

Some areas of expertise sought:

Secretary: to aid in processing missionary applications and various other secretarial duties.

Missionaries: to participate (as professionals or as lay person group leaders) in optical and dental missions.

Event Captains: to aid in facilitating the fundraisers we sponsor (i.e. the Christmas Tea and Festival/Casino Night) - in leadership roles.

Working Advisory Board Members: to help with management, bookkeeping, and computer skills, in the organizational aspects of JOP.

For more information on how you can become a part of this vibrant and giving organization, call Martha Mador at 860.449.2105 or 239.992.2646.

**Holy Week and Easter
Sunday Liturgies**

Palm Sunday Masses, March 20

Sunday Vigil Mass (March 19)

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

Sunday: 7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)
11:15 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)
1:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday Liturgies, March 24

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday Liturgies, March 25

8:00 a.m. ~ Morning Prayer
Noon ~ Stations of the Cross
3:00 p.m. ~ Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
No Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:00 p.m. ~ "Prayer Around the Cross"
with Veneration

**Holy Saturday Liturgies and Mass,
March 26**

8:00 a.m. ~ Morning Prayer
No Sacrament of Reconciliation
8:00 p.m. ~ Easter Vigil Gathering;
Liturgy begins at sundown

Easter Sunday Masses, March 27

7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)
11:15 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)
1:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.



Easter Spiritual Bouquet

For the Intentions of *(PLEASE PRINT)*

Living _____

Deceased _____

Your donation will furnish the Sanctuary with flowers during the Easter season and your loved ones will be remembered in the Easter Spiritual Bouquet during the Easter Masses. **DROP**

THE FORM AND DONATION IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR DROP OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING BUSINESS HOURS. *For your convenience, envelopes are also available in the Narthex.*

Donor Name _____ \$ _____

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psc@sjecc.com

Adult Faith Formation. See page 19**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 parishioners 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. 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). **Winter Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921**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. Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Lhara Echevarria: 239.293.3694 or Lhara@sjecc.com

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.** The next 7-session series begins February 16 and ends March 29 (Tuesdays only). 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 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. 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. 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. Joan Scariotti: 594.0994**Men's Club.** 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. 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: 239.293.5897 or lnbjudy@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. Phillis Crivelli: 254.0493 or Barbara Arthur: 956.357.1169**Sing-A-Long.** Monday, March 14 from 2 - 3 p.m. at Harbor Case of Naples, 7801 Airport Pulling Rd, Naples, 34110. Come with the voice God gave you and sing favorite remembered songs with residents. Penny: 239.948.7057 or Lois: 239.992.8214**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 Grysiewicz, 566.7307**Women's Bible Study.** Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Mag: 239.566.8878.

■ 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. ■

PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

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	Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army
Sp. Petrus Botha U.S. Army	LCpl. Randy A. Novak USMC
S. Isaiah Brutus U.S. Air Force	LCpl. Ryan D. Novak USMC
Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy	Ryan D. Novak USMC
BM2 Charley Davidson U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	Cpt. Daniel Palmer U.S. Army
Adam Decker U.S. Air Force	Cpt. John Palmer U.S. Army
Nicholas Detloff U.S. Air Force	Cpt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army (Afghanistan)
Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army	Lt. Robert Pedrigo U.S. Army
Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force	Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army
LCpl. Conor Fleurant USMC	Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek U.S. Army
Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special Forces	Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek U.S. Army
Lt. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines	Ensign Gabriella Scudato U.S. Coast Guard
Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	MidShipman Micaela Scudato U.S. Naval Academy
Cpl. Dylan Granza U.S. Army Ranger	Houng Tran U.S. Army
Specialist Shelby Granza U.S. Army	IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)
Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer USMC * Embassy Security (New Zealand)	
Specialist Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army	
Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett USMC	

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 in the Parish Library following the morning Mass.

Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Morning Prayer after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Phyllis Gryskiewicz, 566.7307

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:

Nibley "Steve" DiMattio and Mary Frances Kiley

May they rest in eternal peace.

AJM Nicholas Acqaviva Rich Annunziata Fernando Ardila Tomas Ardila Paschal Arpaia Marge Baker Stewart Bain Jean and Emmunal Ballmiro Sam Bartel Richard Becker Margie Benefico Ryan Bennis Barbara Berg Jeanne Bennett Linda Berry Kathleen Bradach James Brant Steven Bratcher Brennan Family Carol Brooks John Brooks Rich Brown Connie Cahill Ron Caiazzo Nancy Campbell Steve Caputo Lauren Carr Tiffany Chill Cindy M. Cleinman Rita Cooper Kim Clayton Anthony D'Antuono Mark Dabronzo Chuck Dee Scott Delboccio Sandra Demski Rick Derkman Jim Diamante Julie Dieter Al DiMenna Lauren Di'Orio DK Ciaran Doherty Pat Doherty Dee Donnelly Shelly Drummond Tricia Easton Dr. Steve Evans Brian D. Fay Wendy Bui-Fewell Donna Flynn Anna Focht	Susan Foster Fred "Fritz" Fromort Kathy Fry Madeline Gaffey Janet Gainey Frank Galvanovits Veronica Gasperak Edward Gaynor Dick Goepel Don Goodwillie Richard Granger Keri Grasso Josephine Hannigan Laura Harbrough Brad Harriet Luci Hartert Richard Henning Gerard Heyen Kim Hocker Charlotte Hollohan Donald Howe Mary Lou Howie Geri Hurkes Maria Janke JMG Charleen Kasabian Chester T. Kauffman Sean Keating Karen Kelly Muriel Kiley Kevin Kincaid Bill Kinchla Krista Leigh Kozowyk Jim Krauser Family Joanne & Glenn Krumel John Kuryea Kim Kuryea Josephine Lancia Ray & Joan LaPointe Tiffany LaPointe Lindsay Lavery Dan & Lu LeBlanc K.T. Lee Mary Lou and Ned Leibig Dennis Lello Deik Lindaman Rosemary Litwin Lynette Loleski Rosemarie Lopez Lillian Luchini Dawn Luderman Joni Luiso Jean Lydon	Margie Lynch Pat M Jeanne Macari Betty Maher Alex Malloy Maria and Family Ann Maniuszko Elizabeth Marin Barb Marsh Max and Arlene Joan Maier Oliver Marcelli Ross Mart Max and Arlene Kenneth J. McAvoy Barbara McCabe Kevin McDonagh Anniemai McDonnell Simone McGaffee John McGlenn Patricia McGrath Mary McKay Elizabeth McKeever McReynolds Family Beth Ann Meloche Michael Heather Milner Shirley Monacelli Keith Nagy Paige Nelson Gloria Oliver MaryLee Olsen Emma O'Rourke Maryla Panagos Anthony Parisi Sally Parmetier Peggy Mario Pelli Joanne Diamante Pesare Ann Petrillo Jamie Piazzon Pluc Family Susan Pomeroy Richard Pratt Richard Quemy Renee Rake Jason Ray Aurelia Rein Charles S. Roberts, Jr. Ellen Roberts Rea Rossi Douglas Roth Teresa Roughan	Jean Ruel Robert Sabatka Samowski Family Lisa Sanfelippo Darlene Scerbinski Isolde Scherer Eli Schneider Ben Schwenger Leonard Seidl Griffin Shallow Shallow Family Jane & Bob Shengulet Teresa Shengulet Bruce Sherman Marilyn Shields Lisa Siegwarth Thomas Sissman Winnie Smith Nancy Stewart Susan Stokes Jeannie Sullivan Pat Sutter Joanmarie Switalski Lauren Taranto Rita Taranto James Thompson Joanne Timmerman Joseph Tomaszewski Maria Torres Andrew Torriero Jennifer Toth Patricia Trapnell Pat Velasquez Lena Vittolo Anne W. Patti Wakim Jonathon Warner Natalie Williams Brenda Wood Bob Wright John & Mary Yotis Helen Zaks Ed Zerrer
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LET US PRAY...

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

MARCH 13, 2016 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



**St. John Neumann High School
Faculty and Students**

invite our parish and school friends to join us for our

Pasquetta Picnic de Napoli

(Little Easter Picnic)

in appreciation to our parishes for supporting our school!

Monday, March 28th, Noon to 3:00 PM

at our School campus located at

3000 53rd Street SW, Naples, FL 34116

Great food, music and entertainment provided free as our gift to you, however, for planning purposes, pre-registration is required

Visit our online registration site and admission tickets will be mailed to you!

www.sjnceltics.org/picnic

To register by phone or for questions call

Mary Campo—239-307-9372

All are welcome!

**St. Vincent de Paul Society
Scholarship Deadline April 15**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society Naples District Council has announced its annual scholarship program to assist needy students and their families in attending our local Catholic schools — both high school and elementary for the 2016-17 school year.

The Council will once again award the Martin J. Cuniffe Scholarships for students in a Catholic high school or those seeking admission. The scholarships provides \$3,500 in financial aid.

Also being awarded will be \$3,000 scholarships for those attending or seeking admission in one of our local Catholic elementary schools.

To request an application, please call 775.1667 and ask for Samatha or Kim. All applications must be received by Friday, April 15, 2016 to be considered. The deadline is strictly observed.

**Blessing of Easter Baskets
Saturday,
March 26
at 11:00 a.m. in the
Panaccia Prayer Garden.**

**St. Vincent de Paul of Naples
Golf Outing - Quail Creek Country Club
April 18, 2016**

\$150.00 per player

Open to women and men (limited to a field of 144)
(includes golf, continental breakfast and luncheon)

7:00 a.m. Practice/Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Play begins

12:30 p.m. Fellowship/Awards Luncheon

Register online at: www.svdpneples.org/svdp-golf-outing

For further information or to register by phone, call 239-775-1677 ext 305



100% of all monies raised will be used to help the poor in the Greater Naples Area.

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt
for Children 12 and Under**



**Saturday, March 26, 2016
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.**

St. John's Parish Life Center, Courtyard and Ballroom

Easter baskets will be blessed.

For more information, contact Joe Lichwalla at 495.2001

Please include: Family Name, Number of Adults & Names & Ages of Children

Family Name _____ Number of Adults Attending _____

Names & Ages of Children _____

Authorization for release and use of a child's image. I, the parent/legal guardian, hereby grant permission to Saint John the Evangelist of Naples, FL to photograph or videotape my child(ren) _____ and to reproduce, publish, exhibit, distribute and transmit the image of my child individually or in conjunction with other images in connection with its education, promotion, fundraising activities, or for any other legitimate purpose in printed media and on its website.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____ Phone Number _____

MUST FILL OUT FORM TO PARTICIPATE. Register by Wednesday, March 23.
Deposit form in church collection basket or return to parish office during business hours.

Or register online at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2016EasterEggHunt>

SPONSORED BY ST. JOHN MEN'S CLUB

“As By a New Pentecost” Series Begins March 29

With this DVD Series, participants can enjoy a spiritual journey with the Holy Spirit and uncover the riches of our Sacramental heritage and prepare for the feast of Pentecost 2016. Everyone is invited to attend a seven-week DVD series, “As by a New Pentecost”, sponsored by Mother of Mercy Chapter of Magnificat. A prayer journal will be provided for mediation and personal responses for each participant.

The series begins Tuesday, March 29 and runs through Tuesday, May 10. It will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at St Cecilia’s Parish Center, 5632 Sunrise Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33919. The cost is \$5 and includes the prayer journal. Please RSVP by Monday, March 21. For more information call Lois Mader at 218.8233.

Please send a check to Magnificat Mother of Mercy, C/O Peg Mengle, 5017 Westminster Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33919.

Collier Harvest & the National Association of Letter Carriers

announces the 24th annual “Stamp Out Hunger” food drive. Please consider donating unopened non-perishable food and deliver it to your local postal branch or your mail room. Also on May 14 you can leave the items next to your mail box.

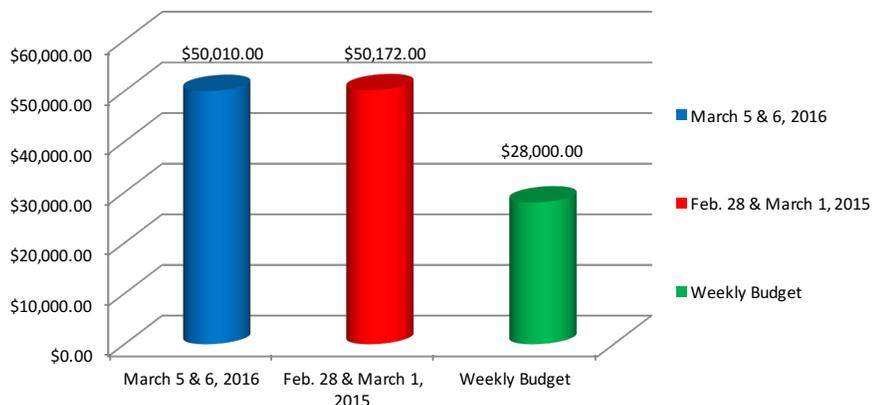
Your contribution will help to feed Collier County’s less fortunate. Thanks for your kindness.

For more information, please visit: CollierHarvest.org or call 239.455.Food (3663)

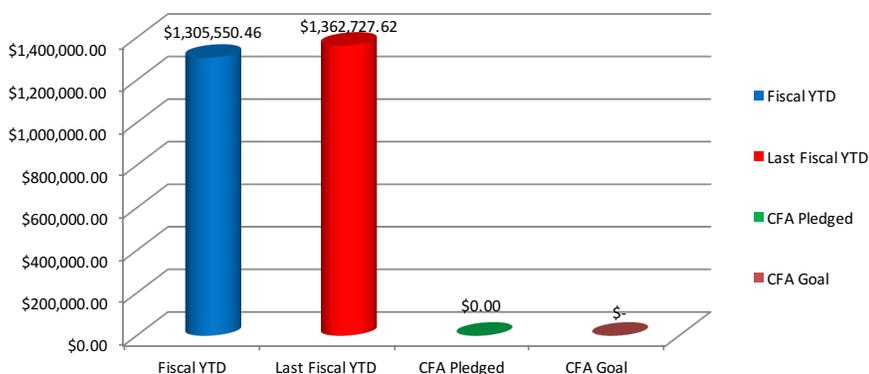
Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

Wednesday, March 16 Angela & Michael Webster	10:00 AM	Bentley Village req. by Family
Friday, March 18 + Lydia Z. Fernandez	10:00 AM	Juniper Village req. by Peter DeFrancesca

Collection Summary



Fiscal YTD (7/1/2015-6/30/2016) & CFA Summary



Mass in Celebration of St. Patrick Thursday, March 17

The Celebration of St. Patrick Mass will be on Thursday, March 17 at 9:00 a.m. The 8:00 a.m. Mass will be the regular daily Mass.

Immediately following 9:00 Mass St. Vincent de Paul will host a reception with Irish coffee in the Parish Life Center.

All are invited.



2015 photos

Wedding Banns

First announcement between

Tess Wallace & Sevac Kachadoor

Saint John the Evangelist Lenten Liturgies

Daily Masses will be:

8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Morning Masses will be:

8:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross will be:

Fridays at Noon

Reconciliation:

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, March 13, 2016: the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Opening Song **This Is Amazing Grace** Phil Wickham / Jeremy Riddle / Josh Farro CCLI
Song # 6333821. Jeremy Riddle | Josh Farro | Phil Wickham. © 2012 Phil Wickham Music., Seems Like Music, Sing My Songs. WB Music Corp. Bethel Music Publishing. For use solely with the SongSelect Terms of Use. All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

Verse 1) Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
V.2) Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Verse 3) Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
V.4) Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

This is a-maz - ing grace, — this is un-fail - ing love _____
that You would take my place, — that You would bear my cross. —
You would lay down Your life _____ that I would be set free. _____
— Je-sus, I sing — for all that You've done _____ for me. _____

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 126) Music by Tom Oram. © 2004, 2011, A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI). All rights reserved. Used w/permission.

Response (cf. v. 3)

The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy!

Gospel Acclamation

Lenten Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, king of end - less glo - ry.

Preparation Song **364 Come to the Water** John Foley

Sanctus • 19A

Memorial Acclamation (A) • 20A

Great Amen • 21A

Agnus Dei • 24A

Closing Song

Go, Make a Difference

Steve Angrisano / Tom Tomaszek

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Refrain

Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

Verses

1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the peo - ple
 2. We are the hands of ___ Christ reach-ing out to those in
 3. So let your love shine _ on, let it shine for all to
 1. see ___ the love of ___ God in you and me.
 2. need, _ the face of ___ God for all to see.
 3. see. _____ & Go make a dif - f'rence in the world. _____
 1. We are the light of the world, _ not to be hid - den but be
 2. We are the spir - it of hope; _____ & we are the voice of
 3. _____ And the spir - it of Christ _____ will be with us as we
 to Refrain
 1. seen. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 2. peace. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 3. go. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

The Word & Life

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Philippians 3:8-14

John 8:1-11

Casting Away Stones, Embracing Mercy

What a travesty of compassion. From the solitude of the Mount of Olives to the courtyard of the temple, Jesus is pulled into this drama of condemnation at the hands of people who regarded themselves as teachers of the faith. A woman caught in the act of adultery is brought before a group of “religious” people to be ridiculed and stoned to death because of her sin. You could almost imagine her vulnerability – the heart beating wildly in her chest and the terror that enveloped her as she watched her accusers pick up their stones to kill her. She must have been embarrassed and scared beyond words. Unfortunately, she is the pawn used to trap Jesus. The law of Moses is very clear – the law states that such women must be stoned. They knew full well that Jesus’ approach to a fragile situation would contradict this law. Jesus’ response was, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Who could argue with such wisdom? Which one of these people and teachers could be so arrogant to cast the first stone knowing that they are just as capable of committing sin as this broken individual?

In awaiting their response, Jesus simply writes in the sand. But what was he writing – was it their sin written beside their names? We will never know the answer to that query. But what we do know is this. Jesus points out that we are all sinners and no one has the right to condemn another knowing this. He tells the woman that she is not condemned, but he also tells her that she is not to sin again.

Here we are years later and nothing has changed. People revel in gossip about other people’s failures. It sells newspapers and creates titillating tales in Hollywood. The world’s stones of condemnation are not hard rocks but hard knocks to others who are fragile and broken. Whenever we find ourselves under scrutiny because of our own failure, it is painful. Such experiences teach us that all of us need to

Reflection Questions

1. How have I broken God’s law in my own life?
2. Have I ever sinned against another or hurt people?
3. How have I failed to understand God’s call to forgiveness?
4. Have I used my faith to condemn another?
5. Has there been a time when I have experienced similar forgiveness in my life?
6. What does Jesus say to the woman caught in adultery?
7. What is the message in this for me?
8. Do I feel called to share in the compassion that Jesus showed? Why?

be forgiven and loved. We all need that second chance. Each one of us is called to cast away the stones of bitterness, hate, and judgment is invited to embrace the mercy of our Lord and savior, Jesus the Christ. This is what redemption is all about.

Prayer

O heavenly Father, the wisdom of Jesus invites us to become his compassion in the world. May we learn to throw down the rocks of judgment and help others who have fallen to stand up and to move on. If we have failed you or one another, may we have the grace to know that you have not condemned us but asks us to move beyond our sin. Amen!

Voices of Faith

Sinful Hearts of Stone

A humble soul sits in a site of Sacred Shrine
A place where the Father dwells
The Christ discerns a love beyond all telling
Humanity comes with hunger of heart
Seeking wisdom, man is taught by God

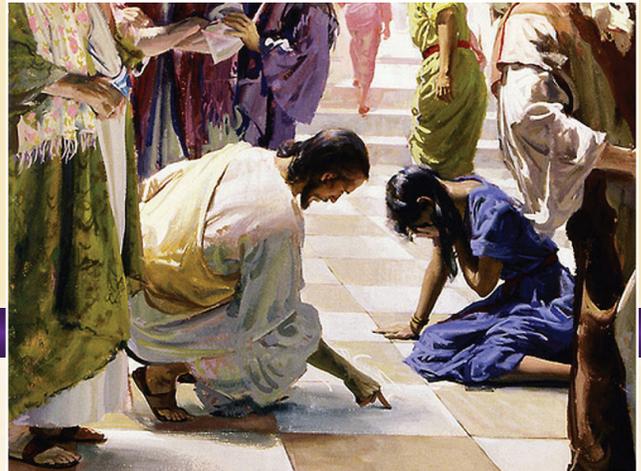
The sacred moment is interrupted by an angry mob
Both scribes and Pharisees arrive armed with the Law
With stones in hand and flawed woman entrapped
They seek not the Truth but to set a trap
To catch Christ out and so to bring a charge

Dispensers and scholars of the Law with hearts of stone
Bids the God-Man on
“An Adulterous woman should be stoned
by prescription of Moses should she not?”
The Christ stoops down and answers their bitterness by writing
upon the sand

As tempers, anger and resentments rage
Jesus stands tall in the midst so hearts of stone wearing holy
masks
“Let the one who is without sin be the first to cast a stone at her”
The divine teacher does reply
And so the Christ stoops down to write upon the sand

The secret of these divine writings upon the sand to man
remains a mystery
But what did the scribes and Pharisees see?
Their names and sin inscribed upon the sand
By the hand of one with divine knowing?
Casting down their stones they do retreat one by one

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



Jesus forgives adulterous woman/bing.com

Sinful hearts of stone depart aware of sinful pursuits of self
And there alone the broken soul stands before the Christ
Bruised and beaten by embarrassment of her sin she faces God
“Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”
He questions on

“No one, sir.” The woman replies with tears in her eyes!
And so Christ speaks with wisdom from on high
“Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin
any more”
And so the woman walks away forgiven by God
With a heart made whole and a soul restored

And so man listens on once again to this sacred encounter
Somehow sin possesses him but still with stone in hand
He would rather look on at his fellow men and confront their
flaw

And so the Christ continues to teach on
“Let the one who is without sin be the first to cast a stone!”

And so man is left to consider his shadow self
To imagine God stooping down to write upon the sand
There he sees his name and sin written by divine hand
This hard lesson urges him on to cast down his stone and live on
With a heart of flesh and boundless mercy!

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

Faith Formation

2015-2016 School Year

CALENDAR

Faith Formation Classes on Wednesdays are from 5:45-7:00 p.m.

Faith Formation Classes on Sundays are from 9:30-10:45 a.m.

High School Confirmation Classes are on select Sundays from 6:15-7:30 p.m.

MARCH

13 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class
High School Faith Formation

NO CLASS ON MARCH 16, 20, 23 & 27

30 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class
First Communion Activity Night - Ballroom

Upcoming High School Confirmation Classes:

March 13, April 3, and April 17. Classes are in the Claussen Center from 6:15-7:30 p.m. on Sundays.

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 you are interested, please contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com.

Confirmation at St. John Set for April 9 at 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass

All are welcome to join as we celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation at St. John on Saturday, April 9 at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass. Bishop Frank J. Dewane will be the celebrant of the Mass, joined by our priests. There will be a cake reception outside of the church immediately following.

Faith Formation Office Hours

Mondays: 9:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. (on days of Faith Formation Class only)

Fridays: 9:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Sundays: 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. (on days of Faith Formation Class only)

Vacation Bible School

Cave Quest: Following Jesus, The Light of the World

June 13 -17, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Volunteer Registration forms are now available online and in the Parish Office. Registration forms for online registration will be available beginning April 3.



Here's what we are working on this week: If you would like to donate the following items, please feel free to drop off to the parish office and leave for Natalie Campbell. Please indicate that these are for Vacation Bible School. Feel free to recycle items you have at home. Many of the items do not have to be new. Thank you so much for your help! Please keep checking back as this information will be updated weekly.

Wet Wipes	Empty- 2 liter or 1-liter soda bottles
Ziploc bags (any size)	Empty plastic spray bottles
Black Sharpie markers	Fishing net
Clipboards	Masking tape
Pens	Paper towel tubes
Band-aids	Wrapping paper tubes
Solid colored sheets	

VBS VOLUNTEER Training

June 5 ~ 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

This is for all Junior Crew Leaders and Crew Leaders

To find the Volunteer Registration forms online at our parish website, please visit: <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/forms>.

Early Vacation Bible School registration for St. John parishioners begins Sunday, April 3.

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



Faith and Wine

This Event Has Been Rescheduled for
Thursday, March 31, 2016
6:30-8:30 PM

Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle, a Catholic author, EWTN host, and inspirational speaker known and admired around the world has revealed very little about her personal history until now. In her memoir, **The Kiss of Jesus**, she unveils the very crooked path her life has taken. Donna-Marie will offer us a huge dose of hope discussing how she overcame the harrowing turns, abuse, darkness, and pain she has suffered. She emphasizes the exquisite beauty of the Cross of Jesus, help from the saints, including her mentor and "spiritual mother" Mother Teresa, along with the importance of prayer and redemptive suffering. Donna-Marie's story is sure to encourage and inspire everyone. This event is open to men and women.

Invite your friends, neighbors and fellow parishioners to this GREAT event!

Doors Open at 6:00 p.m. — FREE Babysitting

(Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

featuring

Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle



**"The Kiss of Jesus:
A Life of Love,
Mercy, and Joy
Amid the Pain."**

**This Event Open
to Men & Women**

Appetizer Display:
European Cheese Display
Miniature Quiche

Buffet:
Pork Tenderloin via Chef's Carving Station
Shrimp Scampi Pasta • Whipped Bliss Potatoes
Yellow and Green Beans w/ Casino Butter
Green Goddess Salad • French Baguettes
Red Velvet Dessert Shooter

Cost: \$30 prepay • NO WALK-INS!

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on Wednesday, March 30 by going to www.faithandwine.com (using Paypal) or dropping off your check made payable to "Faith and Wine, Inc." to the St. John parish office. Or you can mail (**postmarked before Thursday, March 24**) 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!

Religious Artwork Made in the Holy Land Will Be Available for Purchase Next Weekend

Next week, our brothers and sisters representing the Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem will be selling crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries — all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them and give the buyer the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land.

Parishioners can browse a whole line of products. Pictured is a sampling of what will be available. For a complete listing, visit the website: www.bcfmission.com



Catholic-Jewish Dialogue Walking God's Paths Session 2 "Shared Origins, Diverse Roads"
This Sunday, March 13, 2:00 p.m. St. John Claussen Family Center

"BRYLCREAM IS BACK!"

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

"CONEY ISLAND OLDIES NIGHT"



Featuring "NATHAN'S FAMOUS" HOT DOGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 21 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BALLROOM

BRYLCREAM BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

ADMISSION ONLY \$15 per person

Pay at the door or in advance at

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/ConeyIslandOldiesNight>

or contact Bill Warvel at 732.672.4109



"If you were here last August for the White Castle Oldies Night, you were awed by the doo wop and accapela sound of Brylcream. Brylcream has graced the stages with legendary performers like the Coasters, Joey D and the Starlighters, Davey Jones and the Monkees, Johnny Maestro and the Brooklyn Bridge, the Temptations, the Four Tops, and many, many more..."



PRICE INCLUDES:

**OLDIES SNACKS
& NATHAN'S
FAMOUS
HOT DOGS.**

PAY BAR



SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST 26th ANNUAL FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

Friday, March 18, 2016 • 5 P.M. Mass

Followed By Dinner/Dance and St. Joseph's Altar

Traditional St. Joseph Feast Italian Dinner

Catered by Frisco's

APPERTIVO: Wine, Soda, Beer **ANTIPASTO:** An assortment of grilled vegetables, olives and Italian cheeses served with crusty bread and olive oil

MINESTRA ZUPPA (soup): Minestrone

PRIMO PIATTO (first dish): Shrimp scampi over pasta

SECONDO PIATTO (main dish): Eggplant Parmesan, Broiled White Fish

CONTORNO: Vegetable **DOLCE (dessert):** Italian Cannoli

DRINKS: Caffe/Tea **Mangia, Mangia, Mangia**

ENTERTAINMENT: by New York City's Lisa Coppoletta
& Danny DeLuccija "The Manhttan Connection"

All Tickets \$40.00 per person

To Purchase Tickets: via website at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2016SaintJosephMassandParty>

• on sale in February and March after Masses

• or contact Bill Warvel wwarvel@aol.com or call: 239.331.7151

Knights of Columbus Council # 11281

(Tables of 8 available)



Breads and Altar Offerings/Blessing
"la tavola di San Giusè"



Procession to PLC



Celebrant/Homilist:
Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia,
S.A.C., S.T.D., V.F.



DISCERNING YOUR VOTE

Presidential Preference Primary Election, March 15, 2016

The right to vote carries with it a responsibility to study and know the candidates. As citizens of faith, we are led to question how each candidate if elected will address issues that protect or threaten the dignity of every human life. There are moral and ethical dimensions to every public policy. However, issues carry different moral weight and urgency. Some involve intrinsically evil acts that can never be approved, such as the intentional destruction of innocent human life. Others involve an obligation to seek the common good. The following questions are offered to assist in discerning where the candidates stand on important issues in light of our foundational beliefs.

How will each candidate:

- Address the preeminent requirement to protect the weakest in our midst - innocent unborn children - by restricting and bringing to an end the destruction of unborn children through abortion?
- Keep our nation from turning to violence to address fundamental problems, such as euthanasia and assisted suicide to deal with the burdens of illness and disability, the destruction of human embryos in the name of research, and the use of the death penalty to combat crime?
- Protect the fundamental understanding of marriage as the life-long and faithful union of one man and one woman and as the central institution of society; promote the complementarity of the sexes and reject false “gender” ideologies?
- Achieve comprehensive immigration reform that offers a path to citizenship, treats immigrant workers fairly, prevents the separation of families, maintains the integrity of our borders, respects the rule of law, and addresses the factors that compel people to leave their own countries?
- Ensure full respect for individuals and groups and their right to address social needs in accord with their basic moral and religious convictions?
- Help families and children overcome poverty: ensuring access to and choice in education, as well as decent work at fair, living wages and adequate assistance for the vulnerable in our nation, while also helping to overcome widespread hunger and poverty around the world?
- Provide health care while respecting human life, human dignity, and religious freedom in our health care system?
- Establish and comply with moral limits on the use of military force - examining for what purposes it may be used, under what authority, and at what human cost?
- Join with others around the world to pursue peace, protect human rights and religious liberty, and advance economic justice and care for creation?

This information based on the document *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States with Introductory Note*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2015 is provided for educational purposes only and does not endorse or oppose any candidate or political party.

2/11/16

Confirmation and First Communion Merchandise Available in Gift Boutique



From statues and crosses to picture frames and photo books, to rosaries, jewelry, ties, cards and Bibles, the Divine Gift Boutique is stocked with a variety of Confirmation and First Communion merchandise. Manager Jackie Gibson invites everyone to come and see the items available.

BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!
Next Dance of the Season

Tuesday, March 22, 2016

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

Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era

Featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra

Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller & Stan Kenton



**Big Band
Dance
Schedule**

**Tuesday,
March 22**

**Tuesday,
April 12**

Admission:

\$10.00 cash
only at the door
~ includes snacks

Cash Bar: Water
and Soda ~ \$1.00

- Beer ~ \$2.00
per 12 oz. cup;
\$7.00 per 60 oz.
pitcher

- Wine and
Mixed Drinks
~ \$3.00

Dress: Country
Club Casual
(No shorts please.)

Singles Welcome

*Sponsored by
the Men's Club*



Lucky 7 Drawing

Invest in Catholic education with a fundraiser that pays you back! The Lucky 7 Drawing offers much better odds than the lottery, and more important, the proceeds directly benefit Naples' only Diocesan secondary school.

You have 84 chances to win a prize, 7 each month for a year! (March 2016-February 2017) For just \$50, you get a chance to win \$500, \$200, \$100, or one of four \$50 prizes every month!

To purchase your tickets, visit www.sjnceltics.org/fundraisers or call Emily Sumpmann at 239-455-3044 ext. 213

www.sjnceltics.org

3000 53rd Street SW, Naples FL 34116

239-455-3044

Chrism Mass Tuesday, March 22 in Venice

The Chrism Mass which takes place during Holy Week every year will be held at Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Ave. W., in Venice, Tuesday, March 22 at 10:30 a.m.

During this Mass, the faithful of the Diocese join the Deacons, Priests and Bishop Frank J. Dewane for the blessing of the Holy Oils which are used in the administration of the Sacraments at each parish throughout the year. Deacons and Priests celebrating 25 and 50 years of Ordination are recognized at this Mass.

All are encouraged to attend in support of our clergy and to participate in this important Holy Week celebration.

Salute to Veterans

The Venice Veterans Salute will be held on Thursday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Venice Performing Arts Center in Venice. Sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc., the event is a salute to United States military veterans with a special recognition to soldiers of the Vietnam War. The show will feature the Beatles tribute band Nowhere Band.

Tickets are \$20. All proceeds will benefit programs and services of Catholic Charities that assist veterans. For information or tickets visit www.veniceperformingartscenter.com.

Thanksgiving at Sea

Back by popular demand!
Limited space



CELEBRITY SILHOUETTE

DATE	PORT LOCATION	TIME
Nov. 20, 2016	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:30pm
Nov. 21, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 22, 2016	San Juan, Puerto Rico	3:30-9pm
Nov. 23, 2016	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8am-5pm
Nov. 24, 2016	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	8am-5pm
Nov. 25, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 26, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 27, 2016	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



Booking Bonuses:

- * Roundtrip Bus from Saint Johns
- * Cocktail party & Bottle of champagne
- * Receive a one-category upgrade for past Celebrity passengers. Ask for details.
- * Receive \$50 discount per person when making final payment by check.
- * Book and deposit an oceanview stateroom or higher and choose one perk below:

- Classic beverage package for two
 - Prepaid Gratuities for two
 - Unlimited internet for two
 - \$300 to spend onboard for two
- Promotion extended until March 31! Two perks with ocean view or higher**

Exclusive Cruise Rates: ocean view or higher

Balcony

Category S2 (Sky suite):	Prevailing Rate
Category C3 (Concierge class):	Prevailing Rate
Category 1A:	\$1,204
Category 1B:	\$1,124
Category 1C:	\$1,114
Category 2A:	\$1,154
Category 2B:	\$1,074

Ocean View

Category 8:	\$1,074
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Interior

Category 9:	\$864
Category 10:	\$854

*All package taxes and fees of \$161 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$250 per person plus insurance.



Parish Contact: David Quist
239.594.2071 dquist@comcast.net

For additional information and booking

Contact April Williams at

800.940.2394

or awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com

*Price is per person, cruise only, based on double occupancy. Prices are subject to change and are based on availability at time of booking. Air fare, insurance, and pre and/or post night hotel packages can be added to your vacation at an additional charge. Saint John the Evangelist Parish, the Diocese of Venice and/or any of their employees, shall be held harmless in the event of liability or litigation. FL- ST40081
1/5/16

Join your Saint John Friends on the Annual Cruise to the Caribbean organized by the Cruise & Travel Experts



CELEBRITY EQUINOX

DATE	PORT LOCATION	TIME
Jan. 20, 2017	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:00pm
Jan. 21, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 23, 2017	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8am-5pm
Jan. 24, 2017	Basseterre, St. Kitts & Nevis	7am-3pm
Jan. 25, 2017	Bridgetown, Barbados	9am-6pm
Jan. 26, 2017	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	2pm arrive
Jan. 27, 2017	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	5pm depart
Jan. 28, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 30, 2017	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



**Pre-cruise Reception
January 7, 2017**

Booking Bonuses:

- * Pre-Cruise Wine and Cheese reception January 7th at Saint John's
- * Roundtrip Bus from Saint John's with free parking behind Claussen Center
- * Continental Breakfast day of departure January 20th at Saint John's
- * Cocktail Party onboard ship
- * Private Masses with Fr. John
- * Receive a one category upgrade for past Celebrity passengers. Ask for details.
- * Receive \$50 discount per person when making final payment with check
- * Book and deposit an oceanview stateroom or higher and choose one perk below:
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 - Prepaid gratuities for two
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**Promotion
extended until
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Two perks
with ocean
view or higher**

Exclusive Cruise Rates:

Suite

Category CS (Celebrity suite): Prevailing rate
Category S2 (Sky suite): Prevailing rate

Balcony

Category C2 (Concierge class): \$1,994
Category C3 (Concierge class): \$1,894
Category 1A: \$1,884
Category 1B: \$1,864
Category 1C: \$1,844
Category 2B: \$1,784
Category 2C: \$1,744

Ocean View

Category 8: Prevailing rate

Interior

Category 9: \$1,434
Category 10: \$1,394

*All package taxes and fees of \$170 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$450 per person plus insurance, which is highly recommended.

Document Concierge Service available for \$25 per cabin which includes completing passenger registration, printing and mailing all applicable documents.



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