

December 27, 2015

Feast of the Holy Family



the
EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. John Welcomes 137 New Families Since September 1

St. John welcomes all new families who have registered with our parish in recent months. From September 1 through November 30, some 137 families have registered as new members of Saint John the Evangelist. We welcome to our parish family the most recent registrants. Please note some of these are former parishioners who have re-registered at St. John.

Alexander Family

Alvare Family

Annunziata Family

Aramayo & Noriega Family

Arias & Piranio Family

Askar Family

Lynette Aurelius

Azar-Anderson Family

Assopardi Family

Babbitt Family

Basile Family

Beudet Family

Bertucci Family

Bilzor Family

Cheryl Bodine-Reed

Bourbon Family

Brennan Family

Brown Family

Denise Brown

Buffington Family

William & Joan Carlson

Mimma Catalano

Pat & Ann Chilen

Cialone Family

Colbert Family

Mary Condon

Gary & Mary Coughlan

DeBiasi Family

Dedousis Family

Dejthai Family

Delorey Family

Barbara de Mauriac

Barbara Dempsey

Joseph & Rose DeVita

Kathleen Dixon

Dooney Family

Rita Dorazio

Doyle Family

Dreyfuss Family

2015 New Parishioners Totals from January 1 to November 30

Total Number of Families
Registered: 302

Number of Single Individuals:
71

Number of Couples: 76

Number of Families with
Child/Children: 155

List of new families continues on page 10



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

Weekend 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

December 26, 2015	Saturday		
8:00 AM		Vito Capizzo	Liz Rick
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Jack & Mary Fox	John & Geraldine Fox
5:00 PM	+	Jane, Stanley & Larry Pelak	The Family
December 27, 2015	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Peter DeFrancesca	Peter DeFrancesca, Jr.
9:00 AM	+	Ann Mulvey	Family
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Sharon K. McCarthy	Joseph McCarthy
5:00 PM		Gerard Hopt	Mr. & Mrs. Wm Pfau
December 28, 2015	Monday		
8:00 AM	+	Ann Mulvey	Richard Mulvey
9:00 AM	+	Maurice Cunningham	Wife - Peggy
December 29, 2015	Tuesday		
8:00 AM	+	Louise Cianfone	Mr. & Mrs. John Figliuolo
9:00 AM	+	Michael Fazzola	Gordon & Alvera Clark
December 30, 2015	Wednesday		
8:00 AM	+	Jim Lekas	Diane Smith
9:00 AM	+	Jozica Vitulich	Husband Romano & Daughter Claudia
December 31, 2015	Thursday (New Year's Eve Vigil)		
8:00 AM	+	Meg Judge	Sharon Fay
9:00 AM	+	McDonagh Family	John McDonagh
5:00 PM	+	Jason E. Webster	Deborah Marsh
January 1, 2016	Friday (New Year's Day)		
8:00 AM	+	Bridget Anne Cullen	George and Marge Cullen
10:00 AM	+	Fr. Al McPartland	Dennis & Fran Powers
Noon	+	Richard Wynn	Peter DeFrancesca
		<i>Altar Flowers in Memory of Fr. Al McPartland ~ req by Dennis & Fran Powers</i>	
January 2, 2016	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Raymond Abele, Sr.	Eileen Cinque
		Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Jim Fitzgerald	Tom & Jeff
5:00 PM	+	Rodney Mailhot	Ray & Diane Mailhot
January 3, 2016	Sunday		
7:00 AM		Richard Santeeri	Peter De
9:00 AM	+	Tom Mattimore	Deacon Frank & Sandy Paniccia
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Ann Mooney	Yvonne Steinruck
5:00 PM	+	Anna DiNardo	Pat Parisi

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, December 26, 2015

St. Stephen; *First day of Kwanzaa*
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab,
16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps
84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24;
Lk 2:41-52

Sunday, December 27, 2015

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps
84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24;
Lk 2:41-52

Monday, December 28, 2015

The Holy Innocents
1 Jn 1:5 – 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29, 2015

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity
of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket
1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday, December 30, 2015

Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity
of the Lord
1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31, 2015

Seventh Day within the Octave of the
Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; *New Year's Eve*
1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Friday, January 1, 2016

The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the
Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for
Peace; First Friday; *New Year's Day*
Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2, 2016

Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen;
First Saturday
1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Sunday, January 3, 2016

The Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS...



Campaign Corner

December 27, 2015

“Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin.”

— Blessed Mother Theresa

**A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church**

The Time is Now: Life Center Planning Starts

It is really quite extraordinary. In less than 10 months, the Parish Family of Saint John the Evangelist has gathered over \$8.3 million in pledges and already deposited over \$3 million in our Diocesan Savings Account. This gets us very close to the initial amount required for us to break ground on the Life Center. This savings account is set up so we are NOT assessed for the use of the money for the campaign purposes for the next several years, and it also provides us with a great interest rate. The more we put in, and the faster we do it, the more interest we will accrue for our Parish Endowment, which will fund Missions and programs for years to come.

We are now putting a timeline in place for the construction of the Life Center. A major undertaking like this must be planned well before any walls go up. This building is going to house new programs and requires new operating models for our church. We have to prioritize these planning efforts, so not only will we be successful in creating this comfortable, engaging space for all ages, but it will be filled with activities on Day 1. It will require leadership that can understand the development of buildings and the creation of social events, food service programs, and wellness activities.

This Life Center Planning Committee will be created in the beginning of 2016 to hit the ground running. They will begin to provide updates to you via this page and on our [Life Center Building website: http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/about-us/saint-john-life-center](http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/about-us/saint-john-life-center).

While we have begun the work our current blessings have allowed us to accomplish for the **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** capital campaign, we still need our entire Parish Family to give in order to reach our additional goals. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator at 239.495.2001 or email: campaign@sjecc.com.

You can also learn more information about the Campaign at: www.sjecc.com/future.

Jean-Paul Boucher,
General Manager
jp@sjecc.com



BUILD OUR FUTURE - SERVE OUR PAST CAMPAIGN

DECEMBER 27, 2015 ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy	Associate
Fr. Jim Simko	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Paniccia	Senior Status

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

All Administrative Staff
239.566.8740

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Parish Secretary
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Tom Oram: 228-3920

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Ellie Roberts

Sacristan
Lan Tran

Director of Family Mission
Jean-Paul Boucher

Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor
Kathy Sims

Memorial Garden
Jean-Paul Boucher

Religious Boutique
Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

Maintenance
566.8740

Education Staff

Director of Religious Education
Natalie Campbell: 228.3904/3909

Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: 556.8740, ext. 3918
email staff members at:
info@SaintJohnTheEvangelist.com

PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: www.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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday
8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Thursday Evening
6:30 p.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.,
11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

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

Thank you!

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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

Mass Intentions

We are currently accepting intentions for 2016. We will accept 2017 intentions starting January 4.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 2016 Mass availability and 2016 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 Feast of the Holy Family, December 26 & 27

Readings:	627	<i>Year C – Gospel at 625</i>
Entrance Hymn:	90	Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Preparation Hymn:	95	Once in Royal David's City
Communion Hymn:	on pg. 13 of this bulletin	Jesus, Savior
	93	Away In a Manger
Closing Hymn:	80	Angels We Have Heard On High

Choral Anthems at 9 & 11 AM Mass

Prelude	Fanfare for Christmas Day	<i>Martin Shaw</i>
Communion	Messiah: Glory to God	<i>Georg Frideric Händel</i>

Hymns for the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, December 31 & January 1

Readings:	628	
Entrance Hymn:	187	Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly
Preparation Hymn:	81	What Child Is This
Communion Hymn:	248	Seed, Scattered and Sown
Closing Hymn:	184	Hail, Holy Queen

Save the Date for Milestone Anniversary Mass

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in two locations: February 13 at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice and March 12 at St. Leo Parish in Bonita Springs. Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. Registration will be through the parishes and information will be received by January.

New Year's Day Mass Times

Thursday, December 31, 2015

Vigil of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
5:00 p.m.

Friday, January 1, 2016

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon

Wanted - Business Owners

for Business Expo Sunday, January 17

If you are a registered business owner and a parishioner of Saint John the Evangelist, you qualify to participate in our annual Business Expo to be held on Sunday, January 17 after all the masses.

It is an opportunity for fellow parishioners to meet business owners who are also members of Saint John the Evangelist parish.

If you would like to participate at no cost, please call Carol Marlow at 239.948.0050 or email her at carolmarlow@ymail.com.

Holiday Office Closing

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, December 31, 2015 and Friday, January 1, 2016 for the New Year's Holiday.

SAVE THE DATE

**Bonita Village Band
Annual FREE Concert
Saturday, January 30, 2016
at Saint John the Evangelist.
More details will follow.**

**For more info:
Pat Lampe at 592.7845**

**The 2016
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Calendar
will be available this weekend.**

2015: What a Year!

Sometimes it sounds like a cliché, but I really do not know where the time is going. There has just been so much activity, so much renewal, it lights a fire in me every single day to come to our church. From the joyous faces of the renewed Ushers and Greeters, smiling as we enter the church, to the updates and changes we are already making to our campus due to your generosity in our Capital Campaign, every facet of this Parish Family is focused on our mission: **To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.** Here are just a few of those new events, programs, and activities from this past year that have made such a positive impact:

#ToKnow

• **Adult Faith Formation**

– We are so excited to be able to provide our newly structured Adult Faith Formation program, which gives all ages an opportunity to learn more about our faith. Jack Kindsvater has done an exceptional job in a very short timeframe to flesh out classes and programs that appeal to a wide audience.



• **STEAM Summer Camps** – For the first time ever, St. John was able to host a new youth summer camp program called STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Music). These week-long humanities driven programs helped kids learn new and exciting technologies and music and how to apply that learning to their lives. The camps were packed all summer long and it was necessary to add an extra week to the end to cover all the demand.



• **Small Business Fair** – How can St. John parishioners help each other? By learning about services



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and businesses that are owned by other members of our Parish Family. We had several Fairs this past season to provide this information and made some great connections for the local community.

- **Getting #ToKnow St. John** – Some of our parishioners have not had the opportunity to explore our complete campus yet, or gotten to know the staff members who serve them and our church. This initiative (both here in the bulletin, as well as online), not only put faces to names, but helped our parishioners branch out to see there is more to experience at St. John.

#ToLove

- **Doo Whop Night** – For our experienced parishioners who are here year-round, the Knights of Columbus came up with a wonderful event, a Doo Whop dance, complete with Northern-inspired favorites, like White Castle-type burgers and fries. Almost 200 people attended in their pompadours and poodle skirts and rocked the night away.



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- **Senior Prom** – We started a new “Senior” Prom event with the help of the Men’s Club. The Youth Group decked out our Ballroom for Prom, complete with the Hollywood theme, complete with red carpet pictures and decorations. Young and old learned each others’ dance moves, had a marvelous dinner, and even crowned a king and queen of the prom.



- **Divorced and Separated Support Group** – As our Holy Father and our Bishop have made it clear, we need to provide support, belonging, and healing to everyone. St. John has begun this process for the divorced and separated individuals of our community by providing them a safe place to talk and relate to each other every Wednesday evening.

- **Farmers Market** – We wanted to give our Parish Family an opportunity to find some fresh produce and local vendors, so we have worked to create the St. John Farmers Market, open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Friday. Come stock up for the weekend with great fruits, vegetables, and other wonderful items.



#ToServe

- **Thanksgiving in the Park** – Feeding over 1,700 people on Thanksgiving could not have occurred without the dedication of our Parish Family in providing turkeys and volunteers to shred them during Thanksgiving week. This is a community event that has a 30-year history, but this was the first time St. John took the primary religious organization’s responsibility for the program.



- **Feeding Hunger, Filling Hearts** – For the first-ever fundraiser for Guadalupe Social Services, the Catholic Charities organization in Immokalee, St. John and several groups like the Ladies of Charity, Knights of Columbus and Pelican Sound, worked together to provide two seatings of soup in our Ballroom. The over \$13,000 in donations raised by this event was a blessing to so many in need.



- **A Simple Gesture** – In our first attempt at a persistent food pantry support program, St. John provided over 260 reusable blue bags to our Parish Family, asking them to fill them with groceries every two months, which would be delivered to food pantries in the area all year round. The Holy Spirit is truly alive in our work, as we received back over 350 bags and boxes worth of groceries (the original blue bags as well as many plastic bags and boxes). In total, the groceries are worth over \$10,000. Another 400 bags were taken for the next round.



- **Companion Driving Ministry** – One of the most needed services is for our own Parish Family. We know that as we get older, it becomes harder to get outside our homes and we can start to feel alone. St. John was proud to begin its Companion Driving Ministry, to assist anyone who needs help coming to weekend Masses. You should never miss out on the Holy Sacrament and our community.

That barely scratches the surface of all the new and renewed programs we have been working on this year. Next year is going to be even bigger, but you will have to wait until next week to get a sneak peek at our plans.

Have a Happy New Year!

Altar Servers:

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 jp@saintjohntheevangelist.com

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Linda Reilly 821.8982

Respect Life:

Rosemary Erickson 597.3941

Pastoral Stewardship Council:

President/Contact Rick Beebe
 psc@sjecc.com

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. Jack Kindsvater: 566.8740, ext. 3918

AA. Monday, 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

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.

Arimatheans. A group of caring parishioners who support parishioners by attending funerals as representation of our faith community. Elaine: 566-8160

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. For information: scoutmaster@troop-226.com

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. All 1st - 5th grade boys welcome.

Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. For information: pack226naples@gmail.com

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

Companion Driving Ministry. Ongoing "Need a Ride/Give a Ride" program offered to anyone in need of transportation to attend church services. For more information or to sign up for a ride or to become a volunteer driver, contact the parish office at 566.8740 or the ministry director, Beth Lucci at 877.6254 or email sjeride@gmail.com

Cursillistas. Third Tuesday monthly at 7:00 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 restrooms). **Winter Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. If interested in volunteering in the gift shop contact Jackie Gibson: 228.3921

Divorced and Separated Support Group.

Anyone who is going through a separation or has experienced it in the past (no matter how many years ago) is welcome. Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Lhara Echevarria: 239.293.3694 or Lhara@sjecc.com

Faith Chat. Wednesdays at 5:45 - 7:30 p.m. Call office: 239.566.8740

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. Scott Baier: 877.9784 or Chet Lucarelli: 289.2807

Grief Support. The next 7-session series begins February 16 and ends March 29 (Tuesdays only). For any concerns related to the Bereavement Ministry contact 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 Gil: 239.597.8909 or Judy Hemond: 561.779.6024

Job Search Skills & Support. Thursdays 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the library. This is an open meeting for anyone who is unemployed or seeking a career change. Free. Carol Marlow: 948.0050

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281.

Meets first Monday of the month. Officers at 6 p.m.; business meeting at 7:15 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. Meets third Tuesday of every month at Noon except January and February when they meet at 6:30 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. S/K Gary Ray: 821.5115

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 Carolyn McNichols at 239.919.2675 or carolyn@tsusa.us. 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. Our organization combines service work in support of the parish with social activities. We always welcome new members. Monthly meetings are held at 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday. Joe Lichwalla: 239.495.2001

Narcotics Anonymous. Thursday, Saturday, 8 p.m.

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

Project Rachel Lay Companion. A post-abortion healing ministry providing one-on-one counseling. Loretta Judy: 239.293.5897 or lnjudy@comcast.net

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. Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941

Sewing Group. Meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. New members are invited. Nancy Cote: 514.0410

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

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. and Monday evenings. (Will resume on first Thursday in January.) Maggie Miller: 239.687.0687 or maggnana@comcast.net or Linda Reilly, 821.8982

■ Please check the Event Sheets on the building doors for the meeting location of the group. Groups do not always meet in the same location from week to week. ■

PARISH MINISTRIES & OUTREACH PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

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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 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:

Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga
U.S. Marines

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

LCpl. Conor Fleurant
USMC

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

Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer
USMC * Embassy Security (New Zealand)

Specialist Douglas Hennessy
U.S. Army

Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett
USMC

Lt. John Meyers
U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak
USMC

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak
USMC

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USMC

Cpt. Daniel Palmer
U.S. Army

Cpt. John Palmer
U.S. Army

Cpt. Martin Palmer
U.S. Army
(Afghanistan)

Lt. Robert Pedrigo
U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer
U.S. Army

Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek
U.S. Army

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. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Centering Prayer /Lectio Divina

One hour of peaceful, silent and beautiful prayer and contemplation. Mondays: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday morning Centering Prayer in the Parish Library

following the morning Mass. Maria Jones: 348.5361

Liturgy of the Hours

Members of the third order of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Lay Carmelites pray the Morning Prayer after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

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

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

John Forte, Marion Dauwer, Christine Hinchley and Shirley "Shirl" Weinberger

May they rest in eternal peace.

AJM Rich Annunizata Fernando Ardila Tomas Ardila Paschal Arpaia Patricia Arpaia Baby Boy Robbie Barnicoat Patty Barry Richard Becker Margie Benefico Barbara Berg Linda Berry Jamie Boas Kathleen Bradach Vicki Brenner Carol Brooks John Brooks Anthony Caiazzo Ron Caiazzo Nancy Campbell Steve Caputo Glenn Carroll Sheira Cavanagh Tiffany Chill Frank & Joan Ciccarelli Sam Comeriato Bill Copeland Susan Culey Jennifer Cusmano Vivian Daleo Anthony D'Antuono Mark Dabronzo Leo Dauwer Robert Decraene Chuck Dee Florence Demski Rick Derkman Marlene Dezee Jim Diamante Julie Dieter Al DiMenna Lauren Di'Orio Shelly Drummond	Dr. Steve Evans Carolyn Felner Wendy Bui- Fewell Patrick Finck May Flanagan Donna Flynn Anna Focht Follese-Fiedler Family Susan Foster Rois Maire Ni Gabann Jack and Madeline Gaffey Janet Gainey Edward Gaynor Michael & Terry Getty Dick Goepel Laura Harbrough Cindy Harold Brad Harriet Judy Hemond Richard Henning Gerard Heyen Kim Hocker Charlotte Hollohan JMG Maria Joyce Dawn June Charleen Kasabian Chester T. Kauffman Sean Keating Ashley Kelley Kevin Kincaid Bill Kinchla Katie, Johnathan and Hebert Kovacevic Jim Krauser Family Josephine Lancia Joan Lane Ruth Lang Ray & Joan LaPointe Tiffany LaPointe Lindsay Lavery Diane Leahy	Dan & Louise LeBlanc Mary Lou and Ned Leibig Mary Lenick Rosemarie Lopez Lillian Luchini Jean Lydon Margie Lynch Pat M Jeanne Macari Julia Maciocia Joan Maier Maria and Family Ann Maniuszko Kenneth J. McAvoy Barbara McCabe Kevin McDonagh Simone McGaffee Mary McKay Lucille McMahan Carolyn McNichols Nancy Meleo Beth Ann Meloche Glenn Meyers Art Midili Nancy Mitchell Gilbert & Shirley Monacelli Andrew Moss James Murphy Paige Nelson Patricia Norton Roger Nottmeier Gloria Oliver George O'Hara Emma O'Rourke Maryla Panagos Pluc Family Joe Pohrer Richard Pratt Linda Reilly Aurelia Rein Ellen Roberts Rea Rossi Robert Sabatka	Samowski Family Paul Sanchez Lisa Sanfelippo Peter R. Scariati Isolde Scherer Joanne & Edwin Schnackenberg Eli Schneider Tony Scire Leonard Seidl Don Selinga Melinda Shannon Jane & Bob Shengulet Teresa Shengulet Bruce Sherman Marilyn Shields John Smith Winnie Smith Nancy Stewart Susan Stokes Jeannie Stoll Jeannie Sullivan Pat Sutter Joanmarie Switalski Rita Taranto Marilyn Taylor James Thompson Joanne Timmerman Joseph Tomaszewski Maaria Torres Jennifer Toth Patricia Trapnell Pat Velasquez Lena Vittolo Anne W Patti Wakim Wardein Family Max West Tom Wood Bob Wright John & Mary Yotis Helen Zaks Ed Zerrer
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LET US PRAY...

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

DECEMBER 27, 2015 ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

St. John Welcomes 137 New Families Since September 1

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Ellis Family

Espineta Family

Dianne Fabii

Ferrante & Dietz Family

Focht Family

Frisch Family

Fusco Family

Wolfgang & Mary Galle

Galt Family

Garthoeffner Family

Gaumer Family

Giles Family

James & Melissa Gladney

Golden Family

Gomez Family

Gomez & Maqueda Family

Hagenbuckle Family

Hall Family

Hart & Bouchard Family

Nevin & Marialice Harwood

Karen Hays

Honor Family

Thomas & Joan Hughes

Hylemon Family

Mark & JoAnn Jamieson

Michelle Jorgensen

LaPorte Family

Lee Family

Patricia LeFeber

Erica Lindsay

MacDonald Family

Gary & Cynthia Madich

Maffei Family

Magalhaes Family

Manziano Family

Masiero Family

Roger & Nancy Massa

McDonnelee Family

Philip & Lindsay McHenry

Paul & Sandra McNamara

Bill & Kathy McVeigh

Roberto & Jacqueline Mellone

Gianfranco Mellone

Mendoza Family

Metz Family

Mikesh Family

Miles Family

Rita Morse

Rafael Mozo

Nelson Family

Newell Family

Diana Nowicki

Nugent Family

David & Laura Oldread

Tim Olson

Pacheco Family

Joyce Pappas

Parsons Family

Peacock Family

Pelosky Family

Persich Family

Francis Porter

Carissa Posch

Quaintance Family

Ramirez Family

Ramsey Family

Renner Family

Ribeiro Family

Rebecca Rife

Riley Family

James Ringler

Rivera & Cianfrani Family

Rodriguez & Osorio Family

Rohde Family

Romano Family

Rosas Family

Alvarado Carlos Sanchez & Blair DeLongy

Anthony & Gail Scire

John & Kathleen Sebastian

Alexandra Seferoglou

Kathleen Shea

Shook Family

Gabrielle Snape & Nicholas Wagaman

Sneeringer & Kerins Family

Sperber Family

Sponseller Family

Staunch Family

Steffan Family

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Velez Family

Edward & Mary Verdesca

Maidy VillaFlores

Wallace Family

Washell Family

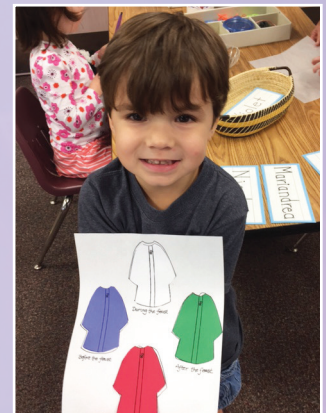
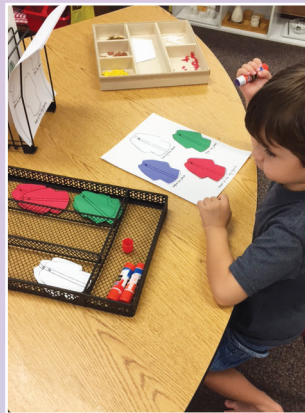
Wisler Family

Learning About the “Light” Who Came to the People Who Walked in Darkness

All throughout Advent the children in both Pre-K/Atrium classes prepared their hearts for the feast of Christmas. They participated in an Advent procession where the liturgical colors of the prayer table cloth was changed from green to purple, the color of “preparation”. Each week another candle on the Advent wreath was lighted and one of the Prophecy Cards was read.

The children heard from the prophet Isaiah proclaiming the “Light” who came to the people who walked in darkness. Another Prophecy Card was proclaimed from Isaiah telling all the beautiful names of the child who was to come: “Wonderful Counselor”, “Mighty God”, “Everlasting Father” and “Prince of Peace”.

*text and photos submitted by Charlotte Williams,
Pre-K/Atrium Coordinator*



5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, December 27, 2015: the Feast of the Holy Family

Opening Song **90 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing** Felix Mendelssohn

Kyrie & Gloria • *The Glendalough Mass* (please see worship aid in pew)

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 84) Music by Tom Oram. © 2014, A Chasing After Wind Music (BMI). All rights reserved. Used with permission, obsv.

Response (cf. v.5a)

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation *The Glendalough Mass* (please see worship aid in pew)

Preparation Song **540 Here I Am To Worship** Tim Hughes

Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (B) • Great Amen • *The Glendalough Mass* (worship aid in pew)

The Lord's Prayer • *chanted* Agnus Dei • *The Glendalough Mass*

Communion Song **Jesus, Savior** Fr. John Ludden & Gary Guyon © the Very Rev. John J. Ludden. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

Je - sus, Sa - vior, Bread of Life, come to heal us, to
strength-then us. Je - sus, Sa - vior, Cup of Life, come and live with - in our hearts.

v.1) I am the Bread of Life; I come to you this day. You will not go hungry again.

I am there for you, my friends, if you call upon my name. I will give you rest.

v.2) I am the True Vine and you my branches are. You will not go thirsty again.

Come drink of this Cup, my friends, and you will be free. I will give you rest.

v.3) Ask and you shall receive; seek and you will find. Knock and the door will open to you.

For when you call upon my Name I will be there for you, and I will give you rest.

v.4) I am the Good Shepherd, and I look on you with love. I call to you, now hear my voice.

If you listen close to me, you will grasp the gift of life, and I will give you rest.

Closing Song **80 Angels We Have Heard On High** Traditional

Bishop Dewane to Offer Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Volunteers Saturday, January 16

In appreciation of the volunteers of the Diocese of Venice, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites all volunteers to a Mass on Saturday, January 16 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Leo Parish, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs.

The Mass is an opportunity to extend gratitude and

appreciation for those who generously give of their time and talent. All priests, deacons and the faithful are invited to participate in a celebration of the active stewardship of our laity. A lunch will follow the Mass in the Parish Hall. No registration is required, all are welcome.

Knights of Columbus Council 11281

Vocations Auction Dinner

A Philharmonic Evening
and Elegant
5-Course French Dinner

with Most Reverend Bishop J. Dewane

Friday, January 29, 2016

6:00 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist Church
PLC Library

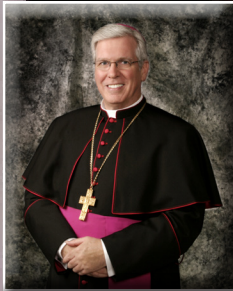
\$125.00 Donation Per Person

Contact Lou Altieri at 239.450.6004 to purchase tickets.

Dress: Jacket and Tie Requested

Musical Medley by Ellie and Tom
French Accordion Sevenade

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Men's and Women's Conference Dates Are Set

Please reserve the following dates for the 2016 Diocese of Venice Men's and Women's Conference. The Men's Conference will be held Saturday, February 6, 2016, and the Women's Conference will be held Saturday, February 27, 2016. Both Conferences will be held at Bishop Verot Catholic High School in Fort Myers. Registration details will be forthcoming.

DECEMBER 27, 2015 ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



All Christmas
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Gift Shop Hours:

Saturday: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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Monday through Friday:

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Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 34-28

Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

Colossians 3:12-21 or 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24

Luke 2:41-52



The Word & Life

The Ultimate Family



Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family in the midst of the Christmas season. The Holy Family of Nazareth is a perfect example of what family life is all about — total reliance on God, total acceptance of his will, and total commitment to one another. Today's gospel account tells of the finding of Jesus in the temple. What wisdom Jesus had at twelve to realize that his family extended far beyond his earthly ties. He recognized that he was in his Father's house, his true Father was in heaven and that his family reached far beyond the little dwelling in Nazareth. We also get a little insight into Jesus' hidden years. We learn that he was obedient to Mary and Joseph, and that he advanced in favor before God and the people. Mary ponders all the things Jesus said and experienced, keeping them close to her heart.

Reflection Questions

1. What does the Holy Family mean to me?
2. What does my family mean to me?
3. How is God calling us to be a family of the Church?
4. Do I view everyone in the world as my brother and sister?
5. What does God expect from me?
6. What are the challenges for the family today?
7. How can I assist in creating an environment where the family unit is preserved?

Most of us were born into a family context. For those who were orphaned, often the orphanage became the family. Our families ought to be modeled on the Holy Family as the ultimate of virtue, witness and commitment. *Today's feast challenges us to extend our understanding of family life.* In the First Letter of St. John we are all recognized as the children of God, belonging to one spiritual family. We call God "Abba", Father in heaven. In doing so, we become spiritually connected to and responsible for one another. This is what the Church is all about. When we say that we are the Church, we are also saying that we are family. As in any family, the family of the Church faces challenges, joys and disappointments. In recent times some members of the Church have fallen from grace bringing scandal to the Church family. Just like any other family, the Church has to become unified to bring peace, unity and stability to a world of fragile and broken promises. The family is constantly under attack. The number of divorces in our nation is staggering. Notions of lifelong commitment are thought to be antiquated. Children experience instability as estranged parents battle for custody rights. Family ties become weak as a result of abuse. Familial bonds are untied as

a result of a lack of commitment. In the midst of this, the leadership of the Church calls us to recognize the family as the basic unit that offers stability to society. Broken marriages, however, are a reality and

as Church we are called to respond with compassion and to continually offer hope.

As a Church, membership is never exclusive. All of earth's people must always be called God's children. The late Archbishop Derek Worlock of Liverpool, England, once said, "I am my brother's keeper and he is sleeping fairly rough these days." His comment demonstrates the great responsibility that each of us bears for all in the world. As Church we must reach out to those who find themselves outside the Church so that the love of Christ may become a reality.

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



Prayer

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, may we be inspired by your love and example. You loved each other and gave your lives completely to the Father in heaven. May we imitate the great example that you brought to the world. We pray to you, our heavenly Father, to increase our faith and hope in you. Help us to see that all people are our brothers and sisters and that you are Father of us all. Amen.

Voices of Faith

The Holy Family

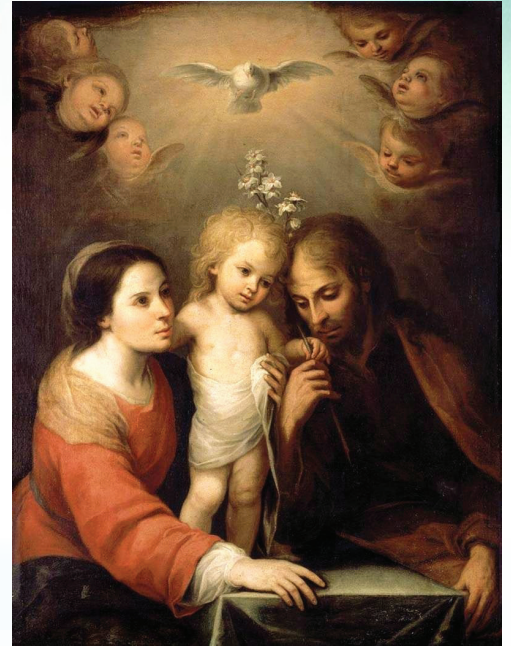
The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
Spirit's gift to a Virgin's womb
Most Blessed of all women
A soul enshrined with belief and trust in God's Word

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
The dream of God's messenger
Given to a lowly carpenter
Trustful of the angel's utterance

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
In Bethlehem God made visible
Joy to the shepherds
Manifestation of God to men watchful of the stars

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
Vulnerable to the fury and jealousy of Herod
His father and mother flee to pyramids tall
Exiles from Sacred Land they protect Incarnate Word

*Image: The Holy Family
Source: Wikimedia Commons/
Juan Simon Gutierrez*



The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
Emmanuel comes to settle in Nazareth town
Growing in wisdom and strength
In a mother's and father's protective care

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
The Holy Family enter the Sacred City for Passover Feast
Contemplating the events of faith that lead to deliverance
Unknowingly they leave behind the treasure of their love at the Feast's end

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
A troubled mother and father return in panic to find their Son
In temple area they find Him still, debating with their leaders
Anxiety leaves them, the love of a parent entreats him

The Word became flesh
And dwelt amongst us
Filled with light and truth
"Did you not that I must be in my Father's house?"
Words from a child pour fourth
The Family understanding of His sacred mission.

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

Faith Formation

2015-2016 School Year

JANUARY CALENDAR

Faith Formation Classes on Wednesdays are from 5:45-7:00 p.m.
Faith Formation Classes on Sundays are from 9:30-10:45 a.m.
High School Confirmation Classes are on select Sundays from 6:15-7:30 p.m.

6 ~ Wednesday, Faith Formation Class

10 ~ Sunday, Faith Formation Class
High School Confirmation Class 6:15-7:30 p.m.

17 ~ Sunday, No Faith Formation Class

20 ~ Wednesday, No Faith Formation Class

24 ~ Sunday, Faith Formation Class

27 ~ Wednesday, Faith Formation Class

27 ~ **First Reconciliation Rehearsal in the Church 5:45 p.m.**

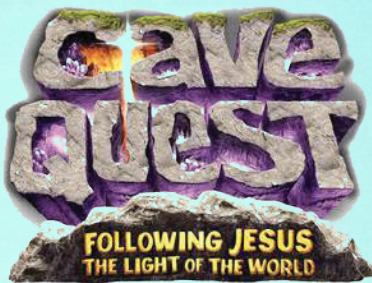
31 ~ Sunday, Faith Formation Class
High School Confirmation Class 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School

Cave Quest: Following Jesus, The Light of the World

June 13 -17, 2016 from
9:00 a.m. to Noon

Volunteer information
and Registration
information will be
available soon!



Faith Formation Office Hours

Mondays: 9:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. (on days of Faith Formation Class only)

Fridays: 9:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Sundays: 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. (on days of Faith Formation Class only)

Natalie Campbell, Director of Religious Education
natalie@sjecc.com 239.566.8740, ext. 3909

Sacramental Students:

Important Upcoming Dates

January 27 ~ First Reconciliation Rehearsal ~ 5:45 p.m.
~ Church (*Date Change*)

February 3 ~ First Reconciliation Ceremony ~ 5:45 p.m.
~ Church (*Date Change*)

March 30 ~ First Communion Activity Night ~ 5:45 p.m.
~ Ballroom

April 17 ~ First Communion Parent Meeting, Sunday Classes
~ 9:30 a.m.

April 20 ~ First Communion Parent Meeting,
Wednesday Classes ~ 5:45 p.m.

May 6 ~ First Communion Rehearsal ~ 5:45 p.m. ~ Church

May 7 ~ First Communion Ceremony ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Church

May 8 ~ May Crowning of Mary ~ 11:00 a.m. Mass ~ Church

May 11 ~ First Communion Family Celebration ~ 5:45 p.m.
~ Dinner

Faith Formation For Parents

On the following dates, our Adult Faith Formation Coordinator, Jack Kindsvater, will offer mini-sessions for parents on the Beatitudes and the Mass. These classes will feature clips from Bishop Robert Barron's CATHOLICISM DVD Series.

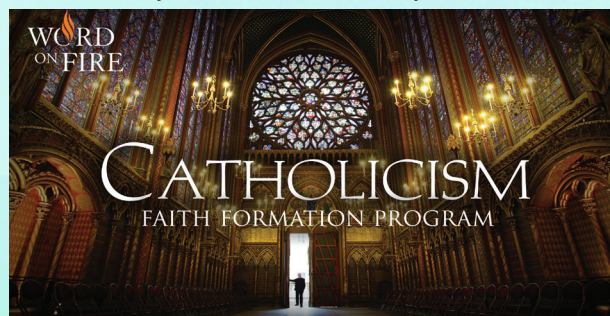
Sessions are open to all parents and will take place while children are in Faith Formation class. Please RSVP if you plan to attend and indicate if you will need childcare.

Topics:

Session 1: The Beatitudes: Jesus' commandments
Wednesday, January 13 & Sunday, January 24

Session 2: The Mass: Communion with the Lord
Sunday, February 7 & Wednesday, February 17

Session 3: The Eucharist: the Real Presence
Sunday, March 2 & Wednesday, March 6



ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The innocents were slaughtered as infants for Christ; spotless, they follow the Lamb and sing for ever: Glory to you, O Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Our soul has been rescued like a bird from a fowler's snare.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Rev 14: 4

Behold those redeemed as the first fruits of the human race for God and the Lamb, and who follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Tuesday, December 29: Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Jn 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 1:78

Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

Wednesday, December 30: Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Wis 18:14-15

When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jn 1:16

From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

Thursday, December 31: Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Is 9:5

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

1 Jn 4:9

God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.

Saturday, January 2: Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Sir 44: 15, 14

Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints, and let the Church proclaim their praise.

Their names will live on and on.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

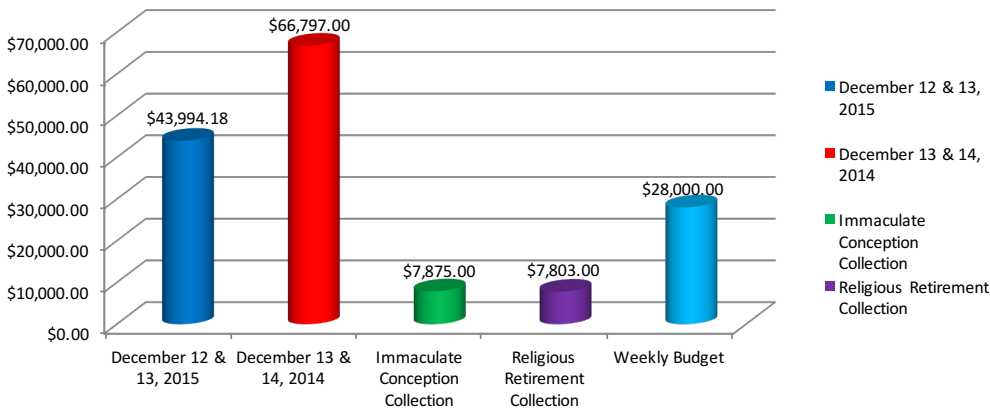
R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

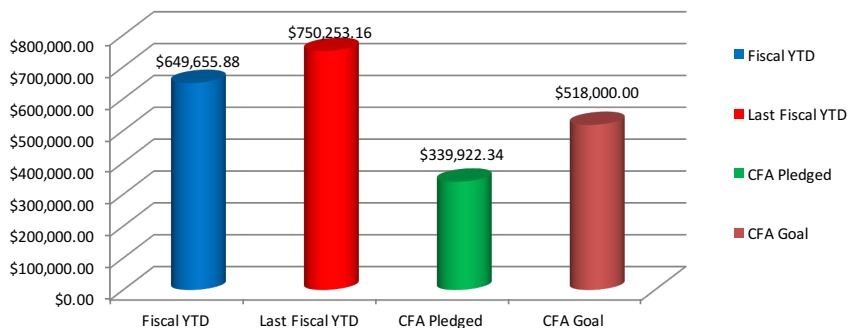
Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24

We proclaim Christ crucified; Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Collection Summary



Fiscal YTD (7/1/2015-6/30/2016) & CFA Summary



Jamaica Outreach Program

We Thank You for What You Do In His Name

The proceeds from the Pocket Change Weekend held in November was \$5,143.11.

Thanks to the generosity of Saint John the Evangelist parishioners and the help of JOP volunteers who manned the doors of our church, a family in Kingston will face the new year with the promise of a new home. We thank you in their name for what you do in His name.

Save the Date for Superbowl Party

The game is Sunday, February 7, 2016.

“Tailgating starts at 3:00 p.m.

Details coming soon!

Catholic-Jewish Dialogue

“The Jewish Cardinal” Screening Wednesday, January 6 at St. John

“The Jewish Cardinal” may sound like a punch line, but it accurately describes a real man, Jean-Marie Lustiger, the Paris-born son of Jewish immigrants from Poland, who at 13, bar mitzvah age, converted to Catholicism in the fraught year of 1940.



It is the amazing true story of a man who maintained his cultural identity as a Jew even after converting to Catholicism and joining the priesthood. Lustiger was

appointed Archbishop of Paris by Pope Jean Paul II and found a new platform to celebrate his dual identity as a Catholic Jew. When nuns plan to build a convent within the walls of Auschwitz, Lustiger may be forced at last to choose his side.

This haunting film is about reconciliation, the reconciliation of two faiths, Judaism and Christianity. “The Jewish Cardinal” reminds us of the possibility for goodness if there is respect, love and forgiveness between and among cultures and those of faith.

This family film will be shown in the St. John PLC on Wednesday, January 6, at 7:00 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Please RSVP to cjdialogue@naples.net

image: *Le cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger sur le parvis de Notre Dame de Paris le 15 août 1988.*
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SAVE THE DATE!


Thursday, January 28th 6:30pm-8:30pm
doors open at 6 pm

Open to Men & Women



Gus Lloyd, the exciting and engaging host of “Seize the Day” on Sirius XM 129: The Catholic Channel, is coming to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church for the Faith & Wine. His topic for the evening will be “Proclaiming the Gospel of Joy”

Are we a people of joy? Are we preaching the Gospel? Are we putting the two together? At the next Faith and Wine, Gus Lloyd, host of Seize the Day, the morning radio show on The Catholic Channel on Sirius XM, will talk about proclaiming the Gospel OF Joy and WITH Joy! Don't miss one of the most magnetic speakers in America today as he shares the Joy of the Gospel with us.

 *Faith and Wine*

GUS LLOYD

CATHOLIC *Apologetics*

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on January 26th, by going to www.faithandwine.com (using PayPal) or dropping off your check made payable to “Faith and Wine, Inc.” to the St. John parish office.

Or you can mail (postmarked before Thursday January 21st) your check to Kathleen Millard at 1937 Crestview Way Unit 172; Naples, FL. 34119

DONT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR GUS SPEAK AND GROW IN THE GIFT OF JOY



Action for Life / Naples Pro-Life Council 2016 Memorial Fundraising Dinner

Thursday, January 14, 2016

~ 5:00 PM ~ Registration

~ 5:30 PM ~ Social Hour followed by a sumptuous Buffet Dinner

St. John the Evangelist Church Hall - 625 111th Ave. N. Naples Florida

\$75 donation includes Beer, Wine, Soda, Hors d'oeuvres and Buffet Dinner

Rev. Michael Orsi will present a Memorial Tribute to Ed Melone and Joe Hennessy

REV. JONATHAN MORRIS
Popular
Fox News
Contributor



KEYNOTE
SPEAKERS



HARRY MIHET
Vice President of Legal
Affairs and chief litigation
counsel with
Liberty Counsel

\$75. donation per person ~ Please make check payable to: Action For Life

Mail by January 4, 2016 to: Action For Life, P.O. Box 8206, Naples FL 34101-8206

www.actionforlife.net - Phone: (239) 262-Life - E-mail: terese121@aol.com

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Nearly 50 men and women attended the recently concluded **CATHOLICISM** program at St. John. Of them 84% rated it Excellent, the other 16% said it was Very Good. For those of you who did not attend, **this CATHOLICISM program will be offered again** this winter.

This is your opportunity to step back and review the resources of the Catholic tradition and develop a mature faith you can apply to meet the challenges of today's postmodern world.

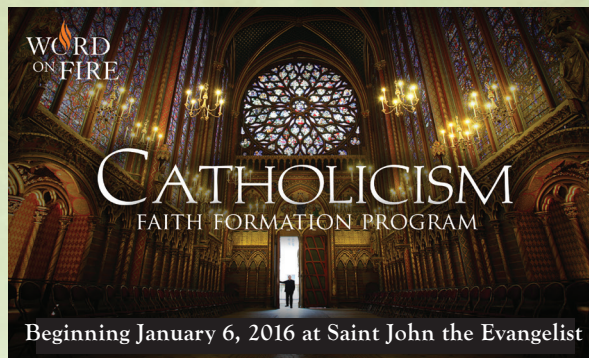
Here is what those who participated here at St. John said:

- *"Terrific, informative, and interesting program that helps you understand complex Catholic faith principles."*
- *"This is an eye-opener for the lifelong Catholic who has merely participated in his/her religion."*
- *"So many things I did not really understand are clear to me now. It has reinforced my decision to come back."*
- *"I see great value for me; this program provides knowledge of God and Catholicism that cannot be envisioned or understood from brief sermons or in reading the Bible."*
- *"It makes one look at common concepts in our religion from an entirely different perspective."*
- *"You may think you know everything, but you don't."*

You are invited to join other adult men and women in the multi-media study program based on the documentary film series **CATHOLICISM**, created and hosted by Bishop Robert Barron. He will take you around the world and deep into the faith to consider what Catholics believe and why. This program uses the spiritual and artistic treasures of the Faith to illuminate the key teachings of the Church.

You have the opportunity to join with other parishioners to watch the award-winning DVD presentations that were viewed by thousands on PBS, and then to discuss them, both to increase your understanding and to explore the application to your life in the world today.

Watching the DVDs at home is good, but as most participants noted, the group discussion is a valuable, key element of the formation process.



This program will be offered at two times of day to enable more parishioners to attend.

- One session will be on Wednesdays at lunchtime (11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.); bring a brown bag lunch, refreshments will be provided.
- The other session will be on Thursdays in the evening (7:00-8:30 p.m.), and again refreshments will be provided.

You can attend either session, or at lunchtime some weeks and in the evening other weeks. Both will be in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center.

Registration is only \$25 and includes your own copy of the **CATHOLICISM** Study Guide and Workbook. (Financial assistance is available if needed). Just go to www.sjecc.com to register on-line. Click on "Ways to Give" at the top and then select either the Wednesday lunchtime or Thursday evening Adult Faith Formation 2015 Winter Catholicism listing.

You can also bring your check to the Parish Office and register there.

Please register as soon as possible so that your Study Guides and Workbook will be available to you at the first session.

God is offering a gift to you. Are you ready to accept it?

2016 Catholicism Schedule & Topic

- January 6 and 7 – God Became Man
- January 13 and 14 – (continued)
- January 20 and 21 – The Teachings of Jesus
- January 27 & 28 – The Ineffable Mystery of God
- February 3 and 4 – Mary, the Mother of God
- February 10 and 11 – The Indispensable Men: Peter and Paul
- February 17 & 18 – The Mystical Union of Christ & the Church
- February 24 & 25 – The Mystery of the Liturgy & Eucharist
- March 2 and 3 – The Communion of Saints
- March 9 and 10 – Prayer and the Life of the Spirit
- March 16 and 17 – World Without End: The Last Things

More information about any of these programs can be obtained by contacting:
Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email jack@sjecc.com

Would You like to be of service to our church?

Have you ever wondered if there is a way for YOU to support our church in return for all our church does for each one of US?

The St. John's Men's Club would like to invite you to an Informational Cocktail Party on Sunday, January 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the Claussen Center Seminar Room. Enjoy complimentary cocktails and learn about who we are and all we do.

Our Men's Club is a service organization that supports St. John events that are enjoyed by the entire Parish, including Big Band Dances, Sock Hops, the annual Parish Picnic and Easter Egg Hunt.

The Men's Club and **our newly formed Ladies Auxiliary** also provide opportunities to get to know and socialize with the men and women of our Parish community while supporting so many important activities.

Don't forget – cocktails and answers – January 30th at 6:00 p.m.

See you there!
The St. John's Men's Club

Big Band Dance Schedule

Tuesday,
January 12

Tuesday,
January 26

Tuesday,
February 9

Tuesday,
February 23

Tuesday,
March 8

Tuesday,
March 22

Tuesday,
April 12

BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!

First Dance of the Season

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

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

Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era

Featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra

Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller & Stan Kenton



Admission:

\$10.00 cash
only at the door
~ includes snacks

Cash Bar: Water
and Soda ~ \$1.00

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

- Wine and
Mixed Drinks
~ \$3.00

Dress: Country
Club Casual
(No shorts please.)

Singles Welcome

*Sponsored by
the Men's Club*

Casino Night

To Benefit Jamaica Outreach Program

Very Casual Attire, Open Bar, 5000 Free gaming chips

Buffet Dinner (5:30-7:00 pm) - Gaming (6:30-9:00 pm)

Play games like Craps, Roulette, Blackjack, Poker, Slots on Genuine Vegas Tables

Professional Dealers will coach and entertain you.

Win A CRUISE & other great Raffle prizes— you must be present to win.

Note: no cash prizes per FL law, chips exchanged for Raffle tickets



Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016 5:30 p.m.

St. John Ballroom - 625 111th Ave N.

tickets \$55 per person



* Mail checks payable to Jamaica Outreach, P.O. Box 110581, Naples, FL 34108-1929
Or, call Jeanne Stamant 514-0290. Or buy/donate at JamaicaOutreach.org

*The Casino gaming tables are provided for entertainment purposes only by:
Casino Party Nights Florida, Inc. tel: 954-926-4219 . Donations and proceeds go to JOP.*

The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist

Proudly Presents

The Valentine's Day Dance

Thursday, February 11, 2016

With Billy Dean and Dawn

6:00 - 9:30 p.m.

(Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

Entertainment and dinner begin at 6:30 p.m.)

Tickets: \$50 per person.

On sale after all weekend Masses starting January 2, 2016.

Please make checks payable to: The Knights of Columbus

Tickets are also on sale online at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2016ValentinesDinnerDance>

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No sales after February 7 or at the door.

OPEN BAR



**JACKETS
REQUIRED.**

Music

Dancing

50/50

Frisco's Catering



For more information, please contact **Jim McDonald** at **947-6454**

Ladies of Charity Say: Thank You St. John!

Christmas Cards from Families in Christ!



McDonald Coupons!



Crayons & Pencils

Candy Canes from Walmart!



Bouncing Balls!

Necklaces!



Sometimes a "thank you" just doesn't seem enough. The parishioners of Saint John the Evangelist always seem to go way above and beyond to show their caring and love for our community. Once again we wrapped and stuffed over 500 Christmas Sneaker bags thanks to the generosity of all of you. These gifts were distributed to Naples Park Elementary and Guadalupe Social Services in Immokalee.

God bless each of you during this blessed holiday, and we pray that you all have a prosperous and healthy New Year. — Ladies of Charity

