

September 28, 2014
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 5 Is Respect Life Sunday



October is Respect Life Month. We will kick off the month with Respect Life Sunday next weekend on October 5 with a Knights of Columbus Color Guard procession at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Knights will then lead a pro-life rosary prayer in the Memorial Garden. There will also be a procession of roses at the 11:00 a.m. Mass, along with a second procession at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The annual Life Chain on Route 41 will also be on October 5 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

See **Respect Life** on page 3 for more details.



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Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. — Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 & 5:00 p.m.

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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions	Requested by
September 27, 2014 Saturday	
8:00 AM + Anastasio Apostolopoulo	Anne Kingsley
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Jean Conti (Scolieri)	Tony & Sue Manes
5:00 PM + Fred Roughan	Teresa Roughan
September 28, 2014 Sunday	
7:00 AM + Dorothy Pascoe	Bob & Barb Garbinsky
9:00 AM + Marie & John Captane	Suzanne
11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Eileen Riley	Donald & Rita Pasternak
5:00 PM + Ernie Woonsam	Jim & Darlene Follese
September 29, 2014 Monday	
8:30 AM + Ernie Woonsam	Joe & Kay Reid
September 30, 2014 Tuesday	
8:30 AM + Leroy & Loretta Harsh	Loretta Judy
October 1, 2014 Wednesday	
8:30 AM + Al & Joan Moser	Children
October 2, 2014 Thursday	
8:30 AM + Roque Family	Ed & Marti Palank
October 3, 2014 Friday	
8:30 AM + Ernie Woonsam	Edward & Marti Palank
October 4, 2014 Saturday	
8:00 AM + Sophie Lichwalla	Fr. John Ludden
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Ozzie D'Addario	Janet D'Addario
5:00 PM + Robert Munnelly	Vin & June
October 5, 2014 Sunday	
7:00 AM + Tony Serksnas	Don Goodwillie
9:00 AM + William Roschew III	Family
11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Bernadette & Phil Monachino	Pat & Kathy Monachino
5:00 PM + Maggie Nara	Joanie & Pat Kirk
<i>Wine, Host and Altar Flowers in Memory of James Underwood</i>	
<i>- Requested by Joan Underwood</i>	

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 27, 2014

St. Vincent de Pau

Eccl 11:9 – 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

Sunday, September 28, 2014

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

Monday, September 29, 2014

Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday, September 30, 2014

St. Jerome

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, October 2, 2014

The Holy Guardian Angels

Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday, October 3, 2014

First Friday; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, October 4, 2014

St. Francis of Assisi; First Saturday

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Sunday, October 5, 2014

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound

Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing emministry@sjecc.com. An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will bring Holy Communion at a mutually agreed upon time. Please note that the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion to North Naples NCH on Monday through Friday.



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 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. The nursery is located in the PLC, classrooms 5 and 6. A trained childcare provider is in attendance during these nursery hours.

MASS INTENTIONS...

Diocese Will Tape Two Masses for the Homebound at St. John on September 29

Taping of two different Masses for the homebound is scheduled for Monday, September 29 from 10:00 - Noon here at St. John the Evangelist. Everyone is invited.

The first liturgy that will be taped is for World Mission Sunday. The celebrant will be Fr. John. The taped liturgy will air on Sunday, October 19.

The second liturgy that will be taped is for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The celebrant for that liturgy will be Fr. Len. The taped liturgy will air Sunday, November 16.

All parishioners are invited to participate in the tapings as a congregation. Arrive around 9:45 a.m. Refreshments will be served after the second taping. The tapings will take about 90 minutes including a short break between the two Masses.

The Sunday Mass on Television is an outreach of the Diocese

of Venice Department of Communications and is supported by the donations of viewers. According to the Department of Communications, "This outreach serves those who, for reasons outside of their control, are unable to attend Sunday Mass in one of the parishes of the Diocese. For many homebound individuals, this outreach reminds them that they are loved by their brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the Diocese of Venice, and that they remain a vibrant and loved part of our faith community."

Those in Collier and Lee counties who are interested in viewing a televised Mass to the homebound, or might know someone who would be comforted by this outreach, may view the Mass on WFTX-TV FOX 4 on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.



Life Matters

October is less than a week away! How does the calendar keep relentlessly flipping over so quickly? I am only recovering from the start of the new school year and we are already jumping into Fall. We all know that October is Respect Life Month. We will kick off Respect Life Sunday on October 5 with a Knights of Columbus Color Guard procession at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Knights will then lead a pro-life rosary prayer in the Memorial Garden. There will also be a procession of roses at the 11:00 a.m. Mass, along with a second procession at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The annual Life Chain on Route 41 will also be on October 5 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Your Respect Life Committee will have directions and signs at our tables next weekend following all the Masses.

In a way, I feel like I have written this article before. We are still praying for an end to abortion. We have been praying that prayer for 41 years. Some might say, "Give it up, already." But we can't give up this prayer. We must continue to pray for the 57 million children who have been murdered for being unwanted and inconvenient. I believe those children are all in heaven with God. We should not give up on those little members of the Body of Christ. We must keep praying that the killing of innocents stops. That is why the Bishop's prayers at the Prayer Walk on September 15 were for Hope. We have hope in God and our continuing prayers that the tide is turning against this horrific practice.

When you see the white crosses on the front of our campus during October, remember the 1 million babies each cross represents and say a prayer to end abortion. God bless you all.

article submitted by Loretta Judy, Respect Life

2014 State Respect Life Conference

The 2014 State Respect Life Conference will be held at beautiful, Bethany Retreat Center in North Tampa on Friday, October 24 and Saturday, October 25. Friday afternoon will feature a pre-conference on post-abortion healing and conference presentations on Florida's Death Row, human trafficking, IVF, abortion, discipleship and more. Visit <http://life.dosp.org> for conference schedule, speaker information and link to register. For more information, contact Sabrina at 727.344.1611 ext. 5325; sab@dosp.org. Register quickly as space is limited. View pictures of Bethany Center and find driving directions at www.bethanycenterfl.org.

Ft. Myers

PRAYER Walk

FOR **LIFE**

Thursday, October 9, 2014

9:00 a.m. Mass with Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant St. Cecilia Church, 5632 Sunrise Dr., Ft. Myers

10:00 a.m. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for those not participating at the abortion site

10:00 a.m. Proceed by car to Viva parking lot, 5990 Winkler Road (just north of the intersection of Winkler and College Parkway). Parking permission granted for this event only.

Prayerful procession with Bishop Dewane to abortion site, Planned Parenthood, 8595 College Parkway.

Line sidewalk along Winkler to pray rosary.

11:45 a.m. Closing Benediction at St. Cecilia Church

In memory of more than 57 million unborn babies who have died since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion for any reason.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Prayer Walk is part of 40 Days for Life which runs from September 24 to November 2.

40daysforlife.com/fortmyers
239-888-6887

For more information:
(941) 441-1101 or Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org

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www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Len Gioeli	Associate
Fr. Jim Simko	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Frank Paniccia	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Al Groh	Senior Status

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: saintjohntheevangelist.com When on the website, click on the **Forms** tab at the top of the home page and select New Parishioner Form. Download the form, complete it and return the completed form to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday

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

(Office closed Noon - 1 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

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

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

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the front office at 239.566.8740 or email: info@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 2015.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2015 Mass availability and 2014 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.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*To Know, To Love, and To Serve God
in his church and our community.*

PARISH INFORMATION...

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Hymns for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 27 & 28

Readings:	756
Entrance Hymn:	169 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Offertory Hymn:	441 How Can I Keep From Singing?
Communion Hymn:	265 Take and Eat
	467 Open the Eyes of My Heart
Closing Hymn:	339 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Choral Anthems at 9 AM Mass

Prelude	Come, Sing a New Song To the Lord <i>Joseph Martin</i>
Offertory	His Eye Is On the Sparrow <i>Civilla Martin / Joseph Gabriel</i>

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, September 29: Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 103 (102): 20*

Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word, and heeding his voice.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 138 (137): 1*

I will thank you, Lord, with all my heart; in the presence of the Angels I will praise you.

Tuesday, September 30: Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 1: 2-3*

Blessed indeed is he who ponders the law of the Lord day and night; he will yield his fruit in due season.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let my prayer come before you, Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Jer 15: 16*

Lord God, your words were found and I consumed them; your word became the joy and the happiness of my heart.

Wednesday, October 1: Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Dt 32: 10-12*

The Lord led her and taught her, and kept her as the apple of his eye. Like an eagle spreading its wings he took her up and bore her on his shoulders. The Lord alone was her guide.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let my prayer come before you, Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 18: 3*

Thus says the Lord: Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Thursday, October 2: Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Dn 3: 58*

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord, praise and exalt him above all for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 138 (137): 1*

In the presence of the Angels I will praise you, my God

Friday, October 3: Friday of the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42*

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 119 (118): 49-50*

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Saturday, October 4: Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Francis, the man of God, left his home behind, abandoned his inheritance and became poor and penniless,

but the Lord raised him up.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, let your face shine on me.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 5:3

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

#ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe

#ToKnow – The Christian Life: Simple and Radical

Pope Francis reminds us this week that our role as Christian Catholics does not need to be filled with procedures and rules, but is a simple way of life. It is a “radical” idea, and somewhat “counter-cultural”, but it is very true:

Jesus continued to talk to people and loved the people and He loved the crowd, to the point that He says, ‘these who follow me, that immense crowd, are my mother and my brothers – that’s who they are’. He explains: ‘those who listen to the Word of God, put it into practice’. These are the two conditions in order to follow Jesus: to listen to the word of God, and to put it into practice. This is the Christian life – nothing more. Simple, simple. Maybe we’ve made it a little difficult, with many explanations that no one understands, but the Christian life is thus: listening to the Word of God and practicing it.

Every time we do this – each time we open the Gospel and read a passage and ask ourselves: ‘Is God speaking to me with this? Is He saying something to me?’ – and if He is saying something, what is it that He is saying? This is [what it means] to listen to the Word of God: to listen with your ears and hear with your heart. Open your heart to the Word of God. The enemies of Jesus heard the word of Jesus, but were there in order to try to find a mistake, to make Him slip, so that He would lose His authority. They never asked themselves, though: ‘What is God saying to me in this Word?’ God not only speaks to all: yes, he does speak to all of us – but He also speaks to to every one of us – to each of us. The Gospel was written for each of us. – Pope Francis 9/23/2014 (<http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-francis-at-mass-christian-life-simple-radical>)

#ToKnow – St. John Family: For All of Us

When I have been walking around St. John recently, I have been asked several times “We love what you are doing for families and for the young people, but what about the rest of us?” My response is always the same. “You are all part of the St. John Family.” Every single individual is part of our Parish Family. Programs and events are all-inclusive. Our Young Adult programs (like the Food and Fellowship this past week)



are for all parishioners, which is why we jokingly say these events are for the 18-95 crowd. Our Holy Father, who has made a point to call the Catholic Church “Mother”, has made it clear that our faith is a family. St. John is the exact illustration of his thoughts on the presentation of Jesus in Temple:

Parish Mission & Life

by Jean-Paul Boucher

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It is a beautiful image: two young parents and two elderly people, brought together by Jesus. He is the one who brings together and unites generations! He is the inexhaustible font of that love which overcomes every occasion of self-absorption, solitude, and sadness. – Pope Francis 2/25/2014 (<http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-issues-letter-to-families>)

Please continue to join in our Catholic Community at St. John and experience the love, mercy, and joy of being part of our family. There are some exciting announcements about new initiatives and programs that will support our family in the coming months, so stay tuned!

#ToLove – What Season?

St. John has not slowed down one instant this past summer. We are looking forward to having our parishioners back that enjoyed an extended vacation from Florida, and we are providing many opportunities for them to get into the swing of things. Some events you may want to add to your schedule include:

- Oktoberfest – October 4
- Trunk or Treat – October 25
- Sock Hop Dance – November 14
- Mulching Day – November 15
- Vocations Dinner, celebrating Father Jim Simko – November 21
- Local Small Business Fair – December 6

If some of these events sound new to you, they are! Please stay tuned for more information about these events as they get closer.

#ToServe – Altar Server Training This Weekend

Has your child (or grandchild) ever expressed an interest in helping the priests, deacons and community of St. John? The Youth Altar Server Ministry is looking for dedicated children who have received their First Communion and would like to take part in one of the most sacred parts of our faith, the Mass. We will be providing prospective servers, along with current servers, a training session this Sunday, September 28, at 6:00 p.m.

GRIEF SUPPORT

Seven-Week Grief Support Sessions Begin October 14

When death takes a loved one, you are often left feeling forsaken, frustrated and fearful about the future. It helps to tell your story and share your feelings with those who understand what you are experiencing. You will meet those people at the St. John grief support seven-week series on Tuesdays starting October 14.

The seven-week sessions which focuses on a specific area each week will be on Tuesdays, October 14, October 21, October 28, November 4, November 11, November 18 and November 25.

The Support Group will meet from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in rooms 3 and 4 in the Parish Life Center. Anyone who needs help with grieving is welcome. For more information, call Dee at 594.7193.

St. John Will Host Theology on Tap Monthly

Our weekly Theology on Tap program is in full swing! If you are still looking for a way to meet new people, have a beer and learn about our faith, then this is perfect for you! The schedule is as follows:



1st Tuesdays of the month: St. John Library

2nd Tuesdays of the month: St. Agnes

3rd Tuesdays of the month: St. Peter the Apostle

4th Tuesdays of the month: St. Williams

St. John will be hosting our first Theology on Tap on October 7! The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. Babysitting will be provided and the event is open to all our "Young" Adults.

If you have any questions, please email Jen at jen@sjecc.com.

Free Ecclesiastical Latin Course Will Be Offered This Fall at St. John Starting Tuesday, October 7

Saint John the Evangelist is very pleased to announce that a free course in Ecclesiastical Latin will be offered here at the parish this fall. We proudly introduce parishioner Steven Fachada, who teaches Latin, Greek, and Art History at the Community School of Naples. Participants will first learn the basic structure of the grammar and then turn to an examination of a range of Latin texts such as passages from the Gospels, the parts of the Mass, and other familiar prayers. No previous knowledge of Latin is expected or required.



Sessions will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6.00 until 8.00, beginning October 7. If you are interested, please contact the instructor either by e-mail: sfachada@communityschoolnaples.org or by telephone 239.597.7575, ext. 418 for more information.

This is a rare and wonderful opportunity which we hope many will avail themselves of, since we have such a great resource here. Having acquired graduate degrees in the history of art (Courtauld Institute of Art, London) and business administration (London Business School), Mr. Fachada worked for several years as a researcher at the National Gallery, London. A lifelong interest in the languages and culture of ancient Greece and Rome has been the impetus to his study of the classical world, especially as it manifested itself in central Italy in the fifteenth century. His other interests include theatre, both ancient and modern, opera and the music of the Baroque. He is a member of the Joint Association of Classical Teachers (London).

Annual Blessing of Animals Will Be Saturday, October 4

The annual Blessing of Animals will be Saturday, October 4 at 11:00 a.m. in the courtyard by the Prayer Garden. Fr. Jim will give the blessing. All pets and their owners are welcome.

The blessing of the animals generally occurs around the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, which is Saturday, October 4.



Blessing of the animals in 2013.

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Adult Faith Enrichment Ministry.

Offers adult education programming for continued growth in our faith through such activities as retreats, Bible & Catechism studies, lectures, seminars, social action opportunities and workshops. Margie Lynch: 228.3909; margie@saintjohntheevangelist.com

AGA (Alienated Grandparents

Anonymous). Provides information and support to grandparents who feel alienated or estranged from access to their grandchildren. Third Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the PLC ballroom.

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

Al-Anon. Monday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday - beginners, 11:30 a.m.; and noon - discussion; all in PLC. Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Leo Catholic Church, Juan Diego Building. 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. Elaine: 566-8160

Bible Teaching. Lectors and friends convene Saturdays, 10 a.m. in the 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 566.8740

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. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

Divine Gift Boutique (located across from the ladies restroom). **Summer Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed during the week. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

Faith Chat. Wednesdays at 5:45 - 7:30 p.m. in Library. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687

Grief Support. Sessions will run for seven consecutive Tuesdays beginning October 14 at 10 a.m. in rooms 3 and 4 in the Parish Life Center. Dee: 594.7193

Hospitality Ministry. Volunteers serve light refreshments for parishioners who gather after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses for sharing, communicating and extending fellowship. If interested in helping contact Elida Gill: 239.597.8909 or Judy Hemond: 561.779.6024

Job Search Skills & Support. Mondays 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the library. Free. Carol Marlow: 948.0050 (on hiatus until September)

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.

Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6 p.m.; business meeting at 7 p.m. Social meeting last Monday of the month. Visiting Knights are welcome. Scott Schwarz, Grand Knight: 293.6876

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly

3308. Meeting are third Tuesday of every month at Noon in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Center. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Gary Ray: 596.4976

Knitting & Crocheting. Tuesdays from 10:00 - Noon: Want to learn? We are a service group that knits & crochets to benefit those in need: blankets for soldiers, hats for cancer patients, baby hats & booties & prayer shawls. Call the office: 566.8740

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 Diane Pesce at 630.571.0707. If interested in joining, call MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702.

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. Joe Lichwalla: 248.877.3332 or Richard Bergeron: 593.6092

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 and encourage one another through the joys and struggles of life, work and motherhood in Christian environment. Alternate Wednesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. Martha Oram: 407.615.9017 or mjr.oram@gmail.com

Pinochle. Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

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.

St. Vincent de Paul. Meets first and third Tuesdays in the PLC after 8:00 a.m. Mass. SVdP Office: 775.1667

Sing-A-Long. Jayne Potter: 597.5483

Third Order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites.

Phyllis Gyskiewicz, 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. Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687 or maggnana@comcast.net or Linda Reilly, 821.8982

PRAYER GROUPS

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

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.

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Lcpl. Francisco Alvarenga
U.S. Marines
CSM Paul Bianco
U.S. Army, (Afghanistan)

Sp. Petrus Botha
U.S. Army

S. Isaiah Brutus
U.S. Air Force

Ensign Stuart Campbell
U.S. Navy

BM2 Charley Davidson
U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)

Adam Decker
U.S. Air Force

Nicholas Detloff
U.S. Air Force

Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante
U.S. Army

Joshua Emmons
U.S. Air Force

Lt. Colin Flood
U.S. Army, Special Forces

Lt. Bernardo Garcia
U.S. Marines

Lt. Joseph Gilig
1st Marine Division
* LAV Recon

Cpl. Dylan Granza
U.S. Army Ranger

Specialist Shelby Granza
U.S. Army

S. Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer
U.S. Marine Corp * LAV Recon (Afghanistan)

Specialist Douglas Hennessy
U.S. Army

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

AT3 Corinne MacFarlane
U.S. Navy

Lt. John Meyers
U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak (USMC)

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Ryan D. Novak (USMC)

Cpt. Daniel Palmer
U.S. Army

Cpt. John Palmer
U.S. Army

Cpt. Martin Palmer
U.S. Army

1Lt. Robert Pedrigo
U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer
U.S. Army

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

Lt. Kelly Spencer
U.S. Air Force

Houng Tran
U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)

SSGT. Matthew Watson
U.S. Air Force
(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

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. in Room 15 Claussen Center. Following the morning Mass, every

Wednesday, Wednesday Centering Prayer will meet in the Parish Library

Liturgy of the Hours

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

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:

Thomas Carafa, Carmelo Sottile, Blanca Turturtiello and Robert Wolfe

May they rest in eternal peace.

Deacon Al	Ann Marie Esposito	Lillian Luchini	Ashley Ruttenberg
Cary Alonso	T.F.	Mary Jo Magner	R.L.S.
Jacob Andrew	Marie Fabiano	Ann Maniuszko	Jerry Salvi
Rich Annunziata	Claire Fabrizio	Bonita Massa	Edna Sanvidge
Fernando Ardila	Dottie Farrell	Patricia Massa	Cynthia Scariati
Thomas Ardila	Steve Ferrante	Zoey Mazzanti	Peter Scariati
Lana August	Taylor Fiedler	Barbara McCabe	Cathy Schloendorn
Jimmy Bee	Patrick Finck	Sharon McCarthy	Charles Schumacher
Margie Benefico	Donna Flynn	Carolyn McDonald	Claire Scott
Barbara Berg	Sophia Forrester	Ann McFee	Douglas Scott
Grayson Berry	Edward Gaynor	John McGuire	Jane & Bob Shengulet
Linda Berry	Theresa & Paul Giandina	Reggie McGuire	Teresa Shengulet
Mary Bessner	Gomez Family	McKee Family	Bruce Sherman
Elizabeth Bommarito	Helen Graff	Carolyn McNichols	Karen Shin
Pat Brody	M.A.H.	Paul Michael	Barbara Silva
Freda Bua	Sam Hardy	Ed Moriarity	Marianna Smith
Julie Butler	Reg Hart	Alisa Morgan	Winnie Smith
Frank Caccavo. Jr.	Harriet Hayes	Elsie & Ken Moskal	Frank Squartino
Cathy Carroll	Richard Hennings	Forrest Murphy	Susan Stokes
Paula Carsky	Gerard Heyen	Ned	Kathy & David Struble
Christine Cassara	Karen Hohne	Paige Nelson	Dot Sullivan
James Castaldi	Charlotte Hollohan	Peter Nicoletta	Pat Sutter
Rosalie Castro	Jeff Horkey	Emma O'Rourke	Joanmarie Switalski
Marie Castry	Colton Horvatt	Edmund Ostos	Brooke Sytsma
Michael Cataldo	Donald Howe	Maryla Panagos	Tara & Family
Mary Rose Cefaratti	Michael Hutchins	Piccirelli Family	Rita Taranto
Diane Centenaro	Tony Jenkins	Albert Pellegrino	Kathy Tendick
Frank Ciccarelli	Lucy Debra Jones	Rayna Perez	Margaret Tomaszewski
Richard Clark	Chester T. Kauffman	Megan Peterson	Lorraine Torrance
Claussen Family	Peggy Kegaly	Barbara Picicci	Patricia Trapnell
Josephine Cocchi	Lisa and Dave Kepner	Joe Pohrer	Norma Trevino
Pat Corr	Kevin Kincaid	Jean Prather	Richard Pratt
Michael Cotteta	Deborah Knight	Richard Pratt	Art Pulaski
Violet Crane	Krista Kozowyk	Art Pulaski	Mary Alice Qualls
Danny Curtin	Jim Krauser	Mary Alice Qualls	Joe Reid
Anthony & Edna D'Antuono	Lilian Kudile	Joe Reid	Linda Reilly & Family
Nestor Deocampo	Diane Leahy	Linda Reilly & Family	Aurelia Rein
Barbara de Mauriac	Mary Jane Leake	Aurelia Rein	Bennett Robert Richards
Jim Diamante	Dan LeBlanc	Bennett Robert Richards	Janie Ries
Julie Dieter	Tash & Brian Lee	Janie Ries	David Rohan
Alison Dodger	Mary Lenick	David Rohan	
Alexandria Dolkas	Lindsay Lavery		
Leon Doughty	Alice Logrippo		

LET US PRAY...

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

SEPTEMBER 28, 2014 ~ TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Since I left off last week talking about golf, I figured that would be a great place to pick up this week. As previously mentioned, I came to Saint John the Evangelist directly from Tallahassee where I was the Director of Operations at a golf club. After assisting with the **Ninth annual Glackin Classic** in the fall of 1997 and seeing the great demand for participation, especially from those who had not returned to Naples by October, I began a new golf tournament in 1998 to

compliment the Glackin Classic. The Spring Golf Tourney was an immediate success filling the field in its inaugural year. Although there was a lot of work and coordination involved in hosting these events, I truly enjoyed doing this for the parish as the tournaments were a great example of building community. In addition, over the course of 10 years and 20 tournaments, we raised tens of thousands of dollars for Jamaica Outreach, St.

Vincent de Paul, Habitat for Humanity and numerous other organizations. The final Glackin Classic took place in 2007 just as the economy was beginning its downward spiral. Who knows, maybe now that the economy has semi-recovered, there will be a “Ludden Invitational” in the future.

One of my favorite events which I have hosted since 1998 is the **annual Super Bowl party**. This event began as the idea of a former parishioner and has been a staple ever since. This past year we crammed well over 350 guests in ballroom to enjoy the game. The Super Bowl proceeds now are used to subsidize our Youth Ministry program and the kids participate during the event. I will certainly miss soliciting squares outside of all the Sunday Masses on the day of the big game. I would be remiss if I did not recognize two individuals who have been by my side since the first game in 1998. Bob Garbinsky and Bob Valentine were always willing to lend a hand and help with coordination and especially with the sale of squares for the boards. As a matter of fact, these two Bobs also assisted me with the operation of those 20 golf tournaments mentioned previously. JP has assured me that the Super Bowl Party will continue in coming years.

And then there is the **Reverse Raffle**. This CFA Fundraiser always seemed to be my nemesis in regards to selling all of the 300 tickets necessary for the event to take place. Every year after all was said and done, we hosted an awesome event and made winners out of many of our parishioners. During my tenure, we hosted over 10 Reverse Raffles which generated over

\$150,000.00. JP has also expressed an interest in continuing the Reverse Raffle. I will only ask that you purchase your tickets early so that he will not have to deal with added stress in coordinating the event while worrying about whether or not it will actually take place.

Finally, the culmination of our efforts finally resulted in the creation **Family Fun and Ministry Day**. Only two years old, this is a true parish event in every sense of the word where over 1,100 attended just this past year. Free of charge and open to everyone from infants to the elderly, Family Fun and Ministry Day is a way for all of our Ministries to showcase their amazing works while the parish says thank you to all of our parishioners for their gifts of time, talent and treasure.

I truly enjoyed hosting special events during my time at Saint John the Evangelist. I always felt that these events were not only a lot of fun but also instrumental in creating a feeling of family within our parish. I believe that the continuation of such events is instrumental to the future of Saint John the Evangelist.

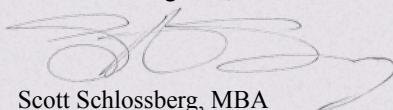
One thing that I bet many of you will not miss is my constant plea for funds to satisfy our **Catholic Faith Appeal** obligation. I expended a lot of energy conveying the very important message of the CFA to you in an effort to exceed our goal. For many years, I would speak during Masses on CFA kickoff weekend explaining the importance of the appeal.

After many years of doing so, it seems that everyone now understands the mechanics and importance of meeting and exceeding our goal. Hopefully we will exceed our lofty goal this year and on into the future. I will make this my final plea for the CFA, but please remember that the Catholic Faith Appeal

is the single most important component of our annual operating budget although the funds are technically not recognized on our P & L. We are still over \$100,000.00 shy of our goal with only three short months left in the appeal. Will you consider making a gift to the CFA so that we may reach/exceed our goal for 2014? I want to leave JP in good shape financially upon my departure and by meeting our CFA goal, this would go a long way in ensuring that he is comfortable while taking over the reins.

Thank you again for your continued support and generosity.

In His work together,


Scott Schlossberg, MBA



Super Bowl 2014



Scott goes down in the dunking booth at Family Fun and Ministry Day.

Next Magnificat Breakfast Is Saturday, October 18 at Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, October 18, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m at the Holiday Inn Airport at Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. The speaker is Cathy Hayter. She had a powerful conversion during a Medjugorje pilgrimage and knew then, like St. Paul, that God was real. After two car accidents left her incapacitated she suffered in pain and asked God why. He inspired her to start a healing prayer ministry and offer her suffering as reparation for sexual abuse victims, having been a victim of childhood abuse herself. Currently, Cathy and her husband speak on Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking, and she is being trained to facilitate a Christ centered healing retreat for survivors of childhood/trauma abuse.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Joanne Tarantino, 3315 Bermuda Isle Circle, Unit 128, Naples, FL 34109, 239.887.0060 or Shirley Ruehl, 11451 Pembroke Run, Estero, FL 33928, 239.949.7015. Requests must be postmarked by Friday, October 10.

The Diocese of Venice Has Opening for an Accountant

The Diocese of Venice in Florida is seeking an Accountant. This position includes performing the Accounts Payable function, reconciliation of general ledger accounts, preparation of standard journal entries, preparation of financial reports, and participation in the budget and the year-end audit processes.

Applicants are invited to email a cover letter outlining salary requirements, major career accomplishments and the name of their parish with an attached resume to: humanresources@dioceseofvenice.org

This opening is posted on the Diocese of Venice website's employment page: www.dioceseofvenice.org/employment

Permanent Diaconate Formation Program Meeting Saturday, October 4

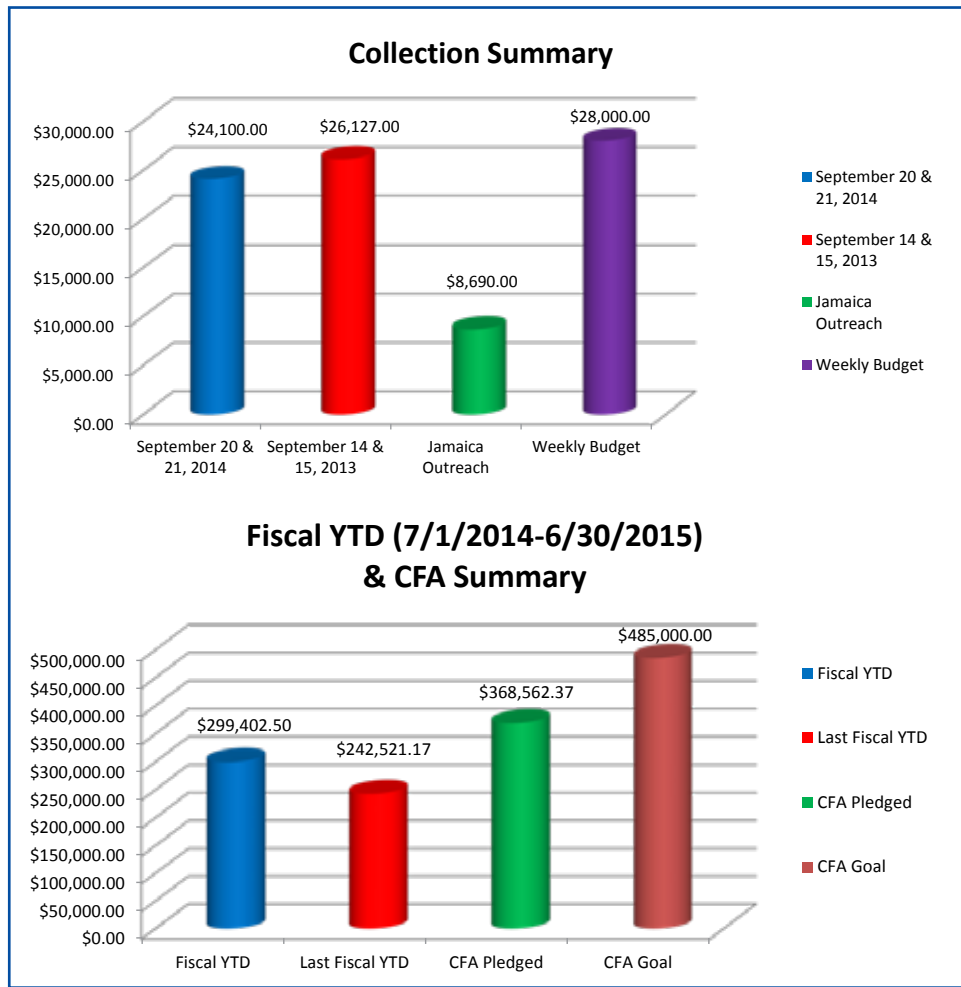
The Diocese of Venice Diaconate Office is holding a discernment information meeting for those interested in the diaconate and their wives on Saturday, October 4, at St. Leo Parish Hall, 28290 Beaumont Rd., Bonita Springs and again on Saturday, October 25, St. Martha's Parish (Brother Geenan Hall), 200 North Orange Avenue, Sarasota. Both sessions are from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. followed by a closing Mass. Please contact Deacon William Ladroga, Director of Diaconate Student Formation at 941.484.9543 or 941.378.7070 for further information.

Volunteers Needed on Thursdays for Elementary Schools of Immokalee

Volunteers are urgently needed on Thursdays for the elementary schools of Immokalee. The pupils are either migrant or Title 1 children in classes from pre-K through sixth grade. Please join other members of the parish in assisting the teachers in the classroom with all subjects, but particularly in math and reading.

We travel by bus once a week, leaving Sam's Club at 8:00 a.m. or at McDonald's at Pebblebrooke at 8:15 a.m. and we return to Naples by 1:30 p.m. Call George at 325.8420 for details.

St. John will have its own **Oktoberfest Festival** Saturday, October 4. Tickets on sale after all weekend Masses. See page 21 for more details. **Don't Miss Out on This First Time Event.**



5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, September 28, 2014: the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song

539 Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Brian Doerksen

Kyrie • spoken

Gloria • *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist* (please see worship aid in pew)

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Response
(cf. Ps 25:6a)

Re - mem - ber your mer - cies, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist*

Preparation Song

Give Us Clean Hands

Charlie Hall

Charlie Hall

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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. —

Memorial Acclamation (C) • Great Amen • *Agnus Dei* •

The Mass of St. John the Evangelist (please see worship aid in pew)

Communion Songs **Communion**

Mac Powell / 3rd Day

Chorus) **This is the Body; this is the Blood; broken and poured out for all of us.
In this Communion, we share in his love...This is the Body; this is the Blood.**

Verse 1) I will remember ev'rything, Lord, that you've done for me
I won't take for granted the Sacrifice that set me free
I hunger and thirst for your love, come fill me today

Verse 2) We hunger and thirst for your love and your righteousness
We long for your Presence here, Lord...Be with us again...

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467 Open the Eyes of My Heart Paul Baloche

Closing Song

My Glorious

Martin Smith & Stuart Garrard

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v. 1) The world is shaking with the love of God
Great and glorious, let the whole earth sing.
And all you ever do is change the old for new.
People, we believe that

v. 2) Clouds are breaking, heaven's come to earth
Hearts awakening, let the church bells ring.
And all you ever do is change the old for new
People, we believe that

God _____ is big - ger than _____ the air _____ I
breathe, _____ the world _____ we'll leave. God _____ will save the day, _____
_____ and all _____ will say _____ my Glo - ri - ous!

Adult Faith Formation Video-Conferencing Sessions Begin October 1

Institute for Formation of Catholic Studies - Adult Faith Formation Video-Conferencing - Wednesday Morning Adult Faith Formation Video-Conferencing Sessions begin on October 1. The free sessions are available simultaneously through the Institute's nine centrally-located video-conferencing sites.

Each of the 11 weekly sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and continues for approximately 90 minutes. Attendees can go to any location they choose and need not participate in each session. The following are the speakers for the first few sessions:

October 1 - Bishop Frank Dewane - Reflections on the Gospel of Matthew

October 8 - Fr. George Ratzmann - A History of the Mass

October 15 - Rev. Murchadh O'Madagain - Praying Contemplatives in a Digital World

For further information, please call 941.766.7334. Go to <http://origin.library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1103469569620-436/Wednesday+Morning+Adult+Faith+Formation+Fall+2014+final.pdf> for a complete list of dates, topics and video-conferencing locations).

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

Philippians 2:1-11

Matthew 21:28-32

The Word & Life

The Reluctant Giver

There is power in Jesus' Word today as he confronts the chief priests and the elders with their hypocrisy. He uses the parable method to present the case and then poses a question to the religious establishment. They seal their own fate in the way in which they answer the question. In Jesus' example, the first son does the father's will regardless of his reluctance to do what was asked of him. The second son, however, tells his father what he wants to hear and then does nothing about it. Jesus is pointing out to the chief priests and elders that they are like the second son. The Father in heaven wills that they bring others closer to him. The leaders accept the invitation, but then hide behind the letter of the law, failing to bring people into the presence of God. They give lip service to God's saving power but do not expend the effort to make it a reality in the world. Further, even though tax collectors and prostitutes were looked down on by the ruling classes, Jesus points out that these sinners were more ready to receive John's message than they were. God's grace was at work in their lives, turning them away from their sin and they allowed themselves to be transformed by the wisdom they received.

Reflection Questions

1. Which character of today's parable best reflects the way in which you respond to God?
2. What does the image of being called into the vineyard mean to you?
3. What do you think is meant by the kingdom of God?
4. Why does Jesus think prostitutes and tax collectors will enter the kingdom of God before the religious leaders?
5. What is God's will for you?
6. How do you reflect your belief in the kingdom of God in your daily life?
7. Name those moments of grace when you resisted God's will but then carried it out?

Cynics often criticize people who attend church on a regular basis for giving lip service to the message of the gospel. Some use this as an opportunity to suggest that is why they do not attend church. It is hard to be a Christian today because it demands more than lip service — it means that we must put into practice what we preach. A great deal of effort is involved in living the Christian life. The work of Jesus is never over. Even though we may be reluctant in our approach to the Father's will in our lives, once we struggle with the demands of our faith, God sees the blessing of our endeavors. *God loves the one who tries.* Jesus warned the chief priests and elders not to be self-righteous and superficial. Instead, he encourages these men to reach out to sinners and recognize the sacred ground of their road to transformation. *Jesus invites us to also journey down this road of transformation.*

In order to discern the Father's will, we need to discern the needs of those around us. God is constantly asking us to reach out to the vulnerable and the poor. These people are present in our communities. Our response to their need ultimately reflects our understanding of the demands of faith and our commitment to God. When we truly live a Christian life we feel the pinch of sacrificing our time and we turn our energies to those who do not yet know the Living God. Jesus reminds us to hold onto the vocabulary of outreach and acceptance. *This is what it means to know the Father's will — to follow the example of Christ and his commandment to love.* The parable encourages us to move beyond spoken promises to incarnate the Word in our lives. By truly embracing the wisdom Jesus imparts in this parable, our lives become an expression of God's Word among us.

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



Prayer

Strengthen us, O Lord, help us to know your will. As the days pass, may we not neglect opportunities of fulfilling your will. Empower us to be doers of your Word. May our lives become a reflection of your presence to those we meet. Amen.

Wisdom of the Fathers

“In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples (cf. Mt 28:19). All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization, and it would be insufficient to envisage a plan of evangelization to be carried out by professionals while the rest of the faithful would simply be passive recipients. The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized. Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love. Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no longer say that we are “disciples” and “missionaries”, but rather that we are always “missionary disciples”. If we are not convinced, let us look at those first disciples, who, immediately after encountering the gaze of Jesus, went forth to proclaim him joyfully: “We have found the Messiah!” (Jn 1:41)...

... Of course, all of us are called to mature in our work as evangelizers. We want to have better training, a deepening love and a clearer witness to the Gospel. In this sense, we ought to let others be constantly evangelizing us. But this does not mean that we should postpone the evangelizing mission; rather, each of us should find ways to communicate Jesus wherever we are. All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections offers us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives. In your heart you



Pope Francis arrives to lead his general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican September 24. (Catholic News Service/Paul Haring)

know that it is not the same to live without him; what you have come to realize, what has helped you to live and given you hope, is what you also need to communicate to others. Our falling short of perfection should be no excuse; on the contrary, mission is a constant stimulus not to remain mired in mediocrity but to continue growing. The witness of faith that each Christian is called to offer leads us to say with Saint Paul: “Not that I have already obtained this, or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own” (Phil 3:12-13).”

— *“The Joy of the Gospel” (120-121) – Pope Francis*

Faith Formation



The Two Sons and the Vineyard

Mark Your Calendar

October 5

Families in Christ

October 12

*Safe Environment Training
Sunday Students*

October 15

*Safe Environment Training
Wednesday Students*

October 25

Trunk-or-Treat

Faith Formation News

Families in Christ...is scheduled for its 2nd session of the year on Sunday, October 5, 2014 at 9:45 a.m. in the ballroom.

Safe Environment Training...is scheduled for our Sunday morning students on October 12, 2014 in the seminar room of the Claussen Center and the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. Wednesday evening students will receive Safe Environment Training on October 15, 2014 in the seminar room and the ballroom. The Diocese of Venice has made Safe Environmental Training a mandatory class for all children.

Trunk-or-Treat...is scheduled for Saturday, October 25, between 5:00-8:00 p.m. in the back parking lot. This is a fun fall family event with cars, trucks, and vans decorated for Halloween. Come dressed in your costumes and win prizes for the best individual costume (adult and youth), family costume, and vehicle display. Bring candy to hand out to all the children that will "trunk-or-treat" around the parking lot. The Men's Club will have food, drinks, and music.

Faith Formation continues on page 17

Follow Through

By Janel Esker

Anyone who has played a sport involving a ball knows the importance of follow-through. Coaches repeat this lesson to their players: Stopping your leg when it touches the soccer ball won't result in a long kick. Swinging a bat partway around won't carry the ball far. To score the goal or hit the home run, you have to follow through with your leg or bat.

Today's Gospel is all about follow-through. A father asks his sons to work in the vineyard. One son says, "Heck, no!" but then does the work. The other son says, "Sure, dad!" but doesn't get off the couch. One son follows through; the other doesn't.

Sometimes we say an enthusiastic "yes" to God on Sundays, but that "yes" lacks follow-through after we leave church. Do we share the sign of peace with fellow parishioners but nearly run them over in the parking lot after Mass? Do we come to the Eucharistic table where people of all races and genders are welcome, but then on Wednesday exclude one of them?

Our follow-through is always incomplete, but that's why Christ—our model as well as our Savior—died for us. That's why we should keep trying to follow through. As St. Paul reminds us, Jesus is God's yes to us—he emptied himself and became human, showing us how to live with faithfulness to God, even to death.

In other words, he followed through.

Bringing Home the Word, Sept 28, 2014, Liguori Publications

Feasts & Celebrations

September 29 is the Feasts of St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael who are Archangels. Archangels are entrusted with important missions to mankind such as St. Gabriel's visit to the Blessed Mother to tell her she had been chosen as the mother of God.

PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful for your example of humble service towards others. Help me to be a humble and loving person toward all people.

Rev. Warren J. Savage and
Mary Ann McSweeney

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA classes start on Thursday, October 2, 2014. It is **not too late** to join the journey. Is something lacking in your life? Do you want true happiness? Are you ready to put Christ in your life? Do you need spiritual growth? Are you returning to Church? Are you seeking the Sacraments of Initiation?

For more information please contact Margie Lynch at 239-228-3909 or email RCIA@saintjohntheevangelist.com

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS THIS WEEK

Preschool

Life Question: What are some choices I make?

Gospel Question: What does Jesus teach us?

GRADES K-1

Life Question: When do you say yes to your parents but not do what they ask?

Gospel Question: Who does what God asks?

GRADES 2-3

Life Question: What is a promise?

Gospel Question: What is a promise I keep?

GRADES 4-6

Life Question: Which is better, saying no and then doing what one is asked or saying yes and not following through?

Gospel Question: What responsibilities do you have in your family? In your religion class?

GRADES 7-10

Life Question: What commitments do you make and keep?

Gospel Question: What is your attitude about keeping your word?

ADULTS

Life Question: From what challenges have you held back but then taken up responsibility? What challenges have you taken on but then dropped?

Gospel Question: Which son are you most like—the one who says I won't but comes through or the one who says I will but doesn't follow through?

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Guadalupe Center Needs Volunteers for Annual Thanksgiving in the Park

The season of giving is coming, and so is our opportunity to help prepare and serve the 32nd Annual Thanksgiving Dinner In Immokalee to more than 2,000 farmworkers and others less fortunate.

You can help:

1. Cook a turkey or buy a pie and bring it to Moorings Presbyterian Church – Moss Hall Kitchen – on Wednesday, November 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
2. Volunteer on Wednesday, November 26 in Moss Hall to carve turkeys - in two-hour shifts (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 10 people per shift). Please bring your own apron and carving knife.
3. After October 1, register to volunteer to serve on Thanksgiving Day at Airport Park in Immokalee on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27.
4. Please remember, no matter how long you have been volunteering with Thanksgiving in the Park, you must register with the Guadalupe Center using the information below to volunteer in any capacity. Only those who register will be assigned a job and a name tag!
5. Make a monetary donation online at www.guadalupecenter.org or by mail to Guadalupe Center, 509 Hope Circle, Immokalee, FL 34142 (please sure to note: Thanksgiving).

Celebrating Thanksgiving with over 2,000 members of the community takes at least 170 cooked turkeys, 250 commercially prepared pies, 670 pounds of sweet potatoes, 40 gallons of green beans, 4200 tortillas, and lots and lots of love!

Make it a special day with us.

Please contact Megan Becker at the Guadalupe Center for more details or to volunteer at 239.657.7124 or mbecker@guadalupecenter.org.



Catholic Charities Has Opening for Caseworker for the Positive Youth Development Program

Catholic Charities is seeking candidates to fill an opening (part time position) in their after-school tutoring and summer enrichment programs.

- Relevant experience in the area of youth education.
- Ability to assess students, develop an education plan, establish regular communication with parents and with teachers, track progress (grades and behavior), plan daily activities, and coordinate volunteers.
- Ability to plan and execute summer enrichment program schedule and activities.
- Fluency in Creole and/or Spanish is desirable.
- Proficiency in computer use and basic software applications, ability to use online case management system to document daily activities.

For more information about this position and a more thorough job description or to submit a resume please contact Evelyn Cortes at ecortes@ccslee.org



Visiting Nurses Will Offer Flu and Pneumonia Shots Here Thursday, October 9 and Thursday, November 6

The Hope Visiting Nurses will once again offer Flu and Pneumonia shots right here at Saint John the Evangelist on Thursday, October 9 and Thursday, November 6 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the ballroom of the Parish Life Center. The seasonal Flu shot is \$25, High-Dose Flu shot is \$50 and the Pneumonia shot is \$75.

All vaccinations are covered by Medicare Part B and Railroad Medicare. Members of all other health plans, including HMOs and special Medicare plans, will be charged directly for these services and may seek reimbursement:

Hope Visiting Nurses is able to provide immunizations to adults and children ages 9 and older who weigh 66 pounds or more. To confirm availability, please call 239.985.7727 or 800.859.0314.

Voter Registration Deadline October 6 for November Florida General Election

All voters must be registered by October 6 in order to vote in the November 4 Florida General Election. Citizens have a right and a duty to participate in the electoral process. Parishioners who are not registered to vote for the upcoming elections are encouraged to do so. This can be accomplished by visiting the website of the Florida Division of Elections, <http://election.dos.state.fl.us/voter-registration/voter-reg.shtml>. Follow the instructions for completing and mailing a voter registration form. You will receive a voter registration card in the mail to confirm your registration. Follow this same procedure to update your name, address or change your party affiliation.

Scripture Conference November 15 in Venice

The Diocese of Venice Office of Evangelization will host a Scripture Conference with the theme "Understanding the Gospels" on Saturday, November 15 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Venice. The four Gospels each present a unique perspective on the person of Jesus Christ and His saving mission - learn to read these Gospels in such a way as to draw closer to the Lord.

The Conference is open to all! More details will follow. For questions please call 941.484.9543 or email evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org.



October 2014

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Church is at the forefront in speaking out on the issue of the sanctity of life. His Holiness Pope Francis stated that “Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.” This statement inspired this year’s national Respect Life theme: *“Each of us is a masterpiece of God’s Creation.”* It is our responsibility to do all we can in support of life.

Each year on Respect Life Sunday, the first weekend in October, parishes throughout the Diocese of Venice conduct a special second collection to augment the life-affirming work of the Diocesan Respect Life Office. The funds remain in the Diocese of Venice and facilitate our witness as a faith community to the culture of life.

Please continue to pray for a greater respect for all human life and be as generous as you can in supporting this annual collection. May God bless you with a deep appreciation for the gift of life and the courage to defend the sanctity of life.

I take this opportunity to extend to all the assurances of my consideration and prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

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“Keep Christ in Christmas” Christmas Cards

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Benefit Concert at St. Ann Catholic School

St. Ann Catholic School, Naples is holding a concert to benefit the school at the St. Ann Jubilee Center, Naples on Friday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. Paul Todd will perform. For further details, please visit www.paultodd.com or call 239.262.4110 ext. 313.

Fall Bazaar at St. Ann Catholic School

St. Ann Catholic School, Naples is holding a fall bazaar on Saturday, November 8 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be food, crafts, children’s games, activities and a chili cook-off. All are welcome. Please call 239.262.4110 ext. 313 for further details or to inquire about being one of the vendors.

Looking for Lost Keys

A parishioner lost a set of keys during the 3:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, September 20. It was a set of car and home keys with a fob and a CVS card. If someone picked them up by mistake, please return the keys to the parish office. Thank you.



Invite you to our monthly Luncheon Speaker Series
All are welcome! Please bring a friend!

“Papal Infallibility - What it is and What it isn’t”

presented by special guest
Fr. Dennis Cooney



Why is it that Pope Francis is liked and disliked for the wrong reasons? Please join us as Fr. Cooney discusses this very relevant topic. Fr. Cooney is a distinguished retreat master, highly regarded counselor and a dynamic speaker. He is pastor of St. Raphael Parish, Lehigh Acres, advisor to many, including AMU students and Chaplain to the Greater Naples Founders Club.

When: Thursday, September 18, 2014

Time: 11:45 a.m. Lunch, Presentation and Q&A

Where: Naples Hilton
5111 Tamiami Trail N.
(on US 41, just south of Pine Ridge Rd.)

RSVP: By Monday, September 15, 2014
Call Veronica at (239) 228-7089
Cancellation permitted 2 days prior to luncheon

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Tickets on sale at St. John the Evangelist Office and after all weekend Masses or at

<http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ways-to-give>

Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #11281.

For additional information, please call the parish office at (239) 566-8740 or Bill Warvel (732) 672-4109.

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Feb 1	Bonaire, AN	7am	2pm
2	St. Georges, Grenada	12pm	7pm
3	Dominica, DM	7am	4pm
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