

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

April 12, 2026

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Second Sunday of Easter

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. (Diary of Saint Faustina, 950).



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

Parish Information

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30am (livestreamed)

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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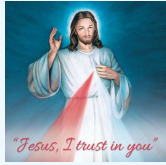


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Calendar and Mass Readings

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 12



Divine Mercy Sunday

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

Monday, April 13

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

Tuesday, April 14

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
9:30am	Bereavement Group (PLC room 8)
9:30am	SHE Shall be Called Woman (Nazareth)
12:00pm	Foundations of Faith (Alexandria)
1:00pm	Bingo (Pulte Cafe)
6:30pm	Legion of Mary (PAC rooms 11&12)

Wednesday, April 15

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am	Parish Breakfast (Pulte Cafe)
5:00pm	K-8 Faith Formation (PAC & Claussen)

Thursday, April 16

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
9:00am	Faith Chat (New Antioch)
6:30pm	Mysteries of the Rosary (Pulte)

Friday, April 17

8:30am	Daily Mass (Church)
6:00pm	Karaoke (Pulte Cafe)

Saturday, April 18

7:00am	TMIY (Pulte Cafe)
8:30am	Morning Mass (Church)
3:00pm	Vigil Mass (Church)
5:00pm	Vigil Mass (Church)

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

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 17 in the Endowment article.



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.*

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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.

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

March Baptisms



Zélie Billanti



Michael Maloy



Colette Bozue



Rose Raguso



Aiden Fahey



Margot Taylor

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

the first Sunday after Easter

THE HISTORY

Jesus began appearing to St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun, in 1931. The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on her published diary recording the revelations she received from Jesus. St. Faustina died in 1938, at 33 years old, and was canonized by St. John Paul II in 2000.

THE PROMISE

Our Lord Jesus said, “The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates throughout which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet... Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.”

— Saint Faustina, Diary, 699

WHY IS THIS PROMISE FROM JESUS SO WONDERFUL AND MERCIFUL?

TEMPORAL PUNISHMENT AND SUFFERING:

The Catholic Church teaches that sin has two consequences, or punishments. (CCC 1472). The first is eternal punishment in which the soul loses heaven and is confined to an eternity in Hell. This punishment is remitted through the forgiveness of sins. The second is temporal punishment, in which a person must expiate, or make reparation for his sins. This temporal punishment remains even after sin is forgiven. This temporal punishment is known as Purgatory.

So, Jesus’s amazing promise to St. Faustina amounts to offering all mankind the graces of a COMPLETE PARDON; an opportunity to have all temporal punishment, time in Purgatory, that which would be necessary before entrance into Heaven, completely removed!

TO OBSERVE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sincerely repent of all of your sins. Place your complete trust in Jesus. Go to Confession, the Church permits up to 20 days before the Feast. Receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday. Venerate the image, such as a prayer before it, “Merciful Jesus, I trust in You!” Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers.



Artist: Rosalie Polivka Ramstead

THE IMAGE

“I desire that this image be venerated throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I promise victory over its enemies, already here on earth, and especially at the hour of death...I Myself will defend it as My own glory.”

THE CHAPLET

“Pray unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation.”

THE CONVERSION PRAYER

“If you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith, on behalf of some sinner, I will give that soul the grace of conversion:

‘O Blood and Water that gushed forth from the heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You.’

— Diary 186, 187

Know, My daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered.”

— Diary 1397

SPREAD OF THE DEVOTION

“Do whatever is within your power to spread devotion to my mercy. I will make up for what you lack.”

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

Our Lord's promises attached to the praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy as revealed to Saint Faustina Kowalska

1. "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image (of Divine Mercy) will not perish. I also promise victory over (its) enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory."
2. "The two rays denote Blood and Water...These two rays issued from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father...I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy...whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy."
3. "I desire that the Feast of Mercy...be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter...The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion (in a state of grace on this day) shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."
4. "Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death."
5. "Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy...I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy."
6. "The souls that say this chaplet will be embraced by My mercy during their lifetime and especially at the hour of their death."
7. "Souls who spread the honor of My mercy...at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior."
8. "The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion for sinners. Know, my daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered."
9. "My mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world."
10. "To priests who proclaim and extol My mercy, I will give wondrous power; I will anoint their words and touch the hearts of those to whom they will speak."
11. "Through this chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will."
12. "When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one."
13. "When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a just Judge but as a merciful Savior."
14. "At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony...I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion."

Weekly Divine Mercy Reflection

Reflection 59: "Oh, Blood and Water..."

After Jesus' death, one of the soldiers came to Him and was ordered to make certain He was dead. So that soldier pierced His precious body with a lance and immediately blood and water gushed forth from His wounded Heart. This has been prayerfully reflected upon throughout the ages and has been seen as a sign of the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion and the fact that the Blood of the Holy Eucharist and the Water of Baptism spring forth directly from the ultimate sacrificial gift of Jesus' perfect sacrifice of the Cross. Renew, today, your gratitude for these Sacraments of God's abundant Mercy. Ponder the fact that they were made possible only because Jesus was willing to sacrifice His life out of love for us. Let His sacrifice, this day, fill your own heart with gratitude and awe as you think about the price He willingly and freely paid so as to redeem us. Lord, Your love is seen clearly in the Sacrifice of Your Cross. You held nothing back from us as You poured out Your Mercy to the last drop on the Cross. Help me to see and understand this great mystery of sacrificial love. Fill me with gratitude for all that You have done and help me to imitate this total self-giving toward others. Oh blood and water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus, as a font of Mercy for us, I trust in You.

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!**

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Readings for Divine Mercy Sunday / The Second Sunday of Easter

Reading 1

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting

Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,
"His mercy endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say,
"His mercy endures forever."

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting

I was hard pressed and was falling,
but the LORD helped me.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
The joyful shout of victory
in the tents of the just:

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting

Reading 2

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to

a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Alleluia

John 20:29

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst

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and said, "Peace be with you."

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those

who have not seen and have believed."

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book.

But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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Music for Divine Mercy Sunday / The Second Sunday of Easter

The Strife is O'er

VICTORY

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Verses

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the Vic - tor's
 2. On the third morn he rose a - gain, Glo - rious in maj - es -
 3. O Ris - en Lord, all praise to thee, Who from our sin has

to Refrain

1. tri - umph won; O let the song of praise be sung: Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. ty to reign; O let us swell the joy - ful strain: Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. set us free, That we may live e - ter - nal - ly! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: 888 with alleluias; *Finita iam sunt praelia*; Latin, 12th cent.; tr. by Francis Pott, 1832–1909, alt. Music: Giovanni da Palestrina, 1525–1594; adapt. by Willam H. Monk, 1823–1889.

Give Thanks to the Lord (For He is Good)

(Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24)

(Psalm 118)

Francesca LaRosa

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is ev - er - las - ting.
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia.

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We Walk by Faith

Marty Haugen

1, 5. We walk by faith, and not by sight: No
 2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief, And
 4. That when our life of faith is done In

1, 5. gra - cious words we hear Of him who spoke as
 2. fol - low where he trod; Yet in his prom - ise
 3. may our faith a - bound; To call on you when
 4. realms of clear - er light We may be - hold you

1, 5. none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve him near.
 2. we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"
 3. you are near, And seek where you are found:
 4. as you are In full and end - less sight.

Text: CM; based on John 20:24-29; Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.
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Bread of Angels

Curtis Stephan

1. Bread of an - gels, we re - ceive you; with us
 2. Cup of Mer - cy o - ver - flow - ing, fill us
 3. Word in - car - nate, dwell with - in us; pierce our
 4. Though un - wor - thy, we re - ceive you, sac - ra -

1. now a - bide. Pre - cious Je - sus, man - na of
 2. with your grace; wine of pas - sion, O Son be -
 3. hard - ened hearts. Ten - der Je - sus, Love so
 4. ment di - vine. Bread of an - gels, ac - cept our

1. a - ges, with us now re - side.
 2. got - ten, we flee to your em - brace.
 3. gen - tle, nev - er let us part.
 4. prais - es, let your glo - ry shine!

Music for Divine Mercy Sunday / The Second Sunday of Easter



1. Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus fit pa - nis hó - mi - num,
2. O res mi - rá - bi - lis man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num,
3. Te, tri - na Dé - i - tas ú - na - que, pó - sci - mus,
4. Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,



1. Dat pa - nis cáe - li - cus fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num.
3. Sic nos tu ví - sí - ta, sí - cut te có - li - mus.



2. Pau - per, Pau - per, ser - vus, et hú - mi - lis.
4. lu - cem, Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas.

English text, Curtis Stephan. Latin text, *Panis angelicus* by St. Thomas Aquinas, 1227-1274.
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O Lord, I am not Worthy

NON DIGNUS



1. O Lord, I am not wor - thy That thou should'st come to me;
2. And hum - bly I'll re - ceive thee, The Bride - groom of my soul,
3. E - ter - nal Ho - ly Spir - it, Un - wor - thy though I be,
4. In - crease my faith, dear Je - sus, In thy real pres - ence here,



1. But speak the word of com - fort, My spir - it healed shall be.
2. No more by sin to grieve thee Or fly thy sweet con - trol.
3. Pre - pare me to re - ceive him And trust the Word to me.
4. And make me feel most deep - ly That thou to me art near.

Text: 76 76; based on Matthew 8:8; *O Herr, ich bin nicht würdig*; *Landshuter Gesangbuch*, 1777; tr. Anon.
 Music Anon. in *Catholic Youth Hymnal*, 1871.

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA



1. Crown him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on his throne;
2. Crown him the Lord of life, Who tri-umphed o'er the grave,
3. Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Where an - gels sing a - bove;



1. All king-doms of the earth re-sound In praise of him a - lone.
2. Who on the third day did a - rise And hope to sin-ners gave.
3. Crown him the King, to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



1. A - wake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,
2. His glo - ry now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
3. Crown him with man - y crowns, As thrones be - fore him fall.



1. And hail him as thy ris - en King For all e - ter - ni - ty.
2. Who came e - ter - nal life to bring, Who lives, no more to die.
3. Through-out the earth his praise re-sounds For he is Lord of all.

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Hymn for the Holy Year of Mercy

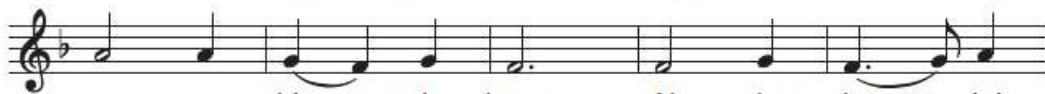
Refrain: Misericordes sicut Pater! Misericordes sicut Pater!

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL



1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the
2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans Are we
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of An - gels, Here on
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the
5. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry



1. scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia!
2. left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia!
3. earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia!
5. be to God on high; Al - le - lu - ia

Music for Divine Mercy Sunday / The Second Sunday of Easter

1. his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 2. he is near us, Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:
 3. here the sin - ful Flee to you from day to day:
 4. born of Ma - ry, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne:
 5. to the Sav - ior Who has won the vic - to - ry;

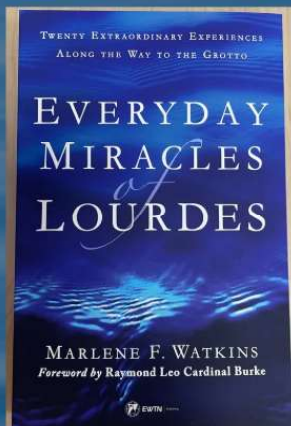
1. Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 2. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, When the
 3. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -
 4. You with - in the veil have en - tered, Robed in
 5. Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Font of

1. like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - 'ry
 2. for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for - get his
 3. deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of all the
 4. flesh, our great high priest; Here on earth both priest and
 5. love and sanc - ti - ty; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

1. na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood.
 2. prom - ise? "I am with you ev - er - more!"
 3. sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 4. vic - tim In the Eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 5. lu - ia! To the tri - une maj - es - ty.

Text: 87 87 D; based on Revelation 5:9-14; William C. Dix, 1837-1898, and Compilers.
 Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887.

Feast of St. Bernadette~April 16th



In 1858, the Blessed Mother appeared to young Bernadette at the Grotto of Massabielle in Lourdes, France. Many miracles have since taken place there, including those told in this inspirational book, available now in our Gift Shop!

Offertory in Action

Offertory In Action

Invigorated by our faith, St. John the Evangelist lives our mission to Know, Love, and Serve God in His Church and Our Community. Your offertory donation supports the operations of our parish, including grounds and facilities maintenance, liturgical supplies and needs, Faith Formation programming, utilities, ministries, staffing, and more. When a second or special collection is designated, this supports the Diocesan and Universal mission of the Church.

In coming weeks, we will highlight ways in which your offertory donation supports our mission and Faith Community.

OCIA Program



Offertory funds support Faith Formation programs, including OCIA. This year, there were **52** participants in the program, the largest class ever at SJECC! This included **16** who were baptized and **36** who received the Eucharist and Confirmation. The group participated in over **50** hours of study, under the guidance of **14** Catechists and several Clergy.

Congratulations to our newest members of the Catholic Church!

If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church please email katherine@sjecc.com or scan the QR code for more information!



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Your weekly contributions to St. John the Evangelist help us in our continued efforts to bring Christ to our parishioners and the community and to make a difference in the lives of so many. Scan below to get started.

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DONATION REMINDERS

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

Offertory

Our collections are taken at the end of Mass at all exits of the Church. We ask that you use your weekly envelope and write your envelope number on the memo line of your check. Make the check payable to **St. John the Evangelist**. *We cannot accept checks made payable to CASH.*

St. Vincent de Paul

Make check payable to **St. Vincent de Paul**

Jamaica Outreach Program

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****Beginning 3/1/26, online donations to JOP will need to be made directly to JOP via the following link: <https://jamaicaoutreach.org/give/>. Existing automatic donations to JOP will be terminated as of 3/1/26. Contact Karen Beebe with any questions 239.228.3903***

**Only donations by St. John the Evangelist registered parishioners will be tracked. Additionally, if you are not an SJECC registered parishioner, you will not receive a year-end tax statement.*

OFFERTORY

3/18/26 - 3/24/26

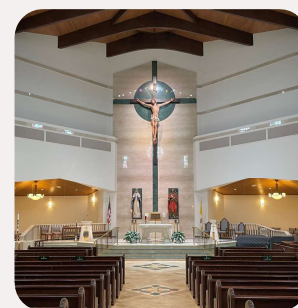
\$82,740.82

3/25/26 - 3/31/26

\$91,080.74

Total Households

3585



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.

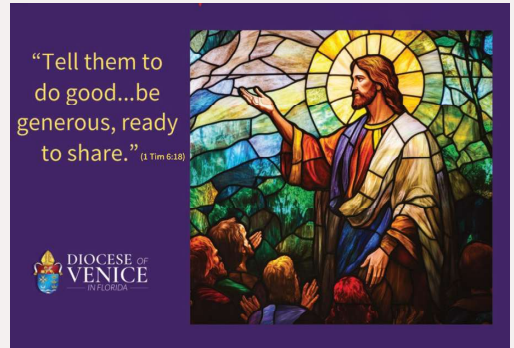


Catholic Faith Appeal

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.



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. Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity.

Catholic Faith Appeal Supports: Parish, Apostolate & Mission

Throughout the Diocese of Venice, the Church is present in many forms including Parishes, Missions, and Apostolates. Each of these works together to provide opportunities for the Faithful to join in worship and show their devotion to the Catholic Faith. The Diocese is committed to serving the needs of all the Faithful, regardless of locality, language or ability to travel to a place of Worship. This devotion to serve all is evidenced by the Diocese having 124 Priests, 61 Parishes, 6 Missions and the Celebration of Mass being held in eight different languages including: English, French, Haitian Creole, Latin, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

A **Parish** is the heart of Catholic life in a local community. It is an organized, established congregation under the care of a Pastor/Administrator, where the Faithful gather for worship, Sacraments, and spiritual growth. Parishes provide a home for prayer, education and fellowship, fostering a sense of belonging and Faith.

An **Apostolate** is dedicated to specific aspects of Catholic life and service. They may focus on education, healthcare, social justice, evangelization, or charitable works. Apostolates allow laypeople and clergy to live out their Baptismal call by serving others and spreading the Gospel in practical, impactful ways.

A **Mission** extends the presence of the Church to areas where a Parish is not fully established. They serve as centers for worship and pastoral care, often in rural or underserved regions. Missions bring the Sacraments, catechesis, and outreach to communities, helping them to grow toward becoming vibrant Parishes.



Special Second Collection



DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA *OFFICE OF THE BISHOP*

April 11, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,


The Catholic Home Missions Appeal focuses on strengthening the Church in the United States and its territories that are financially unable to offer basic pastoral ministries and services without outside assistance. This Appeal offers funds needed for religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training and other programs that both assist in evangelizing and building vibrant faith communities.

Your contribution to this Appeal allows these less well to do Dioceses to keep their Parishes open and meet the Pastoral needs of their communities. One of the many programs supported by this Appeal is faith formation programs offered by the campus ministries of Universities in mission territories in the United States. By participating in these campus ministry programs, students grow in their faith and prepare to be Church leaders.

The 2026 Catholic Home Missions Appeal is scheduled in the Diocese of Venice the weekend of April 18 and 19, 2026. Won't you be generous and allow Faith to flourish in areas that cannot do it alone? On behalf of your brothers and sisters whom you will be greatly helping, thank you for your support and kindness!

I take this opportunity to assure you and your family of my continued consideration as well as my prayers in this Easter Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida

FJD/cg

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 11, 2026

8:30 AM + Ann MaCaulay
Vigil Masses for Sunday
 3:00 PM + Ralph Corbino
 5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners
 Wine and Host + Marcel Rajotte

Requested By

Her Husband, Robert
 Vincent and Kathryn Corbino
 Dianne and Tom Reilly

Sunday, April 12, 2026

7:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners
 9:00 AM + Ramirez-Foster Family
 11:00 AM + Alba and Charles Mancini
 1:00 PM + William Haggerty
 3:00 PM + Jesus Comas
 5:00 PM + Dr. John Vitale
 Wine and Host + Fernando Diaz and Family

Requested By

Jose Ramirez
 Family
 Paul Haggerty
 Geri Fitapelli
 The Sissman Family
 Ivelysse Miro

Monday, April 13, 2026

8:30 AM + Brian Vail

Requested By

John Bode

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

8:30 AM + Robert Diaz

Requested By

Ivelysse Miro

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

8:30 AM + James Sottnick

Requested By

Mom and Dad

Thursday, April 16, 2026

8:30 AM + Nora Stein

Requested By

Helen Philbin

Friday, April 17, 2026

8:30 AM SI Robert and Joan Donnelly

Requested By

Colleen Donnelly

Saturday, April 18, 2026

8:30 AM + George Naples

Requested By

Frances Naples

(Vigil Masses for Sunday)

3:00 PM + Ozzie D'Addario

5:00 PM + Joan Geohegan

Janet D'Addario

Leslie Saunders Hueglin

Sunday, April 19, 2026

7:00 AM + Michael Zizzi

9:00 AM SI For Our Parishioners

11:00 AM + Max Ulanski

1:00 PM + Michael James Merlo

5:00 PM + Gina Negovetic

Wine and Host + Jane O'Hearn

The Zizzi Family

Ulanski Family

Merlo Family

Vivian Cassata

Pat Zewalk

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 Grabowski, Patrick Giblin, Peter Swift, Beverly Paul, Jason Sheffield, Diana Nell, Joseph Candito, Joan Layton, Joseph Candito and Angela Connor



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	Jeanne Faup	Sonny LaGreca	Lisa Sanfelippo
Chidsey Ann	Johanna Senatore Ferreira	Frank Landi	Catherine Schmitt
John Anthony	Denise Fisher	Carrie Lehmann	Jerry Schwanebeck
Frank Ashline	Joe Fitori	Elysse Lescarbeau	Sandi Schwarz
James B.	Fitz for Fitzgerald	Mason Leslie	Joseph Sciortino
Angelo Babbo	Susan Fitzpatrick	Myles Levy-Vixler	Dante and Ellen Serricchio
Mandy Bailey	Anna Focht	Tracy & Chiara Loesing	Dana Shea
John Bailey	Ron Fongemie	Freddy Lourenso Jr.	Ron Shirer
Crystal Ball	Bettina Fouts	Bob Lutz	Catherine Shriver
Eric Barker	Olivia Frawley	Spencer Lyons	Kirk Sines
Elaine Beebe	Chase G	Wai Man Chow	Jimmy Sissman
Ben and Joyce Bill	Linda Giambertone	Doris Martin	Teddy Sitter
Scott Bjornson	Donna Gilbride	Mary A.	Patty Skubick
Marjorie Blazevic	Fr. Len Gioeli	Mary Beth	Donna Slattery
Patty Bleicher	Lee Goldman	Rochelle Masom	Emily Spotz
Paul Bolio	Sally Grace	Anthony Masse	Emily K. Squittieri
Kimmy Bonacci	Patricia Graftstrom	Zachary Mazzola	Joanna Steenburgh
The Braunius Family	Barbara Graves	Kelli Jo McCarthy	Ila Steinly
Charlie Brennan	Sam Greenberg	Carolyn McDonald	Patricia Stiff
Tom Brown	Peter Greenberg	Mary McGowan	Laura Stokes
Anthony Busa	Justin Griffin	McGuire and Leesman Family	Jeanne Stoll
Charlotte Byron	Frank Grzesk	Jim Meerpohl	Sally Stookey
Frank Carillo	Ben Gunterson	Salvatore Minardi	Larry Storbeck
Louis Celiberti	Gary Gwizdala	Eileen Miner	Christopher Suki
Michael Cerankowski	Nikki Haley	MLR	Bill Sullivan
Diana Chappel	Susan Hamilton	Maryann Mondragon	Jack Suter
Tyler Chorba	Anthony Hamilton	Mark Moss	Mabel Tangney-Decker
Al and Lorraine Ciano	Terry Hansberry	Jennifer Mottolese	Paul Todd
Domine Clemons	Saralane Harrer	Andy Murphy	Danielle Pacicco Tsombanos
Laurie Evelyn Cline	Fr. Mark Harris	Anthony Napolitano	Lisa Tuner
Monsignor Coll	The Hawley Family	Robert Needham	Janine Uzzi
Merlyn Comeriato	Robert Hearson	Daniel Newton	Raymond Vanasse
Julia Conifrey	Jennifer Heider	Thomas O'Dea	Diane VanDerHorst
Donna Connolly	Brenda Hernandez	Richard Paine	Josalyn Vazquez
Francine Crawford	Elaine Hill	Eric Parker	Ken Villone
Michelle D.	Kelly Honsberger	Doris Patrao	Carol Watchmaker
Phyllis D.	Kathleen Howard	Judith Ann Patterson	Callie Grace Watson
Raymond Dauterive	Murray Hunkin	Mary Ann Pembroke	Fran Webber
Kathy Davidson	Deanne Hutchinson-Pinto	John Petrovic	Mia Weddell
Carol Delly	Joseph Iannuccilli	Fran Pishotti	Judy Weickert
George Deuchar	William Jackson	The Pleeter Family	Elaine Wenning
Melissa DiDonna	Sharon Johnson	Debbie Previte	Gail Wheeler
Julie Dieter	Debbie Jones	Dorothy Queenan	Mike Whitehead
Donna DiMare	Lynn K.	Kathy R	Carol Widdowson
Daniel Drobenko	Lynne Keevan	Tom Redman	Carole Wielosinski
Tom Duncan	John Kegaly	Dave Roberts	Eugene Williams II
Kelly Duncan	Beth Kekacs	Susie Romanovich	Shantaye Williams
Baby Bennett Edington	Julie Kelley	Brian Rondeau	Jennifer Winter
Robert Egan	Nancy and William Kennelly	Ronald Rubeck	Harry Witt
Tom Endres	Hannah K and Kathleen Kotscher	Peggy O'Neil Saba	Rande Wright
Elkin Escobar	Richard Kruger	Roy Sabalboro	Blake Young
Kiera Fahey	Clayton Kunkle	Steve Salinas	Connor Z.

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
John Franklin Baird- US Army
First Lieutenant Nehemiah Samuel Baker, U.S. Marine
Lieutenant Jake Barberio- US Navy
Lieutenant Madelein Barberio- US Navy
Cadet Samantha Bocis
Lieutenant Caron Brial- US Navy
Captain Russell Burt- Air Force
Ben Cullen- Air Force
1st Lieutenant Dante Dalmaso- US Army
Captain Quentin Danyov- US Army
Conor DiNatale
LCDR Andrew Douglas, US Navy, Japan
Sean Duffin- US Army
Captain Stephen English- US Army in South Korea
Jude Fanton USMC
1st Lieutenant Dwight Fritz III- Marines
Senior Reconnaissance Sargent Lon Giancola- US Army
Sgt. Amir Gonzalez- US Marine Corps
Captain Timothy Guinee- NH Air National Guard
SFC Douglas Hennessy
Tyler Hickcox- Marines
1st Lieutenant Brock Hinkle- US Army
Jonathan Hoaglund- US Army
First Lieutenant Daniel Huber- US Marine Corps
Cadet Sloane Janopoulos- USAF Academy
Senior Airman Sepncer Kanar- US Airforce
2nd Lieutenant Lucy Keegan- US Army
Midshipman Max Koeppi- USMMA, Kings Point, NY
Sgt. Nicholas LaManna- US Army
2nd Lieutenant Ethan Lange- US Army
Captaim William E. McDonnell- US Marine Corps
Midshipman Brady McDonough- US Naval Academy
Major Justin McQueen- National Guard
Lieutenant Joseph Moses- Naval Aviator
2nd Lieutenant Samantha Naples- US Marine Corps

Major Justin Nell- US Army Reserve
Alex Noble- Air Force
1st Sargent Jake Nowicki
Sgt. Hugh O'Donnell- 75th Ranger Regiment
1st Lieutenant Deanna Ogrinc- US Army
Private 1st Class Jason Ollanove- US Army
Daniel Petito- US Army
Maj. Anthony Raguso USMC
Captain Robert W. Raleigh IV- US Marine Corps
Joseph Rice LCDR
Jill Rice LCDR
Sean Riordan- US Marines
Duke Roach- US Navy
Grayson Roberts- US Navy
Steven Robinson- US Army
Captain Sophie Sekutera- US Army
Captain Luke Sekutera- US Army
Captain Ben Sekutera- US Army
Commander Adam Shields- US Navy
Charlie Sjostrom- Martines- US Army
Captain Jared T. Smith- Marine Corps
Captain Fox Stevens- US Army
Captain Matthew Stevenson- Marines
Lieutenant Grace Tanguilig- US Navy
Matt Tavarone- US Army
Lieutenant Tanis Taylor- US Navy
Captian Grant Ullrich- US Army
Captain Mackenzie Webster- Space Force
Captisn Hollis Webster- Space Force
Colonel Ryan Whitaker- US Airforce
Andrew Wieland- US Airforce
Sergeant First Class Eugene D. Williams- US Army
Kaden Winckel- Air Force
BMSN3 Cameron Yedlin-US Navy
Master Sgt. Andrew Zecchino- USAF
Tech. 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

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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 5:30-6:30 p.m. 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 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 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 at 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 6:30 p.m. in the Claussen Center. 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. <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 or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email jandpcrivelli@gmail.com before coming to make sure we are meeting that day.

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

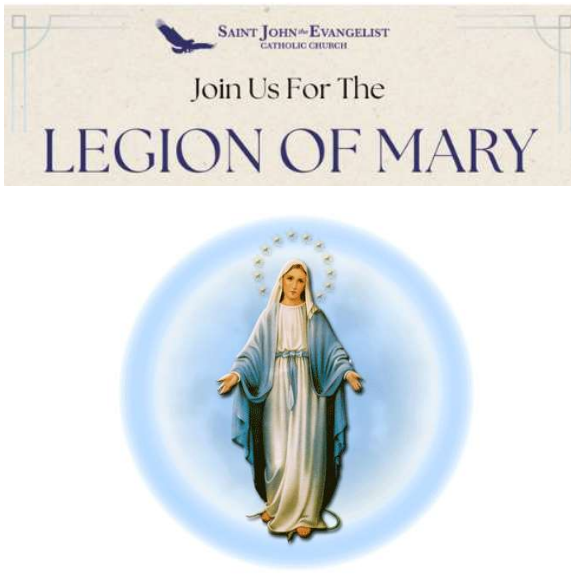
Ministries & Groups

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We give glory to God by offering direct/in-home help to anyone in need within the boundaries of our parish. Our work spans 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.

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



For More Information Email: sjecclegion@gmail.com

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.

Lenten Fish FISH FEST



St. John Council 11281, Knights of Columbus, would like to "Thank" everyone who supported and enjoyed our Fish Fest this year.

Over 50 Volunteers served more than 1,500 delicious meals during the six Fridays of Lent. Proceeds help support Guadalupe Social Services (Coats for Kids); "4" Food Banks: Guadalupe Center, Feed They Neighbor, St. Joseph in Bradenton & St. Vincent DePaul; and St. John's Catholic Youth & Adult Organizations (i.e., Boy Scouts, Youth Basketball tournaments and the Easter Egg Hunt).

Thanks again and congratulations to this year's Fish Fest Raffle Winner Judy Brodrick.

Ministries & Groups



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Are you a widow or widower?
Are you grieving any other type of loss?
Are you looking for support and healing?

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

St. John the Evangelist provides both group and individual grief support.

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.

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THAT MAN IS YOU!

**Have Honest Discussions
About the Challenges
Men Face**

That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

**Saturdays at 7:00am
Pulte Cafe**

for more information:
brandonkaras1993@gmail.com



As an Eagle Scout candidate from Troop 226 in Naples, Florida, I am deeply committed to making a meaningful difference in our community.

Even here in Collier County, where there is so much prosperity, rates of food shortages hover around 10 to 12%, leaving thousands of our neighbors struggling to access reliable nutritious meals.

This reality has fueled my strong desire to help squash hunger in our area, and it is the center piece of my **Eagle Scout Project**. With the help of my fellow Troop 226 Scouts and You, I will provide 15,000 nutritious, delicious and shelf stable meals to our hungry community.

My goal is to raise \$5,000 to buy all the food, seasonings and packaging needed to build the meals. I am partnering with Meals of Hope and we will lovingly assemble the ready to eat meals here at St. John the Evangelist Church, where I am a parishioner.

I invite you to join me in this positive effort to fill tummies with food and hearts with hope. Together we can make a real impact. Thank you for your support!

— Roman Janopoulos,



Eagle Scout Candidate, Troop 226, Naples, FL



**Roman Janopoulos &
Troop 226 presents...**

**15,000 MEALS,
ONE EAGLE SCOUT MISSION**



MEALS OF
Hope

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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@dgarrrettconstruction.com

SPONSORSHIPS

Father Glackin Sponsorship

\$15,000

Two Foursomes

Hole Sign

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.

Salesians of St. John Boco Sponsorship

\$10,000

Two Foursomes

Hole Sign

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

Deacon Panaccia Sponsorship

\$7,500

Two Foursomes

Hole Sign

Recognition at the awarding of the Panacci Scholarship at our local Catholic Schools. You will have the honor of presenting the scholarships. Acknowledgement at lunch.

GOLFERS: \$150 per player

includes golf, cart, and lunch

TITLE SPONSOR \$3500

Two Foursomes Included

Hole signage and Business on all Player Placards

Start on First or Tenth Holes play together

LUNCH SPONSOR \$3000

Two Foursome Included & play together

CART SPONSOR \$2500

Your business will be on every event score card placed in the golf carts

GOLF BALL SPONSOR \$2000

One Foursomes Included

Dedicated hole to Network with all the golfers

PUTTING CONTEST \$1500

Run or help run the contest

Signage at Putting Green

LONGEST DRIVE - (2 Available) \$1000

Dedicated hole to Network with all the golfers

Hole Signage

CLOSEST TO THE PIN (3 Available) \$500

Dedicated hole to Network with all the golfers

Hole Signage

HOLE SPONSOR \$300

Your business name displayed on a hole sign on the course

TO MAKE A DIRECT DONATION PLEASE

SCAN THE QR CODE





ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
YOUTH MINISTRY

DONUTS, COFFEE & PARISH SOCIAL

After the 11:00 a.m. Mass until 1:30 p.m.

In the Pulte Family Life Center. All are welcome!



April 19



Donuts & Coffee ~ Open Gym ~ Board Games



HIGH SCHOOL LUAU NIGHT

MONDAY, APRIL 27
PULTE CENTER
FROM 6 P.M. TO 8 P.M.

DON'T MISS OUR LAST HIGH SCHOOL GAME NIGHT BEFORE SUMMER - LUAU STYLE!

DRESS IN YOUR BEST
TROPICAL ATTIRE

GAMES, REFLECTION, FOOD,
AND FELLOWSHIP!

HIGH SCHOOL GAME
NIGHTS WILL
RETURN IN THE FALL



MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST
6 P.M. - 8 P.M.
ALEXANDRIA ROOM

Summer Send-Off

JOIN US FOR WATER GAMES,
FELLOWSHIP, D.J., REFLECTION, FOOD,
AND FUN! BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES
AND A TOWEL.
MSYG WILL RETURN IN
THE FALL!



CONTACT MAX BERMAN
AT MAX@SJECC.COM, OR
SCAN THE QR CODE FOR
MORE DETAILS.

PLEASE OBSERVE MODEST SWIM ATTIRE:
BOYS ARE TO WEAR A T-SHIRT WITH SWIM
TRUNKS, AND GIRLS ARE TO WEAR A ONE-
PIECE SWIMSUIT WITH SHORTS OR A
SKIRT COVER. THANK YOU!

PICKLEBALL CAMP

\$50

JUNE 16 – JUNE 19
Pulte Center Gym

AGES 7-10
9 a.m.
10 a.m.

AGES 11-17
10:30 a.m.
Noon

FOUR-DAY
PICKLEBALL
TRAINING WITH
PICKLEBALL JIMMY
ON INDOOR
COURTS. PLEASE
BRING A PADDLE!

Register Here!



BASKETBALL CAMP

\$50

JUNE 22 – JUNE 26
Pulte Center Gym

AGES 5-12
9 a.m. – Noon

FIVE-DAY
BASKETBALL
TRAINING WITH
EXPERIENCED PAST
AND PRESENT
COACHES AND
CURRENT PLAYERS.

Register Here!



Young Adult Group

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

- ADORATION
- WEEKLY GATHERINGS
- DISCUSSIONS
- SOCIAL EVENTS
- PRAYER
- SERVICE PROJECTS



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YOUNG ADULT 18+ OPEN GYM NIGHT

Starting Monday, May 18th
6 - 8 p.m. | Pulte Center Gym



RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 8-12, 2026

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 to check your status.
- After confirmation, Melissa or the VBS team will send your link.

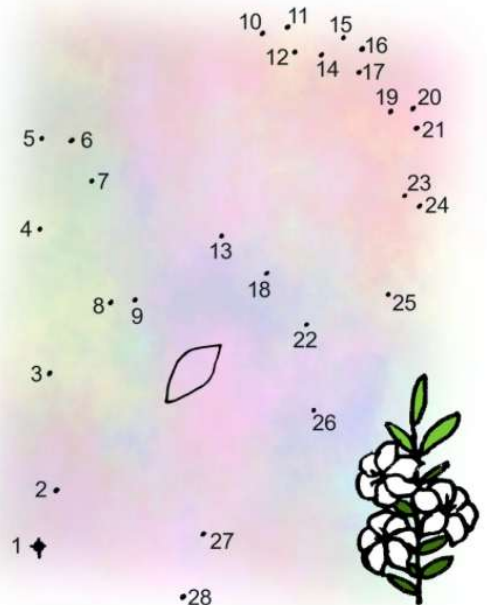
Divine Mercy Sunday

Today, besides being the second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy. It is the special day when we remember the mercy of God.



Mercy is when a person treats another better than they deserve. God does not owe us anything, since everything we have comes from Him. When we sin we offend God, but because He is merciful He forgives us when we are sorry.

Jesus' dying on the cross was the biggest act of mercy. He gave up His life so that we could be forgiven of our sins and go to Heaven! Thank God today for all He has given you, especially giving up His life so that you can go to Heaven!



Saint Thomas wasn't there the first time Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. What did Thomas say he would have to see before he believed that Jesus was alive? Connect the dots to find out!

This Week in Faith Formation

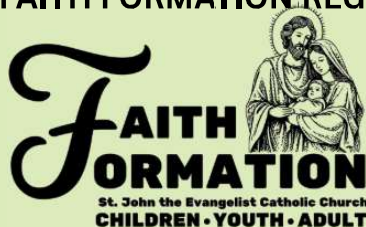
Sunday, April 12th

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

Wednesday, April 15th

- 12:30-2:30PM Pre-K Atrium Session
- 5:00-6:15PM K-8 Faith Formation Session

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 15 FOR 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR!



We are excited to announce registration for the 2026-2027 School Year! Online Registration Opens April 15th. On the next page are the options for next year! Please contact Natalie Campbell at natalie@sjecc.com for more information.

To learn about volunteer opportunities in our program, please contact Natalie Campbell at natalie@sjecc.com.

Basic Catechist Certification is required and offered to all interested in volunteering.

Faith Formation

PreK3 & PreK4- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium

The Saint John the Evangelist pre-school catechism class, based on the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Level 1 program meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:45AM-11:45AM. NEW TIME for 2026-2027 School year! The program is under the direction of Charlotte A. Williams.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is an approach to the religious formation of children. Level 1 is given to children from the ages of 3 years old up to 6 years old.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd's (CGS) formation of the child is rooted in the Bible and Liturgy and is founded on the educational principles of Maria Montessori. The children gather in the "atrium", which is a room prepared for them containing simple yet beautiful materials that they use to help them absorb the most essential proclamations of our Catholic faith.

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Preparation

The Faith Formation Program, which runs from late August through early May, provides sacramental preparation for the youth of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Specifically, to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion, children must be at least seven years old and in the second grade. Children must have a minimum of two consecutive years of religious instruction. Our curriculum includes preparation from Ascension Press RENEWED and RECEIVED.



K-8 Faith Formation

We are pleased to offer Faith Formation sessions to our K-8 children in our parish. We have over 58 catechists who serve in our ministry. It is a blessing to have this time with children to encourage and support the faith of the family. Sessions are offered on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:15PM and Sundays from 9:30-10:45AM. New students to the program will need to submit a copy of their Baptism Certificate at the time of registration.

High School Confirmation

Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation is an exciting time for high school youth. Confirmation encompasses two years of preparation, typically in ninth and tenth grade. However, each program year often includes students in eleventh and twelfth grade who have not yet received this sacrament. We view the program as a journey, rather than a race. In this way, youth are afforded the opportunity to explore their faith at a reasonable pace, given the myriad of other obligations that occupy time in their lives. Students study the faith, choose sponsors to help them along their journey, and get to learn more about their chosen Saint, who will provide inspiration to each candidate through extraordinary stories of living the faith. Our confirmation program is open to ALL high school-age youth. We meet on Sunday afternoons from 3:45 – 6:00 p.m. approximately twice a month. As part of our class sessions, we attend Mass together, and families are welcome to join us. Video-based programs and direct instruction provide the framework for small, supportive formation groups. Youth attend 1 retreat per year and complete 4 Parish service hours per year as part of the preparation.



Adult Faith Formation



ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

For more information and enrollment, email aff@sjecc.com

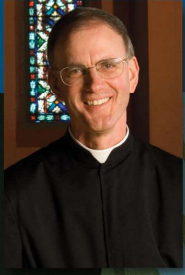
Session Dates:

April 12th May 3rd
April 19th May 10th
April 26th May 17th



Hallow Prayer Challenge Invitation: "Spiritual Exercises"

Begins Monday, April 6



28-Day Spiritual Exercises

Fr. Timothy Gallagher

Our parish community at St. John the Evangelist is inviting everyone to pray together on our Hallow parish page! Starting Monday, April 6, we'll be going through *The Spiritual Exercises*, led by Fr. Timothy Gallagher. One of the world's leading experts on Ignatian spirituality, Fr. Tim will guide us in St. Ignatius' method of prayer—entering into the Gospel, encountering Christ personally, and deepening our friendship with Him.

To join, first go to our parish page on the Hallow app. You can find it by searching for our parish name or zip code in the *Community* tab, by visiting hallow.com/parish, or scanning the QR code. From there, you'll see the Spiritual Exercises challenge and can pray along with our parish family. Let's grow in prayer together!

THIS WEEK IN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday April 12th

Adult Confirmation; 2:00-3:30 in Alexandria

Monday April 13th

OCIA; 6:00-7:30 PM in Alexandria

Tuesday April 14th

Mysteries of the Rosary; 9:30-11:00 AM in Nazareth

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

'26-'27 OCIA; 6:00-7:30 PM in Alexandria

Thursday April 16th

Mysteries of the Rosary; 6:30-8:00 PM in Nazareth

THE CATECHETICAL COLUMN

Question: What does the Church require for

someone to be a saint?

Answer: A saint is a model of the faith and an intercessor. Through canonization, the Church proclaims that a person practiced heroic virtue and lived in fidelity to God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit. The process begins with a formal petition to the bishop, and after the person is deemed to have lived a holy life, they are given the title Servant of God.

However, in order to be canonized, one miracle is required through their intercession after they are declared Servant of God. For example, St. Faustina died on October 5, 1938, lived a holy life, and was canonized by St. Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, following the miraculous healing of Fr. Ron Pytel on October 5, 1995.

Thank you for your question!

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



Happy Divine Mercy Sunday



MYSTERIES *of the* ROSARY

Glorious Mysteries

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!

MASTERPIECE of CREATION

She Shall Be Called Woman

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



Events & Programs

An evening 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

featuring
The Girls of Motown

\$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



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 St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church



Adult Paint & Wine

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

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-poppies-tickets-1986214452896?aff=oddtcreator>



TUESDAY, APRIL 14 & 28
1:00 P.M.



\$20 - 10 GAMES - CASH PRIZES
PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER



Free hearing screenings,
 provided by Doctors Hearing,
 will be available 30 minutes
 before and 30 minutes after the
 presentation.



Hear Today... *Thrive Tomorrow!*

Join **SBB University** as we discover the keys to better hearing with **Audiologist Dr. Ann Rasmussen** from Doctors Hearing as she shares expert tips on maintaining healthy hearing and explores the latest solutions for hearing challenges. Whether you're noticing changes in your hearing or just want to stay proactive, this event is designed to keep you informed, empowered, and connected to your best hearing health.

Knowledge is power...

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Event is **FREE** but **RSVP** is required, Call 239-776-7353 to reserve your spot!



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FREE LUNCH & LEARN

April 21, 2026
12:00PM - 1:30PM

Saint John the Evangelist
Pulte Family Life Center
625 111th Ave N
Naples, FL 34108

KARAOKE *Happy Hour*



FRIDAY, APRIL 17
6 - 8 P.M.

PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Events & Programs

Music and Lyrics by Rodgers and Hammerstein

Cinderella



Thursday, May 14th - 6:30pm
 Friday, May 15th - 6:30pm
 Saturday, May 16th - 12:30pm

\$25/Adult \$15/Child
 General Admission At The Door Only

Tickets Are Not Pre-Sold To This Event Cash or Credit Cards Accepted
 239-571-3305

CHILDREN FOR THE ARTS

www.childrenforthearts.com

THE PULTE CENTER STAGE
 St. John The Evangelist Church
 625 111th Avenue North
 Naples, FL 34108

CHILDREN FOR THE ARTS PRESENTS

SUMMER STAGE CAMP!

Sleeping Beauty

July 6-July 24, 2026 M-F 1pm-4pm Ages 7-16

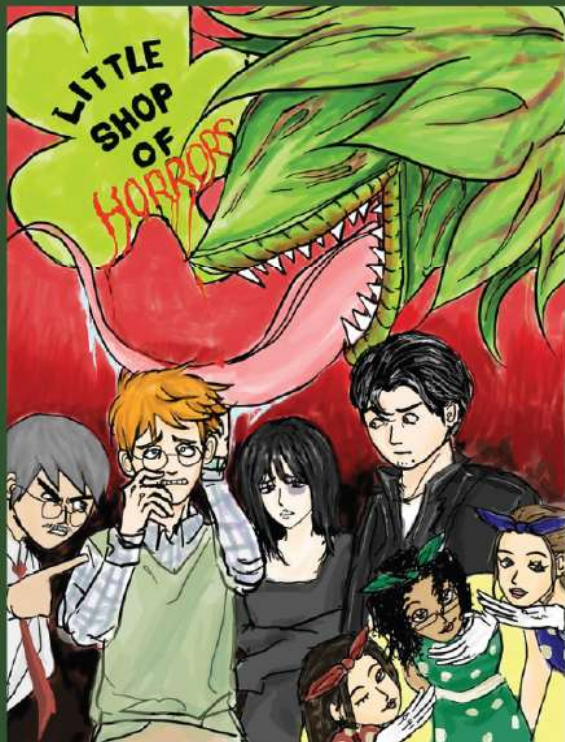
This 3-week camp includes learning the art of acting, character study, improv and theatre games, behind the scenes skills, and performing!
 A fun and creative environment for young performers to SHINE ON STAGE!



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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

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.



*Price is per person, cruise only, based on double occupancy. Deposit of \$450 per person is due at time of reservation. Insurance highly recommended. Please see terms and conditions on flyer for financial details, responsibilities, cancellation fees and other information. Fla. Seller of Travel Ref. No. ST40081 03/17/2025