

September 11, 2011
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

the
EVANGELIST

SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



Faith and Wine



With over 200 ladies in attendance, the inaugural Faith and Wine event held at St. John the Evangelist on Tuesday, September 6 was a huge success. Fr. John was the keynote speaker. His topic was, "Find Yourself in a Hole? Use Your Faith to Climb Out!" Faith and Wine offers a diverse group of women an opportunity to seek fellowship with each other and to gain a greater understanding of their Catholic faith in order to enrich their everyday life.

(Left) Mary Beth Clary, Faith and Wine president, and Fr. John

Future issues of *The Evangelist* will feature more information on Faith and Wine.

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by

September 10, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM Kenneth J. Dinnhaupt James Cattano

Vigil Services

3:00 PM + Fr. Al McPartland Gloria O'Donnel
5:00 PM Maurice Glennan Veronica & Family

September 11, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM + John Cournan Sue & Bill Troy
9:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Malley Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Dantuano
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM Wm. & Johanna Miller Daughter (Mary Florence Miller)
5:00 PM + Dr. Andre Laz Sal & Jo Bonnici

Wine and Host in Memory of Fred Mortali - Requested by The Sabini Family

September 12, 2011 Monday

8:30 AM + Theresa Sullivan Marty & Loretta Sullivan

September 13, 2011 Tuesday

8:30 AM Marge Smith Debbie Scott

September 14, 2011 Wednesday

8:30 AM + Fr. Al McPartland Arlene & Frank Rosenthal

September 15, 2011 Thursday

8:30 AM + Robert Briggs Eleanor Briggs

September 16, 2011 Friday

8:30 AM + Cecilia & Wm. Schultz Joanie Schultz

September 17, 2011 Saturday

8:00 AM + Helen Cabral Carol Uniacke

Vigil Services

3:00 PM + Laudia Gelinas Jocelyne LaRochelle
5:00 PM + Paul Yorio Lucille Cosenza

September 18, 2011 Sunday

7:00 AM + Doris Alonso Cedo Evelyn Alice Flo
9:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Dantuano Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Dantuano
11:00 AM Parishioners
1:00 PM + Anna & Thomas John Florence John
5:00 PM + Vincenza Masotti Nick & Georgia Lattarulo

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

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 10, 2011

Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

Vigil Services

Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9;
Mt 18:21-35

Sunday, September 11, 2011

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Day of Mourning and Remembrance;
Patriot Day; Grandparents Day
Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9;
Mt 18:21-35

Monday, September 12, 2011

The Most Holy Name of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

St. John Chrysostom
1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 98; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Thursday, September 15, 2011

Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Tm 4:12-16; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Friday, September 16, 2011

Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday, September 17, 2011

St. Robert Bellarmine;
Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

Vigil Services

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
Mt 20:1-16a

Sunday, September 18, 2011

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:6-9; Ps 145; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
Mt 20:1-16a

THIS WEEK'S MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULE...

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Jamaica Outreach Program

November 9 -14 Mission to Provide Optical Services

This JOP mission is an optical mission to provide eye exams and eyeglasses at St. Pius X, Kingston, Jamaica, sister parish of St. John the Evangelist, from November 9 - 14.

Interested missionaries do not need to be qualified in the field of optics. A desire to help the needy is the only requirement. Generally, the mission needs eight to twenty-two volunteers for the trip.

Some of the things the missionaries will be doing include fitting eye wear, assisting in eye exams, record keeping, assisting with school physical exams, school fix up and much more.

"You will find this to be the experience of a lifetime as you become a real missionary," said Dr. Richard Van Buskirk, of Van Buskirk Opticians.

Dr. Van Buskirk has been participating in the optical



missions for fourteen years with generally three missions each year.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact, Dr. Van Buskirk for details at rvanbuskirk@comcast.net or 225.1212.



**You are invited to a taping of the Mass
at St. John the Evangelist**

**Wednesday, September 21,
at 10:00 a.m.**

*It will be the Celebration of the Feast of Christ the King,
the Last Sunday of Ordinary Time*

The Mass will air on November 20th, 2011

*Refreshments will follow the regular 8:30 a.m.
Mass preceding the taping.*

Upcoming Usher/Greeter Meeting

The time and date of the meeting will be announced in the September 18 bulletin.

Parishioners interested in learning the role of usher or greeter are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

~John Smith, coordinator

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Thomas Kelly	Associate
Fr. George Hazler	Retired
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Rob Chalhoub	
Deacon Frank Paniccia	
Deacon Al Groh	Senior Status

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.

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 an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

All Administrative Staff **239.566.8740**

General Manager

Scott Schlossberg: 566.1678

Fax: 239.325.2100

Administrative Assistant & Records

Melanie Harrison: Ext. 127

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Marianne Brooks: 591.4668

Nursery (Infant thru Pre-K)

Kelly Marie Heslin: 514.2937

Education Staff

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Margie Lynch: 514.2927

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Director of RCIA

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

Family Ministry

Charlene Youngs: 566.8740 Ext. 123

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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.

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@saintjohntheevangelist.com
Thank you!

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Please submit all ordinary time submission requests by Thursday at 10:00 a.m. **10 days prior** to the Sunday publication you are requesting. You can **e-mail:** kathys@saintjohntheevangelist.com or drop your submission off in the parish office.

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2011 & 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.

MISSION STATEMENT

The spirit-filled community of St. John the Evangelist is committed to following the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church through stewardship and serving its parishioners, the community and those most in need.

PARISH INFORMATION...

SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mission Trip Helps Missionary Grow in Faith

“We didn’t just observe the poor and their way of life; we were able to change it.”

— **Brian Ullrich**

Three teens from the Saint John the Evangelist Youth Group travelled to St. Lucia as missionaries August 1 - 12, 2011. They were accompanied by Brendan Budlong, director, and Fr. John, pastor. Brian Ullrich shares his insights and experiences while serving as a missionary.

As an upcoming senior at St. John Neumann High School, I was interested in doing something exciting this summer. After attending Mass one Sunday I came across an article promoting a Diocesan mission trip to St. Lucia in the bulletin. As I looked over the article, I thought it would be a great opportunity travelling to a new country spreading our faith. That proved to be an understatement. Deciding to take the trip turned out to be the most amazing decision I have ever made.

After attending a Diocesan retreat in mid-June, a group of us were commissioned as missionaries by the Bishop. Our fourteen day mission trip began with a weather delay in Puerto Rico, which turned out to be a great bonding experience for all of us. From there we landed on the island of St. Lucia, part of an island chain near the South American coast.

As a group of new missionaries, we ran a Vacation Bible school for the children, and after each day we were able to travel to different homes for the elderly and an orphanage. With each new day, I began to meet the most interesting people -- from the lively kids at the VBS who love everything about you, to the blind man at the elder home who had several long conversations with me about his life. I became good friends with Sister Dacie, who is part of Mother Teresa’s Missionaries of Charity. She told me

Photos of Brian Ullrich with some of the youth from Mother Teresa’s Missionaries of Charity and fellow missionaries.

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about her life experiences and the calling she had to follow Jesus’ mission of helping the poor. She, along with many others, inspired me throughout the trip.

We didn’t just observe the poor and their way of life; we were able to change it. I was also introduced to the humorous side of our Pastor, Father John, who was one of our chaperones.

Even though I started with a group of missionaries I barely knew, we became a family in our many experiences. I truly developed as a person and have grown in my faith. I have been blessed from my experience in St. Lucia and can’t wait to take part in another missionary trip to spread the faith.



Article submitted by Brian Ullrich,
Youth Ministry



PRAYER GROUPS

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 Centering Prayer 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.

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

We pray every morning in the Church except Sunday. We begin 45 minutes before Mass. Please join us. *(We have printed guides with the prayers available.)*

St. John Prayer Group

St. John prayer group meets Wednesday mornings after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Bradley N. Chartier

U.S. Army

Sgt. Chris Counts

U.S. Marine Corp

BU3 Charlie Davidson

U.S. Navy

Specialist 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 U.S.S. Boxer

PRAYER LIST

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

Jacob Andrew
Makayla Basile
Dick Becker
Geraldine Bennet
Linda Berry
Robet Brassil
Matt Brown
Christine Cassara
James Castaldi
Pauline Cataldo
Vincent Cinque
David Colando
Jordan Cole
Patricia Brady Convery
Marigo Pappas-Daley
Anthony D'Antuono
Owen Destino
Maurice DeVito
Donna DiMaggio
Dee Donnelly
Carl Edwards
Marcie Erickson
Elsa Everstijn
Jim Fargo
Donna Flynn
Christina Gable
Bob Garbinsky
Gladis Garcia
Jackie Gibson
Rosemary Gold
Matt, Laura, Leo & Lola Grabinski
Raymond H.

Maryann Hart
Thomas Hartsell
Mary Haynes
Joe Hilberg
Scott Hoban
Mary Charlotte Hollohan
Val Hunt
Mario Incatasciato
IxChel and Zara
Jeanne & Family
Ann Marie Johnson
Cade Joslin
Matt Koswenda and Family
Cammie Leake
Mary Lou Leibig
Shirley Lisk
Ruth Lisser
Deacon Norman LaLone
Gerry Magyar
Peggy and Gennaro Marino
Brad Martin
Jeanne Majeske
Barbara A. Matyas
Judith Mazza
Scotty McKeel Jr
Sarah McLean
Patrick Metro
James Miller
Alex Moody
Bob Morrissey
Rev. Richard Mueller
Marjorie Nelson

Peter Nicoletta
Janice O'Connor
George Orem
Tyler Ostos
Patricia Palumbo
Maryla Panagos
Marigo Pappas-Daley
Dolly Parker
Mary Petty
Joe Pohrer
Angela Preuss
Alicia Rodriguez
Joseph Ryan
Christopher Serna
Patricia Shannahan
Leonard Sbrocco
Jean Smith
Jeffrey Smith
Allan Stencil
Andrew and Christian Suarez
Earl Sundstrom
Theresa
Mary Tracy
Marie Trucco
Conchita Turros
Pat & Eloisa Velasquez
Carmella Weeks
Herb Weinberger
Francis Whitlock
Billie Ray Whitlow
Tom Wood
Patricia Woodrick

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

Please add to the PRAYER LIST

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

LET US PRAY...

Pray With Sidewalk Witnesses for Life in Front of Planned Parenthood

Planned Parenthood will be completing its second year of surgical abortions in Naples on Monday, September 12. Over 800 babies have been destroyed by surgical abortion and who knows how many more by use of the abortion pill (RU-486).

Please join the ***Sidewalk Witnesses for Life*** on Monday, September 12, in front of Planned Parenthood on the corners of Goodlette and Creech Roads. The Sidewalk Witnesses pray in front of Planned Parenthood every Monday from 8:30 a.m. until about 3:00 p.m. We invite as many as possible to join us on Monday, September 12, between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to be a visible witness for the sacredness of LIFE and to end the killing of life at Planned Parenthood.

Parking and shuttle service will be available from the parking lots located at the west end of Creech Road just prior US41. There will be signage pointing to these parking areas. There are no sign ups or special programs slated, **just your presence needed.** However, if you want to wear a white shirt and bring black balloons, that would help demonstrate our grief over the evil that prevails there.

We continue to present ourselves in a quiet, prayerful manner, praying for the exploited women, the babies being aborted and all those involved in the abortion industry.

For more information, please contact: Fred Goduti at 239.261.4810 or fax at 239.430.0460 or email flgoduti@gmail.com

40 Days for Life

The fall campaign begins Thursday, September 28 in 297 locations throughout the world, including Sarasota, Fort Myers and Naples and continues through November 6. Churches, organizations and individuals are encouraged to join the prayer for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood. Be a witness for life! See one of over 4,000

babies saved from abortion during 40 Days for Life at www.40daysforlife.com/naples-fl. See the website for details or call 239.503.0295 in Naples.



Respect Life Collection

October 2 is Respect Life Sunday and the beginning of Respect Life Month. Please generously support the annual diocesan Respect Life Collection to be taken on October 1 and 2. All

proceeds are used within the diocese to support organizations and programs involving key Respect Life issues. Pregnancy resource centers, maternity homes and homes for mothers and babies who would otherwise be homeless are in great need of funds to provide needed services. You can make a difference!

Ladies of St. John's Luncheon September 28 at Longshore Lake Clubhouse

The Ladies of St. John's monthly luncheon will be held Wednesday, September 28 at the Longshore Lake Clubhouse, located on Valewood Drive off Immokalee Road (3 traffic lights east of Route 75) at 11399 Phonix Way, Naples, FL, 34119, phone: 239.566.7594.

The cost of the luncheon is \$15.00, all-inclusive. For reservations, please contact: Barbara Fenn at 261.1894. Mail your check to: Clare Ellison, 11776 Quail Village Way, Naples, FL 34119.

25th Anniversary Florida Respect Life Conference

Registration is now open for the statewide Respect Life Conference! Join others from across the state for the 25th Anniversary Florida Respect Life Conference October 14 & 15 at St. Martha School, Sarasota. Hear excellent national and state speakers share how "With God All Things Are Possible" including: Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann; Bishop Frank J. Dewane; Abby Johnson, a former Planned Parenthood Director and pro-life/Catholic convert; a death row chaplain; a fertility doctor and other exciting speakers.

For details and registration visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org and click on the Florida Respect Life Conference button or call 941.441.1101.

Respect and Care in Our Final Days

Come and hear Father Dennis Cooney explain church teachings on important end-of-life issues at St. Leo Parish Life Center, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs, on Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. Whether you are facing medical ethics issues yourself, with a spouse or an aging parent, or just want to be prepared for the inevitable, now is the time to learn about the issues. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge to attend. Bring your questions! A flier is available at www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife

Altar Servers:

Neal Borter 804.357.5712

Arimatheans:

Virginia D'Agostino 597.7687

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo 949.7122

Calling & Caring:

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

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Lou Altier 450.6004

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Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

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Knights of Columbus:

Jim Follese 495.9741

Ladies of Charity:

Valerie Matulis 390.3545

Lectors:

Victor Yopez 290.9090

Daily Mass Lectors:

Rosemary Slevin 596.7057

Men's Club:

Andy Sanfelippo 49.7122

Prayer Group:

Linda Reilly 566.8740

Respect Life:

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

St. Vincent de Paul:

Bill Smart 566.8740

Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry

Develops and implements programs for adults to grow as mature Catholics. Ministry leaders foster formations through a wide range of activities, such as retreats, small groups meetings, lectures, seminars, social action and workshops of various topics. Call or email Stephanie Wardein: 289.5541; Perpetualimagesofnaples@gmail.com

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

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

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. 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 more Grief Support sessions in August. Sessions will resume in September with sessions on the second and fourth Wednesdays monthly in room 13 of the Claussen Center at 10:00 a.m. Deacon Al: 566.8740, ext. 125

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

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 new or expectant mothers who are interested in this ministry's support or are just looking for fellowship and 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 and 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

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. Meets every other Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. Ruth Wardein: 398.4428 or email: redhed28@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 Choir

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

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 Sewing

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

PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

New Ministry, The J.O.Y. Club, Targeting ‘Seniors’, Has First Social September 22

A new ministry, The J.O.Y Club, “Just Older Youth”, will have its first social gathering Thursday, September 22.

The J.O.Y Club will offer the senior citizens at St. John the Evangelist an opportunity for entertainment and socialization. The new ministry is open to all seniors — men, women, singles and couples.

The first social event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a complimentary lunch and a “Getting to Know You” program in the PLC ballroom. If possible, please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry.

Reservations are required to attend the event. RSVP by Thursday, September 15, by calling the parish

office at 566.8740 during regular business hours or complete the reservation form below and place the form in the collection basket.

Reservation for The J.O.Y Club Social Gathering Thursday, September 22.

Name(s) of Attendee(s) _____

Your Phone Number _____

Irish High Tea with Fr. John

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

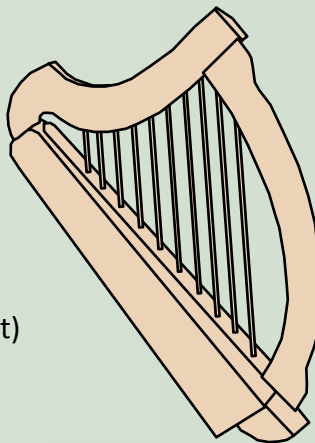
Library at the PLC

All Men & Women Invited!

Bring this form to the
Parish Office

**For validation with
Payment of \$10** (This is your ticket)

Limited to 40 tickets



Ticket # _____

**Tuesday,
September 27, 2011
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**



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Questions for Fr. John: (about our Church, our Parish, our Faith)





While writing my column on Wednesday morning, I could not help but notice that change is beginning to take place with regards to the weather patterns nationwide. Although we won't see any significant changes until mid to late October (on average), areas in North

and North central Florida will experience near record low temperatures this evening with the passage of the first "cool" front of the season. So while those from Orlando northward will be experiencing somewhat cooler weather, we will remain locked in the tropical pattern of warm, sticky mornings and hot afternoons with thunderstorms. Although our Naples summer extends well into fall, the trade off is well worth it when winter rolls around and we can spend our days outside in beautiful weather. Naples truly is paradise even though during the summer months many will beg to differ.

Some of you have asked me about my fascination with the weather. For those that don't know, from approximately the age of eight, I wanted to become a broadcast meteorologist. After high school, I attended Florida State University and received my undergraduate degree in meteorology. While in Tallahassee, I interned at the ABC and CBS affiliates working with the local meteorologists. Obviously, God had other plans for me and here I am as your General Manager and staff meteorologist. If you ever want a forecast for any area of the nation, I would be more than happy to provide the most accurate information for you.

The inaugural Faith and Wine gathering took place this past Tuesday, September 6 in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. Fr. John was the featured speaker and he spoke to a packed house. Original attendance estimates were in the neighborhood of 70 guests, however, nearly 200 showed up to participate at

this new venue. Due to a power outage in the vicinity, the Faith and Wine group had an unexpected candlelight theme. Fr. John and Mary Beth Clary never missed a beat and all attendees took the power outage in stride. If you missed the inaugural event, make sure to sign up for the next meeting on October 11. Please see the bulletin for details on the next event.

Are you in the market for a new refrigerator? If so, we would love to take your old fridge off of your hands. We have been using hand me down refrigerators in the electrical room of the church for many years. These refrigerators keep the post Mass refreshments cool so that you may enjoy a snack after leaving church. Once again, one of ours has reached the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced. If you fit the aforementioned criteria and would like to donate your "gently used" refrigerator to St. John the Evangelist, we would love to have it. We will provide you with an acknowledgement of the gift to be used for tax purposes. We will also send over a truck to pick up the refrigerator. Thanks in advance to any who wish to help out with a donation.

Would you like a discount on your automobile insurance? I would, but, unfortunately, I don't qualify. But if you are a senior, you most likely do qualify. We are hosting an AARP Driver Safety Class on September 24 from 9:00 .am. until 4:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Center. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. This is a very informative and fun class. Upon completion of the program you will be eligible for a substantial discount on your automobile insurance by submitting documentation to your provider. If you are interested in participating, please contact Toni Valery at 593.9329.

The new crosswalks have been installed in the main parking lot outside the front of the church. These crosswalks are clearly

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Faith and Wine

SCOTT'S CORNER...

SCOTT'S CORNER

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marked in yellow paint and direct our parishioners to the paver walkways dividing the different areas of the parking lot. We hope that this addition will help you safely navigate your way from the parking lot to the church. With this addition, we had to create several compact spaces where before there were normal sized spaces. We kindly ask that you do not attempt to park your Hummer or Suburban in these compact spaces.

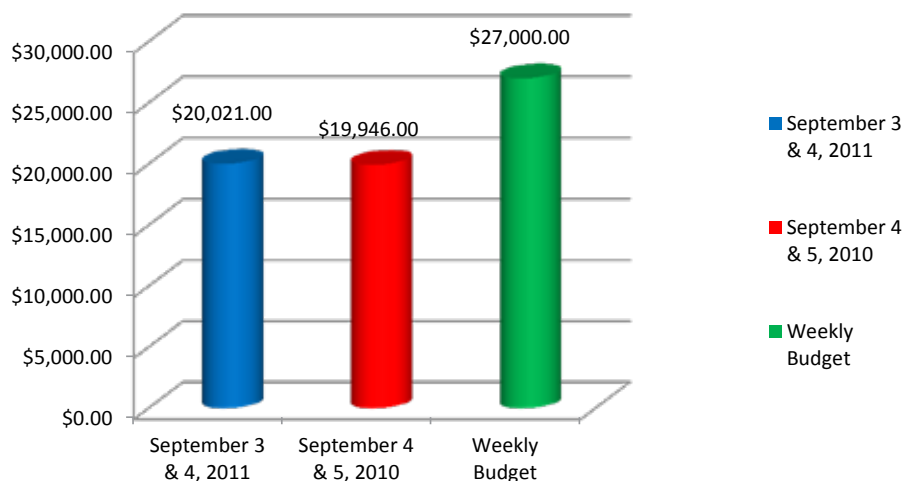
Did you know that since the installation of the votive candle stands back in April, we have received donations totaling over \$8,000.00. Fr. John told me that I would be surprised at how many parishioners would choose to light candles for their devotions to Mary and St. John the Evangelist. I have to

admit that I was skeptical and suggested otherwise. I will now humbly acknowledge that Fr. John was right on the money (no pun intended) with his observation of the need for the votive candle stands. Thank you again to James and Tomasina Schiro for their generous contribution to purchase the votive candles and stands.

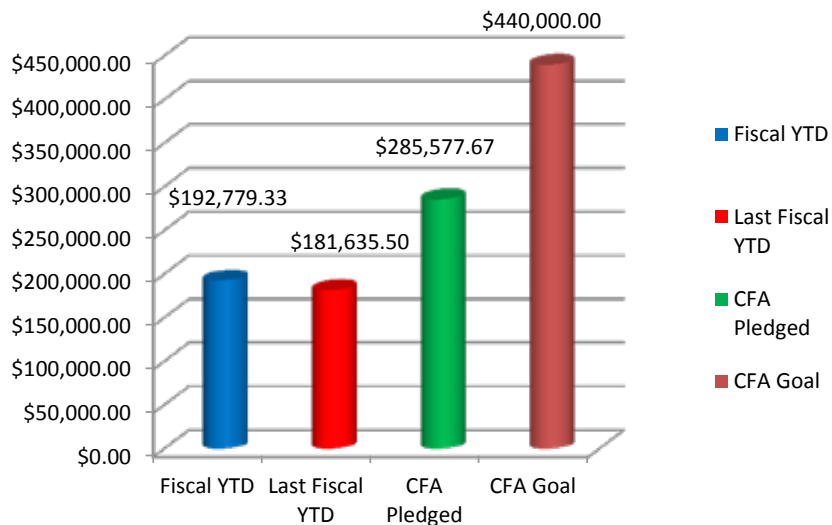
In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA
General Manager

Collection Summary



YTD/CFA Summary



Magnificat Breakfast Saturday, October 8 at Gulf Coast Town Center

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, October 8, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at our new location, the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center, Ft. Myers.

Our speaker is Sr. Mary Michael Mackey. After 20 years working for a publishing company, the FBI and 71/2 years in the US Military, she joined The Daughters of St. Dominic. From Gun to Nun is how she sums up her vocation.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Rose Ann Manzoni, 3660 Stone Way, Estero, FL 33928, 498.5494 or, Lois Mader, 1828 Pine Valley Dr. #2-206, Fort Myers, FL 33907, 267.2684.

Requests must be postmarked by September 30.

CALENDAR

Mass Taping at St. John the Evangelist

Wednesday, September 21,
10:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Feast
of Christ the King,
Last Sunday of Ordinary Time

The J.O.Y. Club First Social

Thursday, September 22,
11:30 a.m.

Irish High Tea

Tuesday, September 27,
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Columbus Dinner/Dance

Friday, October 7,
6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

New Parishioners

Meet Your Priests

Saturday, November 5

Veterans Day Mass

Thursday, November 10,
9:00 a.m.

Newly Baptized



Ella Patricia Sindledacker - July



Virginia Anne Borter- August



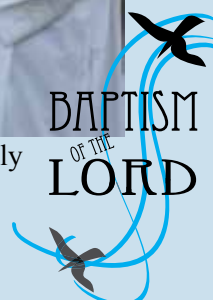
Roberta Cavallo- August



Nicola Alexander Lichtlin - July



Nora Marie Manderschied - July



Help Welcome Newly Baptized Infants Into Our St. John 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 as part of this ministry.

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!

Thank You for the Rosaries

Thank you for the generous donations of the rosaries.

Anyone wishing to donate a new or used rosary may drop off the rosaries in the altar server room adjacent to the Religious Boutique during Mass times. On weekdays the rosaries may be dropped off at the office during regular business hours.

Rosaries will be distributed to our hospitalized parishioners.



HEY YOU—YES YOU—WE’VE GOT OUR “I” OUT FOR YOU!

That’s right—the fantastic **Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist** is looking for you to join us as we begin our year of singing. Come join the fun as we have a number of exciting things planned for the season—**Masses, special events, and concerts**—and we are looking at making our very first **tour** in 2013!

Who, me? Well, um, do I have to be the world’s best singer? I don’t really read music. Of course not—we will take anyone who is willing to learn and wanting to be a part of a special ministry of praise. We don’t even have an audition, so no need to get nervous! If you ever find yourself singing in the pew, but wanting something more, or if you ever felt that the parish might be “too big”, then we just might be the group for you. Here you have a ready-made circle of friends, waiting for you to join in harmony with us!

Does it take a lot of time? No—just a couple hours twice a week. We rehearse **Wednesdays** (starting with **this one**, the 14th!) from **6 to 8 PM**.

Then we reconvene on Sundays, 45 minutes before either the 9 or 11 Mass, warm-up, do some last minute practicing, pray, and go “make a joyful noise”! So about four hours a week.

Do I have to sing at both Masses? Oh no, of course not, but some beautiful souls do. *I don’t want to leave my spouse sitting alone in the pew.* We understand that—some attend a different Mass as well to sit with their spouse—or you might consider asking them to come along and join the song too! *Did you just make a reference to the Mickey Mouse theme song? ...Maybe. I think you did.* Well, it’s not in our repertoire, if that’s what you’re asking. *What do you sing?* Anything and everything sacred—we have two thousand years of Catholic tradition to draw from (and we do)! *I have a question you haven’t thought of yet.* I don’t doubt it. Would you please give **Tom** or **Ellie** a call—or just come talk to us after Mass some time!—or find any choir member. We’d love to share our story with you!

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year A

Sirach 27:30-28:7

Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Romans 14:7-9

Matthew 18:21-35

The Word & Life

A Great Gift - Our Greatest Challenge

In our readings today, we are confronted with the hardest component of Christian living: the challenge of forgiveness. Forgiveness is an act of the will and heart that washes the slate clean for someone who hurt us or who has sinned against us. We sometimes play games with our notion of forgiveness. We may have said, for example, "This is your last chance," or, "If you do that again, I will not forgive you a second time," or better

still, "I can forgive but can never forget." Forgiveness is not easy. Overcoming hurt is not easy. We have to take a risk to forgive someone by opening ourselves to them once again.

In the reading from the Book of Sirach, we learn that if we forgive the injustice of our neighbor, then God will forgive the injustices that we commit against Him. The

act of forgiveness does not necessarily follow the world's response, a response that generally involves punishment and retribution. Forgiveness is God's initiative for us. In the gospel text, Jesus warns us about the double standard that is at work when we try to deal with forgiveness. He uses

Reflection Questions

1. What does today's gospel teach about forgiveness?
2. What is the gospel teaching us in regard to those who refuse to forgive?
3. Why do the disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith in this context?
4. Where in my life do I need to embrace the gift of forgiveness that God is calling me to?
5. Who do I need to forgive?
6. Do I expect to be forgiven even if I am not ready to forgive?

the parable of the compassion of the king who forgave the debt of one of his servants by letting him go free. This fortunate servant then treats without compassion a fellow servant who owed him money and has him thrown into jail. The fortunate servant expected mercy himself but did not want to show mercy. Jesus concludes by telling us the king finds out about the fortunate servant's treatment of his fellow man and hands him over to be punished for his lack of mercy and compassion.

Jesus is clearly telling us today that we must forgive if we expect God to forgive us. Peter asked how many times one should forgive. Jesus' response was seventy-seven times. Since seven was the perfect number for the Jews, Jesus' answer meant that we must always forgive, even if it costs us! There is no more dangerous thing than not letting go of someone's sin. Sin does not define the person — God defines all human beings by making them in His own image and likeness. In order to be forgiven, a person must be contrite — this is where the notion of forgiveness becomes complex. Nonetheless, when we forgive someone, it opens us to love and transformation. When we refuse someone forgiveness we anchor them to their sin. If we hold onto anger and resentment, we ultimately stand as an obstacle to God's presence. If we do not transform our anger, resentment and hurt, we will transmit it to those around us. Jesus teaches us that if we refuse to struggle with the challenge of forgiveness, then we too will be refused this vital and precious gift ourselves. He reminds us that forgiveness leads us and others closer to the reality of God's mercy and love, redemption and salvation

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



Prayer

We pray: Lord, whenever we are hurt, help us to forgive. Transform our fragile lives with the spirit of reconciliation. Help us to not take pleasure in other people's failures. Rather, whenever we come across failure, may we be ready to help them to get back up and invite them to get closer to you. Amen.

The Feminine Genius

"Think about the people who have hurt you. Do you still carry resentments and anger? How can you proceed to heal yourself? Remember the feelings are okay; in fact, it is essential that you recognize them before healing becomes possible. Counseling can be very helpful in working through your emotions, and prayer is an important component. Don't let the pain of the hurtful experience be with you for your entire life. The peace and freedom you feel when you forgive is worth all the work it encompasses."

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



Faith Formation



Upcoming Events

Sept. 11

Sunday Classes Start

Sept. 14

Wednesday Classes Start

Oct. 9

Safe Environment Training
Sunday Classes

Oct. 12

Safe Environment Training
Wednesday Classes

Oct. 16

Families in Christ

Back-to-School

Faith Formation kicked off the 2011-2012 school year with "Back-to-School Night" for Sunday's classes on Wednesday, August 31, 2011 and Wednesday's classes on September 7, 2011.

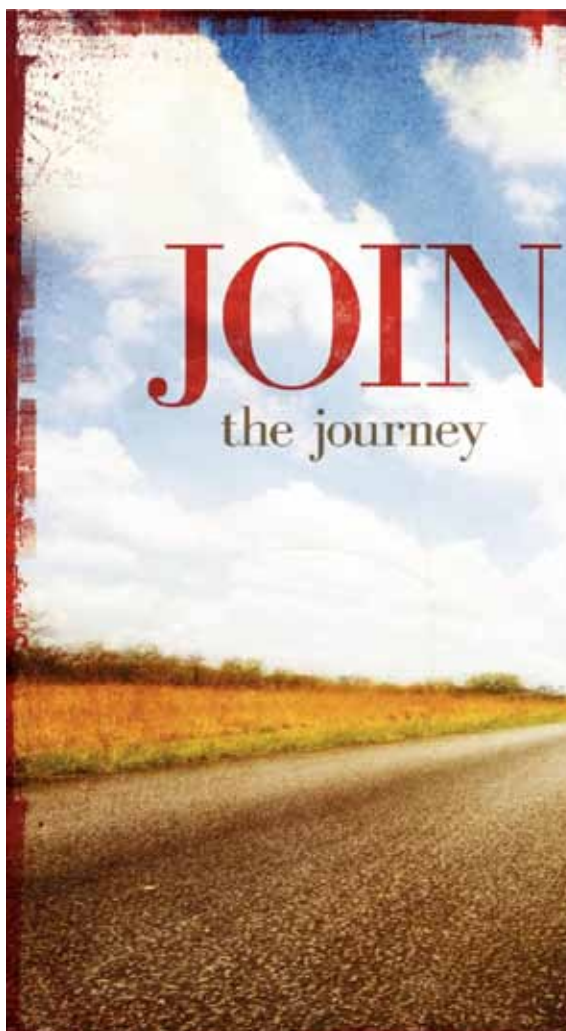
Many parents took advantage of this opportunity to meet their child's catechist and ask questions regarding the religious program and diocesan policies.

Sunday's Faith Formation classes officially start on September 11, 2011 at 9:15 a.m. and Wednesday's classes start on September 14, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. We have an outstanding group of catechists, dedicated parents, and wonderful children. Everyone is looking forward to another great year!

Back-to-School Night



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



RCIA

Is something lacking in your life?

Do you want true happiness?

Are you ready to put Christ in your life?

Do you need spiritual growth?

Do you want to renew your faith journey?

Are you returning to the church?

Are you seeking the Sacraments of Initiation?

Do you know your faith?

CLASSES START SEPT. 22, 2011

**For more information please contact
Margie Lynch at 239-514-2927 or email
at RCIA@saintjohntheevangelist.com.**

Welcome to Youth Ministry: A Potluck of Opportunities!



For those who missed it the first time around, this orientation program, **on Sunday, September 11 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.**, helps middle and high school youth (grades 6-12), and their families become familiar with our church youth ministry offerings and discover how each individual is an important element to the make-up of the community.

Please gather with us in the Claussen Center Seminar Room, bring a dish to share for the potluck meal, and learn about all of the exciting youth ministry opportunities for the 2011-2012 year. Our middle and high school weekly programs begin Sunday, September 18, 2011.

Catholic Homeschool Conference Sept. 16-17

at Christ the King Parish, Sarasota. Theme is "The Joyful and Sorrowful Mystery of Teaching". Join other Catholics in supporting Catholic home education. Speakers include Rev. Fr. James Jackson, FSSP, Eric Sammons, Diocese of Venice Director of Evangelization. Curriculum displays, vendors, and more. See more information and register online at **www.queenofangelsacademy.org**. Advance registration is required. Sign up now!

*Free
Admission!*



For Happily Married Couples

Want more "sparkle" in your marriage? Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and rediscover the glow you had as newlyweds!

The next Marriage Encounter weekends in this diocese are October 15-17 in Fort Lauderdale and November 4-6th in Sarasota. For more info email swflwwme@yahoo.com; or call 239.458.8205 or visit wwme.org — *Paul and Linda Mostek*

St. John the Evangelist Annual Columbus Dinner / Dance

All K of C members, parishioners and friends are cordially invited to attend a good time evening of socializing, entertainment, dancing and Italian food fare.

Friday, October 7th
6:00 to 10:00 PM
In the PLC Ballroom

Dressy casual - jacket and slacks
preferred for men - no shorts

*Tables of 8 or 10 can be reserved
- Form a group or mingle with your
fellow parishioners*



Menu by: Cappelli's – Serving at your table a family style dinner with traditional Caesar salad, sliced Italian bread, Sautéed Chicken Bread Picatta, Penne “Cappelli” with diced tomatoes, artichoke hearts, basil, garlic and olive oil, Broccoli Ala Olio and dessert of Almond Biscotti with Columbian Coffee. Dining starts at 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment by: Rick Haworth “The One Man Band” with the full band sound

Cost: \$26.00 per person. Includes: dinner, beer, wine, liquor and non-alcoholic beverages

50/50 Raffle: A 50/50 raffle will be conducted by the Knights of Columbus

Tickets: Only 200 tickets are available. See Melanie Harrison (566-8740) in the PLC Office to reserve your table – tickets must be purchased by October 5th

Make checks payable to “St. John K of C”

~ J. Gary Ray – chairman 596-4976 ~

5 PM Contemporary Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, September 11, 2011: the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **463** **Let There Be Peace On Earth** Sy Miller / Jill Jackson

Kyrie • *spoken*

Gloria • **30** *Heritage Mass*

Responsorial Psalm (103)

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Response

The Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful; slow to anger, and rich in compas - sion.

Gospel Acclamation

7 *Celtic Alleluia*

Preparation

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman

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Verses 1 & 2)

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name. (*chorus, below*)

Verses 3 & 4)

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. (*to chorus, below*)

Bridge)

You give and take away; you give and take away
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name!" (*to chorus, below*)



Ev - 'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the dark - ness clos - es in, Lord, still I will say, "Bless - ed be the

name of the Lord. bless - ed be Your name. Bless - ed be the

name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name."

Sanctus

64 St. Louis Jesuits Mass

Memorial Acclamation

Danish Amen Mass



Great Amen

77 Danish Amen Mass

Agnus Dei

19 Celtic Mass

Communion Song

Communion

Mac Powell / 3rd Day

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Chorus) This is the Body; this is the Blood
Broken and poured out for all of us
In this Communion, we share in his love
This is the Body; this is the Blood.

That set me free
I hunger and thirst for your love
Come fill me today

Verse) I will remember ev'rything, Lord,
That you've done for me
I won't take for granted the Sacrifice

Bridge) We hunger and thirst for your love
And your righteousness
We long for your Presence here, Lord
Be with us again

Meditation / Blessing

Hosanna

Brooke Fraser

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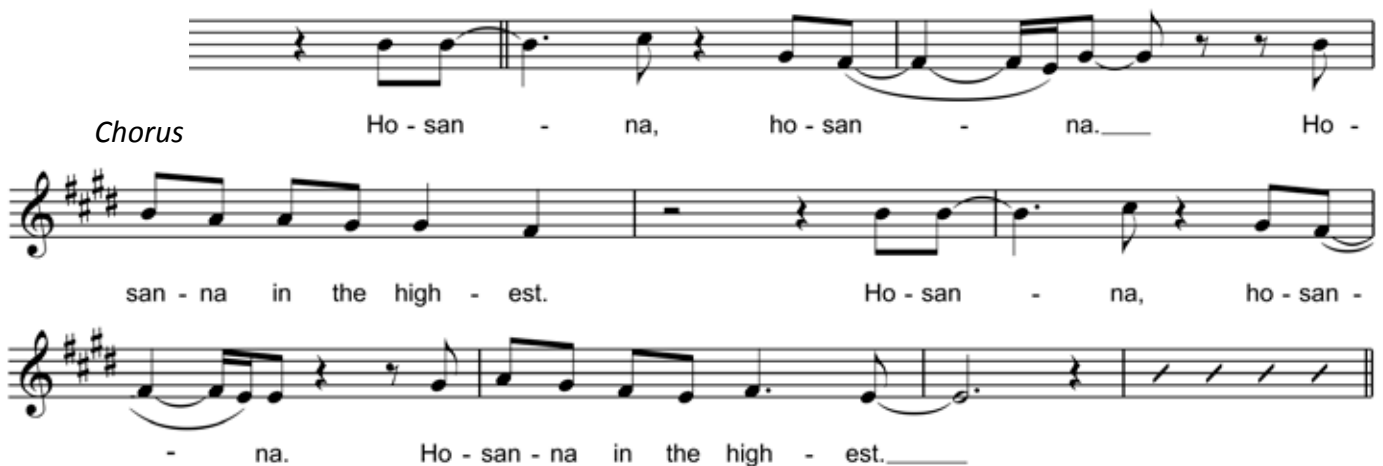
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Verse 1

I see the King of glory coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes, yeah
I see his love and mercy washing over all our sins
The people sing, the people sing: *(to chorus)*

Verse 2

I see a generation rising up to take their place
With selfless faith, with selfless faith
I see a near revival stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees, we're on our knees:



Bridge) Heal my heart and make it clean, Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like you have loved me.

Break my heart for what breaks yours, Everything I am for your Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity

Closing Song 550

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory





First Annual Parish Winter Cruise January 21, 2012 – January 28, 2012



Join Father John Ludden and your fellow St. John the Evangelist parishioners on a 7-day fun and sun vacation to the western Caribbean. Forget the cold and snow. Forget rain and clouds. Sail with us to a place where the sun most always shines, the breeze is gentle, and the air is always warm! Your cruise will start in Ft. Lauderdale and visit Grand Cayman, Roatan Honduras, Belize City, Cozumel Mexico, and return to Ft. Lauderdale. Cruise fares start at \$840.00 pp and include all port charges, taxes, and transfers. With a deal like that, how can you lose??

Almost sold out! Call toll free 877-761-8248 to book.

CRUISE DETAILS	PRICING SCHEDULE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crown Princess; Jan 21-28 2012 • Private Masses With Father John • Cruise fare, taxes, port charges, and transfers included in quoted price • Motor Coach transfers from St. John's to Ft. Lauderdale and return • Free Parking Behind Claussen Center • All meals aboard ship • Theatrical style entertainment on-board • Group cocktail party • On-board amenities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interior Category J \$ 840.00 • Ocean-view Category D \$1023.00 • Balcony Category BD \$1240.00 • Mini-Suite Category AC \$1440.00 • Penthouse Suite \$2598.00 • Owner's Suite \$2898.00 <p>All pricing is per person based on double occupancy. Prices are subject to change until final booking and may incur additional fuel surcharges solely at the discretion of the cruise line.</p>

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