

July 30, 2017

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

the
EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

#ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Mission of St. John and Convocation of Catholic Leaders

For the past several weeks, our Parish Mission has focused on the *Convocation of Catholic Leaders: The Joy of the Gospel in America*. We were blessed to have the largest contingent from any church in our Diocese attend this essential and enlivening conference, whose focus was to set the direction of the U.S. Catholic Church firmly on the path of Our Holy Father. It was inspired by *Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, Pope Francis' mission statement for the Church: to renew and share our faith to the world through our actions to serve all those in need. The Convocation formed leaders who are now equipped and re-energized to share the Gospel as missionary disciples, while offering fresh insights informed by new research, communications strategies, and successful models. Stay tuned for this conference's influence on every facet of St. John, which affirmed our direction, including our CAO and CYO Programs, the Life Center, and our direct missionary focus.

I (JP) have provided my specific experience of the conference, including meeting with church leaders from around the country who were astounded by our efforts and our Parish Family. Every single one of you are

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— Wayne and Sue Hamilton, parishioners

responsible for the tremendous growth and engagement that matches our Mission Statement: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

Thank you for your support, encouragement, hard work, dedication, and prayers as we renew everything from the parking lots to the programs of St. John.

There were other members of our Parish Family that shared the experience of joining in the Convocation and have their unique perspectives on the conference and its impact on the future of St. John and the Catholic Church in America. **Fr. John** attended, and next week he will provide his full pastoral care contemplations as well as his assessment of our vision and progress as a Parish Family.

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Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.
Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. — Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 & 5:00 p.m.

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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions (SI) Requested by

July 29, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + John Michelotti Dolores Michelotti

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Ida La Grasta Joyce Bianco & Family

5:00 PM + Gene Zilavy Nancy Zilavy

Host & Wine in Memory of George Naples ~ Req. by Mrs. Francis Naples & Family

July 30, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Alex Root Mike & Kathy Mooney

9:00 AM + Frank Rosenthal Kay Reid

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Helen Jalowiec Joseph & Gigi Tebsherany

5:00 PM + Emma Guadagno Mary Orlando

July 31, 2017 Monday

8:30 AM + Michael O'Connell Paula Cohen & Edwina Bender

August 1, 2017 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Deceased Members of the Marsh & Perrotto Families Deborah Marsh

August 2, 2017 Wednesday

8:30 AM + McNulty Family Ann McNulty

6:30 PM + The Joyce Family Patricia Joyce

August 3, 2017 Thursday

8:30 AM + Ramy Garrido Josie Mennini

August 4, 2017 Friday

8:30 AM + Fred Miller Liz

August 5, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Dominic Sblendorio Catherine Sblendorio

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Jerome VanderHorst Wife, Julia

5:00 PM + Pearse Mullally Ann Mullally

August 6, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Bud Sauer John & Maureen Wurtz

9:00 AM + Thomas Bringardner, Sr. Todd & Noreen Kendall

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

1:00 PM + Luan Garwood Ann Mullally

5:00 PM + Michel Sanderson Jean Oudenhoven

Flowers in Memory of James MacDonald ~ Req. by Peleckis Family

Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound. Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing emministry@sjecc.com. An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will bring Holy Communion at a mutually agreed upon time. Please note that the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion to North Naples NCH on Monday through Friday and to Landmark Hospital, North Naples on Wednesday and Sunday.



SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 29, 2017

St. Martha

Ex 24:3-8; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

Sunday, July 30, 2017

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Monday, July 31, 2017

St. Ignatius of Loyola

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

St. Alphonsus Liguori

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

St. Eusebius of Vercelli;

St. Peter Julian Eymard

Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday, August 3, 2017

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

Friday, August 4, 2017

St. John Vianney; First Frida

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;

Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday, August 5, 2017

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major;

First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Sunday, August 6, 2017

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to 5 available during the following Mass times: Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. The nursery is located in the PLC, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is in attendance during these nursery hours.

MASS INTENTIONS...

Campaign Corner

July 30, 2017

“Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.” — St. Francis of Assisi



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

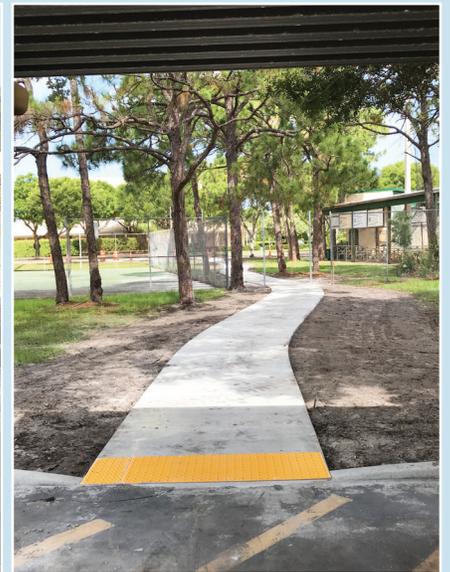
Sidewalk and Access Road Complete

Sometimes we want to snap our fingers and have each project and effort perfectly completed immediately. It is that way with our front parking lot and the access improvements we are undergoing. We picked the summer months to take on this project so it would be least impactful, but it will always cause issues. Well, we are proud to showcase the completed expanded access road between the church and Naples Park Elementary, as well as the brand new pedestrian walkway between the school’s parking lot and ours.

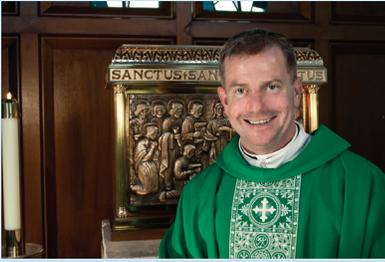
The new walkway will allow for our Parish Family to safely park at the school and walk directly to our church, instead of attempting to walk on the road, which is now able to provide two-way traffic access at all times. With the continuing efforts on the front parking lot, this new way to access our campus will be tremendously helpful and clear up several bottlenecks we have all experienced with entering or leaving our church parking.

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the gifts, prayers, and support of our Parish Family to reach our Pinnacle Goals. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator at 239.495.2001 or email: campaign@sjecc.com.

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



PARISH CLERGY



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SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH*

Sacrament of Baptism. The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. *Deborah Marsh: deb@sjecc.com*

Sacrament of Matrimony. Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice. *Tricia Schwarz: tricia@sjecc.com*

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

*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our website: www.sjecc.com

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: www.sjecc.com

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Administrative Office Hours are:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Choirs:

Gary Prettyman: gary@sjecc.com

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Hospitality.

Volunteers serve light refreshments for parishioners who gather after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses for sharing, communicating and extending fellowship. If interested in helping contact *Elida Gil or Darlene Follese: prayerlist@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

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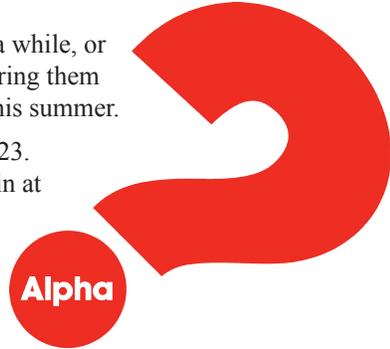
Alpha Program Continues Weekly to Help Others Find Jesus; Sign-ups Requested

St. John continues to offer the Alpha program as a way to introduce Christianity and assist individuals with their questions and curiosity regarding their faith journey. Alpha is for those individuals who are not deeply connected to Catholicism or Christianity already. The program provides fellowship with food and drinks, an interesting question from a short video, and an opportunity to speak freely in a small group format.

If you know someone who has been away from the Church for a while, or someone who has never had a connection to faith in their life, bring them to Alpha, which meets every Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. this summer.

The program, which lasts for 10-weeks, continues until August 23. Interested parties do not have to attend each week and can join in at any time. No registration is required, but please call the office at 239.566.8740 to sign up so we can ensure that we have the proper amount of food and drinks available, which are free.

A new 10-week session will be offered again this Fall.



Our Goal Is to Make Enough Meals to Feed 40,000 Refugees in 60 Minutes

We will host our second annual meal-packing event where we hope to make 40,000 individual ready-to-serve meals for our brothers and sisters in Burkina Faso. We need people of all ages from St. John and the Naples community to help pack these meals on Thursday, August 10 at 5:30 p.m.

The event is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services as part of their Helping Hands Service, which provides meals to refugee camps and starving families internationally. Last year, with the help of 320 individuals, we packed enough meals to feed 20,000 people in 46 minutes.

Please RSVP with the link below if you, your friends, and your family are able to assist. If you are unable to come to the event on August 10, but would like to donate money in order to help us reach our goal, you may do so using the link below as well.

To register or donate, visit: <http://helpinghands.crs.org/events/sjecc2017/>



photo from last year's event

Several Safe Environment Training Sessions Have Been Scheduled at Area Parishes

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment awareness issues. Due to the sensitive nature of this training, no children are permitted to attend. For directions and additional information, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment.

There are several upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at nearby parishes starting in August. For more details or to register, call the Parish Office at the location where the class is offered. **Please note that no one should attend Safe Environment Training until their fingerprints have cleared.** Fingerprints must be updated every five years. If you need to be fingerprinted here at St. John, call the office at 239.566.8740 for an appointment.

Any employees or volunteers who need to renew their background clearance or be fingerprinted should complete the paperwork and call the office at 239.566.8740 for an appointment.

Thursday, August 10	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. John the Evangelist, Naples	239.566.8740
Saturday, August 12	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. John the Evangelist, Naples	239.566.8740
Thursday, September 7	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.455.3900
Saturday, September 9	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.455.3900
Thursday, October 12	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576
Saturday, October 14	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576

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

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

The next trainings will be scheduled in the spring and summer of 2017.

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Rick Beebe, the President of our Pastoral Stewardship Council, also attended the Convocation:

*The Convocation of Catholic Leaders confirmed that our efforts as the Pastoral Stewardship Council (PSC) and Parish as a whole are on the right track, but the “track” is a difficult path. The PSC’s mission is: **To create awareness of God’s gifts of time, talent and treasure and to encourage their use to the best of one’s ability for the good of the Parish.** However, our focus goes well beyond providing support and guidance to our 40+ ministries. We are tasked with uncovering and filling cracks in our Parish to provide an engaged and inviting environment for families and singles, for all ages and all nationalities. No person left behind... Unfortunately, over the past few decades, the Catholic Church has experienced a rise in a group called “Nones” (those who do not identify with a religious group). These “Nones” can be individuals who have never given the Church a chance or “fallen away Catholics” who have left the Church due to life changing events (divorce, widowed, disgruntled, left home for college and never returned to the Church etc.). As a result, I gained the most insight from attending both breakout sessions titled “The Rise of the “Nones” and Understanding Inactive and Disconnected Catholics.”*

I would like to share some thought provoking and alarming quotes provided by the panel members of each breakout session.

- In 1991, 3% of the US population declared no religious affiliation, today that number is up to 25%.
- 50% of millennials baptized Catholic no longer identify as Catholics.
- For every person welcomed into the Catholic Church, 6.45 leave it.
- Young adults perceive the Church as distant and exclusive (judgmental). The presence of the “Nones” is the most pressing issue in the Church today.

So... what do we do? The primary objective is to be more engaged, more inviting and ask more of our young people. The Pulte Family Life Center will embody those three tasks. As individuals and the Parish we should be reaching out to these “Nones”, showing an accepting, compassionate engagement on social and political issues without any judgmental or hypocritical rhetoric. We should be willing listeners and not always have a definitive answer. Parents should continue to be encouraged and equipped in their work of cultivating faith in their children, as faith passed to children from parents remains the strongest predictor of



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faith in adulthood. Bishop Robert Barron said it best, “In evangelization, it is often best to show people the beauty of Catholicism first and not how to act or what to believe.” I agree.

Wayne and Sue Hamilton, parishioners of St. John for over 25 years, attended the Convocation as part of their efforts as members of the Christian Family Movement:

The U.S. Bishops at this Convocation called all people of faith to choose to confirm their Christianity every day, to develop a support system with other individuals and families and to take on the challenge of Christian witness and service. We are called to develop an adult spirituality and to live our lives intentionally.

But for this transformation to happen in our parish community we must offer support for anyone who wants to keep the faith and strengthen it, in the midst of a society that has become indifferent – even hostile – to Christian values.

We are certainly moving in the right direction here at SJ ECC. We have already developed an awareness of the importance of welcoming all who come, have a high quality, established religious education program, and many social and social justice activity opportunities.

Our parish Adult Faith Formation programs over that last two years have offered many opportunities

for all of us to update ourselves on our Catholic beliefs, the Bible, Vatican II documents, prayer and meditation, the saints and church history.

The next step would be to organize small groups, inviting parishioners to improve their life by taking control of the things that matter at home and in the everyday world. Evangelization begins by nurturing friendships. It’s not just about confronting bad behavior, violent entertainment or the evils of materialism. It’s also about a choice to make God’s love a reality in everyday situations and relationships. We could have family groups, grandparent groups, men’s groups, women’s groups, mom’s groups, any type of discipleship group.

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Natalie Campbell, our Director of Religious Education, attended and was asked by Bishop Dewane to provide her thoughts, especially when it comes to Faith Formation reaching out to peripheries, a key theme of the Convocation:

As overwhelming as a task as it may be, we were reminded that we can affect change in those closest to us, perhaps our families, our neighbors and our parish ministries. As we live the Joy of the Gospel and exude that joy, the attraction of our Christian witness has the power to draw others to want to know Jesus. In that way, people will want to have a piece of that joy and happiness! That challenge begins one person at a time with a sincere look inward. That challenge begins with me.

I began to wonder, how can I best bring the joy of the Gospel to those on the margins? Many convocation leaders expressed the need for us as missionary disciples to reach out to the poor, the lonely, those that struggle to communicate in English, those that perhaps don't feel welcome in our own communities. It seems that along with

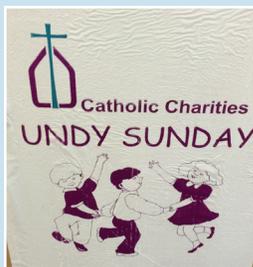
the work within the church, the message of the Gospel must also be taken outside of the church and into the fields or wherever those on the margins reside. Such actions will require leaders, like myself, to intentionally create a plan to reach out and meet people where they are at.

There is great work to be done as we go forward. At my home parish of Saint John the Evangelist, conversations and planning are well underway to take some of the best messages we heard at the convocation and weave them into our parish ministries and mission. As a parish that relies so heavily on a team approach, lots of collaboration will continue with our pastor, Fr. John Ludden, our associate priests, and staff leaders. As Director of Religious Education, communicating our mission will begin in collaboration with the approximately 45 Catechists who are the heart of our Faith Formation program where we serve close to 500 children.

Annual Undy Sunday August 5-6 and 12-13

Catholic Charities of Collier County is once again sponsoring its annual Undy Sunday. They ask our assistance in bringing new and unused underwear and socks sizes 2 through 12 (small sizes preferred) to our church on August 5-6 and August 12-13.

Catholic Charities volunteers will pick up from all churches, sort and package the undergarments and see that the items get to the schools for proper distribution — before Labor Day — to needy children of Naples and Immokalee, as well as the Children's Advocacy Center, the Shelter for Abused Women & Children, Providence House, Catholic Charities Social Services and Youth Haven, where the most need has been identified.



Cash donations will also be accepted to purchase additional underwear and socks or to meet other needs of low income children. For cash donations, please make checks payable to Catholic Charities of Collier County and mark it "For Undy Sunday." Mail checks to 2210 Santa Barbara Blvd., Naples, FL 34116 or bring it to the parish office during regular office hours.

We need your help.

We have been blessed with an unexpected and unique opportunity to help moms and save babies—right on Planned Parenthood's doorstep. This wasn't part of our expansion plan, but God has always provided, and we are trusting Him and you to help us minister to women and babies in this new and vital clinic.

With your donation of \$720 (only \$60/mo), we can cover our annual operating cost of \$100,000, equivalent to saving 138 babies, and keep this new clinic open in this vital location. Please help us help women and babies in our community today.



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PARISH COUNCILS:

Building and Grounds Council. The scope of the Buildings and Grounds Council is to provide future direction, advice, and insight for the physical plant of Saint John the Evangelist, to include all buildings, the grounds, and all utilities therein. The Council will meet quarterly to evaluate any long-term strategy planning that is required to provide such a large and complex environment with multiple purposes. *Council President: Bill Siostrom: bsjast@yahoo.com or 239.566.8314*

Finance Council. The Finance Council is an integral part of the Stewardship responsibilities of the parish. The council assists the Pastor and General Manager in their deliberation and decision-making process in order to serve the needs of the Parish in the prudent administration of its resources and funds. *Council President: Barbara Kuryea: payables1@comcast.net or 239.513.9952*

Pastoral Stewardship Council. The major responsibilities of St. John's stewardship program falls under the purview of the Pastoral Stewardship Council. The Council's mission is to create awareness of God's gifts of time, talent and treasure and to encourage their use to the best of one's ability for the good of the Parish. The Council has three major subcommittees: Hospitality, Sharing, and Time and Talent. *Council President: Rick Beebe: psc@sjecc.com or 239.597.2086*

MEET OUR MINISTRIES:

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

Circle of Comfort. If you have cancer, or are taking care of someone who does, you may be facing challenges that may leave you feeling overwhelmed, frightened, alone and in need of comfort. Let us share our experience of faith, strength and prayer with you. We help each other live one day at a time through encouragement, prayer, laughter or whatever it takes to bring comfort to each other. *Jim or Darlene Follese: prayerlist@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

Companion Driving Ministry. To promote a sense of love and belonging for every member of our Parish Community by offering transportation to church services regardless of age, infirmity, marital or socioeconomic status. To sign up for a ride or to become a volunteer driver: *Beth Lucci: sjeride@gmail.com or 239.877.6254*

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

Divorced and Separated Support Group.

Our mission is to become the light in the life of separated/divorced Catholics by giving them a sense of inclusion in our parish family and providing support and guidance through our shared spiritual journey. We meet Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhariza@yahoo.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

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

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

Jamaica Outreach Program. JOP has been an integral part of Saint John the Evangelist since 1997. Our mission is to help the poor in Jamaica. JOP provides goods, food, medical-vision-dental services, education and basic support to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica. We welcome new volunteers. For more info: *Jeanne Stamant: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org*

Knitting & Crocheting. Knits and crochets to benefit those in need. Make baby hats booties and blankets for babies, lap robes for nursing homes, prayer shawls, baptismal blankets and sweaters for kids. Meets year-round on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - Noon. No experience necessary. *Vicki Brenner: 239.498.9900*

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Meets the second Friday of every month.

Homebound: *Diane Pesce: 630.571.0707.*
To join: *Carole Mancini: frog lady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Organizes, cooks, orders and serves food and beverages and otherwise provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. It hosts the parish picnic, Children Easter Egg Hunt, and the men work closely with the Family Ministry at many of their events. Monthly meetings 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday from October to May. *Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551*

Respect Life. Educates and informs the parish community on all aspects of respect life, which include the unborn, mothers who have had abortions, the elderly, mentally challenged, the physically challenged, the imprisoned,

and the terminally ill and the poor and hungry. *Rosemary Erickson: relife@aol.com or 239.250.0432*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from October to May. Meets in the Youth Room of the Claussen Family Center. New members welcome. Accepts fabric, notions, monetary donations. *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 239.250.4162*

St. Vincent de Paul. To help the poor, specifically people in zip codes 34108, 34109 and 34110. Members work in teams making home visits to those in need. Many times it means helping individuals with rent payment, late electrical or water bills, prescription needs and food. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. *Bill Smart: (SVdP Office): 239.775.1667*

Vocations Ministry. Vocations are a calling from God and each of us has one, from single or married life to religious life. Help the Parish Family educate and identify vocations through prayer and activities. *Marty Gautier: marty@naples.net or 239.370.4277*

Women of the Word (WoW). We welcome any woman of any age to study our faith using the Bible and other Catholic writings in a non-judgmental, supportive community. Thursday 9:30 a.m. *Nancy Bouchard: 443.498.8452 or nancybdds@comcast.net*

Knights of Columbus Councils:

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meets second Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. *S/K Jim McDonald: jmcd708@comcast.net or 239.947.6454*

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281. Worldwide Catholic men's fraternal organization founded on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. St. John's Council provides regular financial support for our seminarians and our parish. Knights also conduct a wide variety of activities to enhance and strengthen family life in the parish. Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6:30 p.m.; business meeting at 7:15 p.m. Visiting Knights are welcome. *Grand Knight Ed Phelps: efpep@aol.com or 239.339.3847*

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Prepare boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. scoutmaster@troop-226.com

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. pack226naples@gmail.com

PRAYER GROUPS

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

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group Patricia Bucalo: 239.248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group Gorana Saner: 239.293.1765

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina Mondays at 5:30 p.m.: Maria Jones: 239.348.5361

Liturgy of the Hours Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:30 a.m. Mass. pmgrys@aol.com

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Adam Decker
Nick Detloff
Sp. Douglas Hennessy
Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes
Marine Colonel Brian Howlett
Sgt. Larry Oldenburg - U.S. Army (Iraq)
Austin Spagnola

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

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

<http://sjecc.com/forms>

Thank you for your understanding.

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous. 888.435.7301

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

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

Habitat for Humanity. Kouolloheras: nick@hfhcollier.com

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 239.598.9865

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 239.348.5031 or Roger: 239.250.6888

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Michael Angelo Cristantello, James A. MacDonald, John J. McMahon, Klara Elfriede Schmitt, Karen Ann Rotondo Christopher Ryan Stephenson, Thomas Vieira and Gloria Wolner

May they rest in eternal peace.

Please pray for those on our prayer list below as well as those whose names appear on our online Prayer List at <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list>.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by PRAYER and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. – Philippians 4:6

Mary Alligood
 Kaylee B
 Jean Balliro
 Beagan Family
 Richard Becker
 Gallen Boardman
 Brian Bodnar
 Lori Breyman
 Caeleigh Brown
 Connie Cahill
 Kathy Conley
 Corinne & Children
 Lauren Carr
 Frank Comeriato
 Anthony D'Antuono
 Mark DaBronzo
 Donald Demski
 Florence Demski
 Janet Engleman
 F.W.
 Jim Follse
 Tara Follse & Family
 Jeff Gatt
 George Gonser Jr.
 Jayne Hagg
 Gerard Heyer

Rosie Heyer
 Donald Howe
 Donald Hudec
 Krista Leigh Kozowyk
 Rene Lacoste
 Jean Lydon
 Diane Maloney
 Margie Lynch
 Maria and Family
 Barbara Marsh
 Donna Masee
 Kevin McDonagh
 J. McG
 Paul McIntyre
 Cynthia McLemore
 Carolyn McNichols
 Anne Michaels
 Eileen Miner
 Lorrie Morrison
 Bettina Nugent
 Emma O'Rourke
 Ronald J. Parker
 Michael Paul
 Anne Perrino
 Ann Petrillo
 Noreen Prine

Irene Pires
 Renee Rake
 Ruth Rechtsteiner
 Ellen Roberts
 Lloyd Sample
 Lisa Sanfelippo
 Shelia Scaduto
 Gary Schutebach
 Thomas Sissman
 John Smith
 Avery Smithies
 Nancy Stewart
 William Strouse
 Edward Sullivan
 Rita Taranto
 William J. Teplica
 Isaiah Thompson
 Marilyn Thyen
 Helen Thornburg
 JoAnn Tinevra
 Lawrence A. Varone
 Mike Walsman
 Dan Ward
 Kirsten Wills
 Nancy Wise

Prayer List Consent Form

Last Updated: January 30, 2017



SAINT JOHN
 the **EVANGELIST**
 CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prayer List Participant: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ Contact Name: _____

I understand and agree to all of the above.

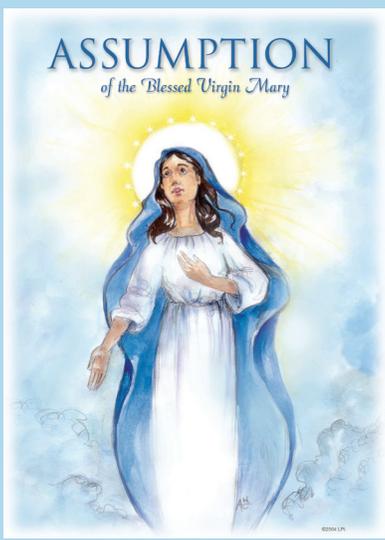
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Parish Acknowledgement _____

General Manager Signature _____ Date _____

LET US PRAY...

JULY 30, 2017 ~ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ASSUMPTION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated Tuesday, August 15. Mass times for this holy day of obligation are:
8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
Noon; 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

CAO SOFTBALL



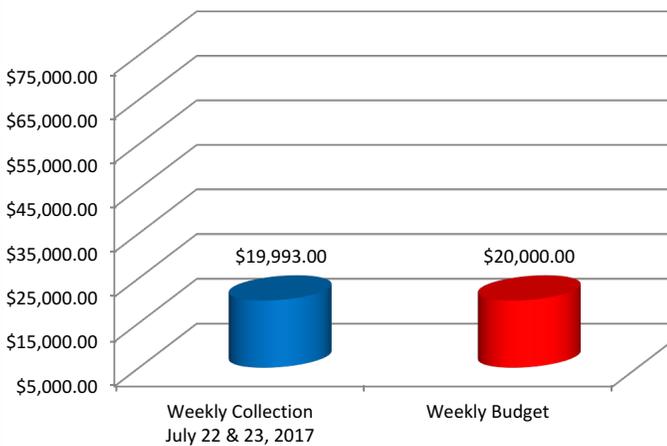
**Slow-Pitch Softball
Sign-Up**

**Choose from 2 Leagues:
Monday Night Church League
(men only)
or
Wednesday Night (Co-ed)
Public League**

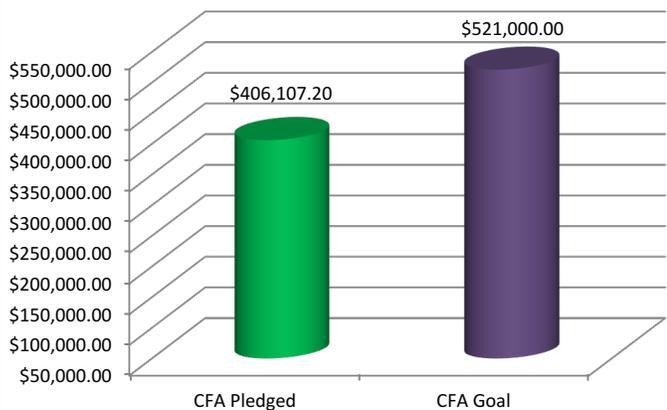
*For more information or to sign up, contact
Kyle VanDuser 239.207.0537
or kyle@sjecc.com*



Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



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

Join us for

BELIVED: LIVING MARRIAGE

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

**Final session: August 26
from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.**

Nursery will be available upon request.

Please RSVP at the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

Music for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 29 & 30, 2017

Readings:	Page 185	
Prelude Hymn:	431	Amazing Grace
Entrance Hymn:	434	Seek Ye First
Preparation Hymn:	650	Give Me Ears to Listen
Communion Hymns:	355	One Love Released
	460	Eye Has Not Seen (Haugen)
Closing Hymn:	627	Blest Are They

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, July 30, 2017: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **Here I Am to Worship** Tim Hughes CCLI Song No. 3266032. © 2000
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<p><i>Verse 1</i> Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes, let me see Beauty that made this heart adore you, Hope of a life spent with you: [to chorus ↓]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Verse 2</i> King of all days, oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above Humbly you came to the earth you created All for love's sake became poor [to chorus ↓]</p>
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4 So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my ___ God.
— And you're al-to-ge-ther love-ly, al-to-ge-ther wor-thy, al-to-ge-ther won-der-ful to ___ me. ___

Bridge **And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sins upon that cross.** (repeat, then chorus:)

Preparation Song	650	Give Me Ears to Listen
Communion Song	355	One Love Released
Closing Song	627	Blest Are They

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

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Mondays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



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1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

The Word & Life

Treasured Sacrifice

In our gospel today, God continues to teach us through the use of parables. Jesus likens the kingdom of heaven to a treasure buried in a field, the pearl of great price, and also to a net filled with fish of every kind. The first of the two images speaks to the heart of sacrificing for the sake of the kingdom. The people in the parable sell all that they have to hold onto the treasures they discover. The image of the net demonstrates the diversity of the kingdom and differentiates between the good and the bad. Jesus is carefully leading us into a deeper knowledge of the kingdom of heaven by using these images.

Gospel images are very helpful to our catholic way of life. As catholic Christians we are invited to participate in the divine life of Jesus Christ so as to experience the essence of the kingdom of heaven on earth. The idea of treasure and pearls brings a lovely image to mind that is enticing to the eye. When we think of treasures we think of sparkling jewels or items of antiquity and sentimental value. The pearl represents the jewel of the ocean that evokes feelings of purity and perfection.

The kingdom of heaven is not as enticing to the eye (although we probably have beautiful images of God and paradise stored in our psyche), as it is to the heart and the soul. When we talk of the kingdom of heaven, we set our vision on the higher gifts — that is, perfection. The gospel is a living expression of the kingdom of heaven. The kingdom of God is not only to be experienced at the end of our lives but also in the here and now. Jesus leads us into the heart of the kingdom. Once we are there, we discover a treasure that God alone can give. By following Jesus' example of love, concern, compassion, forgiveness, and healing, we participate in the taste of the world to come.

Reflection Questions

1. Why does Jesus use the analogies of treasure buried in a field and the pearl of great price?
2. What is significant about his description of the kingdom as a net filled with fish of all kinds?
3. What is your most prized treasure in your life?
4. How far are you willing to sacrifice for what is most dear to you?
5. Name the ways in which you treasure God's Word and how far you will go to sacrifice in order to fulfill God's will.
6. Describe your image of the kingdom of God. How does this direct your life?

In the images Jesus offers his listeners, we are told that the person who found the treasure in the field, understanding its value, joyfully sold everything in order to hold on to the treasure. Likewise, the merchant who recognizes the value of his precious find, gives up all he has to be able to experience the treasure. Ultimately, we sacrifice in order to make known the kingdom to those around us. Sometimes the sacrifice involves giving of our time to sit with someone who is experiencing a difficult time in life. Sometimes, we are challenged to go the extra mile and give of our treasure to those who have not.

We are told that at the end of the age there will be a variety of people called into God's presence. Jesus reminds us however, that the angels will sort the good from the bad. Does he tell us this to make us live in fear? No, it is a reminder to us to choose the good and avoid what is evil. God is glorified in the good that we do. Therefore, let us cherish the treasure that is contained in the Sacred Word and place it in our hearts.

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



Prayer

Open our hearts, dear Lord, to the realities of your kingdom. Open our eyes to see your beauty and presence in all things. May we give all that we have to make your kingdom known in a world yearning for peace. Help us to embrace what is life-giving and orient our lives toward your goodness. When our lives on earth are spent, count us among those you have chosen. Amen.

Voices of Faith

The Bright Field

I have seen the sun break through
to illuminate a small field
for a while, and gone my way
and forgotten it. But that was the pearl
of great price, the one field that had
treasure in it. I realize now
that I must give all that I have
to possess it. Life is not hurrying
on to a receding future, nor hankering after
an imagined past. It is the turning
aside like Moses to the miracle
of the lit bush, to a brightness
that seemed as transitory as your youth
once, but is the eternity that awaits you.

— *Robert Stewart Thomas (1913-2000),
Welsh poet and Anglican priest*



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Faith Formation

2017-2018 School Year

2017-2018 Faith Formation Registration Forms Due August 31

Registration packets are available in the Parish Office and Faith Formation offices for the 2017-2018 school year,

grades Pre-K through grade 12. Registration Forms are due **Thursday, August 31.**

Registration Forms are also available to print at

www.sjecc.com.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2017-2018	
SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST	
	
Office of Faith Formation 625-11th Avenue North • Naples, Florida 34108 Phone: 239-566.8740, ext. 3909 Fax: 239-449.6426 Website: www.sjecc.com E-Mail: natalie@sjecc.com	
1. Our Faith Formation Program is open to all children of our parish. If you are not a member of our parish, please complete Family Parish Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms must be completed and submitted at the time you a Faith Formation Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms (New Parishioner Forms) can be obtained at the Church under the window "Parish." <input type="checkbox"/> I am a registered St. John parishioner.	
2. Please complete and submit a separate Faith Formation Registration Form for each of your children. (Or print a copy, copy return it through the mail (above address) with check made payable to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church or please it along with your payment to the Faith Formation Office. Incomplete registration forms will not be accepted! Please return registration forms by August 31, 2017 as classes fill up quickly.	
3. Registration Forms and checks can also be dropped off in the main office. Ask that they be put in Natalie's mailbox.	
STUDENT INFORMATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> Returning Student and WAS enrolled 2016-2017 <input type="checkbox"/> New Student and WAS NOT enrolled	
If new student, provide the Church name, address, and the year last attended Faith Formation:	
First Name: _____	Last Name: _____ Shirt Size: _____
Date of Birth: ____/____/____	Grade (September 2017): _____
Known allergies or medical concerns: _____	
SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION	
Date of Baptism: ____/____/____	Church of Baptism: _____
Has your child received these sacraments? (Check all that apply.)	

SEPTEMBER - SAVE THE DATES

Families In Christ: September 10

Faith Formation Classes Begin:

Sunday Classes, K-8, September 17

Wednesday Classes, K-8, September 20

High School Confirmation, Sunday, September 24

Catechists Needed for 2017-2018 School Year

We are looking for catechists to serve the needs of our Pre-K through 12th grade students. If interested, contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com.



2017-2018 Confirmation Calendar Grades 9-12

We are excited to share our Faith Formation Calendar for our students Grades 9-12 for the 2017-2018 School Year. Whether you are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation or you have already received the sacrament and want to learn more about your faith, you are welcome!

High School students will meet on Sunday mornings from 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. and Sunday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

For more information, please feel free to contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740, ext. 3909.

- September 24, 2017
- October 8, 2017
- October 22, 2017
- November 12, 2017
- December 3, 2017
- December 10, 2017
- January 7, 2018
- January 21, 2018
- February 11, 2018
- February 25, 2018 – Fr. John Q & A – No Morning Class
- March 4, 2018
- March 18, 2018
- April 8, 2017
- April 22, 2018
- April 29, 2018
- Sunday, May 6, 2018 –Parent Meeting 7:00 -7:30 p.m.

- **YOUTH RALLY** – Saturday, November 4, 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- **Confirmation Retreat at St. John** – March 23 & 24, Overnight

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

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Faith Formation

2017-2018 School Year

SAVE THE DATES!
Faith Formation is
Ready for You!

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM 2017-2018

August-17							September-17							October-17						
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AUGUST

- 19 Catechist In-Service- FOR TEACHERS ONLY 8:30-11:00 AM
- 31 Faith Formation Registrations Due-Registration Fee Increase After This date

SEPTEMBER

- 10 Families in Christ 9:45-10:45AM
- 17 Catechetical Sunday 11:00 Mass- Catechists Commissioned
- 17 First FF Sunday Class (Meet and Greet for Parents 9:00-9:30AM)
- 20 First FF Wednesday Class (Meet and Greet for Parents 5:15-5:45PM)
- 24 First FF High School Class (Meet and Greet for Parents)

OCTOBER

- 1 & 4 Safe Environment Class for Children Grades K- 2nd
- 8 & 11 Safe Environment Class for Children Grades 3rd-5th
- 18 Parent Meeting of First Communicants - WED Class 5:30-7:00PM
- 22 Parent Meeting of First Communicants - SUN Class 9:15-10:45AM
- 25 & 29 Safe Environment Class for Children Grades 6th-8th
- 29 Safe Environment for High School Youth AM & PM Class

NOVEMBER

- 05 First Communion Candidates Mass Enrollment/ 11:15 Mass Time
- Parents attend and sit with child in Mass on this Day

DECEMBER

- 10 Catechist Christmas Brunch 12:00 Noon- Brunch For Volunteer Catechists

JANUARY - Classes Resume Jan. 7th & 10th

FEBRUARY

- 1 Reconciliation Rehearsal 5:45 p.m. One Parent Must attend w/Child
- 8 First Reconciliation Ceremony 5:30 p.m.

- 11 Families in Christ 9:45-10:45 AM

- 14 Ash Wednesday-No Faith Formation Class

MARCH

- 21 First Communion Parent & Child Activity Night 5:30p.m.

APRIL 1st EASTER SUNDAY

MAY

- 3 - Teaching Mass for Everyone -With Fr. John 5:30pm

- 5 Catechist Appreciation Breakfast & Meeting 8:30- 10:00AM

- 6 Families in Christ 9:45-10:45 AM

- 10 First Communion Rehearsal Parent & Child 5:30 p.m. CHURCH
- 12 First Communion Ceremony 11:00 a.m.
- 13 May Crowning of Mary 11:00 a.m. Mass -First Communicants
- 16 First Communicants Family Celebration Dinner 5:30PM

High School Confirmation Classes	
September 24th	Class #1
October 8 & 22, 2017.....	Class #2 & #3
November 4th, 2017 - Saturday - Diocesan YOUTH RALLY 10AM-9PM	
November 12th, 2017.....	Class #4
December 3 & 10, 2017.....	Class #5 & #6
January 7 & 21, 2018.....	Class #7 & #8
February 11 & 25, 2018.....	Class #9 & #10
March 4, 2018.....	Class #11
April 8, 22, & 29, May 6th	Class #12, #13, #14 & #15

X = No Class	Sunday Classes	Wednesday Classes -Children's Choir 4:30-5:30p.m.
Pre- K & K	None	12:10 - 2:10 p.m.
Grades K-8, HS option	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
High School Confirmation	6:05 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	None

* Dates may be subject to change 6/9/2017

IMPORTANT DATES

* DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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

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Registration for Fall 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes is NOW open!

MEET ONE OF THE INSTRUCTORS

CASEY DEBROWSKI

So some background on me! I did theater throughout high school and college, taking acting classes throughout, so I have a good general knowledge and background in theater. As far as Improv goes, I was Treasurer and President of Improv Club at FGCU for a year each, and participated in Improv Club the whole time I was at FGCU. I've been working with Stage 2 Improv for 5 seasons now. We perform during the summer and the winter at the Sugden Theater in Naples. We perform short-form improvisational theater games like those seen on "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" I've been learning and performing Improv specifically for over 8 years now. I was also a teacher at Port Charlotte Christian School for 3 years, so I'm accustomed to teaching using a variety of methods to a variety of ages.

So the class will go over the rules of Improv. We will play Improv games that specifically deal with learning skills that go along with each of the rules of Improv. We will do fun warm-up games to get kids into the mood of thinking quickly and expressing themselves with big motions. We will learn how to break out of shyness and perform in a safe space where kids can act without fear of judgement.

This class is a great way to help kids have fun and break out of their shells by doing fun theater games. They will also learn skills that will help them if they ever decide to pursue stage acting. Skill in Improv also helps with day-to-day talking with people; learning to listen and respond well to the information given.

— Casey Debrowski



Fall 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes

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

CYO:

- Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning September 30
- Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning September 30
- Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning September 12
- Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning September 8
- Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning September 10
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 4pm beginning September 6
- Theater and Acting Saturdays at 10am beginning September 9
(working on Christmas Eve Pageant)
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 6:45pm beginning September 11
- Art and Painting for Elementary Age students Saturdays at 9am beginning September 9
- Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning September 9



CAO:

- Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning September 12
- Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning September 8
- Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning September 9
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning September 6
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 11
- Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning September 9



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

Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Has a friend or family member ever asked you about becoming Catholic, or returning to the Church?

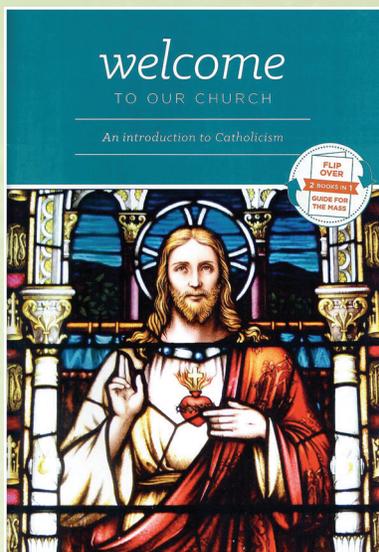
Have you ever considered extending an invitation to someone you think may be open to considering what it means to be Catholic?

Over the last two years I have had the privilege of working with several adults at various points in their journey to a deeper and fuller relationship with Jesus and “full communion” with the Catholic Church.

Some were new to Christianity and had never been baptized. Many had been baptized and raised in another Christian tradition but were now interested in becoming Catholic. Others had been Catholic for years, but for one reason or another had drifted away from the Church.

Each of them heard a call to explore becoming Catholic or being a better Catholic. Although some felt a call directly from God, most were invited by family members or friends.

Summer is a great time to begin a conversation. Begin by listening to their questions, and supporting them. Then maybe accompany them to Mass, where we all will hear the word of God and how it applies to our daily life. If you or your friend or family member has more questions, I’m available to meet with you. I can also facilitate a meeting with a member of the clergy if preferred.



If you feel inadequately prepared to answer their questions, help is available in the form of a little booklet, *Welcome to our Church*.

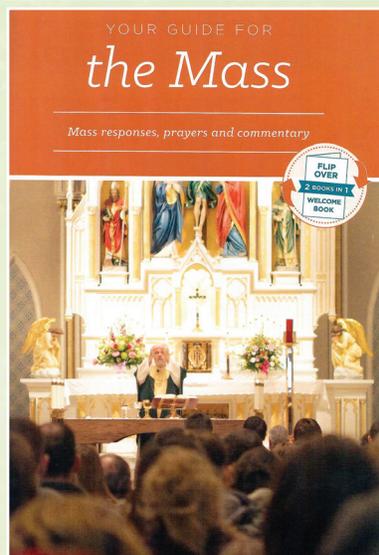
One part is an **Introduction to Catholicism** that explains some important aspects of our Catholic faith as handed down to us by Scripture and Sacred Tradition. In just a few pages it covers what the Catholic Church is, what we believe, salvation history, the seven sacraments, common prayers, and more.

A Guide for the Mass is the other part; that includes Mass responses and prayers, along with a commentary of what is happening at Mass. This is especially informative for people visiting our church for a weekend Mass, a wedding, funeral, baptism, or for some other reason.

Just stop by the Parish Office or Divine Gift Boutique and pick up a copy of this booklet. It can answer many questions and be an outline for a discussion.

Extend an invitation, pick up a booklet, or simply pick up the phone or send an email; the next step is yours.

Jack Kindsvater



This Week's Complete Schedule

Thursday, August 3

Women of the Word continue *Courageous Women* discussion ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

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

ZUMBA WITH MEGAN

Zumba classes offered at St. John



Classes on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday mornings at 9 am in the ballroom

Cost is \$10 a person for drop in or \$40 for the month

register by email to jennine@sjecc.com

St. John Needs YOU As a Catechist!

Have you ever wanted to **enliven the spirit of our youth** with your knowledge and joy of our faith?

Have you aspired to **strengthen the faith of others** around you (and in doing so, may strengthen your own)?

Have you felt the Holy Spirit inside you, and wanted to **share that joy and happiness**?

If you have felt any yearning to engage your faith in a deeply engrossing and tangible way, becoming a Catechist may be just what you are looking for. The role of a Catechist is to teach the faith of the Catholic Church both by word and by example. At Saint John the Evangelist that translates to our Faith Formation program, where youth from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade are instructed and inspired to learn, love, and live our faith.

We are looking for joyous and engaging men and women who would love to teach the future of our Church what we believe and why we believe it. Please contact Natalie at: natalie@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740, if you are interested.

AFTER-SCHOOL FALL 2017

FULL S.T.E.A.M. AHEAD

Held @ St. John the Evangelist Parish Life Center
ARTS AND SCIENCE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
TAUGHT BY CERTIFIED TEACHERS

Included: An arts or STEM class, guided arts & STEM free explore, participation in our unique challenge system, snack, homework help, & optional private music lesson (add-on).

CLASSES

Mondays: Minecraft, Music Makers, Perfect Pitch
Tuesdays: 3D Printing, Robotics, Piano, Art
Wednesdays: Makerspace, Art
Thursdays: 3D Printing, Robotics, Guitar, Art
Fridays: Rotating STEM, Rotating Arts

Transportation provided from: Osceola, Sea Gate, Pelican Marsh, Veterans Memorial, Naples Park
*Students not from above schools need their own transportation.

Times: Immediately after school - 6:30
Fee: \$18-25/day *Tuition Assistance Available*

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Chex Mixer 3000 Soundboard
Invented by Landon (Age 10) and Evan (Age 9)