

February 19, 2017
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

the
EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Broadway Show
Tunes and More
to Benefit JOP,
Monday,
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**Broadway Goes
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Concert to Benefit
New St. John Arts
Program
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**2017 Lenten Little
Black Book
Available Next
Weekend**
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**Spotlight on Men's
Club and Ladies
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St. John Welcomes 63 New Families Since December 1, 2016

St. John welcomes all new families who have registered with our parish in recent months. From December 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 some 63 families have registered as new members of Saint John the Evangelist. We welcome to our parish family the most recent registrants.

Arthur & Andrea Adamo
Carol Annis
Laura Arbree
David & Barbara Arthur
Mary Asta
Anthony & Nancy Azzaro
Richard & Sheila Barry
Borden Family
John & Brenda Boron
Roberta Bren
Anthony Cetrangelo
Richard & Linnea Chasse
Chesney Family
Brian & Denise Cobb
Robert & Nancy Comeriato
George & Maria Cozzolino
Martin & Barbara Czacher
Dwyer Family
Ellerbe Family
Helen Endres
Pamela Fitzgerald
James Foley

Fowler Family
Gary & Georgiann Glenna
Fred & Patricia Greco
Kristen Grecsek
Susan Greer
William & Marilyn Hefferon
Kristin Hernandez
Sean & Susan Hession
Holmes Family
Stephen & Patricia Husak
Thomas & Susan Kearney
Adeline MacDougall
Stacey Maclay
James & Lisa McConnell
David & Charlina McGee
John & Eleanor McGee
Michael & Nancy Miler
Moore Family
Len & Kay Mrachek
Kenneth & Patricia Nolan
Patrick & Celeste O'Donnell
Olson Family

Jonathan & Virginia Oram
Margaret Pevear
Pinto Family
Marilyn Plymale
Posadas & Lopez Family
Read Family
Chresteen Reuter
Ronald & Jean Saccone
Sanguinetti Family
James & Fran Sauer
Edward & Helen Schefer
Shoaf Family
Brendan & Barbara Sullivan
Dee Szilagyi
Valle Family
Vargas Family
John & Claudia Waller
Wanamaker & Meffley Family
Ana Zelaya
We apologize if we have left anyone out or inadvertently misspelled any names.



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Daily Mass: 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.
Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. — Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5:00 p.m.

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

February 18, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Charlene Mennini Elida Gil

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Leo Janet D'Addario
5:00 PM + Randy Grimes Mr. & Mrs. Mailhot

February 19, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Nicholas Senatore Wife, Rosalie & Daughters
9:00 AM + Theresa Orobona Mary & Phil Cronan
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM SI Harry Markow Carl & Charlene Dedrick
5:00 PM + Richard Egan John & Kathleen Casey

February 20, 2017 Monday

8:00 AM + John Farrell Jim & Tracey Brown
9:00 AM + Lucille Santos Kirk & Connie Hoffman

February 21, 2017 Tuesday

8:00 AM + Jack Gaffey Ed & Barb Duff
9:00 AM SI Frank & Mary Lou Kreber Chris Higgins

February 22, 2017 Wednesday

8:00 AM + Margaret Harrington George & Nora O'Neil
9:00 AM + "Novena Mass for Life - For a greater respect for all human life"
6:30 PM + Russell Stefani Robert & Dale Maini

February 23, 2017 Thursday

8:00 AM + Thomas Erbland Peter Giaimo
9:00 AM + Tracy Frillici Skeffington James & Joann Frillici (Dad & Mom)

February 24, 2017 Friday

8:00 AM + Harold Trapp Loretta & Marty Sullivan
9:00 AM + Robert Martin Ginny Martin

February 25, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Edith Griffin Carol Swank

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Louis Springer Ginger & Mac Galle
5:00 PM + Elizabeth Mossor Frank Anastasia

February 26, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Edward Cronin Barb & Jim Holmes
9:00 AM + Carpentieri & Barbaro Families Phyllis Barbaro
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM + Edith A. Griffin Marian Gravina & Family
5:00 PM + Christine Cheshire Phillip & Catherine Rossiello

Wine and Host in Memory of Jose Nicolas Arteta - requested by Mom, Dad and Sister

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 18, 2017

Blessed Virgin Mary;
Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;
1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Sunday, February 19, 2017

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;
1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Monday, February 20, 2017

Presidents' Day

Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

St. Peter Damian

Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,
39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;

Washington's Birthday

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday, February 23, 2017

St. Polycarp

Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday, February 24, 2017

Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

Sunday, February 26, 2017

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

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

FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to 5 available during the following Mass times: Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 a.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...

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Campaign Corner

February 19, 2017

“If it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a village to abuse one.”— Michael Garabedian, Spotlight



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Continuing Discussion on Our Safe Environment with CAO Movie Night, Spotlight

There is not a single person who is reading these words who has not either directly experienced some form of abuse, or has a loved one who has been abused. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention finds that one in three women and one in four men have been victims of some form of violence in their lives from a partner. In 2015, it has been estimated that 702,000 children were the victims of abuse and neglect. One of the fastest growing types of abuse is Elder Abuse, which ranges from physical to behavioral to financial. This is an issue that burns through all age groups and all economic levels. It is our responsibility as a Catholic Church to never allow abuse to go unnoticed or unreported. With open eyes and a healing embrace, we are called to protect and love.

This Sunday at 6:00 p.m. (immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass), we will be showing **Spotlight**, the story of priest abuse, the Catholic Church cover-up, and the fight to shine a light on a story that needed to be told to the world. For many people my age, the truth of this story made us leave the church behind for part of our lives, and some have still not returned. Some of my friends still ask me how I can be so deeply devoted to the Catholic Church that hurt so many. I tell them simply, “I want to make the world a better place, and there is no better place to start that than our church.” The only way to do that is for all of us together, not closing our eyes to the truth of our past, but working positively for the safe environment we choose to make for ourselves and the world around us.

Please join me and our priests for **Spotlight** on Sunday night. Then, join us again on Wednesday, February 22, at 6:00 p.m. for a frank discussion of the movie and its themes.

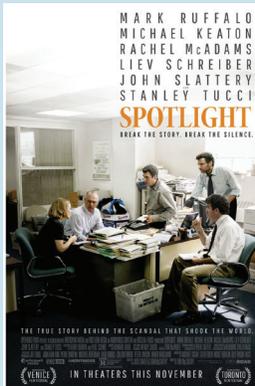
As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the prayers and support of our Parish Family to reach our Pinnacle Goals. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator at 239.495.2001 or email: campaign@sjecc.com.

You can also learn more information about our Capital Campaign at: <http://www.sjecc.com/future>.

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



*Rachel McAdams, Mark Ruffalo, Brian d’Arcy James, Michael Keaton and John Slattery star in a scene from the movie **Spotlight**, which chronicles the **Boston Globe’s** uncovering of the clergy sex abuse scandal in the Archdiocese of Boston in 2002. (Catholic News Service photo/Open Road Films/2-29-2016)*



PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy	Associate
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Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Paniccia	Senior Status

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239.280.8870

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. *Deborah Marsh: 566.8740*

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. *Tricia Schwarz: 566.8740*

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements. Call the parish office 566.8740. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

All Administrative Staff

239.566.8740

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Jean-Paul Boucher: *Ext. 3910*

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566.8740

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Jack Kindsvater: *Ext. 3918*

email staff members at:

info@sjecc.com

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Thank you!

*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our website:

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Administrative Office Hours are:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

Choirs:

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Residents and seasonals welcome. *Gary Prettyman: 566.8740*

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Grades

1-5. *Gary Prettyman: 566.8740*

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12

especially welcome. *Gary Prettyman: 566.8740*

Hospitality. 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: 239.592.7973* or *Darlene*

Follese: 495.9741

Divine Gift Boutique (located across from the

restrooms). **Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00

to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. If

interested in volunteering, contact *Elaine: 566.8740*.

PARISH REGISTRATION

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

Mass Intentions. We are now accepting 2018 intentions.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2017 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... OPERATIONAL

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March 1 - April 9
40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

HELP SAVE LIVES IN NAPLES!

You can protect mothers and children; pray to end abortion and pray for healing for those affected by abortion.

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, *40 Days for Life* has inspired **725,000** volunteers worldwide!

With God's help ... we've seen proven results from *40 Days for Life* campaigns over the past 10 years:

- **12,668 babies** have been saved from abortion
- **75 abortion centers** have closed

Here Is How You Can Take Part:

St. John the Evangelist 40 Days for Life Dates:

- **March 2 (Thursday) – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
- **March 10 (Friday) – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
- **March 14 (Tuesday) – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, including a 10:30 a.m. prayer service with Fr. John

Sign up after all Masses on February 25-26, or contact Nancy or Paul Curti at plancurti@gmail.com or 612.616.5535.

Join us outside Planned Parenthood at 1425 Creech Rd. to pray for an end to abortion.

Saint John the Evangelist has adopted three dates to pray for an end to abortion during the Naples 40 Days for Life campaign this year (see dates above). (Right) Last year, about 50 parishioners prayed outside of the Planned Parenthood on our first prayer date. Their presence and prayer was a powerful witness to our community.

PRAYER Walk

FOR



Respect
 LIFE

Join the movement!

Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017
 8:00 a.m. Mass, Bishop Frank J. Dewane
 St. John the Evangelist Parish
 625 111th Ave. N., Naples

After Mass, join us for prayer outside Planned Parenthood.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

The Prayer Vigil marks the opening of *40 Days for Life* which runs from March 1 to April 9.

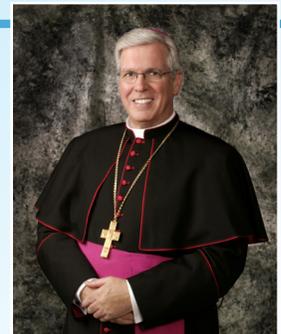


For more information: www.40daysforlife.com/naples, 239-227-5192 or 40daysforlifenasles@gmail.com

Sponsored by the Diocese of Venice Respect Life Department www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife

Ash Wednesday Prayer Walk

St. John will host the annual Prayer Walk for Life on Ash Wednesday, March 1. After Bishop Frank J. Dewane celebrates the 8:00 a.m. Mass here at St. John, the Bishop and other parishioners will proceed to Planned Parenthood for the Prayer Walk. All parishioners are invited to attend the Mass and participate in the Prayer Walk for Life.



#ToServe – Upcoming “Help Wanted” Section Will Showcase Needs of Parish Ministries

One of the most fulfilling moments in my day are the in-person meetings I have with our Parish Family members. There are issues to deal with, ranging from urgent personal needs to ideas and suggestions for improvement of our campus and our church. Some people came to me, asking how they can help our church achieve our mission. That question has always needed a long discussion about stewardship, namely what time and talents an individual has that can be harnessed to achieve God’s Plan.

During the Ministry Town Hall, the leaders of our Parish Family Ministries got together to discuss their priorities and the priorities of the church. It was clear that many of these Ministries need more support, more ministers. From serving coffee at the 9:00 a.m. Mass Hospitality Table to serving the poor at the soup kitchen, to delivering food to food pantries with the Knights of Columbus, there are plenty of specific “things to do” here at St. John. Many of these opportunities do not require significant time commitments, but unless you know about them, how could the Ministries expect you to join in?

You will find the first “Help Wanted” ad in this bulletin (see page 18) that will tell you exactly how you could support

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short-term efforts like distributing Valentines to Adult Communities and driving golf carts at the Gaelic and Garlic Festival to longer term efforts like tutoring with the Ladies of Charity and mission trips with the Jamaica Outreach Program.

#ToKnow – Your Questions Answered: FAQs for the GM

I would love to share with you the knowledge, experience, and stories that make Saint John the Evangelist such a unique, active, and engaged Catholic Community. In order to do that, I am making a simple request. Please send me your questions on what you are interested in learning about. How can we take care of 5,000 separate events and activities annually? Where do we keep our spare altar, which we have for overflow Masses in the Ballroom and in case there is an issue in the church? When is a funeral completed, in the church or at the gravesite? If I cannot answer your question, we will have guests from our clergy, facilities, or administrative staff provide the response for you. I am looking forward to your questions!

New Parishioner Weekend Mini Registration Form

If you prefer, you may complete this short registration form and we will contact you to finalize your registration. After completing the form below, please drop it in the collection basket or turn it in to the Parish Office. *If you prefer, the long forms are available outside after Mass.* Thank you and welcome to our Parish Family.

Name _____
Last Name First Name

Address 1 _____

Address 2 _____

Phone Number(s) _____
Home Mobile(s)

Email Address(es) _____

How would you like us to contact you to complete your registration?

Phone (best phone number) _____ Email Regular Mail

SEE BROADWAY SHOW TUNES, GOSPEL & MORE

in Concert

February 27 at 7:00 p.m.

in the St. John the Evangelist Ballroom

*Phantom of the Opera • Les Miserables
West Side Story • Oklahoma • The Holy City
Ave Maria • You Raise Me Up*

"Including some popular light operatic selections.

STARRING: *Opera Naples Professional Artists
& Jamaican Tenor Kevin Williams*

Tickets: \$25.00

Online: JamaicaOutreach.org

or <https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/JOPConcert2017>

or call 239-948-2145 or 401-862-0590

Tickets will be held for you at the door.



Aaron Keeney
Baritone



Kevin Williams
Jamaican Tenor



Samuel Hall
Tenor



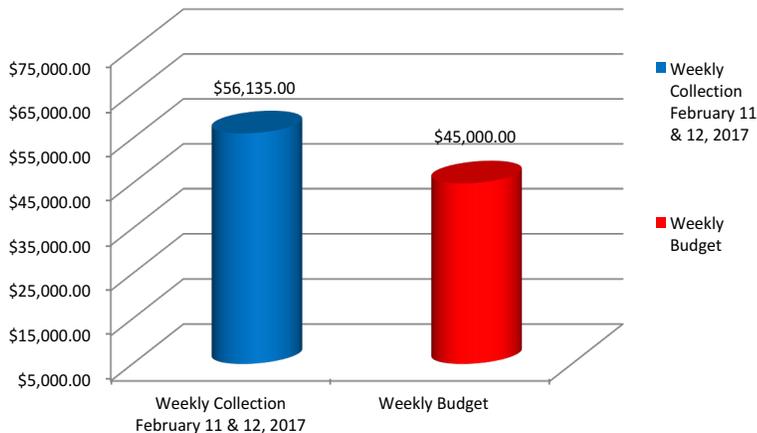
Maria Laetitia
Soprano



Alexandra Schenck
Mezzo
Soprano

*Benefits the
Jamaica Outreach Program*

Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



The Nurse Bob Show *February 23 at 9:45 a.m.*

Saint John the Evangelist is happy to present Nurse Bob Shea on February 23 in the choir room at 9:45 a.m.

The Nurse Bob Show is a unique blend of music and showmanship that seeks to re-create memories for those who suffer from memory impairments such as Alzheimer's and related dementias.

Nurse Bob prides himself on establishing a loving bond with each and everyone he sings to. And as a caregiver, we love to see our amazing elderly ladies and gentlemen enjoy a special hour of songs and smiles.

For more information please email Jennine Fuentes, Artistic Director at jennine@sjecc.com.

Wedding Banns

*Third announcement between
Caitlin Miller and Jared Dolan*



Bereavement. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *For Arimatheans: Toni: 597.1966. For Grief Support Ministry: 566.8740*

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Prepare boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. *scoutmaster@troop-226.com*

Buildings and Grounds Council. 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 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.

Catholic/Jewish Dialogue. Engage Catholics and Jews in understanding our past history and to advance the cause of mutual understanding and appreciation for our differences as well as our commonalities. *Marty Gauthier: marty@naples.net*

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. To promote a sense of love and belonging for every member of our Parish Community by offering transportation to church services regardless of age, infirmity, marital or socioeconomic status. To sign up for a ride or to become a volunteer driver: *566.8740 or Beth Lucci at 877.6254 or sjeride@gmail.com*

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. *pack226naples@gmail.com*

Divorced and Separated Support Group. Whether separated/divorced 10 days ago or 10 years ago, sign up now for our 12-week DVD series/group discussions to help you along your path to Spiritual Healing. Series runs Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Claussen Family Center. *Lhara Echeverria: 293.3694 or Lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci: 877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Provide interesting and thought provoking speakers monthly with food and fellowship for women in the Diocese. Info: *www.faithandwine@gmail.com, www.faithandwine.com or Nancy Squitieri: faithandwine@gmail.com*

Finance Council. The Finance Council is an integral part of the Stewardship responsibilities of the parish. The council assists the Pastor and General Manager in their deliberation and decision-making process in order to serve the needs of the Parish in the prudent administration of its resources and funds. *President: Barbara Kuryea*

Habitat for Humanity. Build homes in Naples for qualifying families in need. *Nick Kouloheras: nick@hfhcollier.com*

Jamaica Outreach Program. JOP has been an integral part of Saint John the Evangelist since 1997. Our mission is to help the poor in Jamaica. JOP provides goods, food, medical-vision-dental services, education and basic support to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica. We welcome new volunteers. For more info: *Jeanne Stamant (season) 514.0290 (summer 248.3248). To volunteer: Martha Mador 860.449-2105*

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281. Worldwide Catholic men's fraternal organization founded on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. St. John's Council provides regular financial support for our seminarians and our parish. Knights also conduct a wide variety of activities to enhance and strengthen family life in the parish. Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6:30 p.m.; business meeting at 7:15 p.m. Next social meeting is March 27. Visiting Knights are welcome. *Bill Warvel, Grand Knight: 331.7151*

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meets second Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. *S/K Jim McDonald: 947.6454*

Knitting & Crocheting. Knits and crochets to benefit those in need. Make baby hats booties and blankets for babies, lap robes for nursing homes, prayer shawls, baptismal blankets and sweaters for kids. Meets year-round on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - Noon. no experience necessary. *Vicki Brenner: 498.9900*

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Meets the second Friday of every month. *Homebound: Diane Pesce: 630.571.0707. To join: MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702*

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Organizes, cooks, orders and serves food and beverages and otherwise provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. It hosts the parish picnic, Children Easter Egg Hunt, and the men work closely with the Family Ministry at many of their events. Monthly meetings 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday from October to May. *Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551*

Pastoral Stewardship Council. The major responsibilities of St. John's stewardship program falls under the purview of the Pastoral Stewardship Council. The Council's mission is to create awareness of God's gifts of time, talent and treasure and to encourage their use to the best of one's ability for the good of the Parish. The Council has three major subcommittees: Hospitality, Sharing, and Time and Talent. *Council President: Rick Beebe: psc@sjecc.com*

Respect Life. Educates and informs the parish community on all aspects of respect life, which include the unborn, mothers who have had abortions, the elderly, mentally challenged, the physically challenged, the imprisoned, and the terminally ill and the poor and hungry. *Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from October to May. Meets in the Youth Room of the Claussen Family Center. New members welcome. Accepts fabric, notions, monetary donations. Needs fleece fabric. *Phyllis Crivelli: 594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 250.4162*

St. Vincent de Paul. To help the poor, specifically people in zip codes 34108, 34109 and 34110. Members work in teams making home visits to those in need. Many times it means helping individuals with rent payment, late electrical or water bills, prescription needs and food. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. *SVdP Office: 775.1667*

Vocations Ministry. Vocations are a calling from God and each of us has one, from single or married life to religious life. Help the Parish Family educate and identify vocations through prayer and activities. *Marty Gauthier: marty@naples.net*

Women of the Word (WoW). We welcome any woman of any age to study our faith using the Bible and other Catholic writings in a non-judgmental, supportive community. Thursday 9:30 a.m. *Nancy Bouchard: 443.498.8452 or nancybdh@hotmail.com*

PRAYER GROUPS

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Patricia Bucalo: 248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group

Gorana Saner: 293.1765

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

Mondays: Maria Jones: 348.5361

Wednesdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Liturgy of the Hours

Phyllis Gryskiewicz: 566.7307

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga
U.S. Marines

Lt. John Meyers
U.S. Army

Sp. Petrus Botha
U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak
USMC

S. Isaiah Brutus
U.S. Air Force

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak
USMC

Ensign Stuart Campbell
U.S. Navy

Ryan D. Novak
USMC

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

Cpt. Daniel Palmer
U.S. Army

Adam Decker
U.S. Air Force

Cpt. John Palmer
U.S. Army

Nicholas Detloff
U.S. Air Force

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

Joshua Emmons
U.S. Air Force

Lt. Robert Pedrigi
U.S. Army

LCpl. Conor Fleurant
USMC

Lt. Joseph Schafer
U.S. Army

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

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

Lt. Bernardo Garcia
U.S. Marines

Lt. Jr. Gabriella Scrudato
U.S. Coast Guard

Lt. Joseph Gilig
1st Marine Division
* LAV Recon

MidShipman Micaela Scrudato
U.S. Naval Academy

Cpl. Dylan Granza
U.S. Army Ranger

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

Spc. Shelby Granza
U.S. Army

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

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

Houng Tran
U.S. Army

Spc. Douglas Hennessy
U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco
(USN)

Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes
U.S. Army (Iraq)

Staff Sgt. Brandon Waithe
U.S. Air Force

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett USMC

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino
U.S. Air Force

2nd Lt. Sean Kealey
U.S. Army

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous.

Cursillistas. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 348.5031 or Roger: 250.6888

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Francesca Gray, Tim McKowen, Lawrence Newsome and Theresa Pauza

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

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

Jean & Emmunale Balliro
Gallen Boardman
Brian Bodnar
Caeleigh Brown
Connie Cahill
Dick Clark
Anthony D'Antuono
Mark DaBronzo
Anna Focht
Joe Goss
Donald Howe
Ann Kerns
Krista Leigh Kozowyk
John Kuryea

Rene Lacoste
Pattie Leiner
Jean Lydon
Margie Lynch
Maria and Family
Eileen McDonagh
Kevin McDonagh
J. McG
Carolyn McNichols
Lorrie Morrison
Emma O'Rourke
Michael Paul
Anne Perrino
Irene Pires

Renee Rake
Lloyd Sample
Lisa Sanfelippo
Shelia Scaduto
Joan Scariati
Peter Scariati
Nancy Stewart
William Strouse
Edward Sullivan
Rita Taranto
William J. Teplica
Mike Walsman
Nancy Wise

Prayer List Consent Form

Last Updated: January 30, 2017



SAINT JOHN
the **EVANGELIST**
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prayer List Participant: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Saint John the Evangelist strives to maintain an atmosphere of love and respect for all those whose lives are touched by it, including preserving the legitimate privacy of others and striving to refrain from gossip and unjust harm to others' reputations.

It has come to our attention that there have been several instances where a Parish Family member has been surprised to find their name as part of our Prayer List. They were quite rightly concerned about how their name was placed on the Prayer List and why they did not have to approve it. A friend or a family member has the best of intentions in adding a loved one to our Prayer List, only wanting to provide the loving and healing power of prayer for that individual's concerns. We must respect the privacy of that person in every way possible. The below policy will ensure that going forward, we provide the opportunity for access to the prayer list in an appropriate and safe manner, especially since our Prayer List is available all over the world from our website.

POLICY:

Saint John the Evangelist will only accept additions to the Prayer List from the individual to be prayed for, or the parent or legal guardian of that individual. A signed release (or email-based approval) will be required prior to the inclusion in the printed Prayer List.

I understand and agree to all of the above.

Signature _____

Date _____

Parish Acknowledgement _____

General Manager Signature _____

Date _____

LET US PRAY...

FEBRUARY 19, 2017 ~ SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD.

Jeremiah 17:7

ALL MEN OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST: please take this opportunity to prepare yourself for the Lenten season, to temporarily leave behind the daily distractions of life, and to enjoy fellowship with other men of our parish.



Men's Day of Recollection

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Led by Fr. Bob and Fr. Paul

In Honor and Memory of Deacon Al Groh

in the St. John the Evangelist Claussen Family Center Seminar Room

8:00 - 8:45 a.m.: Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.: Day of Recollection

(lunch will be provided)

3:00 p.m.: Mass

4:15 p.m.: Cocktail & Appetizer Hour (wives are invited)

To register, please contact

Paul Curti at

612-616-5535

or plancurti@gmail.com

presented by The Knights of Columbus

A Blessing to One

Another:

Pope John Paul II and the Jewish People

The Catholic Jewish Dialogue presents Dr. William Madges, renowned professor and compiler of the world traveling exhibit "*A Blessing to One Another: Pope John Paul II and the Jewish People.*"

Lecture and slide presentation and discussion.

St. Ann Catholic Church, Jubilee Center, 525 9th Avenue S., Naples,

Sunday March 5, 1:30 p.m.

RSVP to cjdialogue@naples.net to help us plan.

Our Annual Broadway Show Concert is back with

Broadway Goes Hollywood!

February 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m

at the Saint John the Evangelist Ballroom

Enjoy a night of your favorite cantors and choir performing their favorite Broadway tunes that have also been in the movies such as Phantom of the Opera, Les Miserables, Showboat, and much more!

Soloist line-up includes Gabi Frei, Jennine Fuentes, Virginia Oram, Sarah O'Brien, Michael Hayes, and other friends!



Pre-sale online tickets are \$20.00 • \$25.00 at the door

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

Concert benefits the new Arts Program

Hymns for the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 18 & 19, 2017

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	335 Pan De Vida (Sun. 11:15 AM)
Closing Hymn:	497 We Have Been Told

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, February 19, 2017: the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song: **310 Table of Plenty**

Preparation: **Enough** Chris Tomlin CCLI Song No. 3599479 © 2002 worshiptogether.com songs
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All of You _____ is more than e - nough _____ for _____ all of me, _____
 _____ for ev - 'ry thirst _____ and _____ ev - 'ry need. _____ You _____ sat - is - fy _____
 _____ me _____ with Your love, _____ and all I have _____ in You _____ is more than e - nough. _____

V.1) You're my supply, my breath of life
 Still more awesome than I know
 You're my reward, worth living for
 Still more awesome than I know, and (to Chorus)

V.2) You're my sacrifice of greatest price
 Still more awesome than I know

You're my coming King, you are ev'rything
 Still more awesome than I know, and (to Chorus)
 Bridge) More than all I want, more than all I need
 You are more than enough for me
 More than all I know, more than all I can say
 You are more than enough (to Chorus)

Communion Song: **308 In This Place**

Closing Song: **497 We have Been Told**

Our beautiful Youth/Children's Choir wants you....NOW!

Our beautiful youth/children's choir is currently inviting ALL SINGERS ages 9 (8½ will be considered) through 8th grade to join our choir, develop proper vocal skills, sing exciting sacred music, learn how to better read music, learn more about our Mass and Faith, develop team skills, and have fun in the entire process! This age range follows the national standard for youth treble-voice choirs. We are hoping to grow to at least 30 voices. We rehearse every Tuesday from 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. in the Choir Room. We sing once a month for the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass, and are preparing extra special music for Palm Sunday!!! When we have this choir well established, we plan to create a new younger voices choir, ages 4 through 3rd grade. Please contact Gary or Jennine at the Church Office for more information.

**YOUNG
ADULT
BIBLE
STUDY**

3-week Bible Study series with
Deacon Forrest
 continues February 23 & March 2 at 7:00 p.m.
 You may still join us in the Claussen Family Center.
 contact: stephanie@sjecc.com

CYO - YOUTH NEWS & EVENTS

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/netteam16 • INSTAGRAM: [@netteam16](https://www.instagram.com/netteam16)

ONGOING EVENTS

ABLAZE (Everybody)

Praise and Worship *every Sunday, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.* in the Claussen Family Center Youth Room. All are welcome.

THE ROCK (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP) ~ 9th - 12th Grade

Every Sunday, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. Meet in the Claussen Family Center Seminar Room for food and fellowship! We will play games, watch skits, open up the Bible, hang out with friends, and more. We cannot wait to see you there to learn more about our Catholic faith.

L.I.F.T.E.D ~ 6th - 12th Grade

Open Youth Room *every Mondays, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.* Hang out with the NET Team in the Claussen Family Center Youth Activity Room.

MONTHLY

One Friday every month there will be a Guys and Ladies Night separately planned for the 6th-12th graders at our Parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March Madness Fundraiser

March 5 and 12: Register outside of Mass to receive the March Madness NCAA Tournament bracket by email. \$10 per entry. Prizes for Best Win Percentage Bracket and Championship Game Closest Score guess.
ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE GRENADA MISSION TRIP.



NCAA and NCAA Championships are trademarks of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

For more information on these events please contact Kyle VanDuser 239.207.0537 or kyle@sjecc.com.

Host Homes for our NET Missionaries

We still need Host homes for our NET Missionaries. If you would like to host them at your house for one of our two week periods this semester please contact Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, at kyle@sjecc.com for more information.

Direct from the Emerald Isles: The Saint John the Evangelist

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Sunday, March 12th 6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Catering by
Fitzgerald's

Dinner • Dancing • Harp & Thistle Band • Tir-Na-Nog

Open Bar • Traditional Corned Beef Dinner • Casual Dress

Be Wearing Your Green!

Music by West of Galway

Tickets: \$30.00 per person. On sale in the parish office and on our website:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017St.PatricksDayDinner>

Please make checks payable to: Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Select your table and pick up your tickets at the Parish Office during regular office hours.



Faith and Wine

Thursday, February 23, 2017
6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

featuring
Mary Lou Quinlan

“The God Box, A Journey of the Heart”



Devastated after the sudden loss of her mother, author **Mary Lou Quinlan** made a startling discovery: private boxes of notes written by the very hand that had slipped away. These secret scribbled petitions tucked in her mother’s “God Box” compelled Mary Lou to face the greatest human challenge: learning to let go. She will share selections from her **New York Times** bestselling book “The God Box, Sharing my Mother’s Gift of Faith, Love and Letting Go”. Mary Lou has shared this story on stages around the U.S. and last fall in nine cities in Ireland. The God Box Project, which includes the book, a free iTunes app, and a one-woman play she performs, has raised nearly \$400,000 for cancer, hospice, schools, and parishes. Come join us for this special evening of fellowship and a delicious dinner. Pre-register NOW at www.faithandwine.com.

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

Mediterranean Menu

Appetizer Display:

Pita with Tzatziki and Hummus
Feta, Olive and Tomato Display

Buffet:

Pork Souvlaki Medallions • Grecian Chicken (Chevre Cheese, Roasted Peppers, Braised Spinach) • Sautéed Zucchini and Squash • Oregano Potatoes • Greek Salad • Pita Wedges with Tzatziki and Hummus

Dessert: Baklava

Cost: \$25 prepay • NO WALK-INS!

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 by going to www.faithandwine.com (using Paypal) or dropping off your check made payable to “St. John the Evangelist” at the St. John Parish Office. In the memo line put Faith and Wine. Or you can mail (**postmarked before Thursday, February 16, 2017**) your check to Kathleen Millard at 2134 Morning Sun Lane, 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: March 23, 2017 and April 20, 2017.

Go to www.FaithandWine.com to learn more!

Register Today in Parish Office to Participate in CYO and CAO Program for the Arts

Through CYO (youth) and CAO (adults), St. John is offering affordable lessons with high quality/professional instructors in: Theater/Acting, Ballroom/Social Dance, Improv Comedy, Painting and Art, Piano, Guitar, Strings, and Wind Instruments (Sax, Flute, and Clarinet).

All classes are under \$12 per class and all materials are provided!

Register in the Parish Office. Don’t miss out on this great opportunity!

Email Jennine at jennine@sjecc.com with any questions or information.

2017 Lenten Little Black Book Available February 25

We are happy to provide the 2017 Lenten Little Black Book, located on both tables by the main entrance of the church. The books will be available starting February 25 at the Vigil Masses. Please feel free to take a book on your way out of Mass. It is filled with prayers, customs, details on saints and other interesting Catholic information to fill your Lenten season with daily faith engagement.

Milestone Anniversary Mass at St. Leo Saturday, March 11; Please RSVP at St. John Parish Office

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated Saturday, March 11 at St. Leo Parish in Bonita Springs at 10:00 a.m.

Please call the St. John office for reservations no later than a week before the event (Epiphany or St. Leo) you choose to attend.

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

The Word & Life

The Perfect Jesus in an Imperfect World

*W*e live in a world that favors a philosophy of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. Our judicial system favors punishment and retribution. The reality is that no one likes to be hurt or compromised. Whenever someone does something against us a very human response is to fight back. Who among us would offer the other cheek if someone was to strike us? As human beings we are complex creatures who have to react to certain circumstances and work through powerful emotions. There are so many people who walk in our midst who hold on to painful memories of the past. Many are left bearing grudges and carry around unnecessary resentments.

The Sacred Scriptures offered in today's Mass call us to holiness and a different way of life. Our first reading is very clear. It tells us not to hold on to grudges and to seek revenge.

Reflection Questions

1. What is most challenging about today's Scripture?
2. What are the blocks to God's mercy in your life?
3. Do you still harbor grudges or resentments from the past? If so, how is God challenging you to move beyond them?
4. Why is forgiveness important to God? How does this impact your life?
5. What needs to change in your life?
6. How can you help others to heal from past hurts?

Instead, we are called to our neighbor as ourselves. In the gospel reading Jesus challenges us to choose another way when faced with opposition from others and whenever they do things to harm us. He turns certain sentiments contained within the Old Testament upside down. Jesus clearly demonstrates that an eye for an eye mentality has no place in the restoration of God's kingdom. On the contrary, Jesus calls us to love our enemy and pray for those who persecute us. This wisdom is very challenging for each one of us. This apparent pacifism goes against the grain. It is hard to love someone who has become an enemy to us and equally pray for those who persecute us. For example, how many times do you hear of Church communities praying for terrorists or enemies who attack the freedom of citizens? It seems that faith communities collectively struggle with these issues also. Regardless of our need to hit out in revenge, Jesus calls us to a more excellent and perfect way. It is God's way of saying, "Forget the hurt and break the cycle of bitterness and violence. Choose the way of love!"

The simple fact remains – if we hold on to these negative emotions, they will hold on to us! A priest once said, “If we do not transform our pain and resentment, all we will do is transmit it!” So many of us waste so much energy in not forgiving and not forgetting. How many of us spend our time avoiding those who have hurt us in the past? Sometimes family members have not spoken in years because of something someone did to them or said to them. There are often times when people wait a life time to forgive another and reconcile at someone’s death bed. Even more sadly, people go to the grave still holding on to the grudge. Jesus tells us that it does not have to be this way. He calls us to transform our pain into a new path of love and forgiveness. The greatest examples to the world are those times when we witness another’s ability to forgive even when their hearts are broken. For example, look at the Amish community who forgave the killer of five of their children in Philadelphia in 2007 and reached out to the killer’s family. Here was a powerful demonstration to the world that things can be transformed through the ability of love and forgiveness.

Each one of us is challenged to choose the way of mercy and forgiveness in order to build the kingdom of God. If there are situations in our relationships or in our families that are still unresolved, we are called to apply the wisdom of today’s Scripture – to let go and to let God’s mercy and love to pave the way. Let us all pray for the grace of Jesus’ example to help us in the midst of an imperfect world.

Wisdom of the Fathers

“How can we love those who decide to “bomb and kill so many people?” How can we “love those who out of their for love money prevent the elderly from accessing the necessary medicine and leave them to die?...”

It seems hard to love your enemy, but Jesus asks it of us. It is a teaching that is “so hard, but so beautiful, because it makes us look like the Father, like our Father: it brings out the sun for everyone, good and bad. It makes us more like the Son, Jesus, who in his humiliation became poor to enrich us, with his poverty...”

...Jesus forgive his enemies and does everything to forgive them. Taking revenge, on the other hand, is not Christian. The second thing that Christians should do to love their enemies is to pray for them. When we pray for what makes us suffer, it is as if the Lord comes with oil and prepares our hearts for peace...

Pray! This is what Jesus advises us: ‘Pray for your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you!’ Pray! And say to God: ‘Change their hearts. They have a heart of stone, but change it, give them a heart of flesh, so that they may feel relief and love.’

Let me just ask this question and let each of us answer it in our own heart: ‘Do I pray for my enemies? Do I pray for those who do not love me?’ If we say ‘yes,’ I will say, ‘Go on, pray more, you are on the right path!’ If the answer is ‘no,’ the Lord says: ‘Poor thing. You too are an enemy of others!’ Pray that the Lord may change the hearts of those. We could say: ‘But this person really wronged me,’ or they have done bad things and this impoverishes people, impoverishes humanity. And following this line of thought we want to take revenge or that eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth...

Pray for those who do not wish us well: it would be nice if we offered the Mass for them: Jesus, Jesus’ sacrifice, for them, for those who do not love us.”

— Pope Francis, comments during Mass on June 18, 2013 in the chapel of St. Martha’s House.

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



Prayer

Heavenly Father, open my heart to your ways and teach me your paths. Let resentment lead me not but your mercy and compassion be my guide. Help me to let go from the hurts that others may have caused me. Enable me to see the world and those around me through loving eyes. Amen.

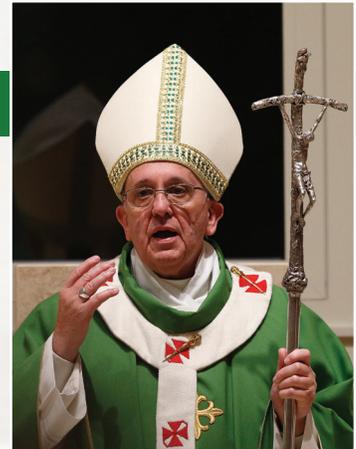


Image: Pope Francis celebrates Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish on the outskirts of Rome February 16, 2013. (Catholic News Service photo/Paul Haring)

Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

FAMILIES IN CHRIST

Sunday, February 26 ~ 10:00 -11:00 a.m. in the Ballroom - All Families are Welcome!

Jean A. Meleo

Every once in a while, God places people in our midst who embody His great love and kindness. For those of us who knew Jean, she was that person and a wonderful blessing to us all! Jean loved the Lord and served Him in so many ways. She was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend, nurse and teacher of the faith.

For so many of us who knew her in our ministry of Faith Formation, she will be greatly missed. She touched the lives of so many kindergarten children, teaching them about Jesus and drawing them closer to him. Jean was a member of the Ladies of Charity and Knitting and Crocheting Group at St. John. Jean also served our church as a Eucharistic Minister.

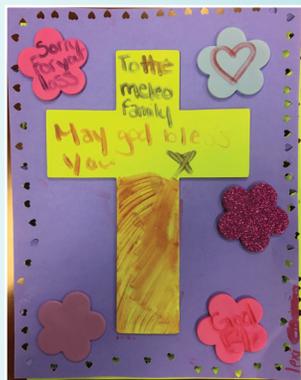
Jean was born on September 2, 1947 in Lowell, MA. Jean



served faithfully as a nurse for 47 years. Jean lived with her husband Jim in Bonita Springs for the past 10 years and retired from nursing in 2012. On Saturday, February 4, 2017, Jean passed away at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida after suffering medical complications. Jean has a loving and supporting family. She is survived by her husband Jim and children Lisa and James, as well as a beautiful extended family.

Please keep the Meleo family in your prayers during this difficult time.

May Jean rest in peace.



Faith Formation This Week

Sunday, February 19
NO Sunday Class

Wednesday, February 22
Wednesday Class & Parent Faith Formation
~ 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.

Faith Formation Office Hours: Mondays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. • Wednesdays: 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. (on the days of Faith Formation classes only) • Fridays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. • Sundays: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. (on the days of Faith Formation classes only)

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

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

What Will You “Give-Up” for Lent??

Give Just 90 Minutes of Your Time Each Week to Participate in One of These Programs

Introduction to Christian Meditation

We are repeating our popular Introduction to Meditation program. This will include meditation experiences and also an introduction to understand consciousness (religion calls it Soul, and science calls it Mind). When we understand what our consciousness is and how meditation can benefit us, we tend to be more serious about the work of meditation which lowers stress level and high blood pressure, among other good things. We are centering on God when we meditate, and this is always a good thing. This program is offered Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and Fridays at 11:30 a.m. on three consecutive weeks beginning March 2.



Beginning March 23 there will be two weeks of Intermediate meditation which will explore a different type of meditation; and you must have already completed the Introduction since those exercises are incorporated in this program. The accompanying discussions in this series will explore the evolution of consciousness that every human experiences.

Lenten Happy Hour With Themes From Father James Martin

Six Tuesdays in Lent beginning March 7 from 5:00 – 6:25 p.m.; 6:30 p.m. Mass is optional.

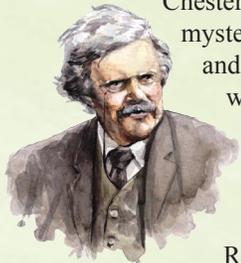


Reflect on the major themes of lent. Listen to inspirational talks on Lenten themes given by Father James Martin, S.J. Following each video there will be a group discussion, followed by praying Lectio Divina based on the upcoming Sunday Gospel.

Father Martin’s succinct Spirit-led talks will guide us to gain transforming patterns for our lives that will enhance our Lenten experience and future lives. Learn why there is “JOY” when we are in Christ Jesus. We will focus on our oneness, our joy, and our inner peace in Christ.

James Martin, S.J. is a Jesuit priest and editor-at-large of America magazine. His sermons are taken from his New York Times best-selling books including *Jesus: A Pilgrimage*, *The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything*, *My Life with the Saints*, *Between Heaven and Mirth*, and *Seven Last Words*, and others.

G. K. Chesterton. This week the Pivotal Player is G. K. Chesterton, the author of the Father Brown mystery series. This joyful English journalist and evangelist was a larger-than-life figure who charmed his way into the heart of the modern culture and illuminated the dull philosophy of the age with his clever, Catholic brilliance. Join us on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room.



Advance Registration Appreciated:

Online at sjecc.com

- On the web site click on (Ways To Give)
- Select the AFF Program you want to attend
- Click (Attend This Event)

By phone at 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or e-mail jack@sjecc.com

In person at the Parish Office.

This Week’s Complete Schedule

Tuesday, February 21

The Pivotal Players, G. K. Chesterton ~ 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room

Wednesday, February 22

The Bible Timeline, Egypt & Exodus: Part 1 ~11:30 a.m. in the Seminar Room and 7:30 p.m. in the Rome Room

Parents’ Happy Hour ~ 5:45 p.m. in the Seminar Room

Wednesday, February 22 continued

Spotlight, discussion of the movie with Fr. John ~6:00 p.m. in the Rome Room (formerly the Library)

Thursday, February 23

CATHOLICISM, Mary, the Mother of God ~ 11:30 a.m. in the Seminar Room

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, Egypt & Exodus, Desert Wanderings ~12:30 p.m. in the Rome Room and 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room

Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email jack@sjecc.com

HELP WANTED

INDIVIDUAL NEEDS A RIDE to Weekend Mass from the Strand (off Immokalee Road near 75). Either day/Any time. Call 566.8740 or *Beth Lucci* at 877.6254 or sjeride@gmail.com

COUPLE NEEDS A RIDE to Weekend Mass from Naples Park for Sunday 11:15 a.m. Mass. Call 566.8740 or *Beth Lucci* at 877.6254 or sjeride@gmail.com

Please send all info for Help Wanted to: info@sjecc.com 2 weeks prior to publication date.

Tír Na Nog Academy of Irish Dance Presents: **IRELAND CALLS** Fourteenth Annual Ceili February 24, 2017



6:30 pm-10:30 pm
St. John the Evangelist Church • 111th St. Naples, FL

Tickets: \$25.00 adult – \$12.00 child (12 & under)

Includes: Beer, Set Ups, Sandwiches, Irish Soda Bread, Coffee, Tea and Cake

Music provided by: Gerry Forde

For reservations and information call: Patricia Oxx 239 455-7225

Please make checks payable to: Mc Evoy-Leonard Foundation

SPOTLIGHT ON MEN'S CLUB MINISTRY

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary Give Back to Church and Community

The Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary of St. John are proud to announce the donations they have made this past season as a way of "Giving Back" to our church and community.

Perhaps you have noticed the new missal stand on the altar along with the new and very beautiful Book of Gospels. Both of these were donated by the Men's Club and an anonymous donor.

Other donations by the Men's Club include three \$1,000.00 scholarships to St. John Neumann Catholic High School last spring, a donation of \$500.00 to the Boys Scouts, and a donation

of \$5,000.00 to the Capital Campaign Fund, to name a few.

The Men's Club has joined forces with the new Ladies Auxiliary. They are always looking for new members and now a husband and wife can join the team together. They invite everyone to join them in "Giving Back" what God has been so gracious in giving to us.

If interested in joining the Men's Club or the Ladies Auxiliary, please contact Jack Nalipinski at 412.613.3551.

text submitted by Andy Sanfelippo, Men's Club



Student recipients of the 2016 scholarships: Colton Rose, (2016 Men's Club President Joe Lichwalla), Ryan McNichols and Alexa Guadagno.

Jamaica Outreach Program

“When I was hungry you gave me to eat.” (Matthew 25)

“Lent is the perfect time for reaching out and making a difference”

Are you looking for a Lenten project for your family that will have a positive result long after Lent is over? Ash Wednesday (March 1) is right around the corner. A great way to prepare for Lent is getting involved in the annual JOP Food Drive, scheduled for March 4 and 5. Staging a massive food drive involves a lot of preparation. Perhaps you and your family can be of help on the following dates:

1. February 23 in the Rome Room (formerly the Library) at 5:30 p.m.: Stapling

2,000 grocery bags with a list of approved foods. It seems like a big job, but not when volunteers show up with their own staplers and a can-do attitude; the job always gets done in record time.

2. February 26 after all the Masses:

Passing out grocery bags to fellow parishioners after Mass. We need 49 volunteers throughout the weekend to cover all seven doors of our church. All it takes

is a smile, a friendly greeting, and about 15 minutes. Parents, teenagers, and senior citizens, this is an easy to do activity. Can you help?

3. March 4 & 5: Collecting, sorting, and packing the food that is so generously donated year in and year out by St. John parishioners. Many hands make light work. Any time you can give us will help.

Lent is the perfect time for reaching out and making a difference in the lives of people who have the very least. Joining us in the Food Drive provides an opportunity to do just that.



The Jamaicans line up at the food pantry at St. Pius X in Kingston.

If you can help us in any way with the food drive, mark your calendars. We will be most appreciative and so will the recipients in Jamaica.

Contact Ray Shawcross 401.862.0590 or reshaw1@verizon.net or Martha Mador

at 239.992.2646 or martha@madors.net to sign up as a food drive volunteer.

text and photo submitted by Raymond Shawcross, JOP

St. John the Evangelist Parish and the
Catholic Community Foundation of SW Florida
Cordially Invite You to Attend:

“Preparing for Today, Tomorrow and Beyond”

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 • 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

(Doors open at 9:30 AM for coffee & snacks)

- Who will make my health care decisions if I cannot?
- How will I take care of my financial obligations when I am incapacitated?
- How do I avoid a guardianship?
- Should I have a Will even though I do not have many assets?
- Is my Will from another State valid in Florida?
- How can I best leave my assets to my family?
- Can I reduce taxes, and increase my income by making a charitable gift?

OBTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON:

Specialized Attorney along with other professionals will provide you with the knowledge you need to make critical health, legal and financial decisions.

This seminar is essential for those approaching their senior years, already in their senior years, and those who care for older relatives or friends.

Coffee and snacks will be served. Please Join Us.

Spotlight on Our Family: Did you know?

Parish Family registrations as of
December 31, 2016:

Total Number of Registered
Families 3,001

Total Number of Active Members
6,492

New Registrations 293

Single Individual 72

Couples 103

Families with Children 118

The Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281 will host



“Friday Night Fish Fest” starting Ash Wednesday, March 1

at Saint John the Evangelist PLC during Lent

Dinner will be served from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Lenten Fish Fest Dates:

Ash Wednesday, March 1 and Friday Nights in Lent:

March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 7.

(No Fish Fest on Good Friday)

MENU CHOICES

Baked Fish Platter ~ \$12.00

Baked Cod, cup of homestyle clam chowder, cole slaw and choice of: mac and cheese, rice pilaf, stewed tomatoes or green beans almondine

Fried Cod Basket with Steak Fries ~ \$12.00

Deep fried beer battered Cod, cup of homestyle clam chowder, steak fries, cole slaw

Children’s Meal – under 7 years old ~ \$5.00

All Meals Include: french bread and butter, tartar sauce, lemon wedges, malt vinegar, dessert, soda, lemonade, coffee, tea

Tickets for Wine & Beer Available at \$3.00 each. (Take Outs Available)

Proceeds from Ash Wednesday Fish Fest
will benefit Guadalupe Social Services

Fish Fest Tickets only available at the door.

Saint Ann Will Give Four Merit Scholarship Awards

Saint Ann Catholic School is happy to announce an opportunity for its 7th and 8th grade students to apply for a Merit Award Scholarship for the 2017-2018 school year.

The criteria for the merit award includes excellence in academics, leadership, community service, extra-curricular activities, and written essay.

There will be two winners from grade 7, each receiving a \$5,000 scholarship toward tuition to continue their studies at Saint Ann, and two winners from grade 8, each receiving a \$5,000 scholarship to continue their Catholic education at St. John Neumann High School.

We are very grateful to our generous merit scholarship donor for their continued support of our hard-working and dedicated students!

*The Ladies of Charity
Local Food Pantries Drive
Continues Until
February 28.*

MARDI GRAS BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

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

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era

**Featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra
Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller & Stan Kenton**

For Reservations (table of 8 or 10 only) CONTACT: 239.821.9395

Prepayment Required



- Admission:**
\$10.00 cash only at the door - includes snacks
- Cash Bar:** Water and Soda - \$1.00
 - Beer - \$2.00 per 12 oz. cup; \$7.00 per 60 oz. pitcher
 - Wine and Mixed Drinks - \$3.00
- Dress:** Country Club Casual (No shorts please.)
- Food available at a small charge.**

Singles Welcome

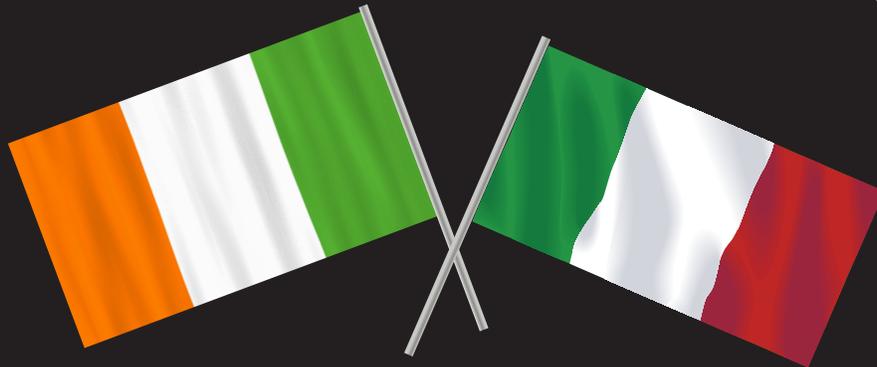
- Big Band Dance Remaining Schedule
- Tuesday, February 28
- Tuesday, March 14
- Tuesday, March 28
- Tuesday, April 11
- Sponsored by the Men’s Club and Ladies Auxiliary



GAELIC AND GARLIC FESTIVAL



**2 Days
of Food
& Fun!**



**Everyone
Invited!**

March 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

March 19 from Noon to 7:00 p.m.

Indoor &
Outdoor
Seating
Available

FREE Admission!

Tickets for activities, games, food and drinks \$1.00 each
Prepay and get 6 tickets for \$5.00 at:
<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/GGFestival>

Off Site
Parking
Available

- Pub Grub • Pizza • Corned Beef & Cabbage • Irish Beer •
- Italian Wine • Italian Music • Tir Na Nog Irish Step Dancers •
- Tarantella Italian Dancing • Opera Singers •
- “Your Best Nonna’s Meatball Contest” • Meatball Eating Contest •
- Arcade Games • Bounce Houses • Face Painting • 5k Run • & more •

Special Event:

Groundbreaking Ceremony of the
Pulte Life Center on Saturday, March 18
at 1:00 p.m. with Bishop Frank J. Dewane



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



CELEBRITY REFLECTION

Jan. 19, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:00pm
Jan. 20, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 21, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22, 2018	St. Johns, Antigua	8am-4pm
Jan. 23, 2018	Bridgetown, Barbados	9am-6pm
Jan. 24, 2018	Castries, St. Lucia	7am-4pm
Jan. 25, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	9am arrive
Jan. 26, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	6pm depart
Jan. 27, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 28, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



Celebrity X Cruises®
That's modern luxury.™

Booking Bonuses:

- * Pre-Cruise Wine and Cheese reception January 6th at Saint John's
- * Roundtrip Bus from Saint John's
- * Continental Breakfast day of departure January 19th at Saint John's
- * Cocktail Party onboard ship
- * Private Masses with Fr. John
- * Receive a one category upgrade for past Celebrity passengers. Ask for details.
- * Receive \$50 discount per person when making final payment with check
- * Book and deposit an oceanview stateroom or higher and choose two perks below:
 - Classic beverage package for two
 - Prepaid gratuities for two
 - Unlimited internet for two
 - \$300 to spend onboard for two

Two
Additional
Perks!

Exclusive Cruise Rates:

Suite

Prevailing rate

Balcony

Category C2 (Concierge class):	\$2,120
Category C3 (Concierge class):	\$1,950
Category 1A:	\$1,880
Category 1B:	\$1,820
Category 1C:	\$1,800
Category 2B:	\$1,740
Category 2C (partial obstruction):	\$1,720

Ocean View

Prevailing rate

Interior

Category 9:	\$1,340
Category 10:	\$1,300

*All package taxes and fees of \$165 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$450 per person plus insurance, which is highly recommended.

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



Parish Contact: David Quist
239.594.2071 dquist@comcast.net

For additional information and booking
Contact April Williams at
800.940.2394
or awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com

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

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