

May 22, 2016

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

the
EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Celebrating the Blessed Virgin Mary and All Mothers

*Parish Family Celebrates
Mary and Mother's Day
With the May Crowning*

May 8 was a special day for several reasons here at St. John. Not only was it Mother's Day, but we were able to celebrate the mothers, grandmothers, and motherly figures that have helped to shape our lives together as a Parish Family during the 11:00 a.m. Mass with our May Crowning. This event recognizes the mother of our Church, Mary. Our recent First Communicants, were looking sharp in their dresses, suits and other formal attire from the previous day's sacramental excitement. Almost 30 young men and women carried white roses to our statue of Mary holding the infant Jesus, and two special communicants, Dylan Feeney and Jelena Trika, placed gold crowns on the statue's heads. Fr. John used incense to bless Mary and illustrate her role in our faith as mother to us all.

The Family Mission wants to thank all those involved in making this wonderful day: from Tricia Schwarz, who made over 100 homemade cross cookies, to Andy and Kay Sanfelippo, who ensured the flowers and liturgical environment were ready for the ceremony, to all of those who prepared the children for our celebration. We are very blessed as a Parish Family to share such an amazing moment of faith and thanksgiving for all the women in our lives.



For more photos of the MAY CROWNING, see page 7



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Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Thursday Evening: 6:30 p.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

May 21, 2016	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Padraig Canavan	Brendan, Jen & Kiley
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		
3:00 PM	+	Jerome Paul VanderHorst	Vicki VanderHorst
5:00 PM	+	William Schultz	The Family
May 22, 2016	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Sharon K. McCarthy	Joseph McCarthy
9:00 AM	+	Anna Hanson Cannon	Family
		& Joe Cannon	
11:00 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM	+	Bob Stamant	Edward & Ann Gelina
5:00 PM	+	Rose Wuerstle	Margaret Wuerstle
May 23, 2016	Monday		
8:30 AM	+	John C. Kusnies	Family
		& John Cannon	
May 24, 2016	Tuesday		
8:30 AM	+	Anna Quinn Hanson	Family
		& Joe Cannon	
May 25, 2016	Wednesday		
8:30 AM		Deb, Kathy & Margaret	Family
May 26, 2016	Thursday		
8:30 AM		Mass for The Unborn	Respect for Life Committee
6:30 PM	+	Charlie Nothstine	Gil & Patti Testa
May 27, 2016	Friday		
8:30 AM	+	Stephen Conger	Claire Conger
May 28, 2016	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Leo Horey	Iris Horey
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		
3:00 PM	+	Paul Slovan	Skubick Family
5:00 PM	+	Lee Anthony Carolla	Josephine & Frank Mello
May 29 2016	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	Kevin J. Ferreira	Perez Family
9:00 AM	+	Maria Catalano	Giuseppe & Anna Nardulli
11:00 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM	+	Renzo & David Lucci	Lucci Family
5:00 PM	+	Margaret Blaesing	The Blaesing Children

Wine and Host in Memory of Joe Reid ~ requested by Kay Reid

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, May 21, 2016

St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions;
Blessed Virgin Mary; *Armed Forces Day*
Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Sunday, May 22, 2016

The Most Holy Trinity

Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Monday, May 23, 2016

Eighth Week in Ordinary Time;

Victoria Day (Canada)

1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII;

St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45

Thursday, May 26, 2016

St. Philip Neri

1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2-5; Mk 10:46-52

Friday, May 27, 2016

St. Augustine of Canterbury

1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Blessed Virgin Mary

Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Sunday, May 29, 2016

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

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 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 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...

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Campaign Corner

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“Patience is the companion of wisdom.”

— Saint Augustine



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

2016-2017: The Year of Flexibility and Patience

There is already so much excitement brewing with our Parish Family and in the larger Naples area about the activities and events we are planning at St. John. With over 700 individual responses to our survey (<http://tinyurl.com/hbmlx9j>), we are clearly seeing the need for persistent programs to engage our fellowship and our faith. The challenge we now face is to begin these efforts within the confines of our existing campus, ensuring that past, present, and future come together.

Did you know we already have over 100 youth pre-registered for Faith Formation for next year? This is an unheard of number for St. John at this point in the year. If that is any indication of the growth of our Parish Family, we will have a significant increase in the activity on our campus every single day. As we increase the overall usage of the buildings we have now, and develop systems to handle all the various activities, I would ask that everyone understand that this coming year will be one of flexibility and patience. Meetings you may have had in a certain room for five or 10 years will need to move to another location on campus. Events that have not been supportive of the Parish Family may be modified or replaced for renewed activities. Priorities that have been illustrated by the survey will begin. We have over 4,800 activities to accomplish along with these new programs. We are such a vibrant community, so this is a good problem to have, but it can be difficult for some individuals to accept change. That is why patience will be needed from everyone for the next year.

Additionally, with the construction of the new Life Center beginning in the fall and winter, we will have further physical constraints on the campus. The back lot and field will become the staging ground for the increased space and capability of Saint John the Evangelist. From parking restraints to limitations on where we can hold activities, we must all work together to **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**. Flexibility and patience (and prayer) are the keys to getting us through these challenging moments together and to a point of achieving Fr. John's mission to build a constantly engaging St. John for our Parish Family and the community.

While the money has been pledged in our **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** capital campaign to accomplish the facility and some of our other urgent needs, we still need our entire Parish Family to give in order to reach our additional goals, including the detailed execution of the above programs. 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
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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.

Mass Intentions

We are now accepting 2017 intentions.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine

We have 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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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

8:30 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.,

11:00 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@sjecc.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@sjecc.com or drop your submission off in the parish office.

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 Most Holy Trinity, May 21 & 22

Readings:	677
Entrance Hymn:	168 Holy, Holy, Holy
Preparation Hymn:	574 Eye Has Not Seen
Communion Hymn:	225 Gift of Finest Wheat
	501 Now We Remain
Closing Hymn:	162 Sing Praise to Our Creator

Choral Anthem at 11 AM Mass

Prelude:	All Creatures of Our God And King	Althouse
Presentation:	For the Beauty of the Earth	Rutter
Communion:	Laudate Dominum	Mozart

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, May 23: Monday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 18 (17):19-20*

The Lord became my protector.

He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord will remember his covenant for ever.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 13 (12):6*

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

Tuesday, May 24: Tuesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 18 (17):19-20*

The Lord became my protector.

He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 13 (12):6*

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

Wednesday, May 25: Wednesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Sir 45:30*

The Lord established for him a covenant of peace, and made him the prince, that he might have the dignity of the priesthood for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Jn 21:17*

Lord, you know everything: you know that I love you.

Thursday, May 26: Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Rom 5:5; Cf. 8:11*

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Come with joy in to the presence of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Jn 15:9*

As the Father loves me, so I also love you; remain in my love says the Lord.

Friday, May 27: Friday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O chosen people, proclaim the mighty works of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord comes to judge the earth.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ez 34:15*

I will pasture my sheep;

I myself will give them rest, says the Lord.

Saturday, May 28: Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Lk 11:27*

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

As part of an on-going effort to communicate the renewed focus and efforts of our Parish Mission, I wanted to continue a new series in our bulletin, Getting #ToKnow Our Staff. We will spotlight a staff member here at St. John, including some of their responsibilities and background. That way, if you have a question, or need some assistance, you can put a name and face to those that will be helping you.

by Jean-Paul Boucher

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Getting #ToKnow Our Staff — Artistic Director Ellie Roberts

One of the saddest moments I have had in my current position here at St. John was the announcement that Ellie Roberts, our Cantor and Choir Director, was planning on a transition to North Carolina, ending her over decade-long support to our Parish Family. Most of you have experienced her beautiful voice during Mass, uplifting our spirits during these moments of encounter. The choir was heartbroken as well. The Holy Spirit has been working through all of us, however. I am so pleased to announce that Ellie has instead decided to make her permanent home here in Naples. She was inspired by our decision to develop a persistent music program at St. John, with lessons and concerts, and determined that creating this new artistic environment is exactly the challenge she has been looking for all her life.



Ellie has been a part of the Saint John the Evangelist Music team for 15 years. She has a professional music career in Opera and Classical performance. She performed for the Pamiro Opera company in Green Bay, WI, the Island Opera Theater in Key West and Opera Naples in Naples, FL. Ellie was a feature soloist and chorister with the Bach Ensemble in Naples and

recently performed the Pergolesi Stabat Mater and the Vivaldi Gloria with the group. She has also performed with the Green Bay Symphony. Ellie has performed in many concerts at St. John, with her most recent recital in January 2015 performing German Lieder and sacred favorites.

Ellie has also been an administrator in the nonprofit field in Naples for the past 10 years, working in Child Welfare, Mentorship and Programs for adults with Developmental Disabilities.

Ellie's expanded role as Artistic Director adds several responsibilities beyond her current Choir Director position. Ellie will oversee the development of our new Music Department, incorporating both the instructional (choirs,

individual and group lessons) and the appreciation (concert series, musical and theatrical events, open mic nights, etc.) for our Parish Family and the local community. Additionally, she will be responsible for all our fine arts programs, ranging from painting classes to theatrical programs. There are so many opportunities to assist people who have thought about learning an instrument or singing but think they are "too old" or don't have the money to do so. She will help make St. John a focal point of arts and music for Southwest Florida, where we can assist in making music approachable and economical for all ages and all walks of life.

I am joyous and grateful to be able to bring my expertise in Music, Program Development and administration to this endeavor. This is fulfillment of a long time dream to begin a school for the arts to students of all ages while enhancing our parish family and bringing many beautiful and uplifting events to our church in the future. — Ellie

We are so blessed as a Parish Family to have Ellie continuing to cantor for us during Mass and even more so for her ability and excitement to build an artistic community here at St. John for all of us to participate in and enjoy.



Celebrating the Blessed Virgin Mary and All Mothers



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Adult Faith Formation. See page 19**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. Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Leo Catholic Church, Juan Diego Building, Carol: 804.306.5323. Thursday evenings 7:00 p.m. Juliette: Lysack**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. Call the office: 566.8740

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:25 p.m. Grades 1-5. Call the office: 566.8740

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12 especially welcome. Call the office: 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). **SUMMER Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed Monday through Friday. 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. Meets every other Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meeting dates are: May 4 and 18 and June 1, 15 and 29. Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or Lhara@sjecc.com and Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254.

Faith Chat. Wednesdays at 5:45-7:30 p.m. Nancy Griffin: 239.777.0575**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.** Keep checking here for the next 7-session series. For any concerns related to the Bereavement Ministry call the office: 566.8740**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 6:30 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. Vicki Brenner: 498.9900**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. Lessons NOT provided. Lanell Bishop: 352.1860**Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary.** 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 from October to May. Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551.**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 lnbjudy@comcast.net**Recovering Couples Anonymous.** Saturday, 7 p.m. Britta: 348.5031 or Roger: 250.6888**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. Phyllis Crivelli: 594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 250.4162**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 at 9:30 a.m. Mag: 566.8878.

■ 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	Lt. John Meyers U.S. Army
Sp. Petrus Botha U.S. Army	LCpl. Randy A. Novak USMC
S. Isaiah Brutus U.S. Air Force	LCpl. Ryan D. Novak USMC
Ensign Stuart Campbell U.S. Navy	Ryan D. Novak USMC
BM2 Charley Davidson U.S. Navy (USS Samuel B. Roberts)	Cpt. Daniel Palmer U.S. Army
Adam Decker U.S. Air Force	Cpt. John Palmer U.S. Army
Nicholas Detloff U.S. Air Force	Cpt. Martin Palmer U.S. Army (Afghanistan)
Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante U.S. Army	Lt. Robert Pedrighi U.S. Army
Joshua Emmons U.S. Air Force	Lt. Joseph Schafer U.S. Army
LCpl. Conor Fleurant USMC	Pvt. 1st Class Aron Siwek U.S. Army
Lt. Colin Flood U.S. Army, Special Forces	Ensign Gabriella Scrudato U.S. Coast Guard
Lt. Bernardo Garcia U.S. Marines	MidShipman Micaela Scrudato U.S. Naval Academy
Lt. Joseph Gilig 1st Marine Division * LAV Recon	Houng Tran U.S. Army
Cpl. Dylan Granza U.S. Army Ranger	IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)
Specialist Shelby Granza U.S. Army	Staff Sgt. Brandon Waithe U.S. Air Force
Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer USMC * Embassy Security (New Zealand)	
Specialist Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army	
Marine Lt. Colonel Brian Howlett USMC	

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. Maria Jones: 348.5361. Wednesday morning

Centering Prayer will resume in the fall.

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. Phyllis Gryskiewicz, 566.7307

St. John Charismatic Prayer Group

"Blazing Hearts"

Meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Linda Reilly: 821.8982

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Gloria B. Carafa, Amelia Collazo, Charles Graney, Mary Lagnese, Mark Leonard Lukas, Verna Shadley, Cynthia Shuet-Fai Wang

May they rest in eternal peace.

Please pray for those on our prayer list below as well as those whose names appear on our online Prayer List at <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list>.

Paul Arpaia	Mary Lukas	George O'Hara
Kristen Barson	Pat M.	Emma O'Rourke
Gloria & Tom Carafa Family	Fran & Bernard Maier	Cindy Rosman
Frank & Becky Comeriato	Kaylee Manbeck	Paige Shrum
Sam Comeriato	Annette Mantia	Vincent Spinella
Stefanie Crofton	Ron Marlow	John and Chris Walsh
Justine Flanagan	Anthony Miro	Vincent and Susan Walsh
George Gonser Jr.	Mildred Morrison	McKenna Weinstein
Lisa Granger	Nancy	John & Mary Yotis
JC	Jerry O'Brien	Robert Zazzara
Mary Kuhn		

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like the name(s) you submit to be on our prayer list for longer than one month, please notify us by phone or email and we will move the name(s) indefinitely to our online prayer list at: <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list>

Prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

LET US PRAY...

To submit a one-month prayer request call 566.8740, or email: prayerlist@sjecc.com

MAY 22, 2016 ~ THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Jamaica Outreach Program

Making a Difference in Many Lives

Editor's Note: This article was written by Michele LaBasi, Registered Dental Hygienist, Practice Administrator, Expanded Functions Dental Auxiliary, who is a volunteer missionary who serves the JOP dental clinic in Jamaica. The article has appeared on LinkedIn.

My first international humanitarian outreach was October 2014. Since then, I traveled three more times to care for those who live in the slums of Kingston, Jamaica and provided oral health services and education. I connected with an organization called Jamaica Outreach Program (jamaicaoutreach.org), founded in 1997 and based out of Naples, FL. The program runs medical, dental and optical clinics as well as a food bank utilizing volunteers to provide care for the poor and underserved in the community.

During the first trip, I worked exclusively in the dental clinic by helping to triage children and adults as they arrived, giving local anesthesia to those who needed restorations or extractions, performing first time prophylaxes or debridements, and educating at every opportunity, mostly one on one.

There was a greater need — on a larger scale, to efficiently reach more people for education and prevention of the oral diseases we observed. I created an oral health education presentation and a fluoride varnish program that could be used with the children in the nearby school. In January 2015, I returned to Jamaica. Along with other members of the dental team, we screened for decay, applied fluoride varnish and educated approximately 475 elementary school children. Those who were in pain or had visual asymptomatic abscesses were immediately sent to the clinic for treatment.

There were still hundreds of students that needed to go through the program. I returned again in May 2015 to serve in the dental clinic and see more students in the school. This trip also



February 2016 USA team members this past February: Dr. Illeana Ramudo-Townsend, Jaleesa Minor, Emerald Sabecky, Danny Jang, (Paul, Boxer), Bronson Coles, Dr. Kim Burford, Dr. Derek Owens, Stephanie Scott.

included the addition of seeing abandoned and disabled children in a nearby facility called, The Mustard Seed (mustardseed.com). I screened and applied fluoride varnish to 20 children there. Two of them needed immediate care in the dental clinic.

My most recent outreach was in February 2016 when I served as the team leader overseeing the operations of the dental clinic and guiding the clinicians which included one oral surgeon, two general dentists, one dental hygienist, four dental assistants, and two Jamaican nationals all in coordination with local support personnel. We even had a Jamaican RDH, Merlene Sullivan join us.

Not everyone is able to go to another country to serve the impoverished — on these occasions, I was. In total, I gave over 130 hours of service to a group of warm and grateful people. Other teams have also gone to reapply fluoride varnish and rescreen the children. The program isn't perfect and some children don't get screened — we do what we can. There is still more to be done. The days are long and exhausting, and I know I am making a difference in many lives.

A portion of the cost of the trip is covered by donations within Jamaica Outreach Program (JOP), and I pay out of my own pocket for the balance. The time away from family and employment is minimal which makes it easier to leave. Area



dentists have generously donated unused equipment or dental supplies, and I purchased more to take with me. JOP has at least six dental mission trips a year and is always looking for

dentists, RDHs, assistants and lay people to serve on a team. We meet as strangers and leave as friends. There have also been entire offices that go and serve as a team.

If you would like to learn more about serving with the Jamaica Outreach Program, please contact Roger at rogerplante10@gmail.com.

Above Photo: Last November (2015), Michele LaBasi received the Clifford Jones Memorial Grant Award at Ohio Dental Hygienists' Association's (ODHA) Annual Session. She used the award to purchase an ultrasonic cleaner for the instruments so they wouldn't have to hand scrub them anymore. That lowered their health risks and saved time. Linda Wilson, ODHA Member Services Council Chair, and Amy Kinnamon, Past President ODHA, presented the award at the 92nd ODHA Annual Session.

Annual Memorial Day Mass Monday, May 30, Will Honor Those Who Died for Our Freedom

We will honor those members of our Armed Forces who answered the call and made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom at a special Memorial Day Mass, Monday, May 30 at 8:30 a.m. Choir Director Ellie Roberts will celebrate these heroes with special prelude music and ceremonies.

The names of our loved ones who paid for our freedom with their lives will be read aloud and remembered, so as to properly observe Memorial Day.

Please contact the office to provide the names of those loved ones who served our country and lost their lives for our freedom, unless you have previously submitted the name. Those names will be read aloud and remembered during our Memorial Day Observance Mass.

GRADUATES: FINAL CALL for Providing Info for Special Recognition at June 5 Mass and Bulletin



Attention Parents and 2016 Graduating Seniors

ALL St. John's graduating seniors will receive special recognition at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, June 5. Graduating seniors from private and public schools and those who are home schooled should register for this Mass by sending your name, school graduating from and future plans to Mary Beatty at mary@sjecc.com.

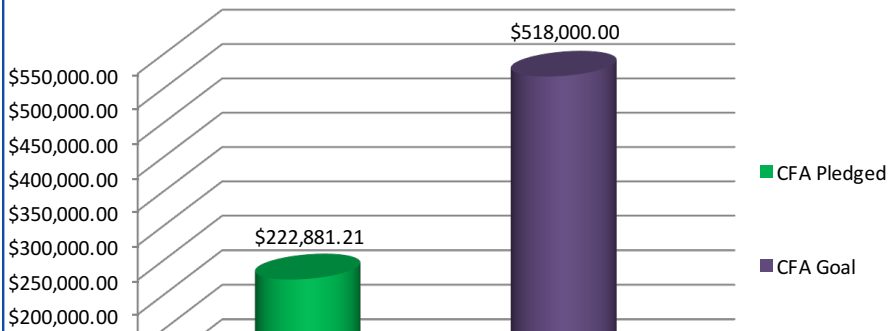
Please also send the same info with or without a digital senior photo to kathys@sjecc.com. Info and digital photo must be received by 5:00 p.m. Monday, May 23 for publication in the June 5 bulletin.

NOTE: if you include a photo, a parent/guardian must also email his/her consent for use of the photo in the bulletin and on our website. Email digital photo/consent to: kathys@sjecc.com or drop the information off at the Parish Office.

Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



Volunteers Needed for The Disaster Amateur Radio Network (DARN)

The Disaster Amateur Radio Network (DARN) of Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to provide emergency and back up communications for disaster response teams in their community in the immediate aftermath of any type of disaster. All volunteers are licensed FCC amateur radio operators or are individuals who agree to take the steps required to obtain a license.

Volunteers would serve from a fully equipped radio base station or be a member of the in-residence group and operate from their home or personal vehicle using their own gear. Radio base stations are located in Venice, Sarasota, Bradenton, Fort Myers, Naples, Arcadia, Port Charlotte and Immokalee.

There is only one general meeting a year and the network meets on air once a month to make sure all channels are loud and clear. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer can contact Andy Durette at 508.641.2074 or af_durette@hotmail.com.

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, May 22, 2016:

the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Opening Song **168 Holy, Holy Holy** NICAEA

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

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Response (cf. v.2a)

O Lord our God, how won-der-ful your name in all the earth!

O Lord our God, how won-der-ful your name in all the earth!

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

Preparation Song **How Great Is Our God** Chris Tomlin CCLI Song # 4348399. Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | Jesse Reeves. © 2004 worshiptogether.com songs (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing); sixsteps Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing); Wondrously Made Songs (a div of Wondrous Worship & Llano Music, LLC (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.). For use solely with the SongSelect Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com. CCLI License # 2008891.

v1) The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty	v2) Age to age he stands, and time is in his hands
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice	Beginning and the end, beginning and the end
He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to hide	The Godhead, Three in One: Father, Spirit, Son;
And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice	The Lion and the Lamb; the Lion and the Lamb!

Chorus

How great ___ is our God! ___ Sing with me: ___ how great is our God!

___ And all ___ will see how great, how great ___ is our God! ___

Bridge) Name above all names, worthy of all praise, My heart will sing, 'How great is our God!' (*repeat*)

Sanctus • Memorial Acclamation (**B**) • Great Amen •

The Glendalough Mass (please see worship aid in pew)

The Lord's Prayer • *Chant Mass*

Communion Songs **Behold the Lamb** Martin Willett

Agnus Dei • Lamb of God • *The Glendalough Mass*

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Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - a - ry, pure and ho - ly, tried and
 4 true. With thanks - gi-ving, I'll be a li - ving sanc-tu - a - ry for you.

Closing Song

Let the River Flow

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Verse

Chorus

Let the poor man say, "I am rich in him."
 Let the lost man say, "I am found in him."
 Oh, let the river flow!
 Let the blind man say, "I can see again."
 Let the dead man say, "I am born again."
 Oh, let the river flow! Oh, let the river flow—

Let the river flow, let the river flow
 Holy Spirit, come, move in power
 Let the river flow (let the river flow)
 Let the river flow (let the river flow)
 Let the river flow (let the river flow)
 Let the river flow!

Patriotic Order of the Knights Inducts Six New Members from St. John

The Florida State District Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree conducted their Exemplification of Candidates into the honors of the Fourth Degree, the Patriotic Order of the Knights, last Saturday, May 14. Hundreds of members of the highest Order of the Knights of Columbus welcomed nearly 100 new members from Southwest Florida Councils

into the Order at ceremonies conducted here at St. John.

Following the ceremony most of attendees then attended the 3:00 p.m. Mass donned in the dress of the fourth degree, Tuxedos and Baldric. A banquet followed the Mass attended by Fourth Degree Members and their wives and guests.

From St. John's Fourth Degree Assembly, Arthur J. Corr Assembly #3308, six new members from our Knights of Columbus Council joined the Patriotic Order. They were Sir Knights Louis (Phil) Baier, Charles Bassano, Paul G. Curti, Michael Brady, Joe Buch, and Paul McPherson. All are pictured to the left with AJ Corr Assembly Faithful Navigator Gary Ray.

*text and photo submitted by
 Bill Warvel,
 Knights of Columbus*



New members (left to right): Sir Knights Louis (Phil) Baier, Michael Brady, Charles Bassano, AJ Corr Assembly Faithful Navigator Gary Ray, Paul McPherson, Paul G. Curti. (Not pictured: Joe Buch)



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity: Year C

Proverbs 8:22-31

Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

The Word & Life

The Most Holy Trinity – Model of Self-Giving Love

*A*s we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity today, we contemplate a mystery that leads us so far out of our depth but at the same time so within our reach. It is out of our depth in the way that we will never understand the enormity of God's identity. But the mystery of the Trinity is also within our reach. The story of faith in the world is known as "salvation history", From the moment of creation until now, God has continually made himself known both in people and in the events of time. The Most Holy Trinity is the greatest expression of God's giving

of Himself. The Father adopts us as His children making us His own. The Son embodies the wisdom of God touching and changing humanity forever. The Holy Spirit remains in the Church to lead, guide, and inspire God's chosen ones. This is why we begin and end all of our celebrations in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. If we fail to acknowledge any person of the Trinity, we fail to understand the fullness of God's love.

We celebrate the constancy of God's love as we observe the feast of the Trinity. We acknowledge the great sacrifice that the Father made in sending his only Son to be our savior. We are asked to be aware of the very breath of God within us as we acknowledge our bodies to be the temples of the Holy Spirit. We are asked to mirror God's ultimate self-giving in our lives. The choices we make should reflect the generosity of the Trinity. The Father gives life to the Son. The Son promises and bestows upon the disciples the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit in turn gives life to the Church, inspiring countless millions to follow Christ. The Holy Trinity is a model of self-giving and generosity that has the power to change the world forever. Likewise, we are asked to share our lives in the same self-giving and unconditional love of the Blessed Trinity.

We have heard it said: "What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is

Reflection Questions

1. What is the Trinity?
2. How does each person of the Trinity give you sense of security?
3. Do you think history has been impacted by the understanding of the Trinity? Why or why not? How does the self-giving and generosity of the Trinity inspire you?
4. What does it mean to become a reflection of the Trinity?
5. Name the ways in which God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, has been present in your lives.
6. The Holy Trinity is a model for unity. How can you, as a member of the Church, promote unity in your local community?
7. In what ways may the international community gain unity?
8. Is there unity in your family, work place, or places of leisure?
9. How can God's generosity, manifest in the Trinity, shape your life and your choices?

your gift to God!” We truly glorify our lives by understanding what it means to be made in the image and likeness of God. The People of God must always know and understand this when they are faced with life’s choices. Socio-political debates must always remember the most fundamental understanding of who we are as human beings. We are creatures made in the image and likeness of God, no matter our color, race, or language. Every human being possesses an inherent and fundamental dignity. Therefore, we must always respond to the stranger with an unquestioned reverence for their personhood. The fundamental option of our lives must always be oriented to the good. By remaining open to the Holy Spirit and led by the teachings and example of Jesus, we share in this ultimate divine mystery of God’s self-manifestation to the world. The Most Holy Trinity is also the expression of unity. We are called to live in that unity by seeking unity in our church, in our families, and in the world.

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



Prayer

We pray: Most Blessed and Holy Trinity, Three in One, through the passage of time, You are with us. Help us to preserve in our lives the unity and peace signified in your presence. Help us become a gift of your divine love. May the wisdom of the reality of your presence, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with us as we go forth on our pilgrimage through life. Amen.

Voices of Faith

Blessed Trinity

O Trinity most holy
O Trinity most sublime
The mystery of God revealed
The gift of love divine

At the beginning of time
The genius of God pours forth
As beauty upon beauty He creates
His love – a divine force

The hand of God enters the void
Where the Spirit hovers over the deep
The Word of God yet not Incarnate
Awakens the dark with dawn’s keep

God gifts a world of beauty
Life’s abundance is now here
Man made in His image
God’s intention is made clear

The Father holds man in His heart
In love he sets him free
To live a life of promise
Called to become, called to be

Yet man forgets the sacred
God’s Spirit he does not see
The Father sends his helpers
In order to set man free

And so the Word Incarnate
Pitches his tent among us
A gift from God above
The Word made flesh, Emmanuel – God with us!

Hungry hearts are touched by Christ’s presence
Those wounded are now healed
Yet man has the eyes to see not
The mystery of God revealed

And so his Christ is rejected
And hangs upon the tree
So man’s sins may be forgiven
As once again he’s set free

The tomb’s darkness is no more
As the God-man awakes with the dawn
Death is overwhelming conquered
And man is to weep no more

From the world of death
The Word appears in radiance
To men and women living in fear
The Advocate – Divine Helper is promised for man’s reliance

And so the Spirit is breathed upon man
To fulfill the promise
Of God’s walking with man
So that man may do him homage

O Trinity most holy
O Trinity most sublime
The mystery of God revealed
The gift of love divine



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

Faith Formation

2015-2016 School Year

CALENDAR

JUNE

- 5 ~ VBS Volunteer Workshop, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.
- 13 - 17 ~ Vacation Bible School, 9:00 - Noon
- 17 ~ VBS Family Dinner, 5:30 p.m.

VBS Mission Light House of Collier: Ways to Help

This year at St. John Vacation Bible School where we are following Jesus, the Light of the World, we have chosen to support Lighthouse of Collier as our Mission Program. Lighthouse of Collier is a Florida Not for Profit, 501c3, Corporation that began in 2009. Its mission is "to promote the development, implementation, and ongoing evaluation of programs and services that foster independence and enhance the quality of life for the blind, visually impaired, and their caregivers." Lighthouse of Collier offers programs and services at no charge to help the approximately 14,000 blind and visually impaired adults and children of Collier County. As Jesus is the Light of the World, we can bring the light of Jesus to those who can't see by supporting their endeavors and needs. The entire parish is welcome to join us as we collect the following items:



- Art supplies:
 - craft paint
 - paint brushes
 - small canvases
 - construction paper
 - crayons
 - LOTS of stickers (our kids love stickers!) ideally the foam stickers that are raised so our kids are more able to feel the shape
 - Foam craft paper
 - Glitter glue
 - Beads — any kind of beads! Alphabet beads are very popular. Lots of our kids enjoy making beaded jewelry.
 - String/thread for bead projects
 - Coloring books
- Small bottles of water
- Snacks that are individually packaged (i.e- chips, popcorn, fruit snacks)

Items may be dropped off at the Parish Office or outside the Faith Formation Office. Please mark VBS Mission on the bags donated. Thank you!

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

Thank You for the Delicious Treats for our First Communicants!

A special thank you to our St. John Men's Club, Men's Club Ladies Auxiliary and Lou Alteri, Our Food Service Manager, for providing a wonderful cake and cookie reception for our First Communicants. The families were very grateful for the delicious treats and hard work to make this day so special!



Calling all Current 8th Graders!

Several of you received your First Communion here at St. John back in 2010! Would you believe we still have several of your First Communion light blue banners that have not been picked up! Yes, the time has gone by quickly. We welcome all 8th graders — those of you who are currently enrolled in Faith Formation, as well as those of you who have been away for awhile and those of you who are new to our parish, to register for High School Confirmation classes for next year! The proposed High School Calendar is already up on our website at www.sjecc.com under the Faith Formation tab and in the K-12 Section. In the Diocese of Venice, youth may receive the Sacrament of Confirmation when they are age 15 and in at least the 10th grade, having had two consecutive years of Faith Formation. For current high school students who have not yet been confirmed, we welcome you as well! There will be 15 classes on Sunday evenings from 6:15-7:30 p.m. throughout the next school year. For more information please contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com. Registration is now open!

Go Online to Print Registration Forms

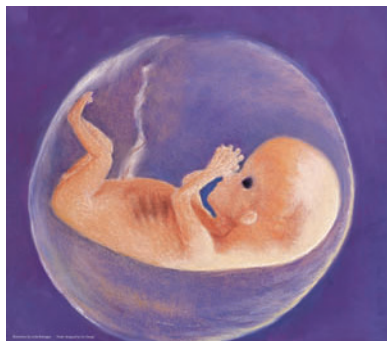
Registration Forms are now available to print at www.sjecc.com. To access the calendar and the forms, go to the Faith Formation tab at the website homepage and then go to the drop-down marked "Grades Pre-K to 12th Grade." Forms are all located at the bottom of that page.

Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Two

The Spiritual Adoption Program is heading into the second month. Your commitment is to pray a short prayer daily through Christmas.

MONTH 2 - Developing Baby – “I’m dancing!”

Your spiritually adopted baby is making progress developing all of her external features and internal organs. Her brain is functioning at 40 days. Her mother can hear her heartbeat now on an ultrasonic stethoscope. Baby-teeth buds are present at 6 ½ weeks. The central nervous system is functioning and 40 muscle sets



begin their first exercises. From this moment, your spiritually adopted baby grows and refines her body. But everything she needs to survive after birth is already present by the end

of the eighth week. She is now called a “fetus” a Latin word meaning “little one”. Ultrasound reveals that this little one can now spring, flip and jump – her first dance steps!

Psalm 139:13 - “You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother’s womb.”

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John will be Thursday, May 26 at 8:30 a.m. This Mass will be celebrated in special observance of the life of Jesus in the womb of our Blessed Mother. For a complete schedule of the Novena of Masses for Life, check the diocesan website at:

www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife

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**Convention Celebration
of Christian Marriage
June 17-19 in Tampa**

The Convention Celebration of Christian Marriage will be held June 17-19 at the Tampa Convention Center. Keynote Speakers include Bishop William S. Skylstad, D.D., (former President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), and the renowned authors on marriage Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott.

The convention includes enriching additional presentations on marriage, music, vendors, Catholic masses, separate programs for children and teens, and a Wedding Feast on Saturday Night with dining and dancing.

The Convention Celebration of Christian Marriage is presented by WorldWide Marriage Encounter but open to ALL married couples.

Full info and registration at www.wwme2016.org.

Spotlight on Ministry

Parish Prayer List Ministry

“So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” (Luke 11:9)

One grandmother and her family were most appreciative of our prayers for her grandson whose name has been on our prayer list. She wrote:

Thank you for the prayers for our 12 year old grandson who was struggling to swallow solid foods for almost six months. It was heart-breaking for him not to be able to receive the Eucharist for such a long period. Thanks to your prayers which guided a team of doctors and therapists, he has turned the corner and has slowly resumed eating a wide variety of foods. From clear liquids at Christmas to pizza by Ascension.

Last weekend while being an altar server at our church, Shrine of the Little Flower, Jamie was once again able to receive the Eucharist. This has been a long and at times very difficult time for our family. We are blessed to have had so many friends and strangers praying for his recovery.

God Bless you!



CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

*And We're Helping Grow The **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** Capital Campaign!*



Between now and March 31, 2018, if a Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church parishioner lists or sells their home with us, we will make a donation at closing in honor of the parishioner (or a person of their choice) to the Capital Campaign; this donation will be 25% of our commission. To learn more, please contact us.

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Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

This Week *Amoris Laetitia* Chapter 5

“Love always gives life,” the Pope says. “The family is the setting in which a new life is not only born but also welcomed as a gift of God.”

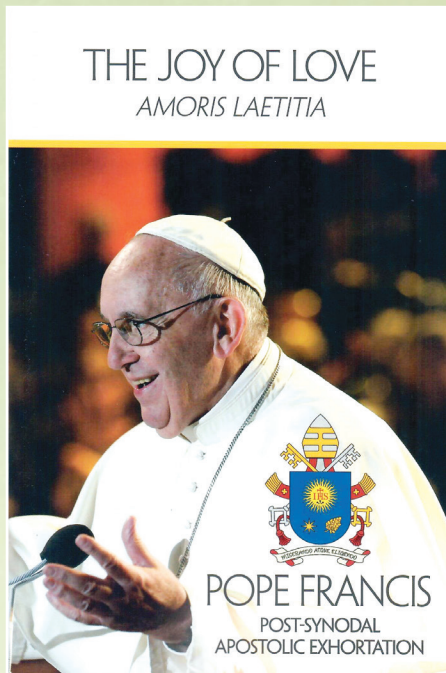
The Study Guide poses a series of questions for discussion, including what is feminine genius, what is the role of the extended or wider family, what is the role of grandparents in a family, and does an only child miss something by not having brothers and sisters.

We meet in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24, and 1:00 p.m. Thursday, May 26. You are invited to come to either session, even if you have not attended before. Each session is scheduled to last 75 minutes, although some may choose to remain and continue the discussion.

Remember, if you have not yet obtained your copy of *Amoris Laetitia*, it can be downloaded free from a number of websites, including www.sjecc.com, or a printed copy can be obtained in the Parish Office or Divine Gift Boutique for only \$10.

Looking ahead, the next week we will read and discuss Chapter Seven that deals with the education of children. The Pope addresses the ethical and religious formation of children, and also raises new issues like the need for technological disconnect.



What Is Meditation?

Meditation is a mind and body practice that has a long history of use for increasing calmness and physical relaxation, improving psychological balance, coping with illness, and enhancing overall health and well-being. Mind and body practices focus on the interactions among the brain, mind, body, and behavior.

There are many types of meditation, but most have four elements in common: a quiet location with as few distractions as possible; a specific, comfortable posture; a focus of attention; and an open attitude (letting distractions come and go naturally without judging them). (www.nccih.nih.gov)

What is Christian Meditation?

Christian Meditation is a form of prayer that is very healthy for your personal consciousness. It can quiet anxieties and reduce needless worry. By consistently practicing meditation you can be more peaceful deep inside where it counts.

It has become very acceptable in the Catholic community as Centering Prayer. But this form can be difficult, especially for left brain people. Every other Wednesday in June an alternative form will be introduced and practiced. Each session will discuss consciousness because the more you understand consciousness, the more you will understand how meditation works to heal.

Join us on June 1, 15, and 29 in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center. There will be two sessions each day, one at 11:00 a.m. and another identical session at 7:00 p.m. The series of sessions is progressive. But, if you must miss one session, you are still invited to come to the next one.

If you have questions just let us know by phone or email and we will call you to discuss them.

Please register by phone or email so we can plan for you.



To register or for more information about any of these programs:

Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email jack@sjecc.com

Three St. John Boy Scouts Earn Ad Altare Dei Status

Three Boy Scouts from Troop 226 were recognized by Bishop Frank J. Dewane at an awards ceremony on Sunday, May 15. The "Ad Altare Dei" (to the altar of God) is a program developed by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) for Boy Scouts of the Catholic faith.

The program is divided into sections that parallel the seven Sacraments. The Scout is encouraged to work with other Scouts on this program, under the guidance of a certified Religious Emblems Counselor. The AAD program consists of discussions, activities and projects with the most important aspect being that the Scout grows in his spiritual experience in his relationship to God and the church.

The three boys got together every two weeks for six months, sacrificing their personal time to work together to achieve this great honor.

Upon completion, the Scout is presented with the Ad Altare Dei emblem. This is a bronze cross suspended under a bar and ribbon of the Papal colors.



Please congratulate these fine young men and their commitment to Scouting and their Catholic faith.

*text and photo submitted by Carolyn McNichols
Boy Scouts Troop 226*



(Left to Right) Posing with Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Matthew Hubbard, Ryan McNichols, and Josh Costain earn Ad Altare Dei status.

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DATE	PORT LOCATION	TIME
Nov. 20, 2016	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:30pm
Nov. 21, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 22, 2016	San Juan, Puerto Rico	3:30-9pm
Nov. 23, 2016	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8am-5pm
Nov. 24, 2016	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	8am-5pm
Nov. 25, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 26, 2016	Day at Sea	
Nov. 27, 2016	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



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Jan. 20, 2017	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:00pm
Jan. 21, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 23, 2017	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8am-5pm
Jan. 24, 2017	Basseterre, St. Kitts & Nevis	7am-3pm
Jan. 25, 2017	Bridgetown, Barbados	9am-6pm
Jan. 26, 2017	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	2pm arrive
Jan. 27, 2017	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	5pm depart
Jan. 28, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2017	Day at Sea	
Jan. 30, 2017	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



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