

# Celebration of the Year of Faith Begins

This Thursday, October 11, we celebrate the beginning of a new year. If that weren't random enough, this year will be almost fourteen months long! How is this so?

Last year on October 11, Pope Benedict XVI published his Apostolic Letter *Porta Fidei* (The Door of Faith). In it, he quotes Acts 14:27, where the Apostles "called the church together and reported what God had done with

them and how he had opened the **door of faith**" (emphasis added). He furthermore declared that the universal Church would observe a Year of Faith, running from October 11, 2012 (the anniversary of its publication) to November 24, 2013 (Christ the King).

All well and good, you might say, but isn't every year a year of faith? Or, in the words of Fr. John, "how is this good news for us today?" Well, this year will be one of increased attention paid to our faith — what it is, how we live it, and how we spread it. In the words of the USCCB, the "Year of Faith is an opportunity for

every Catholic to turn towards Jesus Christ, encounter him in the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and rediscover the Faith and Church." There will be many catechetical activities forthcoming that we will roll out through the coming months.

Our focus will be threefold:

 Know your faith. Others — parents, clergy, teachers — have been responsible for teaching us over the years, surely — they have held open the door of faith for us. But have we honored their

example? As Catholics, the greatest part and toughest part of our faith is the same — there's always more to know.

"Now I am reminding you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you indeed received and in which you also stand. Through it you are also being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared to

Cephas, then to the Twelve." *1 Corinthians 15:1-5* 

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YEAR OF FAITH 2012 2013



625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108 • Phone 239.566.8740 • Fax 239.566.9117 www.SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com • E-mail: info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m., Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3 & 5 p.m. — Sunday: 7, 9, 11 a.m., 1 & 5 p.m.

Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions Requested by							
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			Vigil Masses				
3:00	PM	+	Gary Bonner	Dorothy Daly			
5:00	PM	+	Michael & Angela Rose Carolla	Josephine Mello			
October 7, 2012			Sunday				
7:00	AM	+	Thomas Riley	Esther Riley			
9:00	AM	+	Rose Marie Hammond	Harry Hammond			
11:00	AM		For Our Parishioners				
1:00	PM	+	James E. Bateman Sr.	Janice Tomasetti			
5:00	PM	+	Alice Daughton	Paul & June Bilardo			
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11:00	AM		For Our Parishioners	Millia Dadriana			
1:00	PM	+	Rolin Rodriquez	Millie Rodriquez			
5:00	PM	+	Mr. & Mrs. Edward Feliks	Susan Feliks			

**FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to 5** is available during the following Mass times: Saturday Vigil 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. The nursery is located in the Parish Life Center, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is available during these nursery hours.

Homebound: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available at any time to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Contact Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

# SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 6, 2012 St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24

Vigil Masses

Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Sunday, October 7, 2012 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Monday, October 8, 2012

Columbus Day; National Children's Day; Canadian Thanksgiving Day Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 9, 2012 St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, October 11, 2012 Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

**Friday, October 12, 2012** Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 13, 2012 Blessed Virgin Mary Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

Vigil Masses

Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

Sunday, October 14, 2012 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13;

Hymns for the 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 6 & 7					
Entrance Hymn:	449	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling			
Preparation Hymn:	420	I Want To Walk As a Child of the Light			
Communion Hymn:	495	Bread of Life			
	405	Be Thou My Vision			
Closing Hymn:	373	Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven			

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Live your faith. We have to walk through the door ourselves; no one else can do it for us. Faith is not for Sundays — it's for every day! We take it with us wherever we go — our work, our play, the car, the voting booth — but how well are we doing this?

"You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the LORD requires of you: Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God." *Micah 6:8* 

• **Share** your faith. Traditionally, Catholics have been known for evangelization, but on a lesser scale in

recent years. But once we have found the "pearl of great price" (cf. Matthew 13), we can't keep it to ourselves! We must, in turn, hold the door of faith open to others.

"My brothers, if anyone among you should stray from the truth and someone bring him back, he should know that whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins." *James 5:19-20* 

text submitted by Tom Oram, Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

# Understanding Spirituality & Prayer

will be the theme at the *Parish Retreat* 

January 26, 2013

Speaker: Fr. J.J. McCarthy

Open to Men and Women of St. John the Evangelist

Cost: \$30

includes breakfast, lunch and speaker Attendance at Retreat fulfills Sunday obligation.

More details to follow.

Limited to 60 participants.

**Location:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat and Spirituality Center, 3989 South Moon Drive, Venice, FL 34292



Registration: See Deacon Al 239.597.5172

deaconalg@comcast.net

Carpooling available.



#### **Sister Brittany**

"Mary, Our Sister: Journeying with Mary in Faith"

Join us as we welcome Sister Brittany who will lead the women of Faith and Wine in a reflection that hopes to deepen our own relationship with Mary, who is truly our Sister in the journey of faith.

Thursday, October 11, 2012 6:30-8:30 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom

#### Cost

\$10/person pre-paid (\$15 at door) (includes a glass of wine & light dinner) **Pre-Payment Strongly Encouraged!** 

www.faithandwine.com

Questions: Martha (407) 615-9017

#### Parish Clergy



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli Associate Fr. Thomas Kelly Associate

Deacon Hal Brenner Deacon Rob Chalhoub

Deacon Frank Paniccia

Deacon Forrest Wallace

Deacon Al Groh Senior Status

#### SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

#### Sacrament of Baptism

The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. Classes are offered once a month and baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 1:00 p.m. Mass. Please call the parish office to register for a class. Upon completion of the class and fulfillment of the godparent requirements, parents may schedule a baptism date.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

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

#### Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

Call the parish office 566.8740. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Business Office is located in the PLC (behind the Church)

#### All Administrative Staff 239.566.8740

General Manager

Scott Schlossberg: 566.1678

Fax: 239.325.2100

**Administrative Assistant & Records** 

Melanie Harrison: Ext. 113

**Assistant to the Pastor** Natalie Campbell: Ext. 134

**Pastoral Musician and Liturgist** 

Tom Oram: Ext. 179

**Choir Director** 

Ellie (VanderMeuse) Roberts: 682.5609

Sacristan

Lorna Woonsam: Ext. 133

Communications Kathy Sims: Ext. 128

Memorial Garden

Scott Schlossberg: Ext. 114

**Religious Boutique** Jackie Gibson: 513.0511

**Education Staff** 

**Director of Faith Formation** 

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

**Director of Youth Ministry** 

Bill Maguire: 566.8740, Ext. 177

Director of RCIA

Margie Lynch: 514.2927

**Family Ministry** 

Charlene Youngs: 566.8740 Ext: 123

email staff members at:

info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

#### Parish Registration

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: saintjohntheevangelist.com Click on the **Welcome** tab on the top left side and scroll down to Forms. Return to office.

#### St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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#### **Administrative Office Hours are:**

Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (until all are heard)

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Daily Mass:**

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

#### Saturday Vigil Masses:

3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

#### **Sunday Masses:**

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,

11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

#### FOR OUR RECORDS

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the front office at 239.566.8740 or email: info@ saintjohntheevanglist.com

Thank you!

#### **BULLETIN SUBMISSION**

Please submit all ordinary time submission requests by Thursday at 10:00 a.m. 10 days prior to the Sunday publication you are requesting. You can e-mail: kathys@ saintjohntheevangelist.com or drop your submission off in the parish office.

#### Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

#### **Mass Intentions**

We are currently accepting intentions for 2013.

#### Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2012 & 2013 availability. Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The spirit-filled community of St. John the Evangelist is committed to following the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church through stewardship and serving its parishioners, the community and those most in need.

#### ARISH INFORMATION...

#### St. John Neumann Catholic High School Open House Sunday, November 4

The St. John Neumann Open House starts at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 4 in the Justin Holecek Student Life Center. Please register for the Open House with the admissions office at tsarcone@sjnceltics.org

# Celebrating 50 Years of Marriage



Jerry and Joan Lane *Married September 22, 1962* 

Mr. and Mrs. Lane will receive a special blessing at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, Sunday, October 7, 2012.

Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Qane!

#### Grief Support Series Begins Tuesday, October 16

Healing from grief takes time. Each one of us grieves differently, It is a great help when we can share our grieving with others who have experienced the separation of a loved one through death.

Grief support sessions will be offered on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Life Center on the following dates: October 16, October 23, 30, November 6, November 13, and November 20. For further information, please call Dee Donnelly at 594.7193 or Carol Ryan at 992.4190.

## Pancake Breakfast October 7th!! Come Support Your Boy Scouts!

Boy Scout Troop 168 will hold a pancake breakfast on October 7th after the morning Masses. With your donations this fundraiser will help us raise money for summer camp and other activities. Please join us in the ballroom for mouthwatering pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, tea and juice. If any boys, age 11 or older, are interested in joining Boy Scouts, this is a perfect opportunity to see

what it is all about.







# Can I be a Knight of Columbus with my Family What does it take? and Work Responsibilities?

- A commitment to your Catholic Faith.
- A desire to join fellow Catholic's in Charitable Deeds and Support of the Church

You can give your time as a "24 Hour Knight" while you have other responsibilities.

#### Each year spend about...

- 12 hours keeping up on Parish and Knights activities, bulletins, newsletters and websites.
- 2 hours participating in the Knights annual disabilities drive.
- 2 hours attending, with the family, the Corporate Communions at St. John the Evangelist.
- 2 hours on Council sponsored community or Church project.
- 2 hours attending one meeting (hopefully, if interesting, attend more.).

As a KofC member you will obtain a number of benefits including insurance for you and your family if desired. Insurance is not mandatory. You will pave the path for full commitment in the future.

For more information Contact Membership Director Jerry Detloff: Phone: 239-513-1545 email: gfdetloff@comcast.net



Knight Scott Schwarz and (left to right), wife Trish, daughters Allison and Emily.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Vocations Dinner

**Honoree:** Deacon Frank Paniccia

November 14, 2012 in PLC at 6:00 p.m.

Great Food • Great Music
Great Auctions

#### GET YOUR TICKETS NOW

Call: (239) 331-7175 ((239) 513-1545

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus



First announcement between
Elizabeth Kessen
& Brian Gioia

## STEWARDSHIP

Many people have a misconception of the word stewardship. Many think it is solely about money. Many think it is about short term projects. It is not any of these. Stewardship is not a program. Stewardship is a way of life. Being a good steward is using the gifts God has given to each of us. When we receive these gifts we must nurture them and then share them with others. The object is to give back these gifts to God with abundance. Simply stated stewardship is about using our Time, Talent and Treasure to the best of our ability in serving God.

To learn more about Stewardship go to the Conference of Catholic Bishops' web site at USCCB.ORG and search on Stewardship. The first article will give you a summary of the Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship. It is well worth reading.

Once one chooses to become a disciple of Jesus Christ, Stewardship is not an option.

Bob Claussen President, Stewardship Council

#### **NEEDED**

Ushers & Greeters for all Masses

Contact
John Smith
at
598-2306

# Jamaica Outreach Program

#### **Appreciation and Welcoming Party, October 26**

Prospective, current and past volunteers and donors are invited to JOP sponsored event on Friday, October 26, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the St. John the Evangelist PLC Library. Your spouse/guest is also invited.

This cocktail party is to welcome new volunteers and express our appreciation to all who have served in, or supported, programs benefiting our adopted parish, St. Pius X, in Jamaica. Please bring a ready-to-serve hors d'oeuvre to share.

For more information, please call Jeanne at 514.0290.



#### **AMENDMENT 8:**

- Eliminates discrimination against churches and religious institutions who provide social services
- Preserves time-honored publicprivate partnerships between government and social service organizations
- Ensures continued delivery of crucial social services by faith-based organizations

Please support this effort by making a contribution at: www.SayYesOn8.com

#### Or mail to:

Yes On 8 2640-A Mitcham Drive Tallahassee, FL 32308



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www.sayyeson8.com

# Say Yes on 8 for Religious Freedom & Non-Discrimination

#### **Fact Sheet**

#### **Amendment 8 Protects Religious Freedom**

- Restores Equal Protection Under Law: Religious organizations and individuals have an equal and rightful place in the public square and should not have their freedom to participate there limited simply because they are religious. Amendment 8 ensures religious organizations and individuals the right to provide services for the common good.
- Defends Service Providers: A recent and pending court case reveal
  the current bias an arcane provision of Florida's constitution holds against
  religion. Amendement 8 would protect those who are organized to deliver food
  and financial aid, support, and training to those most
  in need.

#### **Amendment 8 Ends Religious Discrimination in Law**

- Ensures Fairness in Law: Florida's constitution currently requires
  discrimination against religious providers of social services simply because
  they are religious. Amendment 8 corrects this inequity and allows them to
  work in public-private partnerships with state and local governments to meet
  community needs.
- Enhances Cost Efficiency in Service Delivery: Religiously motivated and
  private organizations can often provide equal or higher quality social services
  than government-run programs. They are sometimes the only willing providers
  of key state services. Amendment 8 preserves the taxpayer benefit of more
  efficient service delivery at a lower cost.

#### **Amendment 8 Aids the Most Needy**

Touches All Sectors of Society: Faith-based organizations benefit virtually
every segment of society: religious hospitals and clinics that provide Medicaid
services; eldercare and indigent care; substance abuse programs; hospice
care; housing assistance for the disabled or homeless; soup kitchens and food
programs for the poor; prison outreach and disaster relief services; and certain
college and K-12 scholarship programs. Amendment 8 ensures continued
delivery of social and other services by faith-based organizations.

#### Amendment 8 will be on the November 6, 2012 ballot

Amendment 8 Ballot Summary:

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution providing that no individual or entity may be denied, on the basis of religious identity or belief, governmental benefits, funding or other support, except as required by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, and deleting the prohibition against using revenues from the public treasury directly or indirectly in aid of any church, sect, or religious denomination or in aid of any sectarian institution.

# St. John Youth Ministry

# John Paul II Generation Gives Us Reason to Hope

This year, the month of October is doubly important for the Catholic Church in America. First, we celebrate *Respect Life Month*. Second, we begin the *Year of Faith* inaugurated by Pope Benedict XVI (October 11, 2012 – November 24, 2013).

It is no mere coincidence that the Year of Faith should take place



Bill Maguire
Director
of Youth Ministry

this year as we mark the shameful anniversary of 40 years of legalized abortion in the United States. Nor is it a mistake that the Church calls us to a serious study of and recommitment to our Creed in a year when our government is attacking our religious liberty and threatening to limit the public expression and practice of our faith (the HHS Mandate).

Now more than ever we must reexamine our priorities and commitments in the light of our faith. Is our Catholic faith the adjective or the noun, the modifier or the modified? Are we *Catholic* 

Americans or *American* Catholics? The fact that the *Year of Faith* culminates with the celebration of the *Feast of Christ the King* (November 24) provides us with some helpful guidelines on how

to properly approach and answer these questions.



In the midst of the darkness ("culture of death") —over 53 million children lost through abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia — there are signs of light and hope ("culture of life"). Perhaps the greatest sign of hope comes from the teens and young people of the John Paul II Generation. In the coming weeks, we

will examine the Gospel of Life articulated by John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI and highlight the inspiring efforts of young people who have dedicated their lives to the Pro-Life Movement.

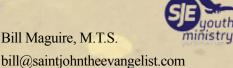
John Paul II, World Youth Day (Denver 1993):

At this stage in history, the liberating message of the Gospel of Life has been put into your hands. And the mission of proclaiming it to the ends of the earth is now passing to your generation. . . . Do not be afraid to go out on the streets and into public places like the first apostles, who preached Christ and the good news of salvation of the Gospel. Young people of World Youth Day, the church asks you to go, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to those who are near and those who are far away. . . . Share with them the freedom you have found in Christ.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Diocesan Youth Rally** November 3, \$20.00

March for Life January 23-26, TBA



(office) 239.566.8740, ext 117 (mobile) 239.330.5955

image: Pope Paul II

source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website: www.usccb.org

High School Youth meets from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the ballroom Middle School Youth meets from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Claussen Center Seminar Room

#### **Altar Servers:**

Neal Borter 804.357.5712

#### **Arts & Liturgical Environment:**

Kay Sanfelippo 949.7122

#### Calling & Caring:

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

#### Homebound

Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

#### **Greeters & Ushers:**

John Smith 598.2306

#### Jamaica Mission:

Al & Ann Kerns 514.1553

#### **Lectors:**

Victor Yepez 290.9090

#### **Daily Mass Lectors:**

Rosemary Slevin 596.7057

#### **Prayer Group:**

Linda Reilly 821.8982

#### Respect Life:

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

#### Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.

Develops programs for adults to grow as Catholics through activities such as retreats, small groups meetings, lectures, seminars, social action and workshops. Stephanie Wardein: 289.5541; Perpetualimagesofnaples@gmail.com

# AGA (Alienated Grandparents Anonymous). Provides information and support to grandparents who feel alienated or estranged from access to their

alienated or estranged from access to thei grandchildren. First Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the library and third Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the PLC ballroom. Next meeting is Thursday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the ballroom. aga-fl.org

AA. Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. PLC.

**Al-Anon.** Monday 9:00 to 10:00 a.m., PLC; Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. PLC.

Ala-Teen. Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. PLC.

**Arimatheans.** A group of caring parishioners who support parishoners by attending funerals as representation of our faith community. Virginia: 597.7687

Bible Story Time. Bible stories, crafts, prayer and fun Mondays, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., in PLC pre-school classroom. Parents and children ages 0-5 years old welcome. Jennifer Grenardo: grenardo@comcast.net

*Bible Teaching.* Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m., Claussen

Center for relevant Bible teaching and retelling of the Scriptures. Join us in acquiring greater understanding of the weekly readings and growing in faith with us. Victor: 290.9090

#### Choirs:

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Residents and seasonals welcome. Tom Oram: 566 8740

*Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.* Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:25 p.m. Grades 1-5. Tom Oram: 566.8740

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist. Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

Circle of Comfort. Are you or a loved one affected by cancer? We are a support team who help, encourage, pray, listen, laugh and do whatever it takes to help each other. We don't meet on a regular basis, so please call Jim or Darlene: 495.9741

*Cursillistas.* Third Tuesday monthly at 7:30 PM: The Naples area Ultreya meets at St. William's Ministry Center, Seagate Drive. All Cursillistas are welcome including visitors. Loretta Judy: 596.2291

*Evangelization.* Designed to psychologically bring back individuals who have left the Catholic Church. Deacon Al: 566.8740, ext. 125

**Families Helping Families.** Mondays at 6 p.m. For families with a member who has a problem with alcohol &/or drugs. This is a small caring group to talk & answer questions. Bill: 498.7523

*Grief Support.* Sessions will resume on the second and fourth Tuesdays in September — September 11 and September 25 — at 10:00 a.m. in rooms 3 and 4 of the Parish Life Center. Dee Donnelly: 594.7193

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281. Last Monday of every month: St. John K of C Officers. First Monday of every month. Regular meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited to join our Council meeting. Paul Barrus, Grand Knight: 609.741.4593

*Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308.* Meeting are the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K John A. Fazackerley FN 495.5380

Knitting & Crocheting. Tuesdays from 10:00-Noon: Want to learn? We are a service group that knits & crochets to benefit those in need: blankets for soldiers, hats for cancer patients, baby hats & booties, & prayer shawls. Anne Orem: 566.9636

Ladies of Charity. Meets the second Friday of every month, volunteers in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank and visits local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. For friendly visits and simple errands for the homebound, call Jan Sukay: 431.7376. If interested in joining, call Valerie Matulis: 390.3545

*Mah Jong.* Wednesday, 12-3 p.m. Beginners welcome. Joan Scariotti: 594.0994

*Men's Club.* Group of dedicated men (with the superb assistance from their ladies) who assist the Pastor and the parish. Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month, 2-3:00. New members welcome. Andy Sanfelippo: 949.7122

Gospel Forum. Group of men who join together to discuss the following Sunday's gospel and its application to everyday life. Prayer and casual discussion of various spiritual writings follows. Pizza and soft drinks offered. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in PLC. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

*Narcotics Anonymous.* Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8:00 p.m. PLC.

**Philothea.** Women ages 20-45 meet to support & encourage one another through the joys & struggles of life, work and motherhood in a Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. Martha Oram: 566.8740, ext. 177

*Pinochle.* Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. Angie Cornelius: 498.4512

#### Religious Gift Shop. SUMMER HOURS:

Saturday: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. These hours are in effect until October. Jackie Gibson: 513.0511

**Respect Life.** A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its stage. They coordinate all respect life activities within the parish as well as outreach to the community. Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Claussen Center. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

**Sewing Group.** Meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in room 1 of the PLC. New members welcome.

St. Vincent de Paul. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:30 a.m,. Mass in PLC. Bill Smart: 566.8740

Sing-A-Long at Nursing Facilities. Tuesday Oct. 16 at Merrill Gardens, Naples, and Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Moorings Park, Naples, both at 2:00 p.m. Jayne Potter: 597.5483

*Third Order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites.* Phyllis Gryskiewicz, 566.7307

Women's Bible Study. Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Library and Monday evenings in Room 3 and 4 in the PLC. We are currently studying the book "Come and See The Gospel of St. John" by Emmaus Road Publishing. You are welcome to join at any time. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

#### PRAYER GROUPS

#### Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Blessed John Paul II said "a great prayer for Life is urgently needed!" Cenacle participants pray for an end to the Culture of Death every Tuesday evening, 6:00 to 6:45 p.m., in the Adoration Chapel. In the powerful presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we offer 10 mysteries of the rosary and related prayers and we fast one day a week on our own. All are welcome! Please call the parish office for the Chapel code.

#### Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

Forty-five minutes of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Only your quiet presence is needed. Mondays: 5:30 p.m., Room 15 Claussen Center. Tuesdays: 6:00 p.m., Room 15, Claussen Center. Centering Prayer will meet in the Parish Library on Wednesday mornings following the morning mass (9:15 a.m.

#### THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

Please pray for our loved ones who are serving in the military:

Sp. Petrus Botha

U.S. Army

**Ensign Stuart** Campbell U.S. Navy

Bradley N. Chartier U.S. Army

**BM2** Charley **Davidson** 

U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)

Specialist Anthony J. Diamante

U.S. Army, serving in Ft Bragg, N.C

Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force

Sgt. Thomas Flood U.S. Army

Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special

Forces Sgt. Michael Flood U.S. Army

Lt. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines

Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division \* LAV Recon

Cpl. Dylan Granza (Serving in Afghanistan)

Ssgt. Patrick H. Hammer

U.S. Marine Corp \* LAV Recon

PFC. Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army

Marine Lt. Colonel **Brian Howlett** U.S. Marine Corp

Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)

PFC. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Lt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army

1Lt. Robert Pedrigi U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army

Lt. Gregory Spencer U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)

**Houng Tran** U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN) Deployed on US.S. Boxer

**David Wakeman** 

E-6 Nuclear Machinist Mate First Class (USN) Deployed on USS Enterprise

#### Divine Will Prayer Group

Are you hungering and thirsting for the Lord. Come. Grow in the knowledge of his most adorable will where you will be filled to overflowing with his love. The group meets on Fridays at 9:45 a.m. in the Claussen Center, room 15. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

#### Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Morning Prayer after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

#### Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

We pray every morning in the Church except Sunday. We begin 45 minutes before Mass. Please join us. (We have printed guides with the prayers.)

#### St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

Prayer group meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in cry room. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

#### PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially: Howard Aurelius, Marge Cervenak and Beatrice Rodriques May they rest in eternal peace.

#### Let us pray for the sick of the parish, especially:

Joan Abele	Donna DiMaggio	Al LaRocco	Angela Preuss
Tom Abele	Alexandria Dolkas	David Land	David Pupo
Gaetano Amicone	Marietta Donahue	Brian Lee	Don Robinson
Anita Anderson	Rudy Dualsky	William Line	Mary Salzwedel
Jacob Andrew	Tim Duff	Jeanne Majeske	Cathy Schloendorn
Jerry Barton	Michael Dunlop	F. Mansfield	Daniel Schoenbauer
Jennifer Basile	Elsa Everstijn	Shirley Moran	Joanne Scimone
Makayla Basile	John A. Fazackerley	Robert Marsho	Carol Seiffert
Rick Becker	Evelyn Felice	Richard Maynard	Rosalie Senatore
Ysabel Benitez	Thomas O. Flood	Judy Mazza	Tim Shand
Gloria Bergeron	Donna Flynn	Melina Megaris	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Linda Berry	Lauran Gaines	Nancy Meleo	Teresa Shengulet
Mary Bessner	Randall Galt	John Miller	Flora Sheppard
Pauline Bowen	Rosario Gianino	Kathleen Monachino	Annette Sholette
Lori Lampe Breyman	John Gilbert	Ed Moriarty	Jeff Smith
Bill Briggs	Joan Granieri	Joe Moylan	Shiobhan Smith
Matt Brown	Charlotte Hallohan	Rev. Richard Mueller	Susan Stokes
Christine Cassara	Gerald Heyen	Irene Nardandrea	Bob Stonebrook
James Castaldi	Mary Kay Hoban	Peter Nicoletta	Katie Sullivan
Nelly Celli	Karen Hohne	Dennis Noone	Pat Sutter
Dick Clark	Bob Homan	Ann O'Brien	Tara and children
Karen Collins	Bob Homan Sr.	Ed O'Brien	Rita Taranto
Thomas Cress	Jeff Horkey	Jordan Obrochta	Patricia Trapnell
Tanya Cuellar	Val Hunt	Joseph & Mildred	Winona Ugone
Diane	Mario Incatasciato	Ondrusek	Dolores Varone
Roberta Dabronzo	Cade Joslin	Anne Orem	Pat & Eloisa
Edna D'Antuona	Pat Kellington	Maryla Panagos	Velasquez
Brian Davis	Marita Kelly	Michael Paul	Barry Wisler
Owen Destino	Debbie Kendall	Diana Pecaro	Helen Zaks
James Diamante	Diane (Dee) Korn	Nick Phillips	Jeannie and Sara Zaykowski
Carol Dickeson	Col. Al LaBarbara	Joe Pohrer	Layrowski

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740, email: info@saintjohntheevangelist.com, or complete the form below and return it to the parish office.

Please add to the PRAYER LIST

Name Please print first and last name		
Requested by	The state of the s	
Your Phone Number	Date	



October is typically a transition month with regards to the return of our seasonal parishioners. Just this past week I saw no less than ten car carriers unloading the vehicles of these seasonal residents. For those who are now returning, we wish you a spiritual and fun-filled winter

season at St. John the Evangelist

Catholic Church.

Thanks to some healthy late summer rains, the lake at the front of our site is now completely full. So much so that the swale which runs parallel to 111th Avenue North is holding overflow water for the first time in recent memory. What does this mean for us? Barring a severe drought in the next month, we will have a healthy surplus of irrigation water to begin the dry season and will not have to utilize our well to pump water from the aquifer.

Thank you to everyone who submitted your email address (over 30 responded) in response to my request this past weekend. Your email has been added to our database and you will now receive informative updates from the parish. If you have not yet done so, please send your email address to me at scotts@ saintjohntheevangelist.com to be included on the distribution list.

The bathroom renovation is complete in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. As I mentioned before, all of the labor for this project was performed by our Director of Maintenance (Marcos Burgoa) and his apprentice (Ovidio Moreno.) Attached is a picture of Marcos and Ovidio showing off the finished product in the women's room. These guys did a tremendous job and the travertine stone is absolutely gorgeous. Next

The response to our "Lest we Forget" Veteran's Memorial has been incredible. I have already had several calls to reserve benches and

in line are the PLC classroom

bathrooms.

flagpoles. Although we have still not secured the pricing for these accoutrements, reservations will be taken in the order they were received. Two of the three flagpoles have been spoken for as well as two of the six benches. I hope to have firm pricing by next week, which I will publish in the bulletin.

This year, World Mission Sunday will be celebrated in small

chapels and great cathedrals, in every parish church in every corner of the earth, on the weekend of October 20-21. World Mission Sunday is an essential experience of worship, catechesis and worldwide sacrifice, "reaffirming the Church's desire to engage with greater courage and zeal in the missio ad gentes so that the Gospel may reach the very ends of the earth" (Message of Pope Benedict XVI for World Mission Sunday 2012.) We will have a second collection for World Mission



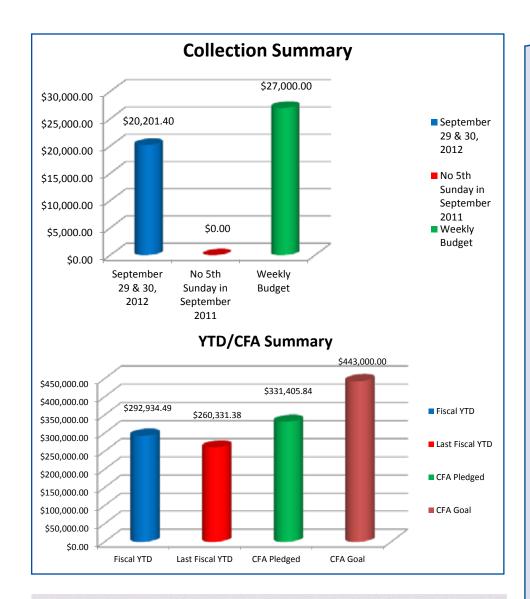
church lighting project. We optimistically expect to begin work either the first or second week of November. The plan is to bring in a crew of 10 electricians and knock out the project in five business days. As a result, we will most likely celebrate daily Mass in the Seminar Room or Ballroom during this time period. We added several additional fixtures to the original proposal, which will result in an amazing aesthetic when completed. Did you know that the "life" of the bulbs in many of the new fixtures is up to ten years? All of the lighting

> above the altar will be accessible by a pulley system which will lower the fixtures to a level where we can change without a lift. As previously mentioned, the controls for this new system will be operable by an iPad. We are able to set up to 999 different lighting scenes which may be changed with the simple touch of a "virtual" button. This new lighting system is state of the art and will create a truly amazing atmosphere inside the church. Thanks again to the generous donors who made this





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new lighting system a reality.

We are only \$111,500.00 shy of our goal for the 2012 Catholic Faith appeal with just under three months to go. We are over \$20,000.00 ahead of where we were at this same point last year. Considering that we fell short last year by \$23,000.00, I am overly optimistic that this year we will meet with success. Thank you in advance for supporting the Catholic Faith Appeal, the most important component of our operating budget.

In His work together,

Scott Schlossberg, MBA, General Manager

#### REMINDER: Flu and Pneumonia Shots Will Be Offered Here November 8

The Visiting Nurses Association will return Thursday, November 8 to offer Flu and Pneumonia shots right here at St. John the Evangelist at 9:00 a.m. in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. The seasonal Flu shot is \$25 and the Pneumonia shot is \$65. Both shots are covered by Medicare Part B. In addition to the regular Flu Shot and Pneumonia, they will also be offering preservative free and high dose Flu Shots as well as Pneumonia, Tetanus Booster and Pertussis.

#### Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly
Father, a clear and united voice
to all your sons and daughters
gathered in your Church in this
decisive hour in the history of
our nation, so that, with every
trial withstood and every danger
overcome — for the sake of our
children, our grandchildren, and
all who come after us — this
great land will always be "one
nation, under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all."
We ask this through Christ our
Lord. Amen.

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### Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B

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Genesis 2:18-24 Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-16

# Sacred Scripture and The Moral Code

were hoping that Jesus would err in his understanding of the Mosaic tradition. Jesus' response does two things for the listeners of his day. Firstly, he affirms the tradition of the prophets and upholds the laws regarding marriage. Secondly, he challenges the Pharisees to recognize the importance of commitment. The reason for this challenge was due to a loophole in the law which would permit Jewish men to divorce at will. Jesus suggests that the challenge to meet the obligations of marriage is equally the responsibility of both the man and the woman. Jesus is clearly telling us about the importance of the bond of marriage. "What God has joined, no one should separate." Jesus is not merely making a human observation, but emphasizing God's thought on the subject. He is basically

pointing out the promises made in the marriage covenant are subject to the

Our world today is changing so rapidly. We are told that two out of three

he experience of today's gospel questions Jesus in where he stands in relation to the problematic questions of the moral law. The Pharisees

marriages are now ending in divorce. Children suffer as they are pulled between the tensions of those who are involved in custody battles. While some tragic and abusive marriages must ultimately end in divorce for the sake of human survival, others end due to the lack of commitment and discernment. The sacrament of marriage when taken seriously communicates the presence of Christ in the way that a couple shares in the marriage covenant. The age of communication and technology has brought us so far is so short a time. We live in a world of immediacy. People want instant results. The attention span of individuals is now becoming very short with all the distractions that the secular world has to offer. As soon as some marriages start to experience difficulty, there is often a tendency to walk away from the immediate problem and couples forget about the long term commitment they had made — "I take you, for better, for worse, for richer or poorer, in sickness or in health, until death..." Movies talk

to this, often gnawing away at the moral fiber of the Sacred Scriptures

# **Reflection Questions**

- 1. What are the moral lessons in today's gospel?
- 2. Why does the Church uphold the dignity of marriage?
- 3. How does God want us to respond to broken situations?
- 4. What does it mean to respect all human life?
- 5. What do you think God's initiative is in respect for the dignity of human life?
- 6. What are the challenges for today's Catholics?

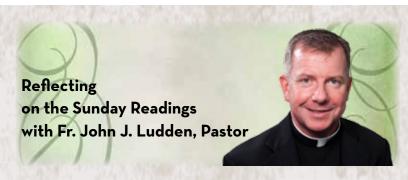
divine law.

handed down to others, as the deceit and betrayal of married persons. There is almost a desensitization of the heartbreak of divorce when someone in a story finds new love, even though they have already made a commitment to be married for life.

Jesus also recognizes the dignity of a child in today's gospel. Children were not given a prominent place within the society of his day. Parents looked forward to the day when the child would grow into maturity and bring

resources from the work of their hands into their home. Jesus knows that in the gift of childhood is contained the simplicity in which a child simply trusts and feels protected by his or her family. Jesus reminds his listeners that unless they become like a child (in which the child has yet to build walls and is quick to forgive), then we will be slow to enter into the kingdom of heaven which does not build obstacles between its members and which is a place of pure love.

It is always around this time of year that the Catholic Church asks us to observe "Respect Life" endeavors. We take the words of the gospel to heart in recognizing that children have a special place in the heart of God and in the life of the church. After all, it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs. Abortion can never be justified in our reasoning – our fundamental position is that God creates life, restores it, and then takes it back to Himself. The destruction of human life whether inside or outside of the womb is contrary to the very Scriptures proclaimed from the pulpit every Sunday. Abortion, euthanasia, embryonic research, capital punishment, exploitation of the poor, unjust wars, violence, and the high volume of divorce, disrespect what is precious to God. We are asked today to give witness to the very belief that all life is sacred from conception to natural death. We are asked to help single mothers and encourage them in their roles, assisting them as best we can. We are called to work for peace and justice – always defending the rights of the poor. Last, but not least, let us pray that all life will be held sacred and uphold the institution of marriage life!



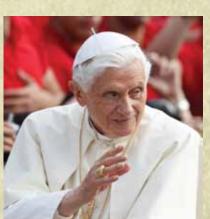
#### Prayer

Lord, may we be open to your Sacred Word. Encourage us to keep the commitments that we have made in love. Let all of those who share in the sanctity of marriage be blessed in the way they live their covenant love. As the world continues to progress, we pray also for a return in our decision making process to the dignity of all human life. Amen.

#### Wisdom of the Fathers

"The wealth of any country is found primarily in its inhabitants. The country's future depends on them, individually and collectively, as does its capacity to work for peace. A commitment to peace is possible only in a unified society. Unity, on the other hand, is not the same as uniformity. Social cohesion requires unstinting respect for the dignity of each person and the responsible participation of all in contributing the best of their talents and abilities. The energy needed to build and consolidate peace also demands that we constantly return to the wellsprings of our humanity. Our human dignity is inseparable from the sacredness of life as the gift of the Creator. In God's plan, each person is unique and irreplaceable. A person comes into this world in a family, which is the first locus of humanization, and above all the first school of peace. To build peace, we need to look to the family, supporting it and facilitating its task, and in this way promoting an overall culture of life. The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life! This approach leads us to reject not only war and terrorism, but every assault on innocent human life, on men and women as creatures willed by God. Wherever the truth of human nature is ignored or denied, it becomes impossible to respect that grammar which

is the natural law inscribed in the human heart (cf. Message for the 2007 World Day of Peace, 3). The grandeur and the raison d'être of each person are found in God alone. The unconditional acknowledgement of the dignity of every human being, of each one of us, and of the sacredness of human life, is linked to the responsibility which we all have before God. We must combine our efforts, then, to develop a sound vision of man, respectful



of the unity and integrity of the human person. Without this, it is impossible to build true peace."

— Pope Benedict XVI (Apostolic Journey to Lebanon 14-16)

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# Sunday, October 7th: 5 PM Mass Worship Aid

# the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Entrance Song** Indescribable Laura Story CCLI Song No. 4403076. © 2004 worship together.com songs | sixsteps Music | Gleaning Publishing (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights Reserved. CCLI License # 2008891. V. 1) From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea V.2) Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go Creation's revealing your majesty! Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow? From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings, All exclaiming: (to Chorus, below) None can fathom: (to Chorus, below) the In - de - scrib - a - ble, un - con - tain - a - ble; You placed in You them sky, and know by. You are ing, God; maz pow - er - ful, un tam - a - ble. Awe - struck, fall to our we hum - bly claim\_ You knees as are a - maz ing,\_ God.

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v1) The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to hide And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice

v2) Age to age he stands, and time is in his hands Beginning and the end, beginning and the end The Godhead, Three in One: Father, Spirit, Son; The Lion and the Lamb; the Lion and the Lamb!



*Bridge*) Name above all names, worthy of all praise, My heart will sing, 'How great is our God!' (*repeat*)

Our Father • spoken

Agnus Dei • The Glendalough Mass (please see worship aid in pew)

#### Communion Songs The Heart of Worship Matt Redman

Verse 1) When the music fades, all is stripped away and I simply come; longing just to bring something that's of worth, that will bless your heart *Pre-chorus*) I'll bring you more than a song, for a song in itself is not what you have required. You search much deeper within, through the way things appear—you're looking into my heart...

Chorus) I'm coming back to the heart of worship, And it's all about you, all about you Jesus. I'm sorry Lord, for the thing I've made it, When it's all about you, all about you, Jesus. Verse 2)
King of endless worth, no one could express
How much you deserve: Though I'm weak and

How much you deserve; Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is yours, ev'ry single breath.

Verse 3)

And as I receive your Body and your Blood, given up for me; Take me as I am, call me to the Feast—say the word, I'm healed—

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#### 405 Be Thou My Vision

Closing Song Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble? Martin Smith / Delirious?

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Verse 1) Did you feel the mountains tremble? Did you hear the oceans roar when the people rose to sing of Jesus Christ, the risen One?

Verse 2) Did you feel the people tremble? Did you hear the singers roar when the lost began to sing of Jesus Christ, the saving One?

*Pre-chorus*) And we can see that, God, you're moving, a mighty river through the nations; and young and old will turn to Jesus. Fling wide, you heavenly gates: prepare the way of the risen Lord!



*Verse 3*) Do you feel the darkness tremble when all the saints join in one song, and all the streams flow as one river to wash away our brokenness?

*Pre-chorus 2*) And here we see that, God, you're moving; a time of jubilee is coming, when young and old return to Jesus. Fling wide, you heavenly gates: prepare the way of the risen Lord!

#### The LORD God said:

It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him.

...When he brought her to the man, the man said:

This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman'...

#### Genesis 2:18, 24

# Faith Formation

#### Year of Faith -

Pope Benedict XVI has appointed October 2012 to November 2013, the Year of Faith. The Year of Faith is an opportunity to deepen our personal relationship with God by praying each day with more joy, studying Scripture to discern God's will, and celebrating Sunday Mass every week to strengthen our bond with Christ.

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#### Mark Your Calendar

#### October 14

Safe Environment Training for Sunday's Classes.

#### October 17

Safe Environment Training for Wednesday's Classes.

#### October 24

Meeting for Parents of Sacramental
Children

## **Faith Formation News**

**Faith Formation Classes...** have resumed for the 2012-2013 faith season. Wednesday evening classes started on September 5, 2012, and Sunday morning classes started on September 9, 2012. The program has an enrollment of approximately 250 students.

Safe Environment Training...is scheduled for our Sunday morning students on October 14, 2012, in the seminar room of the Claussen Center and the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. Wednesday evening students will receive Safe Environment Training on October 17, 2012, in the seminar room and the ballroom. If you do NOT want your child to attend Safe Environment Training, you must sign an *Opt Out Form* and provide a written explanation as to why you do not want your child to attend the session. Any child who is absent without the *Opt Out Form* from their parent/guardian on file will be required to make up the session. *Opt Out Forms* are available in the Faith Formation Office and will also be emailed to parents/guardians in early October.

Sacramental Parent Meeting...is on Wednesday, October 24 at 5:30 p.m. This is a required meeting for all parents who have children making their First Reconciliation. The meeting will be held in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center and/or the seminar room of the Claussen Center.

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#### Faith Formation continued from page 16

#### WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

There are three Sacraments of Initiation into Christian life: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. The three work together to help us take our place in the Body of Christ. In Confirmation the Baptized "are bound more perfectly to the Church; they are endowed with special strength of the Holy Spirit, are thus more strictly obliged, as true witnesses of Christ, to spread and defend the faith by word and deed" (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church). In fact, to complete the Sacraments of Initiation, Confirmation must be received if the grace of Baptism is to have its full effect. Upon our Confirmation we are given a new and deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit, we receive the indelible mark of Confirmation, and we are given greater strength to profess, defend and spread the faith - the job of every follower of Christ. When the bishop, the ordinary minister of Confirmation, lays hands, anoints with chrism, and says, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, " we are completely filled with the Holy Spirit.

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#### **FEASTS & CELEBRATIONS**

In October we celebrate the Rosary especially on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. The Rosary helps us to meditate on Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.

October 6 - St. Bruno (1101). Bruno was born in Germany, studied in France and became a theology professor. With six other companions, Bruno founded the Carthusian Order in 1084 and helped reform the clergy in

October 14 - St. Callistus (222). A Roman slave, Callistus obtained his freedom and was ordained a deacon by Pope Zephyrinius, whom he later succeeded. Callistus's election caused an eighteen-year schism, spawning the first anti-pope. In a time of trial and confusion, he reopened the Church to all. He was martyred in Rome.

October 20 - St. Paul of the Cross (1775). Paul was inspired by a vision to start a religious order dedicated to the Passion of Christ. He founded the Passionists in 1720. lived a penitential life, worked miracles, and cared for the poor and sick.

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#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

#### **GRADE 1**

Life Question: How do I show I belong to my

family?

Gospel Question: How do I show I belong to

Jesus?

#### **GRADES 2-3**

Life Question: Who welcomes you?

Gospel Question: How do you know Jesus

thinks children are important?

#### **GRADES 4-5**

Life Question: What makes a friend?

Gospel Question: How do married couples

follow Jesus?

#### **GRADES 6-8**

Life Question: How do our friends help us become who we want to be?

Gospel Question: What is Jesus' ideal for

men and women?

#### **GRADES 9-12**

Life Question: How do friendships and dating help prepare for marriage?

Gospel Question: What is Jesus' ideal for

marriage?

Gospel for All Ages, Good Ground Press and Pflaum Publishing Group

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA classes started on Thursday, September 20, 2012. It is **not too late** to join the journey. Is something lacking in your life? Do you want true happiness? Are you ready to put Christ in your life? Do you need spiritual growth? Are you returning to Church? Are you seeking the Sacraments of Initiation?

For more information please contact Margie Lynch at 239-514-2927 or email us at RCIA@saintjohntheevangelist.com.

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#### upcoming events:

Nov. 20: Michael Timmis Sr. Dec. 19: Ambassador Francis Rooney Jan. 16: Fr. Michael Gaitley MIC Feb. 20: Teresa Tomeo March 20: Damian Goddard April 17: Fr. Dennis Cooney



# CHRis aubert

fullness of truth ministries Chris is a convert from the lewish faith with a powerful story. A dynamic speaker, Chris went on to found Fullness of Truth, a lay ministry of the New Evangelization. Wednesday, October 17 6 pm - 8 pm

Parish Life Center Ballroom St. John the Evangelist Parish 625 Illth Ave., Naples

Suggested donation at the door: \$15 Season tickets available

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