


February 17, 2013

First Sunday of Lent

the  **EVANGELIST**  
 SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Family Fun and Ministry Day

**St. John the Evangelist Annual Picnic & Day of Fantastic Fun, Food, Games & More!**

**Sunday, March 10 from Noon to 3:00 p.m.**

This event is St. John's way of celebrating all of our families. It is also designed to bring together all members of the parish (young and old) in a fun and cost-free setting while showcasing the many ministries at St. John the Evangelist.

See page 10 for more info.



Rock Climbing Wall

Dunking Booth Featuring Scott Schlossberg

Potato Sack Races

Food & Drink

Absolutely **FREE** for everyone!!!

Bounce House



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 Daily Mass during Lent: 8:00, 9:00 a.m. & Noon; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3 & 5 p.m. – Sunday: 7, 9, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5 p.m.

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**Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions****Requested by****February 16, 2013 Saturday**

8:00 AM + James Hoying Gail &amp; George Mutch

**Vigil Masses**3:00 PM + Meg Judge Tennis Family  
5:00 PM + Bertha R. Lewandowski Barbara J. Caslio & Family**February 17, 2013 Sunday**7:00 AM + David DeFrancesca Peter DeFrancesca  
9:00 AM + Joan & Al Moser Children11:15 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:15 PM + Dr. Francis J. Healey Tom & Dolores Zboril  
5:00 PM + Harrison Babies Family*Altar Flowers in Memory of Charlie Stanton - Requested By Barbara & Frank Stanton***February 18, 2013 Monday**8:00 AM + Ami Durante Dolores Kernochan  
9:00 AM + Gery De Santo Ernesto Imbriano  
Noon + Philip Michael Gordon & Alvera Clark**February 19, 2013 Tuesday**8:00 AM + Bill Gibson Jackie Gibson  
9:00 AM + Giocondo DiStasio Ernesto Imbriano  
Noon + Elaine Harrington Suzanne Donnelly**February 20, 2013 Wednesday**8:00 AM + Joseph Neary Ellen Hooper  
9:00 AM + Ami Durante Pamela & Vincent Conlon  
Noon + Marie Pagano Albert LaBarbara**February 21, 2013 Thursday**8:00 AM + Frank Stams Sr. Bob & Barb Garbinsky  
9:00 AM + Laetitia Stack Loraine Tregde  
Noon + Ann Landy Margaret & Fintan Stapleton**February 22, 2013 Friday**8:00 AM Philip Barrett Mary & Fran McFarlin  
9:00 AM + Concetta & Peter Mantegazza Pamela & Vincent Conlon  
Noon + Christina Fariello Frank & Terry Fariello**February 23, 2013 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Peggy Pert Marvin &amp; Nancy Wheeler

**Vigil Masses**3:00 PM + Frank & Fortunata Dimaio Robert Dimaio  
5:00 PM + Bob Morrissey 5:00 Mass Eucharistic Ministers**February 24, 2013 Sunday**7:00 AM + Arlene Walsh Peter DeFrancesca  
9:00 AM + Glen Incitti Family11:15 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:15 PM + Lambert, Louise & Robert Abell Kathy & Bob Sims  
5:00 PM + John Silva Family**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, February 16, 2013**

Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

**Vigil Masses**

Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;

Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

**Sunday, February 17, 2013****First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election;****Rite of Calling the Candidates to****Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending**

Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;

Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

**Monday, February 18, 2013***Presidents' Day*

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday, February 19, 2013**

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday, February 20, 2013**

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday, February 21, 2013****St. Peter Damian**

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;

Mt 7:7-12

**Friday, February 22, 2013****The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;****Abstinence; Washington's Birthday**

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday, February 23, 2013****St. Polycarp; Purim (Jewish observance)***begins at sunset*

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

**Vigil Masses**

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;

Phil 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**Sunday, February 24, 2013****Second Sunday of Lent**

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;

Phil 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**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 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 and 5:00 p.m. The nursery is located in the Parish Life Center, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is in attendance during these nursery hours.**THIS WEEK'S MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULE...**SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH • WWW.SAINTJOHNTHEEVANGELIST.COM

# Life Matters



Thanks to all those who signed up for St. John's first 40 Days for Life day on February 15. We'll have pictures next week. I think we all especially love the new UV repellent umbrellas with the Diocese of Venice Respect Life logo. You will have one to use on the sidewalk, and can buy one by requesting one through the Diocesan Respect Life Office.

This week, after contemplating the Pope's big news and the onset of Lent, I guess we all need to take a good look at where our lives are going. Which direction is God calling us to go? These are tough life questions which only God can answer through sincere and focused prayer. In light of all that is happening in our world, the elderly being quietly euthanized, prisoners being put to death by the state, the government forcing us to participate in values we know to be intrinsically evil, the legal murder of millions of innocent children, I can't think of a better time to call everyone to prayer. I hope your prayer is life centered, but when you

pray for direction in God's will, I have no doubt that's where His boundless love and infinite mercy will lead you. Let's also pray for Pope Benedict XVI and his successor.

Don't forget our next community prayer opportunity. **Please join Fr. John on Monday, February 25 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in prayer for an end to abortion outside Planned Parenthood in Naples.** This is our regular parish commitment Monday. Tuesday, March 12 is the last designated St. John prayer opportunity during the 40 Days for Life campaign. However, parishioners may pray outside Planned Parenthood for the end of abortion at any time.

God bless everyone and keep praying!!



*article submitted by Loretta Judy, Respect Life*

## Rev. John C. Rourke Assisting at St. John Again

After completing high school in Massachusetts, Rev. John Rourke entered the University of Notre Dame in 1954. While there, he joined the Congregation of Holy Cross Fathers and was professed in 1959, the same year he graduated with an A.B. degree. In 1962 he also obtained a Masters Degree in history. At the conclusion of four years at Holy Cross College in Washington, D.C., he received a Masters Degree in Divinity and was ordained by Bishop Bernrtd Flanagan of Worcester, MA, on May 23, 1963.



After assisting in parishes of the Worcester Diocese for six months, he was sent to Uganda, East Africa, to work for ten years in what is now three Dioceses - Fort Portal, Hoima and Kasese.

On returning to the States (with a little shove from General Idi Amin, ) he joined the Diocese of St. Petersburg and ministered at parishes in Tampa, Brandon, Bradenton, Grove City, Sarasota, Naples and Siesta Key.

In 2001 Rev. Rourke volunteered to represent the Diocese of Venice as a missionary on the island of St. Maarten in the Caribbean, off and on (due to Immigration restrictions) for five years.

Since his retirement, he has been assisting at San Marco, St. Vincent de Paul and here at St. John the Evangelist. Many parishioners remember him as he also assisted Fr. Glackin in 1997 while on sabbatical.

### *Saint John the Evangelist Lenten Schedule*

#### **Daily Masses will be:**

8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and Noon

#### **Saturday Morning Masses will be:**

8:00 a.m.

#### **Stations of the Cross will be:**

Fridays following Noon Mass and at 7:00 p.m., except March 15, when we will have "Repent & Believe", part of the Sacred Music in Sacred Spaces series.

On Good Friday, Prayer Around the Cross will include Veneration of the Cross.

#### **Reconciliation:**

Friday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

#### **Lenten Penance Service:**

March 26, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Holy Week:**

March 24 ~ Palm Sunday

March 28 ~ Holy Thursday

March 29 ~ Good Friday, Prayer

March 30 ~ Blessing of the Easter baskets; Easter Vigil

March 31 ~ Easter Sunday

*More information regarding specific celebrations during Lent and the times will be published in a later bulletin.*

## PARISH CLERGY



**Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor**

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Thomas Kelly	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Rob Chalhoub	
Deacon Frank Panicia	
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 1:15 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**

Martha Oram: Ext. 123

### **Pastoral Musician and Liturgist**

Tom Oram: Ext. 179

### **Choir Director**

Ellie Roberts: 682.5609

### **Sacristan**

Lorna Woonsam: Ext. 133

### **Communications**

Kathy Sims: Ext. 128

### **Memorial Garden**

Scott Schlossberg: Ext. 114

### **Religious Boutique**

Jackie Gibson: 325.2107

### **Director of Maintenance**

Marcos Burgoa: Ext. 117

### **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](mailto: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](http://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

8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & Noon (during Lent)

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.,

11:15 a.m. & 1:15 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@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.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](mailto: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 2014 Mass availability and 2013 wine and host and flowers 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.*

## PARISH INFORMATION...

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## Hymns for the First Sunday in Lent, February 16 & 17

Entrance Hymn:	<b>236</b>	Forty Days and Forty Nights
Preparation Hymn:	<b>435</b>	On Eagles' Wings
Communion Hymn:	<b>505</b>	Behold the Lamb
	<b>459</b>	Shelter Me, O God
Closing Hymn:	<b>246</b>	Led By the Spirit

### Choral Anthems at the 9 & 11:15 AM Masses

At the Offertory	<b>On Eagles' Wings</b>	<i>Michael Joncas, arr. Douglas Wagner</i>
At Communion	<b>His Eye Is On the Sparrow</b>	<i>Martin / Gabriel, arr. with family</i>

### *Gift Boutique Offers Wide Selection of Items for First Communion and Confirmation*

The Divine Gift Boutique has recently stocked new items for First Communion and Confirmation. Items include a wide variety of picture frames, prayer books, jewelry, statues, ties, pens, bookmarks and photo albums. However, Jackie Gibson, gift shop manager, advises early shopping as items are selling quickly. *See page 8 for Gift Boutique hours.*



### **Bishop Dewane Will Celebrate Diocesan Appreciation Mass for Volunteers During Year of Faith**

During this Year of Faith, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites all of the volunteers throughout the Diocese of Venice to three separate Masses, each with the intention of expressing appreciation and thanks to all volunteers. The goal of celebrating three separate Masses is to reduce the travel-time for many individuals and to honor the greatest number of people.

The Masses will be held Tuesday, March 5 at Our Lady of Light Parish in Estero for volunteers in Lee and Collier counties.

These important Masses provide a “thank you” and formal sign of appreciation for the volunteers of our parishes and those throughout the Diocese. Each Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. and will be followed by a reception in the respective parish hall. To register, please go to [www.dioceseofvenice.org/volunteermass](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/volunteermass) and follow the prompts. To register by phone, please call 941.441.1136. For more information please call Gail Ardy at 941.484.9543.

### **Diocese of Venice in Florida Prayer for the Year of Faith**

O my God, I firmly believe that You are one God in three divine persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that Your divine Son became man and died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths the holy Catholic Church teaches because You have revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I intend to live and die.



We turn to you in humble supplication for ourselves and our Parish and Diocese in which we work, live, and pray, that this Year of Faith may be a true source of renewal for each of us. May we be strengthened to live our faith in the midst of the world with joy and love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **AASH Luncheon February 23**

The Associated Alumnae of the Sacred Heart (AASH) Luncheon will be at Imperial Golf Club on Saturday, February 23 to benefit the RSCJ nuns retirement fund. All alumnae, former students and their friends are welcome. The cost is \$40 per person. For information and reservations, please call Carla Grieve at 566.7680.

## **Men's Conference Saturday, March 2**

The 2013 Diocese of Venice Men's Conference will be held Saturday, March 2, at Bishop Verot High School in Fort Myers. Celebrate the "Year of Faith" with other men. The keynote speaker will be Scott Hahn, author, theologian and Catholic apologist. Also speaking at the conference is Dr. Peter Kleponis and Gus Lloyd.

Register at: [www.dioceseofvenice.org/events](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/events). For more information, call 941.484.9543 or email [evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org)

## **2013 Emerald Ball Saturday, March 16**

Catholic Charities of Collier County invites everyone to the 2013 Emerald Ball on Saturday, March 16 at the Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort in Naples. Bishop Frank J. Dewane will be the host. Proceeds from the black-tie gala will benefit Catholic Charities programs and services in Collier County.

Evening includes a live auction, cocktail hour, dinner and dancing.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information contact: Michelle Doaz, 239.455.2655, [michelle@catholiccharitiescc.org](mailto:michelle@catholiccharitiescc.org), or Ruth Smith at 239.641.7955 or [rms59@comcast.net](mailto:rms59@comcast.net).

## **Couples Special Wedding Anniversary Mass at St. Leo Parish, Bonita Springs, March 9**

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to special Anniversary Mass in their honor. The celebration Mass will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 9, at St. Leo Parish in Bonita Springs.

Family and friends may join in the celebration at the reception immediately following the Mass in St. Leo's Parish Center. Please call the parish office at 566.8740 for reservations no later than March 4.

## **Ladies of St. John's Monthly Luncheon February 28 at Carrabba's**

The Ladies of St. John's monthly luncheon will be on Thursday, February 28 at Carrabba's at 11:30 a.m. Carrabba's is located at 4320 Tamiami Trail N. across from the K-Mart shopping Center. Please mail your check in the amount of \$17.00 to: Clelia Tenerowicz, 6588 Chestnut Circle, Naples, Florida 34109. Call Barbara Fenn at 261.1894 with your RSVP by Saturday, February 23.



### **DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

February, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In his apostolic letter *Porta fidei*, convoking this Year of Faith, Pope Benedict XVI asserts that the "door of faith" is always open to us as Christ's faithful people. "To enter through that door is to set out on a journey that lasts a lifetime. It begins with baptism . . ." (1).

The American Catholic Community has supported the annual Collection for the Black and Indian Missions for the last 128 years, and has helped open that door of faith for Native Americans and African Americans.

Churches and schools depend on the annual evangelization grants to continue evangelization efforts among African Americans, Native Americans, Eskimo and Aleut communities, and sharing the joy of knowing Christ. The grants support pastoral ministry, Catholic schools and religious education programs in impoverished areas.

The Black and Indian Mission Collection will be taken up in our Diocese the weekend of February 16 and 17, 2013. Thank you for your continued generosity and help us invite all peoples to open the door of faith and begin the journey of a lifetime!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

# St. John Youth Ministry

## Pope Benedict XVI Resigns His Papal Office

Pope Benedict XVI resigned his papal office this past Monday. The world was shocked by the news. Even those of us who have spent years closely reading Benedict/Ratzinger's works were shocked — but we weren't surprised.

Joseph Ratzinger's story is the story of a man who has continually sacrificed his own desires for the good of the Church. He didn't want to be a bishop; he didn't want to be a cardinal; he didn't want to be the Prefect for the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF); and he didn't want to be the Pope. In fact, Joseph Ratzinger is by nature a quiet, reserved person — a professor, a scholar, and a man of profound prayer.



Upon turning 70, he asked John Paul II to accept his resignation as the Prefect of the CDF. He wanted to devote the last years of his life to serious

scholarship and writing; something he had sacrificed to serve the Church. JPII refused his resignation, and Ratzinger continued to serve. As he witnessed the intense suffering in the last years of his great friend's life, Ratzinger never requested resignation again.

In 2010, five years after his election as pope, Benedict consented to his fourth book-length interview, *The Light of the World* (Ignatius Press). Interviewer Peter Seewald asks Benedict if — given the controversy of the sex scandals — he would consider resignation. Pope Benedict answered this way:

“When the danger is great one must not run away. For that reason, now is certainly not the time to resign. Precisely at a time like this one must stand fast and endure the difficult situation. That is my view. One can resign at a peaceful moment or when one simply cannot go on. But one must not run away from danger and say that someone else should do it.”

In the same interview, Seewald asked Pope Benedict whether there are circumstances that would warrant resignation. B16

responds:

“If a pope clearly realizes that he is no longer physically, psychologically, and spiritually capable of handling the duties of office, then he has a right and, under some circumstances, also an obligation to resign.”

Here we can see, three years before his resignation, Pope Benedict clearly spelling out the conditions under which papal resignation would be acceptable and even, in some cases, obligatory. In fact, there is a remarkable consistency between the principles he lays out in the interview and the text of his resignation:

“After having repeatedly examined my conscience before God, I have come to the certainty that my strengths, due to an advanced age, are no longer suited to an adequate exercise of the Petrine ministry. . . . In order to govern the bark of Saint Peter and proclaim the Gospel, both

strength of mind and body are necessary, strength which in the last few months, has deteriorated in me to the extent that I have had to recognize my incapacity to adequately fulfill the ministry entrusted to me. For this reason, and well aware of the seriousness of this act, with full freedom I declare that I renounce the ministry of Bishop of Rome, Successor of Saint Peter. . . .”

Pope Benedict XVI has given us a compelling Christian witness: a witness of great courage and sacrifice; a witness of intense love for Christ and his Church; a witness of profound scholarship and prayer. We love and will greatly miss you B16!



*At their pilgrimage to Rome, choir members and other St. John parishioners listened to Pope Benedict XVI's address at his weekly audience Wednesday, February 6. (Photo by Fr. John J. Ludden, pastor)*

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**High School Youth meets Sundays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the ballroom**

**Middle School Youth meets Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 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

**Eucharistic Ministry**

Ernest Woonsam 947.8618

**Homebound**

Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

**Greeters & Ushers:**

John Smith 598.2306

**Jamaica Mission:**

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**Lectors:**

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**Daily Mass Lectors:**

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**Prayer Group:**

Linda Reilly 821.8982

**Respect Life:**

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

**Stewardship Council:**

Bob Claussen naplesrgc@gmail.com

**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 grandchildren. First Thursdays at 1 p.m. in the library and third Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the PLC ballroom. aga-fl.org

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

**Al-Anon.** Monday 9 to 10 a.m.; Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday - beginners, 11:30 a.m.; and noon - discussion; all in PLC. Carol: 804.306.5323

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

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

**Bible Story Time.** Bible stories, crafts, prayer and fun Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m., in PLC preschool 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 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Tom Oram: 566.8740

**Circle of Comfort.** If you have cancer, or are taking care of someone who does, you may be facing challenges that may leave you feeling overwhelmed, frightened, alone and in need of comfort. Let us share our experience of faith, strength and prayer with you. We help each other live one day at a time through encouragement, prayer, laughter or whatever it takes to bring comfort to each other. Jim or Darlene 495.9741

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

**Divine Gift Boutique.** Saturday: 2 to 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Jackie Gibson: 325.2107

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

**Families Helping Families.** Mondays at 3 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: 732.5979

**Grief Support.** Starting Feb. 12 sessions will be held every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in room 13 of the Claussen Center. Dee: 594.7193 or Carol: 992.4190

**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 p.m. Visiting Knights are welcome. Paul Barrus, Grand Knight: 609.741.4593

**Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly**

**3308.** Meeting are 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 - 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, Noon - 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 the second Thursday of the month, 2-3 p.m.. 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 - 8 p.m. in PLC. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

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

**Philothea.** Women ages 20-45 meet to support & encourage one another through the joys & struggles of life, work & motherhood in Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. Martha Oram: 566.8740, ext. 123

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

**Respect Life.** A group of parishioners committed to protecting the sanctity of life in all of its stages. 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 are invited. Nancy Cote: 514.0410

**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, Feb. 5 at Emeritus, Bonita Springs; Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Harbor Chase, Naples; both at 2 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. Mark" by Emmaus Road Publishing. You are welcome to join at any time. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

**PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...**



## 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 9:00 a.m. Mass (9:45 a.m.).

## THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

<b>Lcpl. Francisco Alvarenga</b> U.S. Marines	<b>Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer</b> U.S. Marine Corp * LAV Recon
<b>Sp. Petrus Botha</b> U.S. Army	<b>Specialist Douglas Hennessy</b> U.S. Army
<b>S. Isaiah Brutus</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett</b> U.S. Marine Corp
<b>Ensign Stuart Campbell</b> U.S. Navy	<b>David Jensen</b>
<b>Bradley N. Chartier</b> U.S. Army	<b>Lt. John Meyers</b> U.S. Army
<b>BM2 Charley Davidson</b> U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	<b>LCpl. Randy A. Novak</b> (USMC)
<b>Specialist Anthony J. Diamante</b> U.S. Army, serving in Ft Bragg, N.C	<b>LCpl. Ryan D. Novak</b> (USMC)
<b>Joshua Emmons</b> U.S. Air Force	<b>Ryan D. Novak</b> (USMC)
<b>Lt. Colin Flood</b> U.S. Army, Special Forces	<b>Lt. Martin Palmer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Lt. Bernardo Garcia</b> U.S. Marines	<b>1Lt. Robert Pedrigi</b> U.S. Army
<b>Lt. Joseph Gilig</b> 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	<b>Lt. Joseph Schafer</b> U.S. Army
<b>Cpl. Dylan Granza</b> (Serving in Afghanistan)	<b>Lt. Gregory Spencer</b> U.S. Army, (Serving in Afghanistan)
	<b>Lt. Kelly Spencer</b> U.S. Air Force
	<b>Houng Tran</b> U.S. Army
	<b>IT2 Jason E. Tydingco</b> (USN)

### **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 8:00 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:*

Marilyn J. Chouinard and John C. Miller

*May they rest in eternal peace.*

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

Joan Abele	Donna Flynn	Losure	Angela Preuss
Tom Abele	Tara Follese	Catherine Lusk	David Pupo
Deidre Anne Alyward	Barbara Fuller	Shari Lussier	Baby Randy
Jacob Andrew	Rick Greenwood	Jeanne Majeske	Linda & Tom Riley
Ed Barber	Tim Hagan	Edward Malloy	Don Robinson
Agatha Barczynski	Kathleen Hall	Ann Maniuszko	Tony Ross
Jerry Barton	Charlotte Hallohan	F. Mansfield	Jesse Sanchez
Makayla Basile	William & Linda Hart	Richard Maynard	Maria Scarcella
Jennifer Basile	Gerald Heyen	Judy Mazza	Cathy Schloendorn
Linda Berry	Coleen Hill	Sharon McCarthy	Alfred Schrang
Mary Bessner	Mary Kay Hoban	Bill McConnell	Claire Scott
John Brooks	Karen Hohne	Catherine & John McCugker	Carol Seiffert
John Calahan	Cheryl & Jeff Horkey	Bob McEvoy	Joanne Semonetti
Christine Canapari	Val Hunt	Margaret McGinness	Judy Shea
Tiffany Baumann Cantelupe	Madeline Hurley	Carolyn McNichols	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Kathleen Caputo	Mary Hutten	Melina Megaris	Teresa Shengulet
Christine Cassara	Helen Hyduk	Nancy Meleo	Annette Sholette
James Castaldi	Mario Incatasciato	John Miller	April Sievers
Rosalia Castro	Florence John	Shirley Moran	Liam Sjostrom
Members of the Claussen Family	Cade Joslin	Ed Moriarty	Kathleen Skahill
Anturo Ciro	Timothy F. Kay	Rich Moriarty	Jean Smith
Paul Conte	Yvonne Keenan	Rev. Richard Mueller	Jeff Smith
Nick Crnkovich	Sr. Margaret Ann Kelley	Sebastian Nagy	Ray Stankard
Edna D'Antuono	Marita Kelly	Louis Naumoff	Kay Sullivan
Connie D'Mucci	Kevin Nichols	Loretta Necas	Robert Sulski
Alice Daley	Colleen Kirkmaier	Frank Nicolazzi	Pat Sutter
Brian Davis	Susan Koundalapis	Peter Nicoletta	Tara and Children
Jim Diamante	Toni Kosak	Tyler Ostos	Rita Taranto
Carol Dickeson	Michael Kurzeja	Maryla Panagos	Patricia Trapnell
Diana Dieromin	Al LaRocco	Barbara Parada	Marge Traver
Nancy Dineen	David Land	James Patton	Dolores Varone
Alexandria Dolkas	Wayne Lee	Michael Paul	Pat & Heloisa Velasquez
Ann Marie Esposito	Irma Leonard	Patty Pilkington	Jim Vinton
Tiffany Feidler	Mary Lenick	Thomas Pinoott	Tom Wernes
Jennifer Fletcher	William Line	Joe Poher	Eileen Wharburton
	Victor & Marie Louise Lisabeth	Ginny Poon	Maureen Wilkinson
	Mr. & Mrs. George	Kathleen Preston	Tom Wright

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740,  
or email: [info@saintjohntheevangelist.com](mailto:info@saintjohntheevangelist.com)

## LET US PRAY...

FEBRUARY 17, 2013 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

# Family Fun and Ministry Day

Sunday, March 10 from Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Meet with representatives from the Ministries and enjoy a family fun-filled afternoon.

Event will be held in the courtyard, ballroom and back fields near the Claussen Center.

If you are a retiree, single parent or the parents of a family of 12, We want you in attendance!



## Something for Everyone!

- bounce houses and obstacle courses
- a dunk tank
- a climbing wall
- numerous crafts
- a balloon toss
- potato sack races
- a cake walk
- and many more activities
- a clown and a juggler who fabricates balloon characters
- live entertainment in the ballroom for those wanting to simply relax

## Food and More Food!

- a full picnic fare complete with hamburgers and hot dogs
- snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn
- Beer and wine



**ABSOLUTELY FREE, but you must RSVP by March 6.**  
**Family Fun and Ministry Day (March 10) RSVP**

Please complete and drop in the collection basket or drop off in the parish office. Thank you for your co-operation.

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number in family attending \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Direct from the Emerald Isles  
St. John the Evangelist



# St. Patty's Day Celebration

Sunday, March 17th  
6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Dinner  Dancing  
Silent Auction  
Music by Jim Dalia  
*"The DJ with Class"*

Open Bar  Traditional Corn Beef Dinner  
Casual Dress   
*Be Wearing Your Green!*

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Tickets: \$25.00 per person

On sale in the Parish Office

Please make checks payable to  
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church



# 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

## Sunday, February 17, 2013: the First Sunday of Lent

Opening Song **Open the Eyes of My Heart** Paul Baloche CCLI Song No. 2298355. © 1997 Integrity's Hosanna! Music. Paul Baloche. All rights Reserved. CCLI License No. 2008891.

O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord, o-pen the eyes of my heart,  
 I want to see you, I want to see you,  
 To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory,  
 Pour our your power and love, as we sing "Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly!"

Kyrie • **4** (page 5 of the missalette)

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Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble, Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble;  
 Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble, Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, king of end-less glo-ry.

Preparation Song **435 On Eagles' Wings** Michael Joncas

Sanctus • **9** (page 14 of the missalette)

Memorial Acclamation (A) • **10** (page 16)

Great Amen • (page 26) Agnus Dei • **14** (page 28)

Communion Songs **505 Behold the Lamb** Martin Willett

# Give Us Clean Hands

Charlie Hall

CCLI Song No. 2060208.

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5 We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; O Spi rit, come make us hum ble.

9 We turn our eyes from e vil things; O Lord, we cast down our i dols. Give us clean hands,  
— give us pure hearts. — Let us not lift our souls to a no ther, — Give us clean hands,

13 — give us pure hearts, — let us not lift our souls to a no ther. — O God, let us be —

17 — a gen er a tion that seeks, — that seeks your face, — O God of Ja cob. — O God, let us be —

21 — a gen er a tion that seeks, — that seeks your face, — O God of Ja cob. —

## Closing Song

### Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

Rick Founds

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Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your  
prais - es. — I'm so glad You're in my life;  
I'm so glad You came to save us.  
You came from heav-en to earth to show the way, From the earth to the cross  
— my debt to pay; — From the cross to the grave, —  
— from the grave to the sky; — Lord, I lift Your name on high.

# The Word & Life

*DT 26:4-10*

*PS 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15*

*ROM 10:8-13*

*LK 4:1-13*

## *The Season of Transformation*



Each year the Church celebrates the season of Lent to bring focus, renewal and transformation to our lives. Traditionally, we are encouraged to fast, give alms and pray. These are concrete ways of living out the call of the gospel. Today's gospel account recalls the temptation of Jesus during his forty day desert experience. During his weakest times Jesus became vulnerable and was tempted by the devil himself. In response to these temptations, Jesus employs the wisdom of God to dispel such temptation. This is a great teaching moment for all of us. Jesus uses the wisdom of God and relies upon the Sacred Word to help him through the temptation of the devil. He relies upon the Father to sustain him. He serves the Father's will by listening to him. He refuses all power to become a servant of all. At the end of this temptation scene we are reminded, "When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time." The discerning reader realizes that in Christ's humanity, the devil returned to tempt him again. However, as disciples, we realize that Jesus' whole ministry never saw him depart from the Father's plan.

### Reflection Questions

1. What is my commitment this Lent?
2. Am I forfeiting something during this season? Why?
3. Where is God asking me to go the extra mile?
4. What practice(s) will help me become closer to God?
5. Where does God need to transform my life?
6. Why is the world in need of redemption and transformation?
7. What is my response to the needs of society?
8. Am I committed to the Church's call to prayer, fasting and almsgiving?
9. How do these things help discipline me spiritually?

In this event, we learn that God alone fills our deepest hungers, not the world. Jesus demonstrates strength when faced with a false sense of security and power — God is our ultimate security and the one who has power over us. We are also reminded that even though we may be pulled away from the Lord, we should never put Him to the test. Today, the Christian community is reminded to take the Word of God proclaimed to us and use that word to defeat sin and to defeat temptation. Just as the devil departed from Jesus from a time and returned to tempt him, he also comes to us in our lives. His temptations take many forms especially in the most subtle ways.

In our busy world, we often find ourselves pulled from pillar to post by the demands of our fast paced society. Most of us find ourselves multi-tasking (to use a modern phrase) — that is, doing several things at one time. The pressures of work, family life, paying the bills and taking part in many community events can often leave us with little time to reflect on what is happening in our lives. It is difficult to find peace in the midst of all the pressure and to bring Christ into the center of our lives. Sometimes we just need to take time out and let God do the talking rather than letting a busy world dictate. We are invited to contemplate the wisdom of God.

During the next forty days of Lent, we are encouraged to stop and reflect on the importance of God in our lives. In setting time aside for prayer, we allow God to fill us with his quiet wisdom, enabling us to discern what he wants from us. Fasting is a beautiful spirituality that permits us to see the value of sacrifice. In practicing fasting, we recall the greatest sacrifice of all — Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross so that we could all be saved. When we give alms, our charity goes far beyond what is in our pocket books to what is in the gospel itself. Every time we help someone through charity, we reach out to Christ himself. Whenever anyone in the Church suffers and is in need, Christ suffers and needs us. In this holy season, we are asked to enter into the springtime of the Church’s mission, bringing new life in our efforts and observances. In this way we will recognize Christ in our midst.

## Reflecting on the Sunday Readings with Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor



Image: Jesus Tempted in the Wilderness.

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## Prayer

*Lord, as we journey together through these forty days, help us to resist giving in to the unnecessary things of life. Through quiet and reflection, may we see you with greater clarity. Through our sacrifice and charity let us draw ever closer to you. May we find the God of peace and allow that peace to center our lives. Amen.*

## Voices of Faith

### Temptation

The fearless preacher Paul  
Reminds us all  
“The word is near you,  
In your mouth and in your heart.”  
Sentiments not of an empty soul  
But one who knows The Lord

And so we enter into forty days  
Of Holy Lent  
God bids us enter forth the wilderness  
To spend time with him  
With fasting, prayer and charity  
Our hearts, mouths and souls open to the living Lord

In the desert of our lives  
We encounter our God  
Waiting to speak to us  
To love us and show us the Way  
Leading us to the Truth of all truths  
And to the reality of Resurrection’s Light

Our holy longing leads us forth  
To seek heaven’s way  
Hungers run deep in our souls  
As we wait to be fed by Sacred Word  
Fleeting promises of a deceptive world  
Brings temptation’s dawn born on the wings of a fallen angel

In false promises our minds do wander  
Taken away from wisdom divine  
Our mouths praise not God’s Word  
Nor do our hearts reveal love sublime  
Our imaginations fall into temptation  
Where an angel fallen waits to steal

But in Christ we move forward still  
Our discipline of Holy Lent enables us to see  
Hope divine and sacred will  
Of the One who bids us to rely not  
Upon the food that will perish  
But upon the Word that gives life

In the midst of a world filled  
With allusions and selfish ambitions  
We are tempted to settle with second best  
And fill our minds with false promises  
But God patiently awaits  
Our fitting worship and praises

So let us not be taken in  
By the prince of lies  
Cast not your lives into the darkness of sin  
Put not The Lord your God to the test  
Allow not the promise of his mercy to excuse not your actions  
But fall into the arms of Love itself who will bear you upon eagle’s wings

— “Peaceful Moments” - Fr. John J. Ludden

# Faith Formation



Temptation of Jesus

## Mark Your Calendar

**March 20**

*First Communion Activity Night*

**March 28-31**

*Easter Triduum*

**May 3**

*First Holy Communion Rehearsal*

**May 4**

*First Holy Communion Ceremony*

## Faith Formation News

**First Communion Activity Night...**will be on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom, seminar room and classrooms. Banners will be made that will be hung in the church for the First Holy Communion Ceremony. All sacramental students must participate.

**Easter Triduum...**starts on the evening of Maundy Thursday and ends at Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Thus, the Triduum consists of three full days which begin and end in the evening.

**First Holy Communion Rehearsal...**will be on Friday, May 3, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the ballroom and the church. This will be the only rehearsal. Attendance is mandatory for all children receiving the sacrament.

**First Holy Communion Ceremony...**will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in the church. Sacramental students should report to their teachers in the ballroom at 9:00 a.m. for pictures and final preparations. Cake and refreshments will be served afterwards outside the main entrance of the church.

**Faith Formation** continues on page 17





By Kathleen M. Carroll

The nineteenth-century British playwright and wit Oscar Wilde famously quipped, "I can resist everything except temptation." This feeling is so universal that when Jesus taught us the Lord's Prayer he included the line "lead us not into temptation."

Jesus himself, though, went out into the desert to meet temptation head-on. He did this at the very beginning of his ministry.

The devil was selective in the temptations he sent Jesus' way. Food would have to interest a man who hadn't eaten in forty days. While we might not think that Jesus would be impressed by offers of power and glory, I think we all would like the ability to make the world function the way we think it should. The third temptation was the most insidious: the devil (much like many TV preachers) seems to be tempting Jesus to test God's promises.

Though Jesus knows better than anyone that God will keep his promises, he demonstrates for us that our task is to trust God. If we do that, temptation will be quite a bit less, well, tempting!

Bringing Home the Word, February 17, 2013, Franciscan Media

### REFLECTION

Many people in Israel hoped for a Messiah who would solve all their problems. The Messiah they hoped for would put food on people's tables and make Israel a powerful world nation. The Gospel story of temptation shows us that Jesus rejects this kind of superhero role.

Jesus refuses to turn stones to bread, to become a world-conquering warrior, or to jump from the Temple and let angels catch him. Jesus came among us to be our brother. In him we discover how God acts as a human being. Jesus comes among us to teach us our divine strengths, not show off his own. He shows us our greatest powers are loving, forgiving, sharing, and gathering people together.

Gospel for All Ages, Good Ground Press and Pflaum Publishing

### PRAYER

O God,  
do not leave me.  
I have done nothing good in your sight,  
but according to your goodness,  
let me now make a beginning  
of good.

—Abbot Arsenius,  
5<sup>th</sup> century

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

### GRADE 1

**Life Question:** What are some ways to show love during Lent?

**Gospel Question:** How will you pray during Lent?

### GRADES 2-3

**Life Question:** What are some ways you can grow more like Jesus this Lent?

**Gospel Question:** Why does Jesus choose to trust God and not the devil?

### GRADES 4-5

**Life Question:** What will you turn from and turn toward during Lent?

**Gospel Question:** Why does Jesus refuse to turn stones to bread?

### GRADES 6-8

**Life Question:** What is a temptation young people your age face?

**Gospel Question:** What does Jesus mean that people do not live on bread alone? What do we need to live?

### GRADES 9-12

**Life Question:** What tempts you to believe you are not good enough the way you are?

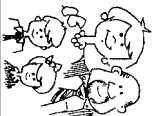
**Gospel Question:** How does Jesus see himself?

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









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# Lent Family Calendar

 = a day of fasting and abstinence from meat  
 = a day of abstinence from meat

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>17 After Mass today explain the Gospel and the homily in terms your children can understand!</p> 	<p>18 Contact Catholic Relief Services (877-HELP-CRS, www.catholicrelief.org) to see how you can help any of their ongoing projects.</p>	<p>19 Invent a new family prayer you can say together each day.</p> 	<p>13 Take your family to an Ash Wednesday liturgy and wear the cross of ashes all day.</p> 	<p>14 Tape a drawing of a vase on the fridge and label it: "Lent." Each day draw a flower in the vase and watch Lent blossom.</p>	<p>15 Share a meatless family meal. Discuss your Lenten offerings to be sure all are doable and sacrificial.</p> 	<p>16 Choose a family Lenten offering, such as giving up desserts, attending daily Mass, or praying a family Rosary regularly.</p>
<p>19 Before Mass today, pick a saint represented in one of the statues in your church and find out more about him or her during Lent.</p> 	<p>25 Collect stuffed animals or soft pillows in good condition and bring them to a local nursing home. Older folks love soft things to hug.</p>	<p>26 Ask each person to share a game, toy, or treat with someone else in your home.</p> 	<p>20 Take stock of how your Lenten fasts are going, and refresh your commitment to them.</p> 	<p>21 Before eating your family meal together, ask each person to say a spontaneous prayer.</p> 	<p>22 Pray for the people in the world who can't afford to have meat as a regular part of their diets.</p> 	<p>23 Turn off the television, unplugging the computers, and take the phone off the hook for a half hour to pray a family Rosary.</p> 
<p>3 Light a candle in church today for someone who passed away or who needs special help.</p> 	<p>4 Ask each family member to write a letter to Jesus thanking him for his sacrifice on the Cross.</p>	<p>5 Make cookies and bring them to a nearby nursing home.</p> 	<p>6 Encourage each family member to perform an examination of conscience.</p> 	<p>7 Place a crucifix or picture of Jesus in a central place to keep the focus on him.</p> 	<p>8 Whenever someone does a good deed, put a jelly bean in a jar. Share the jelly beans at Easter!</p> 	<p>9 Ask each person to make a sacrificial offering, such as doing an extra chore without being asked.</p> 
<p>10 <b>Laetare Sunday</b> Have a special meal at home or a restaurant to celebrate the half-way point through Lent.</p>	<p>11 Pick a friend or neighbor and perform an anonymous good deed for him or her.</p>	<p>12 Encourage all family members to refrain from bickering today.</p> 	<p>13 Say a short prayer before each cross or crucifix in your home.</p> 	<p>14 Make up a box for a needy family or homeless shelter. Put canned goods, clothing, toiletries, and gently used toys in it.</p>	<p>15 Serve pretzels as a reminder that Catholics used to fast from milk, butter, eggs, cheese, cream, and meat.</p> 	<p>16 Make simple crosses out of construction paper. Write on them, "He died for me," and post them around your home.</p>
<p>17 After Mass, light a candle, and recite the Apostle's Creed as an affirmation of faith.</p> 	<p>18 Pray for victims of violence and war in the world.</p>	<p>19 Send a card to someone who might need cheering today.</p> 	<p>20 Give up a favorite toy or treat just for today.</p>	<p>21 Visit someone who is sick and can't leave home.</p>	<p>22 Place any final donations in the box you set up to its destination.</p> 	<p>23 Go to Confession or attend a Reconciliation Service. Then go out afterwards to celebrate forgiveness.</p>
<p>24 Have a Palm Sunday procession around the house and take turns playing Jesus.</p> 	<p>25 Take a walk outside and look for signs of new life.</p> 	<p>26 Forgive someone who hurt you today.</p> 	<p>27 Get up 15 minutes earlier than usual today and pray as a family.</p> 	<p>28 Wash and dry each other's feet in commemoration of Jesus washing the feet of his Apostles.</p>	<p>29 Pray the Stations of the Cross today, and meditate on each one.</p> 	<p>30 Dress a doll in a white garment and talk about the Baptismal vows we renew each year.</p>

The Knights of Columbus will host  
**“Friday Night Fish Bake”**

at St. John the Evangelist PLC during Lent

Dinner will be served from 5 PM to 7 PM

Friday Nights in Lent: February 22; March 1, 8 and 15

(No Fish Bake on Good Friday)

**\$12.00 Adults, • \$5.00 under 10 yrs. old**

Tickets at Door Only

**Take Outs  
Available**

**Menu**

Baked Fish, Rice Pilaf, Mac. and Cheese

Coleslaw, String Beans Almandine,

Stewed Tomatoes, New England Clam Chowder, Bread & Butter,

Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade & Soda

Dessert



*Please plan on attending.*

**Easter Food  
Baskets for  
Needy in  
Immokalee**

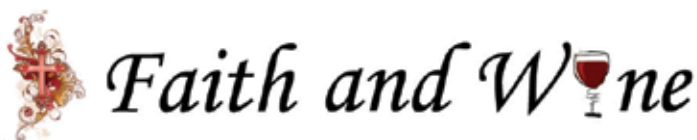
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Food Baskets to those  
most needy in Immokalee.

If you wish to share in  
this effort to feed the  
farmworkers who bring  
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send your contribution  
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Immokalee FL 34143.

The estimated cost of each  
Easter Food Basket is \$26.



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**February 20  
Doors open at 6 pm**

Parish Life Center Ballroom  
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Cost: \$15 per person (includes light dinner). Pay in advance online at FaithAndWine.com.

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## Jamaica Outreach Program

P.O. Box 110581  
Naples, FL 34108-1929  
Phone: 514-0290

[www.jamaicaoutreach.org](http://www.jamaicaoutreach.org)

Fighting Hunger, Feeding Hope!

The Jamaica Outreach Program (JOP) is a local nonprofit organization that was founded in 1997 by St. John the Evangelist parishioners. Their goal: to improve the well-being of the poor at the St. Pius X parish, located in a desperately poor section of Kingston, Jamaica.

One of our initiatives is to address hunger at St. Pius X and its environs through food acquisition, distribution, and advocacy. Your annual donations of food help us provide nourishment to a deserving community; the food is also a reminder that the poor and hungry are not forgotten by our community, ever.

# Where do your food donations go?

The food container travels from Naples to Coconut Creek, FL, where *Food for the Poor* puts it on an ocean-bound ship. Then the container is dropped on the docks in Kingston and, after it passes "muster" through Customs, it is transported by truck to *Food for the Poor's* warehouse in Spanish Town, just outside Kingston. There the contents are confirmed as to their destination and the container and its contents are delivered to the St Pius X Compound. The St. Pius X parish staff and volunteers unload the container into the food pantry storage area and later divide the food into family portions. Once or twice per month, the St Pius Food Pantry distributes the food. It will last about three months after which *Food for the Poor* will deliver food purchased in Jamaica with money donated for that purpose by the JOP. Up to 500 families benefit from the pantry monthly. In their name we thank you.



Bringing relief  
to over 500  
families...

**JAMAICA OUTREACH PROGRAM**

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH**  
**March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013**  
**5 P.M. MASS FOLLOWED BY DINNER/DANCE**



*Celebrant/Homilist: Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia, S.A.C., S.T.D., V.F.*

**("la tavola di San Giuse")**

**ENTERTAINMENT: "LEGENDS OF LAS VEGAS."**

*Sit down Traditional St. Joseph Feast Dinner (Catered by "Frisco's")*

**Soup & Salad Course**

*Italian market salad served with a classic minestrone soup.*

**Entree**

*Groupier broiled with Italian bread crumbs and pimento herb butter, Penne Pasta Milanese & fave beans sauteed with sweet peppers and red onions.*

**Dessert**

*Masarcapone Stuffed Zeppole*



Open Bar 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

All Tickets \$40.00 per person (Tables of 8 available)

Tickets on Sale in February after Masses, PLC, or Contact Bill Warvel

[wwarvel@aol.com](mailto:wwarvel@aol.com); 239 331 7151

Remaining Big  
Band Dances

Tuesday,  
February 19

Tuesday,  
March 5

Tuesday,  
March 19

Tuesday,  
April 2

To reserve a  
table of 8, call  
239-394-0470

*Singles Welcome*

# BIG BAND DANCE

## Next Dance of the Season

Tuesday, February 19, 2013

7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist PLC

*Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era*

*Featuring the Live Southwest Florida*

*16-piece Orchestra*

*Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller  
& Stan Kenton*



**Admission:**

\$10.00 cash  
only at the door  
~ includes snacks

**Cash Bar:** Water  
and Soda ~ \$1.00

- Beer ~ \$2.00  
per 12 oz. cup;  
\$7.00 per 60 oz.  
pitcher

- Wine and  
Mixed Drinks  
~ \$3.00

**Dress:** Country  
Club Casual  
(No shorts please.)

*Sponsored by  
the Men's Club*

## More Extraordinary Ministers Needed

Volunteers are desperately needed at the 1:15 Sunday Mass to serve as Extraordinary Ministers. If available, please contact Lorna at 239.287.6536.

### Alumni, Parents and Prospective Students

America's First Catholic University invites you to breakfast here in Naples with Georgetown University President John DeGioia

Friday, February 22 at 8:30 a.m.  
For reservations call 239.597.4081.

### PROVIDENCE COLLEGE:

All alumni, families and friends - Naples St. Patrick's Parade, Saturday, March 16. Parade begins at 11:00 a.m. from parking lot of St. Ann's Church (4th St. S and 10th Ave S). Limited car space available. Contact: Mike McCarthy 239.403.0762.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Understanding the Gospels

Presented by Deacon Hal Brenner

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church is conducting a course on **Understanding the Gospels** which continues on consecutive Tuesdays. Classes are held from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Parish Life Center. The course will cover the four Gospels with background on when, why and to whom they were written, as well as the central themes of each Gospel. Also presented will be methods to read, understand and interpret the Bible.



### Course Objective

The objective of the course is to develop a richer understanding of God's message to us and to grow in our faith. All are welcome and there is no charge for the class. To register please call Deacon Hal Brenner at 566.8740, extension 174 and leave a message.

Class 7 - 2/19/13 Gospel Summary

**Jesus the Teacher**

Class 8 - 2/26/13 Key Biblical Dates

**Luke's Good News**

Class 9 - 3/5/13 Tools for Biblical

**Interpretation**

**Luke's Good News of Mercy**

Class 10 - 3/12/13 The Bible — Process

**and Understanding**

**Luke's Grand Finale**

Class 11 - 3/19/13 How to Read the Bible

**The "Un-Synoptic" Gospel**

Class 12 - 3/26/13 Review/Summary/ Images of God

**John's "Book of Signs"**

Class 13 - 4/2/13 THE Relationship

**From Death to Life**

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23-24	At Sea
25	Miami, FL

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