

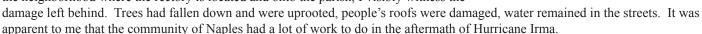
We Are Safe. "Be Not Afraid." - Fr. John

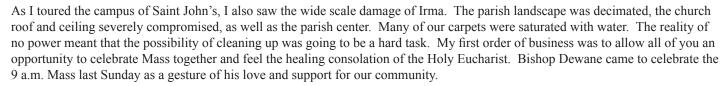
September 17th, 2017

Dear Friends of Saint John the Evangelist Parish,

Over the past several weeks, we have witnessed the destructive power of nature as we have watched people's lives devastated by the recent storms in Texas, the islands in the Caribbean, and now in our State of Florida. Many of you evacuated to avoid Hurricane Irma and some of you stayed to brave the storm. I followed the path of Irma for the last several days of my vacation. I spent a lot of time thinking and praying for each one of you. As Hurricane Irma past through Naples, I spent several anxious hours watching her path. I feared the worse as I listened to weather reports as I sat in the living room of my mother's apartment in England. My worry was not so much rooted in physical buildings, but the temple built of living stones – that is to say, all of you. I returned to Naples after midnight on Tuesday, my flight was one of the first to fly into Fort Myers.

On Wednesday morning, I called Jean-Paul Boucher, our parish manager, to inquire about everyone's safety. I was happy to hear that everyone was ok. As I drove through the neighborhood where the rectory is located and onto the parish, I visibly witness the





In the weeks ahead, many of us are faced with the task of dealing with damages from this storm. For many, this is a daunting task and will require a lot of energy to turn things around. Let us not lose sight of the fact that we are now all safe. For this, we give God thanks! Saint John the Evangelist Parish will remain strong in the months ahead. As a community of faith, we will reach out to those who have been severely impacted by Hurricane Irma. We have already set up a relief station for Catholic Charities at the entrance of our church building. Donations of food, water, and monetary gifts will help the poorest of the poor on our own doorstep.

Please know that you are all in my heart and prayers. I will continue to offer you the support and resources of the parish as best I can in the future. The parish offices and campus will open as soon as power returns to the area. Mass will be celebrated as normal. In the words of Sacred Scripture, I encourage you all, "Be not afraid!" May God grant you his healing presence and those you love.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. John, Pastor

Please see pages 6 and 7 for details of how St. John is responding to the need in Immokalee.



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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.

Parish Information... Operational

PARISH CLERGY



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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

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.

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.



September 24, 2017

"God Promises to Make Something Good Out of the Storms that Bring Devastation to Your Life." — Romans 8:28



A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Irma Bends But Does Not Break SJE

I hope you have been able to follow our efforts over the past two weeks, starting with preparing for Hurricane Irma, through the impact of the storm, and now into our recovery efforts. The Parish Family of Saint John the Evangelist is blessed with many gifts, and one of those gifts is our campus. We did sustain damage as the eye wall passed directly over our church. The power of the hurricane impacted every facet of our campus, snapping palm trees in half and tearing at our church roof. We are continuing to assess and repair the damage we have found, and will continue to keep you updated on our progress.

The delays we had from the County on our new Life Center project could not have been more divinely inspired, however. We had not begun any work that certainly would have been destroyed by the storm. Instead, we are moving forward with the construction effort now, including laying the foundation and preparing for the delivery of our preengineering metal building components, occurring next week. God is with us, for sure, and is helping us with our efforts on all fronts of our Parish Family.

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*





MASS INTENTIONS... AND SAINT OF THE WEEK

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

September 23, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM SI Barbara Ullman

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Charles Price 5:00 PM + Peter Acerbi

September 24, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM SI Robert Rieland
9:00 AM + John Sadlier
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Maria Bernardes
5:00 PM + Christine & Anthony Mello

September 25, 2017 Monday

8:30 AM + Bob DeVille

September 26, 2017 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Gerald Mitchell

September 27, 2017 Wednesday

8:30 AM + Ned Leibig 6:30 PM + Frederick Willshire

September 28, 2017 Thursday

8:30 AM + Phil Machling

September 29, 2017 Friday

8:30 AM + Marty Welzmuller

September 30, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Carmen Rosario

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Charlie McElroy

5:00 PM + Michael & Angela Rose Carolla

October 1, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Vincent Conlon
9:00 AM + Serraino Family
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Mary Ann Dubois
5:00 PM SI Barbara Ullman

saint of the week



We celebrate the Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul on September 27.

Vincent de Paul was born to a peasant family in France in 1580. Although he later achieved fame for his dedication to the poor, his early life was spent attempting to escape his humble roots. His family shared his ambition, hoping that a career in the priesthood would better the family fortune. On one occasion, while he was still in the seminary, he refused to see his father who had come to visit him because he felt embarrassed by the shabbiness of his father's appearance. Vincent became a priest at the

young age of 19, and he spent most of his early priesthood mingling with members of the elite. He was very well liked because of his charm, intelligence, and sense of humor

In 1605, Vincent was returning home by boat from a trip. He had been on his way to sell some property he had received in an inheritance from a wealthy patron. While travelling, he was captured by pirates, who brought him to Tunis in Northern Africa. He was sold into slavery and he remained a slave for two years. During this time, he prayed to God, telling Him that if his life would be spared and he was freed, he would devote the rest of his life to the service of the poor.

After his eventual escape from Africa, Vincent served a church in rural France. The poverty he found there shocked him — it was not uncommon for people who were unable to find work in his poor community to die from starvation. He began to take stock of his resources, and his former connections with the wealthy and influential led him to seek their financial assistance. He met with affluent friends and inspired them to organize into groups going from house to house requesting furniture, food and clothing. They were extremely successful in their efforts, and other parishes began to seek him out to learn how they could organize in the same way. Soon, churches all over France were using the same techniques Vincent had created to help their neighbors in need.

As time went by, Vincent realized that the mistakes of his young life, especially his focus on wealth and fame, had been caused by a poor faith foundation. As a result, he founded an order of priests, the Vincentians, who received thorough training and who pledged to devote their lives to the spiritual and material needs of the poor. Later, along with Louise de Marillac, he founded the Sisters of Charity. He then expanded his work, founding hospitals, orphanages and homes for people who were mentally ill. He also devoted his last years to serving prisoners and slaves, sharing with them his story of hope as a former slave himself. He was very well known throughout Europe in his own time. He died on September 27, 1660, and he was made a saint in 1737.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was not founded until more than 150 years after St. Vincent's death. When Frederic Ozanam founded the Society, he named it after St. Vincent de Paul. Ozanam was devoted to St. Vincent, who is the patron saint of charitable societies, and he modeled the Society on his call to "see Christ in the poor and to be Christ to the poor". The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue to honor his life and legacy.

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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.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

October 1, 2017 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

The Life Chain is a "chain" of people showing their support for life on a public sidewalk. We pray for an end to abortion and for God's intervention to heal our community and our nation. Bring your entire family. You can also bring water, a chair and an umbrella if you wish. Stay for the entire time or for as long as you can.

Parking is available at **ST. WILLIAM CHURCH** parking lot. Signs will be available starting at 1:30 p.m. at **ST. WILLIAM MINISTRY CENTER** at 750 Seagate Drive, Naples. We will line up on Highway 41 and Seagate.

Contact Rosemary Erickson at 239.250.0432 with questions.

The Season of Creation: September 1 - October 4

The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** (September 1) and the **Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi** (October 4). This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live." (Pope Francis, "Letter of His Holiness")



Pope Francis For the Establishment of the 'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation," September 1, 2015)

Below are some ways to live out these three dimensions of Pope Francis' call, both as individuals and as a community. This week we present the second dimension.

Here are a few suggestions from the Diocese of Stockton, California on how to care for creation:

- Buy Fair Trade products to support local artisans and farmers and protect the environment.
- Store food in reusable containers, not plastic wrap or foil, to reduce waste.
- Avoid using Styrofoam at your parish functions.
 Styrofoam can rarely be recycled, and it takes 500 years to decompose in landfills!

(Excerpted from "10 Practical Ways You Can Care for Creation" on *togoforth.org*. To see more, please visit *http://bit.ly/YOC-VT*.

"There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."

-Pope Francis *Laudato Si'*, no. 219

2. Thank God for His Wonderful Handiwork



As individuals and families:

Meal Prayer

Before and after meals, say a short prayer of thanksgiving for the life-giving food that sustains and nourishes us. Briefly contemplate the journey that your food has taken to reach your plate, for all nourishment ultimately comes from the earth. Give thanks for all the human hands that helped bring this food to your table. May we recognize, as *Laudato*

Si' has taught us, that this "moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life" (no. 227).

As a community: Eucharistic Adoration

One of the most meaningful ways we give thanks as Christians is through the sacrament of the Eucharist, a word which means "thanksgiving." As Laudato Si' proclaims, through "the Eucharist, the whole cosmos gives thanks to God" (no. 236). To celebrate this sacred reality during the Season of Creation, we recommend hosting a one-hour, care for creation-themed eucharistic adoration in your parish. Please visit bit.ly/PCJP-EA to access a resource created by the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace for this purpose. For more resources related to care of creation, please visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on the Environment at **usccb.org/environment.**

- See more on "The Season of Creation" next week.

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Parish Mission & Life

#ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Hurricane Irma Bring Out the Best in Our Parish Family

A member of our Parish Family had a direct and powerful impact in Immokalee this past week during Hurricane Irma and its aftermath. Ben Weber is an Assistant Principal at Immokalee High School. He assisted with the establishment of the Red Cross Emergency Shelter within the school. He was inspired to write this letter to St. John:

Parish family,

I hope and pray that you are on the road to recovery from any damage left by Hurricane Irma. I realize that all of us saw varying degrees of impact to our lives, homes, businesses, even our parish campus. During this recovery time, please do not forget some of the poorest in our neighboring community of Immokalee. Having worked in *Immokalee for the past six years, I have witnessed just how* special the community is, as well as the need that is present there. As many as 500 people have been staying in shelters after the storm passed because they have nowhere else to go. Others are attempting to continue living in apartments that have lost their roofs. These are fathers who cannot shelter their families and mothers who are not able to feed their children. Some do not have the means to travel or family to put them up. We can all understand that "calling FEMA" is not the immediate solution that is needed for these neighbors. Funds are useful, but this community also needs our time, our hands, and our prayers.

May God bless you for your charity.

Ben Weber



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



Ben's call is one that our Parish Family has already begun to respond to. Our Donation Service has been running all week long, and has brought truckloads of urgently needed supplies to Immokalee and Golden Gate. We have partnered with Catholic Charities and the Guadalupe Center to distribute the gifts of our parish to those in critical situations. Our Donation Center will be open 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. every single day until the needs are met in our community. We are collecting all nonperishables, but especially needed are: water, diapers, baby wipes, underwear, and socks.

This weekend's second collection will be used to support these efforts so that every dollar goes to direct support of everyone in need in our local community. I want to thank the Jamaica Outreach Program for allowing us to utilize this weekend for Hurricane Irma relief services instead of their standard second collection. If you are able to contribute directly to the relief efforts, please put "Hurricane Irma Relief", or "Guadalupe Social Services Shelter" on your check or on our online giving.

As of this writing, we do not have power on our campus. It has been a trying time for all of us individually and as a Parish Family, but as Fr. John has said, these are just buildings, what is most important is that we are safe, healthy, and together. For me, I could not be prouder of how we have all responded together to lift each other up in this crisis and continue to help everyone in need around us.

God Bless You All!







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Parish Mission & Life











CATHOLIC CHARITIES HURRICANE IRMA RELIEF CENTERS



Catholic Charities, Diocese

of Venice, Inc. has opened 12 hurricane relief centers. The centers are open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All sites need water, non-perishable food, gift cards, diapers, home cleaning supplies, and volunteers. Anyone interested in providing support or items can contact the center.

Three of the centers are:

BONITA SPRINGS

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. In Bonita Springs

St. Leo the Great Parish

28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Office Phone: 239.390.2928 Contact Person: Chuck Anderson Cell Phone: 239.738.8678

IMMOKALEE

Guadalupe Social Services of Catholic Charities

211 S. 9th Street, Immokalee, FL 34142

Office Phone: 239.657.6242 Contact: Peggy Rodriguez Cell Phone: 239.986.0563

NAPLES

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. in Collier County

2210 Santa Barbara Blvd., Naples, FL 34116

Office Phone: 239.455.2655 Contact Person: Mary Shaughnessy

Cell Phone: 239.248.6675

If you would like to make a donation, please mail a check to:

CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC.

5824 Bee Ridge Road Pmb 409 Sarasota, FL 34233-5065

or visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org.

THANK YOU to everyone who has provided assistance!

FEMA EMERGENCY HOUSING

FEMA is offering emergency housing for free for up to 90 days. There is no pre-requisite information required to receive assistance. Call 866.545.9865 to apply for emergency housing. or https://www.disasterassistance.gov/

Other Resources:

St Vincent dePaul Society: 239.775.1667

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

PARISH 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 Sjostrom: 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:

Barbara Kuryea: payables1@comcast.net or 239.513.9952

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 Squittieri: 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, 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: 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 yearround 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 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

Thnk you for your understanding.

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

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Juliette: Lysack

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239.352.1860

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PRAYER LIST

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

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| Baby Declan Aigner | Krista Leigh Kozowyk | Lloyd Sample |
| Mary Alligood | Rene Lacoste | Lisa Sanfelippo |
| Kaylee B | Jean Lydon | Shelia Scaduto |
| Jean Balliro | M.M. | Gary Schutebach |
| Beagan Family | Diane Maloney | Thomas Sissman |
| Richard Becker | Margie Lynch | John Smith |
| Gallen Boardman | Maria and Family | Avery Smithies |
| Lori Breyman | Barbara Marsh | Nancy Stewart |
| Caeleigh Brown | Donna Massee | William Strouse |
| Connie Cahill | Kevin McDonagh | Edward Sullivan |
| Kathy Conley | J. McG | Jeannie Sullivan |
| Corinne & Children | Paul McIntyre | Carol Swank |
| Lauren Carr | Cynthia McLemore | Rita Taranto |
| Frank Comeriato | Carolyn McNichols | William J. Teplica |
| Anthony D'Antuono | Anne Michaels | Isaiah Thompson |
| Mark DaBronzo | Eileen Miner | Marilyn Thyen |
| Donald Demski | Lorrie Morrison | Helen Thornburg |
| Florence Demski | Bettina Nugent | JoAnn Tinevra |
| F.W. | Emma O'Rourke | Jim Tucker |
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| Tara Follese & Family | Michael Paul | Mike Walsman |
| Jeff Gatt | Anne Perrino | Dan Ward |
| George Gonser Jr. | Geno Pesce | Bernadette White |
| Jayne Hagg | Ann Petrillo | Kirsten Wills |
| Gerard Heyer | Irene Pires | Nancy Wise |
| Rosie Heyer | Renee Rake | |
| Donald Howe | Ruth Rechtsteiner | |
| Donald Hudec | Ellen Roberts | |

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| Prayer List Participant: | | CATHOLIC CHURCH |
| Contact Phone Number: | Contact Name: | |
| I understand and agree to all of the above. | | |
| Signature | | Date |

Parish Acknowledgement

General Manager Signature

SAINT JOHN

All Parishioners Are Invited to Taping of Two Masses Here at St. John



The taping of two Masses for the Diocese of Venice will begin at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 28 at Saint John the Evangelist. The Masses are televised for those who are unable to attend Sunday Masses in one of the parishes of the Diocese.

The first Mass taped will be the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also World Mission Sunday and will air October 22. Fr. John will be the celebrant. The second Mass taped will be the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time and will air November 12. Fr. Paul will be the celebrant. All parishioners are invited to attend one or both of the Mass tapings.

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.

"Evangelist" Bulletin Tries Out New Look; We Want Your Input

As you hopefully have noticed, we have been trying out new design ideas and features this month for the weekly bulletin. You will see some changes in design and color, presentation and content. Some things may be subtle, while others will be more obvious. We want the bulletin to be informative, easy to read and pleasing to the eye.

This is bulletin change #3.

We welcome your comments and suggestions. If there is something you like or don't like in the bulletin, no matter how small or how big, let us know. You may like bits and pieces from several different bulletins.

If you would like to suggest or offer ideas for inclusion in the bulletin, let us know that as well. All suggestions will be considered.

Send all comments and suggestions to the email below.

Remember, the bulletin is for you.

- Kathy Sims, Bulletin Editor *kathys@sjecc.com*

Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Six

The Spiritual Adoption Program is heading into the sixth month. Your commitment is to pray a short prayer daily through Christmas.

MONTH 6 - Developing Baby — "I'm sitting up straight now!"

Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully



now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds. She sits up straight now to accommodate her internal organs which have moved into their final place in her little body. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very

good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Don't forget to pray for your baby. Abortion is legal through all nine months and her mom might still feel pressure to abort.

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John is Friday, October 20 at 8:30 a.m. This Mass will be celebrated in special observance of the life of Jesus in the womb of our Blessed Mother. For a complete schedule of the Novena of Masses for Life, check the diocesan website at: www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.

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, once power has been restored to our St. John campus and we can get up and running again.

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

| Music for the 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 23 & 24, 2017 | | | |
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| Readings: Pag | e 205 | | |
| Entrance Hymn: | 545 | Glory and Praise to Our God | |
| Preparation Hymn: | 457 | Shepherd Me, O God | |
| Communion Hymns: | 351 | The Supper of the Lord | |
| | 488 | Center of My Life | |
| Closing Hymn: | 190 | Holy God, We Praise Thy Name | |

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, September 24, 2017: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song 308 In This Place

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Verse 1) Everyone needs compassion, Love that's never failing; let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness,

The kindness of a Savior, the hope of nations:

Verse 2) So take me as you find me,

All my fears and failures; fill my life again.

I give my life to follow

Everything I believe in, now I surrender: (to Chorus)

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

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

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

Closing Song 628 Lead Me Lord

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year A

Isaiah 55:6-9 Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Philippians 1:20C-24, 27A Matthew 20:1-16A

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Seeking a Generous God

veryone wants to be treated fairly and with justice. In our dealings with those in our family, with our friends, and with people in church or society, we expect that they will grant us the dignity of being fair. Today's gospel contradicts the world's sense of fairness. It seems extremely unfair that those who worked long hours should receive the same pay as the ones who came at the last hour. How many of us would put up with this scenario? What we have to remember is that through this parable, Jesus is teaching us to go deeper into the reality of God. The parable demonstrates how God summons people into His kingdom at various times and places. God calls people in every season. He is always at work, ready to seek out what is lost and to offer salvation. God offers the gift of eternal life and it is never too late to accept His invitation. Such is God's generosity — that he is ready to love and forgive even in the eleventh hour.

The message for us is that God's ways are clearly not our ways, neither are his thoughts our thoughts. We are always invited to turn to God who is gracious and forgiving. It takes longer for some people to recognize the Giver in the midst of the gifts of life. Most of us can easily give witness to the ways in which God has manifested Himself to us, and how we have responded to Him. Even though some of us may have been totally dismissive of God's will in our lives, certain events take place or certain people enter our lives to remind us that God's redemption is forever at work and that He is calling us to right relationship with Him. It may well take us or others until the eleventh hour to respond to the grace and love of God's invitation, but God offers us the gift of forgiveness and transformation nonetheless.

Reflection Questions

- 1. What is challenging about today's parable?
- 2. What does today's parable tell us about God's initiative?
- 3. How does God's mercy and justice differ from that of the world?
- 4. Name the times in which you have responded to the Lord and have neglected the Lord?
- 5. In what way do you think God will repay you for your discipleship and Christian witness?

Let us consider for a moment how the countries of our world have tried to settle international disputes. International affairs can be far removed from God's plan for unity and peace. Deadlines are necessary at times to affect change in hostile environments. But is it necessary to go to war when countries run out of time? We must discern how to create environments in which lasting peace can be secured, patiently building up trust and offering adequate time for negotiations. The example set by God is one of patience, not hurriedness. The parable demonstrates this very point. International politics are indeed complex, but we should heed the lessons of history. Although not the true way, war sometimes is very necessary. No matter what our stand, we must always pray for those young men and women who give themselves in service to their country, praying that God will keep them safe.

Those of us who are thirty or older will remember that we were asked to pray for the conversion of Russia from communism to religious freedom. Today, if we adhere to the wisdom of the gospel, we know we must pray

for the conversion of those who engage in violence and mass destruction. Prayer changes hearts, not violence. It is never too late for those who are violent to have a change of heart and to begin to love instead of hate. God waits for such individuals to enter the harvest of His love and kingdom. It is never too late for them. It takes our prayer and openness to God's generosity to allow this transformation to take place. God's ways are certainly not our ways for anything is possible for Him. In the words from Isaiah we can only pray that the scoundrel forsake his way and the wicked his thoughts.



Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your mercy and love. May all people come to know you, especially those who sin against your love. May we rejoice when the sinner returns to you and let us encourage one another to pray for those who persecute us. Amen.

Wisdom of the Fathers

"From that distant day the call of the Lord Jesus "You go into my vineyard too" never fails to resound in the course of history: it is addressed to every person who comes into this world...

You go too. The call is a concern not only of Pastors, clergy, and men and women religious. The call is addressed to everyone: lay people as well are personally called by the Lord, from whom they receive a mission on behalf of the Church and the world. In preaching to the people Saint Gregory the Great recalls this fact and comments on the parable of the laborers in the vineyard: "Keep watch over your manner of life, dear people, and make sure that you are indeed the Lord's laborers. Each person should take into account what he does and consider if he is laboring in the vineyard of the Lord."

The Pressing Needs of the World Today: "Why do you stand here idle all day?"

...A new state of affairs today both in the Church and in social, economic, political and cultural life, calls with a particular urgency for the action of the lay faithful. If lack of commitment is always unacceptable, the present time renders it even more so. *It is not permissible for anyone to remain idle*...

Since the work that awaits everyone in the vineyard of the Lord is so great there is no place for idleness. With even greater urgency the "householder" repeats his invitation: "You go into my vineyard too".



Pope John Paul II shakes hands with his wouldbe assassin, Mehmet Ali Agca, in a Rome prison December 27, 1983. Exactly 31 years after St. John Paul II personally forgave him for shooting and trying to assassinate him, Agca returned to the Vatican with a bunch of white roses and laid them at the late pope's tomb. (Catholic News Service photo/L'Osservatore Romano via EPA)

The voice of the Lord clearly resounds in the depths of each of Christ's followers, who through faith and the sacraments of Christian initiation is made like to Jesus Christ, is incorporated as a living member in the Church and has an active part in her mission of salvation. The voice of the Lord also comes to be heard through the historic events of the Church and humanity, as the Council reminds us: "The People of God believes that it is led by the Spirit of the Lord, who fills the whole world. Moved by this faith it tries to discern authentic signs of God's presence and purpose in the events, the needs, and the longings which it shares with other people of our time. For faith throws a new light on all things and makes known the full ideal to which God has called each individual, and thus guides the mind towards solutions which are fully human".

— "CHRISTIFIDELES LAICI" paragraphs 1 & 2 – Saint John Paul II

Faith Formation 2017-2018 School Year

Faith Formation Update

Dear Faith Formation Families,

My thoughts and prayers are with you all as we all try to get our lives back together after the storm. Keeping in touch with as many of you as I can, I am so happy to hear that so many families are helping other families, making donations, volunteering in recovery efforts and even sending donations through the mail! We are so blessed to have such a wonderful and supportive parish community!

As we are all in different phases of recovery, please know that the parish family at St. John is here to help you. I will continue to update you on our progress to get Faith Formation up and running. In the meantime, thank you for helping with our immediate needs and efforts to serve the community. Please reach out to me at Natalie@sjecc.com to keep in touch and let me know how your family is doing. By keeping in touch, we can help connect each other with critical needs and continue to pray for one another.

As I write this, we currently do not have power at the church and our offices are closed. We have been communicating to our Faith Formation families primarily through email. If you have not been receiving emails, you can reach out to me at Natalie@sjecc.com so that I may add you to our distribution list. We are hoping that many of our schools will reopen by Monday, September 25 and our children can get back into school and into their normal routines.

Please stay safe during your clean-up efforts and travels, for those still out of the area. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

God Bless.

Natalie Campbell Director of Religious Education 239.566.8740, ext 3909

> 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.

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Faith Formation & RCIA

Fall 2016 Adult Faith Formation Programs Overview and Schedule

UNLOCKING the MYSTERY of the BIBLE, developed by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer, provides an easy way to understand 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.



This program utilizes the Bible Timeline Chart: a simple, color-coded timeline of Bible history. It divides the entire timeline into 12 color-coded periods and then focuses on 14 books that tell the story in chronological order.

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 will be offered Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. beginning October 4 and Sundays at 9:15 a.m. beginning October 8.

These are new days and new times. You can attend either session, or Wednesdays some weeks and Sundays other weeks.



The second half of the in-depth **The BIBLE TIMELINE** study begun last
Spring will continue for those who
have completed the first part.

Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. beginning October 4. As usual, you can attend either session, or lunchtime some weeks and evening other weeks.



YOUR SPIRITUAL CHARISMS AND

GIFTS, A Bible and Catechism Study where you can learn how you are uniquely spiritually gifted, what the Bible and the Catechism teach us about Spiritual Gifts (Charisms), and about your unique spiritual giftedness.

Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. beginning October 10.

Intermediate and Advanced CHRISTIAN MEDITATION will continue for those who have previously attended an Introduction program. These sessions will explore different types of meditation and the evolution of consciousness that every human experience.



Fridays at 11:30 a.m. beginning October 13.

Explore Becoming Catholic

Anyone who would like to explore "becoming Catholic" is invited to join others in a period of inquiry. This is an informal opportunity to begin a journey that may or may not result in taking the next step toward full membership in the Catholic Church.

Bishop Robert Barron's **CATHOLICISM** program will provide the topic focus for the discussion. This groundbreaking documentary film series takes viewers around the world and deep into the Catholic faith.

Questions including what do Catholics believe, and what do Catholics do, will be addressed as they arise.

For those who choose, the next step is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (commonly abbreviated RCIA) which begins in December and culminates with the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) that are celebrated at the Easter Vigil in April.

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. beginning as soon as the Claussen Family Center reopens.

This Week's Complete Schedule will be posted at www.sjecc.com

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



Special Diocesan Hurricane Irma Collection This Weekend

September, 2017

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Hurricane Irma clearly made its presence felt in Southwest Florida and the Diocese of Venice. Further, the Hurricane hit the entire state of Florida, with significant damage to parts of the Southeastern United States and many islands in the Caribbean. While emergency outreach was immediate, the road to recovery and the rebuilding of communities will be long.

As your Pastoral leader, I have been responding to calls for assistance to help mitigate damage and assist those in greatest need. Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. has been tirelessly providing relief to those most affected. Emergency assistance is crucial since vulnerable residents are having difficulty coping. Catholic Charities has set up 12 recovery response distribution points. Still, many of the poor are facing long-term job shortages as both businesses and crops have been destroyed.

The Dioceses of the United States will be taking up an emergency collection for those impacted by Hurricane Irma. The Diocese of Venice will take part in this collection the weekend of September 23-24, 2017. These funds will be used to support humanitarian aid, assist with long-term efforts to restore communities, and for the pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church in affected areas. This comes on the heels of the emergency collection for Hurricane Harvey. It is unusual to have special collections so close; however, the damages have been so great that many need our help.

Please make your donations payable to your Parish, noting "Hurricane Irma" in the memo field. Thank you for your generosity in these difficult times!

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

Wedding Banns

*Third announcement between*Kathryn Eads and George de los Reyes, Jr.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bonita Springs Thrift Store Has Free Items for Irma Victims

We are here to help....

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bonita Springs Thrift Store has clothing, furniture, and household items for distribution to people in the Naples/Bonita Springs area affected by Hurricane Irma. SVdP helps ALL people.

To apply for these free items, please visit:

Bonita Springs SVdP Thrift Store

3725 Bonita Beach Road (approximately ½ mile west of U.S. 41)

Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Identification is required.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay-organization that works to serve God through assistance to the less fortunate among us. We are motivated by the teachings of Jesus Christ: "Whatsoever you have done to the least of mine, you have also done unto me." Matthew 25: 45

For information on this release and program please contact either: Chuck Drago

St. Vincent de Paul *cdrago@svdpnaples.org* 239.775.1667

or

Michel Wilk mwilk@svdpnaples.org 239.775.2907 ext. 3



CYO and CAO Concert Series 2017-2018 Season

kicks off with Sotto Amore Duo - Stepan Rudenko playing the piano and Sheena Gutierrez on the violin

Due to Hurricane Irma, some of these concerts may be re-scheduled.

Look for more info in upcoming bulletins.

Dont miss out on this wonderful kick-off concert and join us for a whole season of wonderful music!

FREE Admission!

Sotto Amore Duo

Upcoming Concerts:

October 12, 2017 Dan Heck Quartet Jazz Concert November 9, 2017 Concert for Flute and Piano with renown flutist, Angela Massey

January 11, 2018- Philip Borter Cello Concert

February 6, 2018- Paradise Coastmen Barbershop Chorus February 24, 2018- Annual Forgotten Broadway Concert

Two Safe Environment Training Sessions Available at St. Peter the Apostle Next Month

There are still two upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at St. Peter the Apostle in Naples. Call their Parish Office at the number below to register.

Thursday, October 12 6:00-8:00 p.m. St. Peter the Apostle, Naples 239.775.9576 Saturday, October 14 9:30-11:30 a.m. St. Peter the Apostle, Naples 239.775.9576

The next trainings will be scheduled in Winter/Spring 2017-18. For the complete list of regional trainings that will be held this fall, please visit

http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/training-schedule/

The next trainings will be scheduled in the spring and summer of 2018.

Registration Is Now Open for Fall 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes

We are offering the following classes during this Fall.
Please register as soon as possible to ensure
that your class of interest is offered.

PLEASE NOTE: start dates have been postponed due the hurricane and there is still time to sign up

CYO:

Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning September 30 Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning September 30 Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning September 19 Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning September 22

Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning September 24

Due to Hurricane Irma, these classes have

Look for more info in upcoming bulletins.

been postponed until further notice.

Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning September 23

CAO:



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> Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning September 19

Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning September 22

Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning September 23 Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning September 6

Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 25

Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning September 23

Register online on our website: www.sjecc.com or at the Parish Office!

Don't miss out on these special Fall classes offered just for you!

Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

Prayer for Safety In Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world,

hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude.

You are still the Master of land and sea.

We live in the shadow
of a danger
over which we have no control:
the Gulf, like a provoked and
angry giant, can awake from its
seeming lethargy,
overstep its conventional
boundaries, invade our land,
and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season
we turn to You,
O loving Father.
Spare us from past tragedies
whose memories are still so
vivid and whose wounds seem
to refuse to heal with passing

of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea,
Our beloved Mother,
we ask you to plead with your
Son on our behalf,
so that spared from the
calamities common to this area
and animated with a true spirit
of gratitude,
we will walk in the footsteps
of your Divine Son
to reach the heavenly
Jerusalem,
where a stormless eternity
awaits us. Amen.

[Composed by Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), Second Bishop of Lafayette (1956-1973), following Hurricane Audrey in 1957]

Willkommen





"Welcome"



Saint John the Evangelist and Knights of Columbus Council #11281 Present

Oktoberfest Dinner Dance

Saturday, September 30, 2017

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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Featuring: Open Bar • Dinner • Dance • Accordion Music

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BUFFET **Due to Hurricane Irma, the Oktoberfest Dinner Dance**

has been cancelled.

Ticket purchases made on the web will be refunded by check. Purchasers will be contacted at the phone numbers listed with their purchase. Allow 2-3 weeks for check receipt. Ticket purchases by check will receive their check back.

A future event will be planned to celebrate recovery from Irma.









RAFFLE Prizes for Best German **Apparel**

TICKETS: \$30.00 (8 and 10 person pre-paid tables available)

Purchase tickets after weekend Masses, or at

https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017OktoberfestDinnerDance Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #11281. For more information and special requests, please call Jerry (239) 821–9395.

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