

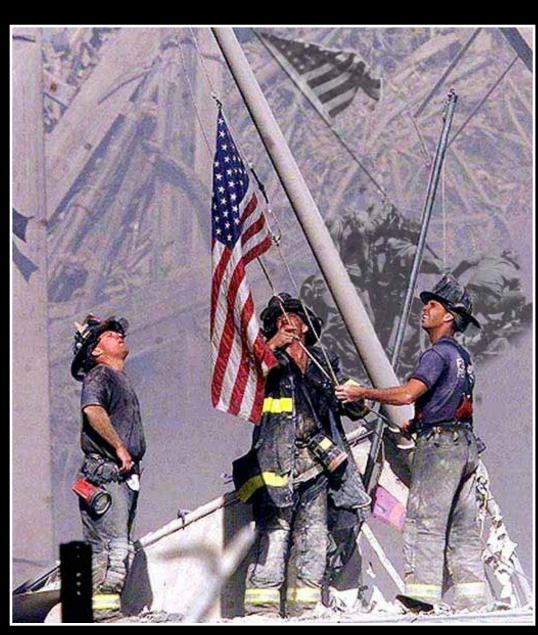
America Attacked

Special Mass of Remembrance Sunday, September 11, 9:00 a.m.

Hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City September 11, 2001. Eighteen minutes later, hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 slammed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center near the 60th floor in a catastrophic fiery explosion.

Three New York City Firemen raise our flag over the debris of the World Trade Center, lifting the spirit of the rescue operations. In doing so, they re-enacted the United States Marine Corps raising of the flag at Mt. Suribachi on Iwo Jima during WWII, which became a symbol of the Marine Corps grit.

See related story about a special 9:00 a.m. Mass of Remembrance next Sunday at St. John the Evangelist, page 3.



Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by

September 3, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM + Catherine Pfau William & Patricia Pfau

Vigil Services

3:00 PM + Joe Rossi Bobbie Turner

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

September 4, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM + Thomas S. Riley Esther Riley

9:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Blacklidge Mr. & Mrs. Michael Blacklidge

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Fay Moots Mark Moots Family
5:00 PM Dr. James Dillon Mary Lou & Ned Leibig

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

September 5, 2011 Monday

8:30 AM + John C. Kusnies Joe Cannon

September 6, 2011 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Deceased member of

Varone & DiNorcia families Varone Family

September 7, 2011 Wednesday

8:30 AM Gerard McLaughlin Robert & Joan Morrissey

September 8, 2011 Thursday

8:30 AM + Helen Nash Leo Nash & Family

September 9, 2011 Friday

8:30 AM + Fr. Al McPartland Phil & Mickey Keating

September 10, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM Kenneth J. Dinnhaupt James Cattano

Vigil Services

3:00 PM + Fr. Al McPartland Gloria O'Donnel 5:00 PM Maurice Glennan Veronica & Family

September 11, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM + John Cournan Sue & Bill Troy
9:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Malley Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Dantuano

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM Wm. & Johanna Miller Daughter (Mary Florence Miller)
5:00 PM + Dr. Andre Laz Sal & Jo Bonnici

Wine and Host in Memory of Fred Mortali - Requested by The Sabini Family

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

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 3, 2011

St. Gregory the Great; First Saturday Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Vigil Services

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

Sunday, September 4, 2011

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

Mt 18:15-20

Monday, September 5, 2011

Labor Day

Col 1:24 - 2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Col 3:1-11: Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 8, 2011

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16,

18-23 [18-23]

Friday, September 9, 2011

St. Peter Claver

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14: Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 10, 2011

Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

Vigil Services

Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Sunday, September 11, 2011

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9;

Mt 18:21-35

Mass of Remembrance

On the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the United States

September 11 will mark the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on New York City's World Trade Center, the Pentagon and a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, when

brave passengers overpowered the hijackers and the plane crashed, killing all 45 aboard.

The attacks not only took the lives of 2,819 innocent Americans, including 343 New York City Firemen, 37 Port Authority Police Officers and 23 New York City Police Officers, but changed our way of life forever.

Here at St.John, both Our Lady of the Rosary Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus and St. John the Evangelist Council 11281 will be sponsoring the 9:00 a.m.Mass on Sunday, September 11 to remember those who were murdered on that day of terror.

Members of the Gulf Coast Retired Firefighters Association will have a piece of steel recovered from the Trade Center on display in front of the church before and after

Mass, as well as a model of "Freedom Memorial" that is being built in Collier County, which honors the heroes of the 9/11 attacks.

Joining the Knights will be retired members of the FDNY, PAPD and the NYPD, as well as members of the Collier County Sheriff's Office.

The Harp and Thistle Pipe Band will lead the procession into church, followed by members of the K of C Color Corps and the United States Marine Corps League of



Jerry Sanford, retired member of the FDNY and now the Public Information Officer for the North Naples Fire District, with the piece of recovered steel from the World Trade Center.

Naples, who will present and post our colors.

Please join us on September 11 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass to pay tribute and pray for those brave souls who lost their lives at the hands of Jihadist terrorists.

NEVER FORGET!

Article and photos submitted by Tom Middlemiss, www.EventPixer.com







(From Left to Right) Covered with debris, a man makes his way from the World Trade Center to safety. A weary fireman, covered with dust. The logos the the New York City Fire Department, New York City Police Department and the Port Authority of NY & NJ Police Department. The combined death toll of the three departments was a staggering 403 heroes who laid down their lives in order to save others.

Parish Clergy



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli Associate
Fr. Thomas Kelly Associate

Retired

Fr. George Hazler

Deacon Hal Brenner
Deacon Rob Chalhoub

Deacon Frank Paniccia

Deacon Al Groh 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)

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General Manager

Scott Schlossberg: 566.1678

Fax: 239.325.2100

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Secretary to the Pastor Natalie Campbell: Ext. 134

Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

Tom Oram: Ext. 179

Choir Director

Ellie VanderMeuse: 682.5609

Sacristan

Lorna Woonsam: Ext. 133

Communications

Kathy Sims: Ext. 128

Memorial Garden

Scott Schlossberg: Ext. 114

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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday

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

(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Mases:

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

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

Contemporary Sunday Mass:

5:00 p.m.

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Thank you!

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2011 & 2012.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

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

MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION...

Mission Possible Makes a Difference

"...you're never too young to be a missionary; you're never too young to make a difference in someone's life." — Kaelyn Martin

Three teens from the Saint John the Evangelist Youth Group travelled to St. Lucia as missionaries August 1 - 12, 2011. They were accompanied by Brendan Budlong, director, and Fr. John, pastor. Kaelyn Martin shares her insights and experiences while serving as a missionary.

Sitting at the airport in Puerto Rico for the second day in a row was not part of the plan. Looking on the tired faces of strangers, who were soon to be like family, we were hoping that this was

going to be our lucky day to leave. This may not seem like part of God's plan, but looking back now it kind of makes sense. By being stranded in the airport I got to know some of the missionaries who had come for the same reason I had, to make a difference.

One of the most profound experiences I had in St. Lucia was at Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity. The four Sisters I met were truly living out God's words. The missionaries of charity provide a home to a total of fourteen residents aging from 20 to 99. All those people who called that place home were cast out and

uncared for by their families. One of the residents who impacted me was Chena, who was the youngest; she couldn't walk or talk. I thought about how people didn't talk to her because they knew that she couldn't respond, or maybe didn't understand. In my heart I knew she understood every word that was spoken to her or about her, and I knew she understood the word of God, maybe

...if we meet one person and brighten up their day or make them smile, we have already started to change the world.

more than a lot of us. I knew God had prepared a special place for her, because she was one of God's most pure Daughters with no sins and a love for God that was greater than words could even describe.

There's something magical about the way 300 some children scream at Vacation Bible School. I could really feel God's presence in each and every child. All through Bible School I came to discover how much the children trusted and depended on me. I realized that maybe I was the only playmate who didn't abuse them. And for this, they were thankful. Mission Possible was helping to change the lives of each and every child, but in return had their lives changed by each and every child.

What I hope to bring back to the community is that you're never too young to be a missionary; you're never too young to make a difference in someone's life. We are the generation of change, even if we can't fix the world's problems, if we meet one person and brighten up their day or make them smile, we have already started to change the world.

The most powerful thing I witnessed in St. Lucia is the people's faith in God. Here people have nothing in possessions but everything in happiness, because of their faith. As I sat in church at Bobonea Good Shepherd, I couldn't help but feel the presence of God. I know Mission Possible accomplished their mission to make a difference.



Photos depict Kaelyn Martin with other missionaries and Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity residents.



Article submitted by Kaelyn Martin,
Youth Ministry



PRAYER GROUPS

Centering Prayer

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

Divine Will Prayer Group

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

Liturgy of the Hours

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

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

St. John Prayer Group

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

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Bradley N. Chartier

U.S. Army

Sgt. Chris Counts U.S. Marine Corp

BU3 Charlie Davidson

U.S. Navy

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

Joshua Emmons
U.S. Air Force

Lt. Joseph Gilig

1st Marine Division * LAV Recon

Ssgt. Patrick H. Hammer U.S.Marine Corp * LAV Recon

Spec. Adam C. Janes

U.S. Army, Ft. Bragg, NC

Lt. John Meyers

U.S. Army

Lt. Col. David McNulty

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

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)

PFC. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Capt. Daniel Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. John Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. Martin Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Capt. Oliver Schrang

U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Houng Tran

U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

Deployed on US.S. Boxer

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Barbara Boylan, Miriam Cunningham and Dr. Alfred Maldon

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

Maryann Hart George Orem Jacob Andrew Tyler Ostos Makayla Basile Thomas Hartsell Paticia Palumbo Dick Becker Mary Haynes Linda Berry Joe Hilberg Maryla Panagos Marigo Pappas-Daley Robet Brassil Scott Hoban Dolly Parker Mary Charlotte Hollohan Matt Brown Christine Cassara Val Hunt Mary Petty Joe Pohrer James Castaldi Mario Incatasciato IxChel and Zara Angela Preuss Vincent Cinque Alex Primrose David Colando Jeanne & Family Jordan Cole Ann Marie Johnson Alicia Rodriquez Judy Roth Patricia Brady Convery Cade Joslin Joseph Ryan Matt Koswenda and Family Robert Cuellar Cammie Leake Christopher Serna Tanya Cuellar Patricia Shannahan Marigo Pappas-Daley Mary Lou Leibig Anthony D'Antuono Emil Liberatore Leonard Sbrocco Owen Destino Shirley Lisk Jean Smith Maurice DeVito Ruth Lisser Jeffrey Smith Jeanne Snodgress Donna DiMaggio Deacon Norman LaLone Allan Stencil Peggy and Gennaro Marino Dee Donnelly **Brad Martin** Andrew and Christian Suarez Carl Edwards Theresa Marcie Erickson Jeanne Majeske Barbara A. Matyas Mary Tracy Elsa Everstijn Judith Mazza Marie Trucco Jim Fargo Conchita Turros Lois Finucane Sarah McLean Raymond Vasko Christina Gable Bruce Metcalf Pat & Eloisa Velasquez James Miller Bob Garbinsky Carmella Weeks Gladis Garcia Alex Moody Francis Whitlock Jackie Gibson Rev. Richard Mueller Billie Ray Whitlow Rosemary Gold Marjorie Nelson Peter Nicoletta Tom Wood Matt, Laura, Leo & Lola Grabinski

> To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, email: info@saintjohntheevangelist.com, or complete the form below and return it to the parish office.

Patricia Woodrick

Janice O'Connor

Please add to the PRAYER LIST	
Name	
Please print first and last name	
Requested by	
Your Phone Number	Date

Raymond H.

Knights of Columbus Offers Service and Fun for Members

St. John the Evangelist parish has so much to be proud of. Our pastor, Fr. John Ludden, has spent countless hours putting together ministries that help the parish -from the young to our elders, and he is still seeking ways to improve these ministries as the occasions arise.

One of the ministries is the Knights of Columbus. If you haven't heard of us, please pick up the phone, or slide it out of your pocket, and give me a call.

I would be delighted to meet and discuss the Knights with you. If you are eighteen or older and you become part of this organization, you will change your outlook on life, as you give some of your time and talent to this organization.

This month, the Knights are putting together a special Mass for all the persons who lost their lives in the World Trade Center tragedy, 9-11-01. The 9:00 a.m. Mass on



4th Degree

refreshments after Mass in the PLC.

Following this horrific tragedy, The Knights of Columbus was at the door of widows and widowers of policemen and firefighters as well as port authority personnel with a

\$3,000.00 check for their basic needs; it did not matter if they were Catholic or not.

That is just a part of what the Knights stand for and do. The Knights raise funds for many charities through

entertainment activities, such as dances and, let me not forget, the tootsie roll campaign for disabled persons. What a fun time to meet people! We also have socials for members only, such as chili cook-offs and beach parties and more.

We provide the opportunity for members to take their favorite person to some of the finest dinners and dances you can find here in Florida, while being involved in a fine community of Catholic men and women.



Chili Cook-Off

The Knights are also looking forward to

becoming involved with our youth who, as we all know, are the future of our church.

By helping our church, our pastor and various charities, you can also become as proud as I am to be part of an organization known throughout the world, The Knights of Columbus.

Give me a call. You and I have a lot to discuss!!!!! James Follese, Grand Knight 239.287.2923

Photos by Tom Middlemiss, www.EventPixer.com

Help Welcome Newly Baptized Infants Into Our Parish Community

a remembrance

anniversary of

the attack on our land at the

World Trade

Center. We as

in force at the

Mass. We will

also provide

Knights will be

the 10-year

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

If you are interested in sharing in the excitement and joy of the sacrament of baptism with young parents, our Baptism Hospitality Team could use your help! The St. John Baptism Team is seeking caring and friendly parishioners willing to greet and guide families on their baptism day from their initial arrival at the church and throughout the baptism ceremony.

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

serve as part of this ministry.

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

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

Altar Servers:

Neal Borter 804.357.5712

Arimatheans:

Virginia D'Agostino 597.7687

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo 949.7122

Calling & Caring:

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

Centering Prayer:

Vincent Cinque 566.2937

Eucharistic Ministers:

Lou Altier 450.6004

Greeters & Ushers:

John Smith 598.2306

Grief Support:

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

Jamaica Mission:

Al & Ann Kerns 514.1553

Knights of Columbus:

Jim Follese 495.9741

Ladies of Charity:

Valerie Matulis 390.3545

Lectors:

Victor Yepez 290.9090

Daily Mass Lectors:

Rosemary Slevin 596.7057

Men's Club:

Andy Sanfelippo 49.7122

Prayer Group:

Linda Reilly 566.8740

Respect Life:

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

St. Vincent de Paul:

Bill Smart 566.8740

Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry

Develops and implements programs for adults to grow as mature Catholics. Ministry leaders foster formations through a wide range of activities, such as retreats, small groups meetings, lectures, seminars, social action and workshops of various topics. Call or email Stephanie Wardein: 289.5541; Perpetualimagesofnaples@gmail.com

Arimatheans

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

Bible Teaching

Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m., Claussen Center for relevant Bible teaching and oral interpretation of the Scriptures. Everyone interested in acquiring greater understanding of the weekly readings and growing in faith with us are welcome to join. Victor 290,9090

Cursillistas

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

The Circle of Comfort

Are you or a loved one affected by cancer? We are a support team. Our mission is to help, encourage, pray, listen, laugh or whatever it takes to help each other live one day at a time. So for anyone who has been affected by cancer, let us share our journey of experience, strength and hope. We do not meet on a regular basis. If you can't come to us, we will come to you. Call Jim or Darlene: 495.9741

Divorced and Separated

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

Families Helping Families

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

Grief Support

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

Knights of Columbus

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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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

Knitting & Crocheting

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

Ladies of Charity

The group meets monthly and volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass.

They are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

Mah Jong

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

Maternity Outreach

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

Men's Club

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

M.O.F.I.A

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

Philothea

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

Pinochle

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

Religious Gift Shop

Summer hours effective until November 7: Saturday 2:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m., Sunday 7:45 a.m. -1:00 p.m. The shop is closed Monday through Friday. 591.4668

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities

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

St. John Choir

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

St. John Nursery

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

St. John Sewing

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

New Ministry, The J.O.Y. Club, Targeting 'Seniors', Has First Social September 22

A new ministry, The J.O.Y Club, "Just Older Youth", will have its first social gathering Thursday, September 22.

The J.O.Y Club will offer the senior citizens at St. John the Evangelist an opportunity for entertainment and socialization. The new ministry is open to all seniors — men, women, singles and couples.

The first social event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a complimentary lunch and a "Getting to Know You" program in the PLC ballroom. If possible, please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry.

Reservations are required to attend the event. RSVP by Thursday, September 15, by calling the parish

office at 566.8740 during regular business hours or complete the reservation form below and place the form in the collection basket.

Thursday, September 22.	
Name(s) of Attendee(s)	
Your Phone Number	

Irish High Tea with Fr. John

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Library at the PLC

All Men & Women Invited!

Bring this form to the Parish Office

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

Limited to 40 tickets

Ticket # _____

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

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Questions for Fr. John: (about our Church, our Parish, our Faith)





Thank you to everyone who attended the 11:00 a.m. Mass this past Sunday,

August 28, for the baptism of Ella, Mia and Nate. I was so thrilled to be able to have

the baptism take place during Mass so that you could all see our triplets receive this sacrament. Fr. John did an outstanding job of making this moment incredibly special. Attached are a few pictures of the baptism.

We have completed numerous projects during the course of the summer. I would like to take a few minutes to address what has been done to improve the campus while many of our parishioners were away. Many of these projects were completed with the assistance of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, which has been an invaluable resource to me and to the parish.

- 1. First and foremost, we have created a magnificent Prayer Garden. Due to the vision of Sandi Paniccia and the contributions of many parishioners, we were able to design and build what will be a showpiece for the parish and Diocese of Venice for many years to come. The granite for the benches and pedestals for the Stations is currently being engraved and will arrive in Naples within the next three weeks. Once everything arrives and is in place, we will make plans for the grand opening.
- 2. We completely re-sealed and re-striped the parking lot which was a much overdue fix. We now have an attractive and functional parking lot. We are going to make one additional adjustment to the front parking lot to address the walkways from the lot to the Church so that they do not lead our parishioners to trip over the parking stops.
- 3. The twenty year old crumbling street sign at the front of the site was replaced with a new modern looking sign featuring our logo.
- 4. We completely renovated the Parish Life Center Kitchen. This included sandblasting the floor and installing a new epoxy resin material that is slip proof and virtually indestructible. All of the drywall from the floor to a height of four feet was removed and new water resistant material was installed and then covered with a vinyl backing to

eliminate any future water damage. All interior walls were painted and all of the light fixtures were repaired and energy efficient bulbs were installed.

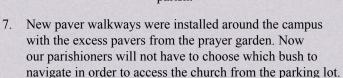
5. In the Parish Life Center, we removed the old tile in the

lobby and installed new 20" tile set on the diagonal. All of the bathrooms were repainted as well as many offices and ancillary spaces. We are currently in the process of sanding and repainting the exterior doors to a much more appropriate color. Beginning on September 12, we are going to install a new audio visual system in the ballroom which will include four ceiling mounted

LCD projectors and four screens placed strategically so that everyone in the ballroom will be able to have unobstructed views of any presentation. I can only imagine what the Super Bowl party will be like in 2012. This aforementioned AV installation is being donated at no cost to the parish. We are also planning to sand and refinish the dance floor in the

ballroom in September.

6. In the Claussen Center, we re-wired all of the hallway and classroom lighting and installed energy efficient fluorescent bulbs. In addition, we replaced all 45 lighting bollards in the CFC parking lot, also at no cost to the parish.



8. Numerous enhancements were made to the Memorial Garden, including the addition of new landscaping and a beautiful new fountain as the focal point. A paver walkway was installed leading to the Knights of Columbus shrine. Ten new granite benches will be installed in the month of September.

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SCOTT'S CORNER

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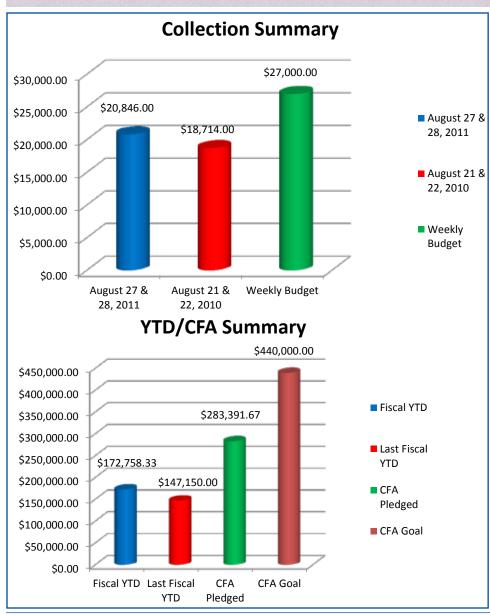
9. Upcoming improvements: We are currently working with several vendors to finally address the church lighting. As you know, this has been a recurring issue and one that is very irritating to everyone. Due to the fact that the fixtures are 20 years old and only accessible by a massive lift or scaffolding, maintenance has always and will always be a major issue. We are entertaining the idea of replacing the track lighting over the altar and the main down lights in the nave with new fixtures and energy efficient and extremely long life bulbs. Optimistically, this will take place during the month of September. Last but not least, the air conditioning units in the Parish Life Center are nearly 15 years old and in need of replacement. We have tried to develop reserves over the past several years in order to

create a schedule for replacement, however, due to our tight budget, this has not been possible. We will continue to address the AC and come up with an appropriate solution.

Suffice it to say that we have been very busy this summer making enhancements and repairs to the campus. We will continue to work diligently to beautify the campus in the months and years to come. We truly hope that you appreciate all that we have done.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA General Manager





Magnificat Breakfast Saturday, October 8 at Gulf Coast Town Center

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, October 8, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at our new location, the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center, Ft. Myers.

Our speaker is Sr. Mary Michael Mackey. After 20 years working for a publishing company, the FBI and 71/2 years in the US Military, she joined The Daughters of St. Dominic. From Gun to Nun is how she sums up her vocation.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Rose Ann Manzoni, 3660 Stone Way, Estero, FL 33928, 498.5494 or, Lois Mader, 1828 Pine Valley Dr. #2-206, Fort Myers, FL 33907, 267.2684.

Requests must be postmarked by September 30.



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September 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

The National Collection for The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. will be taken up here in our Diocese the weekend of September 10 and 11, 2011.

Catholic University is unique as the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States and the only higher education institution founded by the U.S. Bishops and chartered by the Vatican. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to approximately 6,000 students every year. As such, it has a special responsibility to educate future leaders for our Church and our Nation.

Students at The Catholic University of America receive personalized attention in a wide range of programs, combining an excellent liberal arts curriculum with courses in their major fields of study. Grounded in the philosophy of the Catholic tradition, these students are well prepared for success in life and ready to make a difference in today's world.

The financial sacrifices required of Catholic parents to provide a Catholic college education are enormous. All of the funds received through this collection underwrite the financial aid program at the University. Simply put, your contributions directly benefit students at Catholic University from all over the United States, including our own Diocese of Venice in Florida, by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend. Last year, nearly 3,000 students at Catholic University received scholarship support through the funds raised via the National Collection for Catholic University.

I appeal to you to give generously to the **National Collection for the Catholic University of America** in Washington, DC. God Bless you for your support of Catholic Higher Education.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J/Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of

Vehice in Florida

It Sounds Greek to Me

If that is your response to the Kyrie eleison ("Lord have mercy") invocation during the Penitential Rite, then you are absolutely correct: it is Greek.

This prayer for redemption has an amazing longevity in the Church liturgy. It is first mentioned in the 4th century in documents by the Early Fathers, and was later regularized in the 6th century by Pope Saint Gregory the Great, who was instrumental in the conversion of Europe.

Proponents of the exclusive use of English in the liturgy may question the use of Greek language during Mass and cite Vatican II documents regarding the use of the vernacular. However, while Vatican II affirmed the use of the vernacular it also preserved the Latin (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy #36) and this prayer in Greek.

Participation in the Sacred Liturgy should not be about linguistics, but redemption, being in His presence, anticipating God's banquet (Matthew 22:2) and praying for the Eucharist to shape our character for everyday life.

John Baldovin, in his book *Bread of Life, Cup of Salvation*, states that each celebration of the Mass is an invitation to share in the experience of the world's salvation by the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, and thereby committing ourselves to working for God's kingdom.

Our faith and our liturgy have a long-lasting and rich heritage. Chanting "Kyrie eleison" connect us with all of our brothers and sisters throughout generations back to Isaiah 33:2; Tobit 8:5-7 and the Psalms.

St. Ignatius Loyola says in the "Spiritual Exercises" that the person who is experiencing some dryness in prayer can be helped by remembering times of consolation in the past.

To get the most out of the Mass we are obliged to align our minds and hearts in cooperation with divine grace, as the Holy Spirit awakens faith.

In the Penitential Rite we give God our word, our recognition that we are sinners in need of mercy. In turn, God gives us His Word in the proclamation of the Sacred Scriptures at the ambo.

Although Baptism made us participants in the

supernatural life of the Trinity, our proclivity to sin manifests itself by our various offenses of thought, word, deed, or omission.

In similar fashion as the Tax Collector in the parable recounted in Luke 18:9-14, praying Kyrie eleison ("Lord have mercy") brings our transgressions against reason, truth, and right conscience before God. It allows us to become poor in Spirit as the first Beatitude calls us to live. Such emptying of ourselves prepares our hearts to be stirred by the truth of God's Word and we embrace Christ, by faith.

We call to mind our sins and receive general absolution by the priest, although not as efficacious as the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Sacramental confession and absolution is required to restore us to God's grace, especially for mortal sins.

Kyrie eleison, although brief, is enormous in its encompassing of the entire mystery of our salvation. The Lord loves to have mercy. The Lord came to have mercy. The Lord continues to have mercy.

The Lord was sent to heal the contrite, to call sinners and now He is pleading for us at the right hand of the Father. In this Trinitarian prayer, we recognize God as the Creator of all, we acknowledge our sins, we repent for them and ask Him to lift us from sin to virtue, and from death to life.

This is the greatest possible act of mercy. St. Peter penned in 1 Peter 1: "God, in His great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead". In His great mercy, God gave us an inheritance and salvation that are kept in heaven for us.

Proclaim Faith, Victor Yepez, Executive Director

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Blessed Assurance

ife is not easy at times because of things that come our way. The hardest challenge for humanity is that of relationship. If one steps back to look at Scripture and to consider what is taking place throughout the Old and New Testaments, one will quickly come to the conclusion that the Scripture is all about relationship. The Word of God tells the story of

humanity's relationship with God. Moreover, the Scriptures contemplate the meaning of our very existence and the destiny which is filled with hope. The history of the world records the great accomplishments of humanity but also bears the scars of marred relationships. The most unpleasant reality for us as a people is to deal with awkward relationships. There

are many things that cause friction within relationship. Motivation to control or the reality of stress often affects relationships.

In today's gospel, Jesus confronts a very human problem, that of one person sinning against another. He offers very practical advice to his listeners. His message is clear — if you have a problem with your brother, then go to him to resolve it. Jesus goes on to say that if this fails, seek the help of friends, if unsuccessful, the Church. If everything fails after much effort, Jesus says treat you brother as you would a Gentile — at a respectable distance. Jesus gives



A group of associates negotiate a business deal.

blessed assurance to his disciples by telling them that whenever two or three gather in his name, he will be in the midst of them. By invoking Jesus' name to help us deal with conflict, we are promised that he will always be there to advise and inspire, to heal and to forgive. Just as when we gather in Jesus' name, we are given the wisdom and courage to transcend the quarrels and the hurts of this life.

The Good News today is telling us to approach the difficulties of relationship directly. People often react to problems in relationships too quickly by voicing anger and rage. This takes what is an already tenuous problem to another level, making it more difficult to resolve. In our quest to justify our own anger and rage we often let others know of someone's sin. This action causes the person who made a mistake or sinned to be embarrassed, and it often makes matters worse. Sometimes we just need to pray about how to confront the difficulties in relationships. It is important to seek the wisdom of Jesus by asking: what would Jesus do in this situation? Any response to this question would empower us to do what is right and loving.

Paul reminds us in Romans that the commandments may be summed up very easily by loving your neighbor as yourself. If we make mistakes, we like to be forgiven and to resolve the mistake. In the same way, if others make mistakes, we need to treat them as we would expect them to treat us. The Christian call is one of reconciliation and healing — to bind up wounds and let the oppressed go free. Contrite people can continue to hurt because others will not let go of the fact that they have sinned against them. This makes them a slave to their sin. The simple, practical message of the Scripture today is most certainly blessed assurance for all of us who take this advice to heart. Forgiveness is the hardest gift to grasp, but it is, nonetheless, at the heart of Jesus' message.



Prayer

We pray: Dear Lord, help us to understand ourselves. When someone sins against us, inspire our hearts to take the path of reconciliation. Speak to the hearts of those who will not let go of past hurts, so they may find the grace to forgive. Lead and guide us down the pathways of righteousness and truth. Amen.

The Feminine Genius

"To live out of love means to banish all fear, every memory of past faults. I see no mark of my sins, and in a moment love burnt everything."

"I know now that true charity consists in bearing all our neighbors' defects — not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues."

St. Therese of Lisieux

Reflection Questions

- 1. What is challenging about Jesus' approach to problematic situations?
- 2. How does this gospel challenge our litigious society?
- 3. Why is forgiveness a central theme of the gospel?
- 4. How have you embraced the gift of forgiveness in your life?
- 5. In what ways does Jesus' wisdom help you to bring reconciliation to your difficult relationships?
- 6. Are you courageous and strong enough to live this radical call to forgive? Why/why not?



Upcoming Events

Sept. 7

Back-to-School Night Wednesday Classes

Sept. 11

Sunday Classes Start

Sept. 14

Wednesday Classes Start

Oct. 9

Safe Environment Training Sunday Classes

Oct. 12

Safe Environment Training Wednesday Classes

Back-to-School

Faith Formation kicked off the 2011-2012 school year with "Back-to-School Night" for Sunday's Classes on Wednesday, August 31, 2011. Wednesday's Classes will have their "Back-to-School Night" on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to meet your child's catechist and ask questions regarding the religious program and diocesan policies. Also, don't forget to pick-up your <u>Family Handbook</u>.

Sunday Faith Formation classes officially start on September 11, 2011 at 9:15 a.m. and Wednesday's classes start on September 14, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

CATECHIST IN-SERVICE

A Catechist In-Service was conducted on Saturday, August 27, 2011 in the seminar room of the Claussen Center. Ms. Laura Coyle, a Pflaum representative, reviewed teaching materials and resources with our catechists. Additionally, Margie Lynch, Faith Formation Director, reviewed upcoming changes to the Roman Missal and Faith Formation business for the 2011-2012 school year.









SAVE THE DATES

Mass of Remembrance on 10th Anniversary of September 11

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

Mass Taping at St. John the Evangelist

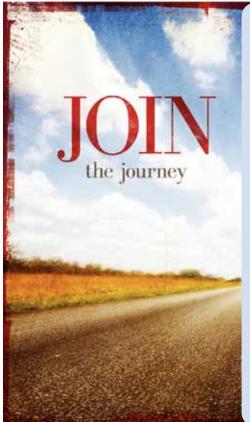
Wednesday, September 21, 10:00 a.m. Celebration of the Feast of Christ the King

New Parishioners Meet Your Priests Saturday, November 5

Veterans Day Mass

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



RCIA

Is something lacking in your life?

Do you want true happiness?

Are you ready to put Christ in your life?

Do you need spiritual growth?

Do you want to renew your faith journey?

Are you returning to the church?

Are you seeking the Sacraments of Initiation?

Do you know your faith?

CLASSES START SEPT. 22, 2011

For more information please contact Margie Lynch at 239-514-2927 or email us at

RCIA@saintjohntheevangelist.com.



Faith and Wine

Faith and Wine is a group of diverse women – single and married, with and without children, working in or outside of the home, young and young at heart, all at different places along our faith journey – who seek fellowship with each other and a greater understanding of our Catholic faith in order to enrich our lives and help us cope with the ever-changing challenges presented by today's society. We meet monthly in a relaxing and casual environment where women can cultivate new friendships, share in good conversation, support and network with each other, while enjoying a glass of wine and hearing an interesting and thought-provoking presentation from a key-note speaker.

Our next meeting is THIS Tuesday, **September 6**, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom. Our own pastor, **Fr. John J. Ludden**, will be speaking to us on the topic: "Find Yourself in a Hole? Use Your Faith to Climb Out!" Come join the fun!

We encourage you to pre-register for this event by going to www.faithandwine.com and click on "Registration for Events". Or you can simply sign up and drop off your discounted pre-registration fee at the St. John office. The cost is \$10 if you prepay and \$15 at the door.

Sponsorship opportunities are available – please e-mail Mary Beth Clary at mbclary@porterwright.com for more information.

Grow Deeper in the Heart of the

Trinity, with CFR, Br. Joachim

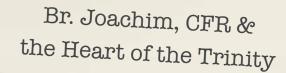
Thursday, September 8th, St. John the Evangelist, Seminar Rm. RSVP: 239-566-8740



Come hear the personal testimony of a Franciscan Friar from NYC.

Hear how he experiences Christ everyday. Learn how to grow deeper in your relationship with the Blessed Trinity! Sign Up

SPEAKER SERIES



DATE: Thursday, September 8, 2011

WHERE: St. John the Evangelist, Seminar Rm. (625 111th Ave. N., Naples)

TIME: 7:00pm

RSVP to Reserve your Seat!



5 PM Contemporary Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, September 4, 2011: the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song: Awesome God Rich Mullins

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Verse 1

When he rolls up his sleeves, he ain't just puttin' on the ritz Our God is an awesome God!

There is thunder in his footsteps and lightning in his fists Our God is an awesome God!

And the Lord wasn't joking when he kicked 'em out of Eden It wasn't for no reason that he shed his blood

His return is very close and so you'd better be believin'

That our God is an awesome God!

Verse 2

When the sky was starless in the void of the night Our God is an awesome God!

He spoke into the darkness and created the light Our God is an awesome God!

Judgment and wrath he poured out on Sodom;

Mercy and grace he gave us at the Cross

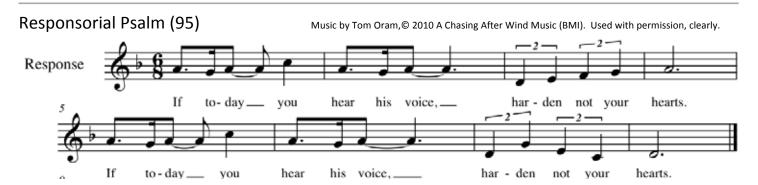
I hope that we have not too quickly forgotten

That our God is an awesome God!



Kyrie • spoken

Gloria • **30** Heritage Mass



Gospel Acclamation

7 Celtic Alleluia

Preparation As It Is In Heaven Matt Maher

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Verse 1) Our Father who art in Heaven

Hallowed be thy name

Come and let your glory come, and let your glory fall

Our Father who art in Heaven

The rocks cry out your name

Come and let your glory come

And let your glory fall

Prechorus) I will sing, sing a new song, (repeat 3 times) To the Lord (to chorus, top of next page)

Verse 2) God give us new ev'ry morning

Mercy as daily bread

In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus we pray

And lead us not to temptation

But deliver us with your hand

In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus we pray

Father, we pray (to prechorus)

Bridge) For the Kingdom is yours, and the power is yours And the glory forever, amen (repeat)



Closing Song 481 Go, Make a Difference Steve Angrisano







Transatlantic-Mediterranean/Greek Island

Cruise...April 2012







Join your fellow St. John's parishioners on a memorable transatlantic cruise to Rome, followed by a spectacular cruise of the Greek Islands. This once-in-a-lifetime cruise vacation will have it all. Cruise the Atlantic, cruise the islands, or cruise them both! Relax amid the sun and scenery of the Mediterranean and Aegean sea, and explore the sun-drenched beaches and historical significance of this ancient region

Both Cruises will be aboard the five-star Celebrity Equinox, with the first cruise being a 14-night transatlantic crossing from Ft. Lauderdale on April 16, 2012 (Itinerary is listed below).

The second cruise is a continuation aboard the Equinox and will depart Civitevecchia (Rome) on April 30th for a memorable 11 night cruise of the Greek Islands, Athens & Istanbul. Father John will be joining this 2nd cruise and will be offering private group masses as well as a unique religious perspective on this special region.

Parishioners have the option of taking one or both cruises. Those opting for both cruises will receive a special discount for the "continuation" package.

Special air is being arranged for all three travel itineraries. For those doing strictly the transatlantic crossing, one-way air returning from Rome to Ft. Myers on Air Berlin will be provided. For those doing both cruises, the same one-way air from Rome will be provided at the conclusion of the 2nd cruise. For those wishing to do the Greek Isles cruise *only*, Round trip air from Ft. Myers to Rome will be arranged on Air Berlin or similar.

Itinerary, Features, and Pricing Transatlantic Cruise

- Celebrity Equinox 4/16/12
- 14 days from Ft. Lauderdale including Ponta Delgado (Azores Islands), Cartegena Spain, Barcelona Spain, Toulon France, Florence Italy, Civitevecchia (Rome) Italy
- All Meals aboard Ship
- Entertainment aboard ship
- Private Cocktail Party
- Transfer to Ft. Lauderdale **PRICING**
- 1. Ocean View from \$1405.00pp
- 2. Balcony from \$1495.00pp Interior & Suites also available AIR

One Way Return Air from Rome via Dusseldorf (w/overnight) \$700.00pp (approx)





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Itinerary, Features, & Pricing Greek Isles Cruise

- Celebrity Equinox 04/30/12
- 11 days from Civitevecchia including Santorini, Athens Istanbul, Ephesus, Mykonos & Naples
- All Meals aboard ship
- Entertainment aboard ship
- Private cocktail party
- Mass with Father John
- Exclusive gifts on board PRICING
- 1. Oceanview from 1970.00pp
- 2. Balcony from \$2090.00pp Interior & Suites also available AIR

One way return Air from Rome Via Dusseldorf (w/overnight) \$700.00pp (approx) R/T Rome from Ft. Myers \$1250.00pp (approx)