


March 24, 2013
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



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Bible Story Time Reenacts Baptism and Washing of the Feet



Bible Story Time continued to prepare for Easter by discussing baptism and the washing of the feet. Children made Easter butterflies by tracing their feet. The children then listened to stories about baptism and were reminded of their own baptism by pouring water over a baby doll's head. The children loved it and enjoyed knowing that they, too, had been baptized. Later, they discussed how Jesus washed his disciples' feet as a form of service. Following the discussion the adults poured water on their own children's feet. It was a great way to show our love for our little ones by truly serving them and showing them Christ's love for us.



— text and photos
submitted by Jennifer
Grenardo, Bible Story
Time Director



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Daily Mass: 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

March 23, 2013 Saturday

8:00 AM + Gloria DeScantis Beth & Bryan Hanypsiak

Vigil Masses

3:00 PM + Constance McGinty Carolyn Berg
5:00 PM + Myron Cascio Barbara J. Cascio & Family

March 24, 2013 Palm Sunday

7:00 AM + Souls of Marines & Sailors Killed on the USS Bennington
9:00 AM + Wendy Murphy Burke (in Church) Family
9:00 AM + David L. Carman, Jr. (in PLC) Elizabeth Carman
(13th Anniversary of his death)
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners (in Church and in PLC)
1:15 PM + John Bruno Pat & Kathy Monachino
5:00 PM + Msgr. Francis A. Barszczewski Delina Tumbo & Family
*Flowers in memory of Rose Marie McGovern
~ requested by the Yeager and Sonta Families*

March 25, 2013 Monday

8:00 AM + Frank Brinkman Jan Brinkman
9:00 AM In Honor of Novena for Life Respect Life
12:00 Noon + Anthony Jackapino Jackapino Family

March 26, 2013 Tuesday

8:00 AM + Amalia Durante Vincenta, Wanda, Carol Bukowski
9:00 AM Richard Osborne David & Sally Russell
12:00 Noon + Mario D. Magistro Maria & Frank Arhone

March 27, 2013 Wednesday

8:00 AM + Bernard Hannigan Ray Axberg
9:00 AM + Lorna Williams & Joyce Jones Linda Hinds
12:00 Noon + Genevieve Gaddis Dorothy Daley

March 28, 2013 Holy Thursday

No Mass/Morning Prayer

March 29, 2013 Good Friday

No Mass/Morning Prayer

March 30, 2013 Saturday

No Mass/Morning Prayer

Vigil Mass

8:00 PM For Our Parishioners

March 31, 2013 Easter Sunday

7:00 AM + Katherine DeFrancesca Peter DeFrancesca
9:00 AM + Britton Gibson Jackie Gibson
(Mass in Church and the PLC)
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners
(Mass in Church and the PLC)
1:15 PM + Alfred Ossino Pat & Kathy Monachino
5:00 PM + Daniel Cistone Delina Tumolo & Family

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 23, 2013

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Vigil Masses

Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 [23:1-49]

Sunday, March 24, 2013

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 [23:1-49]

Monday, March 25, 2013

Monday of Holy Week; Passover begins

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday, March 26, 2013

Tuesday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, March 27, 2013

Wednesday of Holy Week

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

Thursday, March 28, 2013

Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday, March 29, 2013

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence

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

Saturday, March 30, 2013

Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Vigil Mass

a) Gn 1:1 – 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 – 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 – 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12

Sunday, March 31, 2013

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

FREE Nursery Care for children ages 1 to 5 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 PLC, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is in attendance 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

THIS WEEK'S MASS & LITURGY SCHEDULE...

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Life Matters



Happy Palm Sunday!

Finally it's the closing day of the Spring Campaign of 40 Days for Life. It's been a fantastic ride with snowstorms up north, legal challenges out west and a director who has split right here in Naples. To God goes the glory! There were at least 400 babies saved in this campaign; I will give you the final statistics after Easter.

So what's up with Life Matters now that 40 Days for Life is in the books? I'm hoping to bring you information on a variety of life issues. After a break for Easter, I'll be back with information for spotting human trafficking victims, how to protect against euthanasia, the pros and cons of capital punishment and much more. I am certainly not an expert on anything, but I know enough to know where to find the answers. Don't forget that you are welcome at our next Respect Life meeting on the second Tuesday of the month, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. in room 15 of the Claussen Center.

See you on Divine Mercy Sunday! Don't forget your Divine Mercy Novena starting on Good Friday.

article submitted by Loretta Judy, Respect Life



Saint John the Evangelist Lenten Schedule

Daily Masses:

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

Saturday Morning Masses:

8:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays following Noon Mass and at 7:00 p.m.
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

St. John the Evangelist
Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Television Mass for the Homebound March 31

The Diocese of Venice will be airing the Easter Sunday Mass for the homebound at its regular time on March 31.

The Mass airs in the southern portions of the Diocese (including Lee, Charlotte and Collier counties), at 10:00 a.m. on WFTX-TV (FOX-4 in Cape Coral). Leaflet missals are available upon request by calling 941.484.9543 and asking about the TV Mass or by writing: TV Mass, Diocese of Venice, 1000 Pinebrook Road, Venice, FL 34285.

Holy Week and Easter Sunday Schedule

Palm Sunday Masses, March 24

Sunday Vigil Service (March 23)

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

Sunday: 7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)

11:15 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)

1:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Lenten Penance Service, Tuesday, March 26

7:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday Services, March 28

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday Services, March 29

8:00 a.m. ~ Morning Prayer

Noon ~ Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. ~ Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00 p.m. ~ "Prayer Around the Cross" with Veneration

Holy Saturday Services and Mass, March 30

8:00 a.m. ~ Morning Prayer

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

8:00 p.m. ~ Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Masses, March 31

7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)

11:15 a.m. (Church and PLC Ballroom)

1:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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

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.

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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
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 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 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, March 23 & 24

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| Entrance Hymn: | 80 | All Glory, Laud & Honor |
| Preparation Hymn: | 450 | What Wondrous Love |
| Communion Hymn: | 502 | Our Blessing Cup |
| | 249 | Soul of My Savior |
| Closing Hymn: | 257 | Jesus, Remember Me |

Choral Anthems at the 9 & 11:15 AM Masses

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| Before the Mass | Prepare the Way | Don Besig & Nancy Price |
| At Communion | In The Name of the Lord | Sandi Patti, arr. Don Marsh |

Sixth Annual Catholic Bioethics Seminar Saturday, April 13

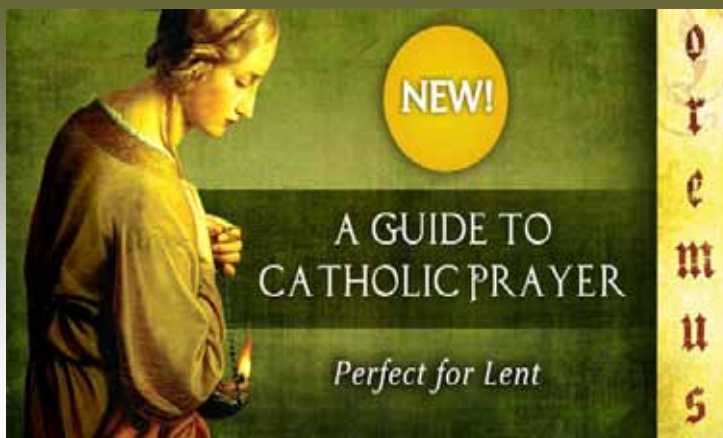
Everyone is invited to the annual Catholic Bioethics Seminar on Saturday, April 13 at Resurrection Parish in Fort Myers. This seminar is designed for physicians, healthcare workers, clergy and students, but anyone with an interest in these topics is welcome. Seating is limited.

World-renowned speakers Rev. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Rev. Tad Pacholczyk, Ph.D., Nikolas Nikas J.D. and Wes Ely, M.D. will present bioethical topics from the Catholic perspective.

For more information or to register, visit www.floridacma.org and link to the bioethics seminar. For general questions, call Dr. Steve Hannan at 239.849.6908.

The Arimatheans in Need of More Volunteers

The **Arimatheans** are a group of parishioners who attend funeral Masses to provide support and compassion from the St. John the Evangelist parish community. The Arimatheans would love to have more volunteers join their ministry. To join or for more information contact Virginia D'Agostino at 597.7687



Final Class: Wed., March 27th

5:45pm-7:00pm

IN THE LIBRARY @ ST. JOHN'S

**“Dealing with Distractions,
Desolation & Consolation”**

SPRINGBOARD YOUR HOLY WEEK!!!

Join us, in our final week of discussion on Catholic Prayer. We will cover how to better deal with common Distractions and learn what's behind Desolation & Consolation as we turn to embrace Holy Week. Recommit to your Lenten preparations as we approach the Easter Triduum and join us! You won't regret it!

**Join us Wednesday in the Library from 5:45pm-7:00pm
Catholicism for Catholics with a Finger-food Pot Luck!**

Jim Towe Discusses Lessons Taken From Catholic College Students

Over 80 ladies gathered together for the monthly Faith and Wine event to enjoy a light dinner, festive drinks and an insightful presentation by Jim Towe, Thursday, March 14. As the current President of Ave Maria University, Mr. Towe started his presentation by describing the excitement experienced by the students of Ave Maria as they crowded into a standing room only cafeteria to watch and pray together as the Vatican announced the selection of a new pope and Pope Francis made his first public appearance. Mr. Towe discussed lessons we can learn from today's Catholic college students. These lessons included the hunger to discover God, the desire to serve, and the need to love and be loved.

All ladies are welcome to join us for the next Faith and Wine event on Thursday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. where our own Father John will host a discussion on the sacraments.



— text and photos by Jennifer Grenardo, Faith and Wine



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March, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lent and Easter always brings us a little “closer in heart to the Holy Land.” Since the earliest days of our Church, Christians have been drawn to the Holy Land to see and experience where Jesus lived and taught, where He suffered, died and was buried, and where He gloriously rose from the dead and ascended into Heaven with the promise of returning.

You know well of the problems in the Middle East. Quite literally, the Christian presence in the Holy Land is challenged as never before, and many followers of Christ are emigrating in search of a better life.

Keeping Christianity “alive” in the Holy Land has been the everyday job of the Order of St. Francis since the 13th century. Franciscans and others in the Holy Land provide housing, feed the poor, foster formation and education, maintain shrines and parishes, and conduct pastoral ministry, etc.

Each year, all Catholics are invited to support Christians in the Holy Land by making a donation to the Good Friday Collection. This annual Pontifical Collection is a primary means of support for the Holy Land Mission. For centuries Christians have called the Holy Land home. Today, your financial support will help to keep the door to Christianity in the Holy Land open. Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you during this Holy Season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

St. John Youth Ministry

Youth Busy With Fish Bakes, Snorkeling and NET

This past month has been particularly active for Youth Ministry! Beginning with Ash Wednesday and continuing each Friday during Lent, students from both our middle and high school youth ministry programs have assisted the Knights of Columbus with our parish Fish Bakes. This has been a tremendous opportunity for our young people to become actively involved in our parish



Bill Maguire

Director of Youth Ministry

community. Whether it was helping folks to their tables, slicing lemons, clearing tables, taking out the trash or simply offering a smile and a kind remark, our students enjoyed serving our parishioners and getting to know them better. Our young people received many compliments for their enthusiastic and joyful service. Our high school students participated in our first annual Spring Break Snorkeling Trip to John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park in Key Largo. We brought 21 high school students and adult leaders and, although the water was a bit chilly, we were able to stay warm by renting wet suits. Everyone was amazed by the change of color in the water from green to a vibrant blue once we reached the reef. Some of our sightings included: a large submerged statue of Jesus, a black tipped shark, a sea urchin, several barracudas and many brightly colored tropical fish. We even saw some humans in the wild scuba diving.

Three of our high school students will receive the sacrament of Confession in April. As part of their preparation, we took them to the diocesan Confirmation retreat in Lake Placid. The retreat was put on by the National Evangelization Team (NET). NET is a Catholic youth ministry organization founded about 30 years ago. At the beginning of each summer, NET gathers all their accepted young adults for an intense month-long training on how to evangelize young people through skits, games, dynamic talks, music and leading small groups. Upon completing their training, they are



put into teams of 12 and are assigned a van and trailer. For the next 10 months they drive around the country putting on retreats for middle school and high school students, while staying with host families at each parish and school.

NET takes a “relational” approach to ministry: that is, they make every effort to get to know each of the teens personally. In fact, they are able to call every teen by name by the end of the first day. These young adults know how to relate to teens through playing games, putting on skits, conducting small group sessions, eating meals with the teens and by engaging them in conversation during the breaks. Our teens were a bit apprehensive to begin with, not knowing anyone from the other youth groups. By the end of the retreat, they didn’t want to leave. They had grown in their friendships with each other and with Christ.

Upcoming in April, both middle school and high school students will have the opportunity to attend a NET retreat.

- High school retreat is overnight and will take place: April 26-28. Cost: approximately \$135.00, including meals, the NET team and accommodations at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center.
- The middle school retreat is a day-long retreat on: April 6 at St. Marco Catholic Church, Marco Island. The cost is \$15.00 including lunch, the NET team and the Vigil Mass.
- Please contact me if you have a high school or middle school student who’s interested in attending. Financial aid is available and no student will be turned down for financial reasons.

Several students participated in the online “adopt a cardinal” program. By signing up, we were each assigned a particular cardinal to pray for during the conclave. Once Pope Francis was elected, we prayed a Rosary for him and his ministry to the Church. This historic change in Church leadership offered us the real-time opportunity to ask questions and learn about the office of the papacy and the process by which a pope is elected.



Austen Berman (left) and Joey Wilton at the Friday, March 15 Fish Bake. (See future bulletins for photos from the snorkeling trip.)



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:

Bill Maguire 566.8740, Ext. 177

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay Sanfelippo 949.7122

Calling & Caring:

Deacon Al Groh 566.8740 ext. 125

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Ernest Woonsam 947.8618

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Maureen Wurtz 593.0475

Greeters & Ushers:

John Smith 598.2306

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Victor Yopez 290.9090

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Rosemary Slevin 596.7057

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Jack Kindsvater jkinds@me.com

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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 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 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 (located across from the ladies restroom). 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, April 2 at Imperial Healthcare, Naples; 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:

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

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:

Wayne Lee and Carmella Moss-Monte

May they rest in eternal peace.

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

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| Joan Abele | Tiffany Feidler | Richard Maynard | Linda & Tom Riley |
| Tom Abele | Troy Feidler | Judy Mazza | Marie-Helene Robertazzi |
| Deidre Anne Alyward | Thomas O. Flood | Sharon McCarthy | Tony Ross |
| Jacob Andrew | Donna Flynn | Chris McKibben | Anthony Russo |
| Mike Arnold | Tara Follese | Bill McConnell | Jesse Sanchez |
| Ed Barber | Jim Follese | Catherine & John McCugker | Maria Scarcella |
| Agatha Barczynski | John & Julia Giblin | Bob McEvoy | Cathy Schloendorn |
| Jerry Barton | Tim Hagan | Margaret McGinness | Claire Scott |
| Makayla Basile | Kathleen Hall | Carolyn McNichols | Carol Seiffert |
| Jennifer Basile | Leslie Haywood | Melina Megaris | Joanne Semonetti |
| Linda Berry | Gerald Heyen | Nancy Meleo | Judy Shea |
| Mary Bessner | Coleen Hill | Carlos Metz | Jane & Bob Shengulet |
| John Brooks | Karen Hohne | Ed Moriarty | Teresa Shengulet |
| Christine Canapari | Cheryl & Jeff Horkey | Rich Moriarty | Annette Sholette |
| Tiffany Baumann | Val Hunt | Rev. Richard Mueller | April Sievers |
| Cantelupe | Madeline Hurley | Josephine Nagy | Kathleen Skahill |
| Kathleen Caputo | Mary Hutten | Louis Naumoff | Jack Skoviak |
| Christine Cassara | Helen Hyduk | Loretta Necas | Jean Smith |
| James Castaldi | Cade Joslin | Frank Nicolazzi | Jeff Smith |
| Members of the Claussen Family | Sr. Margaret Ann Kelley | Peter Nicoletta | Ray Stankard |
| Anturo Ciro | Marita Kelly | Jordan Obrochta | Kay Sullivan |
| Dotty Combs | Colleen Kirkmaier | Tyler Ostos | Robert Sulski |
| Paul Conte | Toni Kosak | Maryla Panagos | Pat Sutter |
| Nick Crnkovich | Agness Kosloski | Barbara Parada | Tara and Children |
| Edna D'Antuono | David Land | James Patton | Rita Taranto |
| Connie D'Mucci | John C. Lee | Michael Paul | Patricia Trapnell |
| Brian Davis | Mary Lenick | Joan Peters | Marge Traver |
| Jim Diamante | William Line | Patty Pilkington | Dolores Varone |
| Carol Dickeson | Shari Lussier | Thomas Pimlott | Pat & Heloisa Velasquez |
| Joseph DiFrancisco | Jeanne Majeske | Joe Pohorer | Jim Vinton |
| Msgr. Coll, Millie DiMarcella | Edward Malloy | Kathleen Preston | Tom Wernes |
| Nancy Dineen | Ann Maniuszko | Angela Preuss | Eileen Wharburton |
| Alexandria Dolkas | F. Mansfield | David Pupo | Maureen Wilkinson |
| Ann Marie Esposito | Kim Marino | Timothy Ray | Tom Wright |
| | Dr. Enrique and Teresa Lozano de Martinez | Peter Renucci | |

To submit a two-week prayer request call 566.8740,
or email: info@saintjohntheevangelist.com

LET US PRAY...

MARCH 24, 2013 ~ PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



It is hard to believe that we just recognized St. Patrick's Day and now we are celebrating Palm Sunday and then Easter next weekend. And all of this in the month of March! I guess April will be a pretty boring month this year.

After an incredibly successful Family Fun & Ministry Day the prior Sunday, we had

our work cut out for us on St. Patrick's Day. After stretching the Ballroom capacity to 425, we were well prepared for anything and everything on St. Patrick's Day evening. As it turns out, the 425 that chose to attend were treated to an incredible deal for only \$25.00. Thirty minutes after opening the doors to guests, we were privy to an authentic piping experience by the Naples Harp and Thistle Band. This band of 20 performed for 30 minutes and had the crowd captivated as they wowed us with an Irish rendition of Amazing Grace. Immediately after the band departed, our very own Irish dance troupe (Tir-Na-Nog) took the stage and entertained the crowd for another 30 minutes. Dancers from the age of 5 to 20 performed numerous jigs and reels. Some were soft shoe and others were in clogs, but all were very entertaining. After the dance troupe departed, we received word from Fr. John that he would also be performing an Irish Dance. Holding

true to his word, Fr. John danced an Irish Jig that was met with a standing ovation. Again, for a mere \$25.00, this was a great night of entertainment. Frisco's catered a traditional Irish meal of Corned Beef and Cabbage and fed everyone in a span of no more than forty minutes. The meal was delicious and several even commented that it was some of the best corned beef they had consumed in quite some time. After dinner, hundreds took to the dance floor and danced away the remainder of the evening. We also hosted a small silent auction which netted over \$2,600.00. That, combined with proceeds from ticket sales and donations, we raised approximately \$6,000.00 for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. *(See separate article and photos in next week's bulletin.)*

I would like to recognize two very amazing women who agreed to work on the St. Patrick's Day Party with me. Mary Beth Clary, who serves on numerous other committees while holding down a full time job as an attorney, put time aside to assist with coordination and especially in lining up the Harp and Thistle Band and Irish Dance troupe. Judith Dolkas, whom without I could not properly function, stepped up and

handled the food and beverage as well as decorations and logistics. Many would ask how a committee of two could handle an event for 425 guests. Those asking have certainly not met Judith and Mary Beth. Thanks, Ladies, for all you do for this parish.

Did you see the collection summary in this bulletin? The St. Patrick's Day collection from this past Saturday morning was \$12,211.00. This entire collection will be distributed to the St. John's Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society to be used for assistance by families in our area. Between the party and the collection, we once again raised over \$18,000.00 for our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you to our parishioners for your extreme generosity.

Everyone did such a wonderful job in submitting your RSVP for Family Fun & Ministry Day. You did such a great job that we are once again asking for your help. During the registration process for the Easter Egg Hunt last year, approximately 100 registered for the event. Imagine the surprise of the Men's Club when nearly 400 showed up the day of to hunt for eggs. The registration form is located in the bulletin (on page 18),



and I just sent out an email blast to all families that have provided their email address. The Men's Club kindly asks that you submit your completed registration form to the parish office, drop in the collection basket or respond to the email with the number of adults and children participating and their ages. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

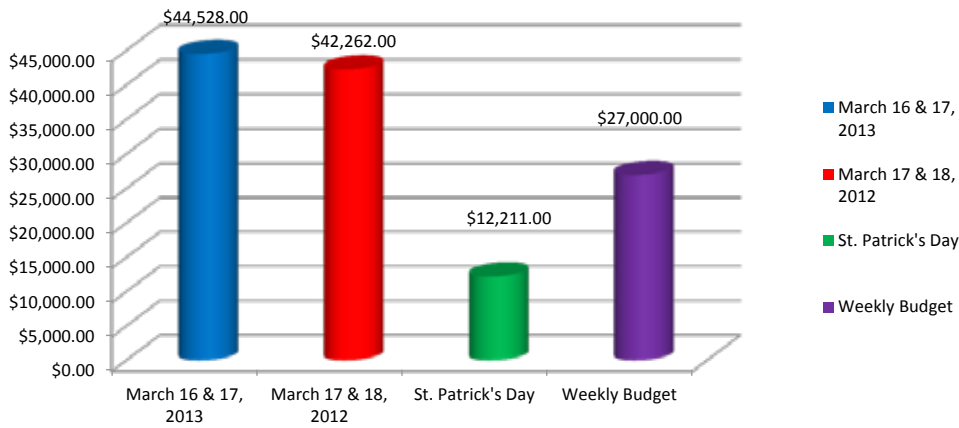
Tickets for the Reverse Raffle went on sale this past Monday in the parish office. As a gentle reminder, we must sell all 300 tickets in order for the event to take place. I will not yet begin to beg as we are still one month out (as of writing), however, rest assured that you will hear my pleas very shortly. If you wanted to be incredibly kind, you could purchase your raffle tickets early and save me a little stress and anxiety. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

In His work together,

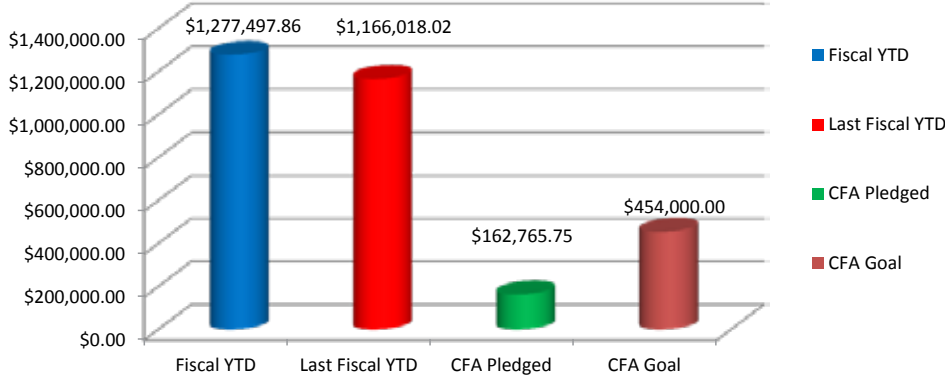
Scott Schlossberg, MBA
General Manager

SCOTT'S CORNER...

Collection Summary



Fiscal YTD (7/1/2012-6/30/2013) & CFA Summary



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Understanding the Gospels *Presented by Deacon Hal Brenner*

Classes are held from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Parish Life Center. To register please call Deacon Hal Brenner at 566.8740, extension 174 and leave a message.

Remaining Classes:

**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**

Teachers Needed for 2013-2014 School Year at Saint Ann

Saint Ann Catholic School has announced the following faculty positions available for next year: Middle School Science, Elementary Teacher, Guidance Counselor (part-time). Teachers must be certified by the State of Florida.

Please submit resumés to Principal Tommy Bridges, tbridges@stann.net, fax 239.262.3991 or mail to: Saint Ann Catholic School, 542 Eighth Avenue South, Naples, FL 34102.

Call the school for more information at 239.262.4110.

St. John the Evangelist Reverse Raffle

Benefiting the Catholic Faith Appeal

Friday, April 19, 2013

6:30 p.m.

*Available
in Parish
Office*

St. John Parish Life Center

\$100.00 per ticket

(need not be present to win)

First Prize: \$10,000.00

*Available
in Parish
Office*

Dinner for 2

Open Bar

Entertainment by Tom Oram

Verse 3) How beautiful the radiant Bride
Who waits for her Groom with his light in her eyes
How beautiful when humble hearts give
The fruit of pure lives so that others may live (*Chorus*)

Verse 4) How beautiful the feet that bring
The sound of good news and the love of the King
How beautiful the hands that serve
The Wine and the Bread, and the children of earth

Amazing Love (You Are My King)

B.J. Foote

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Verse) I'm forgiven because you were forsaken; I'm accepted; you were condemned
I'm alive and well; your Spirit is within me: because you died and rose again (*to Chorus*)

Chorus

A - ma - zing love, — how — can — it be, — that you my King — would die for me?
— A - ma - zing love, — I — know — it's true; — it's my joy — to hon - or you,
— in all — I — do, — I hon - or you. —

Bridge) You are my King; you are my King. Jesus, you are my King, Jesus, you are my King.

Closing Song

257 Jesus, Remember Me

Jacques Berthier

The **Music & Liturgy Department at St. John the Evangelist** is very pleased to announce that we now have **PIANO LESSONS** available on our campus, in the Claussen Center – in a studio around the corner from the Seminar Room.

We are pleased to welcome Ms. **Christine Lampos**, an experienced piano teacher and performer with a Master's degree in Music. (She has also been Safe Environment-trained and is fully certified to work with young children by the Diocese of Venice!)

Half-hour, 45 minute, or hour lessons are available for **all ages & skill levels**.

You may study in any one of a **variety of styles** (or several!):
classical, liturgical, popular, jazz/blues, improvisation, etc.

Recitals are available for performance enhancement (although not mandatory).

Ensembles are encouraged as well.

For more information, call Christine Lampos at (239) 287-5381,
or visit her site at PianoUnlimited.com to get started!

For a limited time, she is very graciously offering a “**starter special**” to all new students who are St. John parishioners, with a **free half-hour trial lesson!**

Simply mention this article when contacting her,
and if you enjoy the first lesson, purchase 3 more lessons, & get the 4th free!

The Word & Life

*Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18,
19-20, 23-24
Philippians 2:6-11
Luke 22:14 – 23:56*

The Story of the Triumphal Entry and the Scandal of the Cross

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. During Holy Week we contemplate the events that have given us salvation in Christ. We should reverently live this week in prayer and contemplation. It is hard to believe that over 2000 years ago the people welcomed Jesus with open arms, waving olive branches and proclaiming him to be a king, only to find that within a few days they were demanding that his arms be opened and nailed to the cross. Such is humanity — always open to such contradiction and sin. It is exactly for this reason that Jesus died on the cross—the once and for all sacrifice made to take away the sins of the world.

The drama of the cross is very complex; it involves fulfillment of the prophecies of the suffering servant as well as the politics of Jesus' day. Jesus' message disturbed the status quo and made God an immanent reality for the people of his time. The religious establishment feared his revolutionary approach to God — they feared it would

ultimately undermine their safety, their teachings and security. Jesus thus became a problem, one which needed to disappear. What was their response? Their answer lay in using Roman occupation to the religious leaders' advantage. Jesus is accused of being a subversive to the civil order and is handed over to be crucified, putting an end to Jesus' life and message — so they thought!

It is amazing to think that on one day the crowds cheer Jesus with shouts of hosanna; then a few days later, an evil anger inspires the people to cry out for His crucifixion. This evil brought upon Jesus is also forgiven by him. In crying out a seeming abandonment, Jesus passes over his spirit to the Father whose will, he prayed, would be done. A mother's love accompanies Jesus as he walked the via de la Rosa. Could you imagine the pain that pierced Mary's heart that day as she watched her son slowly die? How did His followers feel after they scattered as if seed against the wind? No words can describe the cost that brought our salvation. We just know that Jesus sacrificed much to free us from our slavery to sin.

During this week we are asked to contemplate how the Passion plays a role in our lives. Many of us have experienced betrayal in our own lives. Maybe we have betrayed someone or someone has betrayed us. Either we or those belonging us have experienced the painful reality of someone denying us our dignity or even our friendship. Perhaps there have been times when we have done what is right and the consequences have brought rejection upon us. In all of these experiences, Jesus shows us through the Sacred Passion how we are to react and have hope. Every Holy Week leads us to the joy of Easter. And so it is with us — through every painful experience, we are always offered the joy of hope!

The Crucifixion of Christ by Simon Vouet/WikipediaCommons

Reflection Questions

1. Since Jesus died for me, then what am I going to do for Him?
2. What does Jesus' death signify?
3. How does the event of Calvary open the gates of heaven for me?
4. What does "sacrifice" mean for me?
5. What am I willing to sacrifice?
6. If Jesus died for my sin – what does that mean in the way that I make my choices/my lifestyle?
7. Am I willing to sacrifice for others and for my God?
8. What kind of risks am I willing to take?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, so much love you had for the world that you gave your only Son. As we move through this most holy of all weeks, may we be inspired by the sacrifice of your Son. Help us to feel passionate about our faith and about others. Enable us to see your plan for our salvation. As we look upon the image of your crucified Son, let us remember the great cost for our salvation and respond to that with selfless giving. Amen.

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



Voices of Faith

A Holy Week of Passion

For three years the disciples walked on
Accompanying their rabbi and friend
They witnessed his calming and challenging words
As he forgave the sinner and confronted embittered hearts

Miracles and signs the disciples did see
The dead were raised, the blind did see
With lepers cleansed, the oppressed set free
God stirred them on to see heaven wedded to earth

Companions on a journey they are taught by God
They are fed by the one who provided for five thousand hungry hearts
Who was their Living Bread
They tasted the water made wine by Jesus, the True Vine

The disciples looked on
As Jesus brought peace to those possessed by evil
And set them free to be possessed by the love of God
They saw the calming of the storm and their Master walking upon the waters

But now they walk on to face the week of all weeks
To realize what Jesus meant to carry the cross
Men and women of the passion they will be
Put to the test they might flee

The triumphal entry to the city stirs them on
As they see branches waved and Blessed Song
Welcoming their teacher, savior and friend
Lost in this euphoria they are unaware of the awaiting passion

And so the divine drama of that week unfolds
Cunning plots play out as Spy Wednesday does pay
Silver pieces placed in betrayer's hand
Who will watch and wait to deliver his friend by that fateful kiss

The Passover is celebrated as a Last Supper of Christ
He tells of his betrayal and the fragility of Peter's resolve confronted
The master takes the unleavened bread of deliverance and the cup of promise
"This is my body.....this is the Cup of my blood.....do this in memory of me." He does say.

Curious minds understand not of what is taking place before them
And so the sacred meal does end and sacred passion begin
As Jesus leads them out to the Mount of Olives
And invites his friend to pray bidding them not to undergo the test

As Jesus communes with the Father
He prays that His will be done
As his agony in the garden begins and his sweat becomes like blood
The disciples grow fragile and weak and so fall prey to sleep

Jesus returns to find followers sleeping from grief
He bids them sleep not as to not undergo the test
As the darkness descends
And so a crowd and his betrayer does approach

A kiss on the face of Christ is all it takes
To hand Jesus over into the hands of death
Betrayal now evident the disciples thrash out
But Jesus commands them to stop healing the high priest's servant's ear

Taken into custody, Jesus is set to face his trial
In High Priest's courtyard, Peter sits down
Questioned three times he does demand
that with this Jesus, he does not stand

And so the cock crowed as Jesus did promise
The eyes of Jesus and Peter meet in that moment
"Before the cock crows today, you will deny three times"
The words of Jesus ring true, as Peter retreats and weeps bitterly

But scribes and Sandhedrin question on
"If you are the Christ, tell us"
To which he replies:
"You will not believe that I Am"

From the hardness of 'religious' hearts
Into the presence of a dictatorship Jesus stands
Of him is asked if he be a king
"You say so" says the great I Am

Pilate sees no guilt within the man
And fears the evil in man's plan
He thus hands Jesus on into Herod's hands
The people mock and jeer him and clothe him in insulting garb

Like a dish broken and cast away
Jesus returns to Pilate in the light of day
A custom will free the way, Pilate thought
"Crucify him, crucify him....." The people's taunt

Barabbas, rebellious and murderous is set free
The gentle shepherd is taken to be nailed to a tree
"Father forgive them for they know not what they do!"
The earnest plea of the one who will die to set us all free

In hanging on the tree all stripped and torn
Is sneered at, the Savior of all
Sin recognizes innocent and makes his plea
"Today you will be with me in paradise," says the one who sets man free

At noon darkness covers the land
"Father into your hands I commend my spirit."
Last words of the earthly plan
And so the Shepherd breathes his last

And so the king of kings is taken down
With thorns on his head not golden crown
He is placed into the care of Joseph of Arimathea
And in linen wrapped he is reverently placed in a tomb hewn
awaiting God's plan

— "Peaceful Moments" by Fr. John J. Ludden

Faith Formation



Jesus entering Jerusalem

Mark Your Calendar

March 28-31

Easter Triduum

May 3

First Holy Communion Rehearsal

May 4

First Holy Communion Ceremony

Faith Formation News

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

Family life is a cauldron of extremes. The parent you worshiped as a toddler turn a deaf ear to your teenaged door-slamming and sincere cries of “I hate you!” The Prince Charming who stood at the altar with you and vowed eternal love cannot be bothered to shovel the front walk. That tubby, rosy-cheeked cherub tests your last scrap of patience when she learns to draw. With your lipstick. On the wall.

Jesus experienced the fickleness of human emotions when, in the space of one week, the people of Jerusalem shifted from hailing him as their Messiah to condemning him as a blasphemer. The Gospels show Jesus well-acquainted with the range of human feelings: angry at the money – changers, bitter at the Pharisees, even weeping at the death of Lazarus. But no matter how he’s feeling or how he’s treated, we see him love. When weathering the storms of family life, Jesus’ example can help us remember that—even if we’re not sure our siblings, children, or spouses love us—we love them. We can choose to live in that love, no matter the cost.

Bringing Home the Word, March 24, 2013, Franciscan Media

Why Do Catholics Do That ?

Why do Catholics Call Jesus, “Christ?”

Ancient Jews used oil in ceremonies such as the enthronement of a king. The king was then called, “anointed” or “messiah” or “messias” in Hebrew. “The Anointed” was the way they referred to the Deliverer promised by God. “Christos” was how “anointed” translated into Greek.

After the Resurrection, “Christ” or “the Christ” went from being a title to a proper name, “Jesus Christ.” That name recognizes Jesus as the one true Anointed One, the promised Messiah of the Jews.

Partners in Faith, March 2013, Success Publishing & Media, LLC

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

GRADE 1

Life Question: How do you welcome new children or important people to your school or neighborhood?

Gospel Question: How do people welcome Jesus to Jerusalem?

GRADES 2-3

Life Question: How do you welcome people into your home?

Gospel Question: How do people welcome Jesus to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday?

GRADES 4-5

Life Question: What are key events and Gospel stories you remember from Holy Week liturgies?

Gospel Question: How does foot washing symbolize what Jesus is about?

GRADES 6-8

Life Question: How do you celebrate the days of Holy Week – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter?

Gospel Question: How does foot washing symbolize what Jesus is about? How does Jesus’ crucifixion express who he is?

GRADES 9-12

Life Question: How do you celebrate the days of Holy Week – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter?

Gospel Question: What kind of king do people welcome to Jerusalem? What kind of king do they crucify?

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Meals On Wheels Needs Assistant Coordinator

Meals On Wheels of Bonita Springs is an all-volunteer organization in need of an assistant coordinator. Part of the duties includes monitoring the pickup of meals by drivers from the First Presbyterian Church on Bonita Beach Rd. weekdays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.. We also need volunteer drivers. Please contact Sharon Burton 239.598.1300 or sharschae@aol.com for more information.

Chrism Mass Tuesday, March 26

All are encouraged and invited to attend the Chrism Mass which will be celebrated Tuesday, March 26, 10:30 a.m., at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice.

Clergy observing their 50th and 25th anniversaries of ordination are:

50 years: Reverends John C. Rourke, Edward A. Kearns, Richard R. Seifferly and Jerome A. Carosella.

25 years: Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane, Reverends Russell Wright and Juan Carlos Sack, I.V.E. Reverend Deacons James T. Burns, William Hanlon and Russell Grant.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Scholarship Deadline April 19

The St. Vincent de Paul Society Naples District Council has announced its annual scholarship program to assist needy students and their families in attending our local Catholic schools — both high school and elementary.

The Council will once again award the Martin J. Cuniffe Scholarships for students in a Catholic high school or those seeking admission. The scholarship provides \$3500.00 in financial aid.

Also being awarded will be \$3000.00 scholarships for those attending or seeking admission in one of our local Catholic elementary schools.

To request an application, please call 775.1667 and ask for Linda. All applications must be received by Friday, April 19, 2013 to be considered. The deadline is strictly observed.

Blessing of Easter Baskets will be on Holy Saturday, March 30 at 1:00 p.m. in the church.

Hygienists and Dental Assistants Needed for Series of Mission Trips to Jamaica

The Jamaica Outreach Program is planning a series of dental missions this year to The Van Domelen Dental clinic on the grounds of our sister Parish St. Pius X in Kingston, Jamaica. Seven dentists have agreed to join the mission trips, but we are having difficulty in securing dental hygienists and dental assistants to complete the mission teams.

A generous donor has agreed to subsidize the traveling expenses of any licensed dental assistant or hygienist who wishes to join the dentists in their service to the poor in Kingston. The clinic is nearly new and is considered a state of the art facility by dental professionals here and in Jamaica.

Interested parties should contact Roger Plante for further information at 239.948.2145 or by e-mailing rogerpsold@gmail.com

Religious Items From the Christian Catholic Families of the Holy Land Are Available for Sale This Weekend

Representatives from the Christian Catholic Families of the Holy Land will be selling crucifixes, religious art work and rosaries — all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem after all Masses this weekend. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give the buyers the opportunity to have “something” authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. See Website: <http://www.bcfmission.com/>)

Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Children 12 and Under

Saturday, March 30, 2013

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

St. John's Parish Life Center, Courtyard and Ballroom
Easter baskets optional. Small Easter bags will be provided.

For more information, contact Andy Sanfelippo, 949.7122

Please include: Family Name, Number of Adults & Names & Ages of Children

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| Family Name | Number of Adults Attending |
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MUST FILL OUT FORM TO PARTICIPATE. Register by Wednesday, March 27.
Deposit form in church collection basket or return to parish office during business hours.

SPONSORED BY ST. JOHN MEN'S CLUB

Easter Spiritual Bouquet



For the Intentions of (PLEASE PRINT)

Living _____

Deceased _____

Your donation will furnish the Sanctuary with flowers during the Easter season and your loved ones will be remembered in the Easter Spiritual Bouquet during the Easter Masses. **DROP THE FORM AND DONATION IN THE COLLECTION**

BASKET OR DROP OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING BUSINESS HOURS.

For your convenience, envelopes are also available in the Narthex

Donor Name _____ \$ _____

The Great American Song Book

All Your Classic Favorites!



A tour of music from early Sinatra through Sister Act!

Friday, April 12th, 2013 • 7:00 PM

Starring:



Paul Todd Gabriella Frei Christie Cole Amy VanWyk Paul Todd Jr.

Concert starts at 7:00 PM • Doors open at 6:30 PM

\$20.00 per person

St. John the Evangelist Ball Room

Concert to Benefit the Jamaica Outreach Program

Call Roger at (239) 948-2145 for tickets & information.

Tickets also on sale at all Masses except the 5 p.m. Mass on Sunday.

*Please join us for
a special Mass
to celebrate*



*The Feast of Divine
Mercy Sunday,*

April 7, 2013

3:00 p.m.

Family Fun & Ministry Day

March 10, 2013



More photos will appear in future issues of the bulletin.

— photos by Tom Middlemiss, EventPixer.com



Faith and Wine

Father John Ludden

Thursday, April 11, 2013

Please join us on April 11, as we welcome Father John Ludden, Pastor of St. John the Evangelist, who will be speaking to us on "The Sacraments: Signs of the Sacred in our Lives"



6:30-8:30 p.m.
St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom
(625 111th Avenue North, Naples)

As part of this presentation, Mary Beth Clary will be interviewing Father John regarding the Sacraments. Your questions can be included in the interview if you send them to Mary Beth at mbclary@porterwright.com or to the address provided below. Difficult questions are encouraged!

\$15 prepay/\$25 at the door
(includes dinner, a glass of wine or other beverage, and the speaker)

Please pre-pay for this event no later than April 9th by going to www.faithandwine.com and clicking on "Registration for Events". Or you can mail (post-marked before April 5th) or drop off (no later than April 9th) your check made payable to "Faith and Wine, Inc." to Mary Beth Clary, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP (in The Mercato) 9132 Strada Place, 3rd Floor, Naples, Florida 34108.

BIG BAND DANCE

Final Dance of This Season Tuesday, April 2

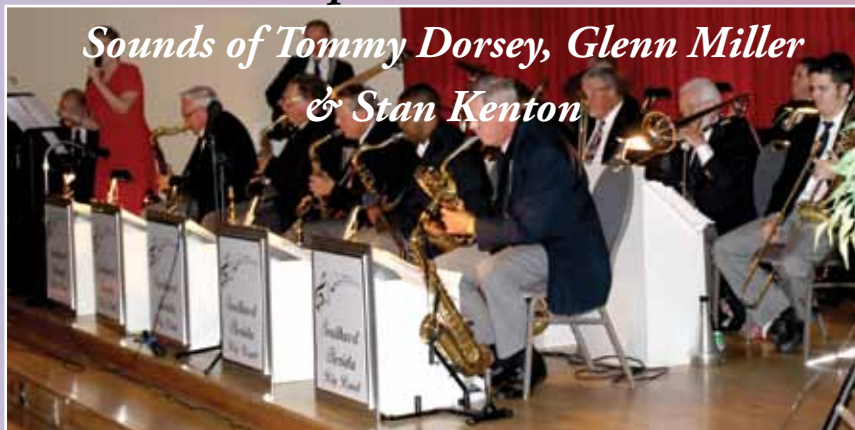
7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist PLC

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*



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

Singles Welcome

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

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with Father John!



Cocktail
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| Date | Port | Arrive | Depart |
|--------|------------------------------|--------|--------|
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| 19 | At Sea | ~ | ~ |
| 20 | San Juan, Puerto Rico | 3pm | 10pm |
| 21 | Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas | 8am | 5pm |
| 22 | Philipsburg, St. Maarten | 8am | 5pm |
| 23 | At Sea | ~ | ~ |
| 24 | At Sea | ~ | ~ |
| 25 | Miami, FL | 7am | |

Custom Motor Coach from Saint John the Evangelist Church
will be available with minimum 35 passengers.
Free parking behind Claussen Center.)

Early Booking Bonus: Book and Deposit by April 15, 2013

& choose one of the following offers. (for oceanview and above only)

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| Balcony Staterooms from... | \$1,099 |
| Ocean-View Staterooms from... | \$969 |
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