

Bishop Nevins: Gentle Shepherd, Man of Mercy, Will Be Mourned

Reflections on Bishop John J. Nevins 1932-2014

by Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Bishop Nevins was a true shepherd of the Catholic Church. He was always a pastor at heart, always ready to listen and to provide wisdom and the love of God. He totally embodied his motto, "To Serve with Mercy." People always came first and so did his priests. Many of us recall the lengthy confirmations in which he would stand speaking individually to each candidate. His fatherly advice to the youth would often move them to tears, along with their sponsors. Bishop Nevins traveled to ordain me in my local parish in rural England. During his homily, he instructed me, "Give, give, give.... Give yourself completely to Christ and his Church." He most certainly practiced what he preached!

Bishop Nevins lived a very humble life as a bishop. He would often open his house to his priests and serve them at table. He was a man's man and a priest's priest. His love for his family, friends, and people of other faiths made him light for the world and salt of the earth! He built a thriving Catholic community in Southwest Florida in which the poorest of the poor and the richest of the rich were both equally loved and cherished.



See more on Bishop Nevins' life on page 3

"He was a man's man and a priest's priest."



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

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

		(+) and Special Intentions	Requested by	SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND
-	per 6, 2014	Saturday		READINGS FOR THE WEEK
8:00	AM +	Marilyn O'Reilly	Peliska Fa <mark>mily</mark>	
				Saturday, September 6, 2014
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary
3:00	PM +	Kathleen Price	Ann Mullally	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
5:00	PM +	Patricia Curcio	Husband & Family	
				Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
Septemb	per 7, 2014	Sunday		Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
7:00	AM +	Bernard Mullen	The Gardnier Family	
9:00	AM +	Maurice Glennon	Veronica & Family	Sunday, September 7, 2014
11:00	AM	For Our Parishioners		Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time;
1:00	PM +	Ernie Woonsam	Anonymous	Grandparents Day
5:00	PM +	Fay Moots	Smith Family	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
	Altar	Flowers in celebration of the wedd	ling anniversaries of	
Frank c	and Maryan	n Lagonigro, Robert and Kathy Bie	nias, and John and Linda Bienias	Monday, September 8, 2014
				Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Septemb	er 8, 2014	Monday		Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;
8:30	ΔM +	Harold Olk	Marge Olk	Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Septemb	per 9, 2014	Tuesday		Tuesday, September 9, 2014
8:30		Mark Garbinsky	Virginia Ger <mark>iak</mark>	St. Peter Claver
				1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Septemb	er 10, 2014	Wednesday		The state of the s
8:30		Katherine Price	Peliska Family	Wednesday, September 10, 2014
				1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Septemb	er 11, 2014	Thursday		
8:30		Vincent Cinque	Eileen Cinque	Thursday, September 11, 2014
				Patriot Day
Septemb	er 12, 2014	Friday		1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab,
8:30		Theresa Sullivan	Marty & Loretta Sullivan	23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Septemb	er 13, 2014	Saturday		Friday, September 12, 2014
8:00		Ernie Woonsam		The Most Holy Name of Mary
	1000			1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		1 301 9.10 19, 228 29, 1 3 34.3 6, 12, 2K 6.39 42
3:00	PM +	George Waddell	Mr. & Mrs. Anthony King	Saturday, September 13, 2014
5:00	PM +	Henry Hines	Minerva Hines	St. John Chrysostom
3.00			. mer ta i mes	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Septemb	per 14, 201	Sunday		. 200.14 22, 10 non2 10, 17 10, EN 0.40-49
7:00	ΔM +	Greg & Steve	Bob & Barb Garbinsky	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
9:00	AM +	Annette & David D'Antuono	Anthony & Edna D'Antuono	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-1;
11:00	AM	For Our Parishioners		
	PM +	Jacob & Isais Ramirez	Stephen Sapiro	Sunday, September 14, 2014
1:00				
1:00	PM +	Charles Odegard	Glavanovits Family	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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...

Most Reverend John J. Nevins 1932-2014

Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

VENICE, FL — With heartfelt sorrow the Diocese of Venice in Florida announces that the Most Reverend John J. Nevins, the beloved Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Venice, died August 26, 2014 at his residence in Venice, Florida. Bishop Nevins served as the first bishop of the Diocese of Venice from 1984 to 2007.

Bishop John J. Nevins was born January 19, 1932 in New Rochelle, N.Y. to John and Anne (McGuire) Nevins. He attended Blessed Sacrament grammar and high schools and continued on to Iona College.

After graduating from the School of Philosophy at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where he also pursued his theological studies, he earned a Master's in Social Work from Tulane University in New Orleans, La. He holds several honorary doctorates.

Ordained to the priesthood on June 6, 1959 at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, then-Father Nevins served the Archdiocese of Miami in many capacities for almost 25 years, including vicar general, rector of St. John Vianney Minor Seminary, and director of vocations.

On March 24, 1979, following his appointment by then-Pope John Paul

II, he was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Miami. Five years later, on July 17, 1984, Bishop Nevins was appointed by Pope John Paul II as the first Bishop of the newly formed Diocese of Venice in Florida and was installed by Archbishop Pio Laghi, Apostolic Pro Nuncio to the United States, at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice on October 25, 1984.

The Catholic population in the 10-county Diocese expanded from approximately 115,000 to more than 200,000 parishioners under his care. In an effort to meet better the spiritual needs of the burgeoning Catholic

population, Bishop Nevins added 15 parishes to the original 39, and increased the number of chapels and missions to 13. He also oversaw the ordinations of 50 men to the priesthood. Bishop Nevins established a new

elementary school, a school for adult formation, and two retreat centers.

Under his episcopal motto: "To Serve with Mercy," he responded to changing societal needs by instituting many Diocesan ministries, including those to migrant farm workers, unwed mothers, refugees, and people with HIV/AIDS.

Bishop Nevins served as Vice-President of the Florida Catholic Conference; and was a member of the Board of Trustees of St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary; a board member of St. John Vianney Seminary, Saint Leo University, the Florida Catholic newspaper, the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, and the Franciscan Foundation for the Holy

Land; and a member of the USCCB National Council of Synagogues/BCEIA Dialogue Committee. He retired as Bishop of the Diocese of Venice on his 75th birthday, January 19, 2007.

The Mass of Christian Burial for Bishop Nevins was held at Epiphany Cathedral on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. May the soul of our beloved Bishop Emeritus John J. Nevins rest in peace.

text reprinted from the Diocese of Venice website: http://dioceseofvenice.org

His episcopal motto: "To Serve with Mercy."



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

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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@saintjohntheevanglist.com

Thank you!

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

Mass Cards

Selections of cards are available in the parish office.

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 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...

Hymns for the 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 6 & 7				
Readings:	747			
Entrance Hymn:	402 We Gather Together			
Offertory Hymn:	570 Blest Are They			
Communion Hymn:	pg. 15 of the bulletin Behold the Lamb			
	396 You Are Near			
Closing Hymn:	361 How Great Thou Art			
Charal Anthono at 0 AM Maca				

Choral Anthems at 9 AM Mass					
Prelude	True Light Keith Hampton				
Offertory	Suantrai ár Slánaitheora Gae	lic, arr. Fintan O'Carroll			
Communion	Bread of Heaven David Ash	ley White			

Translation of **Suantraí ár Slánaitheora** (Gaelic: Lullaby of our Savior) Lullaby! My kin, my love and my treasure you are! My new little love and my gift you are! My lovely, lovely little son you are. I'm not worthy to hold you.

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, September 8: Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us celebrate with joy the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

for from her arose the sun of justice, Christ our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. With delight I rejoice in the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Is 7: 14; Mt 1: 21

Behold, the Virgin will bear a son, who will save his people from their sins.

Tuesday, September 9: Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Ps 119 (118): 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord takes delight in his people.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Wednesday, September 10: Wednesday of the Twenty-Third

Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 119 (118): 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,

but will have the light of life.

In 8: 12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24

We proclaim Christ crucified;

Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Thursday, September 11: Thursday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 119 (118): 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way. **COMMUNION** Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3

ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,

so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Friday, September 12: Memorial of the Most Holy Name of

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Jdt 13: 18-19

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,

by the Lord God Most High, above all women on the earth; for he has so exalted your name

that your praise shall be undying on our lips.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord, mighty God!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Lk 1: 48

All generations will call me blessed,

for God has looked on his lowly handmaid.

Saturday, September 13: Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Cf. Dn 12: 3

Those who are wise will shine brightly

like the splendor of the firmament

and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars for ever.

#ToKnow #ToLove #ToServe

Parish Mission & Life

by Jean-Paul Boucher General Manager jp@saintjohntheevangelist.com



#ToKnow – Parish Mission and Life Introduction

When Fr. John asked me to take on the responsibilities of the General Manager of St. John, it took me a few moments of discernment with my family and prayers to God to ensure it was the path that I could not only take, but could successfully serve the parish in the way you deserve. With the Family Mission focus, which includes every individual at St. John as part of our parish family, we have all taken our Holy Father's words into our hearts and church organization with our new "wineskin":

And so the Church always goes forward, giving space to the Holy Spirit that renews these structures, structures of the churches. Don't be afraid of that! Don't be afraid of the newness of the Gospel! Don't be afraid of the newness that the Holy Spirit works in us! Don't be afraid of the renewal of structures!" — Pope Francis 6/7/2013 (http://en.radiovaticana.va/storico/2013/07/06/pope_francis_the_holy_spirit_renews_our_lives/en1-708070)

As such, this section of the bulletin (and with additional information on our website, which I highly recommend you visit regularly) will grow to include our Parish Mission and Life components. Some of the details of our parish community will now be included with the pastoral vision and story that continue to drive our efforts at St. John, To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

We will continue the Family Mission, especially engaging the spectrum of all our parishioners, engaging them where they are and with programs and events that enliven the Catholic faith in all of us. In addition, we will be organizing our parish around the missionary focus that our church and Pope have asked us to. I am filled with excitement, faith, and hope for the future of the St. John community. Thank you for all your support and encouragement you have provided to me. We are now on a new leg of our journey together and I am looking forward to working with each one of you.

#ToKnow - Unity in the Church

It really has become a wonder to me that Pope Francis continues to provide guidance of direct relevance to St. John. This past week, he spoke of how our church only works with

unity, where we all welcome each other, forgive each other and love each other:

Dear Brothers and Sisters, We affirm in the Creed that the Church is one and that she is holy. One because she has her origin in the Triune God, mystery of unity and full communion. Holy since she is founded by Jesus Christ, enlivened by his Holy Spirit, and filled with his love and salvation. While we, the members of the Church, are sinners, the unity and holiness of the Church arise from God and call us daily to conversion. We have an intercessor in Jesus, who prays, especially in his passion, for our unity with him and the Father, and with each other. Unfortunately, we know well the sins against unity – jealousy, envy, antipathy – which come about when we place ourselves at the center and which occur even in our parish communities. God's will, however, is that we grow in our capacity to welcome one another, to forgive and to love, and to resemble Jesus. This is the holiness of the *Church – to recognize the image of God in one another.* May we all examine our consciences and ask forgiveness for the times when we have given rise to division or misunderstanding in our communities, and may our relationships mirror more beautifully and joyfully the unity of Jesus and the Father.— Pope Francis 8/27/2014 (http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-francis-at-weeklygeneral-audience)

Jamaica Outreach Program

Where Do Donations to the Jamaica Outreach Program Go?

Over the years, our services to the people of St Pius X have grown to the extent that we are now supplying the medical dispensary at St. Pius with medications free of charge on a

regular basis (\$21,000 this year). We are also funding a pre-school and a Skills Training program for young adults who need skills that will help them become employable. Awarding scholarships to St. Pius parishioners and others, plus grants for books and teaching materials for the Dupont School rounds out our commitment to support education in Jamaica.

In addition to all of the above, we spend \$3,000 a year transporting food to the Glackin/McPherson



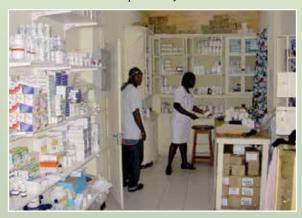
Fr. Raphael Assamah

Food Pantry and \$65,000 a year maintaining the St. Pius X parish and grounds. Furnishing the JOP dental clinic with needed repairs, instruments and supplies is an ongoing expense (\$13,000 so far this year). Printing and mailing costs play an important role in getting our message out to our loyal donors. Last but not least we have generous donors who have supported our housing initiative and have helped to move over 500

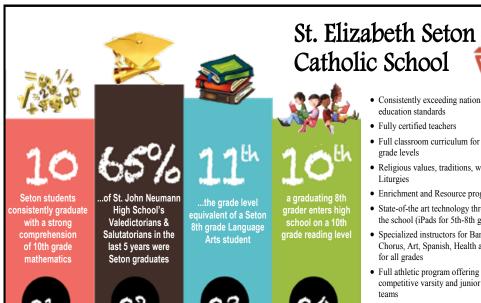
Jamaican families into homes of their own. A roof overhead and a locked door is a luxury for the people we serve.

Next week a second collection will benefit St. Pius X parish, helping the new pastor, Father Raphael, meet salary and maintenance expenses. A generous response to this collection will be a warm welcoming gesture to this first time pastor who will be visiting us in February along with Kevin Williams and his choir. We thank you in advance for your continued support of our sister parish in Kingston, Jamaica.

article and photos by Martha Mador, JOP



Boxer, an old friend of JOP helps stock the shelves at the medical dispensary on the grounds of St Pius X in Kingston.



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More details on page 21.

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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 parishoners 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 weeks beginning February 18 at 10 a.m. in room 1 of the Claussen Center. Dee: 594.7193

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 - 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 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. 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

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)

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Cpt. Daniel Palmer U.S. Army

Cpt. John Palmer

Cpt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army

1Lt. Robert Pedrigi 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)

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:
Mike Arnold and John "Jay" Minahan
May they rest in eternal peace.

Deacon Al Marie Fabiano Jacob Andrew Claire Fabrizio Rich Annunziata Dottie Farrell Fernando Ardila Steve Ferrante Thomas Ardila Patrick Finck Lana August Donna Flynn **Edward Gaynor** Jimmy Bee Margie Benefico Theresa & Paul Giandina Barbara Berg Gomez Family Grayson Berry Helen Graff Linda Berry M.A.H. Mary Bessner Elizabeth Bommarito Sam Hardy Reg Hart Pat Brody Richard Hennings Lawrence Burdiss Gerard Heyen Julie Butler Karen Hohne Frank Caccavo. Jr. Charlotte Hollohan Cathy Carroll Jeff Horkey Paula Carsky Colton Horvatt Christine Cassara Donald Howe James Castaldi Michael Hutchins Rosalie Castro Tony Jenkins Marie Castry Lucy Debra Jones Michael Cataldo Chester T. Kauffman Mary Rose Cefaratti Peggy Kegaly Diane Centenaro Lisa and Dave Kepner Frank Ciccarelli Kevin Kincaid Richard Clark Deborah Knight Claussen Family Krista Kozowyk Josephine Cocchi Jim Krauser Michael Cotteta Lilian Kudile Danny Curtin John Kuryea Anthony & Edna D' Antuono Diane Leahy Nestor Deocampo Mary Jane Leake Barbara de Mauriac Dan LeBlanc Tash & Brian Lee Jim Diamante Julie Dieter Mary Lenick Alison Dodger Lindsay Levery Alexandria Dolkas Lillian Luchini Leon Doughty Mary Jo Magner

Zoey Mazzanti Barbara McCabe Sharon McCarthy Carolyn McDonald Ann McFee John McGuire Reggie McGuire McKee Family Carolyn McNichols Paul Michael **Ed Moriarity** Elsie & Ken Moskal Forrest Murphy Ned Donna Negralle Paige Nelson Peter Nicoletta Emma O'Rourke **Edmund Ostos** Maryla Panagos Piccirelli Family Albert Pellegrino Megan Peterson Barbara Picicci Joe Pohrer Jean Prather Richard Pratt Mary Alice Qualls Joe Reid Linda Reilly & Family Aurelia Rein Sonya Reis Bennett Robert Richards Janie Ries David Rohan Ashley Ruttenberg R.L.S. Jerry Salvi Edna Sanvidge

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LET US PRAY...

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

Ann Maniuszko

Pat Martell

Ann Marie Esposito

If you would like to become a parishioner here, please fill out the registration form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket.

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St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Parish Registration

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DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

August 22, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Church throughout the world mourns the terrible crisis, loss of life and suffering of those innocent victims in the Middle East, the cradle of Christianity. Many families are fleeing the areas and large numbers are being displaced. The continuation of this crisis causes great despair, panic and hopelessness to the innocent victims.

Given the extraordinary nature of this crisis, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is asking that a special collection be taken up to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our effected brothers and sisters in the Middle East. The funds will be used by Catholic Relief Services and other agencies which are well established partnerships with the Catholic Church in the region. These agencies will strive to meet the most urgent humanitarian needs. Your generosity will help those victims struggling to protect their children, themselves, and their lives in these dire conditions. Going forward the funds will provide them an opportunity hopefully to rebuild their lives.

This special Collection is scheduled for the weekend of September 13-14, 2014 in the Diocese of Venice. This is the perfect occasion for us to support our brothers and sisters in need at the time of their crisis.

I take this opportunity to extend to you my continued consideration and my prayers! Thank you for your generosity for this population so in need at this time.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Bishop's Prayer Walk for Life September 15

Join Bishop Frank J. Dewane on Monday, September 15, for the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. William Church in Naples to commemorate the 5th anniversary of Planned Parenthood's decision to perform abortions in Naples.

Light refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass where an update will be given of successful pro-life efforts. After a short drive, participants will process from a parking lot on US 41 to Planned Parenthood to pray the rosary for an end to abortion and for the 2,000 innocent local victims.

For further information, please call Patricia at 239.248.0694.

40 Days for Life Campaign Begins September 24

Join others in praying for an end to abortion during the 40 Days for Life fall campaign from September 24 to November 2 in Sarasota or Fort Myers. See *www.40daysforlife.com* for details and an 8-minute video about the impact the campaign is having around the world with over 8,000 lives saved. You can make a difference!

Questions? Contact Jeanne Berdeaux at *Berdeaux* @ *dioceseofvenice.org* or 941.441.1101.

Permanent Diaconate Formation Program Meeting Scheduled for 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.









The Theme for the School Year at Saint Ann Catholic School is Grateful Stewardship!

Students at Saint Ann School are thankful to begin the school year by attending Mass celebrated by Bishop Frank Dewane. Students are reminded to be grateful for all the beautiful gifts God has bestowed upon them, and the importance of caring for all of God's creation...one another and our beautiful community.

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WILL RETURN
NEXT WEEK.



5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, September 7, 2014

the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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v.1) Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind; There's no one like you, none like you *v.2*) Into the darkness you shine, out of the ashes we rise; There's no one like you, none like you (*Chorus*)



Bridge) And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us? And if our God is with us, then what could stand against? (repeat, then back to Chorus)

Kyrie • spoken

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

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Gospel Acclamation

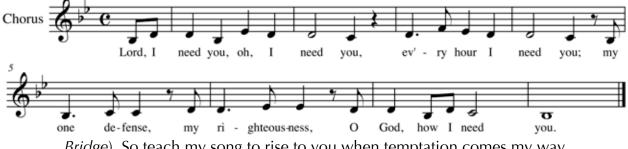
The Mass of St. John the Evangelist

Preparation Song 570 Blest Are They Matt Maher Matt Maher CCLI Song # 5925687. Christy Nockels | Daniel Carson | Jesse Reeves | Kristian Stanfill | Matt Maher © 2011 worshiptogether.com songs (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

Verse 1) Lord, I come, I confess; bowing here, I find my rest And without you, I fall apart:

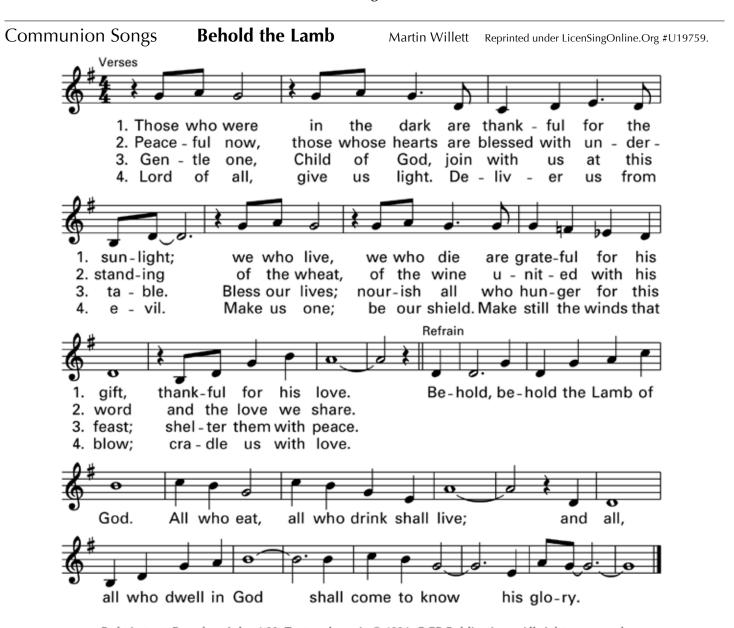
you're the One that guides my heart (to Chorus)

Verse 2) Where sin runs deep, your grace is more; where grace is found is where you are And where you are, Lord, I am free: Holiness is Christ in me! (to Chorus)



Bridge) So teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you—Jesus, you're my hope and stay (to Chorus)

Memorial Acclamation (**C**) • Great Amen • *Agnus Dei* • *The Mass of St. John the Evangelist* (please see worship aid in pew)



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599 I Will Pledge This Song To You Jim Cowan

Closing Song Your Grace Is Enough Matt Maher CCLI Song No. 4477026 © 2003 spiritandsong.com | Thankyou Music | (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights Reserved. CCLI License #2008891.

Verse 1
Great is your faithfulness, O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-chorus

So remember your people, remember your children Remember your promise, O God

For your grace is enough, your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me!

Verse 2
Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of your salvation
And all your people sing along (to pre-chorus)

Chorus

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year A

Ezekiel 33:7-9 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

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Blessed Assurance

ife is not easy at times because of things that come our way. The hardest challenge for humanity is that of relationship. If one steps back to look at Scripture and to consider what is taking place throughout the Old and New Testaments, one will quickly come to the conclusion that the Scripture is all about relationship. The Word of God tells the story of humanity's relationship with God and itself. The history of the world records the great accomplishments of humanity but also bears the scars of marred relationships. The most unpleasant reality for us as a people is to deal with awkward relationships. There are many things that cause friction within relationship. Motivation to control or the reality of stress often affects relationships.

In today's gospel, Jesus confronts a very human problem, that of one person sinning against another. He offers very practical advice to his listeners. His message is clear — if you have a problem with your brother, then go to him to resolve it. Jesus goes on to say that if this fails then seek the help of friends, if unsuccessful, the Church. If everything fails after much effort, Jesus says treat that brother as you would a Gentile — at a respectable distance. Jesus gives blessed assurance to his disciples by telling them that whenever two or three gather in his name, he will be in the midst of them. By invoking Jesus' name to help us deal with conflict, we are promised that he will always be there to advise and inspire, to heal and to forgive. Just as when we gather in Jesus' name, we are given the wisdom and courage to transcend the quarrels and the hurts of this life.

Reflection Questions

- 1. What is challenging about Jesus' approach to problematic situations?
- 2. How does this gospel challenge our litigious society?
- 3. Why is forgiveness a central theme of the gospel?
- 4. How have you embraced the gift of forgiveness in your life?
- 5. In what ways does Jesus' wisdom help you to bring reconciliation to your difficult relationships?
- 6. Are you courageous and strong enough to live this radical call to forgive? Why/why not?

The Good News today is telling us to approach the difficulties of relationship directly. People often react to problems in relationships too quickly by voicing anger and rage. This takes what is an already tenuous problem to another level, making more difficult to resolve. In our quest to justify our own anger and rage we often let others know of someone's sin. This action causes the person, who made a mistake or sinned, to be embarrassed, often makes matters worse. Sometimes we just need to pray about how to confront the difficulties in relationships. It is important to seek the wisdom of Jesus by asking: what would Jesus do in this situation? Any response to this question would empower us to do what is right and loving.

Paul reminds us in Romans that the commandments may be summed up very easily by loving your neighbor as yourself. If we make mistakes, we like to be forgiven and to resolve the mistake. In the same way, if others make mistakes, we need to treat them as we would expect them to treat us. The Christian call is one of reconciliation and healing — to bind up wounds and let the oppressed go free. Contrite people can continue to hurt because others will not let go of the fact that they have sinned against

them. This makes them a slave to their sin. The simple, practical message of the Scripture today is most certainly blessed assurance for all of us who take this advice to heart. Forgiveness is the hardest gift to grasp but it is, nonetheless, at the heart of Jesus' message.

Prayer

Dear Lord, help us to understand ourselves. When someone sins against us, inspire our hearts to take the path of reconciliation. Speak to the hearts of those who will not let go of past hurts, so they may find the grace to forgive. Lead and guide us down the pathways of righteousness and truth. Amen.

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



Pope John Paul II prays during Mass marking World Day of Peace in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican January 1, 2005. (Catholic News Service photo/Alessia Giuliani)

Wisdom of the Fathers

"With deep conviction therefore I wish to appeal to everyone to seek peace along the paths of forgiveness. I am fully aware that forgiveness can seem contrary to human logic, which often yields to the dynamics of conflict and revenge. But forgiveness is inspired by the logic of love, that love which God has for every man and woman, for every people and nation, and for the whole human family. If the Church dares to proclaim what, from a human standpoint, might appear to be sheer folly, it is precisely because of her unshakable confidence in the infinite love of God...

...Jesus not only taught his disciples the duty to forgive, but he also intended his Church to be the sign and instrument of his plan of reconciliation, making her the sacrament "of intimate union with God, and of the unity of all humanity"...

...Brother *Bishops and priests*: be mirrors of the merciful love of God not only in the ecclesial community, but also in civil society, especially where nationalistic and ethnic conflicts are raging. In spite of the sufferings you may have to endure, do not let hatred enter your hearts, but joyfully proclaim Christ's Gospel and dispense God's forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To you *parents*, the first educators of your children in the faith, I ask you to help your children to look upon all people as their brothers and sisters, to reach out to others without prejudice, with an attitude of trust and acceptance. Be for your children a reflection of God's love and forgiveness; make every effort to create a united and harmonious family.

And you *educators*, called to teach young people the true values of life by introducing them to the complexity of history and human culture, help them to live in every situation the virtues of tolerance, understanding and respect; hold up to them as models those who have been artisans of peace and reconciliation.

You *young people*, who cherish great hopes in your hearts, learn to live with one another in peace, without building barriers which stop you from sharing the treasures of other cultures and traditions. Respond to violence with works of peace, in order to build a world which is reconciled and fully human.

You men and women in public life, called to serve the common good, exclude no one from your concerns; take special care of the weakest sectors of society. Do not put your personal advantage above all else; do not give in to the lure of corruption and, above all, face even the most difficult situations with the weapons of peace and reconciliation.

To you who work in the mass media, I ask you to consider the great responsibilities which your profession involves, and never to be promoters of messages marked by hatred, violence or falsehood. Always keep in mind the truth of the human person, whose welfare the powerful means of communication are meant to serve.

Finally, to all of you who *believe in Christ*, I address an invitation to walk faithfully on the path of forgiveness and reconciliation, uniting yourselves to his prayer to the Father that all may be one (cf. *Jn* 17:21). And I exhort you to accompany this unceasing prayer for peace with deeds of brotherhood and mutual acceptance.

To every person of good will, eager to work tirelessly in the building of a new civilization of love, I say once more:

Offer forgiveness and receive peace!"

— Saint John Paul II - World Day of Peace January 1st, 1997

Faith Formation

New Season Starts



2014-2015 Catechist Team (Not all catechists were present for photograph)

Mark Your Calendar

September 7

Families in Christ

September 14

Regular Sunday Classes Start

September 17

Regular Wednesday Classes Start

September 21

Catechetical Sunday

Faith Formation News

Families in Christ...kicks off the start of faith season with a new format and an invigorated program with fun activities. This morning's session is meeting in the ballroom from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Most Families in Christ sessions will be scheduled the first Sunday of each month.

Faith Formation Classes...resume for the 2014-2015 faith season on Sunday, September 14, 2014 from 9:15-10:45 a.m. and Wednesday on September 17, 2014 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Pre-K meets on Wednesday afternoons from 12:00-2:00 p.m. and 9th/10th Grade meets on Sunday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 p.m. All other grade levels meet at the noted times for either Sunday or Wednesday.

Catechetical Sunday...will be celebrated at St. John the Evangelist on Sunday, September 21, 2014 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This year's theme is "Teaching About God's Forgiveness." Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.

Faith Formation continues on page 17

WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

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

Growing in Faith, July 2012, Success Publishing & Media, LLC

PRAYER

Love is patient;
love is kind;
love is not envious
or boastful or arrogant
or rude.
Love does not insist
on its own way;
it is not irritable or resentful;
it does not rejoice
in wrongdoing,
but rejoices in the truth.
It bears all things, believes all
things, hopes all things,
endures all things.

—1 Corinthians 13:4-8

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

Tips for academic and spiritual growth this school year

A new school year is an opportune time to recommit to your child's academic and spiritual growth. Try these tips:

Pray through the day. The key to spiritual growth is prayer. Make prayer central to your family life. Pray together before the school bus comes or when you are in the car on the way. Pray before meals and bedtime. And ask your children what they would like you to pray for. That lets them know you will be thinking and praying for them during the day.

Family meal. Make every effort to gather for family dinners each night. Start with prayer and focus on conversation. Don't let anything interfere with this family time.

Homework help. Give youngsters a quiet environment in which to do homework, the supplies necessary to do the job, support and supervision. Treat religious education homework with the importance of any core subject.

Share the love. As often as you can, tell children how much you love them and be generous with hugs and kisses.

Partners in Faith, Sept 2013, Success Publishing & Media

Why do we say the "Fatima Prayer?"

When our blessed Mother appeared to the children at Fatima in 1917, she asked them to add this prayer after each decade of the Rosary: "Oh, my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of Thy mercy."

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Fax: 239-449-6426 Email:

faithformation@saintjohntheevangelist.com

Website:

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A Free Ecclesiastical Latin Course Will Be Offered at St. John This Fall

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 in late September or early October. 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).

Regional Safe Environment Training - Summer and Fall Schedule

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment.

For further information and for a full schedule, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment.



Day of Remembrance for the Unborn

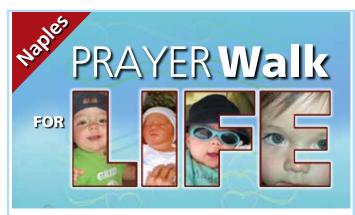
September 13, 2014 10:00AM

Remembrance, Prayers, Love & Healing

The Florida Memorial for the Unborn Palm Royale Cemetery 6780 Vanderbilt Beach Road



Please join us



Monday, September 15, 2014

8:00 a.m. Mass, Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant St. William Catholic Church, 601 Seagate Drive, Naples

A Celebration of Hope

Help us build a culture of life!

Allow yourself to be moved by His grace and be a public witness, at Planned Parenthood, of God's love for all.

Following Mass, join us for coffee & donuts with highlights of "Reasons for Our Hope" after five years of abortions at Planned Parenthood.

9:30 a.m.- depart St. William's for the Prayer Walk (shuttle and car pool will be available)

10:00 a.m. - process with Bishop Dewane from the parking area at 2630 Tamiami Trail N. (corner of 28th Ave. N.), to Planned Parenthood (corner of Creech Rd. and Goodlette-Frank Rd.)



Co-sponsored by Sidewalk Witnesses for Life and the Diocesan Respect Life Office. Questions? Contact Patricia at 239-248-0694 or Jeanne at 941-441-1101.





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

"Papal Infallibility - What it is and What it is and What it is "

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

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t: \$30 per person (which includes lunch and speaker.

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Join us for a fantastic upcoming speaker series at the Naples Hilton on the following Thursdays: Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 11, Jan. 15 and Mar. 19 <u>Mark your calendar!</u>



Faith and Wine

Gabriella Frei

Thursday, September 25, 2014

Please join us as we welcome Gabi Frei, a gifted Catholic musician and singer, who will share her personal faith journey through a mixture of original songs and a few more known praise and worship songs. Gabi's music shows how she has surrendered her heart to God's will.

Full of Grace Songs of
Surrender and
Trust to Jesus
through Mary

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

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As women and mothers, Gabi believes "Our vocation is one that necessitates constant rejuvenation, constant openness to His grace and strength. But that is our life - we can be full of grace because HE is generous and gives us what we need to endure each moment. Our cup can overflow into our families and communities because He first fills it. Surrender to His will places us in perfect position to receive all He has in store, all the grace, all the strength, all the promises. And Mary is our model - we echo her Magnificat, her "yes", unified with Jesus saying not my will but yours to the Father."



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Save the Dates!

October 16 – Joan Lynch
November 13 – Amy Snyder**
December 11 – Missions Fair
and wine tasting
January 8 – Father John Ludden
February 19 – Father Leo
Patalinghug**
March 12 – Valli Leone
April 9 – Father George
Ratzmann
**Joint Faith & Ale/Faith &

Wine events

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on September 22nd by going to www.faithandwine.com or dropping off your check made payable to "Faith and Wine, Inc." to the St. John parish office. Or you can mail (post-marked before September 18th) your check to Mary Beth Clary, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP, 9132 Strada Place, 3rd Floor, Naples, Florida 34108.

NEW THIS YEAR - You must prepay - NO WALK-INS!

Faith and Wine is a group of diverse women who seek fellowship with each other and a greater understanding of their Catholic faith in order to enrich their lives and help them cope with the ever-changing challenges presented by today's society. For more information, please visit our website at www.faithandwine.com.

The Saint John the Evangelist Ladies Lunch Bunch Will Meet September 24

Saint John the Evangelist's Ladies Lunch Bunch welcomes all women of the parish to our first luncheon of the season. It will be held at Imperial Country Club on September 24, at 11:30 a.m.. We will order off the menu and the club will accept Visa and Master cards as well as cash.

To make a reservation, please call Doris Heath at 239.598.1837 before Monday, September 22. This month our donation will be to the Abused Women's Home and we ask that you bring any travel size personal items as well as the free gift cosmetics given by the cosmetics companies. Please come and join us for fun and fellowship.

The Catholic Student Organization at Florida Gulf Coast Meets Every Sunday

The Catholic Student Organization (CSO) at Florida Gulf Coast University meets on campus in Cohen Hall Room #214 for adoration every Sunday at 7:00 p.m. followed by Mass. Each Tuesday night there is a "CSO Dinner" at 6:30 p.m. and each Wednesday night there are Bible Studies at 7:30 p.m.

For further information and questions please contact Father Michael Goodyear at *frgoodyear@gmail.com* or 239.849.7445. The Catholic Student Organization can also be found on Facebook.

Bible Study Training Day Saturday, September 13 at St. Agnes in Naples

The Diocese of Venice will host a Bible Study Training Day for all those who are involved in Parish Bible Studies or who just have a love of the Bible. This year's Training Day will be held on Saturday, September 13 at St. Agnes in Naples.

We will once again be using the "Journey Through Scripture" program by Dr. Scott Hahn. The theme is "The Bible and the Mass." We encourage all who attended last year to attend again and invite others as well.

The cost will be \$40/person. More information and registration details can be found at *www.dioceseofvenice.org/bible-study*. Questions? Call 941.484.9543 or email *evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org*.

9/11 Memorial Mass and Blue Mass

All are welcome to participate in the annual 9/11 Memorial Mass at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Naples on Thursday, September 11 at 8:00 a.m. The Mass will include a recognition of first responders.

San Marco Parish will again celebrate a Blue Mass on September 11 at 9:30 a.m. to honor all firefighters, police officers and emergency medical technicians serving our local community. We also will hold up in prayer all those who died on September 11, 2001, and all those who were and continue to be impacted by this terrible tragedy. Following the Mass, there will be a special blessing for all First Responders present, active and retired, local and national. All are welcome.



Community Pregnancy Clinics offers professional, compassionate care for pregnant women. We specialize in caring for women who are facing an unexpected or unwanted pregnancy. We offer medically-accurate information as well as free pregnancy testing, free limited ultrasounds, and high quality counseling for women as well as education and material support.

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Schnitzel and Mac and Cheese ~ \$4.00



Beer and a souvenir mug, wine and soda will be available for purchase as well.

Entry includes entertainment, games, rides, exhibits, festivities

Adults ~ \$7.00

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Tickets on sale at St. John the Evangelist Office 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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