

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

the **EAGLE**

Noel: An Advent Christmas Concert

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church Pulte Family Life Center
Thursday, December 12, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an evening of the reason for the season as the Saint John the Evangelist music ministries present an ensemble of beautiful musical pieces!

Please register at our website: saintjohntheevangelist.com. Click CYO or CAO tab – click Register for Concert Series – info@sjecc.com • (239) 566-8740 (church office)



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.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Sunday Masses:

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

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

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.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

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Administrative Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2019 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
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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.



Scan this tag with your smartphone to view our mobile website.

Mass Intentions



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

Saturday, December 7, 2019

8:00 a.m. SI Olivia Webster

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. + Joan Scariati

5:00 p.m. + Linnae Fedeli-Eddy

Sunday, December 8, 2019

7:00 a.m. + Thomas S. Riley, Jr.

9:00 a.m. + Thoman & Horey Families

11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:00 p.m. + Stephen Losi

5:00 p.m. + Pete Gioeli

Monday, December 9, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Jean DeCesare

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

8:30 a.m. + David Kozlowski

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Andy Sanfelippo

Thursday, December 12, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Deborah McLoughlin

Friday, December 13, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Stanislaw Zapala

Saturday, December 14, 2019

8:00 a.m. + Frank Ascione

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. + "Chink" & Anne LaBreche

5:00 p.m. + Vivian & Don Kerr

Sunday, December 15, 2019

7:00 a.m. + Andy Sanfelippo

9:00 a.m. + Ramy Garrido

11:00 a.m. + Jasmine Dunham

1:00 p.m. + Michael Zewalk

5:00 p.m. + Deborah Anne McLoughlin

ASSISTED LIVING MASSES

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 – Brookdale Assisted Living

11:00 a.m. SI Dolores Molter

Requested By:

Deb Marsh

Chrys Fisher

Parents

Georgianna Rota

Iris Horey

Janet Losi

John & Maureen Wurtz

Kay Reid

Frank & Nancy Walker

Lan Tran

Joan Hannigan

Renata Griffin

Bob & Dorothy Hotz

Chrys, Stephen & Patrick
Fisher

Vizioli Family

Lan Tran

Julia Perrotta

Christi & Dennis Pedra
Friend

John & Maureen Wurtz

Adele Amengual &
Cynthia Downs

Readings for the Week

Saturday, December 7, 2019

[Saint Ambrose]

Memorial

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8 (180)

Sunday, December 8, 2019

The Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12 (4) Pss II

Monday, December 9, 2019

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Solemnity

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 (689)

Pss Prop

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14 (182)

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

[Saint Damasus I]

Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30 (183)

Thursday, December 12, 2019

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feast

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 (690A)

Friday, December 13, 2019

[Saint Lucy]

Memorial

Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19 (185)

Saturday, December 14, 2019

[Saint John of the Cross]

Memorial

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 (186)

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 exists to assist the Pastor by providing advice in regards to financial matters of the parish. It supports decision-making and serves to assist in the prudent administration of Parish resources. Council Chairman: Jim Culkar: jrculkar@aol.com or 239.254.9510

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 in the church). Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays after morning Mass; Saturdays 2:00-5:00 p.m. and Sundays 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. We are in need of volunteers! If you are interested, please contact *Holly: holly@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. in the Alexandria Room. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Grief Support Ministry. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *Gerilyn Poletti: 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. Meets year-round on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Classrooms 3 & 4 in the Parish Activity Center. No experience necessary. Make baby and children's items, prayer shawls, nursing home and elderly blankets. *Sharon Camp: 239-438-7867 or sharon@naples.net. https://*

stjohnknitandcrochet.wordpress.com/

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Imnokalee 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 239.597.3078*

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*

Social Ministry. 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. *Social: JD DeSousa: 239.877-2950 or sousa2net@aol.com; Millie Lucanegro: 239.566.9854; or 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. *Mary Thompson: respectlife@sjecc.com or 239.273.6472*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2, from October to May. If you like to sew, we encourage you to come see what we're all about. All are welcome! To volunteer or donate: *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: bka1678@hotmail.com or 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 fourth 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 McPherson Faithful Navigator: 443-807-3436 or pmcp77@gmail.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.

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. in the Alexandria Room. 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. Koullouheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

Mahjonn. Wednesday Play. *Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860*

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

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: 239.250.0432*

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

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett

Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF

PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft.

Eustis, VA

Col. Brian Murphy

Lt. Col. Jill Murphy

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

Cpl. Derek Perez – U.S. Marine Corps

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

Lt. Stephen English – Iraq

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

PRAYER LIST

Baby Declan Aigner
Theresa Allingham
Di Di Arpaia
Paschal Arpaia
Paul Arpaia
Aurise Bain
Florence Ballachio
Jean Balliro
Agatha Barczynski
Jennifer Basile
Beagan Family
Lynn Becker
Mark Benson
Paul Bishop
Liselotte Bluem
Gallen Boardman
Sue Boyle
Kent Brase
Steve Brase
Lori Breyman
Kyle Brune
Elaine Buscemi
Connie Cahill
Ed Carsky
Rosalie Castro
Corinne & Children
Lauren Carr
Frank Christopher
August Cimmino
Merlyn Comeriato
Monica Connors
Tony Corvelo
Lizabeth Cuenya
Marge Cullen
Brad Cunningham
Cutler Family
Mark DaBronzo

Danielle
Eileen DaSilva
Donald Demski
Florence Demski
Sally Detloff
Melissa Diamantini
Julie Dieter
Dee Donnelly
Donovan Family
Leon Doughty
Robyn Hyland Doyle
Peter Durso
Katy Esquivel
F.W.
Carolyn Felner
Feroce Family
Scott Fewell
Tiffany Fiedler & Family
Don Fitzgerald
Sandy Flaig
Tara Follese & Family
Sandy Frania
Debbie Fritts
Patty Gahan
Carol Gaskill
Jeff Gatt
Julia Giblin
Fr. Tom Glackin
Marie Gleason
George Gonser Jr.
Phyllis Gryskiewicz
Randy Harrison
Rosie Heyen
Amy Hilliard
Ashleigh Hodges
Mary Ann Holt
Edward Hommel

Judy Howe
D. K.
Yvonne Keenan
Theresa Keller
Elyse Kristinik
Rene Lacoste
Lorraine Leclerc
Carrie Lehmann
Peter Lemon
Laurie Lind
Mel Lisser
Teresa Lozano
Pat Lozon
Jean Lydon
Margie Lynch
M.M.
Andrew Mager
Joan Maier
Robin Malone
Diane Maloney
Margaret
Maria and Family
Ron Marlow
Barb Marsh
Jackie Mascolo
Donna Masse
Angelo Mastrorillo
Kathy Maxwell
Kevin McGill
Jack McGrory
Paul McIntyre
Alley McKee
Cynthia McLemore
Christine McManus
Carlos Mendelzon
Cynthia Mendelzon
Patrick Metro

Eileen Miner
John Montana
Lorrie Morrison
Tom Morse
John Nickerson
Jack Noonan
Emma O'Rourke
Joan M. Oliver
Jane Oraziotti
Patricia Orris
Sean Osterman
David P.
Eric Parker
Ronald J. Parker
Francesca Pearo
Anne Perrino
Ann Petrillo
Timothy Pollard
Rachel Polt-Holmes
Olivia Prawiradilaga
Carolyn Pulte
Lee Redman
Gil and Renee Rake
Pete Renner
Henrietta Reynolds
Tom Riley
Ellen Roberts
Katie Roberts
Joanne Roddy
Racheal Romine
Terre Rozin
Sterling C. Rutherford
Peggy O'Neil Saba
Lloyd Sample
Lisa Sanfelippo
Shelia Scaduto
Gary Schutebach

Fritz Simacek
Marian Simacek
John Smith
Josephine Soto
Sr. Colette Stevenson
Nancy Stewart
Jane Sullivan
Brad Tanner
Rita Taranto
John Tenerow
William J. Teplica
Janice M. Thomas
Isaiah Thompson
Marilyn Thyen
Helen Thornburg
Jerome D. Tomasso, Jr.
Louis Torretta
Albert Treichel
Richie Twiefel
Denny V.
Kari Van Tol
Mike Walsman
Arthur Warburton
Eileen Warburton
Dan Ward
Baby Benedict Wardein
Warner Family
Frank Westerbeke, Sr.
Kirsten Wills
Nancy Wise
Brandon Woods
Carolyn Wootton
Michael Zielinski

Christmas Mass Times



Mass Times – Christmas 2019 and New Year 2020

Advent Penance Service at St. John
Tuesday, December 17, at 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

Vigil of The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Eve)

3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. (featuring the Children's Choir and the Christmas Pageant)

Tuesday/Wednesday, December 24/25, 2019 – MIDNIGHT MASS

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Night)

12:00 a.m. (Music starts at 11:30 p.m. featuring the Adult Choir and String Quartet)

Wednesday, December 25, 2019

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass)

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

Vigil of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon

2019 Advent Penance Service Schedule Southern Deanery

Day	Date	Parish	Time
Monday	December 9	St. Finbarr	2:00 p.m.
Monday	December 9	St. Agnes	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 11	Our Lady of Guadalupe	5:00 p.m.
Monday	December 16	St. William	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	December 17	St. John the Evangelist	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 18	San Marco	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 11	St. Ann (School)	12:00 p.m.

Capital Campaign



Strategic Planning for the Future of Saint John



Plans are worthless, but planning is everything
 – Dwight D. Eisenhower

Our Parish Family has spent the past several years developing and then executing a massive, \$16.4 million renewal project for the campus of Saint John the Evangelist. This action was born of a vision to create a welcoming, safe, faith-enriching environment for all ages that focused on our Mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community. We did not simply focus on the physical spaces in this effort, but also on the programmatic priorities of the church, ensuring missionary outreach and service were core to every activity we accomplish. Catholic Youth Organization and Catholic Adult Organization were born from this vision. Together, we have all made this vision a reality here, from our beautiful new church to the CYO Volleyball camps to the concerts that grace our new stage. Thank you for your time, your talent, and your treasure that has assured the future of Saint John.

The amazing results we are already seeing from this vision becoming reality are just the starting point. It is now an appropriate time to codify our Mission, our Vision, and our Values as a Parish Family. That way, we can have a specific strategic plan on how we want to achieve the future of our church together. We have begun the process of developing that Strategic Plan over the past month with an Executive Committee made up of a cross-section of our Parish Family. These diverse individuals bring their various perspectives to answer the questions, “What do we want to be as a church?” and “How do we want to get there?”

Part of the Strategic Planning process is identifying our current strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. These are both internal and external focus points for us to understand how we can improve and what it will take to get us to where we want to be.

Strengths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eucharist and the Mass • Vibrant Community • Missionary Outreach • Incredible Facilities • Activities Scope • Faith Formation for All • Parishioners' Stewardship • Location • Clergy • Communications and Technology Environment 	Weaknesses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial • Programmatic Structure Immaturity • Inadequate Communication • Lack of Pervasive Participation • No Spanish Sacraments/Mass • Parking / Traffic
Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programs • Facilities • Sense of Community • Marketing • Growing Population in Naples • Young Families' and Generation's Involvement 	Threats <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Sex Abuse Scandal • Relevance of Church in Modern World • Culture vs. Church • Clergy Shortage • Other Religious Options Outreach to our Parish • Recession • Church Musical Chairs

#ToKnow
#ToLove
#ToServe

There are many more steps we will be embarking on together as a Parish Family. There are going to be Parish-wide and specific target group meetings to provide feedback on our vision, values, and objectives of the Parish, so please visit our website to learn more: <https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/about-us/strategic-plan>.

Finish the Church Goal:
\$1.8 Million

Gifts from 11/24/19: \$3,860.00

Total Gifts as of 11/24/19:
\$502,619.40

Percentage of Goal Achieved
Already: 27.9%



Second Collection for Jamaica Outreach Program

This weekend, we are honored to have Most Rev. Burchell McPherson, Bishop of Montego Bay, Jamaica, visit our parish. Bishop Burchell and Fr. Tom Glackin, our first pastor, were the co-founders of Jamaica Outreach Program.

For the past 21 years, JOP has sent hundreds of lay missionaries to Jamaica. Doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals have treated those in need of care. Thousands of dollars of food and goods have been shipped yearly. Schools and students have been financially supported by JOP. Homeless people have been placed in newly constructed houses. Thousands of poor Jamaicans have benefited from the generosity of our parishioners.

Bishop Burchell will inform us how critical your support is for poverty-stricken Jamaicans. You truly can make a difference. We ask for your generosity and prayers that this ministry may continue to be successful.



Kevin Williams and the Jamaica Choir Coming to St. John's in February

On the weekend of February 21 through February 24, 2020, the Jamaica Outreach Program (JOP) will sponsor a visit by Kevin Williams and his Jamaica choir to our parish. The choir visits our parish annually as an expression of gratitude for the support Saint John the Evangelist parishioners have extended for over 20 years to their fellow Jamaicans who have the very least. And, once again, the JOP will be asking for volunteer hosts to accommodate lodging for Kevin and choir members.

Some members of the choir are presently studying at the college level. Other members are gainfully employed in Jamaica and use their vacation days to enable them to visit St. John's for this annual event. Kevin is a mathematics professor at a university in Jamaica and a well known cantor in Jamaica.

Hosting involves providing lodging and some meals, as well as local transport to church on the weekend. From all reports, hosts receive as much as they give when extending warm welcomes to their Jamaican guests. If you are moved to open your home to one or two Jamaicans in February, please contact Martha Mador for further details at marthamador275@gmail.com. Please include your phone number.



Gospel Reflections with Father Tom

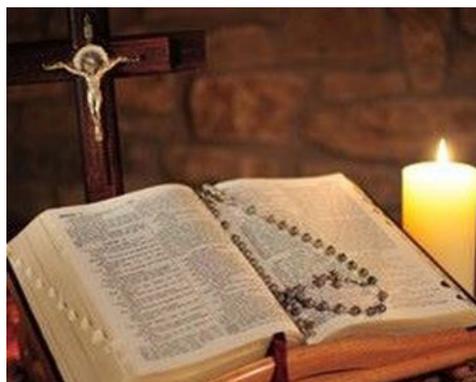
The Advent readings glitter with bright promises – promises of the wonderful things that would accompany the coming of the Messiah. Mountains would be leveled out, valleys filled in, winding roads made straight, the desert would bloom, the poor would see justice done, the weak would no longer be exploited, war would be banished from the face of the earth.

Christ has come, yet little seems to have changed. So we might well ask: What has become of the great promises? Were they mere mirages? Look at the state of the world. Famine still plagues humankind, the poor are still exploited, and world-wide peace is still an elusive dream.

The Bible shows us that God's people are led forward by promises. Promises play a big part in our lives. A promise gives people hope. It gives them a goal. It motivates and energizes them. It makes them struggle for something. This is a good thing. People who have no goals are aimless. It is when people are satisfied that they stagnate. The settled, satisfied person fails to develop further.

The central theme of Advent is that of the faithfulness of God. In spite of the infidelities of His people, God did not forget the covenant He made with their father, Abraham. The Advent liturgy makes us aware of God's faithful love for us, and the wonderful gift He has made to us in Jesus. The wonderful promises of the prophets are not just promises. They are judgments, too. Hence, Advent is not so much about the past as about the present. It awakens us to the presence among us of the Savior. It reveals His true identity and the nature of His mission, which is to establish the Kingdom of God on earth. We have a vital part to play in making this Kingdom a reality. Advent provides us with a great opportunity to commit ourselves anew to Jesus and his Kingdom.

The new world (the Kingdom of God) was established first of all in Christ Himself. He is the new creation. Here we have humanity restored to the true image of God. Then, through His words and deeds, Christ inaugurated the Kingdom in the world. Through His Church, He continues this work. We must not sit around waiting for these promises to fall from the sky. They are a blueprint of what humankind could achieve by the grace of God, given so lavishly in Christ.

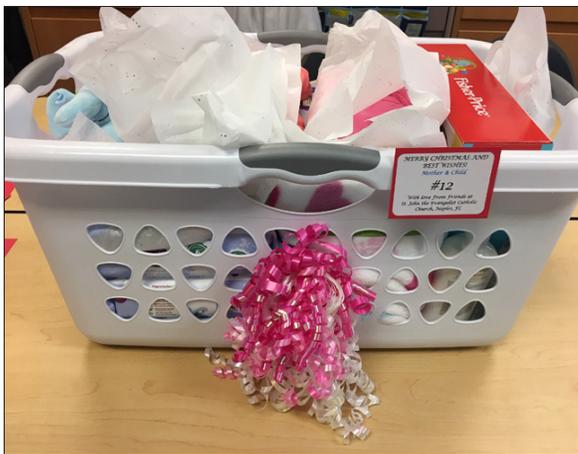


The world is crying out for salvation. Isaiah's vision lives on in our midst as a task for today and a promise for tomorrow.



Celebrating The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary & Supporting Teenage Moms

December 8th is the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. This Feast Day celebrates Mary's conception within the womb of her mother, St Anne. This special day is celebrated nine months before the birth of Mary within the Liturgical Calendar. To celebrate this day, and in the preparation of Christmas, our Faith Formation Families are putting together an effort to support local pregnant teenage mothers through a program known as T.A.P.P. (Teen Age Parenting Program) that supports these young women in our schools. With the support of this program, teenage moms can complete their high school education, receive childcare assistance, parenting classes, and counseling services in a loving and supportive environment. Please consider sharing your treasure with our local pregnant teenage moms by providing donations of disposable diapers, wipes, new blankets, and new clothes ranging from 3 months - 2T. Collections may be dropped off to the Parish Office and Faith Formation Office through December 15th. Thank you for your support! For more information, please contact Natalie at Natalie@sjecc.com.



This Week in Faith Formation ~ December 8-14, 2019

Sunday, December 8

9:30-10:45 Faith Formation Class Sessions

9:30-10:45 High School Morning Confirmation Session

9:30-10:45 Adult Faith Formation Session for Parents in Nazareth Room

6:15-7:30 p.m. High School Evening Confirmation Session

6:15-7:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation for Parents - *The Mass* - Nazareth

Wednesday, December 11

5:45-7:00 p.m. Faith Formation Class Session

5:45-7:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation Session - Rome Room

Sunday, December 15

9:30-10:45 Faith Formation Class Sessions

9:30-10:45 High School Morning Confirmation Session

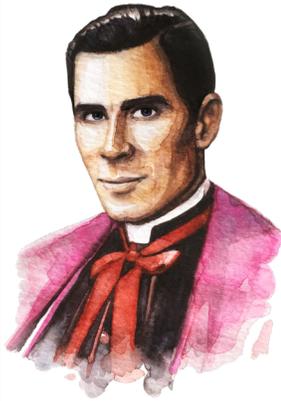
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This Week, Meet a 20th Century Pivotal Player Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen: The Communicator



"You have written and spoken well of the Lord Jesus, and you are a loyal son of the Church."
Pope John Paul II in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City October 2, 1979.

A brilliant academic, Catholic prelate, writer, evangelist, and television personality, Fulton J. Sheen, was also a mesmerizing public speaker, endowed with extraordinary oratorical gifts, a charming sense of humor, and a magnetic personal presence.

Long before the internet and social media, Fulton Sheen pioneered Catholic evangelization through the media. He had the courage and the imagination to use the new media in the mid-twentieth century to engage a world growing increasingly skeptical of Christianity. He had a gift for spreading the faith clearly and persuasively, and he paved the path for today's media evangelists.

Sheen's radio program, *The Catholic Hour*, aired from 1930 until 1950, and at its peak had an audience of four million listeners. In 1952, his television show *Life is Worth Living* premiered. It won an Emmy in 1953 and began broadcasting in color in 1966. Were you one of the estimated thirty million people who viewed it each week?

In just two weeks, the Venerable Fulton Sheen will be beatified on December 21, at Peoria Illinois' Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception.

View Bishop Barron's latest Pivotal Player, Venerable Fulton J. Sheen, and view segments of his show.

- **Wednesday, December 11, at 5:45 p.m. in the Rome Room or**
- **Sunday, December 15, at 9:30 a.m. in the Nazareth Room of the PFLC**

Bishop Sheen on Christmas:

There are two births of Christ. One unto this world in Bethlehem, the other in the soul when it is spiritually reborn. Both result from a kind of Divine invasion.

There were only two classes of people who heard the cry Christmas night: shepherds and wise men. Shepherds: those who know they know nothing. Wise men: those who know they do not know everything. Only the very simple and very learned discovered God – never the man with one book.

What is Peace? Peace is the tranquility of order... body to soul and of man to God.

Sunday Mornings for Men



The last session for this year is December 15th, at 7:30 a.m. in the 5 Saints Café.

Have you experienced the spiritual growth and social fellowship of a "Men's Group" in another parish? If not, are you interested to see what you may have missed?

Consider joining other men of all ages on Sunday mornings to create and build that community here at St. John the Evangelist. We will meet in the 5 Saints Café for a lite breakfast, bottomless coffee, and good fellowship.

At 7:30, the day's program will begin. It will be participant driven to be responsive to the issues we face today and generally under 30 minutes to allow for dialogue and discussion. The meeting ends at 8:45 in time to attend 9:00 Mass.

Questions: Just email jack@sjecc.com or call (239) 228-3918 and leave a message. I respond promptly.

Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator



Information on Upcoming Music and Arts Events

Events

Open Mic Night – January 2, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. at the 5 Saints Cafe!

Adults and youth welcome! Music, comedy, poetry all welcome! Come out and support our local musicians! 7:00 p.m. at the 5 Saints Cafe! New cafe ambiance! We need an audience! Come out and support our local musicians! Free beverage for all performers!



2019-2020 Concert Series – St. John's Annual Christmas Concert – Dec. 12, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. – FREE

Join our parish family for a night of Christmas cheer with our adult choir and our cantor soloists singing beautiful Christmas music to help you get into the spirit of the season. Bring your friends and family for this amazing experience and for some caroling! Please register online so we know how many people to expect.



**Bring your family and friends and enjoy!
Register online at sjecc.com/concertseries**

Saint John's Children's Choir Updates:

Children's Choir will be singing at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on December 15. Children are always welcome to join at anytime throughout the year! December 11th, the Children's Choir will be Christmas Caroling at Landmark Hospital.



Audition Notice: The Passion Play – December 11, 2019 – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Please email Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com to schedule your appointment time on December 11th or for more information. This is an incredible experience not to be missed. We hope to welcome back previous cast members from last year's play. Past cast members will not need to audition but will need to email Jennine Burkwit that you would like to participate again.



Calling all Shepherds and Angels!

It's that time of year again where we need all the children of the parish to come together again for our Christmas Eve 5:00 p.m. Mass Nativity! Email Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com with your child's name, age, and role they are interested in.



Classes

CYO February 2020 Classes begin February 22nd! Register by Wednesday, February 19th, to ensure your class is offered! (see CAO Newsletter for Adult classes)

Beginner Piano Class – Saturdays @ 11:00 a.m. – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Intermediate Piano Class – Saturdays @ 10:00 a.m. – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Guitar Class – Saturdays @ Noon – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Voice/Cantor Class – Tuesdays @ 5:00 p.m. or Fridays @ 4:30 p.m. – Music Room – \$100 – eight-week session

Acting/Theatre Class – Saturdays @ 10:00 a.m. – Alexandria Room – \$100 – eight-week session

Painting Class – Mondays @ 5:00 p.m. – Nazareth North – \$150 – eight-week session

Private lessons available for guitar, piano, and voice!

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

Polish Dinner Dance



Polish Dinner Dance

Tickets Now on Sale!

Saturday, January 25, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Authentic Polish Dinner by the EXCEPTIONAL Tania's Catering

Featuring: complete appetizer table, hot foods including golabki, pierogi, kielbasa & kraut, dessert table with chrusciki, apple cake, and more.

Music & Entertainment by the LEGENDARY Pan Franek, Zosia & the Polka Towners • Cash bar, raffle, and prizes

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Dinner/Entertainment Tickets are \$35 per person.

Bar Tickets are \$1 soda, \$3 beer or wine, \$5 mixed drink

Buy tickets online at <https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/events/2020-polish-dinner-dance>
or contact Carol Roberts 239-272-2212 (call or text) • momoftwinsmandm@aol.com (email)

Breakfast with Santa and Photo Op!



Please bring an unwrapped gift for a boy or girl, and join us for a continental breakfast and photo with Santa.

Saturday, December 14th, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

Saint John the Evangelist Ballroom

The children can make Christmas crafts.
Drop off gifts or bring to continental breakfast.
All gifts will be donated.

Please R.S.V.P if you will be attending and how many will be coming.
Email your R.S.V.P to: Sousa2net@aol.com

Big Band Dance Returns!

Sponsored by: Social Ministry of Saint John the Evangelist

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.



Come one come all! Dance the night away to the Music of the Big Band Era, featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra and the sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, and Stan Kenton.

Cash bar with light snacks • 50/50 raffle tickets available • Light dinner available at a reasonable cost

Admission: \$15.00 per person (cash only at the door)

Doors Open: 6:00 p.m.

RSVP with payment The Big Band Dance normally gets sold out!

For Reservations (table of 8 or 10 only)

Prepayment Required.

Contact: Gerry Detloff (239).821.9395

Make checks payable to: Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

In the Memo area please write: BBD (Big Band Dance)

Drop check off at the office of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave North, Naples FL

Donahue Academy

10th Annual Sunshine Steak Cook-Off Saturday, January 25, 2020

Grill Team Registration is Open!

Register Online at:
www.sunshinesteakcookoff.com

Deadline for registration – December 15th

Grand Champion –
Sunshine State Trophy & \$2000

1st Runner Up – Trophy & \$1000

2nd Runner Up – Trophy & \$500

3rd Runner Up – Trophy & \$300

4th Runner Up – Trophy & \$150



St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School Honors Veterans with Gratitude, Love and Respect!

GIVING BACK... Students held a red, white, and blue dress day to collect funds for the Collier Honor Flight and VFW Post 7721 in appreciation for all the good work they do. We Love Our Veterans! www.saintelizabethseton.com



Make a Difference in Your Child's Life... Call 239-455-2262!



Join Us for a fun evening of good food, dancing, fellowship and great auction items!

Thank you for supporting excellence in Catholic education.



Open House - January 26
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Grades Pk3-8

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Weekly Calendar: December 8-15



Sunday, December 8

7:30 a.m. – Mornings for Men in the 5 Saints Cafe
 9:30 a.m. – Flannery O'Connor in Nazareth North
 9:30 a.m. Faith Formation Sessions
 9:30 a.m. High School Morning Confirmation Session
 6:15 p.m. – *The Mass* in Nazareth North
 6:15 p.m. – High School Evening Confirmation Session

Monday, December 9

6:00 p.m. – SoulCore in the PFLC

Tuesday, December 10

9:00 a.m. – Zumba in the Gym
 6:00 p.m. – SoulCore in the PFLC
 6:00 p.m. – AFF – Rejoice! in the Claussen Center Library
 6:30 p.m. – Becoming Catholic in Antioch
 7:00 p.m. – Pick-Up Basketball in the Gym

Wednesday, December 11

9:30 a.m. – Golden Fitness in the Gym
 5:30 p.m. – Passion Play Auditions in 5 Saints Cafe
 5:45 p.m. – Faith Formation Sessions
 5:45 p.m. – Bishop Fulton J. Sheen in the Rome Room
 6:00 p.m. – Bootcamp in the PFLC Boneyard
 7:00 p.m. – Pick-Up Volleyball in the Gym

Thursday, December 12

9:30 a.m. – Women of the Word in the Alexandria Room
 6:30 p.m. – Bible Timeline in the Claussen Center Library
 7:00 p.m. – Concert Series: St. John's Christmas Concert in the PFLC

Friday, December 13

9:30 a.m. – SoulCore in the PFLC
 6:00 p.m. – Happy Hour in the 5 Saints Cafe

Saturday, December 14

9:00 a.m. – Bootcamp in the PFLC Boneyard
 9:00 a.m. – Bocce in the Bocce Courts

Sunday, December 15

7:30 a.m. – Mornings for Men in the 5 Saints Cafe
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Hymns for the Second Sunday of Advent December 7 and 8, 2019

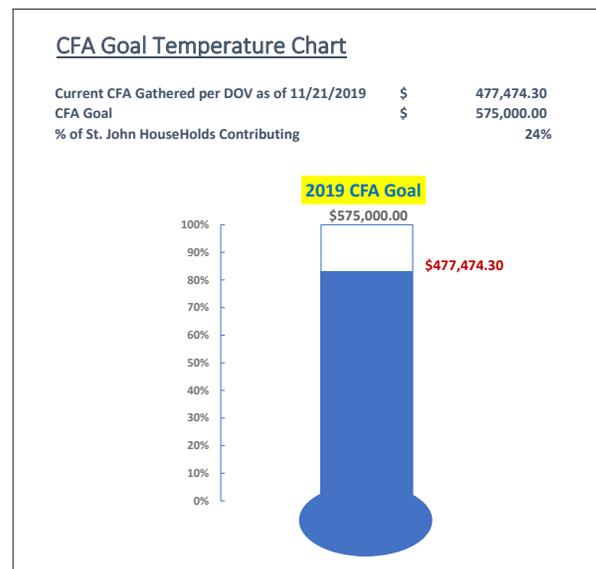
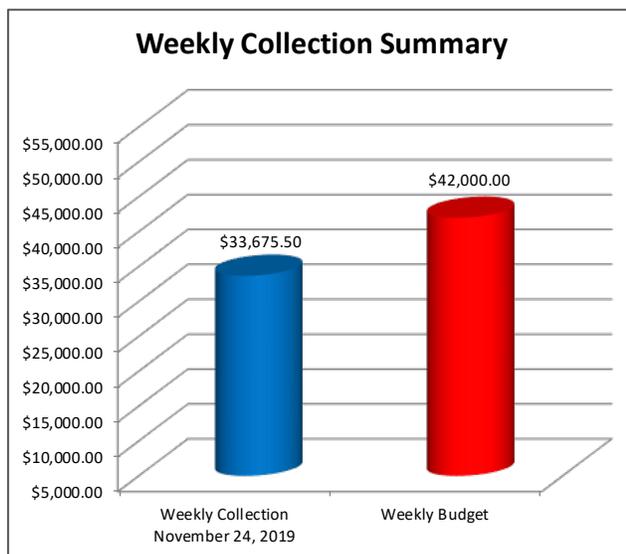
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Preparation Hymns:	44	A Voice Cries Out
Communion Hymns:	58	Comfort, Comfort, O My People
	337	Behold the Lamb
Closing Hymn:	40	People Look East

Choral Anthems at 11:00 a.m. Mass

Preparation of Gifts:	Prepare the Way of the Lord (Larson)
Communion:	Advent Psalm (Fettke/Bach)

Our Adult Choir Will Sing Next Sunday, December 15th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Please mark your calendars for our **CHRISTMAS CONCERT “NOEL:”**
Thursday night, December 12th, 7:00 p.m., Pulte Family Life Center!



Advent/Christmas Music Worship Aid

Mass of Divine Promise



Kyrie eleison (Lord Have Mercy)

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

Gary Prettyman

Cantor Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Lord - have mer - cy.

Cong. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Lord - have mer - cy.

Cantor Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Christ - have mer - cy.

Cong. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Christ - have mer - cy.

Cantor Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Lord - have mer - cy.

Cong. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Lord - have mer - cy.

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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

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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.





5:00 p.m. Mass Music Worship Aid – Sunday, December 8, 2019 The Second Sunday of Advent

Opening Song 541 Come, Now Is the Time To Worship Brian Doerksen

Preparation Song Give Us Clean Hands Charlie Hall CCLI Song No. 2060208.
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5 We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; O Spi rit, come make us hum ble.

9 We turn our eyes from e vil things; O Lord, we cast down our i dols. Give us clean ___ hands,
— give us pure ___ hearts. ___ Let us not lift our souls to a no ___ ther, ___ Give us clean ___ hands,

13 — give us pure ___ hearts, ___ let us not lift our souls to a no ___ ther. ___ O God, let us be ___

17 — a gen er a tion that seeks, ___ that seeks your ___ face, ___ O ___ God of Ja ___ cob. ___ O God, let us be ___

21 — a gen er a tion that seeks, ___ that seeks your ___ face, ___ O ___ God ___ of Ja ___ cob. ___





Communion Song 338 One Bread, One Body Fr. John Foley, S.J.

Communion Song 587 Christ, Be Our Light Bernadette Farrell

Closing Song Go, Make a Difference

GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

Refrain

Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

Verses

1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the peo - ple
 2. We are the hands of ___ Christ reach - ing out to those in
 3. So let your love shine _ on, let it shine for all to
 1. see ___ the love of ___ God in you and me.
 2. need, _ the face of ___ God for all to see.
 3. see. ___ † Go make a dif - f'rence in the world. ___

1. We are the light of the world, _ not to be hid - den but be
 2. We are the spir - it of hope; ___ † we are the voice of
 3. ___ And the spir - it of Christ ___ will be with us as we
 to Refrain
 1. seen. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 2. peace. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 3. go. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

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Events and Information



Help Wanted

- Encounter on the Mountain – A Night of Praise and Adoration is in need of volunteers to form a ministry to take over for our NET team responsibilities during the event. From setting up candles, to handing out worship aids, to door greeters, to prayer teams, and confession line organizer... we need your help! There are only five nights a year making this the perfect volunteer opportunity for someone with a busy schedule. These night are very impacting to our parish family and community. Please email our Artistic Director, Jennine Burkwit with any interest.
- We are in need of children to partake and serve in our Children's Choir Ministry. Please come to our rehearsals at 5:15 p.m. in the choir room.

Traveling Together



Now accepting payments and reservations for 2020

Broadway Palm Dinner Theater matinee luncheon and play

January 21 – Grumpy Old Men – \$59 per person

February 18 – Kinky Boots – \$59 per person

Call Millie no later than January 2, 2020: 239 566 9854

Van transportation compliments of Saint John CYO/CAO – Reservations only

For the love of children – The Ladies of Charity Annual Christmas Sneaker and Sock Drive



Starting: November 30

Goal: 600 Pairs

Ending: December 15

- Ornaments depicting the children's different shoes sizes can be found on Christmas trees in the Narthex and PFLC.
- Please take an ornament or two and donate **ONLY** new sneakers and socks
- Please wrap your package and be sure to attach your ornament to the outside of the gift box.
- You may also write a check to Saint John the Evangelist with "Sneakers Drive" written in the memo line. Your checks can be placed in the collection baskets passed during Mass or taken to the church office.
- Please bring your gift to the church by Sunday, December 15.

Please help us reach our goals of 600 pairs