

# This Sunday We Celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday with Special Focus on All Vocations

It has become clear across the country that there is a significant decline in the desire of young people to choose a vocation in the Church. With the aging population of the priests, brothers, sisters, and deacons, this decline is even more perilous for us as Catholics. The time is now to find new avenues and opportunities to showcase and shepherd vocations as a valuable and powerful option for youth. You may not know it, but this is one of the reasons behind the Life Center, CYO, the NET Missionaries, and the other initiatives St. John has put in place to engage youth and the young community here in Naples. We understand that by making the Catholic Church their community, the fellowship of the young people, they will have a positive engagement with their faith and



A graduate of Ave Maria University, Alex Pince, St. John parishioner, majored in economics and business. He is in his second year of Pretheology at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami. Alex has a deep respect for the priesthood and the desire to care for the spiritual needs of others working beside them. personal relationship with Jesus. That relationship can blossom into a vocational call.

Additionally, St. John has created a ministry for our Parish Family, under the direction of the Diocese of Venice. The Vocations Ministry will connect with the various groups, ranging from the Youth Group to the Altar Servers, the Boy Scouts to the Knights of Columbus, the Choir to the Lectors in search of young people that have illustrated the spark of vocation already in their soul. The Vocations Ministry will include a Prayer Group, whose members will dedicate time for prayers to support all the vocations. It will also determine how to illustrate that we all have a vocation, from marriage to community service, and that through these vocations, we can illustrate the love, joy, and healing power of the Catholic Church.

**Vocation: Married Life.** Many of us have chosen that vocation, but may not have realized just what a vocation it is. In his Apostolic Exhortation, **The Joy of Love**, Our Holy Father illustrates just how important marriage is to our faith and our future:

72. The sacrament of marriage is not a social convention, an empty ritual or merely the outward sign of a commitment. The sacrament is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses, since "their mutual belonging is a real representation, through the sacramental sign, of the same relationship between Christ and the Church. The married couple are therefore a permanent reminder for the Church of what took place on the cross; they are for one another and for their children witnesses of the salvation in which they share through the sacrament". Marriage is a vocation, inasmuch as it is a response to a specific call to experience conjugal love as an imperfect sign of the love between Christ and the Church. Consequently, the decision to marry and to have a family ought to be the fruit of a process of vocational discernment.

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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 fo	Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions (SI)Requested by			
May 6, 2	2017		Saturday	
8:00	AM	+	Thomas Erbland	Thomas Hroncich
			Saturday Vigil Masses for Sun	day
3:00	PM	SI	Jerome VanderHorst	Vicki VanderHors <mark>t</mark>
5:00	PM	SI	Gerald & Marlene Vogel	Laurie Vogel
			(Wedding Anniversary)	
May 7, 2	017		Sunday	
7:00	AM	+	Thomas Erbland	Betty & Frank Burkitt
9:00	AM	+	Maria Catalano	Giuseppe & Anna Nardulli
11:00	AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00			Francis & Fortunata DiMalo	Bob & Sandra
5:00	PM	+	Jack Brownstein	Vincent Lasprogata
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May 8, 2	2017		Monday	
8:30	AM	+	Patricia Sullivan	Dick Sullivan
May 9, 2	017		Tuesday	
8:30	AM	+	John R. Brooks	Claire Conger
May 10,	2017		Wednesday	
8:30				Lucy Kelly
6:30	PM	+	Richard Schmiedhauser	William Rooney
May 11, 2	2017		Thursday	
8:30	AM	+	Jayne Potter	Dolores Kernochan
May 12,	2017		Friday	
8:30	AM	+	Cornelius & Mildred Goeren	Neil & Suzanne Goe <mark>ren</mark>
May 13,			Saturday	
8:00	AM	SI	Kathy & Dave Forness	Deborah Marsh
			Saturday Vigil Masses for Sun	ıday
3:00	PM	+	Mark Galle	Mom & Dad
5:00	PM	+	John Sullivan	O'Reilly & Chiara Families
May 14,			Sunday	
7:00	AM	+	Thomas Erbland	Marnie Helm & George Uding
9:00	AM	+	Connie Costabile	Mother of Judy Sambataro
11:00	AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00	PM	+	James J. Mullally, Jr.	Ann Mullally
5:00	PM	+	Michael Blake	Richard & Kathy Zittel
Wine &	Host i	n M	emory of Peter McHugh ~ Req. k	by Dorothy Whitehouse

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, May 6, 2017 **First Saturday** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Sunday, May 7, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Monday, May 8, 2017 Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday, May 9, 2017 Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 St. Damien de Veuster Acts 12:24 - 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, May 11, 2017 Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday, May 12, 2017 Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 13, 2017 Our Lady of Fatima Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

Sunday, May 14, 2017 Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

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.

## ASS INTENTIONS...

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## May 7, 2017

"What's in a name? that which we call a rose By any other name would smell as sweet;"William Shakespeare, "Romeo and Juliet"



A Capital Campaign for Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

# Future Begins with Parish Activity Center and Rome Signage

The names of our buildings and our rooms are essential for both our Parish Family and all our friends who visit our campus. With 5,000 events and activities on an annual basis, we have an active and vibrant space filled

with people every single day. Clear naming conventions serve several purposes:

- **Easy to Find Where to Go:** Signage, both physical and digital, will make it simple and straight forward to find where on our campus an activity is taking place.
- **Illustrating Our Parish:** With parish-oriented terms like "Activity" and "Life", our buildings showcase the focus of our efforts.
- **Illustrating Our Faith:** By utilizing city names from the New Testament (and focusing them by continent for each building), we are creating a subtle yet clear message about the inclusion of our faith at every level of our activities and events here at St. John.

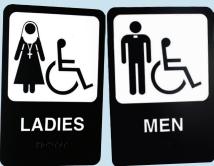
We have finalized all the physical signage changes we have described, so from now on, we will using the below names for rooms here at St. John for all events:

- **Parish Activity Center (PAC):** Replaces the Parish Life Center, as that name would be confusing due to our upcoming Pulte Family Life Center (PLC). This is the building where the Ballroom, our Parish Offices, and ten classrooms reside.
- **Rome:** Our first renovation task was to renew a heavily used small reception and meeting room, that used to be called the Library. The PAC will be our Europe, so the focal point of Catholicism in Rome made sense to use that name as our first room of the new environment.

Of course, signage does not have to be boring. Our new bathroom signs are a perfect example, illustrating that same connection to our faith, but is a whimsical way, with sisters for the ladies' rooms and priests for the men's rooms.

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



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy	Associate
Fr. Paul D'Angelo	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Walla	ice
Deacon Frank Panice	ia Senior Status
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Jean-Paul Boucher	jp@sjecc.com
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<b>Greeters &amp; Ushers:</b> Bill Fuller	wfuller1@comcast.net
	239.280.8870

#### **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: 566.8740 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: 566.8740

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.

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

Mass Intentions. We are now accepting 2018 intentions.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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

All Administrative Staff 239.566.8740 **General Manager** Jean-Paul Boucher: Ext. 3910 Fax: 239.566.9117

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**Director of Program Development/ Ministry Coordinator** 

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Maintenance 566.8740

Education Staff **Director of Religious Education** Natalie Campbell: Ext. 3904 and 3909

**Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA** Jack Kindsvater: Ext. 3918 email staff members at: info@sjecc.com

#### 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!

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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

#### **Choirs:**

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Residents and seasonals welcome. Gary Prettyman: 566.8740

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Grades 1-5. Gary Prettyman: 566.8740

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Gary Prettyman: 566.8740

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: 239.592.7973 or Darlene Follese: 495.9741

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*: 566.8740.

#### 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

#### **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

To Know. To Love. and To Serve God in His church and our community.

### **ARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL**

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2017 wine and host and flowers availability.

Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in

honor of your loved ones.

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## *Our Clergy Will Celebrate Communal Anointing Mass Sunday, May 14*

Are you, or someone you know, in need of healing? Whether physical, emotional, or spiritual healing is needed, you are not alone, nor are you without the grace and mercy of God.

Please join Fr. John, Fr. Bob and Fr. Paul and your parish family for this powerful Communal Anointing Mass on Sunday, May 14 at 3:00 p.m.

This Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation.

## Memorial Day Mass Monday, May 29 Will Honor Those Who Have Fallen in Order to Protect Our Freedom

We will honor those members of our Armed Forces who answered the call and made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29. The Music Department will celebrate these heroes with special prelude music. Fr. Bob will be the celebrant.

In addition, the names of our loved ones who paid for our freedom with their lives will be read aloud and prayerfully remembered, in order to properly observe Memorial Day.

Please contact the office (239.566.8740) to provide the names and details of those loved ones who served our country and lost their lives for our freedom. Those names will be read aloud and remembered during our Memorial Day Observance Mass. *Please note that if you already turned in the name you do not need to do so again.* 

## Divine Gift Boutique Now Open on Weekends Only

The Divine Gift Boutique, located across from the restrooms, will be open on weekends only, starting this weekend.

Non-season hours are: Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The store will be closed during the week.

If interested in volunteering in the gift shop, contact Elaine deLaurentis, gift shop manager, at 228.3921 or by email: *elaine@sjecc.com*.

The religious gift shop has a wide assortment of merchandise in stock for anyone interested in purchasing items for Holy Communion, Confirmation, Mother's Day or any occasion.

# Join the Parish Family as We Celebrate Fr. John's 20th Anniversary of His Ordination

# Sunday, May 21, 2017 at the 11:00 AM Mass

# Family Picnic Reception to Follow in the Ballroom



# Noon to 4:00 PM

Our Pastor has given 20 years of his life to his vocation and 8 of them have been to Saint John the Evangelist. This is a perfect opportunity to thank him for his mission work around the world and for his pastoral support for all of us.



In lieu of personal gifts to Fr. John, he requests donations be made to the Immokalee Mission so that it may go directly to the poor. Checks can be made to Saint John the Evangelist with **"Immokalee Mission"** in the Memo Line.

The Reception is free to attend, but please RSVP by May 15, 2017 online at: https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/FJ20Years or by calling the office at 239.566.8740 so we can ensure there is food and drinks for everyone.

## #ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe

## #ToKnow, #ToLove – Pope Francis, Vocations, and a Trip to Egypt

Our Holy Father took a trip last weekend to a dangerous place for Christians right now, Egypt. With the same safety procedures he uses whenever he travels, and his same missionary spirit that will not be silenced by threats, Pope Francis spoke out on the effects of violence and hatred in some of his most impassioned speeches to date. If you have not seen them or read them in their entirety, I highly recommend taking the time to do so. Here are a few essential snippets:

# *Pope Francis Speaking of Peace and Interreligious Dialog at the International Peace Conference:*

As religious leaders, we are called, therefore, to unmask the violence that masquerades as purported sanctity and is based more on the "absolutizing" of selfishness than on authentic openness to the Absolute. We have an obligation to denounce violations of human dignity and human rights, to expose attempts to justify every form of hatred in the name of religion, and to condemn these attempts as idolatrous caricatures of God: Holy is his name, he is the God of peace, God salaam. Peace alone, therefore, is holy and no act of violence can be perpetrated in the name of God, for it would profane his Name. – Pope Francis 4/28/2017 http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-at-al-azhar-religious-leaders-must-unmask-vio

#### Speech to Egyptian Parliament and Leaders:

All of us have the duty to teach coming generations that God, the Creator of heaven and earth, does not need to be protected by men; indeed, it is he who protects them. He never desires the death of his children, but rather their life and happiness. He can neither demand nor justify violence; indeed, he detests and rejects violence ("God... hates the lover of violence": Ps 11:5). The true God calls to unconditional love, gratuitous pardon, mercy, absolute respect for every life, and fraternity among his children, believers and nonbelievers alike.

It is our duty to proclaim together that history does not forgive those who preach justice, but then practice injustice. History does not forgive those who talk about equality, but then discard those who are different. It is our duty to unmask the peddlers of illusions about the afterlife, those who preach hatred in order to rob the simple of their present life and their right to live with dignity, and who exploit others by taking away their ability to choose freely and to believe responsibly. It is our duty to dismantle deadly ideas and extremist ideologies, while upholding the incompatibility of true faith and violence, of God and acts of murder. – Pope Francis 4/28/2017 http://www. romereports.com/2017/04/28/pope-francis-full-speech-toegyptian-authorities

#### Saturday Mass:

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True faith is one that makes us more charitable, more merciful, more honest and more humane. It moves our hearts to love everyone without counting the cost, without distinction and without preference. It makes us see the other not as an enemy to be overcome, but a brother or sister to be loved, served and helped. It spurs us on to spread, defend and live out the culture of encounter, dialogue, respect and fraternity. It gives us the courage to forgive those who have wronged us, to extend a hand

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to the fallen, to clothe the naked, to feed the hungry, to visit the imprisoned, to help orphans, to give drink to those who thirst, and to come to the aid of the elderly and those in need (cf. Mt 25). True faith leads us to protect the rights of others with the same zeal and enthusiasm with which we defend our own. Indeed, the more we grow in faith and knowledge, the more we grow in humility and in the awareness of our littleness.

God is pleased only by a faith that is proclaimed by our lives, for the only fanaticism believers can have is that of charity! Any other fanaticism does not come from God and is not pleasing to him! – Pope Francis 4/29/2017 http://en.radiovaticana.va/ news/2017/04/29/pope\_francis\_in\_cairo\_full\_text\_of\_homily\_ at\_sat\_am\_mass\_/1308944

Most importantly for this Good Shepherd Sunday, however, was his speech to the religious and priests of Egypt. His call for those in vocations ring true for all Catholics as we live out our single life, our marriages, our religious life, or our priesthood:

Although there are many reasons to be discouraged, amid many prophets of destruction and condemnation, and so many negative and despairing voices, may you be a positive force, salt and light for this society. Like the engine of a train, may you be the driving force leading all towards their destination. May you be sowers of hope, builders of bridges and agents of dialogue and harmony.

This will be possible if consecrated men and women do not give in to the temptations they daily encounter along their way. I would like to highlight some of the greatest of these temptations.

- 1. The temptation to let ourselves be led, rather than to lead.
- 2. The temptation to complain constantly.
- 3. The temptation to gossip and envy.
- 4. The temptation to compare ourselves to others.
- 5. The temptation to become like Pharaoh, that is to harden our hearts and close them off to the Lord and our brothers and sisters.
- 6. The temptation to individualism.
- 7. The temptation to keep walking without direction or destination.

#### - Pope Francis 4/29/2017 http://en.radiovaticana.va/ news/2017/04/29/pope\_to\_egypts\_priests\_and\_religious\_be\_ sowers\_of\_hope/1309039

There are wonderful explanations for Our Holy Father under each of these, but if we could all learn to combat these temptations, what a beautiful Church and world we would be living in together.

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**Vocation: Single Life.** The opportunities to serve God and heed his call to love and support those that need it can be equally served by those who choose not to go into religious life, or get married. Single life may be lived out either from choice or from circumstance. Some people choose to remain single because they believe this is how they can best serve God and his people. They do not feel called to join a religious order or the priesthood. They may be lay missionaries, like a teacher or a doctor, who can more easily respond to need, wherever it is perceived, if they are not tied by an intimate relationship or family responsibilities. But equally they may be a carpenter, office worker, scientist, or truck driver, who has a fulfilling

personal relationship with Jesus which they feel able to live out deeply.

Other people are single because of where they are on their life's journey. This may be a temporary or permanent situation. For example, a young person who is contemplating their future is still called to live their life for God while they are single. A person who has been widowed or divorced and thus is no longer living the vocation of Marriage may now live the vocation of Single Life and find new opportunities to enrich the world around them with their faith.

#### See more at:

https://saintjohntheevangelist. com/ministries/vocations-notjust-collars-and-habits-part-3single-life

**Vocation: Religious Life.** There are some of us that grew up with nuns and their rulers as our grade school teachers. Still others of

us had Friars or Irish Christian Brothers who played basketball with us after school and Sisters who served in the soup kitchen every weekend. Our Catholic Church would be a quiet place indeed without those that have dedicated their lives to our faith and taken vows to poverty, chastity and obedience. These individuals teach, serve, and shepherd us as a community and the world at large. It is astounding to see the breadth and depth of Religious Life opportunities, in the various communities (Jesuit, Salesian, Franciscan, Dominican, etc.), and the types of efforts that the Religious take on. From working in the slums of Calcutta to the halls of the most prestigious universities in the world, the prospects for Religious Life are as broad as those of us that are not called to that life.

See more at: https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/ vocations-not-just-collars-and-habits-part-4-religious-life

**Vocation: Priesthood.** At last year's Vocations Dinner Fr. John and Bishop Dewane shared similar thoughts on the new Vocations Ministry. "There is no Catholic Church without vocations, there is no future church without youth engaged in

their faith and discernment of their potential vocation. Youth cannot find it on their own."

Pope Francis spoke about the need for the entire community to come together for vocations:

The call of God comes to us by means of a mediation which is communal. God calls us to become a part of the Church and, after we have reached a certain maturity within it, he bestows on us a specific vocation. The vocational journey is undertaken together with the brothers and sisters whom the Lord has given to us: it is a con-vocation. The ecclesial dynamism of the call is an antidote to indifference and to individualism. It establishes the communion in which indifference is vanquished by love, because it demands that we go beyond ourselves and place our lives at the service of God's plan, embracing the historical circumstances of his holy people...

See more at:

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Inspire within our homes, our parish, our schools and community,

those you have called to their true vocation.

Raise up among us priests, sisters, brothers, deacons, lay ministers,

and those you are calling to marriage and the single life.

May we never be afraid to heed your call

to know, to love, and to serve you in all people

and in every aspect of life. Amen.

#### **Vocations Adoration**

Sunday, May 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. We encourage families to partake in prayerful Adoration in the Rome Room and to specifically pray for their vocations and those of our Parish Family. **Bereavement.** Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *For Arimatheans: Toni:* 597.1966. *For Grief Support Ministry:* 566.8740

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

**Buildings 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.

**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 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: 566.8740 or Beth Lucci at 877.6254 or sjeride@gmail.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* 

**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:* 293.3694 or *Lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci:* 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, www.faithandwine.com or Nancy Squittieri: faithandwine@gmail.com **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. *President: Barbara Kuryea* 

Habitat for Humanity. Build homes in Naples for qualifying families in need. Nick Koulloheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

Jamaica Outreach Program. JOP has been an integral part of Saint John the Evangelist since 1997. Our mission is to help the poor in Jamaica. JOP provides goods, food, medicalvision-dental services, education and basic support to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica. We welcome new volunteers. For more info: Jeanne Stamant (season) 514.0290 (summer 248.3248). To volunteer: Martha Mador 860.449-2105

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. Next social meeting is March 27. Visiting Knights are welcome. *Bill Warvel, Grand Knight: 331.7151* 

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:* 947.6454

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

**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* 

**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:* 597.3941

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. Needs fleece fabric. *Phyllis Crivelli: 594.1148* or Barbara Arthur: 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. *SVdP Office: 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* 

**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 nancybdh@hotmail.com

#### **PRAYER GROUPS**

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**Cenacle of Life Prayer Group** *Patricia Bucalo: 248.0694* **Divine Will Prayer Group** 

Gorana Saner: 293.1765

**Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina** Mondays at 5:30 p.m.: *Maria Jones: 348.5361* Wednesdays morning Centering Prayer will resume in the Fall.

**Liturgy of the Hours** *Phyllis Gryskiewicz:* After 8:00 a.m. Mass.

#### THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Adam Decker

Nick Detloff

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

Thnk you for your understanding.

#### **OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS**

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

**Al-Anon.** Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

#### Narcotics Anonymous.

Cursillistas. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

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

Mah Jong. Space Limited. *Lanelle Bishop:* 352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

**Recovering Couples Anonymous.** *Britta:* 348.5031 or Roger: 250.6888

#### PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially: Anna Alexander, Raymond "Ray" W. Beaudry Jr. and John Alfred Mulcahy

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

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#### Ann Kerns Krista Leigh Kozowyk Rene Lacoste Jean Lydon Diane Maloney Margie Lynch Maria and Family Barbara Marsh Kevin McDonagh J. McG Patricia McGrath Cynthia McLemore Carolyn McNichols Mary T. Moore Lorrie Morrison Emma O'Rourke Ronald J. Parker Michael Paul Anne Perrino Ann Petrillo Irene Pires

Renee Rake **Ruth Rechtsteiner** Ellen Roberts Llovd Sample Lisa Sanfelippo Shelia Scaduto Joan Scariati Peter Scariati Thomas Sissman Avery Smithies Nancy Stewart William Strouse Edward Sullivan Rita Taranto William J. Teplica Marilyn Thyen Helen Thornburg Lawrence A. Varone Mike Walsman Bill Warvel Nancy Wise

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# Prayer List Consent Form

Last Updated: January 30, 2017

Prayer List Participant:

Contact Phone Number:

#### POLICY:

Saint John the Evangelist will only accept additions to the Prayer List from the individual to be prayed for, or the parent or legal guardian of that individual. A signed release (or email-based approval) will be required prior to the inclusion in the printed Prayer List.

I understand and agree to all of the above.

Signature

Date

Parish Acknowledgement

General Manager Signature

Date

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you would like the name(s) you submit to be on our prayer list for longer than one month, please notify us by phone or email or the names will be removed. These names also appear on our online prayer list at: *http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list* 



## 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, May 7, 2017: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Opening Song	<b>483</b>	Love Has Come (Maher)	
Preparation Song	430	Be Not Afraid	
Communion Song		Lord, I Need You Matt Maher	
-		Daniel Carson   Jesse Reeves   Kristian Stanfill   Matt Maher © 2011 worshiptogether.com songs ing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.	
Verse 1) Lord, I com	e, I conf	Tess; <i>Verse 2</i> ) Where sin runs deep, your grace is more;	
bowing here, I find n	ny rest	where grace is found is where you are	
And without you, I fa			
you're the One that g	guides n	hy heart (to Chorus) Holiness is Christ in me! (to Chorus)	
Chorus	C		
U	Lord.	, I need you, oh, I need you, ev' - ry hour I need you; my	
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one	de-fense	e, my ri - ghteous-ness, O God, how I need you.	
	0,	So teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way nnot stand I'll fall on you—Jesus, you're my hope and stay ( <i>to Chorus</i> )	
Closing Song	438	We Will Rise Again	
Pr	niect R	achel Post-Abortion Reconciliation & Healing Retreat	
	-	to the people of the whole   1588). Call Project Rachel for confidential information about	
		ing mankind, but I desire to the June 24 retreat. Contact Fonda at 239.719.7210 or <i>Fonda</i> .	
		Heart" (Diary of St. Faustina, rachel@gmail.com.	
First communicants are cordially invited			
	artici	pate in the Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
		Sunday, May 14, 2017	
		g the Homily during the 11:00 a.m. Family Mass	
First Communicants are welcome to wear their First Holy Communion attire.			
All children are invited to participate in the ceremony.			
Please complete the form and place it in the collection basket or return to the parish office by Friday, May 12.			
Parent's or Guardia	n's Nam	e	
Phone Number			
Email Address			
F	or more	information, please contact Jean-Paul Boucher at 566.8740 ext. 3910	
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Hymns for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 6 & 7, 2017		
Readings:	Page <b>153</b>	
Prelude Hymn:	162	Regina Caeli/O Queen of Heaven (Latin and English)
Entrance Hymn:	466	The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Preparation Hym	n: <b>438</b>	We Will Rise Again
Communion Hym	ins: <b>324</b>	Gift of Finest Wheat
	430	Be Not Afraid
Closing Hymn:	727	Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

#### May is a special month for sacred music!

During this month of May, we continue to sing music which celebrates this glorious Easter season and the specific themes of the readings for each weekend. In addition, the month of May is a very special month in which we will honor our Holy Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.



"Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane"

Join Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio. "Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane" can be heard Friday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. on 1660 AM in Naples and 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at *RelevantRadio.com.* The program will continue to air on the last Friday of each month.



Attention Parents and Graduating Students of Barron Collier HS \* Gulf Coast HS \* Lely HS \* Naples HS \* Palmetto Ridge HS \* Lorenzo Walker Technical High \* Seacrest Country Day School \* St. John Neumann Catholic HS \* Community School of Naples AND All Other Schools

ALL St. John's graduating seniors will receive special recognition in the Sunday, June 4 bulletin. Graduating seniors from private and public schools and those who are home schooled should send their name and future plans with or without a digital senior photo to *kathys@ sjecc.com*. Info and digital photo must be received by 5:00 p.m. Monday, May 22 for publication in the June 4 bulletin.

**NOTE:** if you include a photo, a parent/guardian must also return the form below or email his/her consent for use of the photo in the bulletin and on our website. Email digital photo/consent to: *kathys@sjecc.com or* drop the form off at the main office.

Graduate's Name

School

PLEASE PRINT

Future Plans: \_

Parental consent to publish photo of the above individual in St. John the Evanglist Bulletin and on the St. John website.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE

#### Safe Environment Training Sessions at Area Parishes

Call the parish to register. Saturday, May 13 9:30-11:30 a.m. St John the Evangelist, Naples 239.566.8740 Saturday, May 20 9:30-11:30 a.m. St. William, Naples 239.261-4883

For the complete list of regional trainings that will be held this spring and summer, visit *http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/training-schedule/* 

The next trainings will be in the fall and winter of 2017.



Want to enrich your marriage and spend time with like-minded couples? Join us for BELOVED: LIVING MATTIAGE A monthly, six-part series designed

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

Next session: May 27

from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

See a short presentation, followed by appetizers, drinks, and fellowship in the Seminar Room.

# Additional sessions: June 24, July 29 and August 26

You may attend any or all the sessions. Previous attendance not necessary.

Nursery will be available upon request. Please RSVP at the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.







An evening of musical theatre featuring the talents of the Saint Ann School Drama Club!

Friday, May 5 - 7:00pm Saturday, May 6 - 7:00pm Saint Ann Jubilee Center 525 9th Ave. S., Naples, FL 34102 \$10 Adults

#### \$10 Adults \$2 Students Payable at the door

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Proceeds benefit the Arts and Music Program and the children of Saint Ann School.

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# **CYO EVENTS**

**Catholic Youth Organization** operates under three structures: Social & Spiritual, Arts & Music, and Sports & Activities.

## Arts & Music:

A&M allows for students with unique gifts and talents to be instructed in their gifts.

#### Arts:

- Dancing
- Painting
- Drawing
- Improv Comedy
- And More...

#### Music:

- Piano Lessons
- Guitar Lessons
- Youth Praise and Worship Bands
- Youth Choirs
- And more...

# Sports & Activities:

#### COMING MARCH 2018

S&A program will have numerous opportunities for young people to explore their athletic and active abilities.



- Weight Training And more...
- And more...



## Social & Spiritual:

S&S provides events for young people to socialize in a spiritually encouraging environment.

#### Events:

- Praise and Worship Nights
- Youth groups
- Concerts
- Bonfires
- Bowling Nights
- Retreats (on and off campus)
- Spiritual Camps

Tell us your interest in these programs. Email Kyle VanDuser at *kyle@sjecc.com* that you're interested and you will receive a Google form to share your specific interests.

> CYO DIRECTOR KYLE VANDUSER 239) 207-0537 kyle@sjecc.com

# **NET EVENTS**

#### FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/netteam16 • INSTAGRAM: @netteam16

## **ONGOING EVENTS**

#### ABLAZE (Everybody)

Praise and Worship *every Sunday, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.* in the Claussen Family Center Youth Room. All are welcome.

# THE ROCK (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP) ~ 9th - 12th Grade

*Every Sunday, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m.* Meet in the Claussen Family Center Seminar Room for food and fellowship! We will play games, watch skits, open up the Bible, hang out with friends, and more. We cannot wait to see you there to lean more about our Catholic faith.

#### L.I.F.T.E.D ~ 6th - 12th Grade

Open Youth Roon *every Mondays*, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Hang out with the NET Team in the Claussen Family Center Youth Activity Room.

## MONTHLY

One Friday every month there will be a Guys and Ladies Night separately planned for the 6th-12th graders at our Parish.

For more information on these events please contact Kyle VanDuser 239.207.0537 or kyle@sjecc.com.

## Fourth Sunday of Easter: Year A

Acts 2:14A, 36-41 Psalm 23:1-2A, 3B-4, 5, 6 1 Peter 2:20B-25 John 10:1-10

# Hearing the Call of the Shepherd

uring the canonizations of St. John XXIII and St. John Paul II, it was amazing to see the Catholics across the globe contemplating the impact that they made, not only upon the Church, but upon the world. These Vicars of Christ certainly listened closely to the Shepherd and in following his call, shared in God's work leading us to Christ. The sheep gate that Jesus refers to in today's gospel is most certainly a narrow gate through which the sheep enter. St. John XXIII took the brave step of confronting the Church and its ineffectiveness in reaching people in the midst of the modern world. The work of the Second Vatican Council contemplated contemporary society and provided a framework in which the Church could adequately address its pastoral realities. Obviously, he courageously entered into undiscovered territories and enabled the Church to dialogue with culture in order to bring souls through the narrow gate that would lead to salvation. Throughout the pontificate of St. John Paul II the culture of death that pervades our society was confronted. St. John Paul II reminded us to choose life in the midst of a world that often fails to recognize the dignity of life in all of its stages. He showed us that all people were sacred to God. He

## **Reflection Questions**

- 1. What does the narrow gate represent in the Scripture?
- 2. Who is the gatekeeper?
- 3. Who is the shepherd?
- 4. Who do you think Jesus is talking about when he refers to the thief and the robber?
- 5. What is the abundant life that Jesus offers?
- 6. How do you respond to God as shepherd of your life?
- 7. Define who the thieves and the robbers are of God's sheepfold.
- 8. How do you share in the work of caring for God's sheep?
- 9. How are you sharing in the abundant life Jesus offers to the world?
- 10. How will you enter through the God's gate?

confronted world leaders who promoted the culture of death. He was clear in his message to the world to choose a road less traveled and to pursue a gate that so many are reluctant to enter. A gate that leads us into an environment in which God's will is honored and in which every individual is given equal dignity.

St. John Paul II heard the call to follow the shepherd as a young man as he struggled under the Nazi occupation of Poland. He sacrificed his worldly ambition and pleasures to answer the call. At times his life was put in danger as he confronted the evils of socialism and martial law. Pope Benedict XVI continued to give witness by his personal sacrifice and leadership as successor of Peter. His first Encyclical: "Deus Caritas Est" reminds all of us that the most basic call of Christ the Good Shepherd is one of love. Countless men and women have responded so generously to this call to spread God's love by entering the priesthood or religious life. The priests who serve you at the altar are living reminders that God calls individuals to lead His people to restful pastures and lifegiving waters through the sacraments and ministry of the Church. This is a gift that cannot be taken for granted. Most people are aware that the number of priests and religious is on the decline in the United States. Many parishes are without priests and rely on lay leadership to lead the community in prayer on the day of the Lord. These communities look forward to a traveling priest who comes to celebrate the sacraments with them. It is a simple fact that without the priest, there is no Eucharist. Now, Pope Francis is reminding all the shepherds (leaders) of the Church that joy must be the fruits of their ministry. He desires that its leaders do not look for the temples on the hill but the bruised Church that exists on the streets. True shepherding within the Church allows the poor, the broken, and the marginalized to feel they are loved and accepted, healed and transformed.

Each of us is called by our baptism to become a priestly, prophetic, and kingly people, to respond generously to Jesus' invitation to live life to its fullness, and to be faithful

stewards of the Church. We are called to follow the Shepherd who brings us to the pastures of healing and forgiveness and the waters of justice and peace. As a Church, we are responsible for making the kingdom of God a reality through our laws, economic power, and care for God's vulnerable. We are invited to enter through the narrow gate to which the Shepherd leads us. Through the vocation of marriage and family, you are asked to bring to your children an awareness of their vocation and the call of God in their lives, and to encourage them to share in the work of the Shepherd by giving their lives to the Church. The reality is God will not leave His people without shepherds. The question is: are you willing to hear the call to serve and enter the narrow gate?

## Voices of Faith

#### **Resting with the Shepherd**

Come away by yourselves To a deserted place And rest for a while In the meadows of peace and tranquility

For in that quiet place You will find your Loving Shepherd Your Comforter, Your Provider, Your Strength, Your Love

Come away by yourselves To a deserted place And rest for a while In the meadows of peace and tranquility

Leave your world of distraction behind Depart the terrain of anxiety and stress, Remove yourself from the place of struggle and uncertainty Find yourself in the arms of your Protector

Come away by yourselves To a deserted place And rest for a while In the meadows of peace and tranquility

Discover your God waiting for you A God whose heart is open for you A God whose ears are waiting to listen to you A God who wishes to speak to you Reflecting on the Sunday Readings with Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

#### Prayer

Shepherd us O Lord to the fullness of life. Help us to hear and answer your call. May the Holy Spirit help us to discern what you will for us and give us the courage to embrace your kingdom of Truth and Life. Amen.

So come away by yourselves Take the risk to discover that deserted place

- To rest in the meadows of peace and tranquility
- Dare to love the Shepherd who certainly loves you

-"Peaceful Moments" by Fr. John J. Ludden



Good Shepherd/ Wikimedia Commons/ Bernhard Plockhorst

# Faith Formation 2016-2017 School Year

# The 2017 Confirmandi from Saint John the Evangelist, May 1, 2017



#### **Congratulations to the 32 Confirmandi**

It is with great joy that we celebrate our 32 youth confirmed by our Bishop, Frank J. Dewane, within the Mass on May 1 at 6:30 p.m. After two years of preparation under the leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Anthony D'Agostino, families and friends gathered to support the youth and celebrate this beautiful occasion.

Bishop Dewane encouraged the Confirmandi to be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit and to have courage to stand up for those who are wrongly put down or insulted. He encouraged them to practice using the gifts of the spirit and to communicate with Jesus often through prayer. He also thanked all the parents and caregivers for their important role in the development of their children's spiritual life.

Special thanks to the ongoing support of our Pastor, Fr. John, our priests, Fr. Bob, Fr. Paul and Fr. Rourke, and all of the staff and NET missionaries at St. John who helped make this encounter so special for our youth. We are all so proud of our youth and look forward to their future engagement and leadership in our faith community!

Natalie Campbell,
 Director of Religious Education

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Michael Antonetti - Saint Joseph Liliana Capiola - Saint Cecilia Tyler Carver - Saint Augustine of Hippo Hope Casella - Saint Cecilia Andrew Dreyfuss - Saint Paul Alexander Farrell - Saint Anthony of Padua Wyatt Focht - Saint Lawrence of Rome Andie Gonzalez - Saint Angela Merici Francesca Haskins - Saint Teresa of Calcutta Alexandra Isaksen - Saint Therese of Lisieux Sarah Lenio - Saint Teresa of Avila Madison Liska - Saint Catherine of Bologna Macie MacDonald - Saint Anne Bryan Magalhaes - Saint Sebastian Federico Marti-Garro -Saint Francis of Assisi Alivia Massoll - Saint Jane Frances de Chantal Julia McDonald - Saint Cecilia

Steven Pharis - Saint Peter Nicole Ribeiro - Saint Genevieve Frank Richards - Saint Thomas Aquinas Lena Romano - Saint Martha Claire Sattler - Saint Claire of Assisi Madison Schwartz -Saint Bernadette Olivia Shapic - Saint Joan of Arc Sierra Studer - Saint Catherine Laboure Madisyn Tedrow - Saint Cecilia Caitlin Traiser - Saint Teresa of Calcutta Wendy Trujillo - Our Lady of Guadalupe Nora Vedder - Saint Teresa of Calcutta Justin Vega - Saint Jerome Brianna Wareham - Saint Dymphna Laura Zuloaga - Saint Teresa of Calcutta see more photos on page 17

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# Faith Formation 2016-2017 School Year

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Faith Formation Office Hours: Mondays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. • Wednesdays: 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. (on the days of Faith Formation classes only)
 • Fridays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. • Sundays: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. (on the days of Faith Formation classes only)

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



First announcement *between* Katherine Joyce and Travis Martinez

First announcement *between* Cheyenne Rogers and Reed Meyerson

First announcement between Ashley Sowers and Dominick Lucarelli





## **Retirement Communities**

 Financial Questions Facility Appearance **Nursing Questions** 

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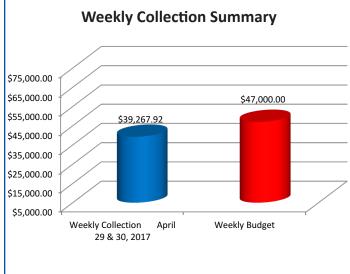
Annalee Kruger, President of CareRight, Inc. presents

#### Choosing a Retirement Community

Thursday, May 25 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist

This seminar is free and and a light lunch will be served. However, anyone wanting to attend must RSVP to the Parish Office by May 22.

> For more information, contact Liz at liz@sjecc.com or JP at jp@sjecc.com





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#### **CFA Summary**

**New 4th Degree Knights** 



Four Knights of Columbus members made their 4th Degree on Saturday, April 29 in Sarasota. New members of the Artie J. Corr Assembly at Saint John the Evangelist are (left to right): Jeffery Sponseller, Joseph Hemrick, Mike Woodyard, and Peter Marco.





# Short Adult Faith Formation Programs for Those Who Stay in May and June, or June and July

As we downshift into spring and summer gears, we may have more time to spend time developing our adult faith, or simply delve more deeply into topics that interest us. Your AFF team is offering two all new programs that you may find interesting.

Beginning Tuesday evening, May 16, and continuing for five weeks, we will begin to explore the life and works of the great 20th century Evangelist



#### G.K. CHESTERTON

"Chesterton is like fine wine or smooth scotch, and it is usually happier to 'drink' in good company, than to 'drink' alone."

At 6'4" and over 300 lbs. at his heaviest, G.K. himself was a heavy-weight, and his intellect even heavier-weighted. Nonetheless remembering that "angels can fly because they

take themselves lightly," this larger than life apostle of common sense also took himself lightly because he took his faith seriously. He came to know God, but he came to know himself better, which made him a better man. He was a joyfully serious thinker and wordsmith whom people loved (and love).

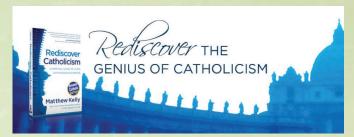
We will begin by viewing, or reviewing, Bishop Robert Barron's introduction to Chesterton in his recently released series, *The Pivotal Players*.

Subsequent weeks we will view and discuss episodes of the popular program, *The Apostle of Common Sense*, a television series on EWTN, in which Host Dale Ahlquist and actor Chuck Chalberg bring Chesterton's words to life. These programs are designed to help viewers discover and rediscover G.K. Chesterton, to be challenged by his ideas, to see the completeness of his thought, and to be treated to the joy and depth of his faith.

We will select episodes from this series that cover The Man, i.e., *An Introduction to G.K. Chesterton and Chesterton for Today*, Apologetics, i.e., *Orthodoxy and The Everlasting Man*, and Social Criticism, i.e., *What's Wrong with the World* and The Outline of Sanity.

For those who are interested, this can be the start of deeper study of Chesterton's writings.

Beginning Wednesday evening, June 14, in only six sessions (skipping July 5)



AT A TIME WHEN MANY CATHOLICS ARE DISILLUSIONED, QUESTIONING THEIR FAITH, AND FILLED WITH DOUBTS ABOUT THE RELEVANCE OF CATHOLICISM IN THE MODERN WORLD, THE VOICE OF ONE MAN CRIES OUT TO THE WORLD'S LARGEST FAITH COMMUNITY WITH A CLARITY THAT IS RARE AND INSPIRING.

Matthew Kelly proposes that Catholicism is not a lifeless set of rules and regulations, but a way of life designed by God to help each person reach his or her full potential. With remarkable insight, Kelly dispels dozens of the myths that surround the rejection of Catholicism today and provides a profound and practical vision of what will lead the Catholic Church to thrive again in the future.

We all need to rediscover Catholicism. Central to the beauty and richness of the faith is that it is constantly in need of being rediscovered. Not because **it** changes, because **we** change. Who we are and the circumstances of our lives are constantly evolving and so a truth that we passed over a year ago may prove to be completely transformative today.

YOU can *Rediscover Catholicism* by reading this book and participating in this small study group.

ſ	Schedule of Future Programs		
н	Tuesday, May 16	Wednesday, June 14	L
5	CHESTERTON begins ~ 7:30 p.m., Seminar Room	Rediscover begins ~ 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room	J

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

# ZUMBA WITH MEGAN

A Zumba and Dance Masterclass for all ages to learn the steps in the Ballroom • June 3 • 9 am - Noon

**Cost is \$5 a person EXTRAS:** raffles, give-away for a free monthly class pass, DJ, food

Regular classses on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday mornings at 9 am in the ballroom beginnng Monday, June 5

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

register by email to jennine@sjecc.com

Zumba classes coming to St. John beginning Monday, June 5

## COMING TO ST. JOHN IN MAY

Family Night

Saturday May, 20th 6:30 PM SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH • WITH K4C MUSIC IN CONCERT • • FREE ADMISSION •

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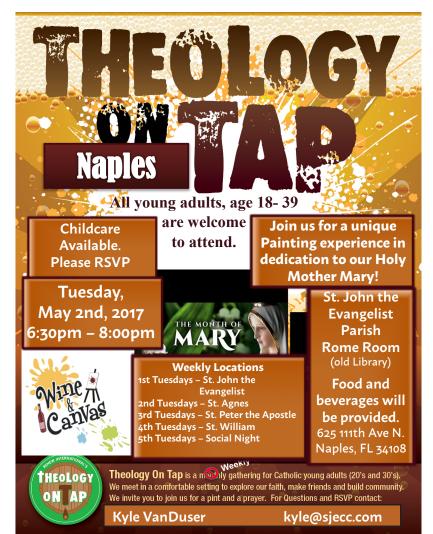
Arts and Music Camp at St. John July 17-21 · 9 am - 4 pm

Painting, Strings, Piano, Voice, Guitar Classes, and more! Only 15 spots available.

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#### DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

## Collection for the Trinity Dome Will Be Next Weekend, May 13-14

May 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the 100th Anniversary of the placing of the foundation stone for the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. approaches in 2020, a nationwide effort is underway to complete this important project as its founders envisioned with the Mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome. Often referred to as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States.

This Mother's Day, the faithful will have an opportunity to leave a legacy by honoring their Catholic heritage and entrusting themselves and their families to the Mother of God through their support of a National Collection for the Trinity Dome.

The Diocese of Venice is participating, along with other Dioceses in the United States, in a special onetime Collection for the Trinity Dome on Mother's Day weekend, May 13 and 14, 2017. Your prayerful and financial support will not only adorn this "Crowning

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I take this opportunity to extend to you my continued consideration as well as my prayers as we journey through this Easter Season leading up to Pentecost Sunday.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

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for future SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS and ARTISTS AND MUSICIANS and MAKERS AND TINKERERS June 5 - 9 STEAM Camp v1.0 June 12 - 16 Electric Arts    Minecraft Beginner/Advanced June 19 - 23 STEAM Camp v2.0 June 26 - 30 Exploring Artists    Smart Art    Robotics    Coding & Game Design	B. B. C. S.
July 3 - 7       STEAM Camp v3.0         July 10 - 14       3D Printing    Engineering         July 17 - 21       STEAM Camp v4.0         July 24 - 28       Electric Arts    Advanced Robotics    Coding & Game Design         July 21       Aug 4	SUMMER CA

July 31 - Aug 4 STEAM Camp v5.0 Aug 7 - 11 **Advanced 3D Printing** All camps held @ St. John the Evangelist Parish Life Center www.fullsteamaheadFL.com info@fullsteamaheadFL.com (239) 451-3142

MAY 7, 2017 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Join your Saint John Friends on the Annual Cruise to the Caribbean organized by the Cruise & Travel Experts



## **CELEBRITY REFLECTION**

Jan. 19, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:00pm
Jan. 20, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 21, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22, 2018	St. Johns, Antigua	8am-4pm
Jan. 23, 2018	Bridgetown, Barbados	9am-6pm
Jan. 24, 2018	Castries, St. Lucia	7am-4pm
Jan. 25, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	9am arrive
Jan. 26, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	6pm depart
Jan. 27, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 28, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am





**Open to Non Parishioners** 

# Cruise & Travel EXPERTS

#### Parish Contact: David Quist 239.594.2071 dguist@comcast.net

#### **Booking Bonuses:**

- \* Pre-Cruise Wine and Cheese reception January 6th at Saint John's
- \* Roundtrip Bus from Saint John's
- \* Continental Breakfast day of departure January 19th at Saint John's
- \* Cocktail Party onboard ship
- \* Private Masses with Fr. John
- \* Receive a one category upgrade for past Celebrity passengers. Ask for details.
- \* Receive \$50 discount per person when making final payment with check
- \* Book and deposit an oceanview stateroom or higher and choose two perks below:
  - Classic beverage package for two
- Prepaid gratuities for two
- Unlimited internet for two
- Additional • \$300 to spend onboard for two Perks!

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#### **Exclusive Cruise Rates:**

#### Suite

Prevailing rate

#### Balcony

Category C2 (Concierge class):	\$2,120
Category C3 (Concierge class):	\$1,950
Category 1A:	\$1,880
Category 1B:	\$1,820
Category 1C:	\$1,800
Category 2B:	\$1,740
Category 2C (partial obstruction):	\$1,720

#### **Ocean View**

Prevailing rate

#### Interior

Category 9:	\$1,340
Category 10:	\$1,300

\*All package taxes and fees of \$165 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$450 per person plus insurance, which is highly recommended.

Document Concierge Service available for \$25 per cabin which includes completing passenger registration, printing and mailing all applicable documents.

## For additional information and booking Contact April Williams at 800.940.2394

or awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com

\*Price is per person, cruise only, based on double occupancy. Prices are subject to change and are based on availability at time of booking. Air fare, insurance, and pre and/or post night hotel packages can be added to your vacation at an additional charge. Saint John the Evangelist Parish, the Diocese of Venice and/or any of their employees, shall be held harmless in the event of liability or litigation. FL- ST40081. 11/03/16

