

September 27, 2015  
*Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



the  
**EVANGELIST**  
 SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**“Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive”**  
*World Meeting of Family Day One: Travel and Check-In*

Many of the St. John contingent met up very early on Monday, September 21 to fly up to Philadelphia in order to register for the World Meeting of Family, Festival of Families, and the Papal Mass. Held every three years and sponsored by the Holy See’s Pontifical Council for the Family, the World Meeting of Families is the world’s largest Catholic gathering of families. Each World Meeting of Families has a theme that energizes and enlivens the event while adding great depth of meaning to our understanding of families. The theme of the World Meeting of Families is “Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive,” emphasizing the impact of the love and life of families on our society.



The St. John contingent arrived early in Philly and were immediately welcomed by volunteers in Orange, ready to assist the hundreds of thousands (some say millions) of people coming to witness Our Holy Father’s first visit to the United States. The St. John group found its way through the city to register for the events. They were able to stop for few pictures with volunteers from St. Williams and even met up with a group from France attending the Congress. They returned to their hotel and celebrated their safe travels and future plans at a reception for St. John.



*U.S. President Obama and his family applaud Pope Francis upon his arrival at Joint Base Andrews outside Washington on Tuesday, September 22.*



*Catholic News Service photo*

*See more about the World Meeting of Family on page 3.*



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Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

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

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**Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by**

**September 26, 2015 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Susan Mastrorillo Angelo Mastrorillo

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

3:00 PM + Luigi Bettino Frank & Marcella  
5:00 PM + Tavia Albanese Elinor Ebeling

*Flowers in memory of Susan Mastrorillo*

**September 27, 2015 Sunday**

7:00 AM + Sharon K. McCarthy Joseph McCarthy  
9:00 AM + Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Marty Welzmuller Jim & Darlene Follese  
5:00 PM + Jolene Tracey Family

**September 28, 2015 Monday**

8:30 AM + Frederick Willshire Wife, Nelly Willshire

**September 29, 2015 Tuesday**

8:30 AM + Lucian Frejlach Josephine Nagy

**September 30, 2015 Wednesday**

8:30 AM + Tom Reilly Linda Reilly

**October 1, 2015 Thursday**

8:30 AM + Luigi & Adele Guglielmetti Their Son

**October 2, 2015 Friday**

8:30 AM + Celeste & Teresa Maruffi Daughter

**October 3, 2015 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Jayne Tansey Dorothy Daly

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

3:00 PM + Ozzie D'Addario Janet D'Addario  
5:00 PM + Herbert Monschau Neighbor & Friend

**October 4, 2015 Sunday**

7:00 AM + Esther DeFrancesca Peter DeFrancesca  
9:00 AM + Lucretia Biasi Jim & Darlene Follese  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Sharon McCarthy Joseph McCarthy  
5:00 PM + Marie Reilly Rosemary & Mike Rich

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES  
AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, September 26, 2015**

Ss. Cosmas and Damian; Blessed Virgin Mary  
Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14;  
Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Sunday, September 27, 2015**

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; *Sukkot*  
(Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset

Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14;  
Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Monday, September 28, 2015**

St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions; St. Wenceslaus  
Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday, September 29, 2015**

Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael  
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

**Wednesday, September 30, 2015**

St. Jerome  
Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday, October 1, 2015**

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus  
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

**Friday, October 2, 2015**

The Holy Guardian Angels; First Friday  
Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Saturday, October 3, 2015**

Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday  
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

**Sunday, October 4, 2015**

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

**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](mailto: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.



**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.

**MASS INTENTIONS...**

# “Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive”

## *World Meeting of Family Day Two: Kick-Off and Keynote with Bishop Barron*

The group was up early for the first activities and events of the World Meeting of Families. With over 75 different speeches, listening sessions, and panels, the St. John contingent planned out their week.

“We wanted to make sure the youth of our parish were checked into the special Youth Congress, which includes activities and events specifically for those ages 6-17. They will be making rosaries for World Mission Rosary, which will be distributed to children in need around the world, as well as Praying with Paint, where artists will teach them how to use art as inspirational support for their souls,” said Jean-Paul Boucher, general manager at St. John.

While they were walking around, a sister was drawn to our “To Know, To Love, To Serve” bracelets and she asked for some to give out to the attendees at the conference.

“We were able to spread our message to all those at the conference in a tangible way,” said Jean-Paul.

Attendees were treated to the opening ceremony and wonderful keynote speech from newly-appointed Bishop Robert Barron. His focus on “Living as the Image of God: Created for Love and Joy” was inspirational. Some of the group even got to meet Bishop Barron backstage, when the group took a wrong turn looking for an exit.

After the evening Mass, everyone returned to the hotel tired, but spiritually energized for the rest of the week!

### **Wink TV News Spotlights St. John**

Wink TV News spotlighted the St. John World Meeting of Family Trip on September 21. You may view the story at:

<http://www.winknews.com/2015/09/21/dozens-of-southwest-floridas-faithful-head-to-philadelphia-for-papal-visit/>



## PARISH CLERGY



**Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor**

Fr. Robert Murphy	Associate
Fr. Jim Simko	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Panicia	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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Lan Tran

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Jean-Paul Boucher

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### **Education Staff**

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**email staff members at:**  
[info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com](mailto:info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com)

## PARISH REGISTRATION

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

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

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

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

## MASS SCHEDULE

### **Daily Mass:**

*Monday-Friday*  
8:30 a.m.

*Saturday - 8:00 a.m.*

### **Saturday Vigil Masses:**

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

### **Sunday Masses:**

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,  
11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

## FOR OUR RECORDS

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

## BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

### **Mass Cards**

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

### **Mass Intentions**

We are currently accepting intentions for 2016.

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

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

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

## PARISH INFORMATION...

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## Hymns for the 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 26 & 27

Readings:	757
Entrance Hymn:	164 Come, Thou Almighty King
Preparation Hymn:	155 Send Us Your Spirit
Communion Hymn:	on page 12 of this bulletin Behold the Lamb
	on page 13 of this bulletin Spirit of the Living God
Closing Hymn:	520 Let There Be Peace On Earth

### Choral Anthems at 11 AM Mass

Preparation	Ain'a That Good News	Spiritual, arr. William A. Dawson
Communion	How Great Is Our God	Chris Tomlin

## ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday, September 28: Monday of the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42*

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgment,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.

But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Cf. Ps 119 (118): 49-50*

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,  
by which you have given me hope.  
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

**Tuesday, September 29: Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Cf. Ps 103 (102): 20*

Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power,  
fulfilling his word, and heeding his voice.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Ps 138 (137): 1*

I will thank you, Lord, with all my heart;  
in the presence of the Angels I will praise you.

**Wednesday, September 30: Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Ps 1: 2-3*

Blessed indeed is he who ponders the law of the Lord day and night: he will yield his fruit in due season.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Cf. Jer 15: 16*

Lord God, your words were found and I consumed them;  
your word became the joy and the happiness of my heart.

**Thursday, October 1: Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Cf. Dt 32: 10-12*

The Lord led her and taught her,  
and kept her as the apple of his eye.  
Like an eagle spreading its wings  
he took her up and bore her on his shoulders.  
The Lord alone was her guide.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Mt 18: 3*

Thus says the Lord: Unless you turn and become like children,  
you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Friday, October 2: Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Cf. Dn 3: 58*

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord,  
praise and exalt him above all for ever.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Ps 138 (137): 1*

In the presence of the Angels I will praise you, my God

**Saturday, October 3: Friday of the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** *Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42*

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgment,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.

But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

R. The Lord listens to the poor.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *1 Jn 3: 16*

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid  
down his life for us;  
so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

by Jean-Paul Boucher

General Manager

*jp@sjecc.com*



### #ToKnow – Clinic No Longer Providing Onsite Flu Shots

Unfortunately, I was informed this week that the Hope Visiting Nurses, formally Visiting Nurses of Southwest Florida, no longer provide a community flu shot clinic onsite at locations around the area. They were one of the last groups in the area that would come to a local spot to perform flu shots, so it means St. John will no longer have that service directly at our facilities. Instead, they recommend that our Parish Family go to the local pharmacies, clinics, and doctor offices that are now providing the flu shots at little or no cost.

This is a disappointment to me personally, as I was happy to have this clinic here as St. John, for the parishioners, the ministers, and the staff. We will continue to evaluate new ways to support wellness on our campus, and, hopefully, there will be another group we will be able to engage for this service next year.

### #ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Buildings and Grounds Council Renewed to Advise the Parish on the Future of our Facilities

St. John is a beautiful and supportive environment, focused on the growth of the faithful mission of our Catholic Church. In order to accomplish this tremendous feat for so many parishioners and the local community, it takes a tremendous amount of operations and infrastructure. From putting on over 4,000 events on an annual basis, to making sure each funeral or moment of reflection in our prayer garden is properly prepared, it takes many people dedicated to proactively managing and improving our buildings and grounds. Our Buildings and Grounds Council is leading the charge to improve the spaces we have at St. John.

The scope of the Buildings and Grounds Council is to provide future direction, advice, and insight for the physical plant of Saint John the Evangelist, to include all buildings, the grounds, and all utilities therein. The focus should always be towards achieving the Mission of St. John and enriching the faith of our Parish Family and visitors through the campus of St. John.

The Council will meet quarterly to

evaluate any long-term strategy planning that is required to provide such a large and complex environment with multiple purposes. The Council will advise the Pastor of St. John, the General Manager, and the Facilities Manager on topics brought to the council by the clergy and staff, as well as develop an agenda for each meeting with a particular focus on a future initiative. The Council will be directly involved with the planning process for any new campus change and forecast needs that match the Mission of St. John, including providing decision-making support on Capital Planning and other subcommittees of St. John, in conjunction with the Finance Council and Pastoral Stewardship Council. Suggestions for improvement of the current environment will also be part of the responsibility of the Buildings and Grounds Council.

The primary focus of the Buildings and Grounds Council is the Facilities Master Plan. The Council will be responsible for developing and then overseeing this critical document, which will lay out the long-term strategic plan for our buildings and grounds, tying their function to the mission of the parish. This document will be created by this Council and then cyclically updated on an annual basis.

If you have any suggestions for improving our facilities, we would love to hear your thoughts. Please contact me with any questions or thoughts.





DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 2015

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For many years, the Catholic Church has been at the forefront in defending the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. This year's national Respect Life theme, inspired by the words of Venerable Fulton J. Sheen, is "Every Life Is Worth Living." It is our responsibility to do all we can to promote the belief that every life, in all its stages, regardless of age or condition, is truly worth living.

Each year on Respect Life Sunday, the first weekend in October, parishes throughout the Diocese of Venice conduct a special second collection to augment the life-affirming work of the Diocesan Respect Life Office. The funds remain in the Diocese of Venice and facilitate our witness as a faith community in southwest Florida.

Recent news, including videos that expose Planned Parenthood's devaluing of human life, remind us of the importance of defending life in our society. Please continue to pray for a greater appreciation of the sacredness of all human life and be as generous as you can in this annual collection. May God bless you with a deep appreciation for the gift of life and the courage to defend the sanctity of life. Let us remain united in prayer and action.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

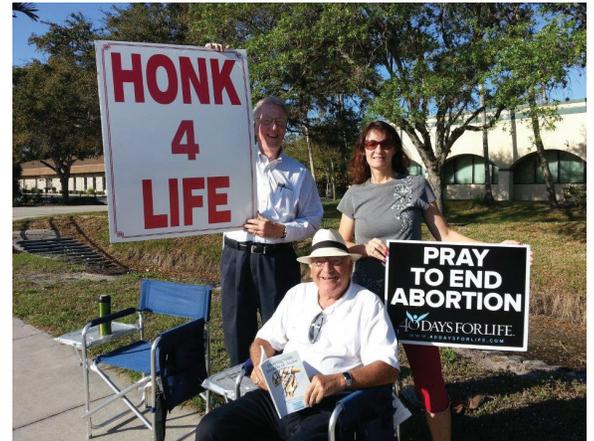
## **St. John's Next Pray for Life Monday Is Monday, September 28**

Would you like to get involved in the pro-life cause? Our parish has committed to praying for an end to abortion outside of Planned Parenthood on the fourth Monday of every month, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Planned Parenthood is located at 1425 Creech Road (on the corner of Goodlette-Frank and Creech Road). Please join fellow parishioners for this peaceful prayer time. **Our next "prayer Monday" is Monday, September 28.**

### **Why should you pray outside the abortion center?**

- When women arrive for abortions and see you praying, they know that you are praying specifically for them when they need it most. Women often change their mind and choose life when they see others praying for them.
- It demonstrates your love for the pre-born baby and for the mother carrying the baby. You're showing that you love them both.
- Your prayerful witness awakens the conscience of our Naples community.

Contact Nancy or Paul Curti for more information at [plancurti@gmail.com](mailto:plancurti@gmail.com) or 612.616.1434.



Outside Planned Parenthood in Naples, parishioners and other attendees are powerful witnesses for life during the 40 Days for Life campaign last spring.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE™**

## **40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Runs Through November 1**

The fall campaign for 40 Days for Life began September 23 and runs to November 1 in Sarasota and Fort Myers as well as hundreds of cities across the country and around the world. Join in praying and witnessing for life by signing up on your parish's days or register directly online at [www.40daysforlife.com/sarasota](http://www.40daysforlife.com/sarasota) or [www.40daysforlife.com/fortmyers](http://www.40daysforlife.com/fortmyers).

### **Respect Life Month:**

## **Every Life Is Worth Living**

October is Respect Life month, honoring all who have been made in the image and likeness of God, *whether that life lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years.*

Jesus asks that we take the time to pray with him for just one hour. Please join us in praying the Rosary for Life next Sunday, October 4, immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass in our Memorial Garden.

Sunday, October 4 is also the National Life Chain, from 2:00 -3:30 p.m. It is a prayer chain and public (sidewalk) witness against abortion. We ask for God's divine intervention for the healing of our community and our nation. St. John's designated location will be along U.S. 41 at Immokalee Rd. Help us cover all four corners and beyond. Bring your family, and also a chair if you wish. For more information call Rosemary at 239.250.0432. Signs can be picked up at our table after the Masses or on site at Wells Fargo Bank that day.

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**Pastoral Stewardship Council:**

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**Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.**

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

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

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

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

**Arimatheans.** A group of caring parishioners who support 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. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.**

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

**Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.**

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Circle of Comfort.**

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

**Companion Driving Ministry.**

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

**Cursillistas.**

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

**Divine Gift Boutique** (located across from the restrooms).

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

**Faith Chat.** Wednesdays at 5:45 - 7:30 p.m. Call office: 239.566.8740

**Gospel Forum.**

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

**Grief Support.** Sessions will resume October 13 for seven consecutive Tuesdays. For any concerns related to the Bereavement Ministry contact Dee: 594.7193

**Hospitality Ministry.**

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

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

**Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.**

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

**Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308.**

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

**Knitting & Crocheting.**

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

**Ladies of Charity.**

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

**Mah Jong.**

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

**Men's Club.**

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

**Narcotics Anonymous.**

Thursday, Saturday, 8 p.m.

**Pinochle.**

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

**Project Rachel Lay Companion.**

A post-abortion healing ministry providing one-on-one counseling. Loretta Judy: 239.293.5897 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. Nancy Cote: 514.0410

**St. Vincent de Paul.**

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

**Third Order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites.**

Phyllis Gryskiewicz, 566.7307

**Women's Bible Study.**

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

**Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center****offers affordable mental health counseling**

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

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

# PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

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## 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.

### **Divine Will Prayer Group**

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

### **Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina**

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

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

### **Liturgy of the Hours**

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

### **St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"**

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

## PRAYER LIST

*We remember those who have died recently, especially:*

Ann Marie Walsh Mullen, Degna Spoldi and Jan Fletcher

*May they rest in eternal peace.*

### THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

**Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga**  
U.S. Marines

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

**S. Isaiah Brutus**  
U.S. Air Force

**Ensign Stuart Campbell**  
U.S. Navy

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

**Adam Decker**  
U.S. Air Force

**Nicholas Detloff**  
U.S. Air Force

**Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante**  
U.S. Army

**Joshua Emmons**  
U.S. Air Force

**LCpl. Conor Fleurant**  
USMC

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

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

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

**Cpl. Dylan Granza**  
U.S. Army Ranger

**Specialist Shelby Granza**  
U.S. Army

**Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer**  
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USMC

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U.S. Army

**LCpl. Randy A. Novak**  
USMC

**LCpl. Ryan D. Novak**  
USMC

**Ryan D. Novak**  
USMC

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

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

**Lt. Robert Pedrigo**  
U.S. Army

**Lt. Joseph Schafer**  
U.S. Army

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

**Lt. Kelly Spencer**  
U.S. Air Force

**Houng Tran**  
U.S. Army

**IT2 Jason E. Tydingco**  
(USN)

**SSGT. Matthew Watson**  
U.S. Air Force  
(Afghanistan)

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Donna Flynn  
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Edward Gaynor  
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Delores Kernochan  
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Joan Lane  
Ruth Lang  
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Lindsay Lavery  
Diane Leahy

Dan & Louise LeBlanc  
Ned Leibig  
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Jay Lee Logsdon & Family  
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Lillian Luchini  
Jean Lydon  
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Joan Maier  
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Gloria Maloney  
Lynne Malpeli  
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Ann Maniuszko  
Margaret Mary Marsh  
Donna Masse  
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Kevin McDonagh  
Simone McGaffee  
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Carolyn McNichols  
Robert Metro  
Nancy Mitchell  
James Murphy  
Paige Nelson  
Roger Nottmeier  
Gloria Oliver  
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Frank Paladino  
Maryla Panagos  
Joe Pohrer  
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Matthew Quinn  
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Aurelia Rein  
Ellen Roberts  
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Jim Schiro  
Joanne & Edwin Schnackenberg  
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John Smith  
Winnie Smith  
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Marilyn Taylor  
Joseph Tomaszewski  
Jennifer Toth  
Patricia Trapnell  
Pat Velasquez  
Lena Vittolo  
Anne W  
Patti Wakim  
Wardein Family  
Tom Wood  
Bob Wright  
Laura Yarbrough  
John & Mary Yotis  
Helen Zaks  
Ed Zerrer  
Fr. Casimir Zielinski  
Barbara Zimmer

**LET US PRAY...**

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, or email: [info@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.com)

SEPTEMBER 27, 2015 ~ TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saint Ann School focuses on academic excellence and faith formation with STREAM initiative.**

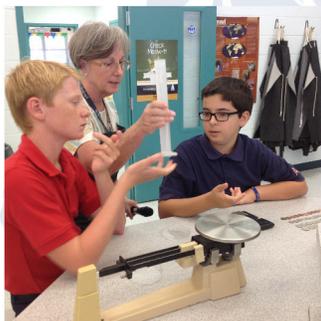
**What defines a STREAM school?**

"STREAM schools provide a challenging learning environment focused on science, technology, math, arts, and the integration of education in the faith that inspires the joy of discovery and an authentic culture of faith based on the doctrinal precepts of church teaching." (NCEA)

*What is*  
**STREAM**  
*education?*

It is the collaborative blending of 5 concepts through the platform of the Catholic faith in an exploratory and inquiry-based learning environment.

**S** Science  
**T** Technology  
**R** Religion  
**E** Engineering  
**A** the Arts  
**M** Math



**Copper or Zinc?**

During a Performance Based Assessment, 8th Grade students had to determine the density of copper and zinc and then apply this knowledge to determine the density of newer coins compared to older coins. How did the compositions of elements compare in older coins versus newer coins?



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**Bring Your Animals for a Special Blessing Saturday, October 3**

The annual Blessing of Animals will be Saturday, October 3 at 11:00 a.m. in the courtyard by the Prayer Garden. Fr. Jim will give the blessing.

All pets are welcome.

**Royal Palm Academy Needs Volunteer Coach for S.T.E.M.**

Royal Palm Academy is looking for someone to volunteer as coach of this year's S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) challenges. This is wonderful for someone who loves to tinker with problem-solving and would like to give of some of their time to our students. For questions and further information, please email Mrs. Linda Rinaldini at [lrinaldini@royalpalmacademy.com](mailto:lrinaldini@royalpalmacademy.com).

After prayerful consideration, please complete and turn in to Parish Office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Corporate Communion and Breakfast for the Knights of Columbus**

The St. John Knights of Columbus will have a Corporate Communion at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 18. As part of a membership drive, Grand Knight Scott Schwarz invites all Catholic gentlemen who are interested in becoming a Knight to join the Knights after Mass in the PLC for breakfast from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Also, the Knights of Columbus will host their annual Vocations Dinner and Dance on Friday, November 20. Bishop Frank J. Dewane will be the guest of honor this year. Future issues of the bulletin will have more details.



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## *Providence House Says Thank You for Making Trip to Legoland Possible*

September 16, 2015

St. John the Evangelist Church  
625 111th Ave No  
Naples, FL 34108

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your donations to the LEGOLAND trip for our children. As you may know, our campus provides homeless women and children a welcoming, safe, and attractive place to call home while working toward a brighter future. This would not be possible without the kindness and charity of people like you.

A fun time was had by all, mothers included!

Please visit our Facebook page to see photos of the trip.

On behalf of the women, children, and staff here at Providence House, thank you!

Sincerely,



Carol Hollander  
Program Director



## *Sunlight Home “Breaking New Ground”—“Transition To Hope” Program*

For 22 years, Sunlight Home has been a “Ray of Hope” for pregnant “at risk” homeless, abused and abandoned women and teens who choose life for their babies. Sunlight Home is breaking ground to begin construction for their new “Transition To Hope” Program to help the new moms with their next step toward independence. Many of the new moms do not qualify for other transitional housing programs because they do not have a job, their own transportation and money saved.

Mothers who complete the faith-based maternity program will be eligible for this new Program that offers housing, support services, case management, counseling, parenting skills, problem solving, financial planning, education and vocational training to help the courageous new mothers with the next step toward independence, financial stability and a bright future after the birth of their babies.

**Sunlight Home is breaking “new ground” as the first Transitional Housing Program in the State of Florida to offer the program to homeless new mothers who choose an adoption plan for their babies.**

“There is an urgent need to provide for these underserved, homeless single who do not qualify for other transitional housing programs because they do not have a child. Many become hopeless and severely depressed because they have nowhere to go, and no one to help. These courageous mothers chose life for their babies and are worthy and in need of the same assistance as the mothers who are parenting their babies,” said Linda Hale, Executive Director.

The “Transition to Hope” Program will be available for

up to a two year period for each resident.

Sunlight Home is the only long-term residential maternity home in Collier County. It does not receive any state or federal funding and is not affiliated with any church or religious organization. Through generous support of the community, they are able to help empower homeless single moms break the cycle of poverty and abuse.

Sunlight Home is having its Annual Benefit Dinner on Friday, November 13 at the Club Pelican Bay. This year’s theme is “The Next Generation Changing and Saving Lives.” Entertainment will be provided by the St. John Neumann High School Jazz Band, and the Keynote Speaker will be Royce Hood, Esq., a Pro-Life activist, defender of the unborn, and founder of the Ave Maria Students for Life here in Naples. Show your support for the moms and babies at Sunlight Home by attending this gala event. For more information contact Linda Hale, Executive Director, 239.352.0251, [Linda\\_Lee\\_Hale@yahoo.com](mailto:Linda_Lee_Hale@yahoo.com), [www.sunlighthome.org](http://www.sunlighthome.org)



# 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, September 27, 2015: the 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song      **539 Come, Now Is the Time To Worship** Brian Doerksen

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

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 19) Music by Tom Oram. © 2012 A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI.) All rights reserved. Used with permission.

Response (cf. v. 9a)

The pre-cepts of the Lord give joy — to the heart.

Gospel Acclamation • *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist*

Preparation Song      **599 I Will Pledge This Song to You** Jim Cowan

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

Communion Songs      **Behold the Lamb** Martin Willett Reprinted under LicenSingOnline.Org #U19759.

Verses

1. Those who were in the dark are thank - ful for the  
2. Peace - ful now, those whose hearts are blessed with un - der -  
3. Gen - tle one, Child of God, join with us at this  
4. Lord of all, give us light. De - liv - er us from

1. sun - light; we who live, we who die are grate - ful for his  
2. stand - ing of the wheat, of the wine u - nit - ed with his  
3. ta - ble. Bless our lives; nour - ish all who hun - ger for this  
4. e - vil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that

Refrain

1. gift, thank - ful for his love. Be - hold, be - hold the Lamb of  
2. word and the love we share.  
3. feast; shel - ter them with peace.  
4. blow; cra - dle us with love.

God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all,  
all who dwell in God shall come to know his glo - ry.

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# Spirit of the Living God

Daniel Iverson

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Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use\_\_\_\_\_ me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.' repeated on the first two staves, 'Melt me, mold me, fill me, use\_\_\_\_\_ me.' on the third staff, and 'Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.' on the fourth staff.

## Closing Song

### Let the Fire Fall

George Misulia

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verse 1) Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), come with your Fire; Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), come with your Fire  
Holy Spirit, come with your Fire! Holy Spirit, come with your Fire!

chorus)

Come Ho - ly Spir - it,\_\_\_\_ let the fi - re\_\_\_\_ fall.\_\_\_\_

Come Ho - ly Spir - it,\_\_\_\_ let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_

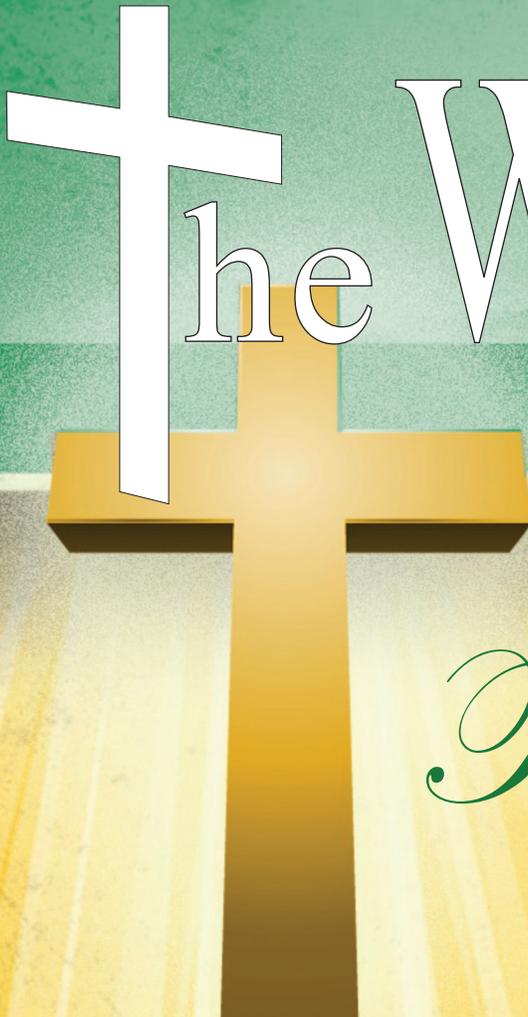
Let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_ Let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Come Ho - ly Spir - it,\_\_\_\_ let the fi - re\_\_\_\_ fall.\_\_\_\_' on the first staff, 'Come Ho - ly Spir - it,\_\_\_\_ let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_' on the second staff, and 'Let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_ Let the fi - re fall.\_\_\_\_' on the third staff.

verse 2) Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), purify my heart; Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), purify my heart  
Holy Spirit, purify my heart! Holy Spirit, purify my heart!

verse 3) Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), set my life on fire; Holy Spirit (Holy Spirit), set my life on fire  
Holy Spirit, set my life on fire! Holy Spirit, set my life on fire!

*Numbers 11:25-29*  
*Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14*  
*James 5:1-6*  
*Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*



# The Word & Life

## The One Christ of Faith

*T*hroughout the scriptures there are many texts that warn us to guard ourselves against pride. There are many times when Jesus cautions the religious establishment not to burden the people with the incidentals of faith, but to encourage them to find God. He gets so frustrated with the religious people who have to prove that they are right. In today's gospel the disciples fall into the very same trap of religious pride. The disciples want to reserve the right to speak in Christ's name and proclaim the gospel. Jesus Christ offers John another way when he confronts him with wanting exclusive rights to the new evangelization.

In the history of Christendom there have been times when the church has lost sight of this basic teaching. We only have to think back to the Crusades, the Inquisitions, and the many bulls of excommunication that were given to historical giants, to see how people lost sight of what was important to God. There are many things we can do or say that may lead us from the truth, but nothing separates us from the love of Christ and the economy of salvation. While we are all called to the common ground of faith and reason, we must realize the mercy of God is in the forefront of the Christian life. When people err from doctrine or fall from grace, it is not an opportunity for condemnation; it is rather an opportunity for redemption and transformation.

The expression of faith within the Christian Churches must always reflect the wisdom given in the proclamation of the kingdom. Our Church once taught that there was no salvation outside the Catholic Church – now through study of scripture and doctrine, prayer and reflection, holy Mother Church, realizes that the Spirit of Truth exists in some way within all of those traditions. As a Catholic Church we belong to the fullness of tradition in the unbroken line of apostolic succession in which the deposit of faith is handed on unspoiled. However, we still realize the authentic experience of other Christian faiths that seek to understand and live the gospel of Christ. There are still problems

### Reflection Questions

1. Do I recognize the validity of Christian experience other than my own?
2. What point was Jesus making to John?
3. What things do we hold in common with other Christian faiths?
4. What are the stumbling blocks to unity?
5. How may I be a bridge in bringing others to Christ?
6. What is the most fundamental truth of the gospel?

with the approach to the Christian faith. There are some fundamentalist Christians who teach that if one does not accept Jesus as personal Lord and Savior, they are going to hell. Is this what Christ came to teach? Jesus came to relate the message of a kingdom of mercy and love. Jesus did not use a specific religious language to refine membership of the kingdom, but to extend membership. He came to give us life and lead us to a deeper relationship with the Father in heaven. While we teach that we possess the fullness of truth given to us by Jesus Christ because our lineage comes from the apostles, we cannot ignore the presence of Christ in other Christian faiths. Once we embrace the commonalities of faith, we can start honest dialogue that will one day bring unity and peace.

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



**Prayer**

*We pray Lord that we will not use our words of faith to isolate, but to encourage others to know you. When we come into contact with those who are not of our faith, may we reverence your presence with them. Amen.*

**Voices of Faith**

***Omnipresent God***

Etched upon time and space  
Is the omnipresence of God  
Numerous as the stars of heaven  
Boundless as the oceans  
Firm as rock  
Colorful as the rainbow  
God's brilliance and presence is all pervading

The Spirit that hovered over  
The waters of the deep  
At the beginning of time amidst chaos and darkness  
Is the same Spirit that welcomed the light of the Creator  
Which brought forth form and life  
This same Spirit breathed upon the world  
When colossal creatures ceased to be and ice covered the earth

The Spirit breathed upon the dawns of times ancient  
When empires ruled the earth  
It casts its eyes upon  
The Valley of the Kings amidst the tall pyramids of desert lands  
The Temples that aligned themselves with the cosmos  
The ingenious plans of empires built mighty civilizations  
Only to see them rise and fall

But constant is God's Spirit  
In peoples of every time and place  
Such magnificence is to be found  
In those made in His image and likeness  
The utterance of divine voice  
May be heard as people awake  
Prophesying the will of the One who made them

In goodness we find the essence of truth  
Holy Mother Church holds the treasure  
Of Patriarchs, Matriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs and Saints  
Through the immersion of water and holy anointing  
Her sons and daughters are imbued  
With a heavenly task  
To make the Sacred Voice heard

Utterances of God are heard  
As Christian Pastors try  
To bring their people closer to Christ  
Rabbis remind people of the Covenant which they have made  
Propheying in a world filled with contradiction  
Leaders of various faiths  
Call their people to the essence of goodness and truth

United humanity stands  
Equal in the eyes of Her God  
Made in His immortal image  
Are His sons and daughters  
Scattered around the world  
Seekers of the truth in love  
Those searching for the Divine

— *"Peaceful Moments"* ~ Fr. John J. Ludden

# Faith Formation

## 2015-2016 School Year

### *First Day of Sunday Faith Formation*



*Faith Formation parents check the board to locate their child's classroom.*



*Families head into the first day of Faith Formation classes.*



*Mrs. Molly Perez's 7th and 8th graders engage in Matthew Kelly's new video-based program, "Decision Point".*



*Mr. Loren Hoofman's 1st and 2nd grade class get to know each other on the first day of class.*



*Mrs. Sylvia DeFeo welcomes her first grade class.*



*Mrs. Trisha Gasiorowski and her 5th grade class learn about Jesus through Sunday's Gospel reading.*

*photos by Tauni Grossklas, Faith Formation*

### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

27 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class ~ 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

30 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class  
~ 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.

### A LOOK AHEAD

#### *Faith Formation Safe Environment Training for Children*

October 25 ~ During regular Sunday Class

October 28 ~ During regular Wednesday Class

*More details coming soon!*

### ***New Faith Formation Office Hours Beginning September 20, 2015***

With the start of the new Faith Formation year, our office will be open to reflect those changes.

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

Wednesdays: Noon - 7:00 p.m. (9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on days when there is no Faith Formation class).

Sundays: 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. (on days of Faith Formation Class only)

Natalie Campbell, Director of Religious Education

[natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com)

239.566.8740, ext. 3909

# Faith Formation

## 2015-2016 School Year

### *Catechetical Sunday, September 20, 2015*

The catechists in the Faith Formation Ministry were commissioned during 11:00 a.m. Mass last Sunday, September 20. Please continue to pray for our catechists as they offer their time and talent to educate your children in the teachings of our Catholic Faith and spread the message of the Gospel, in order that our children may come to develop a lifelong relationship with our savior, Jesus Christ.



### High School Confirmation Preparation Program

**6:15 - 7:30 p.m. on Sundays  
starting Sunday, September 27  
2015-2016 Confirmation Calendar  
Grades 9 - 12**

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

#### SEPTEMBER 2015

Sunday, September 27: Confirmation #1 Class

#### OCTOBER 2015

Sunday, October 11: Confirmation #2 Class

Sunday, October 25: Confirmation #3 Class

#### NOVEMBER 2015

Sunday, November 1: Confirmation #4 Class

Sunday, November 15: Confirmation #5 Class

#### DECEMBER 2015

Sunday, December 13:

Confirmation Class #6

#### JANUARY 2016

Sunday, January 10: Confirmation Class #7

Sunday, January 31: Confirmation Class #8

#### FEBRUARY 2016

Sunday, February 7: Confirmation #9 Class

Sunday, February 28:

Confirmation #10 Class

#### MARCH 2016

Sunday, March 6: Confirmation #11 Class

Sunday, March 13: Confirmation #12 Class

#### APRIL 2016

Sunday, April 3: Confirmation #13 Class

Sunday, April 17: Confirmation #14 Class

**\*\*Confirmation Date and Location To Be Determined**

**\*\*Sunday Confirmation Classes:**

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

# GRIEF SUPPORT

## Seven-Week Grief Support Sessions Begin October 13

Grief support sessions will resume on Tuesday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m. in room 1 of the Parish Life Center for seven consecutive Tuesdays: October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 17 and 24.

The sessions are open to anyone grieving the death of a loved one no matter the time involved. Healing comes from sharing grief with others who are enduring similar separation. If grief is affecting your life, we hope you will take advantage of sharing your story with others who can understand your feelings.

No reservations are necessary. For further information call Dee at 594.7193.

## *Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center Ignatian Spirituality Retreat October 30 - November 2*

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center, Venice, has an opportunity for those interested in attending an Ignatian Spirituality Retreat. The St. Ignatius Spirituality exercises, along with good food, fellowship and quiet reflection, offers a chance for spiritual growth. The next retreat is October 30 to November 2.

The cost is \$395.00, which includes three night's accommodations, meals, private rooms and baths. For additional information or to register, please call 941.486.0233 or email [olphretreat@gmail.com](mailto:olphretreat@gmail.com).

## *Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunity in Naples*

The Family Resource Center of Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to teach English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) twice a week from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for six months. Materials will be provided.

For more information contact Allegra Belliard at [allegra@catholiccharitiescc.org](mailto:allegra@catholiccharitiescc.org) or 239.793.0059.

## MARRIAGE DAY OF RENEWAL

*Remembering when and how you said "I do"  
A day to Recharge, Renew and Restore.*

*Saturday, October 24, beginning at 1:30 p.m.  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church*

*Mass with renewal of vows at 6:30 p.m.  
followed by dinner.*

*Childcare will not be provided,  
but nursing infants are welcome.*

*Save the date and reserve your spot now  
by going to [SJECC.com](http://SJECC.com)*

*(239) 566-8740*

*\$40 per couple*



## ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



# OPEN HOUSE!

*Parents and Students*  
Sunday, October 25, 3-5 PM

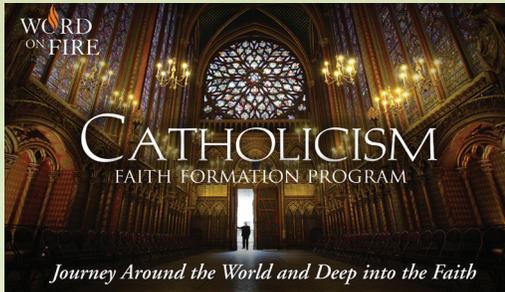
Register online at [www.sjnceltics.org](http://www.sjnceltics.org)  
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at 239.455.3044 x201

Tour the facilities, meet with administrators, instructors,  
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## Being Catholic

Last Thursday over 30 women and men gathered to hear how the strange and dangerous words of Jesus of Nazareth set up a drama that will culminate in a surprising battle between two kings, and in the wake of this conflict, an empire will be defeated – and the world will be changed.

In the first of his **CATHOLICISM** DVDs, Bishop-elect Robert Barron addressed some of the most controversial questions about the life and identity of Jesus Christ as he traveled through the mysterious and sacred places of the Holy Land of Israel and the eternal city of Rome.

But **IT IS NOT TOO LATE FOR YOU TO JOIN THIS JOURNEY.**

Come to the Seminar Room in the Claussen Center this coming Thursday, October 1, at either 11:30 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. to see the next installment of this multi-media study program and travel around the world and deep into our Faith.

If you are ready to sign up you can register online at [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com), or at the Parish Office. Or, just come to the session next Thursday to try it out. No obligation.

Questions? Call Jack Kindsvater 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com).

## Becoming Catholic

If you, or someone you know, is interested in exploring the Catholic faith, you are invited to participate in a period of “Faith Inquiry” where you can find the answers to the question, “What do Catholics believe?” This program is designed to systematically cover the big picture through short video segments followed by discussion for understanding and application to your life today. Dozens of nationally-known teachers present the beauty and brilliance of Catholicism.

Inquiry entails no commitment to become Catholic, and there is no expectation that everyone will.

Over nine Tuesdays the following core teachings will be addressed:

- The Journey of Faith
- Divine Revelation
- The Bible
- The Story of Salvation
- Who is Jesus?
- The Paschal Mystery
- The Holy Spirit and the Life of Grace
- Why Do I Need the Church?
- Mary and the Saints
- The Last Things

This is the first phase of the process by which both non-baptized adults and those baptized in another Christian tradition can progress toward full initiation into the Catholic Church. Subsequent phases, if desired, focus on an encounter with God in the sacraments and the moral life leading to Baptism, if not already baptized, Confirmation and First Communion at the Easter Vigil celebration in late March.

Registration is now being invited for the first session that will be this upcoming Tuesday, September 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Center. Please contact Jack Kindsvater, 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com).

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation will have an opportunity to do so in the spring, after completing a special preparation program.

In the meantime the **CATHOLICISM** program would be a great way to re-ignite their earlier Catholic formation.

# St. John Now Has a St. John Farmers Market on Campus on Fridays

Farm fresh produce, chef prepared cuisine, local arts and crafts, jewelry. This past Friday the St. John Farmers Market opened for business here on our own campus. The Farmers Market will be here every Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with some exceptions (Friday after Thanksgiving, for example).

“St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, as a Blue Zone Partner, is supporting a healthy community by hosting a farmers market. Proceeds will help the church replace its’ roof and subsequently help build its new family life center,” said Linda Miller, manager of the St. John Farmers Market

Vendors include, but are not limited to: Farms of Florida Produce, Southern Hive Honey, Straight from NY Bagels, Gemini’s Jellies, handcrafted soaps, Diana Calleja Local Photography, jewelry, Madagascar Handmade Hats, Sizzle Truck, Nico’s Greek Food, and Skooters Kettle Corn.



Southern Hive Honey is just one of the vendors at the St. John Farmers Market Fridays at St. John.



For vendor updates and pictures, check out the page on Facebook. In the search box, search St. John Farmers Market

For information and applications on being a vendor, contact Linda via email: [expol@comcast.net](mailto:expol@comcast.net).

Ft. Myers

## PRAYER Walk

FOR LIFE

Thursday, October 8, 2015

The Prayer Walk is part of 40 Days for Life which runs from September 23 to November 1.

[40daysforlife.com/fortmyers](http://40daysforlife.com/fortmyers)  
239-671-9802

8:00 a.m. - Mass with **Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant**, Resurrection of Our Lord Church, 8121 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft. Myers

9:00 a.m. - **Exposition and Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament for those not participating at the abortion site

9:00 a.m. - Proceed by car to Viva parking lot, 5990 Winkler Road (just north of the intersection of Winkler and College Parkway). Parking permission granted for this event only.

**Prayerful procession with Bishop Dewane** to abortion site, Planned Parenthood, 8595 College Parkway.

Line sidewalk along Winkler to pray rosary.

10:45 a.m. - **Closing Benediction** at Resurrection of Our Lord Church

In memory of more than 58 million unborn babies who have died since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion for any reason.

For more information:  
(941) 441-1101 or [Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org)  
Sponsored by the Diocese of Venice,  
Respect Life Office  
[www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife)

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- Olivia Kinnear, Kindergarten Teacher

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# Faith and Wine

Thursday, October 22, 2015  
6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

featuring

Sister Maria Catherine, OP

Ladies, are you ready for another great speaker? Well, **Sister Maria Catherine, O.P.** is a perpetually professed member of the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. She is fresh from teaching high school English in San Francisco, and she is beginning her Masters in Theology at Ave Maria University. Her talk on finding an abundance of God's Mercy in confession is not to be missed! So, pre-register NOW at [www.faithandwine.com](http://www.faithandwine.com).

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

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

“. . . And the Light Grew Steadily Stronger: Confession and God's Mercy”



## Contemporary Night Menu

Appetizer Display:

Artisan Cheese Displays

Pecorino Romano Meatballs

Buffet:

Oak Fired Chicken Marsala • Penne with Broccoli

Agljo Olio • Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes • French

Ratatouille • Walnut Gorgonzola Spring Blend

Salad • Chef's Bread Assortment • Black Forrest

Desserts Shooters

**Cost: \$20 prepay • NO WALK-INS!**

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on **October 10**, by going to [www.faithandwine.com](http://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 October 16**) 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

**SAVE THE DATES:** Mark your calendar now for the remaining Faith and Wine Dates: November 19, 2015; January 28, 2016; February 25, 2016; March 31, 2016 and Missions Fair June 2016.

Go to [www.FaithandWine.com](http://www.FaithandWine.com) to learn more!

## SPECIAL EVENTS FOR SENIORS AND OTHER MUSIC LOVERS

Join Us Next Tuesday for the *Music & Wellness Concert*

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. in Claussen Center

### ***MUSIC THE BIG BANDS!***

St. John and Fletcher Music Centers presents this series which showcases the music of the 40s, 50s and 60s. Join us and find out how music can help your memory. For info call parishioner Carol Schrader at 947-1060.

Mark your calendar for all **Tuesday** dates in this concert series:

Claussen Center

Sept 22, 29

Nov. 2, 17 and 24

Ballroom

Oct. 6

Dec. 8 Noon\*

\*Special Holiday Concert and Luncheon

## CLOSING SALE

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**Only one Saturday left: October 3 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Monday – Friday, please call first, 403-0700. Thanks again for ALL your, love, time, support, donations, and prayers throughout the past 30 years!

God bless and God love you. ~ Team Rose Garden

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“Welcome”



Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church  
and Knights of Columbus Council #11281



**NEXT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3rd!**  
Present Second Annual

# Oktoberfest Festival

Saturday, October 3 • 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

*Rain or Shine*

**Food Games Rides Bavarian Band Accordion Music**



**Freshly Prepared Traditional German  
“Meals” at “Reasonable Prices”.**

Authentic German band inside and  
strolling German accordion music  
outside on the outdoor stage

Entry includes parking,  
entertainment, games, rides,  
exhibits, festivities

Traditional Oktoberfest Food:  
Schnitzel/Spatzel • Johnsonville Sausage  
Jim Bobs BBQ and more

Beer • Wine • Soda • Water Available

**FREE** Rock Wall Climbing • **FREE** Flying Turtle Ride

**FREE** Kiddie Swing Ride

**FREE** Trackless Train Ride • 50/50 Raffle

**DON'T MISS:** the High Striker Game (nominal charge)

- Three towers: low, medium, and high heights. Hi-  
Striker game suitable for kids, women and men.

Classic carnival test of strength.

Adults ~ **\$6.00** • Family ~ **\$20.00 max**

Children ~ 8 and under admitted **FREE**

Tickets now on sale after Masses, in the office and on our website at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2015Oktoberfest>

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FOOD PANTRY, AND OTHERS. PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT OKTOBERFEST!**

Proceeds to assist the Knights of Columbus Charity Fund and Food Kitchens in the Naples / Immokalee areas.