

the SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Safety and Security at Saint John the Evangelist

By Jean-Paul Boucher, General Manager

Those of us who have formed friendships here at Saint John would tell you that I am not a hyper-emotional person. I try to showcase my enthusiasm and joy for our faith and our Parish Family while continuing to face challenges that our community has, both on this campus and in the area, with analytical and deliberative action. In fact, those are two of my top 5 Gallup Strengths that our Parish Staff Retreat illustrated (<https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/familymission/sinners-make-up-the-church-and-are-healed-by-it>) to me. However, after the shooting in Parkland, FL, just an hour and 45 minutes away, where high schoolers were cut down in their prime before they even had a chance to see what their lives could be, I have been overcome with emotion. My wife and I have four children, ages ranging from elementary to high school. They are the light of our lives. I could never imagine dropping my son off at his high school, telling him that I love him, and never seeing him again. I could not fathom having to hold my wife as she breaks down sobbing and broken at the loss of one of our children. Tears are welling up in my eyes as I write this just conceiving of this possibility. Fear, anger, and resentment are all

attempting to overtake in this storm of emotion. However, the light from the survivors of Parkland, those brave youth who are not letting terror win in their hearts, have opened my eyes and soul for what we should be doing. The Catholic faith is more than thoughts and prayers. It is a faith of action. We are called To Know, To Love, and To Serve God, in His Church and Our Community. There it is, in our Mission Statement. We need to take our faith out of the church and into the streets.

I started to evaluate (in my analytical focus, of course) what the Catholic Church's stance is on this type of terror, the horror of weapons of war getting into the hands of disturbed individuals. It is actually incredibly clear what the church teaches. I found "Confronting a Culture of Violence: A Catholic Framework for Action" from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Here is the opening statement:

*Our families are torn by violence.
Our communities are destroyed by violence. Our faith is tested by violence. We have an obligation to respond. Violence -- in our homes, our schools and streets, our nation and world -- is destroying the lives, dignity, and*

hopes of millions of our sisters and brothers. Fear of violence is paralyzing and polarizing our communities. The celebration of violence in much of our media, music, and even video games is poisoning our children. Beyond the violence in our streets is the violence in our hearts. Hostility, hatred, despair, and indifference are at the heart of a growing culture of violence. Verbal violence in our families, communications, and talk shows contribute to this culture of violence. Pornography assaults the dignity of women and contributes to violence against them. Our social fabric is being torn apart by a culture of violence that leaves children dead on our streets and families afraid in our homes. Our society seems to be growing numb to human loss and suffering. A nation born in a commitment to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" is haunted by death, imprisoned by fear, and caught up in the elusive pursuit of protection rather than happiness.

Can you believe that this document was written in 1994? That's right, the Catholic Church has been stating the obvious

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Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

Saturday Vigil Masses: 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
and 12:15 p.m.

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross

Friday: 12:45 p.m.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2018 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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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Administrative Office Hours:

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

Come join us for refreshments and fellowship after the 9:00 and 11:15 Sunday Masses.

If you are interested in volunteering with our Hospitality Ministry, contact Loretta Sullivan at loretta@sjecc.com or 239-566-8740.

PARISH CLERGY AND MINISTERS

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Deacon Forrest Wallace

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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!

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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Mass Intentions... Special Observances and Readings

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

March 10, 2018 Saturday

8:00 a.m. + Kathleen Fay Margaret Melanson

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. + Stacey Alayne Thompson Margie Helm & George Uding

5:00 p.m. + Gaspare Barbaro Phyllis Barbaro

March 11, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Marie Fabiano Jean & Joe Carpino

9:00 a.m. + Nick Episcopo Children: Antoinette Scott, Joseph Episcopo, & Maria Jackson

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Fred Fromert Joanne Fromert - wife

5:00 p.m. + Dr. Bruce M. Nakfoor, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Daniel McKeon

March 12, 2018 Monday

8:00 a.m. + Joseph Hiep Nguyen Do Anh Loi Chan

9:00 a.m. + Kathleen Connery Peter Heaney & Mary Ellen Travis

12:15 p.m. + Irene Maksymowicz Joan Moderacki Edin

March 13, 2018 Tuesday

8:00 a.m. + Betty Carrier Lou Carrier

9:00 a.m. + Michael Sissman Dad & Mom - John and Ann Sissman

12:15 p.m. + Robert Thomas Dr. & Mrs. Lester Fuller

March 14, 2018 Wednesday

8:00 a.m. + Helen Mahoney Chinigo Dennis Robilotto

9:00 a.m. + Jacquelyn Mazur Joseph Mazur

12:15 p.m. + William Conifrey Mary & Gene Tierney

6:30 p.m. + Santo Andreani Noreen Falvo & Vincenzo Giordano

March 15, 2018 Thursday

8:00 a.m. + Ramy Garrido Elida Gil

9:00 a.m. + Marjorie Arruda The Ferreira Family

12:15 p.m. + Charles Orsini Robert C. Wilcox

March 16, 2018 Friday

8:00 a.m. + Patrick Beagan St. John Parish Family

9:00 a.m. + Robert Gluck, Sr. Ron & Pat Scoza

12:15 p.m. + David Wick Kathleen & Hans Schmacht

March 17, 2018 Saturday

9:00 a.m. SI Members of St. Vincent de Paul Bill Smart

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. SI Janet VanderHorst Vicky VanderHorst

5:00 p.m. + Kathleen Connery Barbara & Ed Duff

March 18, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Robert Haglund Sue & Louis D'Arpino

9:00 a.m. + Steven Tauro Mom & Dad -

Debora & Benito Tauro

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Jerry Nicholoni Bob & Robert Dabronzo

5:00 p.m. + Kevin Ferreira Mom, Dad, Brian & Paul

Nursing Home Masses

March 13, 2018 Tuesday - Brookdale Assisted Living

11:00 a.m. + Rosalee DeGenova Jim & Sherry Koval

March 14, 2018 Wednesday - Aston Garden

3:00 p.m. SI Jason Kessel Lucille Gross & Alexander Grantt

March 16, 2018 Friday - Juniper Village

10:00 a.m. + Patti Anderson Peter and Jay

Readings for the Week

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14 (242)

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 (32)

Monday, March 12, 2018

Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54 (244)

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16 (245)

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30 (246)

Thursday, March 15, 2018

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47 (247)

Friday, March 16, 2018

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 (248)

Saturday, March 17, 2018

Saint Patrick

Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53 (249)

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, please contact our Parish Secretary, Deborah Marsh: deb@sjecc.com or (239) 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:* 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.

Ministries and Prayer

PARISH COUNCILS

Building and Grounds Council. The Buildings and Grounds Council provides future direction, advice, and insight for the physical plant of St. John the Evangelist, to include all buildings, the grounds, and all utilities therein. The Council meets quarterly to evaluate any long-term strategy planning that is required. *Council President: Bill Sjostrom: bsjost@yahoo.com or 815.670.3733*

Finance Council. The Finance Council assists the Pastor and General Manager in their decision-making process to serve the needs of the Parish in the prudent administration of its resources and funds. *Council President: Robert Stift: rcs0242@gmail.com or 239.989.5149*

Pastoral Stewardship Council. The Pastoral Stewardship 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. *Anne Petrillo: gapetrillo41@gmail.com or 239.248.2189*

Companion Driving Ministry. Offers 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).
Seasonal Hours: Saturday from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. If interested in volunteering, contact *Elaine deLaurentis: elaine@sjecc.com or 239.228.3921*

Divorced and Separated Support Group. Provides support and guidance for divorced/separated Catholics through our shared spiritual journey. We meet Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Monthly thought-provoking speakers, food, and fellowship for women in the Diocese. *Nancy Squittieri: faithandwine@gmail.com or 239.272.4257*

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 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. 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:** *Marie Elaina Mullin: 239.273.1702*
To join: *Carole Mancini: frog lady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever. Couples gather: 1) To share and know; 2) To grow and love; and 3) To listen and serve

and to celebrate our healthy marriages. All married or engaged couples are welcome to join us. Meets monthly on Saturday evenings at 6:30 p.m. *Rachel Baier: 239.498.4197*

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Organizes events, prepares meals, and provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. Monthly meetings 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday from October to May. *Men's: Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551 and Millie Lucanegro: 239.566.9854; Ladies: besunnyinflorida@gmail.com*

Respect Life. Helps Catholics understand, value, and become engaged with supporting the God-given dignity of every person – which naturally leads to protecting the gift of every person's life. *Rosemary Erickson: relife@aol.com or 239.250.0432*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. from October to May. To volunteer or donate: *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 239.250.4162*

St. Vincent de Paul. Helps the poor, specifically people in zip codes 34108, 34109, and 34110. Members work in teams making home visits to those in need. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. *Carl Monticelli: (SVDP Office): 239.775.1667*

Vocations Ministry. What is your vocation? 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*

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

Ministries and Prayer

SOCIAL GROUPS

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

Habitat for Humanity. Kouolloheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 239.598.9865

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Adult Children of Alcoholics. Tom Mooney: 239.287.0195

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Food Addiction Support Group. Maryann Scandiffio: 239.784.2682

Narcotics Anonymous. [888.435.7301](tel:888.435.7301)

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

Gambler's Anonymous. [1-800-ADMIT-IT](tel:1-800-ADMIT-IT)

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 239.348.5031 or Roger: 239.250.6888

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

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. and Wednesday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Library. Kathleen Dunne: kadunne61@aol.com, [901.574.2947](tel:901.574.2947)

Liturgy of the Hours

Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:00 a.m. Mass. pmgrys@aol.com

PRAYER FOR THE MILITARY

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

Adam Decker

Nick Detloff

Sgt. Douglas Hennessy

SFC Brian Holmes – U.S. Army

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett

Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF, Turkey

Christian McLaughlin – U.S. Navy, Sicily

Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – U.S. Army, Iraq

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

We remember those who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace.

Lou Brenner, Sr.

PRAYER LIST

Baby Declan Aigner

Kaylee B

Jean Balliro

Jennifer Basile

Beagan Family

Richard Becker

Gallen Boardman

William M. Boardman

Lori Breyman

Donald Brown

Brian Bulger

Connie Cahill

Kathy Conley

Corinne & Children

Lauren Carr

Frank Comeriato

Merlyn Comeriato

Tony Corvelo

Brad Cunningham

Anthony D'Antuono

Mark DaBronzo

Donald Demski

Florence Demski

Melissa Diamantini

Donovan Family

Leon Doughty

Kathy Erickson

F.W.

Sandy Flaig

Darlene Follse

Tara Follse & Family

Patty Gahan

Inez Galm

Jeff Gatt

George Gonser Jr.

Philip Gorney

Keri Grasso

Jayne Hagg

Gerard Heyer

Rosie Heyer

Jim Huber

Ted Konicki

Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Rene Lacoste

Pat Lampe

Jean Lydon

M.M.

Joan Maier

Diane Maloney

Margie Lynch

Maria and Family

Ron Marlow

Barbara Marsh

Donna Massee

J. McG

Paul McIntyre

Cynthia McLemore

Eileen Miner

Mary Ann Morreale

Lorrie Morrison

Joan M. Oliver

Jane Oraziotti

Emma O'Rourke

Ronald J. Parker

Michael Paul

Francesca Pearo

Anne Perrino

Geno Pesce

Ann Petrillo

Irene Pires

Noreen Prine

Renee Rake

Ruth Rechtsteiner

Ellen Roberts

Mary Romaniello

Terre Rozin

Lloyd Sample

Lisa Sanfelippo

Shelia Scaduto

Gary Schutebach

Robert Sims

Thomas Sissman

Avery Smithies

Sr. Colette Stevenson

Nancy Stewart

Edward Sullivan

Rita Taranto

William J. Teplica

Isaiah Thompson

Marilyn Thyen

Helen Thornburg

JoAnn Tinevra

Albert Treichel

Jim Tucker

Janet Vanderhorst

Mike Walsman

Dan Ward

Sandra Welker

Bernadette White

Kirsten Wills

Nancy Wise

Note: In order to place a name on our 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 Prayer List.

To download the Consent Form, visit our website: <http://sjecc.com/forms>.

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about violence in our American society that sounds exactly like the same society 24 years later. We have made absolutely no progress. Reading on:

...Our nation needs to focus its energies and resources on helping communities combat crime and helping families overcome destructive moral and economic pressures, discrimination, and dependency. Our policies must help people escape poverty and discrimination and leave behind lives of addiction, self-destruction, and crime. We need both to hold people accountable and offer them concrete help and hope for a better future. We also need to encourage a commitment to civility and respect in public life and communications -- in the news media, politics, and even ecclesial dialogue. The search for the common good is not advanced by partisan gamesmanship, challenging other people's motives, or personal attacks. The focus on the sensational, the search for conflict, and the assumption of bad will are not the basis for dialogue, and hurt the search for common ground. The culture of violence also has world-wide dimensions. As the only world super power, as the world's greatest consumer, and as the largest arms exporter, the United States has a special obligation to seek peace and promote justice through creative and responsible world leadership...

The Catholic community is in a position to respond to violence and the threat of violence in our society with new commitment and creativity. More of the same is not sufficient. Business as usual is not enough. Our faith and facilities can be beacons of hope and safety for those seeking refuge from violent streets and abusive homes. People can become peacemakers in their homes and communities. Parishes can organize mentoring programs for teen parents. The Church can be the first point of referral for spousal abuse. We can incorporate ways to handle family conflict in our religious education and sacramental preparation programs. We can work for public policies that confront violence, build community, and promote responsibility. Finally, we can join with other churches in developing a community-wide strategy for making our neighborhoods more safe, welcoming, and peaceful...

Learn again the lesson of Pope Paul VI, "If you want peace, work for justice." We oppose lawlessness of every kind. Society cannot tolerate an ethic which uses violence to make a point, settle grievances, or get what we want. But the path to a more peaceful future is found in a rediscovery of personal responsibility, respect for human life and human dignity, and a recommitment to social justice. The best antidote to violence is hope. People with a stake in society do not destroy communities. Both individuals and institutions should be held accountable for how they attack or enhance the common good. It is not only the "down and out" who must be held accountable, but also the "rich and famous." Our society

needs both more personal responsibility and broader social responsibility to overcome the plague of violence in our land and the lack of peace in our hearts. Finally, we must realize that peace is most fundamentally a gift from God. It is futile to suggest that we can end all violence and bring about full peace merely by our own efforts. This is why we urge the Catholic community to join all our anti-violence efforts with constant and heartfelt prayer to Almighty God through Jesus, the Prince of Peace. We close these reflections with a word of support and appreciation for those on the front lines -- parents, pastors, parish leaders, youth workers, catechists and teachers, prison chaplains, men and women religious. At a time when heroes seem scarce, these people are real heroes and heroines, committing their lives to the service of others, standing against a tide of violence with values of peace and a commitment to justice. - <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/violence/confronting-a-culture-of-violence-a-catholic-framework-for-action.cfm>

So, what are we to do here at Saint John? We already focus our efforts outwardly to directly assist those in need breaking the cycle of poverty and violence in Immokalee and around our church through Saint Vincent De Paul, Catholic Charities, the Ladies of Charity, the Knights of Columbus, and the tireless work of hundreds of our Parish Family members. It is also our responsibility to create a safe and loving world for children, grandchildren, and all the members of our human family. All life is precious, and we need to protect it.

Weapons of war have no place in our society. We have received numerous calls from individuals asking if they should bring their firearm to campus for "safety." Father John has made it clear that guns and other weapons are not authorized on our campus for any reason except for on-duty law enforcement officers. This does not impede anyone's right to own a weapon, but as a private facility, Father John has the authority to allow or deny weapons on our campus. Not only would a gun brought on campus by a "good" person not deter someone with evil intent, it would create a crossfire situation where our Parish Family would be in further jeopardy, as well as to make it even more difficult for law enforcement to determine who is the good guy and who is the bad one when they do respond. Saint John has spent a significant amount of time and money on developing our Safe Environment, which includes the certification of our Ushers and Greeters for Crowd Management. They are just a part of the layers of security we have instituted and continue to deploy for our campus.

As my wife will tell you, the safety of our Parish Family has been my top priority since I began this responsibility as your General Manager. The fear and anger that had gripped me has turned instead into resolve and dedication to make positive progress for our society, for our Parish, and for my children. Please join me in supporting programs that will directly stop the violence and create a safer world.



February 14 – March 25 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

HELP SAVE LIVES IN NAPLES!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 21 coordinated campaigns:

- 13,998 babies saved from abortion
- 170 abortion workers converted
- 90 abortion centers closed

Here's how you can take part:

St. John the Evangelist

40 Days for Life Dates:

- March 13 (Tuesday) 9am-5pm, including a 10:30 a.m. prayer service with Fr. Paul

Contact Nancy or Paul Curti at

612-616-5535 or

plancurti@gmail.com.

Join us outside Planned Parenthood at 1425 Creech Rd. to pray for an end to abortion.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31 at 9:00 a.m. at the Church



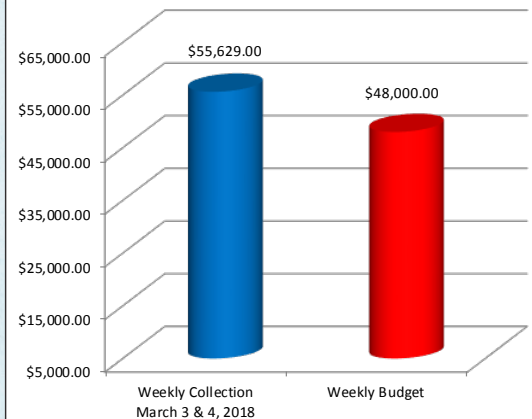
Join in the fun for children ages 0 to 12 as parents, grandparents, and loved ones help gather Easter Eggs around our campus, sponsored by the Saint John Knights of Columbus Council 11281. Bring your Easter Basket to be blessed ahead of the hunt, and enjoy breakfast treats, juice, and coffee. Please

RSVP to our office (239) 566-8740 or info@sjecc.com by Monday, March 26, so we can make sure there are plenty of eggs to go around!

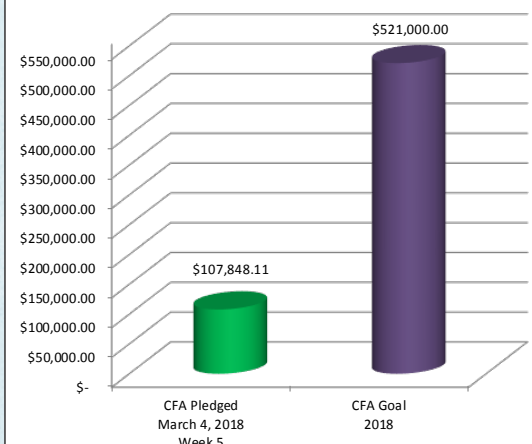
Saint Patrick's Day

Unfortunately, due to the damage in the Ballroom, the Parish Family of Saint John will be celebrating Saint Patrick's Day this year with a 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday, March 17. There will not be an 8:00 a.m. Mass that morning. Come support our Saint Vincent DePaul Council. There will not be a reception following the Mass.

Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



CRUISE & TRAVEL EXPERTS INVITES YOU TO JOIN

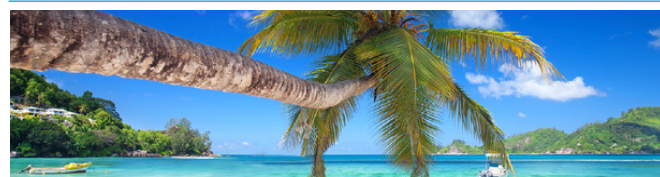
the Saint John's Parish family and friends on their Annual Caribbean Cruise!



CROWN PRINCESS
JAN. 26, 2019



DATE	PORT LOCATION	TIME
Jan. 26, 2019	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4pm
Jan. 27, 2019	Day at Sea	
Jan. 28, 2019	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2019	Aruba	8am-7pm
Jan. 30, 2019	Curacao	7am-2pm
Jan. 31, 2019	Grenada	12pm-7pm
Feb. 1, 2019	Dominica	7am-4pm
Feb. 2, 2019	St. Thomas, USVI	8am-4pm
Feb. 3, 2019	Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos	1pm-7pm
Feb. 4, 2019	Day at Sea	
Feb. 5, 2019	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



BOOKING BONUSES:

- * Pre-Cruise Meeting at Saint John's
- * Roundtrip Bus from Saint John's
- * Bon Voyage Party day of departure at Saint John's
- * Private Cocktail Party onboard Crown Princess
- * Masses onboard Crown Princess
- * Automatic Cabin Upgrades
- * \$50 per person discount at final payment if paying all but deposit with check

* **BOOK NOW TO RECEIVE COMPLIMENTARY GRATUITIES (VALUE UP TO \$15.50 PER PERSON PER DAY)!**

* **Also, active, retired and disabled military veterans receive \$100 onboard credit! Will confirm at time of booking.**

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE RATES:

SUITE & BALCONY

Mini Suite MB Mid-ship forward & aft	\$2,699
Mini suite MD aft	\$2,599
Balcony BB Mid-ship forward & aft	\$2,289
Balcony BC Mid-ship forward & aft	\$2,244
Balcony BD aft	\$2,199

OCEAN VIEW

OC Mid-ship forward (Plaza)	\$1,619
OE aft (Riviera-Portholes, Emerald)	\$1,599
OF forward (Emerald, Plaza)	\$1,599
OW Obstructed Mid-forward & aft	\$1,449

INTERIOR

IB Mid-forward & aft	\$1,399
ID aft	\$1,349

*All package taxes and fees of \$205 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$450 per person (suites may be higher) plus insurance, which is highly recommended. Document Concierge Service available for \$40 per cabin which includes completing passenger registration, printing and mailing all applicable cruise and St. John informational documents, for those without email.



For additional information and reservations
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- ST40081.02/18

Capital Campaign

March 11, 2018

Having faith does not mean having no difficulties,
but having the strength to face them,
knowing we are not alone.
– Pope Francis



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

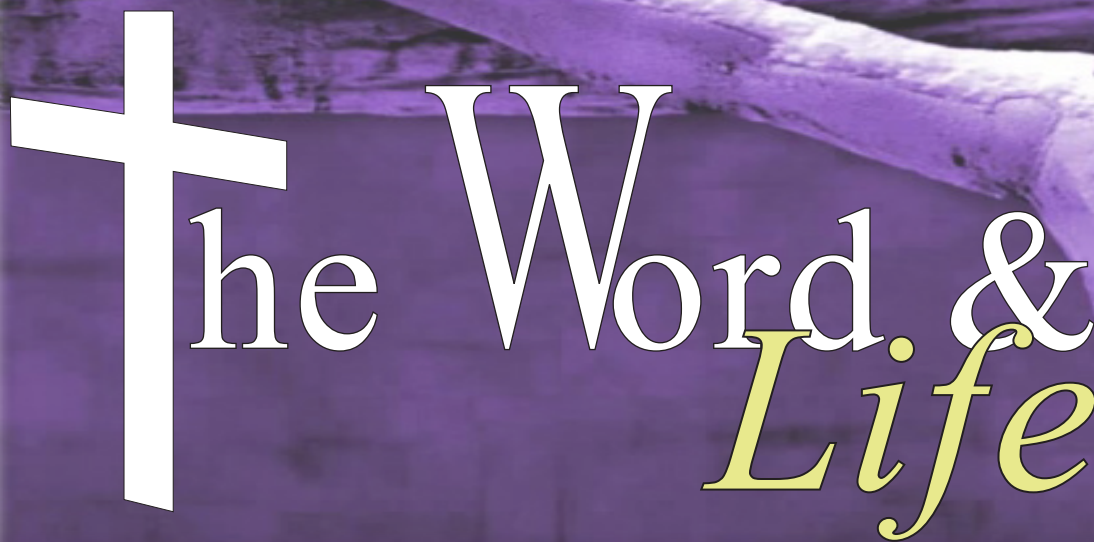
Slow but Steady Progress on Ballroom for Easter

Our Ballroom has served many purposes for so many individuals and organizations. From 700+ people for the Naples Council for World Affairs seminars and Vacation Bible School to intimate wedding receptions for 75 people, from a BeeGees Tribute Night with 500 people dancing to a somber bereavement luncheon for a lost loved one, our Ballroom has been a significant space for both our Parish Family and for the larger Naples Community. Hurricane Irma took it away from all of us. The storm destroyed the peaked roof above, allowing water to stream in through four separate holes. The water and wind ripped the doors apart in the back, while the cascade poured down into the storage room, soaking our 600 banquet chairs. The floors, walls, and ceiling all were saturated to the point that nothing could be saved after two weeks without power. Our demolition took the entire room back to the concrete block walls and floor. The dance floor that has served thousands of Irish step, ballet, and big band dancers over the years was warped beyond saving. We have now begun the process of rebuilding this amazing space into our “new normal.” Production LED lighting will provide not only visibility based on the event, but color accents as well. The walls will be covered in a protective coating that will resist dings and scratches and be easy to clean. The carpet, divider, and window coverings are all being replaced.

The Ballroom will be everything we hoped to accomplish with our Capital Campaign, only in a much shorter timeframe due to the insurance process. We hope to have it ready for Liturgical use for Easter overflow Masses, but please continue to “pardon our dust” as it may not be complete with the new doors, sconces, and stage at that point. We will open it up for events and activities as soon as it is 100% ready to regain its status as the preeminent social venue of North Naples.



Jean-Paul Boucher,
General Manager



The Word & *Life*

Fourth Sunday of Lent: Year B

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 • Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 • Ephesians 2:4-10 • John 3:14-21

God's Sacrifice – Eternal Blessing

Today's gospel speaks to the heart of the economy of salvation. Jesus' comment to Nicodemus is one of the most well known phrases of the gospel and has been preached countless times. God's initiative for humanity is clear: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." God gives us the blue print for the way that we are to sacrifice and give. He makes the ultimate sacrifice by sending us his only Son to be the vehicle through which we are granted salvation. This self-giving nature of the Trinity is a model for us to imitate. When we think of how God's gift to the world brought the blessing of salvation, we can also think of how our sacrifices and the sharing of our gifts can be a blessing to others. Every time we give in the name of God, we participate in his divine nature of the Holy Trinity. The Father gifts us with the Son, the Son bestows the Spirit, and the Spirit encourages us to listen to the gospel and give worship to the Father. The three persons of the Blessed Trinity are teaching us how it is possible to return the gift. This is ultimately about right relationship.

When we look at the experience of Jesus in the gospels, we constantly encounter the generosity of God. Every time Jesus heals another or exorcises evil, God's gift is outpoured. When Jesus teaches his disciples about God's mercy and forgiveness, we are given an unfathomable gift. Many times we are faced with the darkness of sin and uncertainty, but God is always present, ready to forgive. When Jesus seeks solitude, his heart is moved with pity at the sight of those who are crying out to him in their need. He is generous in his mercy in the way he abandons his need for solace to provide for God's people.

Reflection Questions

1. How does God's choice of sending his only Son impact your life?
2. In what ways does the gospel become a source of blessing in your life?
3. Name the darkness that exists in your life.
4. How does Jesus' light help you make choices?
5. What does Jesus' sacrifice mean to you?
6. How are you willing to make a sacrifice for God and those he has put in your path?

Sacred Scriptures shed their light on our human condition, offering us a way out of the darkness of sin. The way of Christ invites us to embrace the life beyond death and the light beyond the darkness. The gospel message always gives hope and challenges the things that block us from fully experiencing God. Jesus teaches us that an important part of his message focuses on the poor and brokenhearted. Elsewhere, he reminds us if we neglect the needy, we neglect him. As Christians, we belong to the mystical Body of Christ. Christ dwells in a community that belongs to him. Our challenge is to recognize that he is always present in the gift of the other. This is why we are called to be one in spirit and truth. Each of us is called to sacrifice and share our gifts with others so that Christ can be experienced through us. We can be truly blessed when we enter into a relationship with others in this way.

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



Prayer

Even in our darkness, O Lord, you are near. Your light of truth shows us the way. Teach us to give the way that you gave to the world. Let us see that every time we give, we will receive. Help us to move beyond self-interest and embrace others so that in turn we may experience the gift of your blessing. When we come to our journey's end, may we have accomplished your dream in us and receive your eternal blessing. Amen.

Voices of Faith

God's Sacrifice – Eternal Blessing

For God so loved the world
That he gave His only Son
Entrusted into the hands of a carpenter
Son of Mary a woman of faith and love

For Jesus was in the beginning
The Alpha and Omega he is
The Christ of God and the Chosen One
The Cornerstone of the Almighty's plan

Lord both of the dead and the living
He enters a world dark, broken, suffering and sin
Christ Jesus is the Morning Star and Light of the World
Our Passover and Prince of Peace

For Jesus is the Way the Truth and the Life
The One who is, who was, and is to come
Our Rabboni, our Master, our Teacher and Lord of all
A friend to tax collectors, prostitutes and sinners – a friend to all

For Jesus is the Christ and the Holy One of God
Sent to bring healing to those who suffer
To show the love of God
A Redeemer, Savior and Shepherd to lead all souls to God

For the Living Bread who came down from heaven
Feeds hungry hearts with the Bread of Life
And as he sits at table with disciples he tells he fateful plight

He washes feet, breaks the bread, and shares the cup of unending covenant

Christ is the stone rejected and is nailed to a tree
On Calvary's hill the Son of Man is lifted up for all the world to see
Our sins no longer hidden embraced in the wounds of Christ crucified
And in his stripes we are healed – for us He died

Into cold stone tomb is laid our Savior to rest
To be raised to life and glory
The hope of all who weep and mourn
To be brought to the threshold of heaven with unending dawn

For God so loved the world
That he sent gave his only Son
So that we might not perish
But have eternal life

"Peaceful Moments" – Fr. John J. Ludden



Youth Faith Formation... 2017-2018 School Year

Faith Formation Classes Celebrate LENT

Students in Faith Formation have increased their focus on prayer. Each week, classes pray one decade of the rosary meditating on one of the mysteries of the life of Jesus Christ. In particular this Lent, classes have been praying the Sorrowful Mysteries together each week.

The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary are:

- 1st Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony in the Garden
- 2nd Sorrowful Mystery: The Scourging at the Pillar
- 3rd Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning of Thorns
- 4th Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross
- 5th Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion



Mrs. Talford and Mrs. Manzano's Class Praying the Stations of the Cross Together

CRS RICE BOWL Collections Continue Through Lent – Thanks for Your Support!

Thank you for continuing to collect your small change for Catholic Relief Services. Together, all of our small change can help to make big change in the world! Please feel free to take home a cardboard RICE BOWL collection Box to keep in your home during Lent. Collection boxes are available in the Narthex of the church as you come in, in the Parish Office, as well as on a cart in the Claussen Family Center. Rice Bowls can be returned to the Faith Formation Office or Parish Office anytime during Lent or after Easter. Thank you for supporting our mission efforts!

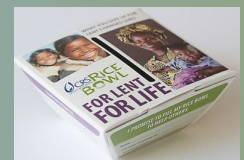
Frequently Asked Questions about CRS Rice Bowl

Q: How much money has CRS Rice Bowl contributed to prevent hunger and poverty around the world?

A: In its first 40 years, more than \$250 million has been given through CRS Rice Bowl to support programs that prevent hunger and poverty around the world. Of that, \$62.5 million went to programs in the U.S. through local dioceses and \$187.5 million went to CRS programs overseas.

Q: How many countries benefit from CRS Rice Bowl?

A: Each year CRS Rice Bowl funds are directed to between 40 and 45 countries where CRS operates humanitarian response and development programs.



This Week's Schedule

Sunday, March 11
No Faith Formation Classes Today!

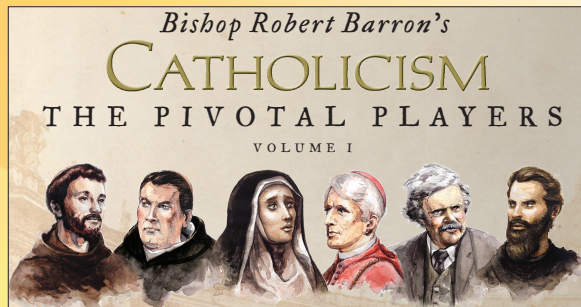
Wednesday, March 14
No Faith Formation Classes Today!

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

Adult Faith Formation and RCIA

The Pivotal Players Return Wednesday, March 14th Featuring Michelangelo!



For two years, Father Robert Barron, now Bishop Barron, took his camera crew to a dozen places in the world to discover the figures who shaped the Church and changed the world, THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS.

Back by popular demand, this series will begin Wednesday, March 14th, at 5:30 p.m. in the Rome Room, and continue for six weeks. Each episode stands alone, so you can attend all or just the ones you select and that fit your schedule.

This Word on Fire documentary film production is a beautiful travelogue and 100% solid theology. In this journey, Barron unlocks the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people and illuminates a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not

only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

The first Pivotal Player is Michelangelo, the Artist, who proves that the sensual, the artistic, and the beautiful can be a vehicle to the spiritual. He dramatically demonstrated that beauty and creativity are a primary route of access to God.

This master of sculpture and painting is not a saint but serves as the privileged representative of the creative potential engendered by the Catholic Faith. Through humanity's creative artistry, we glimpse the power and glory of the Lord.

In this episode, Bishop Barron and his team travel to Rome, Florence, and all the locations that played a significant role in the formation and vocation of Michelangelo, which, in turn, formed the life of the Church.

They filmed not only the places where Michelangelo lived and worked, but also some of his greatest works – the Pieta, David, and the Sistine Chapel. In the words of the artist himself, "Every beauty which is seen here by persons of perception resembles more than anything else that celestial source from which we all have come."

Subsequent weeks you will meet:

ST. FRANCIS of ASSISI, the Reformer – Radically and literally lived as Jesus commanded, to transform the Church.

ST. CATHERINE of SIENA, the Mystic – Gave testimony to the reality of the spiritual dimension, here and beyond.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, the Theologian – Demonstrated that faith and reason are not at odds, as they come from the same source.

BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, the 20th century British convert – left a prestigious career to seek and preach the apostolic faith.

G.K. CHESTERTON – This joyful English journalist and evangelist was a larger-than-life figure who charmed his way into the heart of the modern culture and illuminated the dull philosophy of the age with his clever Catholic brilliance. This Evangelist publicly, humbly, and humorously announced the paradoxes and truth of Christianity. You may also know him as the author of the Father Brown mystery series.

This Week's Schedule

Tuesday, March 13:

RCIA Catechesis ~ 6:00 p.m., Adult Space

Wednesday, March 14:

The Bible Timeline, Session 21 ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

The Pivotal Players ~ 5:30 p.m., Rome Room

Matthew, Session 4 ~ 7:15 p.m., Rome Room

Thursday, March 15:

Women of the Word, Passion Narratives ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Friday, March 16:

Christian Meditation ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Sunday, March 18:

Rediscover Catholicism ~ 9:15 a.m., Rome Room

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

Catholic Youth Organization

Upcoming Sport, Arts & Music, and Social Events.

Social & Spiritual

GABE BURDULIS CONCERT

March 24th @7:30p in the courtyard. An engaging and thrilling Youth concert for the whole family with Gabe Burdulis

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

High School gathers at 6:30pm every Wednesday in the Seminar Room.



Arts & Music

MARCH 2018 ARTS AND MUSIC CLASSES NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

PIANO, GUITAR, VOICE, STRINGS, ACTING, BALLROOM DANCE, PAINTING, IMPROV COMEDY.

Music and Arts Summer Camp Registration is also open online! Classes in voice, guitar, piano, strings, and acting. Only 20 campers allowed. June 11-15th! Email jennine@sjecc.com for more info.



Sports & Wellness

CYO SUMMER CAMPS

Arts and Music Camp - June 11th-15th; 9am-4pm

Basketball Skills Camp - July 9th-13th; 8am-12pm

Flag Football Camp - July 16th-20th; 8am-12pm

Soccer Skills Camp - July 23rd- 27th; 8am-12pm



Catholic Youth Organization

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Catholic Adult Organization

Upcoming Sport, Arts & Music, and Social Events.

Social & Spiritual

FINAL CONCERT IN 2018

Thursday, April 12th come and enjoy our last free concert of the 2017-2018 concert series season featuring the Dan Miller - Dan Heck Quartet in the ballroom at 6:30pm!

LENTEN FISH FRY FRIDAY'S

Fridays during lent enjoy or KofC Fish Fry in the Rome room and Courtyard, Plus to-go meals! Ends after March 23rd.

"BRYLCREAM"

Back by popular demand, "A little Dab of Doo Wop" Friday April 20th 6pm, in the Ballroom.
Sign up at sjecc.com/cao



Arts & Music

MARCH 2018 CAO ARTS AND MUSIC CLASSES NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

Have you ever wanted to learn a musical instrument, paint, or improve your singing? This is your chance! Sign up online at sjecc.com/cao.

New this March we are offering adult piano classes and adults private voice lessons!

We are also offering group classes in guitar, improv comedy, painting, group voice. Unfortunately, our ballroom dance classes are postponed until our ballroom is repaired. Any questions? Email jennine@sjecc.com

Sports & Wellness

CAO SPRING SPORTS

Men's Softball sign-ups for the Spring season are open. Please sign-up by e-mail kyle@sjecc.com.

Pick-up Ultimate Frisbee is a great way to exercise and fellowship. Feel free to come join us starting in April. Thursdays from 5pm-7pm.



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Music and Choir

5:00 p.m. Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, March 11, 2018: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Opening Song

Shout to the North

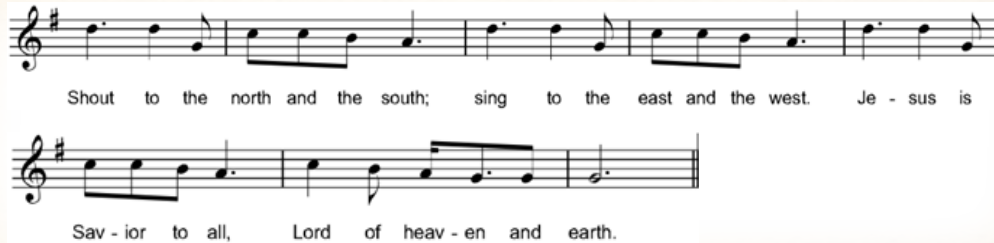
Martin Smith

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Verse 1) Men of faith, rise up and sing
of the great and glorious King!
You are strong when you feel weak,
In your brokenness, complete (to Chorus)

Verse 2) Rise up, women of the truth
Stand and sing to broken hearts
who can know the healing power
of our awesome King of love (to Chorus)



Preparation Song

397

Be Thou My Vision

Communion Songs

The Cup of Life Outpoured

Jim Cowan

Chorus:

Who am I that I should receive
The Cup of Life outpoured
The Bread of Life
The blood of Christ
The body of my Lord

Verse 1:

Lord I believe
Help my unbelief
Cause me to see You as You are
The King of glory
The Lord of love
The Shepherd of my heart

Bridge:

Lamb of God (Lamb of God)
Holy God (Holy God)
I come to receive You now
Come into my heart
Fill my life with Your very presence Lord

Verse 2:

Too great for me
This wisdom of the Lord
To hold the Savior in my hand
And greater still the gift of God
That I should be one with Him

Ending:

Lamb of God (Lamb of God)
Holy God (Holy God)
Lamb of God (Lamb of God)
Holy God (Holy God)
Lamb of God

Hungry

Kathryn Scott

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Verse 1)

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

Verse 2)

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



Music and Choir

Closing Song

Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?

Martin Smith / Delirious?

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V1) Did you feel the mountains
tremble?

Did you hear the oceans roar
When the people rose to sing of
Jesus Christ, the risen One?

V2) Did you feel the people tremble?

Did you hear the singers roar
when the lost began to sing of
Jesus Christ, the saving One?

Pre-chorus) And we can see that,
God, you're moving,
a mighty river through the nations;
and young and old will turn to Jesus.
Fling wide, you heavenly gates:
prepare the way of the risen Lord!
(Chorus)

CHORUS) Open up the doors and let
the music play

Let the streets resound with singing!
Songs that bring your hope,
songs that bring your peace,
Dancers who dance upon injustice!

V3) Do you feel the darkness tremble

when all the saints join in one song,
and all the streams flow as one river
to wash away our brokenness?

Pre-chorus 2) And here we see that,
God, you're moving;
a time of jubilee is coming,
when young and old return to Jesus.
Fling wide, you heavenly gates:
prepare the way of the risen Lord!
(Chorus)

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday of Lent • Sunday, March 11, 2018

Readings

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393 Open My Eyes (Sun. 9:00 a.m.)

Closing Hymn:

155 Glory in the Cross

This Sunday is also known as Laetare Sunday ('Let us rejoice' Sunday). This Sunday is considered a day of relaxation from normal Lenten rigors; a day of hope with Easter at last within sight. The vestments worn by the clergy may be rose-colored. At the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, those preparing to be received fully into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass undergo the second of three Scrutinies. The scripture readings used for the Scrutinies are from Cycle A. Since we are currently in Cycle B, you may find the readings on page 85 in the missalette. As the readings are different from Cycle B, so are some of the hymns to support the primary themes found in the Cycle A readings.

Choir Schedules

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.

Youth/Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 4:40 to 5:30 p.m. – Ages 9-18 (Age 8 considered)

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Church and Social Events

2018 Lenten Fish Fry begins continues every Friday in Lent through March 23rd

4:30-7:00 p.m.

Seating will be in Rome Room and in Courtyard (adjacent to Ballroom)

ONE DELICIOUS DEEP FRIED COD FISH BASKET \$12.00

w/Clam Chowder, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Bread & Butter

ONE DELICIOUS OVEN BAKED COD FISH DINNER \$12.00

w/Clam Chowder, Green Beans Almandine, Rice Pilaf, Cole Slaw, Bread & Butter

CHILD (7 yrs. and under) DINNER \$7.00

Served with One Piece of Fried Cod w/Mac & Cheese

All Dinners Include One Soft drink beverage and One Ice cream dessert

To learn more: call 566.8740

St. John
the Evangelist Church



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Couples' Wedding Anniversary Mass

March 10

Couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on March 10th at St. Leo the Great Parish in Bonita Springs at 10:00 a.m. Please note the time difference for the Mass at St. Leo. Please call your local Parish office for reservations no later than a week before the event you choose to attend.

Saint John Parish Family & Friends Presents:

River cruising the wine region of BORDEAUX

Sail on two of France's mighty rivers and the Gironde estuary.

BORDEAUX - PAUILLAC - BLAYE - LIBOURNE - SAINT-EMILION - CADILLAC - COGNAC

Departure: Oct 21 to Oct 29, 2018

Nine days, seven nights including cruise, meals, drinks with meals & airfare from RSW or Miami from \$3995

Divorced and Separated Ministry

Our group's mission is to become a light in the life of divorce/separated Catholics by giving them a sense of inclusion in our parish family and providing support and guidance through our shared spiritual journey. We are an active group that meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Claussen Center (Youth room).

Some of our upcoming outings are:

- Off the Hook Stand-up comedy – March 16th (6:00 p.m.)
- Naples Players Kidz Act (Taming of the Shrew) – April 14th (11:00 a.m.)
- Bowling night – TBD
- Dinner get together the third Thursday of every month

RSVPs would be greatly appreciated as it would allow us to plan and make sure we have enough seats.

Let us know if you would like to join us!
We would love to grow!

Contact Lhara Echeverria • lhara@sjecc.com
239-293-3694 or Beth Lucci • sjeride@gmail.com

Event Information

Conferences and Seminars

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever



Enjoy a date night with Catholic fellowship at St. John the Evangelist as you enrich your marriage with our new series entitled, The Choice Wine. Enjoy appetizers and marriage discussion.

Next Session:
March 24, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
in the Claussen Family Center

Please RSVP to the office at 239.566.8740.

Remaining Dates:
April 28, May 19, June 30, July 28, August 25



Join us for a special evening to support the programs and services of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. which benefit people in need in Collier County.

Visit <https://ccccllierc.ejoinme.org/EmeraldBall2018> for ticket sales and for a preview of the exciting Live Auction items, and the opportunity to Buy Them Now!



For more information contact:
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See us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesDioceseOfVenice.

Jamaica Outreach Program and Ave Maria University: Joining Forces in Concert - Last Chance to Reserve!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: March 14, 2018 – 7:30 p.m. – St. John's Church
Come be amazed by the magnificent talent coming from our neighbors at AMU!

SACRED and POPULAR music
JOP/AVE MARIA concert
Choir

Multiple Solo Vocalists
Musicians

You are guaranteed a MUSICAL TREAT OF A LIFETIME. Donation is \$20, and tickets may be purchased before and after most masses, on the JOP website, or by calling Roger Plante, concert chairman, at 239-948-2145. Doors open at 7:15.



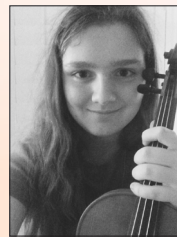
Dr. Helen Tintes
Sunday 1:15 p.m.
"Deep River"

Dr. Tintes is a voice professor and chair of the Ave Maria Music Department, and it is thanks to her talents and huge efforts that we are able to organize this concert.



Matheus Bressan
Saturday Masses
"Panis Angelicus"

At this young age, lyric tenor Matheus brings with him years of professional experience. Most recently singing Prince Yamadori's role in "Madam Butterfly," he has sang in choirs including Bach Ensembles, Naples Philharmonic, Opera Naples, AMU, and in Brazil he sang as a soloist for Membra Vocal. He is a voice & music major at AMU.



Kateri Yank
Sunday Morning Masses
"Ave Maria"

Violinist since the age of 3, Kateri has participated in numerous concerto competitions. A member of several chamber ensembles, Kateri is also a member of the drama club at AMU. She enjoys teaching violin lessons and participating in music programs at the church. She is also a pianist and an AMU choir member.



The Fabulous Ave Maria Choir will be performing at the March 14, 2018, concert.

Event Information

Health and Safety Events

Caregiver Workshop/Dementia Series

Annalee Kruger, President of CareRight, Inc.
presents

When to Stop Traveling with Your Loved One with Dementia

March 27, 2018
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
at St. John the Evangelist

This seminar is FREE and a light lunch will be served.

Anyone wanting to attend must RSVP by **March 20**
to the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

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



Representatives of the Bethlehem Christian Families – a nonprofit organization through Land of Peace – will be with us on Palm Sunday weekend, illustrating the situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries, all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists for their livelihood, have been negatively affected. The goal of this mission is to build a Charitable Hospital in Bethlehem and help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them tremendously and also give you the opportunity to have an authentic item from the Holy Land. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. For more information please see:

www.landofpeace.org and www.bcfmission.com



A Journey in Mercy

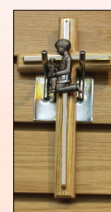
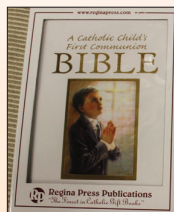
Friday, March 23rd
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 24th
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Special times for Sacrament of
Reconciliation/Confession at all
Catholic Churches in the Diocese of
Venice, FL.

First Communion Merchandise Available in Divine Gift Boutique

From statues and crosses to picture frames and rosaries, to jewelry and books, the Divine Gift Boutique is stocked with a variety of First Communion merchandise. The gift shop takes checks, cash, and charge cards.



Winter hours at the Divine Gift Boutique are:

Weekdays: 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Saturday: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



The Divine Gift Boutique is located across from the restrooms in the Narthex.