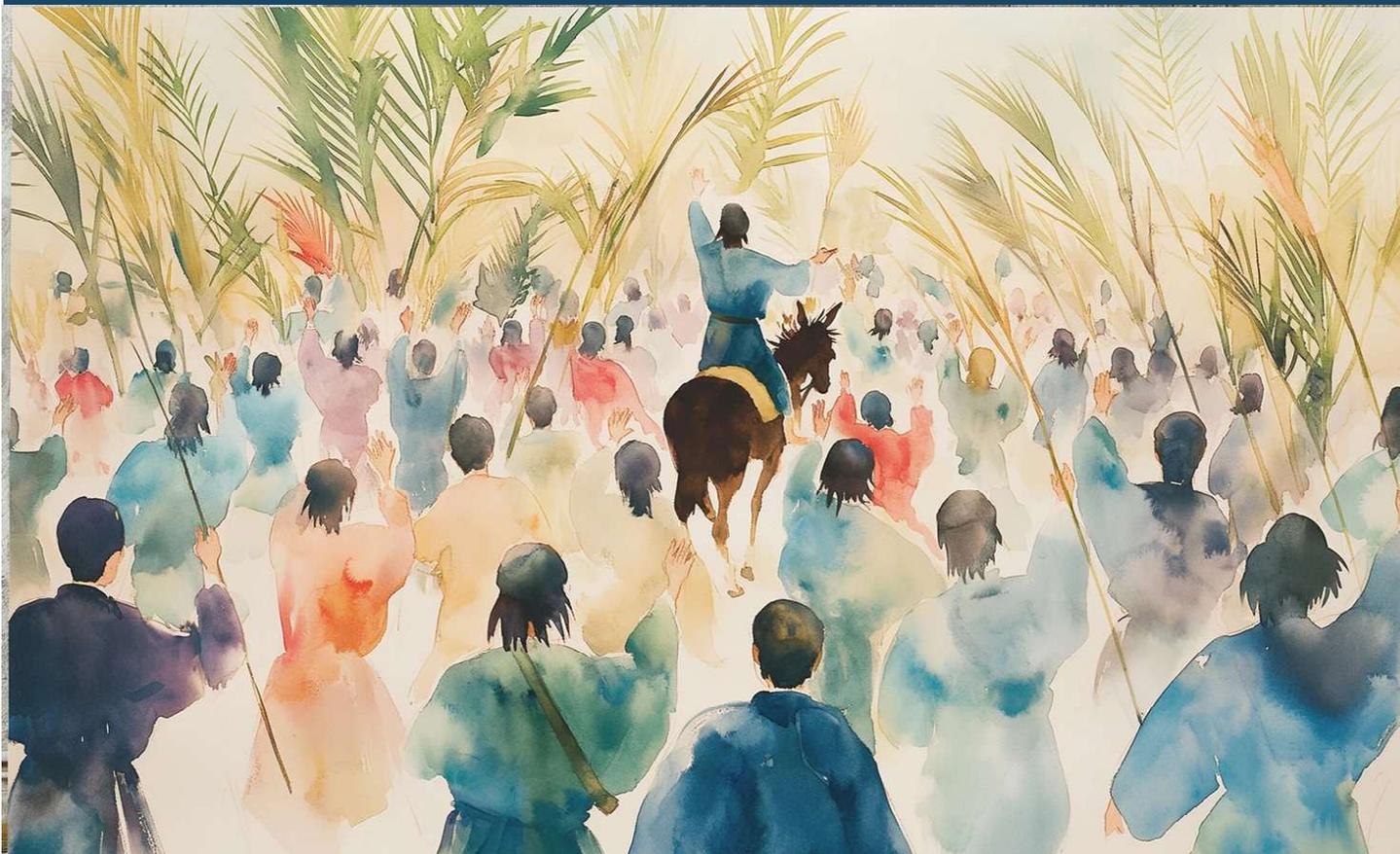


# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

March 29, 2026 - Palm Sunday



## **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.

## **A Prayer for World Peace**

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

## **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

## Holy Week Schedule

### Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil: 3:00pm & 5:00pm  
Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm, 5:00pm  
Overflow Mass in the Ballroom at 9:15am and 11:15am

### Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer: 8:30am  
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00pm

### Good Friday

Morning Prayer: 8:30am  
The Passion of the Lord: 3:00pm  
Family Stations of the Cross: 6:00pm (Church)  
**No 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration during Holy Week**

### Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer: 8:30am  
Easter Vigil: 8:00pm  
**No 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Adoration during Holy Week**

### Easter Sunday

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm, 5:00pm  
Overflow Mass in the Ballroom at 9:15am and 11:15am

## Lenten Penance Services in our Area

Tuesday, March 31st  
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish | 6PM | 5225 Golden Gate Pkwy, Naples



### Hallow

## Pray Every Day this Lent



## Journey Together in Prayer

This Lent, our parish invites you to join Hallow's **Lent Pray40** prayer challenge, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18. Available on our parish page in the Hallow app — with or without a subscription — Lent Pray40 is an opportunity for our entire parish community to journey together in daily prayer and reflection throughout Lent.

A Kids' Lent Challenge will also be available on our parish page starting on Ash Wednesday, offering families with children an engaging and meaningful way to experience Lent together.

More details about this year's Lent Pray40 theme — including the special guides who will walk with us each day — will be released soon. The Lent Pray40 waitlist is available now on our Hallow parish page.

As a parish partnered with Hallow, our parish page is a place to join prayer challenges, share prayer intentions, and connect more deeply with our parish family. Join us as we walk together into Lent, alongside our Pastor and the whole community.



Hallow  
St. John the Evangelist



TUESDAY, MARCH 31

# CHRISM MASS

St. Leo the Great Parish  
Bonita Springs  
10:30am

## Lenten Services

### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8:30am and 5:30pm  
Saturday: 8:30am

### Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday: 9:00am  
Saturday: 9:00am and 2:00pm

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 12:00pm in the Church

# Parish Information

## Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed), 5:30pm (Lent)

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

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

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# Calendar and Mass Readings

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 29

7:00am	Mass (Church)
9:00am	Mass (Church)
9:15am	Overflow Mass (Ballroom)
9:30am	K-8 Faith Formation (PAC & Claussen)
11:00am	Mass (Church)
11:15am	Overflow Mass (Ballroom)
1:00pm	Mass (Church)
3:30pm	Confirmation (PAC & Claussen)
5:00pm	Mass (Church)

### Monday, March 30

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
5:30pm	Daily Mass (Church)

### Tuesday, March 31

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
9:30am	Bereavement Group (PLC Classroom 8)
12:00pm	Foundations of Faith (Alexandria)
5:30pm	Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm	St. Therese Study (Alexandria)
6:30pm	Legion of Mary (PAC Classrooms 11&12)

### Wednesday, April 1

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
5:00pm	K-8 Faith Formation (PAC & Claussen)
5:30pm	Daily Mass (Church)

### Thursday, April 2 [Parish Office close @ noon](#)

8:30am	Morning Prayer (Church)
9:00am	Faith Chat (New Antioch)
9:00am	Waiting in Love-Grandparents (Rome)
7:00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church)

### Friday, April 3 - [Parish Office closed](#)

8:30am	Morning Prayer (Church)
12:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (Church)
3:00 pm	The Passion of the Lord (Church)
6:00pm	Family Stations of the Cross (Church)

### Saturday, April 4

7:00am	TMIY (Pulte Cafe)
8:30am	Morning Prayer (Church)
8:30am	Easter Egg Hunt (Pulte Cafe)
1:00 pm	Blessing of the Easter Baskets (Church)
8:00pm	Easter Vigil (Church)

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

**Saturday:** Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/ Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/ Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/ Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/

## 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 are not present).

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

- 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.

## FIND CHIARA

This year, our Faith Formation Students learned about Blessed Chiara Badano. Each week in the bulletin, an 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. Last week she was on page 21 in the St. Francis article.



# 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.**

# 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!**

## Readings for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

### At the Procession with Palms - Gospel

#### Matthew 21:1-11

When Jesus and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them,

"Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once."

This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: Say to daughter Zion,

"Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest."

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?"

And the crowds replied,

"This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

### At the Mass - Reading I

#### Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

### Responsorial Psalm

#### Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me scoff at me;  
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads:

"He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,  
let him rescue him, if he loves him."

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

Indeed, many dogs surround me,  
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;  
They have pierced my hands and my feet;  
I can count all my bones.

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

They divide my garments among them,  
and for my vesture they cast lots.

But you, O LORD, be not far from me;  
O my help, hasten to aid me.

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

I will proclaim your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:

"You who fear the LORD, praise him;  
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;  
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

### Reading II

#### Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### Verse before the Gospel

#### Philippians 2:8-9

Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

# Readings for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

## THE PASSION OF THE LORD FOR PALM SUNDAY

### THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Matthew 26:14–27:66 or 27:11–54 (Year A)

*The Passion according to St. Matthew is proclaimed by the Deacon, or if there is no Deacon, by the Priest. It may also be read by lay readers, with the part of Christ reserved to the Priest, if possible. Speakers in the Passion Narrative are represented by these abbreviations:*

N. – Narrator  
† – Christ

V. – Voice  
C. – Crowd

*(Include bracketed text for Long Form and text in parentheses for Short Form)*

- N. The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
[One of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,  
V. "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?"  
N. They paid him thirty pieces of silver, and from that time on he looked for an opportunity to hand him over.  
On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples approached Jesus and said,  
V. "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover?"  
N. He said,  
† "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The teacher says, "My appointed time draws near; in your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples.'"  
N. The disciples then did as Jesus had ordered, and prepared the Passover.  
When it was evening, he reclined at table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said,  
† "Amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me."  
N. Deeply distressed at this, they began to say to him one after another,  
V. "Surely it is not I, Lord?"  
N. He said in reply,  
† "He who has dipped his hand into the dish with me is the one who will betray me. The Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born."  
N. Then Judas, his betrayer, said in reply,  
V. "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?"  
N. He answered,  
† "You have said so."
- N. While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said,  
† "Take and eat; this is my body."  
N. Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying,  
† "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, from now on I shall not drink this fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father."  
N. Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.  
Then Jesus said to them,  
† "This night all of you will have your faith in me shaken, for it is written:  
*I will strike the shepherd,  
and the sheep of the flock will be dispersed;*  
but after I have been raised up, I shall go before you to Galilee."  
N. Peter said to him in reply,  
V. "Though all may have their faith in you shaken, mine will never be."  
N. Jesus said to him,  
† "Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."  
N. Peter said to him,  
V. "Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you."  
N. And all the disciples spoke likewise.  
Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples,  
† "Sit here while I go over there and pray."  
N. He took along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to feel sorrow and distress. Then he said to them,

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- † "My soul is sorrowful even to death.  
Remain here and keep watch with me."
- N. He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying,
- † "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."
- N. When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter,
- † "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."
- N. Withdrawing a second time, he prayed again,
- † "My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without my drinking it, your will be done!"
- N. Then he returned once more and found them asleep, for they could not keep their eyes open. He left them and withdrew again and prayed a third time, saying the same thing again. Then he returned to his disciples and said to them,
- † "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand when the Son of Man is to be handed over to sinners. Get up, let us go. Look, my betrayer is at hand."
- N. While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a large crowd, with swords and clubs, who had come from the chief priests and the elders of the people. His betrayer had arranged a sign with them, saying,
- V. "The man I shall kiss is the one; arrest him."
- N. Immediately he went over to Jesus and said,
- V. "Hail, Rabbi!"
- N. and he kissed him. Jesus answered him,
- † "Friend, do what you have come for."
- N. Then stepping forward they laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. And behold, one of those who accompanied Jesus put his hand to his sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,
- † "Put your sword back into its sheath, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot call upon my Father and he will not provide me at this moment with more than twelve legions of angels? But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled which say that it must come to pass in this way?"
- N. At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,
- † "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize me? Day after day I sat teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest me. But all this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled."
- N. Then all the disciples left him and fled. Those who had arrested Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. Peter was following him at a distance as far as the high priest's courtyard, and going inside he sat down with the servants to see the outcome. The chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin kept trying to obtain false testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. Finally two came forward who stated,
- C. "This man said, 'I can destroy the temple of God and within three days rebuild it.'"**
- N. The high priest rose and addressed him,
- V. "Have you no answer? What are these men testifying against you?"
- N. But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,
- V. "I order you to tell us under oath before the living God whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."
- N. Jesus said to him in reply,
- † "You have said so. But I tell you:  
From now on you will see  
'the Son of Man  
seated at the right hand of  
the Power'  
and 'coming on the clouds  
of heaven.'"
- N. Then the high priest tore his robes and said,
- V. "He has blasphemed! What further

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need have we of witnesses? You have now heard the blasphemy; what is your opinion?"

N. They said in reply,

**C. "He deserves to die!"**

N. Then they spat in his face and struck him, while some slapped him, saying,

**C. "Prophecy for us, Christ: who is it that struck you?"**

N. Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. One of the maids came over to him and said,

**C. "You too were with Jesus the Galilean."**

N. But he denied it in front of everyone, saying,

V. "I do not know what you are talking about!"

N. As he went out to the gate, another girl saw him and said to those who were there,

**C. "This man was with Jesus the Nazorean."**

N. Again he denied it with an oath,

V. "I do not know the man!"

N. A little later the bystanders came over and said to Peter,

**C. "Surely you too are one of them; even your speech gives you away."**

N. At that he began to curse and to swear,

V. "I do not know the man."

N. And immediately a cock crowed. Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had spoken: "Before the cock crows you will deny me three times." He went out and began to weep bitterly.

When it was morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, the governor.

Then Judas, his betrayer, seeing that Jesus had been condemned, deeply regretted what he had done. He returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying,

V. "I have sinned in betraying innocent blood."

N. They said,

**C. "What is that to us? Look to it yourself."**

N. Flinging the money into the temple, he departed and went off and hanged himself. The chief priests gathered up the money, but said,

**C. "It is not lawful to deposit this in the temple treasury, for it is the price of blood."**

N. After consultation, they used it to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. That is why that field even today is called the Field of Blood. Then was fulfilled what had been said through Jeremiah the prophet, *And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of a man with a price on his head, a price set by some of the Israelites, and they paid it out for the potter's field just as the Lord had commanded me.*

Now] Jesus stood before the governor, (Pontius Pilate,) and he questioned him,

V. "Are you the king of the Jews?"

N. Jesus said,

† "You say so."

N. And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then Pilate said to him,

V. "Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you?"

N. But he did not answer him one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast the governor was accustomed to release to the crowd one prisoner whom they wished. And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had assembled, Pilate said to them,

V. "Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus called Christ?"

N. For he knew that it was out of envy that they had handed him over. While he was still seated on the bench, his wife sent him a message, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man. I suffered much in a dream today because of him." The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The governor said to them in reply,

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- V. "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"
- N. They answered,
- C. "Barabbas!"**
- N. Pilate said to them,
- V. "Then what shall I do with Jesus called Christ?"
- N. They all said,
- C. "Let him be crucified!"**
- N. But he said,
- V. "Why? What evil has he done?"
- N. They only shouted the louder,
- C. "Let him be crucified!"**
- N. When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying,
- V. "I am innocent of this man's blood. Look to it yourselves."
- N. And the whole people said in reply,
- C. "His blood be upon us and upon our children."**
- N. Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged, he handed him over to be crucified.
- Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying,
- C. "Hail, King of the Jews!"**
- N. They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him.
- As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross.
- And when they came to a place called Golgotha—which means Place of the Skull—, they gave Jesus wine to drink mixed with gall. But when he had tasted it, he refused to drink. After they had crucified him, they divided his garments by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And they placed over his head the written charge against him: This is Jesus, the King of the Jews. Two revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and the other on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying,
- C. "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross!"**
- N. Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said,
- C. "He saved others; he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now if he wants him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"**
- N. The revolutionaries who were crucified with him also kept abusing him in the same way.
- From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice,
- † "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"
- N. which means,
- † "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- N. Some of the bystanders who heard it said,
- C. "This one is calling for Elijah."**
- N. Immediately one of them ran to get a sponge; he soaked it in wine, and putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink. But the rest said,
- C. "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to save him."**
- N. But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit.
- Here all kneel and pause for a short time.*
- N. And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth quaked, rocks were split, tombs were opened, and the bodies of many saints who had fallen asleep were raised. And coming forth from their tombs after his resurrection, they

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entered the holy city and appeared to many. The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said,

**C. "Truly, this was the Son of God!"**

N. [There were many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him. Among them were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph, who was himself a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be handed over. Taking the body, Joseph wrapped it in clean linen and laid it in his new tomb that he had hewn in the rock. Then he rolled a huge stone across the entrance to

the tomb and departed. But Mary Magdalene and the other Mary remained sitting there, facing the tomb.

The next day, the one following the day of preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,

**C. "Sir, we remember that this impostor while still alive said, 'After three days I will be raised up.' Give orders, then, that the grave be secured until the third day, lest his disciples come and steal him and say to the people, 'He has been raised from the dead.' This last imposture would be worse than the first."**

N. Pilate said to them,

V. "The guard is yours; go, secure it as best you can."

N. So they went and secured the tomb by fixing a seal to the stone and setting the guard.]

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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### Hosanna to the Son of David

Chant, Mode VII



Ho-san - na to the Son of Da - vid; bless-ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord, the King of Is -  
ra - el. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

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## All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

1-5. All glo-ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem-er King!

1-5. To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho-san-nas ring.

1. You are the King of Is - ra - el, And Da-vid's roy - al Son,  
2. The com-pa - ny of an - gels Are prais-ing you on high;  
3. The peo-ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore you went:  
4. To you be-fore your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise:  
5. Their prais-es you ac - cept - ed, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

1. Now in the Lord's Name com - ing, Our King and Bless-ed One.  
2. And mor - tals, joined with all\_ things Cre - a - ted, make re - ply.  
3. Our praise and prayers and an - thems Be - fore you we pre-sent.  
4. To you, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel-o - dy we raise.  
5. Great source of love and good - ness, Our Sav-ior and our King.

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Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635.

## My God, My God

Ps. 21

Liam Lawton

My God, my God, why have you a -  
ban-doned me? Why have you for - sak - en me?

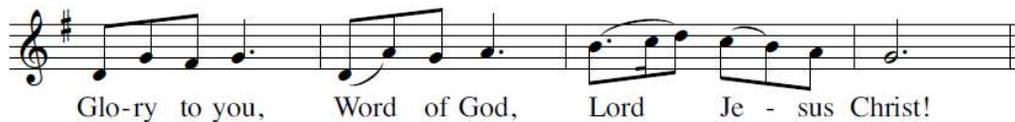
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## Lenten Gospel Acclamation

Refrain

Glo-ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.

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## O Sacred Head, Surrounded

1a. O Sacred Head, surrounded  
 By crown of piercing thorn!  
 O bleeding Head, so wounded,  
 Reviled and put to scorn!  
 The pow'r of death comes o'er you,  
 The glow of life decays,  
 Yet angel hosts adore you,  
 And tremble as they gaze.

2a. In this, your bitter passion,  
 Good Shepherd, think of me  
 With your most kind compassion,  
 Unworthy though I be:  
 Beneath your cross abiding,  
 Forever would I rest,  
 In your dear love confiding,  
 And

3a. What language shall I borrow  
 To thank you, dearest friend,  
 For this, your dying sorrow,  
 Your mercy without end?  
 Lord, make me yours forever,  
 A loyal servant true,  
 And let me never, never  
 Outlive my love for you.

Text: 76 76 D; Salve caput cruentatum; ascr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153. Verses 1, 2 tr. by Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877, alt.; verse 3 tr. by James W. Alexander, 1804–1859, alt. Alternate verses: verse 1 tr. by Henry W. Baker, alt.; verse 2, Owen Alstott; verse 3, Owen Alstott, composite. Alternate verses 2, 3 © 1977, OCP. All rights reserved. Music: Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612; adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750.

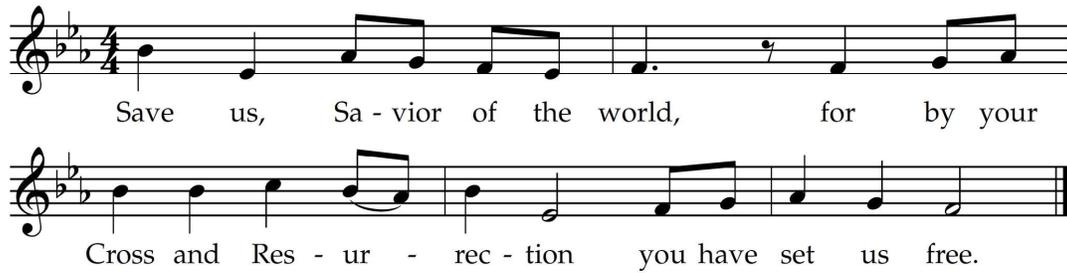
## Sanctus XVIII

Mass XVIII, Chant

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

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## Memorial Acclamation



Save us, Sa - vior of the world, for by your  
Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

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## Were You There

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

4. Were you there when the sun refused to shine?  
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

6. Were you there when they rolled the stone away?  
Were you there when they rolled the stone away?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they rolled the stone away?

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## Above All

### Verse 1

Above all powers above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began

### Chorus

Crucified laid behind the stone  
You lived to die rejected and alone  
Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all

### Verse 2

Above all kingdoms above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure  
What You're worth

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# Music for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

## Jesus, Remember Me

Jacques Berthier



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## Gift Shop

### ST. JOHN'S RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

Beautiful Easter items have arrived,  
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by our Sewing Ministry!



## Special Gift Shop Hours

**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>:**  
OPEN 9am-1pm

**The last day the gift shop will be  
open BEFORE Easter will be  
Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**(Good Friday)**  
CLOSED

**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Holy Saturday)**  
CLOSED

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Easter Sunday)**  
OPEN 8:30am-1:00pm

## Sacraments



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us for adoration with benediction on the First Friday of every month at 6:00 pm and on the First Saturday of every month after the 8:30 am 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  
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### 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](mailto: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.

### RECEIVING COMMUNION AT HOME

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

## Meaning Behind the Palms

The palms symbolize peace and victory.

It was customary during Jesus' time for people to pay homage by laying palm branches—or even clothes—in front of people who were owed a great amount of respect.

The Gospel of John tells of how Jesus was welcomed into the city mere days before his death:

*“When the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: ‘Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, (even) the king of Israel.’” (John 12: 12-13)*



Special Note:

If you receive the blessed Palms at Mass on Sunday, do not throw them away or discard them! Instead, return unwanted palms to your parish to be used in making ashes for Ash Wednesday the following year. According to Canon Law (1171), blessed items are to be treated with reverence. If there is a need to dispose of such items, they must be buried or burned.

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Make check payable to **JOP**

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## OFFERTORY

**3/4/26 - 3/10/26**

\$108,751.80

**3/11/26 - 3/17/26**

\$73,014.76

**Total Households**

3593



## RECTORY CAMPAIGN

A sincere THANK YOU to all who generously donated to our Rectory Campaign. We are pleased to announce that the campaign has officially closed. Any donation toward the campaign received after March 1 will be considered as tithe. Again, thank you to all who contributed. Our priests are humbled by your kindness and are enjoying their new homes.



# Catholic Faith Appeal

Dear Parish Family, In 2025, you contributed \$921,356 toward our Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) goal of \$603,000! We can't thank you enough for your generosity and support. And, because we surpassed our goal, \$234,552 will come back to the parish to further support our programs and ministries. Additionally, \$79,598 will be donated to a charitable cause of our choice within our Diocese.

Now, once again, we have been called to work together toward our 2026 goal. The needs in our communities are more pressing than ever, and your support will directly help those in Southwest Florida. St. John the Evangelist has been assigned a goal of \$650,000 for 2026. This year, we hope to also raise our household participation. In 2025, 15.52% of St. John the Evangelist households participated in our Catholic Faith Appeal, as compared to 17.23%-23.4% at our neighboring churches. With greater participation, we have the ability to do even more good works.

“Tell them to do good...be generous, ready to share.” (1 Tim 6:18)



Throughout the CFA campaign, we will highlight both personal stories about CFA as well as the programs and communities it supports. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving to the CFA. If you haven't given in the past, please know that every donation matters, and no amount is too small. To donate, please visit: <https://dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/cfa>, pick up a CFA envelope in the Narthex, or scan the QR code.

If you need assistance, please contact Colleen Donnelly, our Operations Manager, at: [colleen@sjecc.com](mailto:colleen@sjecc.com). Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity.

## Catholic Faith Appeal: Your Gift in Action



# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, March 28, 2026

8:30 AM + Michael Vizzari  
*Vigil Masses for Sunday*  
 3:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners  
 5:00 PM + Michael Blake

## Requested By

Todd and Edie Peterson  
  
 Gloria Blake

## Sunday, March 29, 2026

7:00 AM + Teresa Dep Pham  
 9:00 AM + James Conley  
 9:15 AM + Beatrice and Sharon Canosa  
 11:00 AM + Giovanna and Mario Colarossi  
 11:15 AM + Frank Downey  
 1:00 PM + Florence Deatherage  
 5:00 PM + Edward and Mary Maguire  
 Wine and Host + Bob Gundaker

## Requested By

Chi Hoang  
 Conley Family  
 Roxann Painter  
 Daughter  
 Votta Family  
 Constance Parry  
 Maguire Family  
 Pat Zewalk

## Monday, March 30, 2026

8:30 AM + Judy Mooney  
 5:30 PM + Rafael Deschamps

## Requested By

Betsy Mooney  
 Aura Hastings

## Tuesday, March 31, 2026

8:30 AM + Bob Stamant  
 5:30 PM + Alice Staniec

## Requested By

Jeanne  
 Staniec Family

## Wednesday, April 1, 2026

8:30 AM + Leo Hundt  
 5:30 PM + Phyllis White

## Requested By

Mary Lou Hundt  
 Maureen and Bob Murphy

## Thursday, April 2, 2026

8:30 AM Morning Prayer  
 7:00 PM + Mary Fournier

## Requested By

Roxann Painter

## Friday, April 3, 2026

8:30 AM Morning Prayer  
 3:00 PM The Passion of the Lord

## Requested By

## Saturday, April 4, 2026

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

## Requested By

*(Vigil Masses for Sunday)*

8:00 PM + Armeda Voss

Robert Voss, Jr.

## Sunday, April 5, 2026

7:00 AM + Teresa Dep Pham  
 9:00 AM + Shawn McWhirter  
 9:15 AM + Alex and Nancy Caprio  
 11:00 AM + Caterina and Antonio Tauro  
 11:15 AM + Tom Roettele  
 1:00 PM + Paul Adl  
 5:00 PM + Jean Kowalski  
 Wine and Host + Marcel Rajotte

Chi Hoang  
 Chres Reuter  
 Roxann Painter  
 Debora Tauro  
 Carol Roettele  
 His Wife, Alicja  
 Tom and Judy Lynch  
 Dianne and Tom Reilly

## 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

**Maureen O'Neill Phillips, Nancy Zilavy**



## 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.

Antoinette Acquaviva	Kelly Duncan	Murray Hunkin	Eric Parker
Rory Anderson	Elizabeth Dyer	Deanne Hutchinson-Pinto	Doris Patrao
Chidsey Ann	Baby Bennett Edington	Joseph Iannuccilli	Judith Ann Patterson
Frank Ashline	Robert Egan	William Jackson	Mary Ann Pembroke
James B.	Tom Endres	Sharon Johnson	John Petrovic
Angelo Babbo	Elkin Escobar	Debbie Jones	Fran Pishotti
Mandy Bailey	Kiera Fahey	Lynn K.	The Pleeter Family
Crystal Ball	Jeanne Faup	Lynne Keevan	Albert Previte
Eric Barker	Sal Ferrante	John Kegaly	Debbie Previte
Jennifer Basile	Merci Ferrante	Beth Kekacs	Dorothy Queenan
Elaine Beebe	Johanna Senatore Ferreira	Julie Kelley	Kathy R
Ben and Joyce Bill	Lori Fischer	Nancy and William Kennelly	Tom Redman
Scott Bjornson	Denise Fisher	Hannah K and Kathleen Kotscher	Dave Roberts
Marjorie Blazevic	Joe Fitori	Richard Kruger	Shannon Rolquin
Patty Bleicher	Fitz for Fitzgerald	Clayton Kunkle	Susie Romanovich
Paul Bolio	Susan Fitzpatrick	Frank Landi	Brian Rondeau
Kimmy Bonacci	Anna Focht	Carrie Lehmann	Theresa Rowe
The Braunius Family	Ron Fongemie	Elysse Lescarbeau	Ronald Rubeck
Charlie Brennan	Cheryl Foster	Mason Leslie	Peggy O'Neil Saba
Tom Brown	Bettina Fouts	Myles Levy-Vixler	Roy Sabalboro
Anthony Busa	Olivia Frawley	Tracy & Chiara Loesing	Steve Salinas
Charlotte Byron	Chase G	Baby Hudson Matthew Lopez	Lisa Sanfelippo
Frank Carillo	Linda Giambertone	Freddy Lourenso Jr.	Catherine Schmitt
Mary Lee Carr	Donna Gilbride	Bob Lutz	Jerry Schwanebeck
Louis Celiberti	Fr. Len Gioeli	Wai Man Chow	Sandi Schwarz
Michael Cerankowski	Lee Goldman	Doris Martin	Joseph Sciortino
Diana Chappel	Sally Grace	Mary A.	Dante and Ellen Serricchio
Tyler Chorba	Patricia Graftstrom	Mary Beth	Sharon
Al and Lorraine Ciano	Barbara Graves	Rochelle Masom	Dana Shea
Domine Clemons	Sam Greenberg	Anthony Masse	Ron Shirer
Laurie Evelyn Cline	Peter Greenberg	Zachary Mazzola	Catherine Shriver
Monsignor Coll	Justin Griffin	Kelli Jo McCarthy	Kirk Sines
Merlyn Comeriato	Frank Grzesk	Carolyn McDonald	Jimmy Sissman
Julia Conifrey	Ben Gunterson	Mary McGowan	Teddy Sitter
Francine Crawford	Gary Gwizdala	McGuire and Leesman Family	Patty Skubick
John D.	Nikki Haley	Jim Meerpohl	Donna Slatery
Michelle D.	Susan Hamilton	Salvatore Minardi	Emily Spotz
Phyllis D.	Anthony Hamilton	Eileen Miner	Emily K. Squittieri
Roberta Dabronzo	Terry Hansberry	MLR	Joanna Steenburgh
Raymond Dauterive	Dorothy Harkins	Maryann Mondragon	Ila Steinly
Kathy Davidson	Saralane Harrer	Mark Moss	Patricia Stiff
Sue Delaney	Fr. Mark Harris	Jennifer Mottolese	Laura Stokes
Carol Delly	The Hawley Family	Andy Murphy	Jeanne Stoll
George Deuchar	Robert Hearson	Anthony Napolitano	Sally Stookey
Melissa DiDonna	Jennifer Heider	Robert Needham	Larry Storbeck
Julie Dieter	Brenda Hernandez	Daniel Newton	Christopher Suki
Donna DiMare	Raymond Hogge, Jr.	Thomas O'Dea	Kathleen Sullivan
Daniel Drobenko	Kelly Honsberger	Gerald Pace	Bill Sullivan
Tom Duncan	Kathleen Howard	Richard Paine	Jack Suter

## Prayer List, continued

Mabel Tangney-Decker	Josalyn Vazquez	Judy Weickert	Harry Witt
Paul Todd	Ken Villone	Elaine Wenning	Rande Wright
Danielle Pacicco Tsombanos	Adam Wais	Gail Wheeler	Blake Young
Lisa Tuner	Carol Watchmaker	Mike Whitehead	Connor Z.
Janine Uzzi	Callie Grace Watson	Carol Widdowson	Ed Zarebi
Raymond Vanasse	Fran Webber	Carole Wielosinski	
Diane VanDerHorst	Mia Weddell	Jennifer Winter	

## 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.

LCMDR Michael Adamski, Jr. - US Navy	2nd Lieutenant Samantha Naples- US Marine Corps
John Franklin Baird- US Army	Major Justin Nell- US Army Reserve
First Lieutenant Nehemiah Samuel Baker, U.S. Marine	Alex Noble- Air Force
Lieutenant Jake Barberio- US Navy	1st Sargent Jake Nowicki
Lieutenant Madelein Barberio- US Navy	Sgt. Hugh O'Donnell- 75th Ranger Regiment
Cadet Samantha Bocis	1st Lieutenant Deanna Ogrinc- US Army
Lieutenant Caron Brial- US Navy	Private 1st Class Jason Ollanove- US Army
Captain Russell Burt- Air Force	Daniel Petito- US Army
Ben Cullen- Air Force	Captain Robert W. Raleigh IV- US Marine Corps
1st Lieutenant Dante Dalmaso- US Army	Joseph Rice LCDR
Captain Quentin Danyov- US Army	Jill Rice LCDR
Conor DiNatale	Sean Riordan- US Marines
LCDR Andrew Douglas, US Navy, Japan	Duke Roach- US Navy
Sean Duffin- US Army	Grayson Roberts- US Navy
Captain Stephen English- US Army in South Korea	Steven Robinson- US Army
Jude Fanton USMC	Captain Sophie Sekutera- US Army
1st Lieutenant Dwight Fritz III- Marines	Captain Luke Sekutera- US Army
Senior Reconnaissance Sargent Lon Giancola- US Army	Captain Ben Sekutera- US Army
Sgt. Amir Gonzalez- US Marine Corps	Commander Adam Shields- US Navy
Captain Timothy Guinee- NH Air National Guard	Charlie Sjostrom- Martines- US Army
SFC Douglas Hennessy	Captain Jared T. Smith- Marine Corps
Tyler Hickcox- Marines	Captain Fox Stevens- US Army
1st Lieutenant Brock Hinkle- US Army	Captain Matthew Stevenson- Marines
Jonathan Hoaglund- US Army	Lieutenant Grace Tanguilig- US Navy
First Lieutenant Daniel Huber- US Marine Corps	Matt Tavarone- US Army
Cadet Sloane Janopoulos- USAF Academy	Lieutenant Tanis Taylor- US Navy
Senior Airman Sepncer Kanar- US Airforce	Captian Grant Ullrich- US Army
2nd Lieutenant Lucy Keegan- US Army	Captain Mackenzie Webster- Space Force
Midshipman Max Koeppl- USMMA, Kings Point, NY	Captisn Hollis Webster- Space Force
Sgt. Nicholas LaManna- US Army	Colonel Ryan Whitaker- US Airforce
2nd Lieutenant Ethan Lange- US Army	Andrew Wieland- US Airforce
Captain William E. McDonnell- US Marine Corps	Kaden Winckel- Air Force
Midshipman Brady McDonough- US Naval Academy	BMSN3 Cameron Yedlin-US Navy
Major Justin McQueen- National Guard	Master Sgt. Andrew Zecchino- USAF
Lieutenant Joseph Moses- Naval Aviator	Tach. Sgt. Kaitlin Zecchino- USAF

**If you would like to add a name to either of our prayer lists or delete a name, please contact our Main Office. Names will stay on the prayer lists for 6 months.**



# JUBILEE YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

1226- 2026

On the 800th anniversary of the passing of St. Francis into eternal life, Pope Leo XIV is offering Catholics an extraordinary opportunity to seek God's grace in a powerful way. By proclaiming a Jubilee Year of St. Francis and offering an indulgence, the Pope is calling on the faithful to transform their lives and become "a model of holiness" in the example of St. Francis of Assisi. God's mercy means that any sin we confess will be forgiven. We also believe in God's justice, which means that penance or reparation is needed to repair the harm caused by sin. One form of penance is the Catholic Church's practice of indulgences, a means of restoring justice and purifying the soul.

### **How to Receive a Plenary Indulgence**

Baptized Catholics can receive an indulgence during certain occasions as determined by the Church, such as this year's Jubilee of St. Francis. The Church prescribes specific actions to be taken to receive the indulgence and to conform the heart closer to Christ. In this article, we outline these actions and provide answers to frequently asked questions about the Jubilee Year of St. Francis. Here are the six steps for receiving a plenary indulgence during the Franciscan Jubilee Year:

1. Visit in the form of a pilgrimage any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship named after St. Francis or connected to him for any reason.
2. Spend time in meditation and prayer, focusing on the example of St. Francis, his love for all and his zeal for peace among people.
3. Pray the following: Our Father, Nicene Creed, Invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Francis of Assisi, St Clare and saints of the Franciscan Family, Intentions of Pope Leo XIV
4. Detach yourself from all sin, even venial.
5. Participate in sacramental confession.
6. Receive Holy Communion.

### **Opportunities for the Homebound**

The homebound and their caregivers can also receive a plenary indulgence provided they are detached from any sin and intend to fulfill the three usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father) as soon as possible. They must join spiritually in the jubilee celebrations of the Year of St. Francis, offering their prayers and sufferings to God.

# Jubilee Year of St. Francis

## Why is 2026 a Jubilee Year of St. Francis?

According to Pope Leo XIV in his letter to the General Ministers of the Conference of the Franciscan Family, "Eight centuries have passed since the death of the Poverello of Assisi, who wrote the word of Christ's salvation indelibly in the hearts of the people of his time. May the example and spiritual legacy of this Saint, strong in faith, steadfast in hope and ardent in active charity towards his neighbor, inspire in everyone the importance of trusting in the Lord, of living a life faithful to the Gospel, and of accepting and illuminating every circumstance and action of life with faith and prayer."

## What is an indulgence?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "An indulgence is obtained through the Church who, by virtue of the power of binding and loosing granted her by Christ Jesus, intervenes in favor of individual Christians and opens for them the treasury of the merits of Christ and the saints to obtain from the Father of mercies the remission of the temporal punishments due for their sins. Thus, the Church does not want simply to come to the aid of these Christians, but also to spur them to works of devotion, penance, and charity" (#1478).

## What are the dates of the Jubilee Year of St. Francis?

According to a decree issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary, a key Vatican office that oversees indulgences: "His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, Minister of our faith and our joy, establishes that, from January 10, 2026, to coincide with the closing of the Ordinary Jubilee, until January 10, 2027, a special Year of St. Francis may be proclaimed, in which every Christian faithful, following the example of the Saint of Assisi, may himself become a model of holiness of life and a constant witness of peace."



The Year of St. Francis will be realized in the Diocese of Venice in a particular way, as the Diocese is blessed to have a Parish named for this saint. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Grove City, located at 5265 Placida Road, has been designated by Bishop Frank J. Dewane as a Jubilee site, and will be welcoming pilgrims throughout the Jubilee Year for Mass, visits, and special events and activities. The Church Sanctuary and Poor Clare Adoration Chapel will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays to welcome pilgrims, and at other times by arrangement. Visit the Parish's website for more information: <https://www.sfoachurch.com/>



Please visit the beautiful painting of St. Francis of Assisi by artist Rosalie Anne Polivka Ramstead in the Narthex of our Church. Rosalie is a portrait artist trained in classical realism at the Atelier Lack School of Classical Realism in Minneapolis, MN. She has been painting portraits for over 40 years. Her award-winning work had been published in books such as "Artists of Naples" and has been featured in galleries nationwide, including vonLiebig, Ritz Carlton and Philharmonic Invitational. In 2007-2008, she served on the original Arts Board for Ave Maria University. In 2006-2008, she served as principal painter for Opera Naples. *The painting was generously donated to St. John the Evangelist.*

## 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](http://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 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary. For additional information, contact us at 239.250.0432 or [relife@aol.com](mailto:relife@aol.com)

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

**Faith Chat.** Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Antioch Room of the Parish Activity Center. All are welcome to join us for this study. Coffee and snacks are provided. 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](mailto:Hal@sjecc.com) or Maria Chappe: [maria@sjecc.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 at 239.438.7867 or [sharoncampbellnaples@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 6:30 p.m. in the Claussen Center. [sjecclegion@gmail.com](mailto:sjecclegion@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. 7:30 a.m., one hour before daily Mass begins

**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](mailto: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 3rd Friday of every month 9 a.m.-12 p.m. For more info, please call Rosemary at 239-250-0432.

**Sewing Ministry.** Sewing Ministry meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. 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](mailto:swan11@bellsouth.net) or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email [jandpcrivelli@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 from fighting food insecurity to 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@SVDPhaples.org](mailto:bwstjohn@SVDPhaples.org).

**Waiting in Love: A Grandparents' Support Ministry.** Being a grandparent is a special time in a person's life. However, family rejection can leave grandparents with no contact with their grandchildren, causing disbelief and sadness. This ministry will provide an opportunity for participants to hear one another's burden, learn new information, and

spend time in prayer for each other's needs. It will help participants find peace in the present while maintaining hope for the future. Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Rome Room. Begins 2/5/26.

**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. Evening sessions meet the first Wednesdays of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Morning sessions meet the first Thursday of each month from 10:00AM to 11:30AM. For more information, email [aff@sjecc.com](mailto:aff@sjecc.com) and register at [wellreadmom.com](http://wellreadmom.com). The \$50 annual enrollment fee includes a Study Guide for all books for the year.

### COME JOIN US! PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AND THE ROSARY

..."The Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Holy Rosary are prayed mornings, Monday through Saturday, inside our church, beginning at 7:30 a.m. You are most welcome to share this prayer time as we pray for PEACE in our world and for special intentions among our parishioners. Meditation cards are provided to enhance the individual prayers. We are the FAMILY that prays together."



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Saturdays @ 7:00am in the Pulte Cafe

for more information:  
[brandonkaras1993@gmail.com](mailto:brandonkaras1993@gmail.com)

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

### The Growing Need in Naples



The Naples Council Food Pantry visits increased from **13,875 People** in 2024, **To 22,145** in 2025, **+60%**. **Such great need!**

Our **Job Pathway Program and Life Skills classes** are helping our neediest as well!



All of this because of your prayers and generous contributions.

There are greater needs than our resources, so please join us or donate so we can bring support to the ever-growing people in need.

**Your Support stays here in Naples and is deeply valued!**



## 4th Annual Catholic Education Tuition Assistance Scramble



**Saturday, May 2, 2026**  
**Arrowhead Country Club**

**7:15am Registration**

**8:15am Shotgun Start**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

Troy Costain

Phone: 239.825.9279

EMAIL: troy@dgarrettconstruction.com

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#### Father Glackin Sponsorship

\$15,000

Two Foursomes

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Recognition at the SJN Awards Night when the Father Glackin Scholarship is awarded. You will have the honor of presenting the scholarship. Acknowledgement at lunch.

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includes golf, cart, and lunch

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## Ministries & Groups



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This ministry will meet on the **First Thursday of every month** at 9:00am in the Rome Room at St. John the Evangelist Church, 625 111<sup>th</sup> Ave N, Naples.

For additional information, please contact Bill Shipman: [wshipman@sjecc.org](mailto:wshipman@sjecc.org)



Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Antioch room of the Parish Activity Center. No fee, and all materials are provided free of charge.

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**Are you looking for support and healing?**

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## 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

### Reflection 57: A Fire Within Your Soul

Is it possible to know that someone has a deep interior life of prayer? Even though this is "interior" and is a spiritual reality, is it possible to sense this externally? Most certainly it is. In fact, the deeper one's life of prayer the more that this interior life will shine forth for others to see.

How about you? What does your soul radiate? When people see you, what do they sense? Certainly our perceptions of people can be wrong at times, but when God is alive in an abundant way, those who have eyes to see will see. Those who are hungry for God will perceive His presence in your life and be fed by Him through you.

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## Youth Ministry

### ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

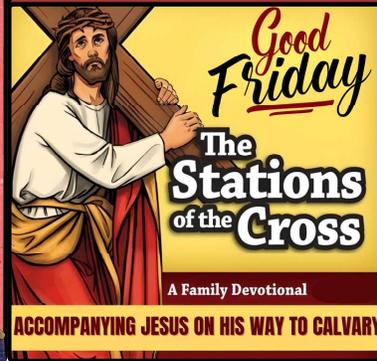
**HOLY WEEK FAMILY PRAYER OPPORTUNITY**  
THERE WILL BE NO YOUTH GROUP DURING HOLY WEEK. COME PRAY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY! WE INVITE ALL FAMILIES TO JOIN US FOR THE FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN THE CHURCH AT 6:00 PM. YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO READ A STATION:  
CONTACT JULIANA AT [JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:JULIANA@SJECC.COM).

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3  
6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.  
IN THE CHURCH**



### FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3  
6 P.M.  
IN THE CHURCH**



## EASTER Egg Hunt

### EASTER EGG HUNT SCHEDULE:

- 8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.: CHECK-IN AT THE PULTE CENTER**
- 9:30 A.M.: SESSION 1 EGG HUNT (PRE-K TO 1ST GRADE IN THE GYM)**
- 9:45 A.M.: SESSION 2 EGG HUNT (2ND - 5TH GRADE IN THE GYM)**
- 10:00 A.M.: EASTER BUNNY VISIT WITH JUICE AND TREATS IN THE CAFE**



**Saturday, April 4th** Grades **Pre-K to 5**

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH  
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FREE EVENT**

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- ADORATION
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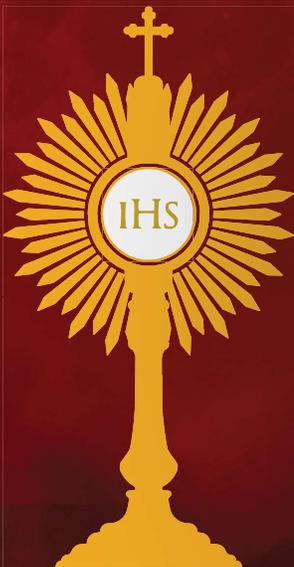


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**COME**  
HOLY SPIRIT

**We are blessed to have 57 Confirmation candidates preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring! Their recent retreat was a beautiful and grace-filled day led by Fr. Nick Thompson and supported by our clergy. Throughout the day, students encountered Christ through inspiring talks, prayer, the opportunity for Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and the celebration of the Confirmation Enrollment Mass. In addition to their spiritual formation, our youth joyfully lived out their faith in action by packing an incredible 10,692 meals for Meals for Hope! We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Tom, Fr. Len, Fr. Jacob, and Fr. Nick for their guidance, as well as to our dedicated Faith Formation team and Confirmation catechists, Mr. Brad Campbell, Mr. Mark Puthoff, Mrs. Zoe Augustine, Mrs. Rebeca Zaiser, and Miss Emily Flynn, for their commitment over the past two years. Please continue to keep our candidates and their families in your prayers.**



## INTERESTED IN CONFIRMATION?

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a meaningful two-year journey for high school youth, typically beginning in 9th and 10th grade, while also welcoming 11th and 12th graders who have not yet received the sacrament. Throughout the program, students deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith, choose a sponsor to accompany them, and explore the life of a saint who will inspire them on their path. We meet twice a month on Sundays from 3:45–6:00 p.m. for engaging sessions, small groups, and Mass (families are welcome). For more information, please visit our website.



**MORE INFORMATION**





**RAINFOREST FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
JUNE 8-12, 2026**

**75% FULL!  
SPOTS ARE GOING FAST!  
SIGN UP BY MAY 1ST OR BEFORE  
WE REACH FULL CAPACITY.  
GRAB YOUR SPOT TODAY... WE  
CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!**

**VBS Registration & Volunteer Info**  
Volunteers

- All volunteers must be cleared before receiving the registration link.
- Go to the website and complete the age-appropriate clearance.
- Once cleared, Melissa will email you the private volunteer link.

Already Cleared?

- If your age group has not changed and you were cleared for VBS last year, email [vbs@sjecc.com](mailto:vbs@sjecc.com) to check your status.
- After confirmation, Melissa or the VBS team will send your link.



USE THE QR CODE TO BE DIRECTED TO THE VOLUNTEER PAGE ON THE SJECC WEBSITE!

## LENTEN RICE BOXES

Please support the CRS Rice Bowl Program this Lent by taking a small cardboard box to collect your change this Lent and return on Easter Sunday. Together all of our change can make a big difference. You can pick up your cardboard Rice Bowl in church or at Faith Formation.

**Please return the boxes after Easter.** Thank you!



**BREAKTHROUGH BIBLES ON SALE IN THE GIFT SHOP!  
YOUNG TEENS AGES 10-13**



Breakthrough! The Bible for Young Catholics is a visual Bible for a visual generation, in the translation they hear read in Mass—the NABRE Translation! Bold artwork, a clean design, and fresh content allow young teens between the ages of 10-13 to encounter Scripture like never before.

They'll explore and form friendships with the people of the Bible as they share their stories, struggles, and joys.

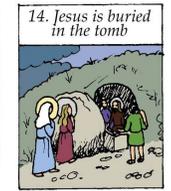
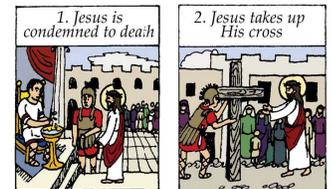
They'll find stunning, vibrant art that brings Scripture to life and helps them think about the stories of the Bible in a new way.

They'll travel through salvation history and discover that no matter what they're experiencing, God never stops trying to break through because he loves and is always there for them.

Young people will find a true friend in this Bible, because every element was created especially for their unique experiences, and their personal journey of faith.

**Join Us on Good Friday at 6PM-6:45PM in the Church as we pray the Stations of the Cross together! For more information and if your child is interested in reading, please contact Juliana asap at [juliana@sjecc.com](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com).**

*The Stations of the Cross*



**THIS WEEK IN YOUTH FAITH FORMATION**

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

9:30-10:45AM K-8 Sunday Faith Formation  
3:30-6:00PM High School Confirmation Session  
3:45-4:45PM Parent Faith Formation Session in Alexandria Room

**Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

12:30-2:30PM PreK Atrium Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
5:00-6:15PM K-8 Wednesday Faith Formation

[thekidsbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:thekidsbulletin@gmail.com)

## Adult Faith Formation

# INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you—or someone you know—interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? OCIA is the process by which adults are welcomed into the Catholic Church through prayer, study, and community. Whether you are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or a baptized Catholic who has not yet received First Communion and Confirmation, OCIA offers a supportive and faith-filled journey toward full initiation into the Church. All are welcome!

**For more information, you can go to the website and fill out the inquiry form, or email [aff@sjecc.com](mailto:aff@sjecc.com)! For those interested in volunteering for the next cycle, please email [katherine@sjecc.com](mailto:katherine@sjecc.com).**



## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult confirmation will begin Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 2 - 3:30 PM and continue every Sunday afternoon until the sacrament takes place with the Bishop May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**For more information and enrollment, email [aff@sjecc.com](mailto:aff@sjecc.com)**

### Session Dates:

April 12<sup>th</sup> May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
April 19<sup>th</sup> May 10<sup>th</sup>  
April 26<sup>th</sup> May 17<sup>th</sup>



# THE CATECHETICAL COLUMN

## Question: Why is Palm Sunday so important?

**Answer:** Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday, inaugurates Holy Week with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. This procession echoes the fulfillment of the Messiah as the humble King from Zechariah 9:9. The palms are blessed and symbolize Christ's royal victory, and are kept as sacramentals throughout the year as a reminder of His victory.



Thank you for your question!



Email ANY questions you may have about the faith or Catholic Church to [aff@sjecc.com](mailto:aff@sjecc.com), and your question may be featured anonymously in next week's bulletin with an answer!

## THIS WEEK IN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Foundations of Faith – 12:00 - 1:30PM in Alexandria

The Science of Love – 6:00-7:30PM in Alexandria

**Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Young Adult Group – 6:30-8:00PM in Alexandria





# MYSTERIES *of the* ROSARY

Mysteries of the Rosary integrates deeply reflective insights on the life of Christ. Rooted in scripture and theological truths, this series is filled with captivating stories woven together with breathtaking scenery, and illuminating sacred art. By filming on location in the Holy Land, this program makes the Rosary come alive in the hearts and minds of the participants. The seven powerful episodes and meaningful discussions will lead to even deeper encounters with Christ in personal prayer and contemplation of the Rosary. Nothing is more powerful than prayer!

Please use the QR code to register!



**Tuesday Mornings 9:30-11:00 AM starting April 14th**  
**Thursday Evenings 6:30-8:00 PM starting April 16th**  
**LOCATED IN THE NAZARETH ROOM**

## Coming This Fall!

### LOVE UNVEILED

*She Shall Be Called Woman* is a transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. This program is a sanctuary for women seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, participants are equipped with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey. Offered to parishes at no cost, it is intended for all women of the parish.

Promotional Video 



# An evening of **MOTOWN**



featuring

## The Girls of Motown

**Friday, April 24, 2026**

**St. John the Evangelist Ballroom**

**5:30 p.m. Doors Open**

**6:00 p.m. Buffet followed by Show**

**All proceeds support  
St. Vincent de Paul Naples**

Helping seniors & adults, low-income individuals  
& working families in the area

**\$40** Includes  
Dinner &  
Show!

Buffet dinner provided by **Patio Café**  
Beer, Wine & Soda Available

For ticket info, contact  
Bill Warvel via email at:

or call 732-672-4109  
Tickets also on sale after  
weekend masses April 11/12 & 18/19



**special thanks to our lead sponsor  
Patio Café Naples**

and to the  
Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281  
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

# Events & Programs



## Parish breakfast

Wednesdays after Morning Mass  
Pulte Family Life Center



FREE. Donations appreciated.



TUESDAY, APRIL 14 & 28

1:00 P.M.

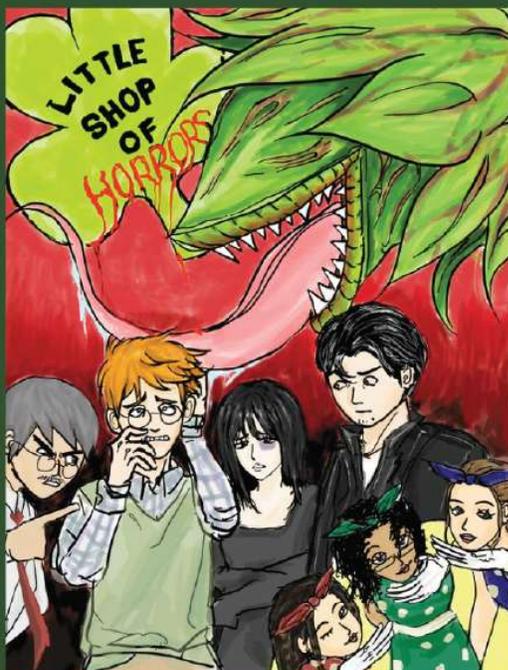
\$20 - 10 GAMES - CASH PRIZES

PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER



## YOU'RE INVITED

St. John Neumann Theatre Presents:



Now Starring St. John the Evangelist  
Parishioners:  
Brandon Elarde  
Vivienne Roth



SJN Justin Holecek  
Student Life Center

## TICKETS

GOFAN.CO AND SEARCH  
SAINT JOHN NEUMANN  
HIGH SCHOOL



April 17 & 18 at 7pm  
April 19 at 2pm

# Join Us On Our St. Johns Annual Fundraising Cruise!

## Celebrity Cruises | 8-Night Caribbean Cruise Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale | Jan. 16-24, 2027

DATE	PORT OF CALL	TIME
Day 1	Ft. Lauderdale	
Day 2	At Sea	
Day 3	At Sea	
Day 4	Curacao	9:00am 6:00pm
Day 5	Aruba	8:00am 11:00pm
Day 6	Bonaire	7:00am 4:00pm
Day 7	At Sea	
Day 8	At Sea	
Day 9	Ft. Lauderdale	

Whether you're snorkeling in crystal-clear waters, embracing vibrant island culture, or unwinding on pristine beaches, your perfect Caribbean getaway starts here. With an array of islands to explore, each offering unique experiences, the Caribbean is a paradise waiting to be discovered. Enjoy thrilling water sports, indulge in delicious local cuisine, and immerse yourself in the rhythm of island life. Relax on sun-soaked shores or explore charming coastal towns. With Celebrity Cruises, you'll experience the best of the Caribbean and see why nothing comes close to this tropical paradise.

Contact April Williams at 800.940.2394

OR

[awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com](mailto:awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com)

### PER PERSON FARES FROM\*:

\$2607 per person, C1, Prime Concierge cabin  
 \$2581 per person, V1, Prime Veranda cabin  
 \$2532 per person, V2, Veranda cabin  
 \$2513 per person, V3, Veranda cabin (partial view)  
 \$2274 per person, I1, Inside cabin

\$293 per person taxes and fees

Additional categories and pricing available on request

Single pricing available on request

### INCLUDED:

- Prices include Classic Beverage Package, Basic WIFI
- 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 Silhouette
- Past passenger upgrade by Celebrity if available
- Deduct \$50 per person if paying balance with check for everyone.

Reserve your stateroom with \$450 per person based on 2 people in the cabin.

Travel insurance highly recommended.



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