SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



Pope Francis's Plan for Rising Again

By Sr Bernadette Mary Reis, fsp

"Rejoice" is the first word spoken by the Risen Lord. He used it to greet "Mary Magdalene and the other Mary after they had discovered that the tomb was empty.... He is the Risen One and wants to raise these women to new life, and with them, all of humanity."

Thus Pope Francis begins a reflection on the connection between Jesus's Resurrection and the current crisis into which we all have been plunged. The reflection appeared on Friday on the website of the Spanish-language periodical Vida Nueva.

Joy now?

Inviting the disciples going to Emmaus to rejoice would have been provoking, Pope Francis continues. Our experience today, he reflects, is much like that of the first disciples. We, like them, "live surrounded by an atmosphere of pain and uncertainty..." and are asking "Who will roll away the stone?" (Mk 16:3). He describes the tombstone as one that "threatens to bury all hope" and enumerates the consequences so many are living: the elderly forced into complete isolation, families who can no longer put food on the table, frontliners who are "exhausted and overwhelmed." It's a "heaviness" he says, "that seems to have the last word."

Disciples bearing perfume

It's the women who did not allow the events of Christ's Passion to paralyze them, Pope Francis said. In this reflection, he picks up where he began in his homily of the Easter vigil. "Out of love for the Master, and with their typical, irreplaceable, and blessed feminine genius, they were able to confront life as it came." While the Apostles first fled, denied Him, then hid out of fear, the woman found ways to overcome every obstacle in their path. They did it by simply "being and accompanying."

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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.

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Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, April 25, 2020		25, 2020	Requested By	Readings for the Week	
Sat	urday	y Vigil Masses for Sunday			
3:00 p.m.	+	Michael Pollock	Janet D'Addario	Saturday, April 25, 2020	
	+	Lambert & Louise Abell	Kathy & Bob Sims	[Saint Mark]	
				Feast	
Sunday, Ap	ril 26	, 2020		1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20 (555) Pss Prop	
9:00 a.m.	+	Thomas O. Flood	Anne Flood	Sunday, April 26, 2020	
	+	Kathleen M. Bergman	Annette Flaherty	The Third Sunday of Easter	
11:00 a.m.	+	Irene Hartsig	Rich & Pam Markel	Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35 (46)	
	+	Jorge Jesus Alvarez	Maribel Falcon	Pss III	
	+	Joseph Padula	Anita, Angie & Augie Nicastro	Monday, April 27, 2020	
				Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 (273)	
Monday, Ap	ril 27	7, 2020		Tuesday, April 28, 2020	
8:30 a.m.	+	Donald G. Brown	Linda & Dennis Saucier	[Saint Peter Chanel; Saint Louis Grignion de	
	+	Clyde Shelton	Tom & Vivienne Williams	Montfort]	
				Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 (274)	
Tuesday, A _l	oril 2	8, 2020		Wednesday, April 29, 2020	
8:30 a.m.	SI	Greg Marsh	Deb Marsh	[Saint Catherine of Siena]	
	SI	Cathy Velduto Stucky	Marcia Eichenauer	Memorial	
				Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 (275)	
Wednesday, April 29, 2020				Thursday, April 30, 2020	
8:30 a.m.	+	William Kegaly	Jack Kegaly	[Saint Pius V]	
	SI	Mary Fitzpatrick	John & Jacki Keys	Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 (276)	
				Friday, May 1, 2020	
Thursday, April 30, 2020				[Saint Joseph the Worker]	
8:30 a.m.	+	Gerald Phelan	Joan Marinelli	Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 (277) or, for the Memorial,	
	+	George Ferdinand	Mary Jane Parsekian	Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-	
				58 (559)	
Friday, May 1, 2020				Saturday, May 2, 2020	
8:30 a.m.	+	Henry Hobaica	Madeline Gaffey	[Saint Athanasius]	
	+	Kevin Ferreira	Family	Memorial	
				Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 (278)	
Saturday, M	Iay 2,	2020			

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m.	+	Gerard Betrand	Jenniece Bertrand
	+	Loretta Diaz	Mike & Maureen Reed
	+	Andrew Perry	Louis Perry Jr.

Sunday May 3 2020

Sulluay, May 5, 2020				
9:00 a.m.	+	Anne English	Irene & Terry Wolff	
	+	Donald G. Brown	Linda & Dennis Scalier	
11:00 a.m.	+	Mary Lou Sebock	Frank Anastasia &	
			Marian Leiby	
	+	James Ponczoch	Falco Family	

Kennedy & Keenan Families

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.

Hugh & Mary Keenan

Gospel Reflections

Gospel Reflections with Father Tom

The book of the Acts of the Apostles tells of the opposition the apostles encountered from the Jewish authorities. They came out of it with great credit, especially Peter. It's hard to believe that this is the same man who, a short time before this, denied Jesus three times. Now he stood his ground and courageously bore witness for Jesus. And suffered for that stand: he and his fellow apostles were flogged. But they were glad to suffer for the sake of Jesus. From where did Peter get his new-found courage? He got it from the Holy Spirit, and from the support of his fellow apostles.

Fortunately, ever since the time of the apostles there have been Christians who, by the grace of God, have been able to overcome fear and witness to the Gospel, even in the most difficult circumstances.

In March 1983, the Russian poet, Irina Ratushinskaya, was sentenced to seven years hard labor and five years internal exile. Her crime – writing poetry which the communist authorities didn't approve of. In prison she suffered beatings, forced feeding, and solitary confinement in freezing conditions. She developed heart, liver, and kidney trouble, as well as chronic bronchitis. Even in such conditions she continued to write, smuggling the poems out on scraps of paper given to sympathetic warders, soldiers, and visitors. She was released in October 1986.

Her Christian faith was vital to her survival. She says: "When you are in trouble, under pressure, God always seems closer. God was like a hand on our shoulder in the camp."

People like Irina are an inspiration to us. They expand the possibilities of human love and courage. It's easy to believe in God when you are on your knees with your eyes closed, just as it is easy to be a Christian far away from the clamor and the trials of the world of people. But it's a poor religion that believes God is to be found only in places far removed from the world. God can't be confined in this way.

We are disciples of Jesus. He depends on us to bear witness to him in the world today. Few of us will be called on to suffer what the apostles or people like Irina suffered. But all of us are burdened by the trials of the current pandemic. Some affected by the actual sickness, some losing their loved ones to the virus, some losing their job, income, some, perhaps, experiencing a bit of depression.

We can't tell in advance where the Christian vocation will take us, or what it may demand from us. If



we could see those places, perhaps our hearts would grow faint and courage would fail us. In that respect, we are like Peter. When he first responded to the call of Jesus, he had no idea that it would lead him to martyrdom. But whatever the Christian vocation demands of us will be returned with a hundredfold increase. Let us continue to live out our call to be people of faith, hope, and love. Your neighbor may need you today more than ever before.

Message from Pope Francis

Pope Francis's Plan for Rising Again

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Many today are "carrying perfume" and "bringing the anointing" of "co-responsibility." They are ministering to the Lord in their brothers and sisters. Some do this by not being a risk to others, others put their lives at risk. "Doctors, nurses, people stocking supermarket shelves, cleaners, caretakers, people who transport goods, public safety officials, volunteers, priests, women religious, grandparents, educations, and many others" have asked the same question the women asked: "Who will roll away the stone?" Yet, the Pope acknowledges, this has not kept them from "doing what they felt they could and were obliged to do."

The Lord precedes us

The joy that the disciples discovered was in Jesus that the vigil they had kept for the Lord, "even in death and their greatest despair, had not been in vain." Instead, it allowed them to be "anointed by the Resurrection: they were not alone. He was alive and preceded them on their journey." This is the news that was capable of "breaking the cycle that kept them from seeing that the stone had already been rolled away." That joy is our joy, too.

Many are participating in the Lord's passion, either personally or at the side of their brothers and sisters. There, "our ears will hear the newness of the Resurrection: we are not alone, the Lord precedes us on our journey and removes the stones that paralyze us." No one can rob us of this hope. It cannot become infected. "All the life of service and love that you are giving at this time will beat once again." The Lord only needs a "crack" where His anointing can enter which will "allow us to contemplate this painful reality with a renewed outlook," the Pope says.

The next step is to retrace our steps, just as the women in the Gospel did. That action is a symbol of lives transformed by the Easter proclamation, Pope Francis explains. It's living with the realization that the Lord regenerates hope by constantly doing something new. A renewed outlook is one that sees how this "something new" is "already springing up" (see Is 43:18).

No one is saved alone

The community of disciples discovered something that we are now discovering, the Pope continues: "no one is saved alone." Borders and walls are crumbling. "Fundamentalist discourse is dissolving before an almost imperceptible presence that manifests the fragility of which we are made," he says. Easter invites us to renounce anything that impedes new life from flourishing. The time is ripe for a "new imagination" allowing the "breath of the Spirit" to open new horizons before us. We urgently need to "discern and discover the Holy Spirit's pulse" leading us to collaborate together to "channel the new life the Lord wants to generate in this concrete moment of history," he notes. Only the Gospel and openness to the Spirit can inspire us with the "new imagination" necessary at this time. The Spirit calls us to work with Him. God's Spirit neither allows Himself to be "closed or exploited by fixed or outdated methods." Rather, the Spirit proposes that "we join His movement, capable of 'making all things new'" (Rev 21:5).

Antibodies of solidarity

Quoting Global Pandemic and Universal Brotherhood: Note on the Covid-19 emergency, by the Pontifical Academy for Life, Pope Francis emphasizes that this pandemic needs to be treated with the "antibodies of solidarity." "Each individual action," he underlines, "is not an isolated one." "For better or for worse" all our actions affect others. Each person is a "protagonist" of history and can respond to the evils affecting millions worldwide. "It is not permissible that we write current and future history by turning our backs on the suffering of so many people," he says.

To act as one

The challenge, Pope Francis points out is to "act as one people... to have a real impact." This applies to the current epidemic and "other epidemics that beset us." What are these other "epidemics?" Hunger, war, poverty, environmental devastation, the globalization of indifference. The wish the Pope expresses on concluding his reflection is that society might find "the necessary antibodies of justice, charity, and solidarity. Let us not be afraid to live the alternative civilization of love." It is a "civilization of hope," he says, confounding "anxiety and fear, sadness and fatigue." This civilization, he explains, needs to be built daily, "uninterruptedly," and requires everyone's commitment, a "committed community of brothers and sisters."

A Letter from Biship Dewane

Letter to Parishioners

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During Easter Season, as the Church rejoices in Our Lord's Resurrection, my prayer is that you and your family are safe and strengthened by God's grace in these uncertain times. You will recall that I promised to give an update regarding the Coronavirus and our efforts in the Diocese of Venice to ensure the health, safety, and the spiritual wellbeing of all our Catholic Faithful.

The decision to suspend public celebrations of the Liturgy was among the most difficult I have had to make as your Bishop. The decision required the Diocese to weigh the needs of public health in a time of pandemic against the great sacrifices that a suspension would require of the Christian Faithful and our Priests. Knowing it would be difficult for you not to fully participate in the Holy Mass or gather with your fellow Parishioners for other activities, was something I sincerely understood. It was also on my mind that your Priests would need to labor strenuously and find innovative ways to compassionately care for Parishioners.

It has been edifying to see how the Catholic Faithful, led by their Priests, have embraced these challenges and found creative ways to give witness to our spiritual communion in Christ. Throughout these days, I have been privileged to hear many stories from Parishioners about how they have, in their homes, remained Faithful to their life of prayer and worship of God. The efforts of parents, caregivers, Catholic School teachers, catechists, Parish staff and so many of our people, have made the difficulties being experienced an opportunity for heroic acts of Christian Charity and love. Priests are to be acknowledged for the pastoral ways in which the Holy Mass and the Sacraments have been offered to the Faithful; at the same time, placing themselves at risk to attend the sick and dying. Likewise, I am grateful to the Parishioners who have continued their generous stewardship towards the Parishes and Schools of the Diocese which face financial challenges in these present circumstances.

In a particular way, let me express my appreciation to the many families who, from home, united in their Parish Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. All the Faithful can be proud of the efforts made during these difficult days to maintain spiritual communion and practice their Catholic Faith. Trusting in Our Lord who abides with us, we have found hope and strength to weather the hardships.

No matter how difficult this time has been for many of us, I ask you to prayerfully intercede for those who have died from the Coronavirus and for their family and loved ones who grieve. Likewise, please lift up in prayer healthcare workers and others, who, with dedication, are combating this disease and compassionately caring for the sick and dying. Pray also for wisdom for our public officials that they may guide us with competence and concern.

Please know that the Diocese appreciates the sacrifices you have made and is looking forward to the time when public celebrations of Holy Mass can resume. With me, Diocesan Officials are monitoring public health data as a process of planning begins. It is necessary to determine how and when your Parish can resume normal operations safely, while maintaining careful vigilance to protect those at greater risk of serious illness. The upcoming weeks will indeed require patience. Only after necessary steps are taken, can there be certainty regarding when to begin a phased return to normal Parish activities and public gatherings.

Likely, the present circumstances regarding public Masses will last for the near future. Celebrations of Confirmation, First Communion, and reception into the Church for Catechumens and Candidates will continue to be postponed until it is feasible to reschedule them with some certainty. Parishes will keep the Faithful updated as greater clarity regarding Diocesan plans is possible.

Let us remember that with Faith, our sufferings and sacrifices can be a source of redeeming grace. If we offer our sufferings to God and unite them with the Passion of Our Lord, we will be made stronger in Faith and greater witnesses to the hope that is ours in the Risen Christ.

As we commemorate Divine Mercy Sunday, let each one of us put aside our doubts and, united as a believing people, express with new resolve: "Jesus, I trust in You!"

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

Parish Financials

2020 Car Raffle Tops \$105,000!



We are a very blessed Parish Family! Our 2020 car raffle was a huge success, with thousands of tickets sold to both our own members as well as our friends in the community that were interested in the beautiful 2020 Q3 from Audi Naples. A big thanks to all the volunteers and staff who sold tickets after Masses and at our various events earlier this year. Our drawing was accomplished by Father Tom on April 11, and broadcast live on our website. The winner is: Joseph McCarthy!

Just when we thought we could not have been more ecstatic about the results of the Raffle, we were blown away by Mr. McCarthy. He decided to donate the vehicle back to the Parish! Then, we were doubly blessed as Audi Naples then refunded us the entire amount of the worth of the vehicle, pushing our total

donation to \$105,964.34!

God Bless Everyone who participated in this raffle, and please be ready for our next one that will be coming as part of our recovery from the current challenge we are all facing together.

Faithful Fun



Capital Campaign

Streaming the Mass: Reaching Out with Our Mission

When we first planned to deploy an advanced video streaming solution during our renewal efforts, we never envisioned its essential functionality to our Parish Family. We wanted to provide a high-quality, integrated tool that would allow for individuals who may have been up North during a funeral or baptism to be able join in remotely. We thought about our Family members who could no longer drive to Mass but were so dedicated to our church that they still wanted to attend. We even thought about the families that had little ones in the Narthex that would still like to view the Mass live on our displays while allowing their children to be able to stretch their legs a bit. Never did we conceive of reaching further into the Catholic Community than our Parish Family and Friends. However, in the midst of the current crisis, it seems our Masses are connecting people around the world together right here in our church. We have people watching weekly from Australia and Argentina, from the UK to Kenya. And, we have viewers from nearly every state in the Union (and our territories, too). Here is a letter of appreciation we just received last week:



Good Afternoon Father Tomasz, Father Paul, Father Arun Paul,

My name is Sister Bernadette McCauley, and I am a member of the Sisters of Christian Charity in Mendham, NJ. and currently working with our young women in Initial Formation. For the past several weeks, we have been quarantined due to the corona virus and by minor miracle found your parish. We celebrate Liturgy each morning with you at 8:00 a.m.

To be honest, we did try other cathedrals, parishes with live stream, but unanimously returned to St. John's. For each of us, the reverence, the prayer, the homilies, and the atmosphere have brought us much consolation during this time of sickness.

We attended the Holy Days with you, as well, and found so much inspiration and grace. We all feel like we are now your parishioners and have recommended your parish to other convents.

Thank you for who you are and all that you bring each day to the celebration of the Eucharist. We promise to keep you in our thoughts and prayers and welcome you if you are ever in NJ to stop by and meet your long-distance parishioners!

Currently in our motherhouse we have two elderly sisters who have tested positive. And in the past two weeks lost two other sisters. Please keep them in your prayers.

Sister Mara is 91 years old. Sister Mary is 93 years old. Sister Anna was 95. And Sister Mary Agnes was 85.

God bless you.

Currently our motherhouse is in the strictest quarantine. All sisters are confined to a particular wing of the house. All meals are packaged and delivered to respective wings. We are all wearing masks. We have not had liturgy in our chapel nor any funerals for our departed sisters. It is a difficult experience for all. And so attending your liturgies is strengthening.

Thank you so very much.

Sister Bernadette, Sister Donna Marie, Sister Elena, Sister Chiara Marie, Ashley, Manuela



Faith Formation

St. Catherine of Siena



Celebrating St. Catherine of Siena (March 25, 1347 - April 29, 1380)

Canonized June 29, 1461 by Pope Pius II

Video Links:

St. Catherine of Siena in 3 Minutes

St. Catherine of Siena - Animated Cartoon For Kids 28 minutes

St. Catherine of Siena was born on March 25, 1347, in Siena, Italy, during the time of the Great Plague in Siena. While she never contracted the plague, she was surrounded by illness and hard times and helped nurse others back to health. She had her first vision of Christ when she was only six years old. The 25th of 26 children, Catherine was a twin, although her twin died in infancy. Catherine had a very close relationship with Jesus and loved Him very much.

Although she was not literate for much of her life, she was known for her holiness and great spirituality. At a time of great discord in the church in the Middles Ages, she actually convinced the Pope in Avignon, France, to return to the papacy in Rome. As she grew older, she began to write extensively about her conversations with God. Her writings had a profound influence on the church and so St. Catherine was declared a Doctor of the Church on October 4th, 1970, by Pope Paul VI. St. Catherine died on April 29th, 1380. Her feast day is celebrated on April 29th each year. At this time when we struggle with the pandemic that we are faced with, we can ask St. Catherine to pray for us, as she understood times of great sickness and cared for those who were very ill as well as the poor. St. Catherine of Siena, patroness against sickness, and patroness of nurses, Pray for Us.



From now and up until her feast day, April 29th, WORD ON FIRE will be offering FREE viewing of: St. Catherine of Siena: The Mystic. This documentary under an hour long, takes you on a journey through her life, and highlights the great impact she has had on the Church. If you would like to take advantage of the opportunity, please click on the link below.

https://special.wordonfire.org/stcatherinebook

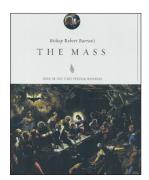
Adult Faith Formation

The Easter Season Will Continue for 40 Days!

"Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" John 20:19

Easter week, or Easter time, concluded on the 2nd Sunday of Easter, known since April 2000, as Divine Mercy Sunday. But the Easter season continues for another 40 days, through the Ascension to Pentecost Sunday, which celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit which inaugurated the Christian church.

Just as we are invited to do something special during Advent and Lent, you are invited to do something special this Easter season.



While you are "sheltering in place" and binge watching your favorite movie or show, take just 30 minutes a week and watch one lesson in Bishop Robert Barron's program, The Mass. In six lessons, you will discover the answer to the question, Why do I go to Mass?

Through these engaging videos from Bishop Barron, you will come away with a deeper understanding of what the Mass is and why it matters; why it's the most important thing you can do on Earth.

This week view Lesson Two, Called Out Of The World.

The Greek word ekklesia, which we translate to "Church," is derived from two words, "ek" and "kalein," which literally mean "being called out from." The Church is that community which has been called out from the world, which is to say, the dysfunctional order, and called into a new way of being, the

kingdom of God inaugurated by the eternal King himself, Jesus.

The focus this week is the gathering and opening parts of the Mass; entrance song to the Collect prayer.

When you have finished, consider these questions:

- What does the congregation's response to the priest, "and with your spirit" mean?
- · How do you mentally and spiritually prepare for Mass before you arrive and also when you are waiting for Mass to begin?
- What are your own stumbling blocks with regards to the Mass?
 (Keep these in mind as we go through the study)



You can view these episodes, in English or Spanish, on your TV, computer, tablet, or phone. You can receive access with just a few simple steps.

First, you need to be registered in Flocknote, our parish's email and texting tool. If you have participated in an Adult Faith Formation program, you are likely already registered. But if not, please register at http://flocknote.com/sjecc.

Then, from the Flocknote home page, you can visit <u>www.wofdigital.org</u> to watch any of the videos, whenever you want, without ever having to login.

You can also download the *Word on Fire Digital* app from the Apple or Android store, and watch directly from that app on your device.

Ministry Spotlight

Supporting SVDP Food Bank During This Crisis

Our Parish Family continues to amaze us with your generosity and giving spirit. Even as we are all challenged with social distancing and concerns about our own well-being, Saint John was able to come together to gather two whole van-loads of food to restock the Saint Vincent DePaul Food Pantry. This pantry serves all of the Naples area, and is completely depleted due to the tremendous need of those that are out of work.

Thank you to all of you who have given so much to ensure our Mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community continues.















A Prayer for Coronavirus

Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus, We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable, We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety,

We pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance, We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status, We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the world, We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decisionmakers, We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.
Be with us, Lord.

Amen.

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Catholic Community Foundation

CARES Act Donor Information

Throughout the Diocese of Venice and around the world, we are witnessing incredible acts of kindness, faith and generosity. Faithful Catholics are helping one another, praying for each other and supporting those in need during these unprecedented times. According to Michael Morse, Executive Director of the Catholic Community Foundation, "We are so grateful that even in the midst of an economic crisis, individuals and families continue to support the Parishes, schools, programs and ministries of the Diocese of Venice."

As many people are aware of, the Federal government recently passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). However, most people are not aware that the CARES Act provides some additional tax benefits to those who donate to churches and other charitable organizations in 2020.

One of the new tax benefits will make it possible to take an above-the-line deduction for qualified charitable contributions up to \$300 for the 90 percent of taxpayers who do not claim itemized deductions on their federal income tax returns.



The CARES Act also relaxes some of the limits on charitable contributions. There are not many people with the ability to donate most of their income to charities, but for those that do, they can now get an increased Federal income tax deduction for qualified charitable contributions. The deduction limit has been increased from 60 percent of their Adjusted Gross Income to 100 percent for 2020. In addition, the limitation on corporate donors has been increased from 10 percent to 25 percent of taxable income. Corporations can also increase their food donations from 15 percent to 25 percent of taxable income.

These income tax changes were included by the Federal government to help individuals and families continue their support during this pandemic for the charitable organizations about which they care most, including the Church. As stated in a recent letter from Bishop Frank J Dewane to the Faithful about the coronavirus, "As your Bishop, I am always edified and grateful for the generosity of the Faithful, particularly at difficult times...be confident that Christ is with us always and that the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph are interceding for us. Take courage and trust in God during this time of many challenges."

To learn more about the CARES Act or the Catholic Community Foundation, please contact Michael Morse at 941-441-1124 or by email at Morse@dioceseofvenice.org. You can also visit the Foundation website at www.CCFDioceseofvenice.org.

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. Jury Paulson: jpaulson@habitatcollier.org

Mahjongg. 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

Fustis VA

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Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. Mass on our Streaming Page and on demand

3:00 p.m. Mass on our Streaming Page and separately on demand

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Mass on our Streaming Page 11:00 a.m. Mass on our Streaming Page

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