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# Leaving Ourselves Behind and Encountering Others



"The Good News is no mere matter of words: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others." – Pope Francis, "Urbi et Orbi" Message, 2014

Catholic Relief Services is the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. The agency alleviates suffering and provides assistance to people in need in more than 100 countries, without regard to race, religion or nationality. CRS' relief and development work is accomplished through programs of emergency response, HIV, health, agriculture, education, microfinance and peacebuilding.

For more information, visit www.crs.org or http://bit.ly/2ffqviG #EncounterLent.

You may also follow the CRS stories about Lent on the Faith Formation pages throughout the Lenten season (page 16).



Last August St. John paishioners packed over 2,000 meals to send to Burkina Faso, Africa. The Helping Hands Meal Packing Event is just one of the CRS programs.

"The CRS Collection will take place in the Diocese of Venice the weekend of March 25 and 26. "Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the world." + Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida. Read Bishop Dewane's complete letter on our website at: https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/CRS2017final.pdf



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Daily Mass: 8:00, 9:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.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.

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions (SI) Requested by			(+) and Special Intentions (SI)	Requested by	SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
March 18	, 2017		Saturday		AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK
8:00		+	Betty Carrier	The Family	AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK
				1200	Saturday, March 18, 2017
			Vigil Masses for Sunday	MATARIANA	St. Cyril of Jerusalem
3:00	PM	+	Tom Wood	Jim & Darle <mark>ne Follese</mark>	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
5:00	PM	+	Lambert & Louise Abell	Kathy & Bob Sims	
March 19	, 2017		Sunday	4(4)	Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday
7:00	AM	+	Patricia Vachris	Dr. & Mrs. Anzilotti	Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
9:00	AM	SI	Frank & Mary Lou Kreber	Julie Mulenix	Jn 4: <mark>5-42</mark> [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
11:15	AM		For Our Parishioners		
1:15	PM	+	Steve DiMattio	Ruth & Rodney Sennett	Sunday, March 19, 2017
5:00	PM	+	Monica Ann Henkel	Staff & Office Volunteers @ SJE	Third Sunday of Lent
			(Toni Eckert's Daughter)		Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
					Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
March 20	, 2017		Monday		
8:00	AM		"Novena Mass for Life - For a gre	ater respect for all human life"	Monday, March 20, 2017
9:00	AM	+	John Griffin	A Friend	St. Joseph; Spring begins
12:15	PM	+	Wliam Colonella	Peggy & Kevin Dugan	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom
March 21	2017		Tuesday		4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
8:00	AM	+	Gene Foster	Ronald Reuss	
9:00	AM	+	Patricia Greene	Richard & Judy Mattera	Tuesday, March 21, 2017
12:15	PM	+	Ida LaGrasta	Ettore & Christina Ruvolo	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;
March 22	, 2017		Wednesday		Mt 18:21-35
8:00	AM	+	Marjorie Marr	The Stephen Family	
9:00	AM	+	Steve Tauro	Mom & Dad	Wednesday, March 22, 2017
12:15	PM	+	Joyce Family	Patricia Joyce	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
6:30	PM	+	Deceased Members of Conti & S		
				Patricia, Joyce, ngelo nd Cthleen Scoleri	Thursday, March 23, 2017
March 23			Thursday		St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
8:00	AM		Michelle Dundass	Brenda, Jen & Kiley Canavan	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
9:00	AM		Viola Polhamus	The Patrick Kir <mark>k Family</mark>	
12:15	PM	+	"The Souls in Purgatory"	Renate Mross	Friday, March 24, 2017
March 24			Friday		Abstinence
8:00	AM		Thomas Edward White	Frank & Nancy Walker	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
9:00	AM		Frank & Mary Lou Kreber	Chris Higgins	
12:15	PM	+	Dennis Martin		Saturday, March 25, 2017
March 25			Saturday		The Annunciation of the Lord
8:00	AM	+	David Timpany	Aaron & Bil	ls 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10;
					Lk 1:26-38
	51.4		Vigil Masses for Sunday		
3:00	PM	+	Robert Ullen	Mary Ullen	Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday
5:00	PM	+	Jack Gaffey	Joann & Philip Vullo	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
			6 1		Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]
March 26			Sunday	IV.II. 9 DIII D.II	Control of cor-
7:00	AM	+	Victor Bocskor	Kathy & Bill Ball	Sunday, March 26, 2017
9:00	AM	+	Giovanna Colarossi	Tauro Family	Fourth Sunday of Lent
11:15	AM		For Our Parishioners	A M II II	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
1:15	PM	+	Diane Estenes	Ann Mullally	Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]
5:00	PM	+	Eleanor Vogel	Sally Cotumaccho	EDEE N. C. C. 1311

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.



"Charity, by which God and neighbor are loved, is the most perfect friendship."

— Saint Thomas Aquinas



A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

# CYO and Optimist Soccer Donate Over 1,700 Books to Guadalupe Center

What an amazing illustration of the love and mercy of our faith! Last weekend, at the weekly games at the Vineyards sports complex, the families of the Optimist Soccer League and our CYO Soccer Teams gathered 1,721 children's books for donation to the Guadalupe Center in Immokalee. The brainchild of the Tedrow Family, our "Spring Cleaning for the Soul" program is a Lenten service project where the children of the soccer program and our Parish Family are learning to give back to the community. Watching all the children run up to the St. John truck with their bags of books was such a heartening moment, their faces bright with joy and the knowledge they were helping other youth who do not have access to books like theirs. We are restocking the Library of the Guadalupe Center, which is an education-focused non-profit in Immokalee that houses pre-school, after-school, and tutoring programs for infants up to and through high school.

I want to thank Optimist soccer and their leadership, which includes the Dina and Greening Families, who are parishioners here at St. John. They, along with the Tedrows, developed this program that will enable our CYO community to provide various necessities to the youth in Immokalee: from the books to clothing, games, and toys. I also want to thank Natalie Campbell, our Director of Religious Education, for communicating this service opportunity to the Faith Formation Families. We are now able to positively impact the entire Naples community with CYO and social service programs, involving our Parish Family and non-parishioners alike in making our world a better place.

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.







#### PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy Associate
Fr. Paul D'Angelo Associate

Deacon Hal Brenner
Deacon Forrest Wallace

Deacon Frank Paniccia Senior Status

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Lectors Ministry lectors@sjecc.com

**Greeters & Ushers:** 

Bill Fuller wfuller1@comcast.net

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#### 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

General Manager

Jean-Paul Boucher: Ext. 3910

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Sacristan & Martha's Guild

Lan Tran

**Director of Family Mission** 

Jean-Paul Boucher

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Kathy Sims

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Kyle VanDuser

**Memorial Garden** 

Jean-Paul Boucher

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Karen Beebe

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**Director of Religious Education**Natalie Campbell: *Ext. 3904 and 3909* 

Coordinator, Adult Faith

Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: Ext. 3918

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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: www.sjecc.com

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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. &

12:15 p.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

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

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 Information... Operational



# Evening of Adoration

For healing and for an end to abortion

- Are you hurting as a result of an abortion?
- Has a friend or family member had an abortion that has affected you?
- Are you looking for peace, healing and God's mercy?

#### Wednesday, March 22, 2017

St. John the Evangelist in the Church

7:00-9:00 p.m. (following the 6:30 p.m. Mass)

The Project Rachel ministry helps mothers and families who seek peace, healing and God's mercy. Project Rachel



information will be available at the *Evening* of *Adoration*, or you can call 239.719.7210 or email *Fonda.rachel@gmail.com* to talk with someone who cares and can help.



If you have questions, contact Nancy or Paul Curti at 612.616-1434 or plancurti@gmail.com

#### Saint John the Evangelist Lenten Schedule

#### Daily Masses will be:

8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Morning Masses will be: 8:00 a.m.

#### **Stations of the Cross will be:**

Fridays following 12:15 p.m Mass

#### Reconciliation:

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

#### There will be no Lenten Penance Service

There will be an extended opportunity for Reconciliation on Friday, April 7 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 8 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

The St. John Knights of Columbus Council #11281 Present for St. John Parishioners



#### Monday, March 27 in the Ballroom • 6:30 p.m.

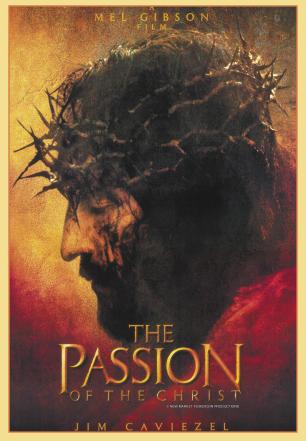
No Charge for Admission

#### Refreshments available

*The Passion of the Christ* is a great movie that depicts the final 12 hours of Jesus Christ in Jerusalem during his crucifixion. The term passion originates from Latin where it means suffering and pain. However, Christian theology broadened it to include the love of Christ for mankind.Now, The Passion of Christ means that he willingly suffered and died for us.

*The Passion of the Christ* begins from the time Judas betrayed Jesus Christ, condemnation by the Pharisees and his appearance before Pontius Pilate.

The movie runs for 126 minutes and up to 100 minutes deals specifically with details of how Jesus Christ was tortured before he died. Some describe it as the most violent film ever created *(graphic and not for children)*. Mel Gibson, who created the film, designed the film's graphics to clearly show the price Jesus Christ had to pay for our sins. The film features all the visceral ideas of what the Christ's Passion consisted of and the film is superficial regarding surrounding message.



#### **#ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe**

# Parish Mission & Life

# #ToKnow, #ToLove - How Gaelic and Garlic Supports a History Lesson

In all my years here at St. John, I do not think I have ever missed a week of this chance to communicate with you about the positive (and sometimes not so positive) environment of our Parish Family and our impact on the community and the world. I hope to never do so. Other than Our Holy Father and Fr. John, I have also never relinquished this space for another voice. Fr. John mentioned an incident in Mass last weekend, detailing how a group of volunteers who were assisting our Jamaica Outreach Project were verbally accosted in our Prayer Garden because they were saying the Rosary in Spanish. Now more than ever, we need to stand together as a faith and a community in support of each and every one of us.

The Holy Spirit must be at work, because Joe Boland, Vice President of Mission, of the organization Catholic Extension, put out a story just this past week that goes to the core of our message. Even more appropriately, his message, entitled *Five Timely Lessons from Our Immigration History*, focuses on the Irish and Italian cultural history in America, which we are celebrating this weekend at our Gaelic and Garlic Festival. I thought I would let his words speak for themselves:

St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day are fast approaching. These two feast days continue to be big celebrations for two Catholic ethnic groups that flocked to our American shores as immigrants in large numbers over the last two centuries: the Irish and the Italians. When the Irish mark St. Paddy's Day and the Italians honor St. Joe, they celebrate not only their Catholic faith but also their national heritage.

This year especially, before we unthinkingly put on our green shirts for the Irish on March 17 or our red sweaters for the Italians on March 19 or 20, we should pause to remember the past and the lessons it teaches us.

While it seems cliché to say that "history repeats itself," these two feasts evoke very real and very unkind memories of what our immigrant ancestors endured. Their tenuous status in a new land was strikingly similar to what immigrants experience today.

The Catholic Church in America has always been and continues to be a largely immigrant Church. The organization I work for, Catholic Extension, has an enormous stake and interest in this important conversation. Since 1906, Extension has been building and supporting the growth of the Catholic Church in America. In those 111 years, we have built almost 12,500 churches throughout this great country — whether for Irish immigrant mining communities in the 1910s or for Latino immigrant farmworkers in the 2010s.

In the past five years alone, Catholic Extension has invested \$7 million dollars in programs that provide direct outreach

by Jean-Paul Boucher

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to immigrants and refugees throughout the country. Since its founding, Catholic Extension has granted \$120 million to the Catholic Church located in the U.S.-Mexico border region, a place that is home today to more than 4 million Catholics, who include sun-seeking retirees from the North, Native Americans, immigrants, and the descendants of immigrants. We serve them all.

On this year's feast days of St. Patrick and St. Joseph, let us take a stroll down a less-than-rosy memory lane to see how some of yesterday's immigrant groups were greeted as they fled their countries. Perhaps this historical remembrance can shed new light on our current national discussions and attitudes about immigrants and immigration.

# Lesson #1 – Do not forget that St. Joseph, Mary and Jesus were a refugee family

We start this history lesson by going back to the very beginning of our story as a Christian people, by looking at the life of St. Joseph and the family entrusted to his care.

St. Joseph was a dreamer who listened to the angel's warning in his dreams to take the child Jesus to safety in Egypt. The Holy Family became refugees trying to escape King Herod's jealous violence in their homeland. Jesus, whose life was saved by this flight into Egypt, in turn, became a DREAMER in the modern sense — someone whose parents took him to a foreign country as a small child. The scriptures do not tell us whether Joseph had secured the proper visa paperwork before taking his entire family across borders to Egypt.

Perhaps it was Jesus' own experience as a vulnerable child refugee that helped shape his teaching in the Gospel of Matthew, when he proclaimed, "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (25:40).

On February 14, 20 Catholic bishops from the southern U.S. border region signed on to a powerful joint pastoral letter that began by recalling that the Holy Family was a refugee family, not unlike many of the people fleeing violence today. This biblical event has moral implications for us today. Therefore, the border bishops state, "As a Church we reiterate our commitment to care for pilgrims, strangers, exiles, and migrants affirming that all persons have a right to live in conditions worthy of human life."

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### Parish Mission & Life

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Lesson #2 – Remember that you, too, were once strangers in a strange land (Exodus 23:9)

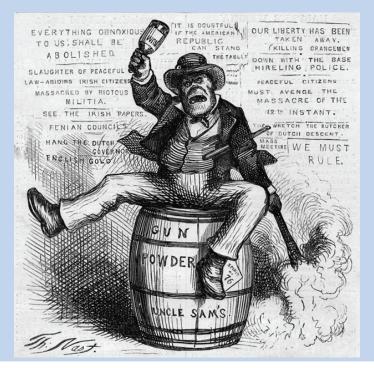
A Harper's Weekly cartoon from 1871 depicts a savage-looking Irish immigrant whose lawless ways threaten to destroy the United States. Holding a bottle of booze in one hand and a torch in the other, he is about to carelessly light a keg of "Uncle Sam's Gun Powder," terminating our country.

The article accompanying this cartoon encouraged its readers to defend their country against the immigrant aggressor, saying "Should the Orangemen ever parade in New York, let the citizens who feel aggrieved at the violation of our laws and institutions take whatever measures they choose into their hands to uphold the laws, if they care anything about their country." Translation? Be a patriot by defending against the un-American Irish.

In a January 29 statement, Bishop Anthony Taylor, who leads the largely immigrant Diocese of Little Rock, Arkansas, said, "You and I are children of immigrants who were not much different from those of today. Our ancestors came here because they saw the United States as a beacon of hope, a place to escape the poverty and tyranny of the Old World, ... and they are the ones who made our nation great." He went on to say that those "who persecuted the Irish Catholic potato famine immigrants of the 1850s, they made our nation small."

- https://www.catholicextension.org/stories/five-timely-lessons-ourimmigration-history

I hope we can all enjoy Gaelic and Garlic this weekend as a celebration of our shared heritage and culture, knowing that we who were welcomed are now able to welcome others into our church and into our society.





Want to enrich your marriage and spend time with like-minded couples?

Join us as we introduce

# Beloved: Living marriage

A monthly, six-part series designed to help live out the day-to-day challenges of married life.

> Begins March 25 from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

See a short presentation, followed by appetizers, drinks, and fellowship in the Seminar Room.

The nursery will be available.

RSVP online at www.sjecc.com

or call the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

#### **HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLES:**

#### Next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Is April 21-23

Time Together!! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a weekend full of fresh love, rebirth, romance, passion and new beginnings. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in this area is at the OLPH Retreat Center in Venice April 21-23.

Space is limited, so please apply early!

For more information about taking a private time away, check out *flwc-wwme.org* or call 813.270.7832.

**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.

Our mission is to become the light in the life of separated/divorced Catholics by giving them a sense of inclusion in our parish family and providing support and guidance through our shared spiritual journey. We meet Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please call for more information *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 Squittieri: 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 Koulloheras: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, medicalvision-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 yearround 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 Gautier: 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 at 5:30 p.m.: 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:

Sgt. Larry Oldenburg

U.S. Army (Iraq)

Note: In order to place a name on our Military Prayer List, that individual (the individual to be prayed for), must provide us with a signed release (or email-based approval) prior to the inclusion of his/her name in the printed Military Prayer List.

See the Consent Form to the right or visit our website to download a form:

http://sjecc.com/forms

Thnk you for your understanding.

#### **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

Gambler's Anonymous. 1-800-ADMIT-IT

**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:

Paul V. Buckley

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

Kaylee B John Kuryea Jean & Emmunale Balliro Rene Lacoste Gallen Boardman Pattie Leiner Brian Bodnar Jean Lydon Caeleigh Brown Margie Lynch Connie Cahill Maria and Family Barbara Marsh Sam Comeriato Dick Clark Eileen McDonagh Anthony D'Antuono Kevin McDonagh Mark DaBronzo J. McG Anna Focht Patricia McGrath Rick Genel Cynthia McLemore George Gonser Jr. Carolyn McNichols Joe Goss Lorrie Morrison Don Hauptman Emma O'Rourke Donald Howe Michael Paul Ann Kerns Anne Perrino Krista Leigh Kozowyk Ann Petrillo

Irene Pires Renee Rake Ruth Rechtsteiner Lloyd Sample Lisa Sanfelippo Shelia Scaduto Joan Scariati Peter Scariati Nancy Stewart William Strouse Edward Sullivan Rita Taranto William J. Teplica Marilyn Thyen Lawrence A. Varone Mike Walsman Nancy Wise

#### **Prayer List Consent Form**

Last Updated: January 30, 2017

Prayer List Participant:



SAINT JOHN
the EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Contact Phone Number:		

#### **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

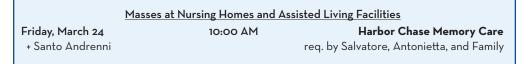
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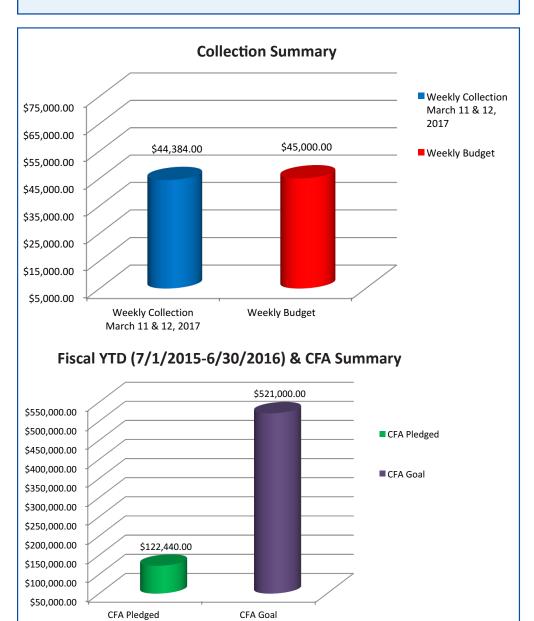
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**PLEASE NOTE:** If you would like the name(s) you submit to be on our prayer list for longer than one month, please notify us by phone or email or the names will be removed. These names also appear on our online prayer list at: <a href="http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list">http://saintjoh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

Hymns for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, March 18 & 19			
Readings:	Page <b>81</b>		
Entrance Hymn:	404	In Christ Alone	
Preparation Hymn:	601	Come to the Water	
Communion Hymn	351	The Supper of the Lord	
		Like the Deer (Fr. Ludden) Page 11 of the Bulletin	
Closing Hymn:	628	Lead Me, Lord	
	713	Lift High the Cross (11:15 AM)	





# The Contrasts Between Passover and Easter

The Catholic Jewish Dialogue presents "Walking God's Paths", "Season of Freedom, Season of Rebirth" the contrasts between Passover and Easter, film and discussion. Part four of a six part video designed to discuss the differences and commonalities of Christian and Jewish religions. Commentary by a rabbi and priest following the film.

Dialogue, discussion and refreshments.
St. John the Evangellist

Sunday April 30, 2:00 p.m.

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

# Wedding Banns

First announcement between
Kara Gibbons and Joseph Morris



The St. John local Farmers Market is open every Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

#### 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, March 19, 2017: the Third Sunday of Lent

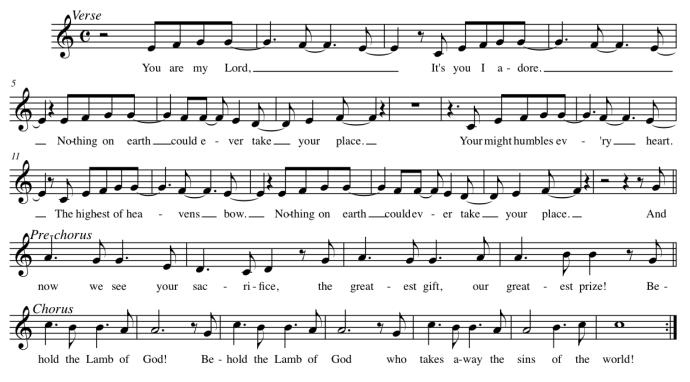
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Communion Song Behold

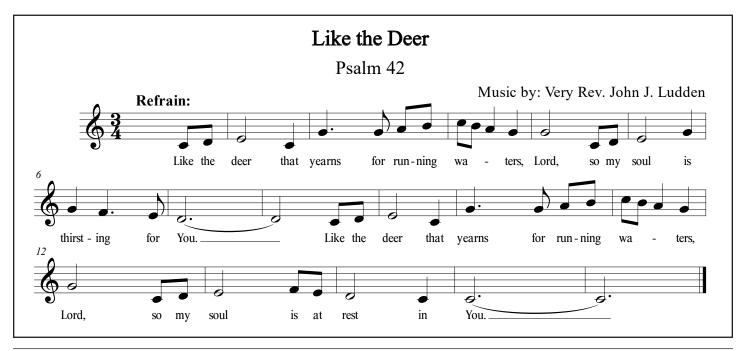
Behold the Lamb of God Matt Maher

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Closing Song 628 Lead Me, Lord



# Congratulations to the recipients of the Merit Award Scholarship!

The winners of the 2017-2018 Merit Award Scholarship exemplify academic excellence, leadership, community service, and Catholic values. Two 7th grade students received a \$5,000 scholarship to attend Saint Ann School for their 8th grade year and two 8th grade students received a \$5,000 scholarship to attend Saint John Neumann Catholic High School!



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#### Portrait of a Caregiver

Did you know ....

There are 65.7 million unpaid caregivers. (That includes you!)
62% of care recipients are female
The average care recipient age is 61
The average age of the caregiver is 48



Annalee Kruger, President of CareRight, Inc. presents

#### Taking Care of YOU

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist

This seminar is FREE and and a light lunch will be served. However, anyone wanting to attend must RSVP by March 20 to the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

CARE RIGHT Inc.

For more information, contact Liz at liz@sjecc.com or JP at jp@sjecc.com

The Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281 host



# "Friday Night Fish Fest" during Lent

at Saint John the Evangelist PLC

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

Remaining Lenten Fish Fest Dates: Friday Nights in Lent: 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 any of the following: mac and cheese, rice pilaf, stewed tomatoes, 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 Out Available)

Fish Fest Tickets only available at the door.

# UNLEASHED ON THE MOUNTAIN



St. John the Evangelist (Church)
Time: 6:30pm

Date: Saturday, April 1st

- Adoration -
- Confession -
- Praise and Worship -

625 111th Ave. N



Wendy Chanampa has extensive experience – both personally and professionally – in caring for people with dementia. Dementia and Alzheimer's disease is a devastating diagnosis for both the person with dementia as well as the family members who become their caretakers. The frequency of the diagnosis is increasing rapidly, such that any one of us may need to step into the role of caretaker of a parent, spouse, or other loved one. Wendy will help us prepare for, and understand, this role better by discussing the changes taking place in our loved ones, showing us how we can make a difference through acceptance and gratitude, teaching us how to take care of ourselves, and helping us recognize the unexpected gifts along the way.

You want to save the date for this compassionate and educational event.

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

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

#### Wendy Chanampa

"The Unseen Gifts of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia – The Greatest of These is Love"



#### Italian Night

Appetizer Display:

Italian Antipasta Display • Caprese Display

Buffet:

Classic Vegetarian Lasagna

Chicken Parmesan

Eggplant Parmesan

Italian Meatballs • Italian Roasted Vegetables

Market Salad w/ Vinaigrette

Frisco's Garlic Rolls

Dessert: Italian Cookies and Cheesecakes

#### Cost: \$25 prepay • NO WALK-INS!

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on Tuesday, March 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, March 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 DATE:** Mark your calendar now for the final Faith and Wine of the Season: April 20, 2017.

Go to www.FaithandWine.com to learn more!

### CYO - YOUTH NEWS & EVENTS

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/netteam16 • INSTAGRAM: @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 lean more about our Catholic faith.

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

Open Youth Roon *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.

#### **Host Homes**

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.

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

#### Third Sunday of Lent: Year A

# he Word & Life

Exodus 17:3-7 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42

# The Gift of Life-giving Water



ater is the most precious natural resource that we possess. Without the gift of water, we would have no life. A lack of water would begin to negate many other possibilities, i.e., vegetation, nourishment of animals, and sustenance of humanity. Certain areas of the world, especially on the continent of Africa, have experienced the disastrous effects caused by the lack of water. Drought brings death and despair, whereas water brings life and hope!

The day Jesus entered Sychar and approached Jacob's well was a life-changing event for the people of Samaria. The Samaritan woman is changed by her encounter with Jesus. He

#### **Reflection Questions**

- 1. How are the Samaritans viewed by the Jews of Jesus' day?
- 2. Why does Jesus engage the Samaritan woman in conversation?
- 3. How does the Samaritan understand Jesus' offer of "living water"?
- 4. How does Jesus offer the gift of "living water" to the Church?
- 5. What does the "living water" mean to you?
- 6. Why does Jesus confront the Samaritan woman with her sordid past?
- 7. What does it mean to worship God in spirit and in truth?
- 8. What did the woman do after meeting Jesus and what were the results?
- 9. How does this story encourage you on your road of conversion?

seems to know the woman's heart and vulnerability. Jesus asks her to give him a drink — he enters into dialogue, not only with a people who were regarded with disdain, but with a woman. Jesus dares to step outside the limitations placed on him by the strict observance of religious law in order to reach out to the world. In doing so, he reveals that God's initiative involves people of every language and way of life. God's vision is inclusive rather than exclusive. Jesus informs the Samaritan woman that he is offering the water that will quench all thirst and lead to everlasting life. The woman asks to be gifted with that life-giving water. She then tells the people of her town about her encounter. The town folk are curious about the Samaritan woman's encounter and they go to search Jesus out. The Samaritans are similarly changed through the experience they have of Jesus.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are reminded of these waters that quench all thirst. Such are waters of baptism. Each one of us is baptized into the life, death, and resurrection of

Jesus. When we are immersed in the baptismal waters, we are also immersed into the very essence of Jesus' teaching and the life he lived. By embracing our baptism as a priestly, prophetic, and kingly people, we embrace a promise that will lead to paradise in eternity. Through our forty days of preparation for Easter, we are invited to look forward to the blessing of the new waters of baptism at the Easter Vigil which remind us of the call to live the vocation of baptism.

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

In concrete, the waters that Jesus promised to the Samaritan woman are the same waters offered to us. Every time we enter the church for Mass we take the water and make the sign of the cross, an action that reminds us of our belief in our baptismal call to live the gospel at every moment. The waters of baptism quench the thirst for the meaning of life and immerse us in a new way of life. Simply, to live as Jesus lived, inclusive of people of every race, language, and way of life!

#### **Prayer**

Water of life cleanse and refresh us. May we thirst for the water that will lead us to everlasting life. Wherever our souls or spirits experience drought, let us open ourselves to your waters offering us growth and life. Amen.

#### Voices of Faith

Walking in the searing sunlight

"Woman

Glare stinging my eyes with sudden tears Behind the fortress walls of surrounding houses They surely watch

I can barely raise one foot after another Dust chokes my dry mouth This pot, my burden Unfilled,

like a dead weight on my body.

I walk
this daily walk
of torment
I walk
Alone
It has been
for such a long time now

Must it always be so?

The Well

Today I met him such a man as I have longed to meet for all my life Today I met him, I will never be the same again.

Today I talked to him such a man as I have longed to talk to all my life A man who talked with me as if he had known me all my life

Today he looked at me
He smiled at me
as no one else has ever done before
He knew my sin
and yet
he took my cup

Joy unquenchable
fills me
Messiah
I will speak his words
throughout the land
I will never be the same
Because today
I met Him."



Gesù e la Samaritana al pozzo/ Creator: Giacomo Franceschini/ wikipedia.org

— Josephine Collett 1959, Hull, Yorkshire, England

# Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

#### **Encounter Fernando**



Fernando dreams of becoming a businessman. He also dreams of a better future for his family, and this motivates him to sell cookbooks on San

Salvador's buses. It's dangerous work for \$10 a day — gangs frequently stop and harass drivers and passengers — but he keeps going, determined to achieve his dreams. It was his dreams that led him to YouthBuild, a sixmonth, CRS-sponsored program that trains young people in business. There, he found a positive community to help him pursue his passion, despite the challenges of life in El Salvador.

Learn more at: http://bit.ly/2ffqviG #EncounterLent



photo by Oscar Leiva/Silverlight for Catholic Relief

# HOW MUCH MONEY HAS CRS RICE BOWL CONTRIBUTED TO PREVENT HUNGER AND POVERTY AROUND THE WORLD?

In its first 40 years, more than \$250 million has been given through CRS Rice Bowl to support programs that prevent hunger and poverty around the world. Of that, \$62.5 million went to programs in the U.S. through local dioceses and \$187.5 million went to CRS programs overseas.

## HOW MANY COUNTRIES BENEFIT FROM CRS RICE BOWL?

Each year CRS Rice Bowl funds are directed to between 40 and 45 countries where CRS operates humanitarian response and development programs.

#### HOW IS THE MONEY USED?

Lenten alms go to alleviate hunger and poverty in communities overseas and in the U.S.: seventy-five percent of gifts support CRS' humanitarian programs around the world. *25 percent of gifts* remain in each U.S. diocese where they are given to hunger and poverty alleviation efforts in those communities.



Learn more at: http://bit.ly/2ffqviG #EncounterLent

Easy-to-construct Rice Bowls are available in the Narthex for anyone who wants one to take home.

#### **Faith Formation This Week**

Sunday, March 19 NO Faith Formation Class today

Wednesday, March 22 NO Faith Formation Class today PLEASE NOTE: While there are No Faith Formation Classes on Wednesday, March 22, we do have our First Communion Parent Meeting & Activity Night in the Ballroom. This is intended only for the children receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion May 13, 2017 and at least one parent.

First Communion Parent Meeting & Activity Night is Wednesday, March 22 at 5:30 p.m. in the PLC Ballroom.

Nursery Care Available.

**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

# Faith Formation & RCIA

#### **Lenten Thoughts from Pope Francis Regarding Fasting:**

"We must be careful not to practice a formal fast, or one which in truth 'satisfies' us because it makes us feel good about ourselves. Fasting makes sense if it questions our security, and if it also leads to some benefit for others, if it helps us to cultivate the style of the Good Samaritan, who bends down to his brother in need and takes care of him." – Pope Francis *Homily, March 5, 2014* 

#### In the Pope's words:

Fast from hurting words ...and say kind words
Fast from sadness ...and be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger ...and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism ...and be filled with hope
Fast from worries ...and have trust in God
Fast from complaints ...and contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures ...and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness ...and fill your hearts with joy
Fast from selfishness ...and be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges ...and be reconciled
Fast from words ...and be silent so you can listen

#### This Week's Lenten Theme from Father James Martin:

JOY: The Mark of Discipleship

- Mother Theresa "Share this joy with all you meet."
- Father James Martin: "Between Heaven and Mirth" at Boston College

Tuesday March 21, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m., Seminar Room

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 many others.

#### This Week's Complete Schedule

Tuesday, March 21

**Lenten Themes from Fr. James Martin**  $\sim 5:00$  p.m., Seminar Room

Wednesday, March 22

**The Bible Timeline,** Conquest and Judges, Part 2 ~11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Thursday, March 23

**CATHOLICISM**, *The Communion of Saints* ~11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Thursday, March 23 continued

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, Messianic Fulfillment, Part 2 ~12:30 p.m., Rome Room and 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room Introduction to Meditation ~ 6:30 p.m. in the Adult Space

Friday, March 24
Introduction to Meditation ~ 11:30 a.m. in the Seminar Room

Sunday, March 26 Parents' Coffee, 9:30 a.m., Rome Room

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

# 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.

#### **Chrism Mass Scheduled for Tuesday, April 11**

The Chrism Mass which takes place during Holy Week will be held at Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Ave. W., in Venice, Tuesday, April 11 at 10:30 a.m. During this Mass, the faithful of the Diocese join the Priests, Deacons and Bishop Frank J. Dewane for the blessing of the Holy Oils which are used in the administration of the Sacraments at each parish throughout the year. Priests and Deacons celebrating 25 and 50 years of Ordination are recognized at this Mass. All are encouraged to attend in support of our clergy and to participate in this important Holy Week celebration.

# **NET Missionaries Spotlight**

**Editor's Note:** For the past few months eight young adults, NET Missionaries from Minnesota, have been a part of our Parish Family sharing their infectious enthusiasm as young Catholics. This is an on-going series as we introduce you to these young adults. Say Hello when you see them.

#### **Zach Jans**

Hello everyone! My name is Zach Jans. I am 19 years old and I was born and raised in central Minnesota. I have two sisters, two brothers, two sisters-in-law, one



brother-in-law, and five nieces and nephews. I really enjoy hunting, fishing, and playing sports. I just graduated high school last year and jumped into NET from there.

I am very blessed to be in Naples this year and I have really enjoyed getting to know everyone here, and I love helping out with the youth group

on Sunday nights. As far as my plans for after NET, I don't know exactly what I'll be doing yet. I've thought a lot about the military and law enforcement, but I'm open to wherever God will call me.

Thank you so much for receiving us so well and for making us feel so welcomed; we all really appreciate it!

#### **Sophie Horinek**

Hi! My name is Sophie Horinek, and I am 18 and I am from Eden Prairie, Minnesota. I just graduated high school last year and am the youngest on the team. In high school I was involved in every



club imaginable as long as it was not related to sports: robotics, chamber choir, musicals, a soil research project, debate team, jazz band, and theater.

I started taking my faith seriously at the end of my sophomore year when members of the NET team at my school reached out to me.

It has been such a blessing to be in Naples this year and to touch the lives of women as past NET missionaries touched my life! One event I really enjoyed helping with so far was the

youth rally where I was able to spend the day with a handful of girls from Confirmation class. It has been amazing to extend these friendships outside of class. I look forward to seeing how the Lord will continue to use me in Florida these next few months!

Hopefully, next year I will attend Franciscan University of Steubenville, or I will serve another year as a missionary with NET.

**Host Families Needed.** We are in need of parishioners willing to host two (or four, if you have space) of the NET team for a two to three-week increment. You don't need to worry about transportation – just provide a place for them to sleep and shower, and meals for the day. Please don't pass up the opportunity to be a blessing to these wonderful young adults who are giving so generously of themselves to our parish!

For more information please contact: Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, at 207.0537 or *kyle@sjecc.com* or Lena Costain, NET Host Home Coordinator, at 289.7068 or *tlc728family@aol.com*.

#### **Host Experience**

I am so glad we volunteered to host some of the NET Team members. The young men who shared our home blended seamlessly into our lives, leaving behind a pattern of faith for us to follow.

The "boys", as I call them, slept on the floor and on a bunk bed in my son's room. Never complaining about the accommodations or my cooking. They were always grateful!

In return, these young men offered to help around the house, help with homework, or help with entertainment, in the form of epic Nerf gun wars with my kids.

These are very hard-working young people who spend most of the day out in Naples spreading the word of God to teens. They don't have much down time, but when they do, it was spent with us. We ate together, talked, played games, went

boating and prayed together.

"Praying was the best part!" that is what my son said about having the NET boys stay with us. What a wonderful example this team has set for my 7 and 10 year old. Watching "Cool" young men pray the Rosary, read the Bible and pray before every meal just reinforced the importance of knowing the Lord.

I look forward to hosting any one of these kind souls again in my home and highly recommend others do the same.

If there is any drawback to volunteering, I would say it's on the day the Team members leave....you will be sad.

God Bless,

Joanne Janopoulos

#### First Communion Merchandise Available in Divine Gift Boutique

From statues and crosses to picture frames and rosaries, to jewelry and books, the Divine Gift Boutique is stocked with a variety of First Communion merchandise. Manager Elaine deLaurentis will be in the Ballroom on Wednesday, March 22 from 5:30 to

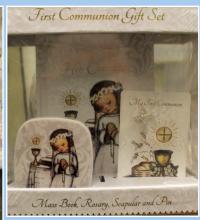
7:00 p.m. to present First Communion merchandise to the First Communicant parents. Elaine encourages parents to come and see the items available for their children. The merchandise will be available to buy on the spot that evening. The gift shop takes checks, cash and charge cards.

The First Communion merchandise is also available in the gift shop during regular shop hours.









Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Children 12 and Under

#### Saturday, April 15, 2017

8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast Blessing of Easter Baskets 9:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt begins at 9:30 a.m.

St. John's Parish Ballroom and locations around campus



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

Family Name	Number of Adults Attending
Names & Ages of Children	
Our Family Namewi	illwill not be attending the breakfast.
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Parent/Guardian Signature	<u> </u>

MUST FILL OUT FORM TO PARTICIPATE. Register by Wednesday, April 12.

Deposit form in church collection basket or return to parish office during business hours.

Or register online at:

https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017EasterEggHunt

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





#### "1957 PHILLY BANDSTAND TrIBUTE"

Featuring Philadelphia Cheesesteak & the Music of Brylcream

THURSDAY, APRIL 21 · 6:00 P.M.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

A Philadelphia area show called "Bandstand" was airing on WFIL-TV. Producer Lew Klein moved a recent Syracuse University Graduate by the name of Dick Clark over to host the show in 1956 when original host Bob Horn was fired. The program made its national debut as "American Bandstand" on August 5, 1957. The rest is History!









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

PAY BAR AVAILABLE

#### **ADMISSION ONLY \$15 PER PERSON**

Pay at the door or in advance online at saintjohntheevangelist.com

or contact Bill Warvel at wwarvel@aol.com (NOTE: Tables of 8 or 10 reservations accepted in advance)

#### SPRING TIME

# BIG BAND DANCE Singles

Singles Welcome

EVERYONE WELCOME!
Tuesday, March 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

Remaining Schedule Tuesday, March 28 Tuesday, April 11

**Big Band Dance** 

For Reservations (table of 8 or 10 only) CONTACT: 239-821-9395 Prepayment Required

Sponsored by the Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary



#### 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.

# 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





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Parish Contact: David Quist 239.594.2071 dquist@comcast.net

EXPERTS

#### **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.

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.

# GAELIC AND GARLIC FESTIVAL

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

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



Tickets for activities, games, food and drinks \$1.00 each. Tickets booths will be stationed throughout the campus.

#### Special Event

Groundbreaking Ceremony of the Pulte Family Life Center on Saturday, March 18 at 2:00 p.m. with Bishop Frank J. Dewane

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### **SATURDAY, March 18**

**10:00 AM** – First Shuttle Departs from Arthrex Parking Lot (corner of Immokalee and Goodlette Frank)

11:00 AM – Festival Opens Arcade, Food and Beverage Vendors, Bouncy House and Games

**11:30 AM** – Wolfhound Irish Band (Ballroom)

1:00 PM - Church Tour with Fr. Bob (Church)

**1:00 PM –** Tir Na Nog Irish Step Dancing (Ballroom)

1:30 PM – Wolfhound Irish Band (Ballroom)

**2:00 PM** - Ground Breaking with Bishop Dewane (Field)

**3:00 PM** – Mass with Bishop Dewane (Church)

**5:00 PM** – Mass (Church)

**5:00 PM** – West of Galway Irish Band (Ballroom)

**6:00 PM** – Tir Na Nog Irish Step Dancing (Ballroom)

7:00 PM - Festival Closes

8:30 PM - Last Shuttle Departs St. John

#### SUNDAY, March 19

**10:00 AM** – First Shuttle Departs from Arthrex Parking Lot (corner of Immokalee and Goodlette Frank)

**11:15 AM** – St. Joseph Celebration During Mass (Church)

12:00 PM – Festival Opens
Italian Car Show, Arcade, Food and Beverage
Vendors, Bouncy House and Games

**12:15 PM** – St. Joseph Procession (Church to Ballroom) with Accordion

**1:00 PM** – Italian Opera Singers (Ballroom)

**2:00 PM** – Best Nonna's Meatball Contest (Tent)

**2:30 PM** – Church Tour with Fr. Paul (Church)

**4:00 PM** – Meatball Eating Contest (Tent)

4:30 PM – Italian Music (Ballroom)

6:00 PM – Opera Singers

**6:30 PM** – Church Tour with Fr. Bob (Church)

7:00 PM - Festival Closes

8:30 PM- Last Shuttle Departs St. John

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