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CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 31, 2011

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paniccia Prayer Garden



Since breaking ground two months ago, the Paniccia Prayer Garden has been beautifully landscaped with copper pathway lighting. The Prayer Garden should be completed this fall.

— See additional information in Scott's Corner, page 6



This Week's Mass and Liturgy Schedule

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by July 30, 2011 Saturday 8:00 AM Louis Natale Mr. & Mrs. Paul T. Koenig, Jr. **Vigil Services** 3:00 PM John Curaso Virginia D'Agostino 5:00 PM Keith Kurnath Ken & Marianne Kurnath Sunday July 31, 2011 7:00 AM Joanne Fitzgerald Joyce McCoy 9:00 AM Paul Kilev Muriel, Mary Frances Kiley 11:00 AM **Parishioners** 1:00 PM Justin Holecek The Ferreira Family Douglas Snoddy 5:00 PM Wife Audrey August 1, 2011 Monday Fran & Dennis Powers Kaye & Joe Reid 8:30 AM August 2, 2011 Tuesday 8:30 AM + John McNulty Anne McNulty Wednesday August 3, 2011 8:30 AM + Mildred C. Henrichsen Joan Common August 4, 2011 **Thursday** 8:30 AM Bishop Frank & Parish Priests The Fisher Family August 5, 2011 Friday 8:30 AM + Anne & Edward Fuessel Mag Gadsby August 6, 2011 Saturday 8:00 AM Anna Bottiroli Lili Pooler **Vigil Services** Janet D'Addario 3:00 PM George Axberg 5:00 PM Patricia Curcio Husband & Family Sunday August 7, 2011 Thomas S. Riley Esther Riley 7:00 AM 9:00 AM Russell Thomas The Paddick Family 11:00 AM **Parishioners** 1:00 PM Rita K. Miksovsky Paul & Mary Wondrasch 5:00 PM Paul Grip Jim & Jeanne McQuillen

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 30, 2011 St. Peter Chrysologus; Blessed Virgin Mary Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12

Vigil Services Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Sunday, July 31, 2011Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
Mt 14:13-21

Monday, August 1, 2011 St. Alphonsus Liguori; Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday, August 2, 2011 St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday, August 3, 2011 Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday, August 4, 2011 St. John Mary Vianney Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23

Friday, August 5, 2011
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary
Major in Rome; First Friday
Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday, August 6, 2011 The Transfiguration Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Vigil Services1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5;
Mt 14:22-33

Sunday, August 7, 2011 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Parish Information

625 111th Avenue North Naples, FL 34108

Phone: 239.566.8740 Fax: 239.566.9117

www.SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

& 1:00 p.m.

Contemporary Sunday Mass:

5:00 p.m.

Home Bound

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

For Our Records

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the front office at (239) 566.8740 or email: info@saintjohntheevanglist.com Thank you!

Prayer Groups

The Rosary

The Rosary is scheduled every day but Sunday, beginning 45 minutes before Mass.

Centering Prayer

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

Divine Will Prayer Group

Fridays at 9:45 a.m.: The Divine Will

Prayer Group studies living the "Our Father" through the writings of Venerable Louisa Piccarreta. We meet in the Claussen Center. Please join us. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Liturgy of the Hours

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

St. John Prayer Group

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

Reilly: 821.8982

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Bob Judy

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

Jacob Andrew Thomas Hartsell Paticia Palumbo Mary Haynes Kathryn Bach Maryla Panagos Makayla Basile Joe Hilberg Marigo Pappas-Daley Dick Becker Scott Hoban Dolly Parker Douglas Becker Mary Charlotte Hollohan Tony Petrilla Linda Berry Don and Julie Howley Joe ohrer Robet Brassil Mario Incatasciato Angela Preuss Matt Brown Cade Joslin Alex Primrose Christine Cassara Ann Kerns Alicia Rodriguez Matt Koswenda and Family James Castaldi Judy Roth Vivian Clements Emil Liberatore Nancy Rounds Jordan Cole Ruth Lisser Patricia Shannahan Patricia Brady Convery Deacon Norman LaLone Leonard Sbrocco Robert Cuellar Judy Mazza Jeffrey Smith Tanya Cuellar Peggy Marino Jeanne Snodgress Brad Martin Marigo Pappas-Daley Allan Stencil Owen Destino Andrew and Christian Suarez Jeanne Majeske Mary Jane Donna DiMaggio Theresa Barbara A. Matyas Dee Donnelly Mary Tracy Carl Edwards Bruce Metcalf Marie Trucco Elsa Everstiin Colleen McIntosh Conchita Turros Raymond Vasko William Farhet Alex Moody Carmella Weeks Donna Flynn Rev. Richard Mueller Rodger Welker DDS **Bob Garbinsky** Marjorie Nelson Billie Ray Whitlow Jackie Gibson Peter Nicoletta Jerilyn Guise Janice O'Connor Tom Wood Raymond H. Bob & Rose O'Brien Mary Jean Ziska Michael Hanrahan Tyler Ostos

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

Please add to the PRAYER LIST

Name		
Please print first and last name		
Requested by		
Your Phone Number	Date	
Your Phone Number	Date	



Parish Clergy



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli

Associate

Fr. Thomas N. Kelly Fr. George Hazler

Associate Weekend

Associate

Deacon Hal Brenner

Deacon Rob Chalhoub Deacon Frank Paniccia

Deacon Al Groh

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT ...

Please pray for the loved ones of our St. John community who are serving:

Bradley N. Chartier

U.S. Army

Sgt. Chris Counts

U.S. Marine Corp

BU3 Charlie Davidson

U.S. Navy

PFC Anthony J. Diamante

U.S. Army, serving in Ft Bragg, N.C

Joshua Emmons

U.S. Air Force

Lt. Joseph Gilig

1st Marine Division * LAV Recon

Ssgt. Patrick H. Hammer

U.S.Marine Corp * LAV Recon

Spec. Adam C. Janes

U.S. Army, Ft. Bragg, NC

Lt. John Meyers

U.S. Army

Lt. Col. David McNulty

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

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)

PFC. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Capt. Daniel Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. John Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Lt. Martin Palmer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Capt. Oliver Schrang

U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer

U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

Houng Tran

U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

Deployed on US.S. Boxer

Sacraments of the Church

Sacrament of Baptism

The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. Classes are offered once a month and baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 1:00 p.m. mass. Please call the parish office to register for a class. Upon completion of the class and fulfillment of the godparent requirements, parents may schedule a baptism date.

Need Nursery Items

The church nursery needs regular sturdy high chairs, a baby changing table, an old fashioned playpen and bean bag chairs.

If you wish to donate any of these items, please drop the items off at the parish office during regular office hours.

Thank you.

Wedding Banns

Second announcement between

Eva Bemova

&

Thomas Raby

First announcement between

Syrene Tanagras

&

Jay-Jay Babu

Sacrament of Matrimony

Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice.

Anointing of the sick/funeral arrangements

Call the parish office 566.8740. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide a emergency extension for you to reach a priest.

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2012.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

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

St. John the Evangelist Getting To Know You NAME TAGS

For a minimal investment of \$5.00 you can buy a St. John name tag which will include: Your name and hometown city and state.

By wearing it to Mass and Church gatherings we will all get to know one another better. You can attach your payment with the order form below and drop it in the collection basket or you can make your payment when you pick up your tag.

Name	Phone		
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Home Town City	Home Town State or Country		

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR PREFERENCE for the backing: MAGNET or PIN

NOTE: Those with a pacemaker/defibrillator should purchase the nametag with a pin backing.

We will call you when your name tag arrives. You can pay for it when you pick it up if you have not already paid. Nametags will be in the Parish Office during regular staff hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Parish Contact Information

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

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General Manager

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Ellie VanderMeuse: 682.5609

Sacristan

Lorna Woonsam: Ext. 133

Communications

Kathy Sims: Ext. 128

Memorial Garden

Scott Schlossberg: Ext. 114

Religious Boutique

Marianne Brooks: 591.4668

Nursery (Infant thru Pre-K)

Kelly Marie Heslin: 514.2937

Education staff

Director of Faith Formation

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

Administrative Assistant to the

Director of Faith Formation

Tiffany Moody: 514.2927

Director of Youth Ministry

Brendan Budlong: 566.8740 Ext. 177

Director of RCIA

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

Family Ministry

Charlene Youngs: Ext. 123

Help Welcome Newly Baptized Infants Into Our Parish Community

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

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

Give witness to your faith and belief in the

importance of baptism as you welcome newborns and their families. With baptisms now being offered at St. John on the first and third Sundays each month after the 1:00 p.m. Mass,

we will create a schedule based on your availability to serve.

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

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





SCOTT'S CORNER



Last year at this time, I received a voicemail message from a manager of the Wal-Mart at the corner of US-41 and 111th Avenue North. She asked that I call her back to discuss an upcoming program we were hosting at the parish. I had no idea to what she was referring so I inquisitively returned the call. As it turns out, she was referring to Undy Sunday

which will take place this year on August 14 and August 21. The reason for her call was to identify the dates for last year's drive so that her store could make sure to order extra inventory for the event. I have to say that I would never have thought of that nor did I realize we collected that much in the way of socks and underwear for the drive. So I did a little research and was astounded at what I found. This year I called her to let her know the dates so that they may have the appropriate inventory.

Did you know that this year, nearly 50 Collier County
Churches and Synagogues will participate in Undy Sunday hosted by Catholic Charities of Collier
County? This is the 15th annual event. Since the initial Undy
Sunday in 1997, the number of participating churches has more than doubled. About 650,000 undergarments have been given to disadvantaged children in Collier
County during the past 14 years.



It is hard to imagine these children doing without such basic necessities as clean underwear and socks; however, the fact is that this situation is all too prevalent throughout Collier County. The good news is that this is a program in which everyone can participate. I intend to have my oldest daughter (although maybe slightly unwillingly) use her allowance to purchase a package of underwear for the drive. She will learn a very valuable lesson about how blessed she is and how important it is to take care of those in need. I will also petition everyone I know to follow suit and do the same. You can purchase a little girls combo pack (9 pairs of underwear and 6 pairs of socks) for as little as \$10.50 at Wal-Mart. So when I say that everyone can participate, this is certainly the case. If you are unable to make it to the store to shop, Catholic Charities will accept monetary contributions as well.

Please look for the Undy Sunday boxes in the narthex of the church on August 14 and August 21. We ask that you bring new socks and new underwear for boys and girls sizes six through 12. Monetary donations are also needed to purchase backpacks and school supplies. Thank you for supporting

those in our community that may otherwise go without.

I had the pleasure of giving Deacon Frank and Sandi Paniccia a tour of the Paniccia Prayer Garden this past week. This was the first opportunity they have had to see the garden since we broke ground two months ago. This was a moment I will remember for quite some time. Upon entering the garden through the gazebo and seeing their vision come to life, both Frank and Sandi had tears welling up in their eyes and then running down their cheeks. They were truly amazed at what they saw. As you may remember, Sandi came up with the idea for a prayer garden last year. She had initially envisioned the garden on the west side of the service road, however, that land is a preserve and may not be disturbed. The decision was then made to build the garden on the west side of the courtyard which is rarely used. I am confident that when completed, our parishioners will have a similar reaction when entering the prayer garden. We have worked diligently to create a very special place for you to enjoy for years to come. Sandi and Frank confirmed through their reaction that we have been extremely successful. Copper pathway lighting was installed

this past week (See photo on left) and the majority of the trees throughout the garden have been illuminated with up lighting. With only 50% of the lighting installed, the garden looks amazing at night. Granite for the benches and Stations of the Cross is due to arrive this week from Italy. The benches will then be sculpted, engraved and sent on their way to Naples along with the bases for the Stations of the Cross. All 20 benches are now

sold. Thank you to all who made the decision to purchase a bench, Station of the Cross, statue, mosaic or fountain.

As promised, please see the consolidated financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, with a comparison to the same period last year. (See page 7.) I will address a few items which you will find of interest with regards to the statement. As expected, regular offertory which is our main source of revenue was off by over 4% versus last year. Considering the current economic conditions and financial constraints on many of our parish families, this could have been much worse. Receipts from all sources were up 2.67% due mainly in part to restricted contributions for the Prayer Garden. We continued to make gains with regards to salary expense. We recognized a nearly 3.5% decrease in personnel and salary expense on the heels of a 22% decrease the year before. Please note that we have removed all income and expenses related to the Catholic Faith Appeal and any Diocesan collections including Jamaica Outreach, Habitat for

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Statement of of Receipts and Disbursements
Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2011

FI	scai Year ending	June 30, 2011			
Receipts	July 1, 2010 -	June 30, 2011	July 1, 2009 - Ju	ne 30, 2010	Difference
Assessable Receipts					
Offertory Collection	1,557,949		1,626,343		-4.21%
Special Parish Collection	13,010		13,186		
Rental Income	,		,		
	37,445		59,550		
Votive Candle Offering	4,923				
Interest on Checking Account	1,199		1,087		
Total Assessable Receipts		1,614,526		1,700,166	85,640
Non Assessable Receipts					
Religious Education Fund Drives and Fees	12,235		16,171		
Gifts and Donations (restricted)	190,283		82,842		
Youth Ministry	13,177		6,063		
Interest Income - Diocesan Savings Accounts*	10,982		11.280		
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Mass Stipends	13,787		14,109		
Stole Fees	19,294		17,050		
Total Non Assessable Revenue		306,583		154,951	(151,632)
Other Income	40.004		64.0=0		
Festival Income	12,924		24,058		
Religious Store Income	16,290		14,780		
Memorial Garden Income	95,200		72,350		
Early Learning & Childcare Center	65,018		89,390		
Total Other Income	00,010	400 400	09,090	200 570	44 440
		189,432		200,578	11,146
Total Receipts From All Sources		2,110,541		2,055,695	54,846 2.67%
Disbursements					2.01%
Personnel Expense including Salaries and Benefits (13 full time and 7 part time clergy and laity)***		931,785		965,208	33,423 -3.46%
Facilities Expense (includes rectory)					
Repairs, Maintenance, and Cleaning	130,550		120,974		
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Church Renovations	206,218		115,434		
Utilities including telephone costs	120,341		136,118		
Property and Liability Insurance	80,519		90,846		
Rent and Household Expenses	30,505		33,834		
Table Expense	17,471		18,704		
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Vehicle Maintenance and Insurance	4,443		3,131		
Janitorial/Cleaning	12,703		11,076		
Total Facilities Expense		602,750		530,117	(72,633)
Ministry Expense					
Music Expense	30,721		55,654		
Religious Education including R.C.I.A.	27,981		35,627		
Continuing Education and Retreats	6,024		3,633		
Religious Publictions	6,801		11,159		
Hospitality	22,779		20,975		
Youth Ministry	348		20,844		
Family Life	8,909		9,572		
Pastoral	32,355		6,116		
Liturgy Expense	71,492		54,970		
Total Ministry Expense		207,410		218,550	11,140
General and Administrative Expense		,		,	,
Advertising Expense	6,503		4,873		
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Subsidy to Parishes (Includes Clewiston Convent)	93,946		42,765		
Tuition Assistance	14,160		47,444		
Office Expense	62,054		58,582		
Police Traffic Services	15,927		21,505		
Stewardship and Fund Raising	27,770		21,150		
	21,110	220.260	21,100	406 240	(24.044)
Total General and Administrative Expense		220,360		196,319	(24,041)
Other Expenses					
Festival Expense	19,381		19,192		
Religious Store Expense	12,527		10,851		
Early Learning & Childcare Center Expense	3,118		4,641		
Memorial Garden Expense	23,165		50	<u> </u>	/co
Total Other Expense		58,191		34,734	(23,457)
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lotal Dispursements		Z.UZU.73U			
Total Disbursements Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		90,045		110,767	(20,722)



Parish Ministries and Outreach Programs & Events:

Altar Servers: John Dina591.3662
Arimatheans:
Virginia D'Agostino597.7687
Arts & Liturgical Environment:
Kay Sanfelippo
Calling & Caring:
Deacon Al Groh566.8740
Centering Prayer:
Vincent Cinque566.2937

Eucharistic Ministers:	
Lou Altieri	.450.6004
Greeters & Ushers: John Smith	598.2306
Grief Support:	
Dee Donnelly-McGrath	594.7193
Jamaica Mission:	
Al & Ann Kerns	.514.1553
Knights of Columbus:	
Jim Follese	495.9741

Ladies of Charity:
Valerie Matulis
Lectors: Victor Yepez 290.9090
Daily Mass Lectors:
Rosemary Slevin 596.7057
Men's Club: Andy Sanfelippo949.7122
Prayer Group: Linda Reilly566.8740
Respect Life:
Rosemary Erickson597.3941
St. Vincent de Paul: Bill Smart566.8740

Arimatheans

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

Cursillistas

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

Bob & Loretta Judy: 596.2291

The Circle of Comfort

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

Divorced and Separated

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

Families Helping Families

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

Bill: 498.7523

Grief Support

There will be no Grief Support sessions in June or July. The next sessions will be held in Room 13 of the Claussen Center on Thursdays, August 11 and August 25 at 10:00 a.m. Dee: 594.7193

Knights of Columbus

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

St. John Nursery

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

St. John Choir

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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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

Knitting & Crocheting

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

Ladies of Charity

The group meets monthly and volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. They are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

Mah Jong

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

Maternity Outreach

This ministry is for all new mothers in our parish. If you are a new or expectant mother & are interested in this ministry's support or just for the fellowship & friendship. Tiffany Moody: 514.2927, or email: tmoody123@ comcast.net.

Men's Club

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

M.O.F.I.A.

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

Philothea

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

Pinochle

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

Religious Gift Shop

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

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities

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

St. John Sewing

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

SCOTT'S CORNER

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Humanity, Haiti Earthquake Relief and Tornado Relief. These are technically pass through accounts and due to timing will skew the income and expense creating abnormalities that don't truly recognize our current financial position. All in all, we had a very good year.

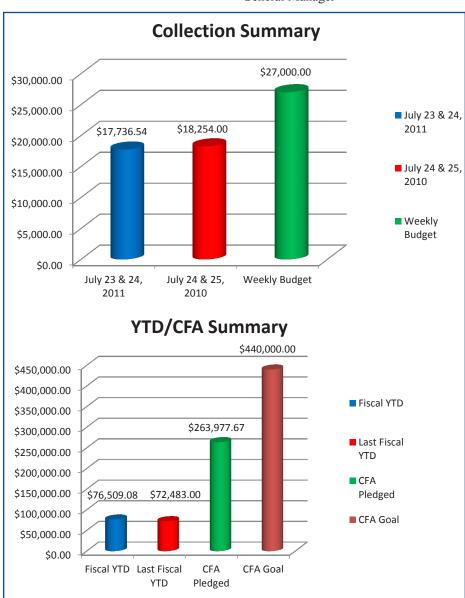
With that said, I would like to sincerely thank each and every one of you for your support and generosity in keeping us solvent as we have gone through transition and a very tough economic downturn. It is truly a testament to the generosity of each of you that we have the amazing parish we do.

Please remember to make a pledge or contribution to the Catholic Faith Appeal.

Thank you so much for supporting St. John the Evangelist.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA General Manager



Annual Undy Sunday August 14 and August 21

August is "back to school" month and Catholic Charities is once again sponsoring Undy Sunday the weeks of August 14 and August 21.

"We have been informed by school staff sources that a surprising number of children lack decent, or sometimes any, underwear. Therefore, we ask you to please bring new underwear (and socks) sizes 6 through 12 to church, the weeks of August 14 and August 21 to give youngsters a decent start in their school year," John Fitzgerald, Catholic Charities co-chair, said.

There will be collection containers at the church entrances. Catholic Charities volunteers will pick up from all churches and see that the items get to the schools for proper distribution to needy children of Collier County.

Cash donations will also be accepted to purchase additional underwear and socks or to meet other needs of children. For cash donations, please make checks payable to Catholic Charities – Undy Sunday.

"Last year more than 40 churches and synagogues took part, with wonderful results for needy children, Fitzgerald said. "It may be difficult for some in Collier County to believe that hundreds of children here are in need of underwear and socks. To be convinced, speak with school personnel, staff at Youth Haven, the Shelter for Abused Women & Children or the like. Your eyes will be opened."

The Catholic Charities expresses a heartfelt thank you to all the donors on behalf of the very grateful children.

Bible Teaching

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



Liturgy and Life



t its heart, the Eucharist is a sacrament of communion, bringing us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. If we live the fruits of the Eucharist in our daily lives, we will fill our families and our communities with the life-giving qualities that the Liturgy brings: hospitality, concern for the poor and vulnerable, self-offering, and thanksgiving.

An ancient saying in the Church reads "lex orandi, lex credendi," meaning that the law of prayer is the law of faith. More loosely: as we pray, so we believe. To that we might add lex vivendi, meaning that as we pray, so we believe, and so we live. In the third edition of the Roman Missal, the bishops and translators have taken great care to ensure that the prayers accurately and fully reflect the mysteries of our faith. Thus, the words that we pray in each liturgical celebration will help to form and strengthen our understanding of the faith.

However, if the effects of the Liturgy stop at the doors of the church, we have not made our prayer and our faith part of our law of living. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) teaches that the Eucharist helps us to grow in union with Christ, avoid sin, increase in charity, strengthen communion with our brothers and sisters, and recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable members of society (see CCC, nos. 1391-1397). But what does that mean in daily life?

LIVING A LIFE OF PRAYER

Our prayer lives should not be limited to a single hour on Sunday mornings. In fact, the richer our prayer lives are throughout the week, the more fully we will be able to enter into the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. Here are some ways to make your daily life more prayerful:

- Try attending daily Mass at least once a week. Your parish may have an early morning Mass, or a church near your job may offer a lunchtime Mass.
- ➡ Stop in a church before or after work or on your lunch hour for fifteen minutes of quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

- ₱ Make it a practice to say grace before every meal—
 even if you are eating in the car.
- Schedule time for family prayer at least once a week. This prayer can be as simple as saying the Our Father or a decade of the Rosary together.
- Take time during the week to read or listen to the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The readings are available online (in print and audio) at www.usccb.org/nab.
- Begin your day with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to God, offering your day to him.
- ☼ End your day with an examination of conscience, looking at your successes and failures in what you have done or what you have failed to do. If you are aware of serious sin, receive the Sacrament of Penance before you receive Holy Communion again.

LIVING A LIFE OF LOVING SERVICE

Celebrating the eucharistic Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion should strengthen us to conform our lives more closely to the example of Christ. As Jesus knelt before his Apostles to wash their feet (see Jn 13), giving them an example of humble service, so must we who bear the name Christian live our lives in service to our brothers and sisters.

To help us in this endeavor, Church Tradition has identified works of mercy. These fourteen practices demand great sacrifice and generosity, but they also draw us more deeply into conformity with the Lord. Focusing on one of these works each week may be a practical way to integrate them into our personal, family, and parish lives.

Corporal Works of Mercy

- ₱ Feeding the hungry
- ★ Sheltering the homeless
- □ Clothing the naked
- ♣ Visiting the sick
- ➡ Visiting the imprisoned
- Giving drink to the thirsty
- ₱ Burying the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- ⊕ Converting sinners
- Instructing the ignorant
- Advising the doubtful
- Bearing wrongs patiently
- ₱ Praying for the living and dead

Our parishes and civil communities offer numerous opportunities to live out these works, from assisting with religious education classes or volunteering at a food bank to encouraging our legislators to put forward policies that protect the life and dignity of each person. As we grow in conformity to Christ, we see more clearly that all people are made in the image and likeness of God (see Gn 1:26) and so have an inherent value and dignity. By helping to build a more just and compassionate society, we act as Christ's Body in the world.

IT ALL COMES BACK TO THE EUCHARIST

Living the Christian life is not easy. "What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ . . . preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage" (CCC, no. 1392).

And so, each Sunday, we return to the eucharistic table, bringing all our efforts of the previous week, the good and the bad, the successes and the failures, the

joys and the sorrows. We gather with our brothers and sisters in the Lord and, together with our priest, we join these efforts to the perfect sacrifice of Christ, asking that God will receive what we offer back to him in humble thanksgiving. The *Catechism* explains it as follows:

The Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering. (CCC, no. 1368)

Then, strengthened by Holy Communion, we are once again sent forth into the world to glorify the Lord in our lives.

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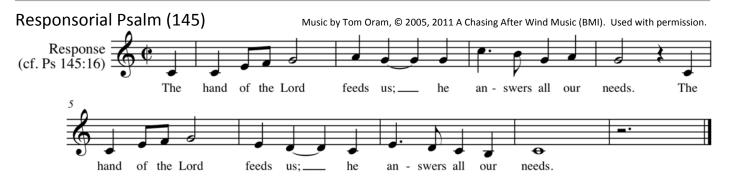
Opening Song

487 Table of Plenty

Dan Schutte

Kyrie • spoken

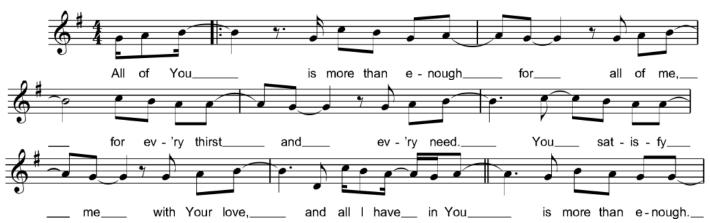
Gloria • **30** Heritage Mass



Gospel Acclamation

7 Celtic Alleluia

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V.1) You're my supply, my breath of lifeStill more awesome than I knowYou're my reward, worth living forStill 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)

Sanctus

64 St. Louis Jesuits Mass

Memorial Acclamation

Danish Amen Mass



Great Amen 77 Danish Amen Mass
Agnus Dei 19 Celtic Mass

Communion Song Hungry Kathryn Scott

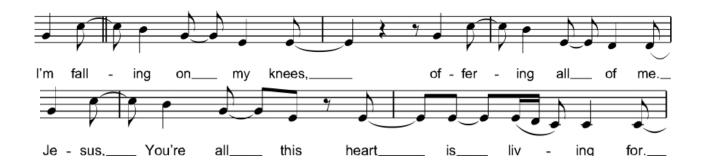
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Verse 1

Hungry I come to you for I know you satisfy
I am empty but I know your love does not run dry
And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)

Verse 2

Broken I run to you for your arms are open wide I am weary, but I know your touch restores my life And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)



Meditation / Blessing

469 Come To the Water

John Foley

Closing Song Your Grace Is Enough

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Verse 1

Great is your faithfulness O God You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart You lead us by still waters into mercy And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-chorus

So remember your people, remember your children Remember your promise, O God

Chorus

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me

Verse 2

Great is your love and justice God of Jacob You use the weak to lead the strong You lead us in the song of your salvation And all your people sing along









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Hymns for the 18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 30 & 31, 2011				
Entrance Hymn: 571 O God Beyond All Praising				
Preparation Hymn:	paration Hymn: 469 Come To the Water			
Communion Hymn: 487 Table of Plenty		Table of Plenty		
	502	Our Blessing Cup		
Closing Hymn:	300	Rejoice! the Lord is King		

Mass parts for Ordinary Time Just a reminder—perhaps you'd think it unnecessary, but several people have inquired—that the order of the Mass parts for Ordinary Time is enumerated below for your convenience. This will be the fifth Sunday now that we have sung them; the next several months will hopefully be enough "practice" to render this list moot, eventually.

Mass Parts for Ordinary Time ((July 2 to November 26, 2011)		
Kyrie:	spok	en		Great Amen:	77	Danish Amen Mass
Gloria:	30	Hei	ritage Mass	Our Father:	spok	ken
Gospel Acclar	mation:	7	Celtic Mass	Agnus Dei:	19	Celtic Mass
Sanctus: 64	St. L	ouis	Jesuits Mass			
Memorial Acc	lamation	: in c	enter of bulletin			

Changes to the Mass To clarify what's coming down the pike, what with all the articles and things that have been printed—and there's a lot left to be printed—here's what's happen-ed/-ing:

- The Mass itself is not changing. The translation of the Mass (into English from Latin) is what's changing. The changes affect every country in which the Mass is said in English.
- This translation affects much of what we say as a congregation—but especially what the priest as presider prays. (Thus, the changes will weigh hardest on our clergy.)
- The new English translation of the Roman Missal (also called the Sacramentary), in full, will go into use at the beginning of the new liturgical year, the 1st Sunday of Advent—this year, November 27 & 28, and not before—across the entire Catholic English-speaking world.

Choir on brief hiatus for July We resume singing one Mass next week—which makes it August (already?!?). You're more than welcome to join us any time. We'll resume our regular rehearsing and concert schedule in the fall with rehearsal on Wednesday, September 14, from 6-8 Please call Tom or Ellie with any questions—239-566-8740, ext. 179 or email us at tom@saintjohntheevangelist.com or ellie@saintjohntheevangelist.com. Thanks for your interest!

St. John the Evangelist Summer Choir Schedule

Please meet in the Choir Room 45 minutes prior to Sunday Mass (8:15 or 10:15 AM)!

July: Choir on Break August 7 August 14

11:00 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass

August 21 August 28 September 4

11:00 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass 11:00 AM Mass

Word and Sacrament

VICTOR YEPEZ - Guest Columnist

THE REALITY OF HELL

ecent readings at Mass point to a controversial topic. Many in the world at large and perhaps even some among us do not embrace the reality of a final state of being, a "destination" that Jesus refers to as the fiery furnace of Gehenna. He also reminds us that heaven is not automatic. The Church teaches that Hell is real, but many trivialize any notion of Hell. The lack of receptivity to this teaching stems from our culture's having desensitized sin, its trauma and sense of bondage.

The Church, differing with the dissenting majority, enunciates that lay and clerical alike are all sinners, all capable of offending God mortally and all capable of ending up in Hell due to unrepentant sin. Likewise, the early Fathers are unanimous in this teaching, and in proof of their doctrine they appeal both to Scripture and to reason. Wherever Christ and the Apostles speak of Hell they presuppose the knowledge of its existence. (Matthew 5:29; 8:12; 10:28; 13:42; 25:41; 2 Thessalonians 1:8; Revelation 21:8). The existence of Hell is also substantiated in the Catechism (CCC1033-1037).

Scare tactics are unnecessary when it comes to the teaching of Hell. Jesus spoke of Hell only in the private confidence of those closest to Him. He spoke exclusively of heaven to the public masses of sinners that gathered to hear Him (Matthew 13:36-43). Therefore, the balance of theology is what makes the bad news of Hell so valuable in our appreciation of the Good News of Jesus. The notion of Hell encourages and advances our response to the call to conversion.

The teaching on Hell is the flip side of the freedom of the will. God takes our free will seriously. He lets us go our own way, pouring graces on us and calling us to Himself. The Scriptures reminds us that God has sent messengers into our lives (Isaiah 5:1-7, Luke 20:9-19, Matthew 21:33-43). He pounds on the door of our souls and calls loudly to us just as Jesus called to Lazarus in the tomb: "Come out!"

The Catechism states that Hell is eternal separation from God. No one can know what Hell is actually like, but one characteristic of Hell is loneliness, unlike any we have ever experienced before. It is not only separation from God, but also from every other soul; absence of fellowship with other souls. Non-believers joke about the big party they are going to have with their friends in Hell. Not a chance! In this life, we can manage to live alone and may even embrace solitude for as long as we like. There will be no end to that loneliness, no recourse; it is forever. There will be no capability of reaching out to another to say, "I love you".

We know that GOD IS LOVE. In Hell there is NO love, not even love of oneself. A total absence of love means complete occupation by hatred with no possibility of love for self. Thus, in the solitary confinement of Hell, one can only hate oneself; an eternity of self-hatred.

Jesus spoke non-specifically of the fire of Hell. Our souls are inherently attracted to God. While we are alive, this attraction is diffused, muted or veiled by

our human imperfection. Upon death, our soul is free to respond to that attraction and will surge toward God with incredible force, but it will fail IF unrepentant sin has created a barrier the soul cannot overcome. The constant, yet futile struggle of the soul, unable to gravitate back to God, will generate fire that afflicts without consuming, an unquenchable fire.

In Hell there will be remorse for having willfully turned away from God. This was not God's initiative. He desires all men and women to be saved and come to the knowledge of His truth (1 Timothy 2: 4). Hell is self-inflicted punishment. The devil did not make us do it and God gave us the grace of free will to choose the better way: through the narrow gate.

On earth, some may find it difficult to believe in things that are not seen, but in the eternity of Hell there will be no unbelievers because there will be no doubt about Jesus or the glory of God of Father. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil. 2:10-11).

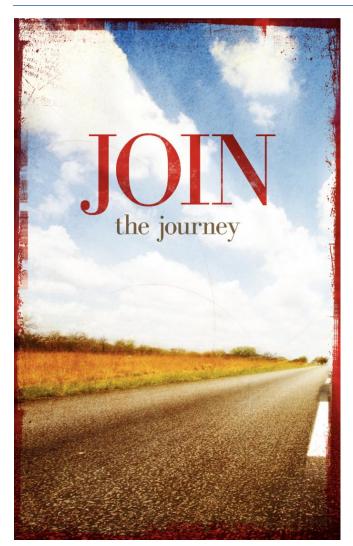
Against this background, the teaching on the possibility (the possibility, mark well) of eternal ruin must be considered. God offers grace and light and love. There is one thing the Lord never does: He does not veto our will. Our will is our own . . . literally. God solicits, touches, urges, inspires — all of that — but He never overrides during our sojourning on earth. At death, we leave the chance of repentance and conversion behind, with no option to change our minds.

It is then helpful to understand Hell so that we can fully actualize how much God loves us. Have you ever felt so much anger with someone whom you love intensely? Likewise, God is not indifferent. The cancer of Sin, eroding humanity, grieves the Holy Spirit. Despite that, as a result of His passion for His people, God's love never ceases to go forth to the sinner. It is the sinner who places himself beyond the reach of God's love.

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Men's Club Gearing Up For Season

Here we are fast approaching August 1 and even though we are in an "off season" time period, the Men's Club of St. John the Evangelist is already working on their "in season" calendar of activities.

As many of you know our biggest claims to fame are the six "Big Band Dances" held on Tuesday evenings during

the months of January through March. The proceeds of these dances enable the Men's Club to make donations back to the parish to purchase items like the new wall fountain that is located in the new prayer garden.

This coming season the Men's Club will sponsor our inaugural

"Sock Hop", which will be held Friday, January 27 in the PLC. This new event is sure to be a great time so please mark your calendars and save the date.

The Men's Club is always looking for new members so don't be shy. We meet once a month for about an hour or so on the second Thursday at 2:00 p.m. Should you have any

question or would like to join us please call Andy Sanfelippo at 239.949.7122, or email Andy at: aksanfelippo@comcast.net

Incidentally, the wives of the Men's Club members play a very special role in helping out at many of the parish events, as well.





Youth Ministry

Brendan Budlong, Director of Youth Ministry 239.566.8740 ext. 177

A Potluck of Opportunities

Potluck Dinner Orientation

Middle school youth, high school youth, and their families are invited to join us on Sunday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Claussen Center Seminar Room for our potluck dinner orientation for youth ministry. This orientation will help youth and their families become familiar with our parish youth ministry offerings and discover



how each individual is an important element to the make-up of the community. If you have not already registered for the 2011-2012 Youth

Ministry Year, you can get it all done here too. Just bring a dish to share and yourself. We look forward to seeing you there.

Night of Joy 2011

Middle and high school youth are invited to join us on our first Youth Ministry Event of the year as we travel to Walt Disney World. Night of Joy is a contemporary Christian music festival that takes place September 10, 2011, at Magic Kingdom theme park. It features live performances by Contemporary Christian Music superstars in rock, pop and gospel. The event is \$95 per person, which includes a pizza lunch, bus transportation, ticket into the park and snacks for the trip. Go to the Youth Ministry section of our parish website, www.saintjohntheevanglist. com to download the information flyer and your Parish Youth Ministry Event Notification form. Seating is limited, so be sure to turn in your forms right away!

Tired of rocking the summer job?

Need a vacation from your family vacation?

Kick off the new school year with friends you haven't seen in a few months and ROCK THE NIGHT OF JOY with your

friends at St. John!



This event is for High School & Middle School (grades 6-12) youth.
"Night of Joy" is a contemporary Christian music festival.
http://disneyworld.disney.go.com/parks/magic-kingdom/special-events/night-of-joy/



To "get on the bus" for this event you MUST complete a "2011-2012 Youth Ministry Registration Packet" and submit to the St. John's Youth Ministry Office by August 28th

The cost of attending this event is \$95 per person and includes lunch on Saturday, bus transportation, ticket into the Magic Kingdom, and snacks on the bus







Transatlantic-Mediterranean/Greek Island

Cruise...April 2012







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

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

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

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

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

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