

the SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
the EAGLE

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



Merry Christmas from Father Tom

It may come as a surprise to some to learn that the actual date of Christ's birth is unknown. December 25 was chosen by Rome around the year 300 AD. Why this particular date?

In olden times, before artificial light was invented, the season of winter was long, dark, and dreary. And all of this was due to the fact that the sun had gone away. However, the people knew that at a certain point the sun began to come back, and things changed for the better. So they had a feast to celebrate this fact. It was known as the feast of the Unconquerable Sun (Sol Invictus).

To counter this pagan feast, the Church chose December 25, which is close to the winter solstice, to celebrate the birth of Christ. Instead of worshipping the Sun-God, people were encouraged to worship Christ, the Son of God. The Church saw the coming of Jesus as fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah: "The people that lived in darkness have seen a great light;" Jesus described His mission in similar terms when He said:

"I am the light of the world."

December is the darkest month of the year (in the northern hemisphere). It's a time when we appreciate the value of light. Christmas means the coming of God's light into the darkness of our world.

How dark the world would be if the light of Christ had never shone.

The Russian writer, Dostoevsky, put it like this: "While we are on earth, we grope in the dark, and, but for the precious image of Christ before us, we would lose our way completely and perish."

The teaching of Christ was truly a source of light to all who accepted Him. But it was above all through His deeds and encounters with people that His luminous goodness manifested itself. Countless people came to Him in darkness and went away bathed in light.

Christ's light was not lit in Bethlehem once and then extinguished.

Unlike the sun, Christ's light knows no

setting. It continues to shine for all who believe in Him and follow Him. The light of Christ is a persistent light, and has the power to draw people to its shining. It's not an illusory comfort, or a false reassurance that all is well when this is clearly not the case. It shines in the midst of devastation, disaster and scandal. The Gospel is a persistent and defiant light, which no darkness can overpower.

Christ's light comes as a friend. It brings healing not hurt, freedom not oppression, life not death. Those who follow Him will always have the light of life.

As I celebrate my first Christmas with the family of St. John the Evangelist, I pray that you will experience the warmth and brightness of that light through your family, relatives, friends, and our beautiful parish community. May the light of Christ bring you joy, hope, and peace.

Merry Christmas, Fr. Tom

A Prayer for World Peace

Dear God, thank You for all creation. In the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth and all teachers of peace who inspire the many faith traditions, help me and all the people of the world learn how to replace hate, war, oppression, and division with love, peace, freedom, and reconciliation. Help me to embody Your love in my relationships with my family, friends, strangers - even my enemies. I commit myself to this sacred task throughout my life. So let it be. Amen.

What's Happening at SJECC:

Table listing various church activities and their page numbers, including Parish Information, Mass Intentions, Ministries and Prayer, Parish Mission, Ministry Spotlight, Faith Formation, Adult Faith Formation, CYO, CAO, Weekly Calendar, and Music and Choir.

Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Sunday Masses:

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

Saturday Vigil Masses: 3:00 p.m., 3:15 p.m., & 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108

Phone: 239.566.8740 • Fax: 239.566.9117

www.sjecc.com

Administrative Office Hours:

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

PARISH CLERGY AND MINISTERS

Fr. Tom Zalewski, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy, Associate

Fr. Paul D'Angelo, Associate

Deacon Hal Brenner

Deacon Frank Paniccia, Senior Status

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Greeters & Ushers:

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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Facilities

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Education Staff

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Coordinator, Adult Faith

Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: jack@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!

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)

December 22, 2018 Saturday

8:00 a.m. + Bob, Judy & Theresa Martin Paula Scalo

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. + Nicholas Carolla Sr. & Nicholas Carolla, Jr. (PFLC) Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mello

3:15 p.m. + Ozzie D'Addario Janet D'Addario

5:00 p.m. + The McEntee Family Jerry & Barbara McEntee

December 23, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Phillip Gurkin Nelson & Jane Riddle

9:00 a.m. + Jennifer Owens (PFLC) David Mangan

9:15 a.m. + Jose Nicolas Arteta Mom, Dad & Sister

11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners (PFLC)

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Anthony Quaranto Nancee Dykstra

5:00 p.m. + Margaret Edin Joseph Edin

December 24, 2018 Monday

8:00 a.m. + "Novena Mass - For a greater respect for all human life"

9:00 a.m. + Joe Reid Kay Reid

Vigil Masses for Christmas

3:00 p.m. + Priest Intention (PFLC)

3:15 p.m. + Priest Intention

5:00 p.m. + Priest Intention Youth Mass with Gospel Pageant (PFLC)

5:15 p.m. + Priest Intention Youth Mass (No Pageant)

10:00 p.m. + Priest Intention Midnight Mass

December 25, 2018 Tuesday

7:00 a.m. + Priest Intention

9:00 a.m. + Priest Intention

11:00 a.m. + Priest Intention (PFLC)

11:15 a.m. + Priest Intention

1:15 p.m. + Priest Intention

December 26, 2018 Wednesday

8:00 a.m. + George Anastos Nelson & Jane Riddle

9:00 a.m. + Anthony & Jean DeCesare Kay Reid

6:30 p.m. + Jack & Sophie Ward Bill & Pat Pfau

December 27, 2018 Thursday

8:00 a.m. + Peggy Kegaly Jack Kegaly

9:00 a.m. + Henry Johnson Mr. & Mrs. W. Pfau

December 28, 2018 Friday

8:00 a.m. + Ann Cuzzola The Cuzzola Family

9:00 a.m. + Edward Miller, Sr. Dr. & Mrs. Lester Fuller

December 29, 2018 Saturday

8:00 a.m. + Pete Mattimore K. Murphy

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners (PFLC)

3:15 p.m. + Jerome Paul & Janet VanderHorst Vicki VanderHorst

5:00 p.m. + Annie Chiarulla Agnes Gaitens

December 30, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Brian Foster Brian Calabro

9:00 a.m. + Judith Pittman (PFLC) Marge & Dan Balsamo

9:15 a.m. + Anne Alcide Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Caccese

11:00 a.m. SI David Pagano & Olivia Webster Deborah Marsh (PFLC)

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Kevin Ferreira Mom, Dad, Brian & Paul

5:00 p.m. + Joseph Wich Thomas & Marilyn

Readings for the Week

Saturday, December 22, 2018

1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56 (198)

Sunday, December 23, 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45 (12) Pss IV

Monday, December 24, 2018

Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79 (200)

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation]

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 (13)

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 (14)

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 (15)

Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 (16) Pss Prop

Wednesday, December 26, 2018

[Saint Stephen]

Feast

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22 (696) Pss Prop

Thursday, December 27, 2018

[Saint John]

Feast

1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 (697) Pss Prop

Friday, December 28, 2018

[The Holy Innocents]

Feast

1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18 (698) Pss Prop

Saturday, December 29, 2018

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

[Saint Thomas Becket]

1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35 (202) Pss Prop

Week of December 23 - 29, 2018:

Host & Wine in Memory of
Nicholas Senatore

Requested by Wife Rosalee
& Daughters Debbie & Jody

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@yahoo.com or 239.566.8740*

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). **The Divine Gift Boutique is currently closed due to renovations.** 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. *Mary Beth Clary: mbclary@me.com*

Grief Support Ministry. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *Gerilyn Poletti: gerilyn@catholiccharitiescc.org or 239.455.2655 ext. 107*

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. *Joyce Yopez: 239-250-3434 or Joyce@Joycie.net*

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 6:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday from October to May. *Men's: JD DeSousa: 239.877-2950 or sousa2net@aol.com 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 (we accept child-friendly fabric or trim): *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. *Kyle VanDuser: kyle@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

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 wow@sjecc.com*

Knights of Columbus Councils:

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month in the Rome Room. Officers meet at 6:30 p.m. with the business meeting at 7:00 p.m. All visiting Sir/Knights welcome. *Paul Barrus Faithful Navigator: 609-741-4593 or oldsalt232@hotmail.com*

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 Joseph Hemrick: jhemrick21@gmail.com or 239.566.8740*

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 Mondays at 6:45 p.m. at Hyundai of Naples. 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. joanne116@mac.com or 239.919.2265

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 For meeting locations and times, call 239.263.5907 or visit www.NaplesAl-Anon.org

Food Addiction Support Group Maryann Scandiffio, 239.784.2682

Sunset Coast NA 239.451.3275

Gambler's Anonymous 855.222.5542

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 – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited every day starting 50 minutes before Mass begins, Monday through Saturday. Summer Schedule at 7:40 a.m., Winter Schedule at 7:10 a.m. Maria Desa: 239-529-7611 or Carol Swank 757.559.4761

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group – Rosemary Erickson: 239.566.8740

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

Liturgy of the Hours

Call the Office: 239.566.8740

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, Jacksonville

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

Cpl. Derek Perez - U.S. Marine Corps

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft. Eustis, VA

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

Andy Sanfelippo and Eric Vierling

PRAYER LIST

Baby Declan Aigner
Jean Balliro
Jennifer Basile
Beagan Family
Lynn Becker
Gallen Boardman
William M. Boardman
David Boone
Lori Breyman
Donald Brown
Connie Cahill
Gregory Camp
Rosalie Castro
Kathy Conley
Corinne & Children
Lauren Carr
Frank Comeriato
Merlyn Comeriato
Tony Corvelo
Brad Cunningham
Cutler Family
Anthony D'Antuono
Mark DaBronzo
Donald Demski
Florence Demski
Melissa Diamantini
Dee Donnelly

Donovan Family
Leon Doughty
Robyn Hyland Doyle
F.W.
Carolyn Felner
Cheryl Fisher
Sandy Flaig
Tara Follese & Family
Debbie Fritts
Lester Fuller
Patty Gahan
Inez Galm
Jeff Gatt
Julia Giblin
George Gonser Jr.
Philip Gorney
Keri Grasso
Jayne Hagg
Mary Haig
Gerard Heyen
Rosie Heyen
Mary Ann Holt
Jim Huber
Suzanna Kandik
Karen Kelly
Ted Konicki
Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Rene Lacoste
Lorraine Leclerc
Jean Lydon
Fausta Lynch
M.M.
Joan Maier
Robin Malone
Diane Maloney
Margaret
Margie Lynch
Maria and Family
Ron Marlow
Barbara Marsh
Donna Masse
Mary Ann McCabe
J. McG
Kevin McGill
Paul McIntyre
Cynthia McLemore
Christine McManus
Eileen Miner
Lorrie Morrison
Tom Morse
Joan M. Oliver
Marylee Olsen
Jane Oraziotti
Emma O'Rourke

Patricia Orris
Ronald J. Parker
Michael Paul
Francesca Pearo
Anne Perrino
Ann Petrillo
Gil and Renee Rake
Henrietta Reynolds
Debbie Roberts
Ellen Roberts
Jason Roberts
Terre Rozin
Sterling C. Rutherford
Lloyd Sample
Lisa Sanfelippo
Shelia Scaduto
Gary Schutebach
Karen Sentner
Thomas Sissman
John Smith
Sr. Colette Stevenson
Nancy Stewart
Edward Sullivan
Jeannie Sullivan
Rita Taranto
William J. Teplica
Isaiah Thompson

Marilyn Thyen
Helen Thornburg
JoAnn Tinevra
Albert Treichel
Jim Tucker
Richie Twiefel
Mike Walsman
Eileen Warburton
Dan Ward
Baby Benedict Wardein
Sandra Welker
Bernadette White
Kirsten Wills
Nancy Wise
Michael Zielinski

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://sjccc.com/forms>.

To Know, To Love, To Serve... Parish Mission

Merry Christmas!

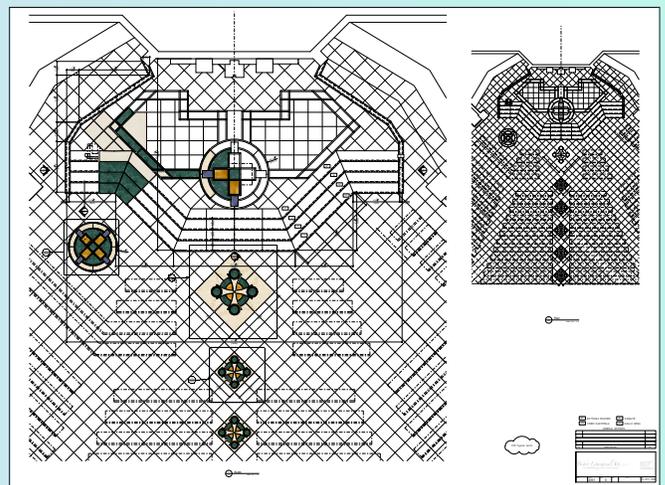
When I was thinking about how to express my gratitude to our Parish Family and friends for the support, encouragement, laughs, and joy that we have shared with each other this past year, it struck me like a thunderbolt. Words are not enough. We have collaborated this year in expanding our Mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community to nearly every corner of Southwest Florida, from Immokalee to the Beach, from Venice to Golden Gate. And even here on our campus, thank you for continuing to celebrate with us both in the Ballroom and the Pulte Family Life Center. The gifts of time, talent, and treasure that continue to be the hallmark of our Parish Family, even in the challenging times we have faced together this year, are immense. So, as an early Christmas Present, I wanted to help show you the the gift our Parish Family is giving to ourselves and to the community: our new church!



The interior of the church, damaged by Hurricane Irma, is being completely remodeled. The new sound system and organ will ensure every seat in our new pew layout will be “the best in the house.” By integrating the hearing loop into the entire floor and special wheelchair access pews in 10 locations around the Sanctuary, every person, no matter their special needs, can be supported in their faith journey as part of our Parish Family. The spectacular Italian Marble Altar, new statues and crucifix (our old one now hangs in the Pulte Family Life Center), and Liturgical environment will provide a visual experience second only to the Mass itself.



The roof is nearly complete! With three inches of insulation and lightning protection, we have made our church safer and more energy efficient. We are now only waiting on the new bell tower that will sit on the top of the church, helping our bells ring out for the entire area.



by Jean-Paul Boucher
General Manager
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There is so much more to discuss when it comes to our new church, so please stay tuned for more. A Very Merry and Blessed Christmas to each and every one of you!

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St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School

SES Advent Service Project
12 Days of Giving



SES students have been collecting containers of nutritious food to support the Weekend Power Pack Food Program of Catholic Charities in Collier County. This program provides homeless elementary students living in Collier County with food to sustain them through the weekend when school meals are not available. Students have been packing the donations and offering prayers in support of the homeless.

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Saint Ann School

"Do the Right Thing"



The Naples Police Department "Do The Right Thing" program recognizes school-aged children within our community who are doing good things. The goal of this program is to reinforce exemplary behavior while helping build self-esteem. Congratulations to Saint Ann Kindergarten student, Gregory Griffin, who was recognized for showing good character at the December City Council meeting at Naples City Hall.

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St. John Neumann Catholic High School

You are Invited

St John Neumann Catholic High School
Presents

The Celtic Ball

Please join Honorary Chairs Jim and Sue Kelleher
For An Evening in Italy
At Club Pelican Bay

Friday, February 1, 2019

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239-455-3044



December 23 – The Fourth Sunday of Advent



Year 2 Morning Confirmation Class Wishes Everyone a Merry Christmas!



This year, we have close to 60, Year 2 Youth preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring of 2019. Youth come together 2-3 times a month to learn about and discuss the teachings of our Catholic faith and the challenges of living a holy life in today's culture, as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in a dynamic learning environment. Supported by wonderful and dedicated catechists, high school mentor peers, as well as young adults who serve tirelessly in ministry, these youth are accompanied along their journey to confirmation. Youth may attend class sessions on Sunday mornings or Sunday evenings. For more information about preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Natalie at Natalie@sjecc.com or 239-566-8740 ext. 3909.

Thank You to Our Parish Family for Providing 24 Baskets of Joy for Our Teen Moms at Christmas This Year!

Thank you to everyone who supported our efforts to prepare baskets for our 24 Teen Moms currently enrolled in our Public Schools in Collier County. With your generous donations, we offer support and encouragement to them, as they raise their children while pursuing their High School Diploma. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness!



This Week in Faith Formation: December 23 – 29, 2018

We will not have Faith Formation Classes this week.
We wish you all our Faith Formation Families a very
Blessed and Merry Christmas!

SAVE THE DATE: February 21, 2018 – REBOOT: With Chris Stefanick

7:00-9:30 p.m. Tickets on sale in the parish office for \$25.00 or can be purchased online at www.RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot. Please contact Natalie at Natalie@sjecc.com for more details.



Adult Faith Formation and RCIA

The St. John the Evangelist Adult Faith Formation Team Wishes You a Blessed and Merry Christmas, and Looks Forward to Welcoming You to One of the Programs in Our Winter Schedule Which Kicks Off in January.



Michael Viola, Dee Schwartz, Christine Reinhard, Jean Kechejian, Jack Kindsvater seated, Susan Hamilton, Nancy Bouchard, Deborah Simon

This is what two of the Pivotal Players write about Christmas:

St. Augustine of Hippo's Nativity Prayer

Let the just rejoice,
for their justifier is born.
Let the sick and infirm rejoice,
For their savior is born.
Let the captives rejoice,
For their Redeemer is born.
Let slaves rejoice,

for their Master is born.
Let free men rejoice,
For their Liberator is born.
Let All Christians rejoice,
For Jesus Christ is born.

G.K. Chesterton

“Christmas is built upon a beautiful and intentional paradox;
that the birth of the homeless
should be celebrated in every home.”

This Week's Schedule:

Thurs., December 27: **Women of the Word, Rejoice – Meditations with Mary** ~ 9:30 a.m. in the Alexandria Room

*Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator:
email jack@sjecc.com or call 239.566.8740 ext. 3918 and leave a message. I'll return your call promptly.*

CYO/CAO Sports and Social

Information on upcoming sports and social events.



NET Ministries will be back in January...

If you haven't Hosted our wonderful missionaries yet theres still time to do so. The NET team has impacted every age group and ministry at this parish, especially bright smile at each of the masses. Please strongly considered hosting these wonderful Young people for two weeks.

Contact Kyle VanDuser @ kyle@sjecc.com



HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

Every Wednesday High School Bible Study, with the book study: "Bible basics for Catholics" @ 5:30pm. Followed by the ROCK youth group in the L.O.F.T. in the new Pulte Family Life Center Starting in January.

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OPTIONS

Sports & Wellness

Arts & Music

Social & Spiritual

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REGISTER

Click on Program and Register online to sign-up for upcoming events leagues and classes



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Catholic Adult Organization

January Newsletter



**SOCIAL DAYS
FOR ALL
ADULTS**

Social and Spiritual events

Theology on Tap: Young Adult Bible Study @ BoneHook Brewing Co. - Free drinks and food and life discussion of God's Holy Word. First Tuesday of every month. (Only exception: LAST TUESDAY OF JANUARY).

"We Served": Veteran's Rights/Benefits Symposium in Nazareth and the 5 Saints Cafe from 9am-10:30a "YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW"

Vigils at Abortion Centers: Provide Transportation or pray with those outside Planned Parenthood, Fourth Monday of the month. relife@aol.com

Immokalee Kitchen Volunteering: Parish Goes Fourth Tuesday of the month. Meet outside the parish Office.



**ARTS AND
MUSIC CLASSES
SPRING
SESSION**

Arts and Music events

Register by JANUARY 11th for all these classes:

Guitar Class - Saturdays @ 1pm - Nazareth North - \$100 - 8 week session start January 12th.

Piano Class - Saturdays @ 2pm - Nazareth North - \$100 - 8 week session start January 12th.

Painting Class - Mondays @ 6pm - Nazareth North - \$150 - 8 week session start January 14th

Voice/Cantor Class - Tuesdays @ 6pm or Fridays @ 5:30pm - Music Room - \$100 - 8 week session start January 15th, or 18th.

Private Voice - Weekday evenings - Music Room - \$240 - 8 weeks

Music Therapy for Experienced Adults - Mondays @ 3:30p - Multipurpose rm - \$120 - 8 week session starts January 14th.



**Basketball
Pick-up
games 7p-9p
every
Tuesday.**

Sports and Wellness events

Basketball Pick -up: Tuesday Nights from 7p-9p in the Gym

Bocce League: Tuesday and Saturday Mornings from 10:30a-12:30p

Bootcamp: Wednesday Night @ 5:30p, Saturday Morning @ 8:30a

Soulcore: Tuesday Nights @ 6pm, Friday Mornings @ 9am

Flag Football League: Saturday Morning from 11am-3pm.



Catholic Adult Organization

JANUARY

Mind - Body

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
30	31	1	Coffee on the h after Daily Mass
6	7	8	Coffee on the h after Daily Mass
	Knights of Columbus Meeting @ 7pm in Nazareth	Courtyard Tuesday @ 6pm in the 5 Saints Cafe. Men's Club Meeting @ 6pm in Nazareth	
		"Soulcore" @ 6pm in Nazareth Pick-up Basketball @ 6:30p in Gym	
13	14	15	Coffee on the h after Daily Mass
	"We served" - Veterans Benefits/Rights Symposium @ 9am in Nazareth/"5 Saints" Cafe. ***Sage Mentor Seminar - Engineering Careers @ 6:00p in Nazareth.	"Soulcore" @ 6pm in Nazareth Men's Club Meeting @ 6pm in Nazareth Pick-up Basketball @ 6:30p in Gym	
20	21	22	Coffee on the h after Daily Mass
		"Soulcore" @ 6pm in Nazareth Men's Club Meeting @ 6pm in Nazareth Pick-up Basketball @ 6:30p in Gym	
27	28	29	Coffee on the h after Daily Mass
	Vigils at Abortion Center	Guadalupe Soup Kitchen in Immokalee meet @ 9am Parish Office 6:30pm- 8:30pm — Theology on Tap: Young Adults Bible Study. @ BoneHook Brewery. Men's Club Meeting @ 6pm in Nazareth	

Church Staff:

Rev. Fr. Tom - Pastor

Jean-Paul Boucher - General Manager

Rick Beebe - President, Pastoral Stewardship Council

CAO Staff:

Arts & Music Director: Jennine

Sports & Activities Director: Ky

CAO Coordinator: Bill Warvel

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y - Spirit - Soul

*** Indicates Registration only

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 House @ 9:30am	3 Open Mic Night in the "5 SAINTS CAFE" @ 6:30p	4 A Night Out - Dinner and Live Music @ 6pm in 5 Saints Cafe	5 Bootcamp @ 8:30a in Boneyard
9 House @ 9:30am	10 Concert: An Evening of Pop Rock & Motown @ 6:30pm at the Pulte Family Life Center ***	11 A Night Out - Dinner and Live Music @ 6pm in 5 Saints Cafe	12 Bootcamp @ 8:30a in Boneyard
	Brown Bag Thursdays (\$5 lunch) @ Noon in 5 Saints Cafe	"Soulcore" @ 9:30am in Nazareth	
16 House @ 9:30am	17 Brown Bag Thursdays (\$5 lunch) @ Noon in 5 Saints Cafe	18 A Night Out - Dinner and Live Music @ 6pm in 5 Saints Cafe	19 Bootcamp @ 8:30a in Boneyard
		"Soulcore" @ 9:30am in Nazareth	
23 House @ 9:30am	24 Brown Bag Thursdays (\$5 lunch) @ Noon in 5 Saints Cafe	25 A Night Out - Dinner and Live Music @ 6pm in 5 Saints Cafe	26 Bootcamp @ 8:30a in Boneyard
	Bingo @ 1pm in Pulte Family Life Center	"Soulcore" @ 9:30am in Nazareth	
30 House @ 9:30am	31 Brown Bag Thursdays (\$5 lunch) @ Noon in 5 Saints Cafe	1 A Night Out - Dinner and Live Music @ 6pm in 5 Saints Cafe	2 Bootcamp @ 8:30a in Boneyard
	***Paint & Wine Night @ 6:30p in 5 Saint Cafe.	"Soulcore" @ 9:30am in Nazareth	

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CAO Asst. Coordinator: Nancy Squitteri

CAO Asst. Coordinator: Sean Hession

CAO Asst. Coordinator: Bill Fuller

DAY	DEPARTMENT	PLANNED ACTIVITY
MONDAY	SPORTS & WELLNESS	Softball - North Collier Park Softball Complex 6:30p, 7:30p, or 8:30pm
	ARTS & MUSIC	Painting Class - NAZARETH - 6pm (REGISTER BY 1/11)
	EDUCATION	English Basics Course - Instructor led Series (TBD)
TUESDAY	SPORTS & WELLNESS	Basketball - Pick up games, PFLC Gym - 7p-9p "SoulCore" - Rosary and Exercise - 6pm, in Nazareth
	ARTS & MUSIC	Voice/Cantor Lessons - Music Room - 6pm (REGISTER BY 1/11)
	EDUCATION	English Basics Course - Instructor led Series - 7p-8p, begins Jan. 8th
WEDNESDAY	SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL	Coffee on the House - Enjoy free coffee at 9:30a in the "5 SAINTS CAFE" Parents of Faith - Faith Formation Parents Social - 5:30p-7:30p
	SPORTS & WELLNESS	Boot Camp - in the BoneYard 5:30p-6:30p
THURSDAY	SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL	"Inclusion Breakfast" - CEO for Shut-in's and Homebound. "Brown Bag Thursdays" - \$5 Lunch at 12p. Scheduled Arts and Info series of events.
FRIDAY	SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL	"A Knight out" - Music, Arts, at 6pm in the "5 SAINTS CAFE"
	SPORTS & WELLNESS	"SoulCore" - Rosary and Exercise - 9am, in Nazareth
SATURDAY	SPORTS & WELLNESS	Bocce League - Mornings from 10-Noon. Flag Football League - CYO Fields - 11a-3p
	ARTS & MUSIC	Guitar Class - NAZARETH - 1pm (REGISTER BY 1/11) Piano Class - NAZARETH - 2p (REGISTER BY 1/11)
	SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL	Parents of Faith - Faith Formation Parents Social - 9:15a-10:45a

Registrations can be found online at sjecc.com/CAO. Register for Arts and Music classes by the 11th of January to ensure classes are held.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION: SPORTS & WELLNESS: [KYLE@SJECC.COM](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com), ARTS & MUSIC: [ARTS@SJECC.COM](mailto:arts@sjecc.com)

CYO/CAO Music and Arts

Information on upcoming music and arts events.

Music and Arts Classes

CYO and CAO
January 2019
registration
open at
sjecc.com/cyo or
sjecc.com/cao!

CYO Classes:

Piano, voice, guitar,
painting, acting,
music therapy for
kids with special
needs, and
Sprouting Melodies
(a class for babies/
toddler and their
parent or family)!

CAO Classes:

Piano, voice, guitar,
painting, and music
therapy for adults
with Alzheimer's or
dementia!

Email Jennine at
jennine@sjecc.com
for more information
about any of our
Music and Arts
programs



Concert Series: An Evening of Pop, Rock, & Motown! January 10, 2019 at 6:30pm in the Pulte Family Life Center
Register at sjecc.com/cao!



A can't miss performance with three acts covering all your favorite artist from the 50's through the 80's !!! The ever popular Cahlua & Cream. Naples favorite duo opens the show with Leslie's versatile voices of Soulful Singers. Johnny T will be performing tributes to Frankie Valli, Neil Diamond, Jay & the Americans the Righteous Brothers and others. The Grovin Band is considered one of the greatest 60's Tribute Bands. They recreate the sounds of Chicago, Blood Sweat & Tears, The Rascales, The Grass Roots and many more as if you were listening to the Original Artist. Three great acts one entertaining show.

Register online now at sjecc.com/cao! Registration is \$25 per person or \$200 for the entire concert series which supports our CYO/CAO programs. ***No one will be turned away due to financial restrictions. Email Jennine@sjecc.com with any questions .

Open Mic Night: January 3, 2018 at 6:30pm at the 5 Saints Cafe in our new life center! Come out for our second open mic night! Free for

anyone to attend and enjoy some local music in our new cafe! **We need performers!** Anyone interested in performing whether music, art work, or poetry please email our Artistic Director, Jennine Fuentes at jennine@sjecc.com for more information. Open mic nights will occur every 1st Thursday of the month! Spread the word and bring your friends!



Paint and Wine Night January 31, 2018 at 6:30pm at the 5 Saints Cafe in the Pulte Family Life Center! Paint

and explore the artist within and sip on some wine with your family and friends at our first Paint and Wine night! You don't have to be an experienced artist to enjoy this night. Registration is now open at sjecc.com/cao! Only \$20 per person! (Adult event)



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Sunday, Dec. 23

Monday, Dec. 24

5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Pageant in the PFLC

Thursday, Dec. 27

Friday, Dec. 28

9:30 a.m. – AFF – Women of the Word, *Rejoice-Meditations with Mary*, in the Alexandria Room

9:00 a.m. – SoulCore in the PFLC

12:00 p.m. – “Brown Bag Thursdays” in 5 Saints Cafe – \$5 lunch – Scheduled Arts & Information

6:00 p.m. – “A Knight Out” in 5 Saints Cafe

Tuesday, Dec. 25

Wednesday, Dec. 26

Merry Christmas!

9:30 a.m. – Holy Grounds! Coffee on the House in the 5 Saints Cafe

5:30 p.m. – Boot Camp in the PFLC

Saturday, Dec. 29

Sunday, Dec. 30

8:30 a.m. – Boot Camp in the PFLC Boneyard

Music and Choir

5:00 p.m. Mass Music Worship Aid
Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018: The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Opening Song

Everlasting God

Brenton Brown

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Strength will rise as we wait up - on the Lord, we will wait
up - on the Lord, we will wait up - on the Lord. Our God,
You reign for - ev - er. Our Hope,
our strong De - liv - 'rer
You are the ev - er - last - ing God, the ev -
er - last - ing God. You do not faint, You
won't grow wea - ry. You're the de - fend - er of the weak,
You com - fort those in need. You lift
us up on wings like ea - gles. ea - gles.

Music and Choir

Preparation Song **Shout to the Lord** **Darlene Zschech** CCLI Song No. 1406918. © 1993 Hillsong Publishing (Admin. in U.S. & Canada by Integrity's Hosanna! Music). All rights Reserved. CCLI License #2008891.

Verse)
My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you!
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my Shelter,
tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship you!

Chorus)
) Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of your name!
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you!

Communion Songs **Communion** **Mac Powell / 3rd Day** CCLI Song No. 4586072 © 2005 Consuming Fire Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Brad Avery/David Carr/Mac Powell/Mark Lee/Tai Anderson. All rights Reserved. CCLI #2008891.

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

Verse 1)
I will remember ev'rything, Lord,
that you've done for me
I won't take for granted the Sacrifice
that set me free
I hunger and thirst for your love,
come fill me today

Verse 2)
We hunger and thirst for your love
and your righteousness
We long for your Presence here, Lord...
Be with us again...

Communion Songs **39** **Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus** **Tune: Hyfrydol**

Closing Song **38** **O Come, O Come Emmanuel** **Verses 1 & 7** **Trad. Advent carol**

Special Ending:
Rejoice, again I say rejoice! For unto us is born the Savior of the world.
Take heart, Oh weary soul, take heart! For help is on the way and Holy is His Name.

A Thank You Message from the Arts and Liturgical Ministry

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you so much for your generous donations of beautiful ornaments for our office and cafe Christmas trees. We wish you a blessed Christmas and happy new year.

Arts & Liturgical Ministry

Advent/Christmas Music Worship Aid

Mass of Divine Promise

Kyrie eleison (Lord Have Mercy)

Based on 'Conditor Alme Siderum' (Creator of the Stars of Night)

Gary Prettyman

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cantor</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Lord - have mer - cy.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cong.</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Lord - have mer - cy.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cantor</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Chri - ste e - le - i - son. - Christ - have mer - cy. -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cong.</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Chri - ste e - le - i - son. - Christ - have mer - cy. -</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cantor</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Lord - have mer - cy.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cong.</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Lord - have mer - cy.</p>

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Sanctus (Holy)

Based on 'Veni, Veni Emmanuel' (O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

Gary Prettyman



1
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Hea - ven and earth are
4
full of Your glo - ry. Hea - ven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho -
7
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
11
Bless - ed is He - who comes, who comes - in the name of the Lord. Ho -
15
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -
17
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na, ho - san - na
20
in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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Advent/Christmas Music Worship Aid

Mass of Divine Promise

Mystery of Faith #2

When We Eat This Bread and Drink this Cup

Based on 'Conditor Alme Siderum' (Creator of the Stars of Night)

Gary & Terri Prettyman

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim - Your
4 death, O Lord, un - til You come a - gain.

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Amen

Based on 'Veni, Veni Emmanuel' (O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

Gary Prettyman

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men!

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A Prayer for World Peace

Dear God, thank You for all creation.

In the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth and all teachers of peace who inspire the many faith traditions,

help me and all the people of the world

learn how to replace hate, war, oppression, and division

with love, peace, freedom, and reconciliation.

Help me to embody Your love in my relationships
with my family, friends, strangers – even my enemies.

I commit myself to this sacred task throughout my life.

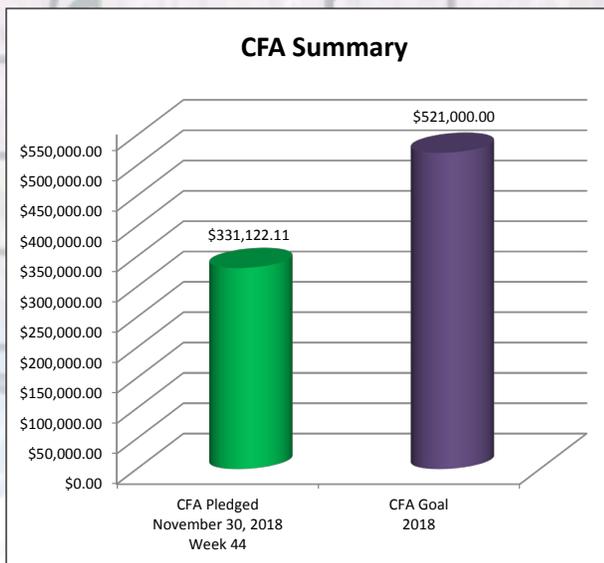
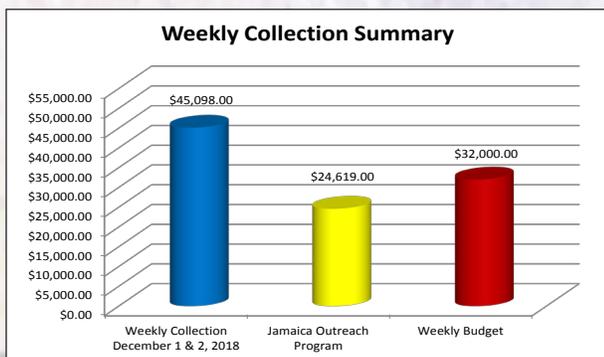
So let it be. Amen.



Music and Choir

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Merry Christmas from the Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary



Join us for new activities and events in 2019, including Bingo, Brown Bag Lunches, Bocce and much more!