# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

A Diocese of Venice Jubilee Pilgrimage Site

August 31, 2025-The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Location:

St. John the Evangelist 625 111<sup>th</sup> Ave N Naples, FL

Pulte Family Life Center



# "We Served" Veteran's Event

Monday, Sept 8th, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Veterans, you, and your spouse are invited to join other vets for Breakfast and a

Presentation by guest speaker.

# **Ed Hartnack**

Former Collier County V.S.O. Manager.

Informative Instructive Educative

# You MUST

register to attend

Call the Parish Office: 239.566.8740

or

Bill Fuller:

239.280.8870

#### **The Memorare**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

#### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

#### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

## Parish Information

#### **Mass Times**

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed)

Saturday: 8:30am, 3:00pm (livestreamed), 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am (livestreamed), 11:00am (livestreamed), 1:00pm, and 5:00pm

#### **Reconciliation Times**

Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass Saturday: 9:00am and 2:00-2:45pm

#### **OFFICE**

#### **INFORMATION**

#### **Mailing Address & Contact Information**

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108

Phone: 239.566.8740 Email: info@sjecc.com

#### Office Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:00pm

#### **Religious Gift Shop Hours**

Wednesday: 9:00am-1:00pm; Friday: 9:00am-1:00pm Saturday: 2:00pm - 6:15pm; Sunday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

#### **CLERGY & STAFF**

#### Clergy

Fr. Tom Zalewski, Pastor

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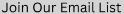
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# Calendar and Mass Readings

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### Sunday, August 31

7:00am Mass (Church)
9:00am Mass (Church)
11:00am Mass (Church)
1:00pm Mass (Church)
5:00pm Mass (Church)

#### Monday, September 1 - Labor Day

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)



#### **Tuesday, September 2**

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

12:00pm The Bible Timeline (Alexandria)

6:30pm Legion of Mary (Library)

#### Wednesday, September 3

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

9:00am Parish Breakfast (Pulte Cafe)

6:30pm Well Read Mom (Claussen Center)

#### Thursday, September 4

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)

6:30pm Young Adult Group (Alexandria) 7:00pm Men's Bible Study (Rooms 1&2)

#### Friday, September 5

8:30am Mass (Church)

9:00am Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother

(Church)

6:00pm First Friday Adoration (Church)

#### Saturday, September 6

8:30am Morning Mass (Church)

9:00am First Saturday Adoration (Church)

3:00pm Vigil Mass (Church) 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Church)

#### **FIND CHIARA**

This year, our Faith Formation Students learned about Blessed Chiara. Each week in the bulletin, the illustrated version of Blessed Chiara is hidden. When you locate her, say a prayer for her canonization. Learn more about her selfless life; she is an amazing example for all of us.

In last week's bulletin, Chiara was on page 21 in the Legion of Mary ad

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Readings for the week of August 31, 2025

**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39 **Saturday:** Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

#### **SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY**



The Diocese of Venice states that, "all employees, covered volunteers and religious brothers and sisters must be electronically fingerprinted. Eligibility for employment/ volunteer work/ministry will be contingent and conditioned upon a satisfactory background investigation. A reasonable effort shall be made to update the criminal history background information every five (5) years". The Diocese classifies a covered volunteer as "any unpaid adult person engaged or involved in a Diocesan activity in which he/she is entrusted with the care and supervision of children or allowed unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults" (e.g. when screened personnel not present).

St. John the Evangelist also requires the following volunteers to go through the background screening process (through fingerprints):

- Volunteers who handle cash, credit cards, and other financial transactions
- Volunteers who are entrusted with confidential information, such as donor records and parish registration forms
- Volunteers who serve, distribute, and administer the Holy Eucharist

Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. If Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton: 941-416-6114.

# Mass Responses and Prayers

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

Greeting:

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you. (or another greeting)

People: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act (Confiteor and/or Kyrie):

A) All: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

B) Priest: Lord, have mercy.
Priest: Christ, have mercy.
Priest: Lord, have mercy.
Priest: Lord, have mercy.
People: Lord, have mercy.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Gloria (an ancient hymn of praise):

All: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Response after the First and Second Readings:

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Dialogue before the Gospel Proclamation:

Cantor: Alleluia! (sung) People: Alleluia!

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.** 

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel Proclamation:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# Mass Responses and Prayers

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed; or the Apostles Creed may also be recited):

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Universal Prayer / Prayer of the Faithful:* 

Lector: ...let us pray to the Lord. People: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Table / Presentation of the Gifts (first part may be done silently):

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness... (2x)

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

Acclamations during the Eucharistic Prayer:

Preface Dialogue:

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. People: It is right and just.

Sanctus:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

# Mass Responses and Prayers

Mystery of Faith:

Priest: The mystery of faith:

People: A - We proclaim your death, O Lord,

and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

B – When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

C - Save us, Savior of the world,

for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

Great Amen:

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the

Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

People: Amen. (may be sung more than once)

#### COMMUNION RITE

Lord's Prayer:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,...

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Sign of Peace:

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. All: And with your spirit.

Breaking of the Bread:

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Preparation for Communion:

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Reception of Communion:

Minister: The Body of Christ. Communicant: **Amen.**Minister: The Blood of Christ. Communicant: **Amen.** 

#### CONCLUDING RITE

Blessing & Dismissal:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Priest: Go in peace. (or another longer formulation)

People: Thanks be to God!

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# Readings for The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Reading 1

#### Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. What is too sublime for you, seek not, into things beyond your strength search not. The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.

## Responsorial Psalm Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just rejoice and exult before God; they are glad and rejoice. Sing to God, chant praise to his name; whose name is the LORD.

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling.
God gives a home to the forsaken;
he leads forth prisoners to prosperity.

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

A bountiful rain you showered down, O God, upon your inheritance; you restored the land when it languished; your flock settled in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided it for the needy.

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

#### **Reading 2**

#### Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have

approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel.

#### **Alleluia**

#### Matthew 11:29ab

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### Gospel

#### Luke 14:1, 7-14

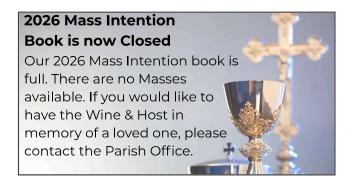
On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table.

"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him,

"When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case

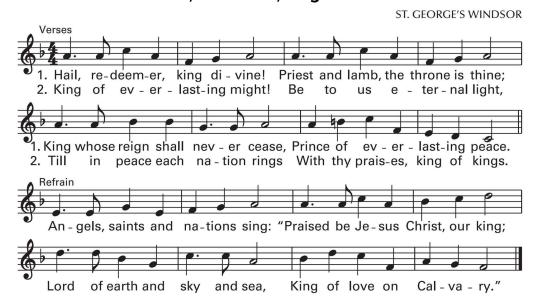
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they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."



# Music for The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Hail, Redeemer, King Divine



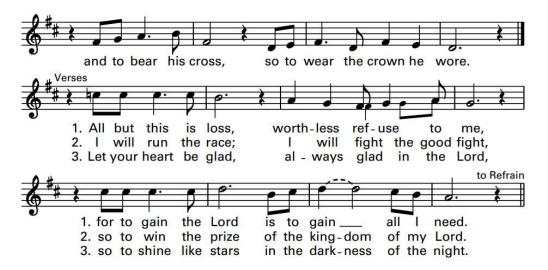
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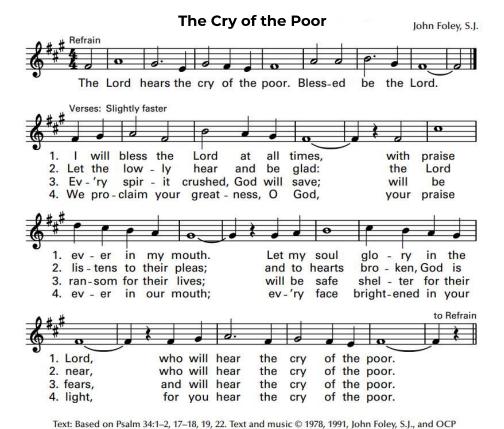
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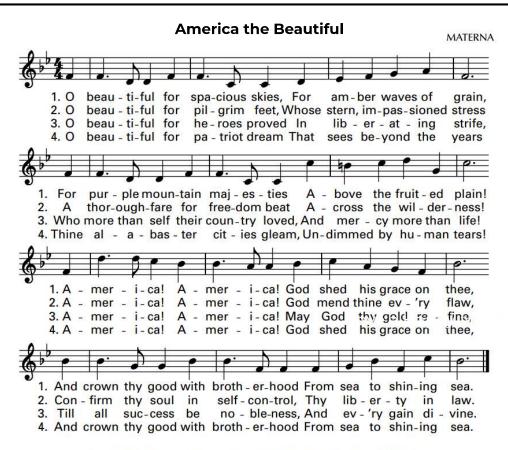
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#### **God Bless America**

God bless America, land that I love.
Stand beside her and guide her.
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam.
God bless America, my home sweet home.
God bless America, my home sweet home.

# **Music Ministry News: A Message of Thanks from Domine**



After a successful bone marrow transplant at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa and 90 days of quarantine, I am so grateful to finally be back home in Naples!

My most recent bone marrow biopsy came back with the best-case scenario—I am officially in remission! While this is not the end of my journey and I still have much healing ahead, it feels wonderful to be surrounded by family and familiar comforts again. For now, my focus is on rest, recovery, and taking things slow as I look toward my next biopsy in October.

Thank you again for all of your prayers and support over these challenging months—I truly don't know where I would be without them. It is because of your love and encouragement that I am so excited to announce a special "thank you" concert at St. John's on March 13th.

#### Please save the date!

## Children's and Youth Choirs

CALLING YOUNG VOICES

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

# CHILDREN'S CHILDREN'S CHILDREN'S









FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO SEE HOW YOUR CHILD'S MUSICAL GIFTS CAN BE SHARED WITH OUR PARISH FAMILY, PLEASE CONTACT MR. EDWARD PERSIN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: EDWARD@SJECC.COM OR 239.566.8740

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church



Youth

7th-12th Graders 5:00pm Sunday Mass Service Hours Provided

For more information, or to see how your child's musical gifts can be shared with our parish family, please contact Mr. Edward Persin, Director of Music: edward@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740

# Fr. Tom's Gospel Reflection

Jesus was invited to the house of a leading Pharisee for a meal. When he arrived, he felt that he was being spied upon by the Pharisees. So he decided to do a little spying on them in return. The sight that met his eyes was not an edifying one. The Pharisees were very religious people, and set themselves up as models. Yet here they were scrambling for the places of honor, showing just how proud, vain and selfish they really were. They were there not to honor their host, but to honor themselves. There can be no true spirituality without humility. Jesus says, "Those who humble themselves will be exalted."

When we enter a great cathedral we are immediately humbled. We feel small and insignificant. We realize how flimsy and false are the things that we depend on. But in a strange way we are also exalted. Because when we humble ourselves, and let go of those things that give us a false sense of importance and superiority, and which separate us from others, we find that we are exalted. We begin to realize our true greatness, which lies, not in ourselves, but in the fact that we are children of God.

Each Sunday we are invited to a banquet - the banquet of the Eucharist. Here Jesus is the host, and we are his guests. Here there are no special places - you can sit where you wish. Here privilege, status, rank have no meaning. Differences don't count. This is because before God all of us are equal.

It's not that we are reduced to the same common denominator. Rather, it is that all of us are raised up. We are like people on a mountain top. On a mountain top, to speak of first and last places, or higher and lower places, would be silly. The same applies to the house of God. Here every place is a place of honor. Entering here makes everyone equal. When we cross this threshold, privilege blows away like smoke, and we are all humbled, yet elevated too. We have first of all to be humbled in order to be elevated. We should carry this spirit out into life with us afterwards.

Once the mayor of a town invited all the people of the town to a banquet. Among those who showed up was a man of great distinction by the name of Daniel. Daniel was a great scholar and a wise man. Yet he was very humble and didn't like being honored. When he arrived the mayor naturally invited him to sit at the top table. Daniel thanked him but said he would prefer to sit among the poor at the table nearest the door. And that he did.

When other distinguished guests arrived, the mayor invited them to sit wherever they liked. Naturally they chose to sit at the top table. The banquet hall filled up, and eventually the only place left was one at the bottom table. Then at the last minute this distinguished man arrived. The mayor had no option but to take him to the vacant seat.

"But this is the bottom table," the man protested.

"No, this is the top table," the mayor replied.

"I don't understand," the man said.

"Wherever Daniel sits is the top table," the mayor answered.

The moral of the story: it's not the place that honors the guest, but the guest that honors the place. We don't know in what place Jesus sat during that meal, but wherever it was, that was the place of honor.

The banquet is a symbol of the Kingdom. We shouldn't be concerned about seeking a place of honor in the Kingdom. We should regard it is a privilege to be invited at all. In any case, in the Kingdom every place is a place of honor.

# Giving & Finance

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## **DONATION REMINDERS**

Please review the guidelines below to help streamline the counting process for our volunteers.

#### Offertory

Our collections are taken at the end of Mass at all exits of the Church. We ask that you use your weekly envelope and write your envelope number on the memo line of your check. Make the check payable to **St. John the** 

**Evangelist.** We cannot accept checks made payable to CASH.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

Make check payable to St. Vincent de Paul

#### **Jamaica Outreach Program**

Make check payable to **JOP** 

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Additionally, if you are not an SJECC registered parishioner, you will not receive a year-end tax statement.

#### **OFFERTORY**

**8/6/25 - 8/12/25** \$61,045.91

**8/13/25 - 8/19/25** \$46,015.25

**Total Households** 3560



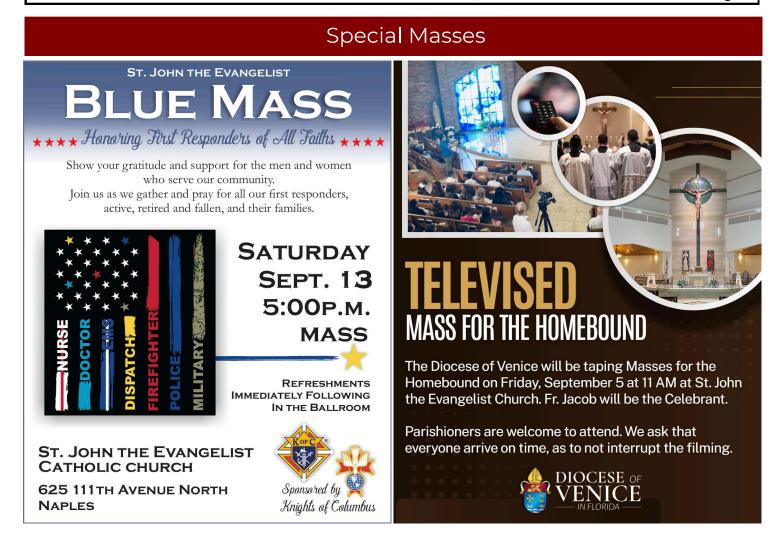
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# **MEMORIAL GARDEN**

To maintain the dignity of our Memorial Garden, permanent plants, artificial flowers, statues, balloons, pinwheels, vigil lights, breakable objects, rocks, food, and alcohol are not permitted on the memorial markers. Additionally, we do not permit adornments that are considered hazardous to personnel caring for the area. We welcome fresh-cut flowers throughout the year. Once flowers have withered, we will remove them. Flowers may also be removed for routine mowing or maintenance, if needed. Thank you for helping to maintain the dignity of our Memorial Garden.

# 2025 Catholic Faith Appeal





#### Sacraments

#### SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

**Baptism:** The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, please call the office at (239) 566-8740.

**Matrimony:** Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice. Tricia Hoffman: 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.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. John the Evangelist offers the healing sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church confessionals on Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass and Saturday at 9:00 a.m.and 2:00-2:45 p.m.



# Weekly Divine Mercy Reflection

"Reflections on Divine Mercy" provides an awakening to the abundant Mercy of God. It offers reflections and prayers to assist us in understanding the Mercy poured forth from the Heart of Jesus as it is revealed in the writings of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. These gems are selected from the book titled "Daily Reflections on Divine Mercy, 365 Days with Saint Faustina" John Paul Thomas (Stockbridge, MA)

#### Reflection 31: The Unfathomable Nature of God

We cannot come to know God in His essence. He is beyond us and is unfathomable. But we can get to know God by seeing His actions in our lives and in the world. Look at His attributes. Look at His works. Look at what He has done in your life and in the lives of others. He is Omnipotent, All-Knowing, All-Loving and bestows all that is good in superabundance (See Diary #30).

Reflect, today, upon the unfathomable nature and essence of God. Knowing that we can never fully comprehend the perfection of God is the first step in coming to know Him more intimately. Humble yourself, this day, before the great mystery of our God and let His untouchable nature touch you in your heart.

Lord, You and Your ways are beyond me. Yet in the mystery of Your divine presence I come to know You. Help me Lord, as I ponder Your divine essence, to be drawn into a deeper love of You. Jesus, I trust in You.



#### Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 30, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + Tom Middlemiss Norma Claussen

Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Michael Cataldo Pauline Cataldo

5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

Sunday, August 31, 2025 Requested By

7:00 AM + Frankie Andriotti Linda Coltelli
9:00 AM + Rose Rutigliano Christine Rutigliano
11:00 AM SI Myles Levy Marilyn DiEnno
1:00 PM + Frederick Fiedler Stephanie Fiedler

5:00 PM + Julianne McConville Maureen and Bob Murphy

Monday, September 1, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + Bohdan Kniahynyckyj George and Catherine Szczerbaniuk

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + Cecilia and William Schultz The Schultz Family

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + Tom B. Middlemiss Mr. and Mrs. John Sissman, Sr.

Thursday, September 4, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + Beatrice Corcoran Richard Corcoran

Friday, September 5, 2025

8:30 AM + Kay Lain

Requested By

Jack Lain

Saturday, September 6, 2025 Requested By

8:30 AM + John Petru Zello Janis Bolbrock

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Richard Theriault John and Kathy Kellerhals

5:00 PM + Carolyn McDonald and Robert Abell Kathy and Bob Sims

Sunday, September 7, 2025

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

9:00 AM + The deceased members of the Shaw and Hickey Families Jane Ellen Gertz
11:00 AM + Philip and Dorothy Rice David and Maria Rice
1:00 PM + James Bollam Ellen Mohlenhoff

5:00 PM + The Fry and Hanson Family Michelle Hanson

#### **Recently Deceased**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### Sally Rubinelli

**Anthony James Liscio** 

# Prayer List

Heavenly Father, we lift all who are suffering from illness and difficulties to You. Grant them Your comfort and solace, replacing their pain with hope and joy. Surround them with supportive friends and family, who can offer love and encouragement during this difficult time. Let them feel Your presence and assurance, knowing that healing is possible through Your grace. I pray that their faith strengthens, and they embrace the journey toward recovery with courage. Amen.

Robert A'Hearn Russ Albers Michele Amato Rory Anderson John Anthony James B. Mandy Bailey Crystall Ball Jennifer Basile

Jerry Benedetto Scott Bjornson Marjorie Blazevic Patty Bleicher Bill Braunius Kathy Brode Erin Campbell Frank Carillo Linda Carini

Michael Cerankowski Chuck Chaffee

Jennifer Michelle Chirichella

Mr. and Mrs. Ciano Darlene Clark **Domine Clemons** Monsignor Coll Enrique Coloma Merlyn Comeriato

Julia Conifrey Francine Crawford Rich Davidson Raphael DeAza Sue Delaney

George Deuchar Phyllis Devlin

Julie Dieter

Donna Dimare

Daniel Drobenko Tom Duncan Megan Ebert

Baby Bennett Edington Danielle Eisenberg

Joan Eisenberg Smith

Tom Endres Elkin Escobar **Evans Family** Joan Exner Tim Faust Pattie Fawcett Denise Fisher Moss Raymond Foley Darlene Follese Ronald Fongemie Ronald Forbis II Peter and Phyllis Foti

Bettina Fouts

Barbara & Lester Fuller

Fr. Len Gioeli Aya Goltseker Sam Greenberg Peter Greenberg Denise Guido Gary Gwizdala Paul Hagerty Eric Handler Terry Hansberry Rebecca Hansberry Saralane Harrer

Fr. George Hazler Hearson Family Elaine Hill Evzen Hlavacek Katie Hokanson Amiel Horvath Fia Hutt

Cici Hutt Joseph Jannuccilli Marcia Johnson Rick Jones Rita Jones

H. K.

Baby Bayli Kaufman

Tim Keating Yvonne Keenan

Hannah K & Kathleen Kotscher

Richard Kruger Clayton Kunkle Frank Landi Jeana Lang Myles Levy-Vixler

Baby Hudson Matthew Lopez

**Bob Lutz** Carole Mancini Patricia Mapre Deb Marsh Lonnie Martin Laurel Martone Mary A. Jim Matiach Patricia Matre Lana McBride

Elaine & Doug McCracken Salvatore Minardi

Eileen Miner

Maryann Mondragom Giuliana Morse-Ballachino

Mark Moss Ibeth Noelia Cindy Orlando Jim Pankau Eric Parker Barbara Pastine Judith Ann Patterson Frank Pawlowski Lynn Petrovic Ludmila Pridalova

Ken Rapp Kenny Rapp Rick Rondinelli Theresa Rowe David Russell Peggy O'Neil Saba Steve Salinas Lisa Sanfelippo Lee Schilling

Catherine Schmacht Thomas Scudero Albert Senatore Wendy Sequeira

Katheryn Shapiro Bernard & Martina

Sherman

John Sherman **Bob Sims** Jimmy Sissman Nancy Sjostrom Elaine Slipko Ila Stienly Laura Stokes Jeanne Stoll Sally Stookey Christopher Suki Mary Surmont Catherine Szczerbaniuk Fernando Trevino Lisa Marie Turner

Diane VanderHorst Evan Vider Gina Vitale Adam Wais Carol Watchmaker

Anne White Nancy Whiteman Mary Lou Widloski Eugene D. Williams II

Lothar Winklbauer

Raymond Vanasse

Harry Witt Paul Wyzoski



# Military Prayer List



Let Us Pray For Those Who Serve... Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Praying for Our Men and Women in Service – We give our sincere thanks and appreciation to all veterans who have served their country. We continue to pray for our loved ones who are currently serving in the armed forces, whether they are stationed overseas or in the United States. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Captain Will Adamson: US Army, Anchorage AK

Cadet Samantha Bocis, West Point

Sam Bradley, Marines Mark Burger, US Army Stephen Burger, US Army

Lieutenant Carson Brial – US Navy Private 1st Class Joseph Albert Cary

Private David Clark

Gavin Cooper, Navy, EMN3

First Lieutenant: Dante Dalmaso- US Army

Captain Quentin Danyov, US Army

Adam Decker

Alexander Denha 1st Lt. Army Ranger, Ft. Bragg N.C.

Major Derek-Army National Guard

Nick Detloff

LCDR Andrew Douglas, United States Navy, Japan

Sean Duffin- US Army

Capt. Stephen English - US Army

Jude Fanton USMC

Brendan C. Finnegan-USAF

1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Dwight Fritz III, Marines

SFC Lon Giancola

Matthew Gordon, US Navy SFC Douglas Hennessy

1st Lieutenant Brock Hinkle- US Army, Germany

Zachary Horwitch, GSM US Navy.

2nd Lieutenant Daniel Huber, US Marines Cadet Sloane Janopoulos, USAF Academy Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy Capt. Ashlyn M. Kennedy, USMC Quantico Senior Airman Jack Kirk, US Airforce

Max Koeppl - Midshipman, USMMA, Kings Point, NY

Sgt. Nicholas LaManna

Captain William E. McDonnell-US Marine Corps

Sgt. William McKinney

PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft. Eustis, VA Lieutenant Joseph Moses, Naval Aviator

Col. Brian Murphy Lt. Col. Jill Murphy

2nd Lieutenant, Samantha Naples, US Marine Corps

1st Sargent Jake Nowicki

Hugh O'Donnell, SPEC 4, 75th Ranger Regiment

Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – US Army

1st Lieutenant Deanna Ogrinc, US Army

Finley Donald Patterson- US Army Cpl. Derek Perez - US Marine Corps

Daniel Petito – US Army

Captain Anthony James Raguso, US Marines

1st Lieutenant Robert W. Raleigh IV - US Marine Corps

Lt. Jill Rice, Commander in the US Navy Lt. Joseph Rice, Commander in the US Navy

Duke Roach- US Navy Grayson Roberts- US Navy Steven Robinson, US Army Clayton Rutz, US Army

Capt. Gregory Sacenti - US Army

Hunter Scalzo - Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th Infantry

Sophie Sekutera - Captain US Army Luke Sekutera - Captain US Army Ben Sekutera Captain US Army Lieutenant Jane Shelley- US Navy Commander Adam Shields- US Navy

Charlie Sjostrom-Martinez

Austin Spagnola

Captain Fox Stevens- US Army, South Korea First Lieutenant Matthew Stevenson, USMC LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans

Corporal Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps Captain Grant Ullrich, US Army in Kuwait

Lance Corporal, Christopher Vandyck- US Marine Corps

1st Lieutenant Mackenzie Warren- Space Force 1st Lieutenant Hollis Webster- Space Force

Petty Officer 3rd Class, Logan Wehrheim- US Navy

Andrew Wieland US Air Force

SFC Eugene Williams-US Army in Poland Kaden Winckel, Airman 1st Class, USAF

Michael Wolfe- US Marines

Master Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

Tech. Sgt. Kaitlin Zecchino

Austin Zicht - USAF

#### Add a Name to Our Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to either of our prayer lists or delete a name, please contact our Main Office 239.566.8740. Names will stay on the prayer list for six months.

## **Eucharistic Revival**

The four pillars for St. John the Evangelist Year of Parish Revival are: Reinvigorate Worship, Personal Encounter, Robust Faith Formation, and Missionary Sending.

#### **Reinvigorate Worship**

Attentiveness to full preparation, reverent celebration, and offering many opportunities for parishioners to experience the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist more profoundly.

#### **Personal Encounter**

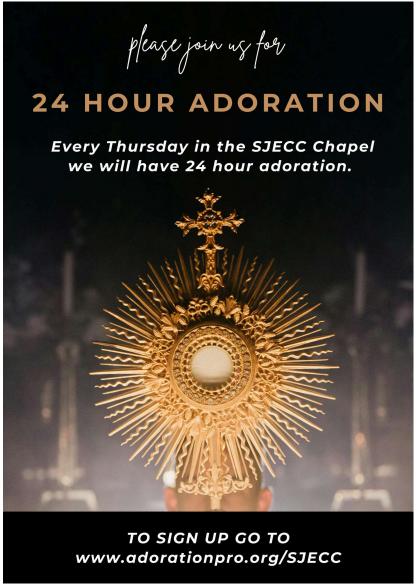
Active encouragement and facilitation for increased participation in Eucharistic Adoration by our parishioners.

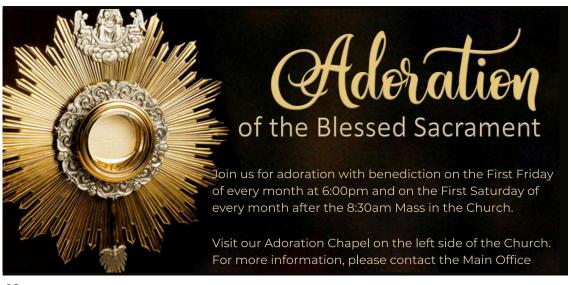
#### **Robust Faith Formation**

Providing opportunities in our Faith
Formation and Youth Ministry for instruction
about the Eucharist; and personal
engagement for our children, young adults,
and their families. Providing parishioners
resources to learn more about the Real
Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

#### **Missionary Sending**

Welcoming our parishioners and their families when they are drawn to the Church for sacraments. Proactive outreach and welcome to non-Catholics to join our Church. Attentiveness to our Eucharistic Ministry to encourage ongoing learning and to engage more volunteers for Eucharistic Ministers who bring Christ to all in our Parish, both at Mass and to those who are not able to attend Mass.





Jesus has made
Himself the Bread
of Life to give us
life. Night and day,
He is there. If you
really want to grow
in love, come back
to the Eucharist,
come back to that
Adoration.

~Mother Teresa

# Ministries & Groups

**AA** Brian R. 732-735-7037

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

**Arimatheans.** Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Please contact the Main Office 239.566.8740

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group – The Cenacle is an opportunity to pray for the conversion of our American family in support of protecting the human rights of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. We do this as a community in the presence of our Lord, present in the Tabernacle, with the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and other traditional Catholic prayers. The Cenacle meets Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30pm in the Main Sanctuary. For additional information, contact us at 239.250.0432 or relife@aol.com

**Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina** – Mondays at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. Kathleen Dunne: kadunne61@aol.com, 901.574.2947

Faith Chat. Thursdays at 9:30am in the Antioch Room of the Claussen Center. All are welcome to join us for this study. Coffee & snacks will be provided. Faith Chat will not be meeting during the month of August. On September 4, we will begin our new study in our Bibles on ROMANS. We will be studying the first Three chapters. For more information, please contact Janis Bolbrock: janis\_bolbrock@msn.com

**Grief Support** - Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Are you a widow or widower? Are you grieving any other type of loss? Are you looking for support and healing? St. John the Evangelist provides group and individual grief support services. **All sessions for the month of August have been canceled. We will resume in September.** To register, send your name and telephone number to Deacon Hal: Hal@sjecc.com or Maria Chappe: maria@sjecc.com. Individual sessions may be scheduled by calling the Parish Office: 239.566.8740.

**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 information, contact Jeanne Pittman: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org

**Knights of Columbus.** The Knights of Columbus serve parish ministries, sponsor parish events and help with special projects. They support our clergy, fund parish equipment, assist in events for our youth and help the less fortunate. Contact Grand Knight, Jack McHale: mchale.jack57@gmail.com

**Knights of Columbus - Wheelchair Program.** If you or someone you know are in need of a wheelchair, contact Bill Fuller at 239-280-8870 or wfuller1@comcast.net

**Knitting & Crocheting**. Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. – Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. No experience necessary. Donations, both monetary and yarn, are welcome. Contact: Sharon Campbell 239.438.7867 or sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com. https://stjohnknittersandcrocheters.wordpress.com/

Ladies of Charity. Our motto is to serve rather than to be served in humility, simplicity, and charity. We serve the poor, sick, and marginalized in our community. Membership is open to any Catholic woman. For more information, please contact Lauren Pavlovich at: ilove2sing@icloud.com.

Legion of Mary. The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization of lay people, priests, and religious under the patronage of our Blessed Mother; One with Mary's love and Mary's will, dedicated to bring Christ to the world and to the souls who need Him, through corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Claussen Center. sjeccadoration@gmail.com

Pray the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena -Every Saturday at 8:20 a.m. before Mass on the 1st Saturday and immediately after Mass on the other Saturdays of the month. Allan Degnan:, 239-919-4465

Pray the Rosary & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited 50 minutes before daily Mass begins, at 7:40 a.m. Contact Barbara Hardebeck: 765-714-6589

Quilting Ministry - Meets on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. - Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. Everyone is welcome regardless of skill level. Donations, both monetary and fabric, welcome. Sharon Campbell 239.438.7867, sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com. https://stjohnquilting.wordpress.com

**Respect Life -** We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person. The team participates in a prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Naples each 1st Friday of every month 9am-12pm. For more info, please call Rosemary @ 239-250-0432.

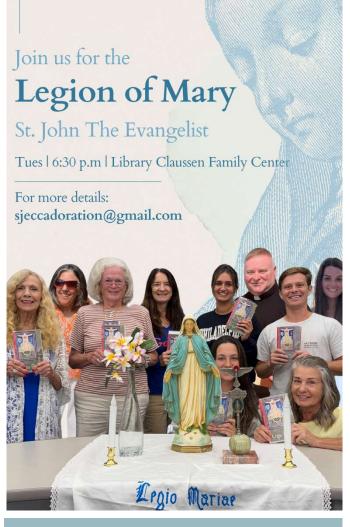
**Sewing Ministry.** Sewing Ministry meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2. Donations, both monetary and of washable, child friendly fabrics are welcome. No supplies PLEASE. If you like to sew, we encourage you to come and see what we are about. Please contact Marianne Swan 305.965.5980, email swan11@bellsouth.net or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email jandpcrivelli@gmail.com before coming to make sure we are meeting that day.

**Streaming Ministry.** Our steaming ministry provides the homebound and parishioners who are away from Naples the opportunity to view our Masses. We stream weekday Masses and three weekend Masses. Contact colleen@sjecc.com.

## Ministries & Groups

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We give glory to God by offering direct/in-home help to anyone in need within the boundaries of our parish. Our work spans fighting food insecurity, keeping families in their homes, and a wide variety of special projects and programs focused on helping our neighbors address difficult challenges. We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be in classroom 1, in the Parish Life Center. For more information, contact Bob Westenberg: bwstjohn@SVDPnaples.org.

Well-Read Mom. The St. John chapter of the national organization Well-Read Mom meets from October through July, with an evening kickoff and informational meeting for both sessions on September 3rd, 2025, at 6:30PM. Evening sessions meet the first Wednesdays of each month from 6:30 to 8:00PM. Morning sessions meet the first Thursday of each month from 10:00 to 11:30AM. For more information, email <a href="mailto:aff@sjecc.com">aff@sjecc.com</a> and register at wellreadmom.com. The \$50 annual enrollment fee includes a Study Guide for all books for the year.





This perpetual Novena in Honor of Our Sorrowful Mother will bring people closer to Christ and His Sorrowful Mother.

September 5, 2025 October 3, 2025

#### **Novena Time**

The first Friday of every month after the morning Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church 625 111th Ave N, Naples, FL 34108

# Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Saint John the Evangelist Church

"Paul" is an Independent Handyman, then his foundations buckled. We are helping him fix important things.

Paul (not his real name) does painting, pressure washing and Handyman repairs. He is also the Caregiver for his 90+ year old Stepparent. Then Paul became sick with cancer.

He is recovering, ready to start work, but his truck broke bad and needs major repairs.

We helped get his truck running so he can support his Stepparent, get back to work, regain his income and a regular life.

A stable life is difficult and a struggle. We help.

Your Support stays here in Naples and is deeply valued



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

# Ministries & Groups





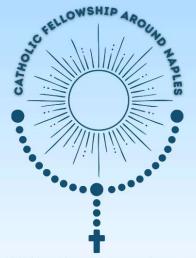
# **TOILETRY KIT FUNDRAISER**



# **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH** AFTER ALL MASSES

Sponsored by the CFAN Young Adult Group





On Sunday September 14th after all masses, the young adult group will be fundraising money and collecting travel-sized toiletry donations to assemble hygiene kits for the underprivileged of Immokalee. All kits will be sent to Catholic Charities where they have a great need.

All cash donations will be put towards buying the necessary items for packaging our kits, and other supplies we may need to purchase for donation. Please no checks at this time.

For physical donations, things we need are travel sized items of:

- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Bar soap
- Wipes
- Combs
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Wash rags
- Conditioner
- Floss picks
- Brushes



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

# LINEN & KITCHEN COLLECTION TO BENEFIT

# PROVIDENCE HOUSE

St. John's Respect Life team will be outside Masses on October 4 & 5 to collect new linens and kitchen items for Providence House. The collection is part of a Fall campaign to support the mission of Providence House, a faith-based transitional housing program for women 18+ and their children in Collier County. To learn more about Providence House, visit: https://www.providencehousenaples.org





# **Shopping List**

#### Kitchenware Items:

- Silverware service for 8
- Drinking glasses for 8
- Dish sets (service for 6-8)
- Pots & Pans
- Serving/Mixing bowls
- Toasters and Toaster Ovens
- Small Coffee Makers
- Small microwaves

- Twin sheet sets cotton
- Twin waffle blankets cotton
- Lightweight twin comforters cotton
- Twin mattress covers regular & waterproof
- Bed pillows
- Towel sets
- · Shower curtains and liners



As a thank-you to parishioners for supporting this collection, the Respect Life ministry invites you to an Ice Cream Social in the Pulte Center Cafe after the

11:00 Mass on Sunday, October 5.





## Faith Formation

#### Faith Formation 2025-2026 Begins Soon!





We are so excited to begin our NEW Faith Formation 2025-2026 Year on Sunday, September 14 and Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> (High School Confirmation). Thank you for so many of your that have registered! Our team is busy preparing for the children, setting up classrooms, training our catechists and processing registrations! Thank you for your patience as we work behind the scenes diligently to be ready for your children! Please see our website for more information on our Faith Formation Programs, Calendars and Forms.

#### **Teen Mom Basket Project Coming Soon!**

If you are super organized and like to lead projects AND would like to be part of the team that puts together the Teen Mom basket project for our Teen moms in Collier Counties TAPP program, please contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com. Teams will make item lists with tags to collect during Respect Life month in October. Baskets will be prepared and delivered before Thanksgiving! We are so happy to support our teens choosing life!

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

SAVE THE DATE for next year!

June 8th -12th

Camper Registration Opens March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026

Youth Registration Opens to Parishioners January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026



**Volunteer Team Information Coming Soon!** 

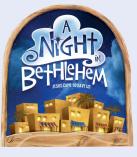
# SAVE THE DATE A Night in Bethlehem

## Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 5-7PM

Volunteer Registration Open NOW! Family Tickets available September 1<sup>st</sup>

vbspro.events/p/5b5bda





#### **CHILDREN'S RESOURCES**



Please visit our Children's resource area across from the bathrooms before and after Mass. We have books to borrow during the Mass as well as coloring sheets for the little ones, crayons, kid bulletins and so much more! We are blessed to have so many families in church and hope you enjoy this special resource area. Kindly return materials to their place after Mass for other to use. Thank you







#### Faith Formation

#### Pope sets Sept. 7 for Joint Canonization of Blesseds Acutis and Frassati

The two young Italian laymen will be the first saints canonized by the new pope.

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Leo XIV will canonize Blesseds Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati together Sept. 7, the Vatican announced. Meeting with cardinals living in and visiting Rome for an ordinary public consistory June 13, the pope approved the new canonization date for the two young blesseds and set Oct. 19 as the date for the canonization of seven others. He announced the dates in Latin. The two Italian laymen will be the first saints proclaimed by the new pope, who was elected May 8.

The canonization of **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, a teenager known for his devotion to the Eucharist and creating an online exhibition of Eucharistic miracles, had originally been scheduled for April 27 during the Jubilee of Teenagers. It was postponed following the death of Pope Francis April 21. Born in 1991 and raised in Milan, Blessed Carlo Acutis used his tech skills to evangelize and was noted for his joyful faith and compassion for others before dying of leukemia in 2006 at age 15.

#### **Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis**

Oh God, Our Father, thank you for giving us Carlo, a life example for the young and a message of love for everyone. You made him become enamoured with Your Son Jesus, Making of the Eucharist his "Highway to Heaven". You gave him Mary, as a most loving Mother, and, with the Rosary, you made him a poet of her tenderness. Receive his prayer for us. Above all, gaze upon the poor, whom he loved and helped. Grant for me too, by his intercession, the grace that I need ... And make our joy fulfilled, placing Carlo among the Saints of your Church, so that his smile may shine again for us in the glory of your name.







Amen

# Faith Formation

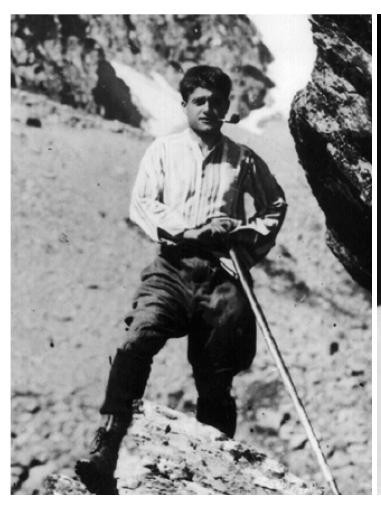
**Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati**, born in 1901 into a prominent family in Turin, Italy, was admired for his deep spirituality, love for the poor and enthusiasm for life. A member of the Dominican Third Order, he served the sick through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He died at age 24 after contracting polio, possibly from one of the people he assisted. Italian Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati was a struggling student who excelled in mountain climbing. He had complete faith in God and persevered through college, dedicating himself to helping the poor and supporting church social teaching. He died at age 24 and was beatified by St. John Paul II in 1990. For years, Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925) has been a significant global patron for youth, young adults, athletes, and "ordinary people" – and has a special place in the hearts of many young people across the United States and around the world. After what would become his final climb he wrote a simple note on a photograph: "Verso L'Alto", which means "to the heights."

#### **Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Frassati**

"O merciful God, Who through the perils of the world deigned to preserve by Your grace Your servant Pier Giorgio Frassati pure of heart and ardent of charity, listen, we ask You, to our prayers and, if it is in Your designs that he be glorified by the Church, show us Your will, granting us the graces we ask of You, through his intercession, by the merits of Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen."



IMPRIMATUR, 1932 + Maurilio Cardinal Fossati, Archbishop of Turin

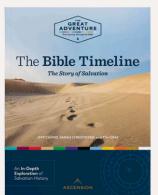




## Adult Faith Formation

#### The Bible Timeline: Old Testament Study - Tuesdays Continuing September 2

Join Us Tuesdays continuing September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00-1:30PM as Sue Hamiliton Facilitates the Study of the Old Testament Using the Bible Timeline. This study will run through December 2025. Study Materials available at the first session for \$40.00. The Study will take place in the Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center. Please Register by sending an email to <u>AFF@sjecc.com</u> to join.





#### The Study Set Includes:

- The Full-Color Bible Timeline Workbook Provides session overviews, home reading assignments, engaging study questions, responses, and talk notes for the video presentations.
- The Bible Timeline Chart A fascinating, color-coded overview of the twelve Bible Timeline periods, the historical context for each book of the Bible, and the family tree of Jesus Christ.
- The Bible Timeline Bookmark A handy color-coded bookmark with a summary of the twelve Bible Timeline periods and a list of the scriptural books that tell the stories of each period.

The Bible Timeline study Program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows you how 14 of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven through Scripture. Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Faith.

# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



We welcome you to inquire about our Catholic Faith and the many blessings it has to offer you

The **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a process designed for you:

- To ask questions about the Catholic Faith
- To explore the beauty of Sacred Scripture and Catholic Tradition
- To journey toward full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil

#### The OCIA journey is for those:

- Never Baptised
- Baptized in another Christian tradition
- Baptized Catholic as an infant, but not raised as a Catholic or received additional Sacraments
- Catholics who do not practice their faith, and want to connect with the Sacramental way of life
- Catholics who have left the Church, and want to return to their Sacramental roots

For additional information about OCIA, please contact DeChelle Summers: dechelle.summers@gmail.com



# This Week on Formed

Week of August 31, 2025



#### **Mother Teresa: No Greater Love**

Mother Teresa: No Greater Love is a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times: Mother Teresa of Calcutta. This film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today.



# Pope Saint Gregory the Great | Catholic Saints

In the history of the Church, there are less than five popes esteemed with the title 'the Great.' One of the lesser known members of this impressive group is Pope St. Gregory the Great. Gregory is known for his prolific writing, his radical humility, his emphasis on missions, and his dedication to almsgiving. Enjoy this discussion between Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn.



#### **Mother Teresa**

See Mother Teresa in the slums of Calcutta as she mingled closely with her people, dispensing help, joy, and smiles to everyone in this moving film.

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

## Adult Faith Formation



# 7 SECRETS OF THE EUCHARIST A study based on Vinny Flynn's book of 7 Secrets of the Eucharist

This book was written to summon all Catholics to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ hidden in the Eucharist. We all need books like this to help us grow spiritually, to remind us of what we are doing in the Mass, and to summon us to receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist with fuller awareness and participation ~Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J.

As we journey during this Jubilee Year of Hope, we invite you to join us on this 8-week study of the 7 SECRETS OF THE EUCHARIST.

Dates: Tuesdays, September 30 – November 18

Time: 9:30-11 a.m.

Where: Alexandria Room in the Clausen Center

Facilitator: Jean Kechejian

To register email the Office of Faith Formation: <u>aff@sjecc.com</u>. The book may be purchased in the Gift Shop for \$10.

# This Week in Adult Faith Formation

#### Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>

Bible Timeline with Sue Hamilton Alexandira Room 12:00-1:30PM

#### Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

Well Read Mom Alexandria Room 6:30-8:00PM

#### Thursday, September 4th

Faith Chat Claussen Center 9:30AM-11:00AM

#### Thursday, September 4th

Men's Bible Study 7:00-8:00PM- Rooms 1 & 2 of the Parish Activity Center

# Coming this Fall!

#### Season 5 of the CHOSEN

8 episodes weekly on Wednesdays 9:30-11:00AM

October 1<sup>st</sup> through November 19<sup>th</sup>



#### TAKE CARE OF YOUR HEART THROUGH READING AND FRIENDSHIP





Eucharist

## YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR Well-Read Morn-SMALL GROUP!

Well-Read Mom accompanies women in the reading of great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship, and meaningful conversations in order to explore the human condition and reorient ourselves to what is good, beautiful, and true.

Well-Read Mom groups read one book per month and meet to discuss once a month. Book selections for each year correspond to the themes of a woman's life. This year we are excited to dive into the theme of "teacher"

KICK OFF MEETING!

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Come and learn more about our Well-Read Mom group at St. John.
Please let us know you are coming by emailing us at AFF@sjecc.com.

Year of the Teacher

"Without confidence and love, there can be no true education." — Saint John Bosco

\$49.95 a year per member To register today, or for more information: WellReadMom.com. DATE/TIME Wednesday, September 3rd, 2025 6:30-8:00PM

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PLACE St. John the Evangelist 625 111th Ave North Naples, FL 34108

HOST

Francie Mourad & Lisa Brochu \*Morning & Evening Groups

CONTACT AFF@sjecc.com

Scan here for more info!



# Youth Ministry & Young Adults



#### SJECC YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR – MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Youth Ministry at St. John's is where Faith Formation comes to life beyond the classroom! It's the ideal place for middle and high school students to express their faith in fun, meaningful, and engaging ways. Whether it's volunteering in the parish, enjoying community nights filled with games and laughter, or spending time in prayer through the Rosary, Adoration, or small group discussions, there's something for everyone. Our aim is to grow in faith together. Youth Ministry is more than just a program—it's a community. All youth are welcome and encouraged to join us for any of the scheduled events throughout the year. Come as you are, bring a friend, and get ready to encounter Christ in new and exciting ways!

#### SEPTEMBER

Sun. 9/21: Attend the 11 a.m. Mass with Max Berman

- Open to middle and high school students.
  - Contact Max if attending.
- Donuts and coffee, and an open gym in the Pulte Center after Mass (open to families)
  - Year 1 & 2 Confirmation students can receive Parish service hours for this event.

Fri. 10/03: Verso L'Alto Youth Night

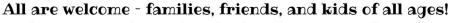
- Open to middle and high school students.
- Claussen Center Alexandria room from 6 p.m. to
  - o Adoration, games, gym, fellowship, and pizza).
- Year 1 & 2 Confirmation can receive Parish service hours for attending and assisting.

Sun. 10/19: Attend the 11 a.m. Mass with Max

- Open to middle and high school students. Contact Max if attending.
  - Donuts and coffee, and an open gym in the Pulte Center after Mass (open to families)
  - Year 1 & 2 Confirmation can receive Parish service hours for this event.







Join us once a month on Sundays after the 11:00 a.m. Mass until 1:30 p.m. in the Pulte Family Life Center. We hope to see you there!









November 9

October 19 December 7





Middle & High School Volunteers – Use Your Gifts to Serve! YOU ARE UNIQUE, CREATED BY GOD WITH GIFTS AND TALENTS MEANT TO BE SHARED!

WHETHER YOU LOVE TO SING, SPEAK, SERVE BEHIND THE SCENES, OR JUST WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED, THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU HERE AT ST. JOHNS!



- YOUTH CHOIR
- **LECTOR**
- ALTAR SERVER
- CATECHIST ASSISTANT
- **LEUCHARISTIC MINISTER**
- **A LIVE STREAM TEAM**
- APARISH EVENTS & OUTREACH
- AND MORE!





ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

VOLLEYBALL BASKETBALL

PICKLEBALL SPIKE BALL

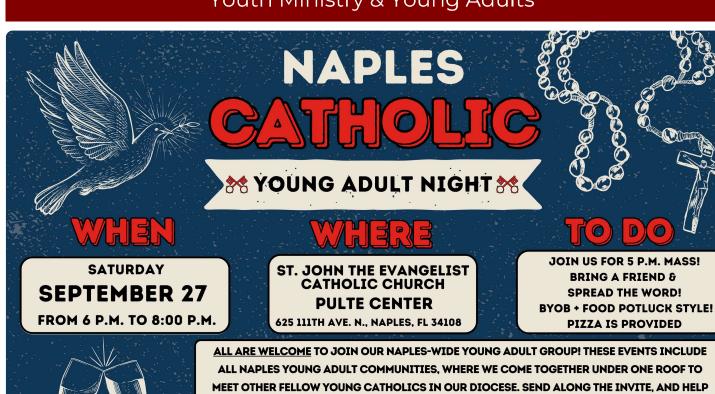
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JOIN OUR GROUPME **FOR LIVE UPDATES!** 

NO OPEN GYM <u>SEPT. 1ST</u> FOR LABOR DAY **SEE YOU MONDAY SEPT. 8TH!!** 

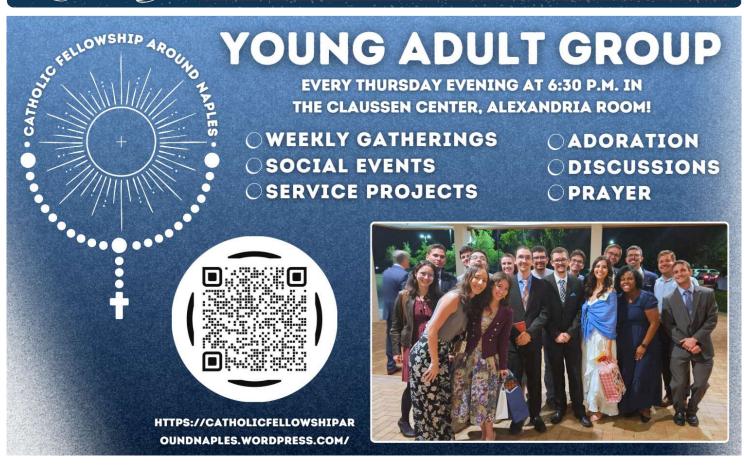


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MEET OTHER FELLOW YOUNG CATHOLICS IN OUR DIOCESE. SEND ALONG THE INVITE, AND HELP US BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY. SEE YOU SOON!

REGISTER TO OUR SJECC FLOCKNOTE TO RECEIVE TEXTS/EMAILS ABOUT UPCOMING YOUNG ADULT EVENTS BY TEXTING CYAN TO 84576!



# Events & Programs





Adult Paint & Wine
Tuesday, September 16, 2025
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

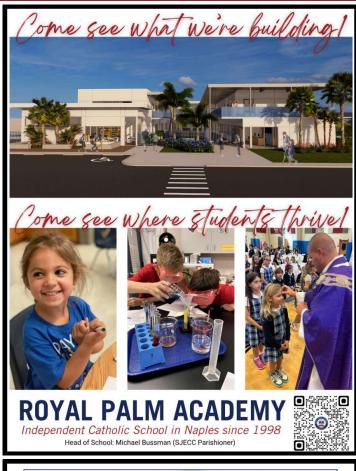


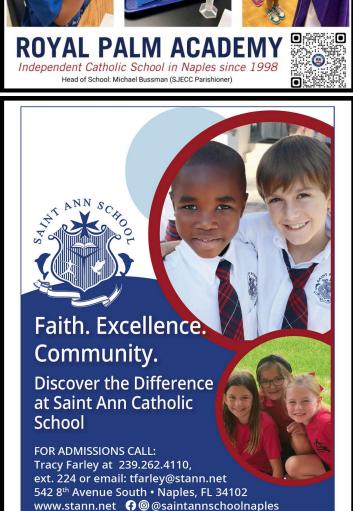
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#### Catholic Schools







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# JOIN US ON OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CRUISE ON HOLLAND AMERICA LINE

# ms Rotterdam | 12-Night Panama Discovery Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale | Jan. 18-30, 2026

DATE	PORT OF CALL	TIME
Jan. 18	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	4pm
Jan. 19	Half Moon Cay, Bahamas	9am-5pm
Jan. 20/21	Days at Sea	
Jan. 22	Willemstad, Curacao	7am - 4pm
Jan. 23	Day at Sea	
Jan. 24	Enter & Cruise Panama Canal	6am
Jan. 24	Cruise Gatun Lake	11am
Jan. 24	Exit Panama Canal	2pm-3pm
Jan. 24	Colon, Costa Rica	5pm - 9pm
Jan. 25	Limon, Costa Rica	7:30am-4:30
Jan. 26	Day at Sea	No.
Jan. 27	Falmouth, Jamaica	7am-4pm
Jan. 28	Georgetown, Cayman Islands	7am-4pm

# PER PERSON FARES FROM\*:

\$3,539 per person category B Vista Suite, mid-ship deck 8 \$2,889 per person category V Veranda, most mid-ship deck 5 \$2,839 per person category VA Veranda, most mid-ship deck 8 and 6

\$2,499 per person VE Veranda Deck 8 and 7, fore and aft

\$805 additional per person taxes and fees \*More categories and pricing available upon request







## **INCLUDED:** (with 25 passengers)

- Pre-cruise Meeting at St John's
- Bus round trip St Johns with 25 passengers (Burger King Pine Ridge Rd if not)
- · Cocktail Party onboard the Rotterdam
- Deduct \$50 per person if paying balance with check for everyone.

## **AVAILABLE ADD-ON:**

#### Holland America Line's "Have it All" Package:

Available for purchase for \$60 per person per day. This Includes their Signature Beverage Package, 2 nights Specialty dining, \$200 per cabin shore excursion credit and their Surf WIF!

Reserve your stateroom, at time of booking, with deposit which is approximately 10% of cruise fare, higher for suites. Travel insurance quoted at deposit and highly recommended.



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