

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

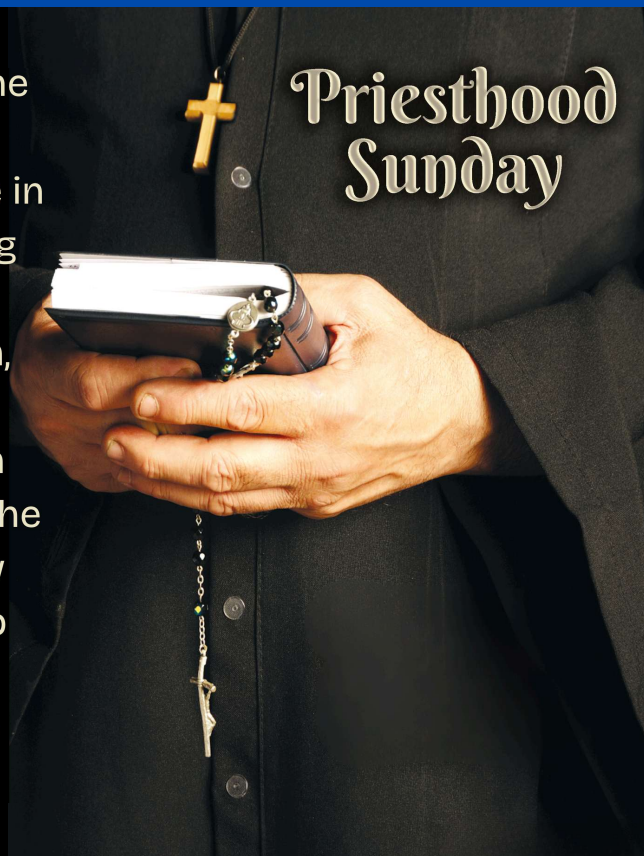
A Diocese of Venice Jubilee Pilgrimage Site

September 28, 2025

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of Fr. Tom, Fr. Mark, Fr. Jacob, and Fr. Len. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.



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

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Calendar and Mass Readings

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 28

7:00am Mass (Church)
9:00am Mass (Church)
9:30am K-8 Faith Formation (PAC & Claussen)
11:00am Mass (Church)
1:00pm Mass (Church)
5:00pm Mass (Church)

Monday, September 29

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm Trivia (Pulte Cafe)
6:00pm OCIA (Alexandria)

Tuesday, September 30

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:30am 7 Secrets of the Eucharist (Alexandria)
12:00pm Bible Timeline (Alexandria)
1:00pm Bingo (Pulte Cafe)
6:30pm Legion of Mary (Library)

Wednesday, October 1

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am Parish Breakfast (Pulte Cafe)
9:30am The Chosen (Nazareth)
5:00pm K-8 Faith Formation (PAC & Claussen)
5:00pm Parent Meeting-1st Communion (Nazareth)

Thursday, October 2

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am Faith Chat (Antioch)
6:30pm Young Adult Group (Alexandria)
7:00pm Men's Bible Study (Rooms 1&2)

Friday, October 3

8:30am Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am Novena to Sorrowful Mother (Church)
6:00pm First Friday Adoration (Church)
6:00pm Youth Group (Alexandria)

Saturday, October 4

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 14 on the Balance Sheet.*



WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of September 28, 2025

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

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. People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Christ, have mercy. People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: 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,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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!**

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.**

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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.**

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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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Thus says the LORD the God of hosts: Woe to the complacent in Zion! Lying upon beds of ivory, stretched comfortably on their couches, they eat lambs taken from the flock, and calves from the stall! Improvising to the music of the harp, like David, they devise their own accompaniment. They drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the best oils; yet they are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph! Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Blessed is he who keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.
The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The fatherless and the widow he sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Reading 2

1 Timothy 6:11-16

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ that the blessed and only ruler will make manifest at the proper time, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, and whom no human being has seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

Alleluia

Cf. 2 Corinthians 8:9

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.'

He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.'

But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.'

He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'

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Music for The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As We Gather at Your Table

NETTLETON

1. As we gath - er at your Ta - ble, As we lis - ten to your
2. Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness In the sac - ra - ment of
3. Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon Oth - er guests to share that

1. Word, Help us know, O God, your pres - ence: Let our
2. life; Send us forth to love and serve you, Bring - ing
3. feast Where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come Those who

1. hearts and minds be stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred
2. peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great com -
3. had been last and least. There no more will en - vy

1. sto - ry Till we claim it as our own; Teach us
2. pas - sion To for - give as you for - gave; May we
3. blind us Nor will pride our peace de - stroy, As we

1. through this ho - ly ban - quet How to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
2. still be - hold your im - age In the world you died to save.
3. join with saints and an - gels To re - peat the sound - ing joy.

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Praise the Lord, My Soul!

(Psalm 146)

Francesca LaRosa

(Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10)

Praise the Lord, my soul! Praise the Lord, my soul!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

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The Servant Song

Richard Gillard

1, 6. Will you let me be your ser-vant, Let me be as
2. We are pil-grims on a jour-ney, We are trav-'lers
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you In the night-time
4. I will weep when you are weep-ing; When you laugh I'll
5. When we sing to God in heav-en We shall find such

1, 6. Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace to
2. on the road; We are here to help each oth-er
3. of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
4. laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor-row
5. har-mo-ny, Born of all we've known to-geth-er

1, 6. Let you be my ser-vant, too.
2. Walk the mile and bear the load.
3. Speak the peace you long to hear.
4. 'Til we've seen this jour-ney through.
5. Of Christ's love and ag-o-ny.

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Ubi Caritas

Bob Hurd


Refrain: All
*U-bi ca-ri-tas est ve-ra, est ve-ra: De-us i-bi

Verses: Cantor/Choir
est, De-us i-bi est. 1. The love of Christ joins us to-
2. In true com-mu-nion let us
3. May we who gath-er at this
4. For those in need make us your
5. May we one day be-hold your

1. geth-er. Let us re-joice in him, and in our love and
2. gath-er. May all di-vi-sions cease and in their place be
3. ta-ble to share the bread of life be-come a sac-ra-
4. mer-cy, for those op-pressed, your might. Make us, your Church, a
5. glo-ry and see you face to face, re-joic-ing with the

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to Refrain



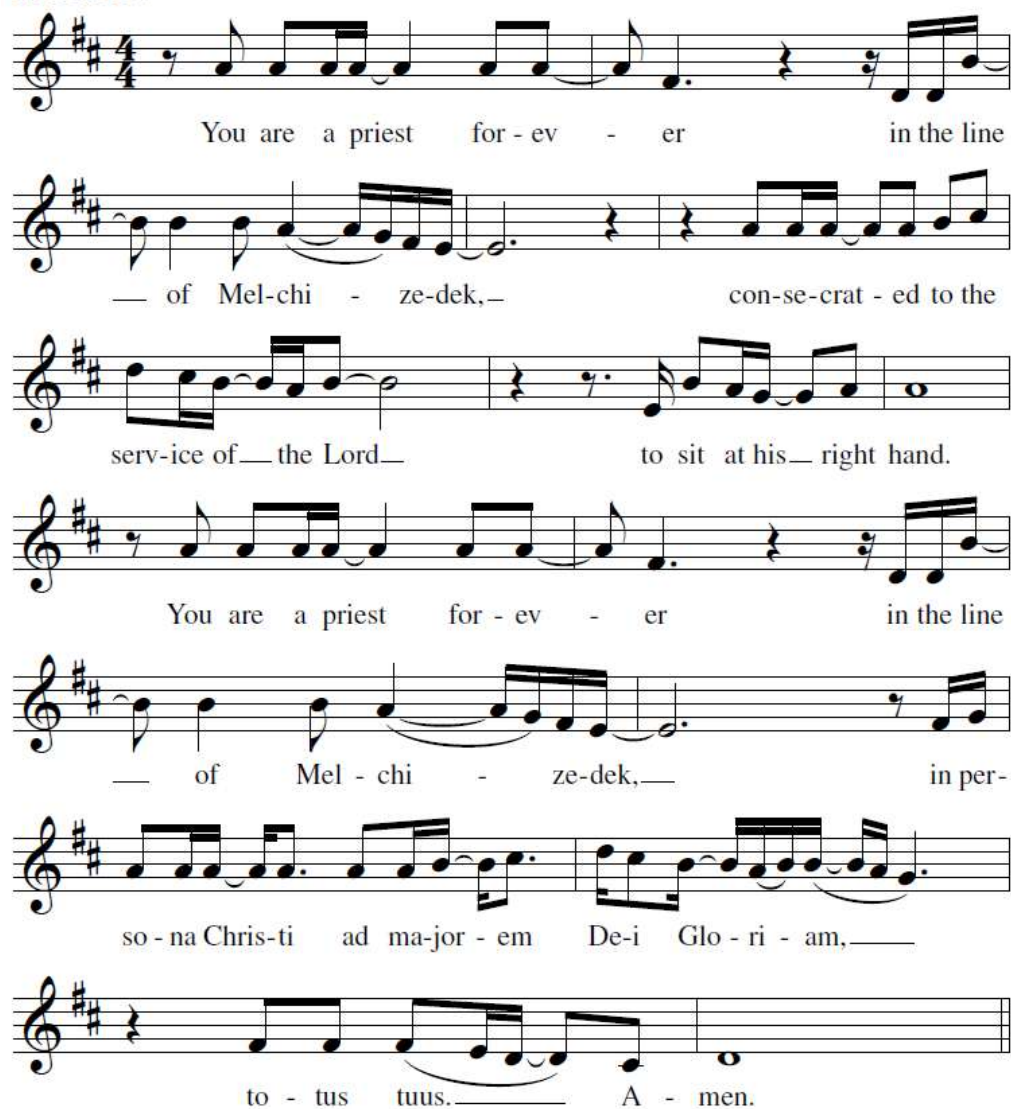
1. care for all now love God in re - turn.
 2. Christ the Lord, our ris - en Prince of Peace.
 3. ment of love, your heal - ing touch, O Christ.
 4. ho - ly sign of jus - tice and new life.
 5. saints of God to sing e - ter - nal praise.

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You are a Priest Forever

Brian Flynn

REFRAIN



You are a priest for - ev - er in the line
 — of Mel-chi - ze-dek, — con-se-crat - ed to the
 serv-ice of — the Lord — to sit at his — right hand.
 You are a priest for - ev - er in the line
 — of Mel - chi - ze-dek, — in per -
 so - na Chris-ti ad ma-jor - em De-i Glo - ri - am, —
 to - tus tuus. — A - men.

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Lord, You give the Great Commission

Jeffery Rowthorn

HYFRYDOL
Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887
Setting by Jeffrey Honoré

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
2. Lord, you call us to your serv - ice: "In my
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
4. Lord, you show us love's true meas - ure: "Fa - ther,
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the Church ne -
name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - son and the Gos - pel
trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant
earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life
pri - vate treas - ure all that you so
love re - stor - ing, may we serve as

go un - heard, help us wit - ness to your
meant for each, give us all new fer - vor,
heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the world a -
free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy
you in - tend, and, a - mid the cares that

pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty.
draw us clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.
round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty.
lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty.
claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us

for the work of min - is - try.

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Fr. Tom's Gospel Reflection

One night a wealthy man had a disturbing dream. In the dream he saw a crowd of poor, disease-ridden, starving people crying out to him for help. When he woke up the following morning, remembering his dream, he decided to embark on a crusade of good. He wasted no time but set out in his limo that very morning to see what needed to be done. He had only just passed through the main gate of his mansion when he saw a beggar-man sitting on the ground, his hand stretched out imploringly. The rich man was very upset on seeing the beggar's wretched condition. He hesitated for a moment, but then ordered his chauffeur to step on the gas. He couldn't afford to stop to attend to one beggar-man, no matter how wretched his condition.

He travelled the length and breadth of the city. He discovered that the problems were vaster, and the needs greater than he had imagined. As he returned home in the late evening his mind was overflowing with plans, schemes, and projects. The only problem was where to begin. Should he begin with a hospital, a school, a factory, or what?

As he came to the gate of his mansion he noticed that the beggar-man was still there, in the exact same position as in the morning. "Just imagine, that poor man has been sitting there all day in the burning heat!" he said to himself. Once again a wave of pity passed over him, but once again he passed by.

That night he had another dream. Again he heard cries for help. Except this time they were coming, not from a multitude of people, but from one individual. That individual was the beggar-man he had seen at his gate. When he woke up next morning he knew exactly where to begin. Mother Teresa says, "I always say that love starts at home: family first, then your town or city. It's easy to love people who are far away, but not so easy to love those who live with us or who are next door to us. I don't agree with the big way of doing things -love needs to start with an individual. To love a person, you must make contact with that person, become close. You have to let people come in contact with the poor. When you do that you cross this enormous divide. It's no longer these "millions" of people, but somebody you've actually touched."

She tells the following story: "Once in Bombay there was a big conference on poverty. When I reached the place, right in front of the door where hundreds of people were talking about food and hunger, I found a dying man. I took him to our home for the dying. He died there. He died of hunger. And the people inside were talking about how in fifteen years we will have so much food, so much this, so much that - and that man died.

"I never look at the masses as my responsibility. I look at the individual. I can only love one person at a time. I can feed only one person at a time. I picked up one person. Maybe if I hadn't picked up that one person I wouldn't have picked up 42,000. The whole work is only a drop in the ocean. But if I didn't put that drop in, the ocean would be one drop less. Same thing for you. Same thing in your family." The rich man could not have been expected to save the world. But he could have helped the beggar-man at his gate.

Locking the Church Doors

For security purposes, all Church doors (other than the Main Front doors) will be locked from the outside after the start of each Mass



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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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OFFERTORY

9/3/25 - 9/9/25

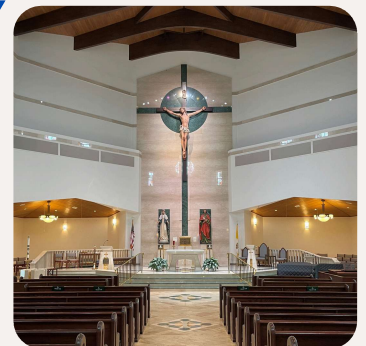
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9/10/25 - 9/16/25

\$46,975.40

Total Households

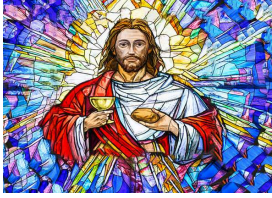
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MEMORIAL GARDEN

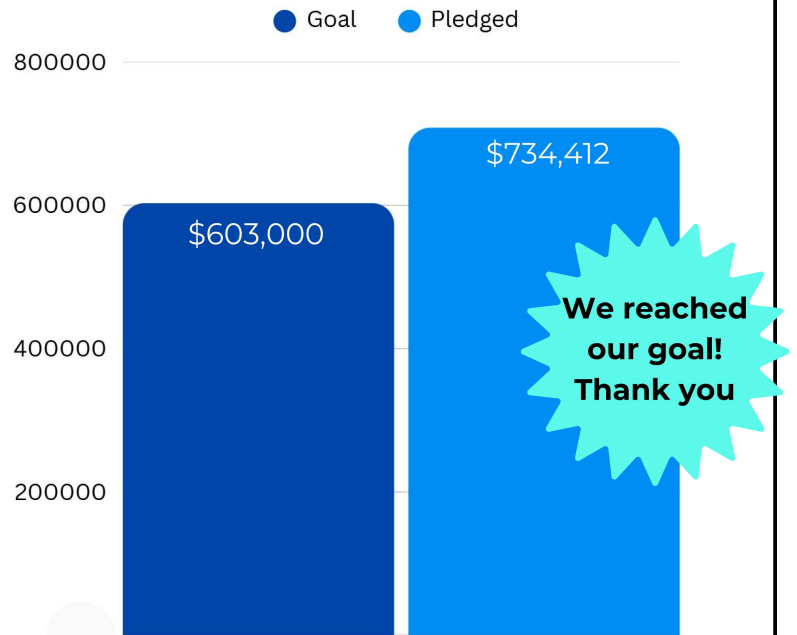
To maintain the dignity of our Memorial Garden, permanent plants, artificial flowers, statues, balloons, pinwheels, vigil lights, breakable objects, rocks, food, and alcohol are not permitted on the memorial markers. Additionally, we do not permit adornments that are considered hazardous to personnel 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



TO DONATE TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL:

- Use a contribution envelope from the CFA table in the Narthex
- Give directly on the Diocese of Venice website at dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa
- Scan the QR code to be directed to the Diocese of Venice CFA page



121.79% to Goal; 13.27% of Households Contributing

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc., is committed to providing a wide range of assistance to people throughout Southwest Florida. The ever-increasing needs of vulnerable populations are served through 21 sites, offering outreach services that focus on food security, housing, anti-human trafficking, behavioral health, immigration and youth development.

1,268 PROVIDED HOUSING

\$4,180,666 DIRECT ASSISTANCE

10,262 SERVICES TO SENIORS

1,182 LEGAL IMMIGRATION SERVICES

10,546 CHILD AND ADULT EDUCATION

39,424 PANTRY AND FOOD SERVICES

4,597 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

5,267 SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING



Around the Diocese

31st Annual UNDY SUNDAY IS BACK!



Oct. 18/19 and
Oct. 25/26

Thanks to your generosity, thousands of underserved elementary school children in Collier County will have the comfort and dignity of new socks and underwear. Please consider donating new, unused socks and underwear in children's sizes Small, Medium, and Large (ages 5-14).

Four Ways to Give:

1. Bring New Socks & Underwear to Church & Drop in the Bins Located at the Exits
2. Donate on our Amazon Wish List
3. Make a Monetary Donation Online:
www.CatholicCharitiesDov.org
4. Scan the QR Code with Your Phone

Amazon

To learn more, contact:
Allegra (239) 793-0059,
abelliard@ccdov.org or
Lily
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lcasanova@ccdov.org

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FREE ROSARY REPAIR SERVICE

We have lots of Parts. Send your broken rosaries in a padded envelope to:

Betty and Dick Holden
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Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931



They will be repaired and returned to you within a week of receipt. Donations of old and broken rosaries are also accepted which will be repaired and sent on to missions. Include a note indicating repair and return to me OR this is a donation.

Dick cell-239-463-3993

Betty – 860-595-6370 or email
holdenbnd@gmail.com

Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us for adoration with benediction on the First Friday of every month at 6:00pm and on the First Saturday of every month after the 8:30am Mass in the Church.

Visit our Adoration Chapel on the left side of the Church. For more information, please contact the Main Office

please join us for

24 HOUR ADORATION

*Every Thursday in the SJECC Chapel
we will have 24 hour adoration.*



**TO SIGN UP GO TO
www.adorationpro.org/SJECC**

My Soul Magnifies the Lord Eucharistic Rosary Congress



Mass Times:

October 8th: 8:30am

October 9th: 8:30am

Confession Times:

October 8th: 9:00am, 2:00pm, 6:00pm

Rosary Times:

Pray the Rosary at the start of each hour

Adoration:

October 8th: Adoration in the Church after Morning Mass until 7:00pm. After 7:00pm, the Adoration Chapel will be open with fob access

October 9th: 24-hour adoration in the Adoration Chapel. Sign up: adorationpro.org/SJECC



For more information:

Fr. Mark Harris, frmark@sjecc.com

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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.



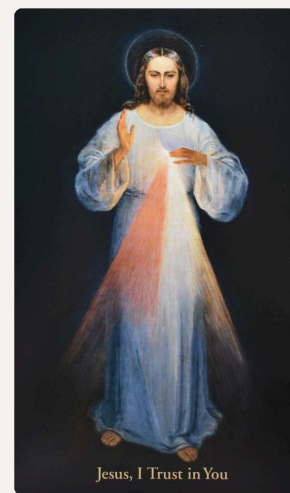
Weekly Divine Mercy Reflection

"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 35: Perceiving the Passion of the Lord

Do you understand the Passion of our Lord? Do you perceive His sufferings in your soul? This may, at first, seem undesirable. But perceiving the sufferings and Passion of our Lord is a great grace. As we perceive His suffering we must then encounter it and embrace it as our own. We must live His sufferings. In doing so, we begin to discover that His suffering is nothing other than divine love and Mercy. And we find that the love in His soul which endured all sufferings enables us to endure all things in love. Love endures everything and conquers everything. Let this holy and purified love consume you so that you can endure, in love, whatever you encounter in life (See Diary #46).

Gaze upon the crucifix this day. Gaze upon the perfect Sacrifice of Love. Gaze upon our God who willingly endured all things out of love for you. Ponder this great mystery of love in suffering and love in sacrifice. Understand it, accept it, love it and live it. Lord, Your Cross is the perfect example of sacrificial love. It's the purest and highest form of love ever known. Help me to understand this love and to accept it into my heart. And as I accept Your perfect Sacrifice of Love, help me to live that love in all that I do and in all that I am. Jesus, I trust in You.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 27, 2025

8:30 AM + Wayne Wincey
Vigil Masses for Sunday
 3:00 PM + Fred Copps
 5:00 PM + Donna Jannasch

Requested By

Rick, Karen, Jackson and Carter Beebe
 Betty and Phil Duff
 EM 5pm Mass

Sunday, September 28, 2025

7:00 AM + Tom Roettele
 9:00 AM + Beatrice Corcoran
 11:00 AM + Louis and Elizabeth Bolbrock
 1:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners
 5:00 PM + Simone and Nicole Glowaz
 Wine and Host + Christopher McLoughlin

Requested By

Carol Roettele
 Richard Corcoran
 Janis Bolbrock
 Raymond
 Judy Mattera and Mary Smith

Monday, September 29, 2025

8:30 AM + Thelma Varhach

Requested By

Tony Varhach

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

8:30 AM + Charles Berg

Requested By

Claire Conger

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

8:30 AM + Marty Sullivan

Requested By

Loretta Sullivan

Thursday, October 2, 2025

8:30 AM + Frank and Mary Lou Kreber

Requested By

Chris Higgins

Friday, October 3, 2025

8:30 AM + Roseann Foglio

Requested By

Nancy Tuck and Arthur Goldstein

Saturday, October 4, 2025

8:30 AM + Joseph Phong Nguyen

Requested By

Huong Tran

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Ozzie D'Addario
 5:00 PM + Martha and George Parry

Janet D'Addario
 Constance Parry

Sunday, October 5, 2025

7:00 AM + Mary A. Sherwood
 9:00 AM + Evelyn Addison
 11:00 AM + Timothy Pollard
 1:00 PM + Barbara Deborah Elefante
 5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners
 Wine and Host + Eileen Mary Mulligan

Vincent and Ann McMullin
 Ulanski Family
 Alexis Pollard
 Anthony Elefante
 Linda Donaldson

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.

Paul Barrus, Michael Mollerus , Nicholas Bianca, Stephan & Rita Mariani, Kenneth Baker



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.

Russ Albers	Peter and Phyllis Foti	Mary A.	Katheryn Shapiro
Michael Angelillo	Bettina Fouts	Patricia Matre	Bernard & Martina
John Anthony	Barbara and Lester Fuller	Lana McBride	Sherman
James B.	Trisha Gasiorowski	Elaine & Doug McCracken	John Sherman
Mandy Bailey	Bennett Gilbert	Salvatore Minardi	Bob Sims
Crystall Ball	Lucretia Gilbert	Eileen Miner	Jimmy Sissman
Nancy Barragan	Bernadette Gilchrist	Maryann Mondragom	Nancy Sjostrom
Maribeth Baumgartner	Fr. Len Gioeli	Giuliana Morse-Ballachino	Ila Stienly
Jerry Benedetto	Sam Greenberg	Mark Moss	Laura Stokes
Lucas Bernazzani	Peter Greenberg	Ed Naybar	Jeanne Stoll
Scott Bjornson	Jim Gurgone	Ibeth Noelia	Sally Stookey
Marjorie Blazevic	Gary Gwizdala	Cindy Orlando	Christopher Suki
Patty Bleicher	Paul Hagerty	Jim Pankau	Sue Sweeny
Kathy Brode	Eric Handler	Lisa Parisi	Catherine Szczerbaniuk
Erin Campbell	Terry Hansberry	Eric Parker	Ann Tran
Frank Carillo	Rebecca Hansberry	Barbara Pastine	Tuan Tran
Michael Cerankowski	Saralane Harrer	Judith Ann Patterson	Fernando Trevino
Chuck Chaffee	Fr. George Hazler	Frank Pawlowski	Lisa Marie Turner
Mr. and Mrs. Ciano	Hearson Family	Lynn Petrovic	Baby Utah V.
Darlene Clark	Elaine Hill	Gene Popielec	Raymond Vanasse
Domine Clemons	Evzen Hlavacek	Ludmila Pridalova	Diane VanderHorst
Monsignor Coll	Katie Hokanson	Robyn	Gina Vitale
Enrique Coloma	Amiel Horvath	David Russell	Mike Walker
Enrique Coloma	Fia Hutt	Peggy O'Neil Saba	Carol Watchmaker
Ken Coloma, Sr	Cici Hutt	Steve Salinas	Nancy Whiteman
Merlyn Comeriato	Joseph Iannuccilli	Lisa Sanfelippo	Mary Lou Widloski
Francine Crawford	Cynthia Johnson	Lee Schilling	Eugene D. Williams II
Rich Davidson	H. K.	Thomas Scudero	Lothar Winklbauer
George Deuchar	Baby Bayli Kaufman	Enrico Senatore	Harry Witt
Phyllis Devlin	Tim Keating	Wendy Sequeira	Paul Wyzoski
Julie Dieter	Yvonne Keenan		
Donna Dimare	Michelle Kelley		
Daniel Drobenko	Basia Koser		
Tom Duncan	Hannah K & Kathleen Kotscher		
Megan Ebert	Richard Kruger		
Baby Bennett Edington	Clayton Kunkle		
Danielle Eisenberg	Frank Landi		
Joan Eisenberg Smith	Jeana Lang		
Tom Endres	Christina Le		
Elkin Escobar	Myles Levy-Vixler		
Evans Family	Denise Lindheim		
Tim Faust	Baby Hudson Matthew Lopez		
Pattie Fawcett	Nancy Lukasik		
Denise Fisher Moss	Bob Lutz		
Raymond Foley	Patricia Mapre		
Darlene Follese	Deb Marsh		
Ronald Fongemie	Lonnie Martin		
Ronald Forbis II	Laurel Martone		

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.



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
1st Lieutenant Dwight Fritz III, Marines
SFC Lon Giancola
Sgt. Amir Gonzalez- US Marine Corps
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
Senior Airman Spencer Kanar- US Airforce
Drew Kendall – Petty Officer U.S. Navy
Capt. Ashlyn M. Kennedy, USMC Quantico
Senior Airman Jack Kirk, US Airforce
Max Koepl - Midshipman, USMMA, Kings Point, NY
Sgt. Nicholas LaManna
Captain William E. McDonnell-US Marine Corps
Midshipman Brady McDonough- US Naval Academy
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
Alex Noble- Air Force
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

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 9:30 a.m. in the Antioch Room of the Claussen Center. All are welcome to join us for this study. Coffee and snacks are provided. This week we will begin our study in the Old Testament with The Book Of Esther. We will discuss the first four chapters. For additional information please contact our Parish office: 239-566-8740.

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. 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 streaming 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 aff@sjecc.com and register at wellreadmom.com. The \$50 annual enrollment fee includes a Study Guide for all books for the year.

Ministry Opportunity: Eucharistic Ministers for the Homebound



St. John the Evangelist seeks prospective Eucharistic Ministers for the Homebound. We visit facilities, communities, and individual homes;

bringing Communion on a weekly basis, following morning Mass. If you would like further information, or would like to join this worthwhile ministry which reaches out to our parishioners currently unable to attend Mass, please send an email to mlkopenspaces@aol.com.

*Safe Environment training and fingerprinting are prerequisites for serving.

If you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Parish Office at 239.566.8740

Join us for the Legion of Mary

St. John The Evangelist

Tues | 6:30 p.m | Library Claussen Family Center

For more details:

sjeccadoration@gmail.com



Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother

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

Upcoming Dates:
October 3
November 7

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

Linens:

- 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.



LIFE CHAIN

Please join St. John's on October 5th from 2:30-3:30pm on the corner of US 41 and Immokolee Rd to promote Life. The Life Chain is a national, peaceful demonstration.



Saturdays @7:00am
in the Pulte Cafe

for more information:
brandonkaras1993@gmail.com

Ice Cream Social

Join us after the 11:00 Mass
in the Pulte Family Life
Center for fellowship and
ice cream!

October 5

Sponsored by the
Respect Life Team

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

**Sheila is a retired Nurse, whose car got sick.
We are helping make things healthy.**

Sheila (not her real name) drives Uber to supplement her social security. She also volunteers driving Seniors who can no longer drive. Mostly to Doctor appointments.

She also cares for her Mother, dealing with cancer. Her Son suffers from Crohn's disease, and she champions efforts to cure that.

Her car got sick, broke down. Getting repairs chewed up her rent payment. SVdP helped with the rent so the car could be repaired.

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

Your Support stays here in Naples and is deeply valued



BE PART OF THIS YEARS NOVEMBER 11TH 2025 VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

During "Veterans Day Week 2025", REMEMBER A VETERAN signs will be made available to anyone wishing to honor a Veteran or our Military during Veterans Day Week. 18x24 Signs will be located throughout the SJECC Campus with your personal message to honor a Veteran. Cost of the signs are \$75.00 per sign and are YOURS TO KEEP after Veterans Day Week display. Fill out the form below and DROP OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE or MAIL TO THE ADDRESS SHOWN WITH YOUR MESSAGE. EXAMPLE TO THE RIGHT



Your Name: _____ Address: _____ Town/State: _____ Phone/Email: _____

☐ **Attach Your Message:** Keep to three (3) Lines with Max 25 letters per line. If sending artwork, send word doc

to email address below. Use above artwork/message as example. Flag, "Thank you For your Service" is already included on signs.

☐ Number of Signs _____

☐ Enclosed check payable to AJ Corr Assembly 3308 - \$75.00 for each sign requested.

Contact BILL WARVEL Email: bill@sjecc.org Cell: 732-672-4109 for additional information.



Mail check/form/message (or drop off at SJECC Parish Office) to:
Knights of Columbus – AJ Corr Assembly 3308
625 111th Avenue North
Naples, FL 34108



Note: If you have a sign which you purchased last year, we will be happy to display it again. Just drop off at Parish Office

7 SECRETS OF THE EUCHARIST

A study based on Vinny Flynn's book:
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**.

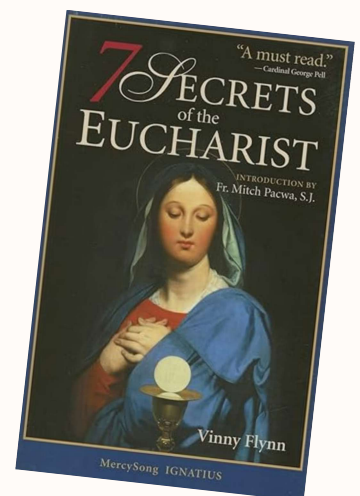
Dates: Tuesdays, September 30 – November 18
Time: 9:30-11 a.m.
Where: Alexandria Room in the Claussen Center
Facilitator: Jean Kechejian

To register:

Please send an email the Office of Faith Formation:

aff@sjecc.com

The book may be purchased in the Gift Shop for \$10

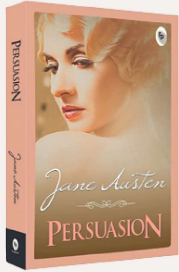


Adult Faith Formation

WELL READ MOM

OCTOBER READ:

Jane Austen's *Persuasion*



Join us as we meet to discuss our October selection on Wednesday, October 2nd from 6:30-8:00PM or Thursday, October 9th from 10:00-11:30AM. RSVP to aff@sjecc.com. We are looking to form a group with mom's in their 20s and 30s on Saturday morning once a month, please let us know if that interested you. 😊
Persuasion is available in our Gift Shop while supplies last for \$10.00.

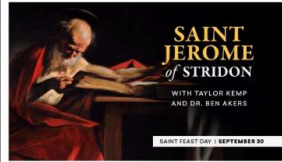
This Week on Formed

Week of September 28, 2025



St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.



St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

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

THIS WEEK IN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Monday, September 29

OCIA – 6:00PM
Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Tuesday, October 1

7 Secrets of the Eucharist – 9:30-11:00AM
Alexandria Room

Tuesday, September 30

Bible Timeline with Sue Hamilton - 12:00-1:30PM
Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center

Wednesday, October 2

CHOSEN- Season 5 Episode 1- 9:30-10:45AM Nazareth Room of the Pulte Family Life Center

Thursday, October 2

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

Thursday, October 2

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

WE ARE HIRING



DIRECTOR OF ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- Design and coordinate Adult Faith Formation opportunities such as speaker events, retreats, programs, and catechetical series
- Oversee and coordinate the OCIA process
- Organize Parish missions
- Recruit, train, and support volunteer catechists, mentors, and small group leaders
- Manage Adult Faith Formation resources and program logistics
- Coordinate communication and registration for all adult programs
- Promote programs through bulletin articles, parish website, social media, and other tools
- Practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church
- A degree in Theology, Religious Education, or a related field
- 3-5 years experience in Adult Faith Formation or Catechetical leadership
- Familiarity with current Church documents on catechesis and evangelization
- Excellent Leadership, organizational, and communication skills

TO APPLY: <https://myjobs.adp.com/dioceseofvenicecareers/>
or contact DRE Natalie Campbell: natalie@sjecc.com

Faith Formation

A GREAT OPENING WEEKEND TO HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION!

We had a wonderful opening weekend in High School Confirmation last weekend. Our Faith Formation Chaplain, Fr. Jacob, led our Year 1 Parents and Youth in a wonderful session together, while our Year 2 Catechists continued with those preparing for Confirmation this Spring. Together, we had close to 140 youth! Fr. Jacob blessed the new Bibles and catechisms given to each Year 1 youth and asked parents to bless their children often. We are blessed by our Confirmation Team filled with so many dedicated volunteers. If you have a calling to work with teens and be part of our team, please reach out to Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com



THIS WEEK IN YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, September 28 , 2025

- 9:30-10:45AM K-8th Grade Sunday Faith Formation
- 9:30-10:30AM First Communion Parent Meeting -Nazareth Room

Monday, September 29, 2025

- 6:00-8:00PM – Youth Ministry Open Gym for All High School Youth – Pulte Center Gym

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

- 12:30-2:30PM PreK- Atrium – Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 5:00-6:15PM – K-8 Wednesday Faith Formation
- 5:00-6:00PM- First Communion Parent Meeting -Nazareth Room

TEEN MOM BASKET PROJECT COMING SOON!

This year we will be supporting 14 babies as part of our Teen Basket Project! We are currently collecting baby wipes, baby shampoo, baby lotion, baby detergent, baby washcloths and baby towels.

Please bring your items to the Parish Office or contact Natalie Campbell for more information: natalie@sjecc.com

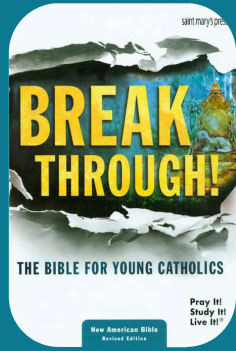
Thank you



Faith Formation

Breakthrough Bible
For Children on Sale
Now in the Gift Shop!

Especially great for
ages 10 and up.



Angels & Lambs Needed

We're looking for children to participate in two special events this Christmas Season -A Night in Bethlehem and Christmas Eve Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to be part of the Christmas story and share the joy of the season with our parish community! For information or to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A44A5A62FA5FE3-57402353-childrens#/>



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St. Therese | Littlest Saints

Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.

Our parish has a free Formed subscription for you! Simply scan the QR code or visit formed.org/signup to create your account and select our parish to get free access to this content and much more!



**VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL**
SAVE THE DATE
JUNE 8-12

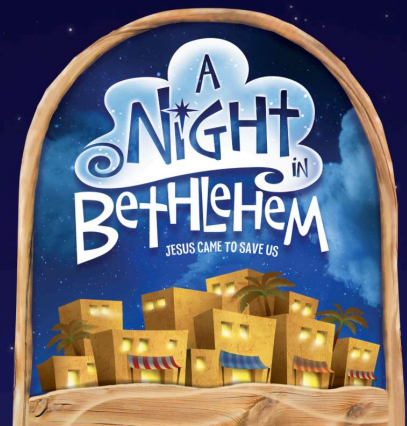
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OPENS MARCH 1ST, 2026

YOUTH REGISTRATION
OPENS TO PARISHIONERS JANUARY 1ST

RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God

TICKETS NOW ON SALE!

A Night in Bethlehem
Wednesday, December 10th 5-7PM



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/night-in-bethlehem-st-john-the-evangelist-catholic-church-2025-tickets-1640795125389?aff=oddtcreator>

Youth Ministry



WELCOME BACK MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP!

Join us **Friday, October 3rd from 6 to 8pm** for our middle school youth group kickoff in Alexandria of the Claussen Center.

We will have a packed evening of games, pizza, hangout, prayer, discussion, and gym time. Bring a friend! Scan the QR code or contact Max for further details, and registration. Hope to see you there!



UPCOMING DATES

October 3rd
November 7th
December 5th



[HTTPS://SJEC.ORG/NEWS/YOUTH-GROUP/](https://sjec.org/news/youth-group/)

MAX BERMAN
ASST. YOUTH MINISTER
MAX@SJEC.COM



HIGH SCHOOL OPEN GYM NIGHTS

EVERY MONDAY FROM 6 P.M. TO 8 P.M. IN THE PULTE CENTER!

VOLLEYBALL
BASKETBALL
& MORE!

PICKLEBALL
SPIKE BALL

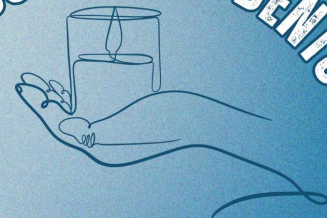
JOIN OUR GROUPME
FOR LIVE UPDATES!



Parents

PARENT Prayer Night

FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS



FATHER,
IN YOUR WISDOM AND LOVE, YOU SURROUND US
WITH THE MYSTERIES OF THE UNIVERSE. SEND
YOUR SPIRIT UPON THESE STUDENTS AND FILL
THEM WITH YOUR WISDOM AND BLESSINGS.
GRANT THAT THEY MAY DEVOTE THEMSELVES TO
THEIR STUDIES AND DRAW EVER CLOSER TO YOU,
THE SOURCE OF ALL KNOWLEDGE.
WE ASK THIS THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD.
AMEN.

FOR PARENTS WITH
CHILDREN IN COLLEGE...

LIGHT A CANDLE WITH
US AND PRAY.

PRAYER SERVICE
CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY
MINI-CARE PACKAGES
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

OCTOBER 28 | 6 P.M.-7 P.M.
CLAUSSEN CENTER - ALEXANDRIA ROOM

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MAX BERMAN AT
MAX@SJEC.COM OR NATALIE CAMPBELL AT
NATALIE@SJEC.COM

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE, OR
USE THE LINK TO REGISTER!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!



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THANK YOU!!

From the Young Adult Group, we sincerely thank the St. John's parish for generously donating money and toiletries to the toiletry kit fundraiser! Thanks to you, we raised **\$2,400**, and collected a bunch of donated items, which has allowed us to purchase and package 325 hygiene kits for Catholic Charities in Immokalee. God bless you all!!



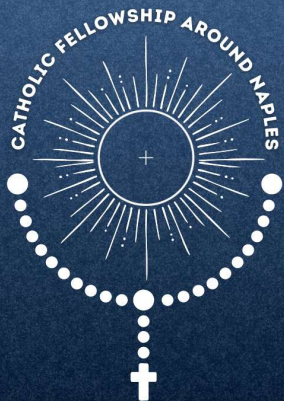
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YOUNG ADULT GROUP

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE CLAUSSEN CENTER,
ALEXANDRIA ROOM!

- WEEKLY GATHERINGS
- SOCIAL EVENTS
- SERVICE PROJECTS

- ADORATION
- DISCUSSIONS
- PRAYER



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Fiat ministries DISCERNMENT RETREAT

DIOCESE OF VENICE, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 10 - 12, 2025

Calling all single women, ages 18-30! You are invited to attend the upcoming Fiat Ministries Discernment Retreat at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat and Spirituality Center in Venice, FL**. This retreat is led by Team Fiat, a dynamic group of lay women passionate about supporting other young women. Team Fiat partners with consecrated religious sisters from various communities who assist at the retreat by giving talks, leading small groups, giving their testimonies, and providing a joyful witness of what it means to be a consecrated religious sister. Join us in seeking God's will for your life! The cost to attend is **\$50**.

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Events & Programs



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

1:00 P.M.

\$20 - 10 GAMES - CASH PRIZES

PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

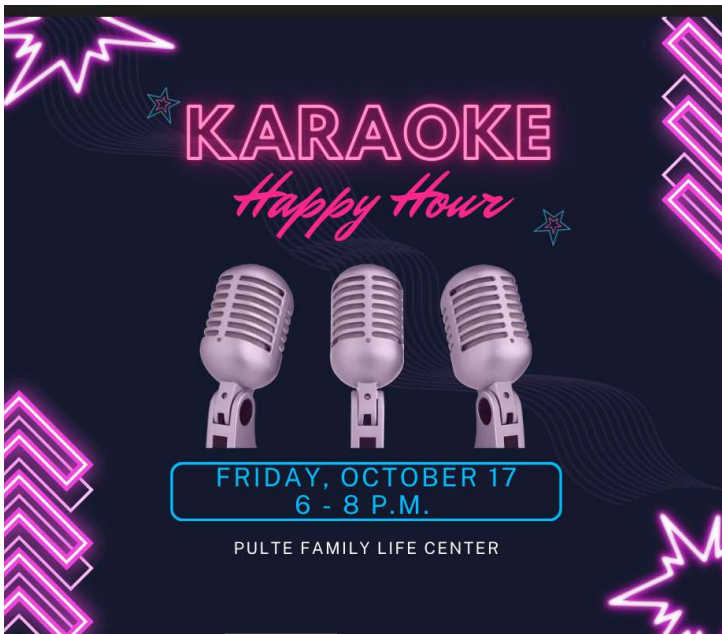


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST Parish Breakfast

Breakfast Favorites: Eggs, Potatoes, Bacon,
Sausage, French Toast, Fruit, Coffee, and Juice

Wednesdays after Morning Mass
Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

Free for parishioners and guests
Donations are gratefully accepted



Fun & Games in Pulte

Did you know that our Pulte Family Life Center has a variety of board games for our parishioners to play? Stop by during business hours and enjoy a fun time with your family or friends.



Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 4 at 10:00am

St. John the Evangelist Church
Prayer Garden



To mark the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a short blessing for the animals who share our homes and lives. We invite you to bring your well-behaved pet or photos of pets who don't travel/have passed away.



Adult Paint & Wine

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Pulte Family Life Center Cafe

Sign up on Eventbrite or
contact Jamie at the Pulte Center



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adult-paint-night-fall-tickets-1729468891009?aff=oddtcreator>

Gulfshore Ballet Presents The Nutcracker

SAVE THE DATE
December 6



Save the Date!



Saturday, January 24 & Sunday, January 25

Food, music, games & fun for all ages!

St. John the Evangelist
CHEERS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

HAPPY HOUR

SAVE
THE DATE
JANUARY 30



Save the Date

Luxury BINGO

fundraiser

Amazing prizes


March 7, 2026



SAVE THE DATE

DOMINE CLEMONS

A THANK YOU CONCERT FOR OUR
PARISHIONERS AND COMMUNITY



MARCH 13

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH
NAPLES, FL

SAVE THE DATE!

BEE GEES

Concert

MARCH 20
6:00PM
PULTE GYM



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