

October 15, 2017

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you been away? Welcome Home!

the EVANGELIST

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass Times Revert to Winter Schedule Beginning Sunday, November 5

The winter Sunday Mass schedule will go into effect Sunday, November 5. We will return to 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Mass times. The 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mass times will stay the same, as will the 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. vigil Mass times.

Weekday Mass times will revert to the winter schedule Monday, November 6. We will return to the 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. daily Mass times Monday through Friday. Saturday Mass will remain at 8:00 a.m. with confessions immediately after. Wednesday evening Mass will remain at 6:30 p.m.

We will follow the winter Mass schedule until May, 2018.

Wednesday, November 1, Is Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of All Saints is Wednesday, November 1, a holy day of obligation. Mass times will be 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., Noon, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.



“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son.” – Mt. 22:2

See more about getting “Ready for a Feast” in Fr. John’s The Word & Life on pages 12 and 13

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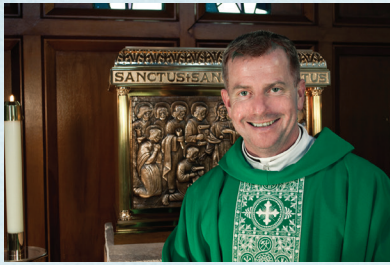
Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

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

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PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

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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: deb@sjecc.com*
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: tricia@sjecc.com*
Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements. Call the parish office. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our 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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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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



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Administrative Office Hours are:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Choirs:

Gary Prettyman: gary@sjecc.com

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Residents and seasonals welcome.

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m.
Grades 1-5.

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.
Grades 6-12 especially welcome.

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* at 239.566.8740

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

Next Sunday Is World Mission Sunday

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2017
CHAT with



Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to “Chat With The Pope” to learn more about his missions. Learn more at ChatWithThePope.org

Next Sunday the Diocese of Venice televised Mass will feature Saint John the Evangelist. The Mass, which was taped last month, celebrates the liturgy of the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also World Mission Sunday. Fr. John is the celebrant.

The diocesan televised Masses for Collier, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte, Glades and Desoto counties aire on WFTX-TV FOX 4 on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

The Sunday Mass on Television is an outreach of the Diocese of Venice Department of Communications and is supported by the donations of viewers.

Also, next week’s bulletin will include a message from Fr. John regarding the Missions. Fr. John is the Director of the Pontifical Mission Societies and Director of the Missions Office for the Diocese of Venice.

79th Anniversary of Kristallnacht Commemorative Service Will Be Sunday, November 5 at 2:30 p.m.

The Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County invites the community to the 79th Anniversary of Kristallnacht Commemorative Service Sunday, November 5 at 2:30 p.m. at St. William Parish. The guest speaker is Rabbi James Rudin, renowned author and friend of the last four Popes. Kristallnacht is recognized by most historians as “The Night the Holocaust Began”.

Everyone is invited to the event, which is free. Please RSVP to cjdialogue@naples.net



DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

World Mission Sunday Collection Next Weekend

September, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Sunday, October 22, 2017, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. This Day invites us to reflect anew on the mission at the heart of the Christian faith. The Church is missionary by nature and therefore, as Faithful, we must be as well. World Mission Day is an opportunity for us to join in prayer and support by means of our response to the vast and pressing needs of evangelization.

Supporting churches with low economic means throughout the world by your prayers and generosity are indeed ways to help missionaries offer individuals of poverty-stricken areas vital help. Each year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow, as new dioceses are formed, seminaries are opened and areas devastated by war or natural disasters are rebuilt.

In the Diocese of Venice, the World Mission Sunday Collection will take place the weekend of October 21 – 22, 2017. Along with your prayers, please be generous in aiding the Missions with your gift for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Thank you for your kindness!

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my continued consideration, as well as my prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida

MASS INTENTIONS... SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS

Mass for Deceased (*) and Special Intentions (SI)

October 14, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM SI Barbara Ullman Alexandra White

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + George "Chuck" Pollock Janet D'Addario

5:00 PM + Tony Manes Janet D'Addario

October 15, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Loren McGirr Marian Haley

9:00 AM + Enid Gauthier Martin Gauthier

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Joanne Villano Josephine & Frank Mello

5:00 PM + Peter Acerbi His Wife

October 16, 2017 Monday

8:30 AM + Joseph Pei Pham Lan Tran

October 17, 2017 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Janice O'Connor Douglas O'Connor

October 18, 2017 Wednesday

8:30 AM + Cecilia Schultz The Family

6:30 PM + Lucille Martin Kathy & Pat Ford

October 19, 2017 Thursday

8:30 AM + Patricia Rubino The Murphys

October 20, 2017 Friday

8:30 AM "Novena Mass for Life - For a greater respect for all human life"

October 21, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Ned Leibig Jim & Darlene Follese

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Gene Zilavy Nancy

5:00 PM + Nicholas Carolla, Sr & Nicholas Carolla, Jr. Josephine & Frank Mello

October 22, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Nicholas Buglione Lillian Sottosanti

9:00 AM + Vincenzo Ventura Ninetta Magistro

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Jacqueline Mooney Kevin Monahan

5:00 PM + Jean R. Smith John Smith

Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

Wednesday, October 18 10:00 AM Bentley Village

+ Joanne Timmerman req. by Terri Carpino

Friday, October 20 10:00 AM Juniper Village

+ John Sadlier req. by Pat and John Mulligan

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 14, 2017

St. Callistus I; Blessed Virgin Mary

Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;

Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;

Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Monday, October 16, 2017

St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;

National Boss's Day

Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

St. Ignatius of Antioch

Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

St. Luke

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Thursday, October 19, 2017

Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues,

and Companions

Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 20, 2017

St. Paul of the Cross

Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Blessed Virgin Mary

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;

1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Sunday, October 22, 2017

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;

1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21



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.

October 15, 2017

"Every day is a blank page upon which each Christian begins writing with good works."

— Pope Francis



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Unique Opportunity: Month to Match Gift for Church Repairs and Deductibles

It has been an interesting month for all of us here at St. John, both in our personal lives and in our church environment. From celebrating Mass in our Seminar Room without power to serving those hit hardest in the area around our Parish Family, we have responded to this disaster with our hearts and our stewardship, showcasing the best of our faith. In the midst of our actions, we have been constantly recovering our campus from the serious damage that occurred during and after Hurricane Irma. We have been constantly asked when we will be "normal" again, and the answer to that question may be difficult to understand: we will not be "normal" again. Instead, due to the significant damage to all of our buildings, we will have to institute several construction tasks all at once. These projects, including replacing the church roof and the Ballroom renovation, were planned to be accomplished over the next several years. We will be repairing and renewing the campus in a major way over the next months, which will bring our campus to a "new normal", with enlivened and enhanced spaces for worship and social activities.



Church Roof replacement is only one component of the church building repairs. One of the main AC Units for the church was destroyed by flying tiles and must be completely replaced.

In order to accomplish this feat, we will need your assistance. The time we had planned to gather the wonderful gifts of our Parish Family for our Capital Campaign for these projects must be shortened considerably. We must now pay for deductibles for the hurricane damage. However, we are most blessed here at St. John. An amazing anonymous donor has pledged to match every dollar we collect for these repairs and renewals up to \$200,000 starting on October 22, and going through Thanksgiving. If you have the ability in this time of need, please contribute to our Capital Campaign, **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, in any way you can. If you would like your funds to be directed only to the repairs of the church, make sure to state that on your donation.

I have described before our need for patience and flexibility during this time of renewal. Our entire clergy and Parish Staff appreciate every single one of you that has provided your positive support as we work tirelessly to restore, repair, and rejuvenate our campus so we can continue to grow as a Parish Family to achieve our Mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the gifts, prayers, and support of our Parish Family to reach our Pinnacle Goals. If you have any questions, please contact Jean-Paul Boucher, at 239.566.8740 or email: jp@sjecc.com.

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

#ToLove, #ToServe – Missionaries of Hope Here at St. John

During the recovery from any disaster, man-made or natural, there is a tendency to start off strong, with lots of enthusiasm and vigor to immediately repair what needs to be done and get back to “normal”. We have seen it here at St. John within our Parish Family. I have cautioned the staff, however, that this is a marathon, not a sprint. It can seem like a grind sometimes, but the efforts we are taking to recover, repair, and renew our campus will have a lasting positive impact on the area. We are not just a parking lot and a couple of buildings. We are a church, made to serve the spiritual and pastoral needs of our Parish Family and our community. We provide shelter for support groups for those addicted individuals and their families. We are an after-school program that serve single parents that must work and have a safe, enlivening environment for their children. We are the center of social activities for people who otherwise might stay within the walls of their own homes, closing in on themselves. We are Saint John.

The positive and engaging environment we provide has been the product of decades of efforts here at St. John by countless ministries and groups. Pope Francis has asked that all of us continue in this effort as “Missionaries of Hope”:

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our continuing catechesis on Christian hope, I would now like to speak of our calling to be missionaries of hope. October is traditionally dedicated to reflection on our participation in the Church's mission. Saint Francis of Assisi, whose feast we celebrate today, can serve as our model in this regard. Francis was a true missionary of the joyful hope born of Christ's victory over death and our own share in his risen life. Jesus asks us to be witnesses of that same hope, confident in the transforming power of his Spirit at work in our hearts and in our world. Joy is the sure sign of true Christian hope, for we know that evil will not have the upper hand, and that God's love, revealed on the cross, will ultimately triumph. Certainly, there are times when the gift of hope proves costly. This is the case with so many of our fellow Christians who presently experience persecution, and with the martyrs in every age. Their witness inspires us to continue to hope in Christ's promises. As missionaries

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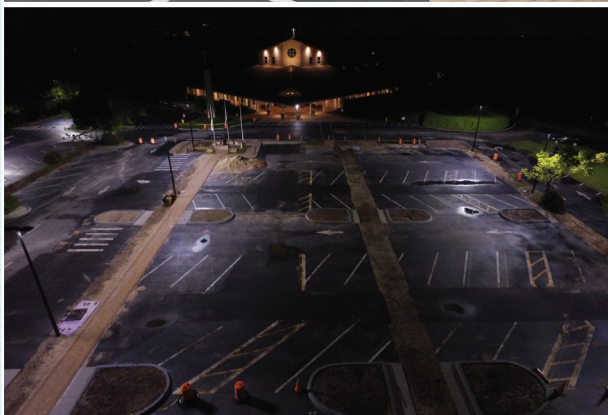
of hope, may we rejoice in God's saving power, never lose heart, and help others to look to the future with confidence.

The disciples are announcers of Jesus' resurrection not only in word, but with facts and with the testimony of their life! Jesus doesn't want disciples capable only of repeating learned and memorized formulas. He wants witnesses: people who spread hope with their way of

welcoming, smiling and loving. The most important part is loving because the strength of the resurrection renders Christians capable of loving even when love seems to have lost its meaning. – Pope Francis 10/4/17 (http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2017/documents/papa-francesco_20171004_udienza-generale.html)

Staying positive, flexible, and understanding during our recovery is not always easy. I have to thank our Parish Staff for their continued affirmative communication and outreach to all that come to our church, even though as of this writing we are still working out of the Narthex and Cry Room. It is a testament to their resilience and dedication to our Mission.

I also want to thank our Parish Family, who continue to serve those in need while dealing with our own personal recovery issues. I hope you are all seeing the constant improvements and repairs we are making across the campus every single day to serve you. The Front Parking Lot is nearly complete, even after the storm's damage. The new lighting scheme has been finalized and been ordered, so we will have a safe campus after dark finally. Instead of a 200-day lead time to have our damaged tree removal accomplished, our church was prioritized and our damaged trees are being hauled away. The cross on our bell tower was damaged in the storm, but we were able to remove it completely and safely so it can be repaired and restored. Every day we are making progress and it is due to your prayers, patience, and support. Thank you for running this marathon with us!



Celebrate October with Beautifully Designed Rosaries

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. With this in mind, Elaine deLaurentis, manager of the Divine Gift Boutique, is introducing “Creations by Mrs. Z”, divinely inspired rosaries and jewelry designed by one of our parishioners.

The rosaries and jewelry are designed with combinations of Swarovski crystals and pearls, semi-precious gemstones and beads, Sea Glass, and Czech Glass, accented with silver and copper magnetic clasps.

“They are absolutely gorgeous,” said Elaine.

The rosaries are available in the traditional full 5-decade rosary, as well as single-decade car rosaries, necklaces and bracelets.

Stop by the Divine Gift Boutique and check out these beautifully designed rosaries and jewelry.



*Creations by Mrs. Z.
Divinely Inspired Rosaries & Jewelry*

SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

Born in Syria, Ignatius converted to Christianity and eventually became bishop of Antioch. In the year 107, Emperor Trajan visited Antioch and forced the Christians there to choose between death and apostasy (the abandonment or renunciation of a religious or political belief). Ignatius would not deny Christ and thus was condemned to be put to death in Rome.

Ignatius is the first to use the term “Catholic Church” to refer to the various Christian communities of the Roman Empire.

Ignatius is well known for the seven letters he wrote on the long journey from Antioch to Rome. Five of these letters are to churches in Asia Minor; they urge the Christians there to remain faithful to God and to obey their superiors. He warns them against heretical doctrines, providing them with the solid truths of the Christian faith.

The sixth letter was to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, who was later martyred for the faith. The final letter begs the Christians



in Rome not to try to stop his martyrdom. “The only thing I ask of you is to allow me to offer the libation of my blood to God. I am the wheat of the Lord; may I be ground by the teeth of the beasts to become the immaculate bread of Christ.”

Eucharistic living was so crucial to Ignatius that he was willing to die in order to model himself on the Lord who willingly offered all.

Ignatius bravely met the lions in the Circus Maximus.

We celebrate his feast day of St. Ignatius of Antioch on October 17.

info: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-ignatius-of-antioch/> and 2011 Liturgical Publications Inc.

image: *Madonna and Child with St Ignatius of Antioch*/Lorenzo Lotto [Public domain], via Wikimedia Commons

Calling all of our Musically Talented Teens!

Our 5:00 p.m. Sunday Contemporary Mass Band/Choir, now under the direction of Jennine Fuentes, is in need of new teen members 7-12th grade as well as some adult worship leaders. If you sing, play guitar, drums, or another awesome instrument we want you to join our team! We practice just before Mass at 3:30 p.m. on Sundays! We are excited about worshipping together!

Please e-mail Jennine Fuentes at jennine@sjecc.com if you are interested!

PARISH COUNCILS:

Building 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. *Council President: Bill Sjoström: bsjost@yahoo.com or 815.670.3733*

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. *Council President: Robert Stiff: rcs0242@gmail.com or 239.989.5149*

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 or 239.597.2086*

MEET OUR MINISTRIES:

Arimatheans. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. *Toni Biordi: 239.597.1966.*

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: *Beth Lucci: sjeride@gmail.com or 239.877.6254*

Divine Gift Boutique (located across from the restrooms). **Non-Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If interested in volunteering, contact *Elaine deLaurentis: elaine@sjecc.com or 239.228.3921*

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: 239.293.3694 or lhariza@yahoo.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Provide interesting and thought provoking speakers monthly with food and fellowship for women in the Diocese. Info: *www.faithandwine@gmail.com, or Nancy Squitieri: faithandwine@gmail.com or 239.566.8740*

Grief Support Ministry. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *Leo Gallagher: 239.594.1535*

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: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org*

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: 239.498.9900*

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:** *Marie Elaina Mullin: 239.273.1702. To join: Carole Mancini: froglady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

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*

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: relife@aol.com or 239.250.0432*

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. *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 239.250.4162*

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. *Bill Smart: (SVdP Office): 239.775.1667*

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 or 239.370.4277*

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 nancybdds@comcast.net*

Knights of Columbus Councils:

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: jmcd708@comcast.net or 239.947.6454*

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. Visiting Knights are welcome. *Grand Knight Ed Phelps: efpep@aol.com or 239.339.3847*

LET US PRAY...

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

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

PRAYER GROUPS

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Carol Swank 757.559.4761

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Patricia Bucalo: 239.248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group

Gorana Saner: 239.293.1765

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

Mondays at 5:30 p.m.: Maria Jones: 239.348.5361

Liturgy of the Hours

Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:30 a.m. Mass. pmgrys@aol.com

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Adam Decker

Nick Detloff

Sp. Douglas Hennessy

Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett

Christian McLaughlin - U.S. Navy Sicily

Sgt. Larry Oldenburg - U.S. Army Iraq

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino -USAF Turkey

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>

Thank you for your understanding.

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous. 888.435.7301

Cursillistas. Robyn DeVille: 239.253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

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

Habitat for Humanity. Kouolloheras: nick@hfhcollier.com

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 239.598.9865

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 239.348.5031 or Roger: 239.250.6888

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Vilma Brzozowski, Jack Hughes, Elaine Mendicino, William Strouse and Isaac Jonathon Wright

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

Baby Declan Aigner

Mary Alligood

Kaylee B

Jean Balliro

Beagan Family

Richard Becker

Gallen Boardman

Lori Breyman

Caeleigh Brown

Connie Cahill

Kathy Conley

Corinne & Children

Lauren Carr

Frank Comeriato

Tony Coruelo

Anthony D'Antuono

Mark DaBronzo

Donald Demski

Florence Demski

George Dillon

F.W.

Jim & Darlene Follese

Tara Follese & Family

Jeff Gatt

George Gonser Jr.

Jayne Hagg

Gerard Heyer

Rosie Heyer

Donald Howe

Donald Hudec

Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Rene Lacoste

Jean Lydon

M.M.

Diane Maloney

Margie Lynch

Maria and Family

Ron Marlow

Barbara Marsh

Donna Massee

Kevin McDonagh

J. McG

Paul McIntyre

Cynthia McLemore

Carolyn McNichols

Anne Michaels

Eileen Miner

Lorrie Morrison

Emma O'Rourke

Ronald J. Parker

Michael Paul

Anne Perrino

Geno Pesce

Ann Petrillo

Irene Pires

Renee Rake

Ruth Rechtsteiner

Ellen Roberts

Lloyd Sample

Lisa Sanfelippo

Shelia Scaduto

Gary Schutebach

Thomas Sissman

John Smith

Avery Smithies

Nancy Stewart

Edward Sullivan

Jeannie Sullivan

Carol Swank

Rita Taranto

William J. Teplica

Isaiah Thompson

Marilyn Thyen

Helen Thornburg

JoAnn Tinevra

Jim Tucker

Lawrence A. Varone

Mike Walsman

Dan Ward

Bernadette White

Kirsten Wills

Nancy Wise

Prayer List Consent Form

Last Updated: January 30, 2017



SAINT JOHN
the **EVANGELIST**
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prayer List Participant: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ Contact Name: _____

I understand and agree to all of the above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parish Acknowledgement

General Manager Signature _____ Date _____

Music for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 14 & 15, 2017

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499 Go Make a Difference (Sunday 5:00 p.m.)

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Sundays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Groups meet in the ballroom.

See more info in future bulletins.

– Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator • kyle@sjecc.com

CYO & CAO Concert Series 2017-2018 Season Kicks Off November 9



Join us as we kick off OUR CONCERT SERIES with our November 9 Concert for Flute and Piano with renown Flutist Angela Massey and Pianist Dean Zhang.



The internationally acclaimed duo will present a thrilling and memorable performance. Angela Massey's debut album has been described as "beautiful and enchanting, the performances on this CD are magical!" and Dr. Zhang has been praised by "The Miami Herald" as "a powerful keyboard player" with a "smooth, fluid touch at the keyboard, bringing maximum expressiveness." The program, "Night Soliloquy," will include works featuring each performer as well as Paul Taffanel's exhilarating Fantasia on "Der Freischütz."

Flutist Angela Massey and Pianist Dean Zhang in Concert November 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room. Concert is FREE, but space is limited. To reserve your spot call the office at 239.566.8740 or go online at sjecc.com to get your free ticket.

CONCERT SEASON:

A Cozy Christmas. Your St. John Soloists, Choir, and CYO teachers will perform their favorite Christmas songs complete with a Christmas Carol Sing-a-long at the end. Cozy up with some hot chocolate and cookies and enjoy the music of the season. **December 16, 2017**

Philip Borter Cello Concert ~ January 25, 2018 • Paradise Coastman Barbershop Quartet ~ February 6, 2018

Annual Broadway Concert~ February 24, 2018 • Garlic and Gaelic Festival~ March 3 & 4, 2018

Dan Heck Quartet Jazz Concert~ April 12, 2018

For more info on the concert series, email: jennine@sjecc.com

ENCOUNTER ON THE MOUNTAIN

Let us come together as a community and take time away from the stress of our lives for a beautiful night of prayer, music, and adoration. Everyone is welcome...THIS IS A TIME FOR YOU. It will be a spiritual and peaceful night of praise and worship music by Jennine Fuentes, our teens, and our NET music ministers with confession and intercessory prayer available.

St. John the Evangelist (Church)

625 111th Avenue North,
Naples, FL

**6:30 pm
Saturday,
November 11, 2017**

- Adoration
- Confession
- Praise and Worship

Divine Gift Boutique Returns to Winter Season Schedule Sunday, November 5

The Divine Gift Boutique will revert to its winter season schedule effective Sunday, November 5. The religious gift shop will be open Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

If interested in volunteering in the gift shop, contact Elaine at 566.8740.

The Divine Gift Boutique is located across from the restrooms.

A Simple Gesture: Next Drop Off Is Weekend of December 9-10

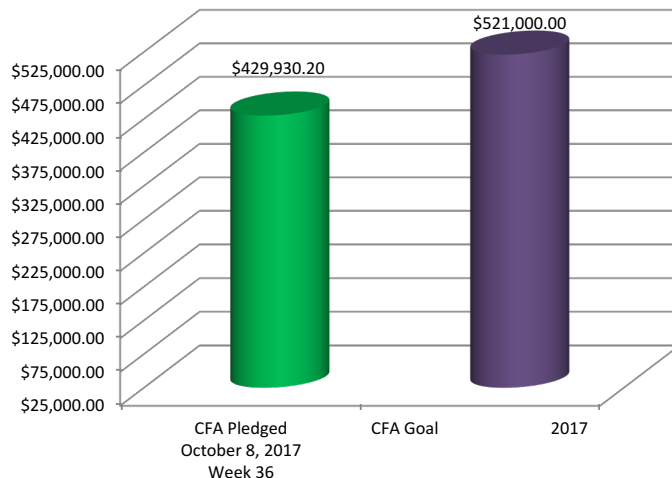
The next drop off weekend for the "A Simple Gesture" bags of food is the weekend of December 9-10. If you are going to be out of town that weekend, the bags may be turned in to the Parish Office prior to that date. Additional bags are available in the Parish Office for anyone who wants a bag.

As part of the program, "A Simple Gesture", the bags are filled and returned every other month. The food in the bags is donated to St. Vincent de Paul, St. Matthew's House and Guadalupe Social Services. For more information, please visit our website:

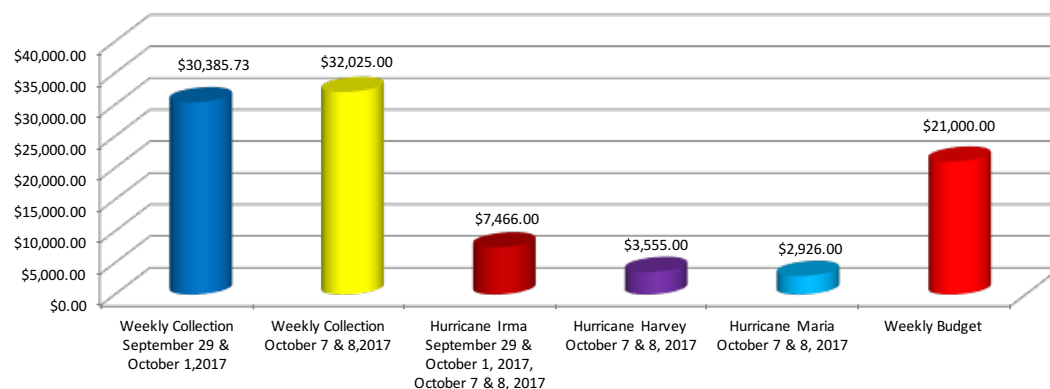
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CFA Summary



Weekly Collection Summary



New 40 Days for Life App Now Available

Download the new 40 Days for Life app on your smartphone's App Store (Apple) or Google Play (Android) or at <https://40daysforlife.com/app>. The fall campaign runs through November 5 outside of the Planned Parenthood facilities in Sarasota and Fort Myers. Info at: Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org

The Word & Life


Isaiah 25:6-10A

Psalms 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Matthew 22:1-14

Ready for the Feast

 Our Scriptures today are a continuation of last week's teaching. In today's parable, Jesus is clearly teaching that many had been invited to the wedding feast but refused to come. The invitation was eventually extended to anyone who wished to come. However, once they had accepted the invitation they had to prepare themselves accordingly to attend the wedding feast. The parable of the wedding mirrors the reluctance of humanity to accept the will of God. The servants sent out to summon the guests are the prophets. The invited guests are the religious classes and the chosen people who follow the precepts of the law. They refuse the invitation to engage in this new radical life that Jesus was offering them. The final group of guests is the sinners and the poor. Once these people accept the invitation they are expected to clothe themselves accordingly in order to be worthy to attend the feast.

We are being shown that all are invited to experience the kingdom of God by engaging in the message of the gospel. However, once we are invited we must assume the responsibilities and be held accountable for what the kingdom expects of us. The image of the wedding garment is not about educating us as to the importance of the outward appearances, rather it points to the inner dispositions of who we are. If we are to clothe ourselves in anything, we must clothe ourselves in Christ and his teaching of compassion and mercy. Once our attitudes and choices reflect the life of Christ, we will be ready for the feast.

Reflection Questions

1. Why has humanity refused God's invitation throughout history?
2. What is important about the last invitation issued by the king?
3. What does the wedding feast and garment represent?
4. How has God invited you to participate in the wedding feast?
5. How do you clothe yourself in Jesus Christ?
6. Name the ways in which people can experience God's feast in today's world?

People have traditionally used our gospel today to point out the appropriateness of clothing for church services. While it is important that we make an effort to wear dignified clothing for the celebration of the Eucharist, this is not the point that Jesus makes. When we come to share in the Eucharist, we enter into linear time and stand on the edge of eternity. We become one with one another and with those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. God is not necessarily looking at our outward appearances. Rather, God looks at what is in our hearts and at the reality of our lives. The Lord sees how we respond to his call to make his kingdom known through our words and actions. God holds us accountable for the gift of life that he has given us. We have the opportunity to reach out to others in a way that Christ would reach out to them. In following the call, we will most certainly etch these achievements into the Book of Life. Jesus tells us at the end of the gospel that many are called to hear

the message: his message, but few are chosen. Christ's message has been proclaimed to millions of people around the world. The way in which we attend to God's Word and respond to others with the attitude of Christ will determine whether or not we are to be considered to be the chosen ones of God. Our free will gives us the choice to say yes or no to the invitation — to clothe ourselves in Christ and secure our place at the banquet table of eternal life.

The gospel requires that we live in freedom, but also calls us to live with mercy. Kindness and goodness are the hallmarks of God's reign and his Kingdom. These are the qualities of a true disciple. Is it possible that we will see people in the Kingdom of Heaven who may never have professed that Jesus is Lord? Of course it is! The inner dispositions of the human heart are evidence to God of one's worthiness to enter into God's dwelling place. Jesus' public ministry demonstrated how people were to live in right relationship and treat one another with dignity and respect. Of course he desired that people know him, and in knowing him come to experience the One who sent him. However, there are several reasons why someone may not know Christ. Those who do not know Christ yet live exemplary lives come to know something of God's goodness and truth. If non-Christians contribute to the building of a civilization of love, their efforts do not go unrecognized. Such people in clothing themselves in goodness and mercy will be seen dressed appropriately to join in God's Feast!

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



Prayer

As we journey through life, inspire us to make known your kingdom in a world waiting for love. May our lives reflect the vocation of our baptism to be people of charity and concern. Help us to be the prophetic voice of the Spirit in situations that need to hear your voice. Let us always remember that our story does not end with the kingdoms of this world, but in the kingdom that we yearn and pray for. Amen.

Wisdom of the Fathers

“One might ask: ***How is the kingdom of God found?*** Each of us has a particular path. For some, the encounter with Jesus is awaited, desired, long sought after... For others it happens suddenly, almost by accident, as in the parable of the peasant. This reminds us that God lets Himself be found, because it is He who first wants to meet us, and first tries to meet us. He came to be “**God with us.**” And Jesus is with us, He is here today. “When you come together in my name, I am with you.” The Lord is here, with us, among us. It is He who seeks us and makes Himself discoverable, even for those who do not seek him. Sometimes He lets Himself be found in unusual places and unexpected times. When Jesus is discovered, one is fascinated, conquered, and it is a joy to leave our usual way of life, sometimes dry and apathetic, to embrace the Gospel, to be guided by the new logic of love and of humble and disinterested service. The Word of Jesus, the Gospel.

How is the kingdom of God possessed? On this point, Jesus is very clear: enthusiasm, the joy of discovery, is not enough... we must put God first in our lives, prefer Him to everything. Giving primacy to God means having the courage to say no to evil, violence, oppression, living instead a life of service to others and in favor of the law and the common good. When a person finds God, the true treasure, they leave a selfish lifestyle and look to share with others the love that comes from God. Whoever becomes a friend of God loves his brothers, is committed to



Pope Francis greets the crowd during his general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican October 8, 2014. (Catholic News Service photo/Paul Haring)

safeguarding their lives and their health, also respecting the environment and nature... This is particularly important in your beautiful land that needs to be protected and preserved. It requires you to have the courage to say no to any form of corruption and lawlessness, it requires everyone to be servants of the truth and to assume every situation in the style of the living Gospel, which is manifested in the gift of self and attention to the poor and the excluded.”

— Pope Francis Homily on July 27th, 2014, Vatican City

Faith Formation

2017-2018 School Year

Faith Formation Updates

We are happy to announce that our Faith Formation Classes will begin on Sunday, October 22 from 9:15-10:45 a.m. and Wednesday, October 25 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Parents are invited to meet their child's teacher and arrive early on the first day of class. Meet the Teacher begins at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 22 and 5:15 p.m. on October 25. Opening day updates will be published soon.

High School Confirmation

We were excited to have our first session last Sunday, with over 125 Youth preparing for Confirmation and 14 Youth High School leaders serving alongside our NET Missionaries and High School Catechists. A special thank you to our High School Lead Catechists, Dr. and Mrs. Michelle D'Agostino, Ben and Theresa Weber, Donna Boucher and Peggy Aune. During the evening, Jennine Fuentes led us in song and parents had an opportunity to learn more about the program. Thank you also to JP Boucher, Jack Kindsvater, Luz Luzano, Kyle VanDuser, Denise Helm and Michelle Guadagno for their leadership as well.

High School Confirmation Upcoming Class Dates

Sunday Morning Sessions 9:15-10:45 a.m.

Sunday Evening Sessions 6:05-7:30 p.m.

October 22, 2017

Saturday, November 4, 2017 Youth Rally

November 12, 2017

December 3, 2017

December 10, 2017

January 7, 2018

January 21, 2018

February 11, 2018

February 25, 2018

March 4, 2018

March 18, 2018

March 23, & 24, 2018 Retreat

April 8, 2018

April 22, 2018

April 29, 2018

May 6, 2018

Teen Discipleship Leaders

We are excited to have added Teen Discipleship Leaders to our Confirmation Team this year. The 14 high school juniors and seniors are dedicated young men and women who have offered to give of their time and talents to accompany our youth preparing for Confirmation. Our teen leaders met at BRK Pizza with Fr. John, Lead Catechists and the NET team for fellowship and encouragement as we prepared to start the year. Fr. John welcomed the youth and thanked them for their commitment and willingness to serve. We are very blessed to have as part of our team:

DJ Bowers

Madison Campbell

Zacahry Casella

Alex Farrell

Francesca Haskins

Julia McDonald

Sierra Studer

Jennifer Bublitz

Hope Casella

Michael Dina

Francesca Goduti

Macie MacDonald

Emily Schwarz

Madisyn Tedrow



Registration Forms for 2017-2018 are available online at www.sjecc.com.

If you are interested in volunteering in our Faith Formation ministry, please contact Natalie at Natalie@sjecc.com.

Faith Formation Office Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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

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Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Fall 2017 Adult Faith Formation

Hurricane Irma's Impact Is Behind Us

The Full Fall 2017 Adult Faith Formation Programs Are Ahead

The Claussen Family Center and Parish Activity Center have been cleared for use.

Here is the detailed schedule for the next two weeks:

This Week's Complete Schedule:

Tuesday, October 17 ~ Becoming Catholic – Inquiry (RCIA)

~ 7:00 p.m., Adult Space

Wednesday, October 18 ~ The Bible Timeline, *Divided*

Kingdom, Part 1 ~ 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Seminar Room

Thursday, October 19 ~ Women of the Word, *Prophets,*

Jonah ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Friday, October 20 ~ Meditation - Intermediate ~ 11:30

a.m., Seminar Room

Sunday, October 22 ~ Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible,

Introduction ~ 9:15 a.m., Rome Room

Next Week's Complete Schedule:

Tuesday, October 24 ~ Your Spiritual Gifts ~ 4:30 p.m.,

Seminar Room

Becoming Catholic – Inquiry (RCIA) ~ 7:00 p.m., Adult

Space

Wednesday, October 25 ~ The Bible Timeline, *Divided*

Kingdom, Part 2 ~ 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Seminar Room

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, *Introduction* ~ 5:30

p.m., Seminar Room

Thursday, October 26 ~ Women of the Word, *Prophets,*

Isaiah, Part 1 ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Friday, October 27 ~ Meditation - Intermediate ~ 11:30

a.m., Seminar Room

Sunday, October 29 ~ Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible,

Early World ~ 9:15 a.m., Rome Room

Featured Program Beginning This Week

If you have not participated in a Bible Study in the past, this is the one for you to begin this week!

As a Catholic regularly attending Mass, you know more of the Bible than you may think, BUT without the context provided in this study it is difficult to connect the dots. Join others as they **UNLOCK the MYSTERY of the BIBLE**. This eight-week quick overview helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture so that you can get the “big picture” of the Bible and understand what it is all about; *it's like flying over the story at 30,000 feet.*



Key people and events that advance the story are highlighted so that you aren't overwhelmed with too much at once.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible begins Sunday at 9:15 a.m. and the same material will be repeated the following Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

You can attend either session, or Wednesdays some weeks and Sundays other weeks.

Featured Program Beginning Next Week

YOUR SPIRITUAL CHARISMS AND GIFTS — a Bible and Catechism Study where you can learn how you are uniquely spiritual gifted, what the Bible and the Catechism teach us about Spiritual Gifts (Charisms), and about your unique spiritual giftedness.

“The Church is neither democratic nor aristocratic — it is charismatic—and this is where its power comes from.” — Bishop Robert Barron 08/27/2017

When we function in the Holy Spirit, we are our “*True Selves*”, according to Thomas Merton. We no longer live through our egos, but through the Holy Spirit. There is no greater joy than living life in the Holy Spirit (from your Spiritual Center).

The Church is One Body (The Body of Christ). Just as the human body has many parts with different functions, the **Church** has different parts with different individuals having different functions for the Church to grow and thrive. (1 Cor. 12: 12-31)

Beginning Tuesday October 24 at 4:30 p.m.

Each session will include a brief Scripture reading, a silent meditative prayer, discussion, a short lecture on DVD, and a closing prayer.

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

October 15, 2017 ~ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Life Line Screening Will Be at St. John on Thursday, November 9

Taking preventive steps such as making lifestyle changes and getting health screening may help you avoid a stroke or other serious health events in the future. Early intervention is important.

If you are over 50, if you have diabetes, high cholesterol or high blood pressure, or if you have a family history of stroke or heart disease, you may be at risk, even if you feel great. Actually four out of five people who suffer a stroke have no apparent symptoms and nearly 30% of strokes occur under the age of 65. The good news is that according to the National Stroke Association, 80% of strokes can be prevented.

Life Screening gives five reasons to get screened:

- Stroke is the leading cause of serious, long term disability and the 5th leading cause of death in the U.S.
- Each year nearly 800,000 people experience a new or recurrent stroke. On average that's a stroke every 40 seconds.
- Most people who have strokes and aneurysms do not experience symptoms. Waiting for symptoms can be deadly
- Roughly 12 million Americans suffer from Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD), otherwise known as

hardening of the arteries in the legs. People with PAD are 4 to 5 times more likely to die of a heart attack.

- Life Line Screening offers painless, affordable, non-invasive preventive health screenings to help you identify YOUR risk.

Life Screening will on the St. John campus on Thursday, November 9. Pre-registration is required.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes four vascular tests from \$139 (\$129 with our member discount). The screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle

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Winter 2018 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes

We are offering the following classes starting next January. Please register as soon as possible to ensure that your class of interest is offered.

CYO:

Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning January 13
Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning January 13
Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning January 9
Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning January 12
Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning January 14
Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 4pm beginning January 10
Theater and Acting Saturdays at 10am beginning January 13
Improv Comedy Monday's at 6:45pm beginning January 8
Art and Painting for Elementary Age students Saturdays at 9am beginning September 9
Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning January 13



CAO:

Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning January 9
Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning January 12
Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning January 13
Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning January 10
Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning January 8
Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning January 13



Register online on our website: www.sjecc.com or at the Parish Office! Don't miss out on these special Winter classes offered just for you!

Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

OPEN HOUSE AND GUIDED TOURS

FALL OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH 3:00 PM

WINTER OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST 3:00 PM

- GUIDED TOURS & DIRECT INTERACTION WITH FACULTY, COACHES, AND STUDENTS
- INFORMATION FAIR, REFRESHMENTS & FACULTY AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
- RSVP PREFERRED, WALK-INS WELCOME

RSVP OR SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

PLEASE CONTACT KATHY SANDERSON AT (239) 455-3044 OR EMAIL ADMISSIONS@SJNCELTICS.ORG

Next Magnificat Breakfast November 4 at the Holiday Inn Airport, Fort Myers

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, November 4, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers.

The speaker is Father David Tickerhoof. Father was assigned to the Franciscan University of Steubenville in 1968, baptized in the Spirit by the end of 1969 and stayed at the University until 1990. He taught theology, was the chaplain, directed campus ministry, Renewal Center director, and leader in the lay community the Servants of God's Love. Here he began to see the value and necessity of small growth groups and fellowships for the Church of the future. He also lived in Ann Arbor, MI at The Word of God ecumenical community, and the Servants of the Word, an ecumenical brotherhood, and was assigned to South Dakota to work with the Sioux Native Americans for sixteen years. He currently lives at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in Sarasota. He has written a series of reflections, now a small book, that contains the vision and principles for a way of life in our post-modern world, which invites those who are seeking "the more" to consider living a fuller experience of being a Merciful Penitent in the New Creation. This involves living a rich, joy-filled life, embracing a generous anointing and empowerment in the Holy Spirit for the purpose of ministering in the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Your September 9 payment will be applied to this

breakfast or call Sue Ellen Nolan at 248.330.7276.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Joanne Tarantino, 7768 Jewel Lane, Naples, FL 34109, 239.200.8592, or Barbara Tay, 20230 Burnside Place #1703, Estero, FL 33928, 646.296.2335. Requests must be postmarked by October 27.



"Keep Christ in Christmas"

Help to "Keep Christ in Christmas" by sending religious Christmas cards.

The Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring an evangelization program designed to emphasize the real meaning of Christmas through the sale of Christmas cards. There will be a large assortment of cards available after each Mass in front of the church.



Buy early to get the best selection.

Annual Vocation Dinner Dance

Friday, November 17, 2017 • 6:00 p.m.



Please join us to support our Seminarians
and to honor and thank the priests of our Diocese
at Saint John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom
625 11th Ave. N, Naples, FL 34108

A night of fun, food, dancing and entertainment!

Dinner by "Frisco's" • Music by "Legends of Las Vegas"

Open Bar • Silent Auction

Tickets: \$40.00 per person ~ Available after all weekend Masses.

Dress Code: Jacket and Tie Requested



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Tickets can be purchased after all weekend Masses beginning October 21-22,
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