

July 3, 2016

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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EVANGELIST

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



SSGT. Anthony Zoglio, USAAC
WWII



MSGT. Tim Timrud, Marines
WWII, Korea, Vietnam



SHARP Shirley Hansen, USCG
WWII, ESGN; and Pilot Martin
Monahan, U.S.N WWII



CPL Frank Lagonigro, Army,
Korean War



Madeline Gaffey
(far right) on behalf
of husband SSGT. Jack
Gaffey, Korean War
(posthumously)

The Knights of Columbus Annual Independence Celebration Pays Tribute to Six Honorees

It was a celebration of patriotism for over 200 guests who celebrated our independence on Saturday evening, June 25, and honored the brave men and women of our Armed Forces, past and present, who protect our liberty. Sponsored by the Arthur J. Corr Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, a patriotism theme permeated the evening with the presentation and posting of our colors by the Naples High School Junior ROTC Color Guard, followed by a video of how our National Anthem came to be written by Francis Scott Key during the battle of Baltimore at Ft. McHenry in September of 1814. The explanation of the POW-MIA Table was also presented.

Six special Honorees received recognition, including one posthumously. (See photos of Honorees and their guests on left.)

The evening also included dinner, patriotic music and dancing to the tunes of Legends of Las Vegas.

— See additional photos on page 14

*Celebrating the glory of our nation
and the freedoms we hold sacred!*



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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
July 2, 2016	Saturday
8:00 AM + Christopher Keating	Philip & Mickey Keating
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
3:00 PM + Joseph Manes	Tony Manes
5:00 PM + Christine & Anthony Mello	Josephine & Frank Mello
July 3, 2016	Sunday
7:00 AM + Victoria Martin	John Martin
9:00 AM + Vito & Franco Nardulli	Giuseppe & Anna Nardulli
11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Joe Hennessy	Audrey & Charles Dee
5:00 PM + Mrs. Victoria Kowalski	Mike & Kathy Mooney
July 4, 2016	Monday
8:30 AM + Helen Nash	Leo Nash
July 5, 2016	Tuesday
8:30 AM + Joe Reid	Madeline Gaffey
July 6, 2016	Wednesday
8:30 AM + Joseph Bernetch	The Family
July 7, 2016	Thursday
8:30 AM + Walter Shea	Joe & Kay Jette
6:30 PM + Joseph Toi Pham	Jim & Darlene Follese
July 8, 2016	Friday
8:30 AM + Joe Reid	Frank & Arlene Rosenthal
July 9, 2016	Saturday
8:00 AM + Gail Gorumba	Cotroneo Family
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday
3:00 PM + Maureen Knoblock	Aunt Terry
5:00 PM + Dorothy LaRocca	Beverly Cornell
July 10, 2016	Sunday
7:00 AM + Esther Riley	Kate & Joe Schmitz
9:00 AM + Maureen O'Connor	Douglas O'Connor
11:00 AM	For Our Parishioners
1:00 PM + Jean & Joe McCarthy	Richard McCarthy
5:00 PM + Clara C. Friedman	Bill & Genny Sjostrom

Flowers in Memory of Bob Bolster ~ requested by The Robert C. Bolster Family

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday, July 2, 2016
First Saturday
Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday;
Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20;
Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]
Sunday, July 3, 2016
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Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20;
Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]
Monday, July 4, 2016
<i>Independence Day</i>
Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26; or, for
<i>Independence Day</i> , any readings from the Mass
"For Public Needs," nos. 882-889, or "For Peace and
Justice," nos. 887-891
Tuesday, July 5, 2016
St. Anthony Zaccaria; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday, July 6, 2016
St. Maria Goretti
Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday, July 7, 2016
Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15
Friday, July 8, 2016
Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday, July 9, 2016
St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions;
Blessed Virgin Mary
Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday;
Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37;
or Ps 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
Sunday, July 10, 2016
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37;
or Ps 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

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.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS...

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Campaign Corner

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“Joy is the most infallible sign of the existence of God”

— Pierre Teilhard de Chardin



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Renaming the Parish Life Center: Suggestions?

It is amazing that we have had over 1,300 responses to our New Programs survey. We are blessed to have such an active and engaged Parish Family, and we are gearing up to provide these new and renewed efforts for ourselves and the larger community. I will be presenting the feedback from the survey over the next few weeks here, but before we delve into our needs, I have a request for you.

The building on our campus that gets used the most after our church, of course, is our Parish Life Center, or PLC. This large building currently houses ten classrooms, meeting rooms, a nursery, offices, our front desk for the parish, and the Ballroom. The PLC is utilized 7 days a week, 365 days a year for every type of program from our Faith Formation and After School programs, to Big Band Dances, to AA Meetings and Bible Study groups. It has lived up to its name as a Life Center. However, our new Life Center is breaking ground this year, and we do not want to cause any confusion with two separate buildings including the same name. We have decided to change the name of the current Parish Life Center and we need your help in choosing a new one. This name must speak to the enlivening and engaging nature of Saint John the Evangelist, as well as to the diverse set of activities that will continue for years to come within its walls. Some options we have thought about include:

- Parish Family Center
- Parish Union Center
- Parish Community Center

If you have any suggestions, or if you believe one of the above names would be best, please email me (jp@sjecc.com) or call me 239.566.8740 with your feedback. This is also a unique opportunity for someone to put their own name on the building, as part of the Capital Campaign. If you are interested, your family name could be added to this active facility for \$1 million. This will ensure the full and complete renovation of the current Parish Life Center and bring its capability up to the level of our new Life Center.



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
jp@sjecc.com

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

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239.566.8740

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Call the office

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Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA
Jack Kindsvater: *Ext. 3918*

email staff members at:
info@sjecc.com

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.

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.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION...

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Readings:	722
Entrance Hymn:	607 God Of Our Fathers
Preparation Hymn:	486 Here I Am Lord
Communion Hymn:	238 Taste and See
	457 Amazing Grace
Closing Hymn:	340 Sing of the Lord's Goodness

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, July 4: Monday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Sir 36:18, 19*

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you;
hear the prayers of your servants
and guide us in the way of justice.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord is gracious and merciful.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 36 (35):10*

With you, O Lord, is the fountain of life,
and in your light, we see light.

Tuesday, July 5: Tuesday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Mt 25:34, 36, 40*

Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord:
I was sick, and you visited me.

Amen, I say to you: Whatever you did
for one of the least of my brethren you did it for me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The house of Israel trusts in the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Jn 15:13*

Greater love has no one
than to lay down his life for his friends

Wednesday, July 6: Wednesday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified
for us,

powerful in virginity, modesty her offering,
a sacrifice on the altar of chastity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Seek always the face of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Rv 7:17*

The Lamb who is at the center of the throne
will lead them to the springs of the waters of life.

Thursday, July 7: Thursday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 48 (47):10-11*

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the
earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let us see your face, Lord, and we shall be saved.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 34 (33):9*

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Friday, July 8: Friday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Ps 33 (32):11, 19*

The designs of his Heart are from age to age,
to rescue their souls from death
and to keep them alive in famine.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. My mouth will declare your praise.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Jn 7:37-38*

Thus says the Lord:
Let whoever is thirsty come to me and drink.
Streams of living water will flow
from within the one who believes in me.

Saturday, July 9: Saturday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven,
the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ,
and since for love of him they shed their blood,
they now exult with Christ for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Lk 22:28-30*

It is you who have stood by me in my trials;
and I confer a kingdom on you, says the Lord,
that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.

#ToKnow – Ministry Organization: Making it Easier to Find and Communicate What We Are Doing

I have been describing these next years here at St. John as the time of flexibility and patience. We are building a brand new Life Center. We are renovating existing buildings. We are starting new programs and enhancing current ones. We will be taking a hard look at some efforts of our parish and determining their priority and validity in supporting Our Mission. For example, the Super Bowl Party attendance and engagement of the Parish Family has been steadily declining for the past 5 years. The amount of money raised to support the Youth Group has been minimal. It is time to try something different, especially in the spirit of our new Catholic Youth Organization and Catholic Adult Organization. The same focus on how we effectively serve the Parish Family and the community around us is being applied to our Ministries as well.

Several months ago, we held Town Halls with all the leadership of the ministries of Saint John the Evangelist. It was clear in those meetings just how many dedicated and passionate individuals there are in our parish. So many efforts are going on to help our church, the Naples area, and all over the world. It was heartening to see how much everyone wanted to collaborate and find ways to better engage our Parish Family to grow. It was also clear that being able to work together requires all of us to understand each other's ministries and how they could relate to each person that may be looking to join our active church. The Pastoral Stewardship Council, led by Rick Beebe, took the feedback from the Town Halls, along with the material we have gathered about each ministry over the past year, and has developed several new initiatives to make it easier to communicate and attract people to both our ministries and our parish as a whole.

One of these initiatives is a new communication strategy illustrating the categories of the various groups that live here at St. John. Sometimes, it can be confusing for someone looking for an activity to quickly browse our bulletin or website and find what they are looking for because many different types of activities are bundled together. Starting next week, we will begin to organize the ministries and groups of St. John to make it simple to find an organization that you may want to be a part of or learn more about. The main categories for this ministerial opportunities will be:

- **Operational:** There are many efforts here at St. John that directly impact our ability to perform the mission essential functions of our Parish, namely providing Masses and Services that make us a Catholic Church. The organizations ensure those functions occur seamlessly for our Parish Family, like the Sacristans, Lectors, Arts and Liturgical, Faith Formation, Gift Boutique and others,

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which are called to serve in a dedicated and devotional way.

- **Ministry:** These organizations truly live out the St. John Mission Statement in actively pursuing their own vision and goals as well as engaging the entire parish in growing their ministry in both function and membership. They are specifically developed and operated within our Parish Family, even if they have additional membership from the larger community. The Knights of Columbus, Ladies of Charity, Men's Club, and Companion Driving Ministry are just a few examples of the dozens of ministries here at St. John.
- **Group:** These primarily external organizations provide social, spiritual and service type programs here for our Parish Family as well as for Naples. Groups usually have an "inward" focus, and some of the examples of groups include Al-Anon, Alcoholics Anonymous, Faith and Wine, and Mahjong.

In the next few weeks, you will see the bulletin will be reorganized to represent these different organizations in these categories so more description can be provided and a deeper understanding can be created. This is not going to be a perfect way to organize ourselves, and I am sure we will refine it over

time. The focus and priority of these opportunities may change over time, so this will always be a "living document". I am looking forward to this journey with all of you as we know, love and serve God together.



Vince Corbino, of the Arts and Liturgical Ministry, helps to set up for Holy Thursday: Mass of the The Lord's Supper.



Mary Immaculate
Patroness of Our Country
Pray for Us

Prayer For the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome —for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us — this great land will always be “one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Fortnight to Freedom Closing Masses

Diocese of Venice

Locally, in the Diocese of Venice, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites the faithful to a closing Mass for the Fortnight for Freedom on Sunday, July 3 at 5:30 p.m. at Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Ave. W., Venice. The Mass is open to everyone and is for the special intention of protecting religious freedom.

Nationally Televised Closing Mass

The Fortnight for Freedom nationally televised Closing Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Donald Wuerl with Bishop David Zubik of Pittsburgh delivering the homily, on Monday, July 4 at noon at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

The Mass will be televised nationwide on EWTN and the Catholic TV Network. — *U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)*

July 4 Mass Music at St. John

Join us on Monday, July 4 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass for special patriotic music. Fr. John will be the celebrant at the Mass and Ellie Roberts, choir director, will be the cantor.

Catholic Charities: Summertime and the Giving is Easy

Make a splash this summer with the Catholic Charities Summertime and the Giving is Easy appeal. Create a ripple effect and empower those in need. Every day vulnerable people living in Southwest Florida come to Catholic Charities for relief.

Take the plunge and give assistance that nourishes, educates, shelters and supports at-risk children, isolated elderly, struggling families, and homeless individuals. A total of 93 cents of each dollar donated to Catholic Charities goes directly to programs and services. The giving is easy...visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org.

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Adult Faith Formation. See page 17**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 Elaine: 566.8740.**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

■ 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. ■

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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 Pedrigo 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	Spc. Andrew Smith U.S. Army (Kuwait)
Cpl. Dylan Granza U.S. Army Ranger	Spc. Devin Snyder U.S. Army (Ft. Drum, NY)
Spc. Shelby Granza U.S. Army	Houng Tran U.S. Army
Gunnery Sgt. Patrick H. Hammer USMC * Embassy Security (New Zealand)	IT2 Jason E. Tydingco (USN)
Spc. Douglas Hennessy U.S. Army	Staff Sgt. Brandon Waithe U.S. Air Force
Marine Colonel Brian Howlett USMC	Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino U.S. Air Force
2nd Lt. Sean Kealey U.S. Army	

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:

Dorothy Boynton, James Magee and John Orlandini

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>.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by PRAYER and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. – Philippians 4:6

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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 or the names will be removed. These names also appear on our online prayer list at: <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/ministries/prayer-list>

LET US PRAY...

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

JULY 3, 2016 ~ FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, July 3, 2013: the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **Holy Is the Lord** Chris Tomlin CCLI Song #4158039. ©2003 worshiptogether.com
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Verse) We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.
 We bow down and worship him now; how great, how awesome is he! And together we sing, ev'ryone sing:

Ho - ly is the Lord God Al - might - y. The earth
 is filled with His glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord
 God Al - might - y. The earth is filled with His glo -
 ry. The earth is filled with His glo - ry.

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

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Response

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy,
 Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

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

Preparation Song **478** **Servant Song** Donna Marie McGargill

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

Communion Songs **238** **Taste and See** James E. Moore

Hungry

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Verse 1

Hungry I come to you for I know you satisfy
I am empty but I know your love does not run dry
And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)

Verse 2

Broken I run to you for your arms are open wide
I am weary, but I know your touch restores my life
And so I wait for you; so I wait for you (chorus:)

I'm fall - ing on my knees, of - fer - ing all of me.
Je - sus. You're all this heart is liv - ing for.

Closing Songs

You Are the Lord

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V.1) You gave me a title, although I didn't know you. You called my name, and blessed me with life.
Now I've squandered the fortunes of my childhood, given in to a world of lies...
But I can't hide forever from what I know is true; Jesus, I surrender my life to you— (to chorus)

V.2) The mountains, they move at the sound of your holy name; the lame will walk and the blind will see.
I know you want my heart, I know that I am nothing; you are the source of ev'rything...
And I can't live forever, unless I live in you; Jesus I surrender my life to you— (to chorus)

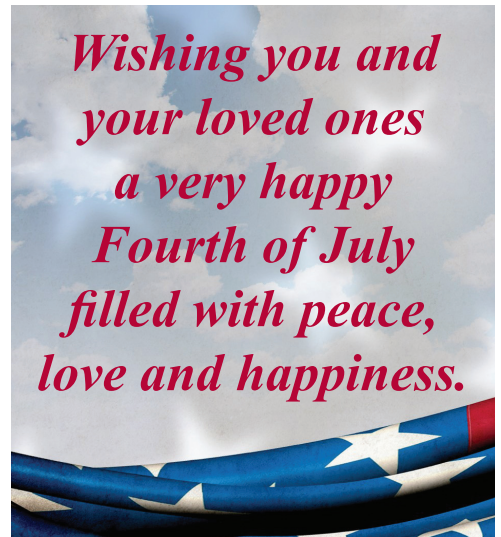
Chorus
'Cause YOU ARE THE LORD and there is no oth-er, You're my God and I'm not a - shamed,
I'll stand for you when the whole world fal-ters, I will bear your name And I won't be the same.

Five Life Line Screenings Will Be Offered Here July 20

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on Wednesday, July 20, here at St. John.

Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1.888.653.6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

Isaiah 66:10-14C

Psalms 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

Galatians 6:14-18

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

The Word & Life

An Abundant Harvest – Laborers Needed

*D*uring the past few weeks, the theme of call and mission has been very prominent in the readings and gospel. Jesus informs his disciples there is much work to be done in proclaiming the good news but very few to offer themselves for this venture. The harvest that Jesus refers to is the message of the kingdom. The laborers are the people who are given the task to take the message of the kingdom and make it a reality for others. Jesus sends his appointed seventy-two in pairs to proclaim the kingdom. Jesus commands them to heal the sick and to bring the good news of salvation to any town they enter. Jesus advises the disciples to accept the hospitality offered them and to bestow peace on every household along the way. If the disciples encounter indifference and opposition, Jesus advises them to shake the dust from their feet. We hear at the end of the gospel that the seventy-two rejoice that the Lord's work is accomplished through them.

Reflection Questions

1. How did Jesus want the disciples to proclaim the kingdom?
2. How can you proclaim the kingdom?
3. Define the areas of your life that are in need of healing.
4. How does the world need to be healed?
5. What part are you going to play in the world's transformation?
6. What does harvest of the Lord represent for you?
7. Do you consider yourself to be a laborer for the Lord? Why or why not?
8. How are you challenged to incarnate the gospel through your personal discipleship?
9. How can you use your personal gifts to proclaim the kingdom?
10. What have you accomplished for the Lord?
11. What does God want you to accomplish in your lifetime?

The gospel today is often used to promote vocations for the priesthood and religious life. However, to limit this gospel event to this context would be a tremendous mistake. The work of the kingdom of God is not given to those who dedicate their lives to the priesthood or religious life alone. All those marked out in baptism share the divine calling to be a laborer for the harvest of the good news! All baptized Christians are asked to share in the ministry of the gospel. Everyone is asked in his or her given way to bring healing to society. On the surface it would appear to exorcise demons or bring full restoration to the sick is far out of reach for us as individuals. However, some of us can bring healing by simply extending a hand

of friendship or by blessing someone with our presence. When life is troubling for someone we know, we may be encountered with a situation where someone is not at peace because they suffer from a disease of the spirit. In those situations we are called to bring calm and solace through our words and support.

We are all asked to witness to the truth as it is given by Christ and his Church. Together we must face the difficult issues facing society and the Church by gently persuading others to seek the wisdom of God in every given situation. We are asked to promote the kingdom of God by promoting the dignity of life itself – by speaking out against abortion, euthanasia, and embryonic stem cell research. Equally, we are invited to promote the kingdom by accompanying young women with their difficult pregnancies, by visiting those who are sick and aiding their recovery with our time and treasure. It is in such simple acts that the reality of the kingdom is made known. If people refuse our efforts, we are simply reminded to move on and take our efforts elsewhere.

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



Prayer

Lord, may more and more people be inspired to follow your call to serve you. May those who seek the kingdom of heaven find it through our work as a community of faith. Once people become aware of the message of the kingdom within their lives, may they have the courage to share that message with others through their words and actions. Amen.

Voices of Faith

Laborers

The Itinerant Preacher sends the disciples out
To proclaim a kingdom where restoration is promised
Laborers for the harvest ripe venture out
Where restless souls seek solace and peace

The world is waiting for God
As if groaning in labor pains
Hearts are broken, souls are crippled
As man seeks his mission and destiny

Disciples journey down the byways of grace
With no provisions but love beyond all telling
They preach God's intention
To restore what is broken and reject temptation

Their Christ sends them out to promote his peace
Where longing is no more and separations cease
If rejected they must move on
To find other seekers looking for heaven's Son

The world accepts and rejects the laborers sent
Some hearts are changed whilst others decay
Wounds are healed and hope restored
Others remain unchanged and cling to the sword

Through the passing of time
The seasons rise and fall
The harvest is rich and plentiful
Laborers work tirelessly for the Savior of all

The call goes out to every Christian alike
To save man lost and broken from his plight
The fields are open with wheat golden bright
We must work together to reap heaven's harvest

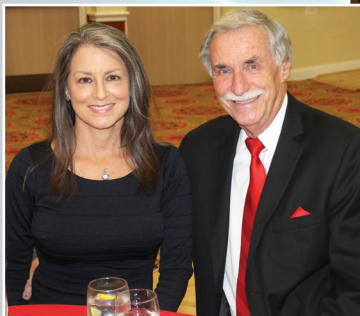
Fear not the ones with hearts of stone
Embrace the heart of the One who continues to live
For the Christ of God lives in every woman and man
Who dare to work for God's saving plan

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



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Knights of Columbus Independence Celebration



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Saying Good-bye to Fr. Jim Everyone Is Invited



A reception to say good-bye to Fr. Jim will be held on Sunday, July 3 immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Fr. Jim will celebrate the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

The reception will give everyone an opportunity to wish Fr. Jim well on his new journey to St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Sarasota.

Very light refreshments will be served.

Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

Monday, July 4 10:00 AM
Solaris Senior Living
Intentions of Holliday Family
req. by Peggy Holiday

Tuesday, July 5 11:00 AM
Bayshore Memory Care
+ JoAnn Johnson
req. by Peter DeFrancesca

Companion Driving Ministry Offers Rides, Needs More Drivers

If you have space available in your vehicle to allow a fellow parishioner to ride along with you and attend a daily or weekend Mass, please contact the Driving Ministry at sjeride@gmail.com or Beth Lucci at 877.6254. Thank you!

Youth Group News

The Youth Feed the Poor, Homeless and Ill

Matthew 25:37 "...LORD, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?"
Matthew 25:40 The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

This past Tuesday, June 28, I had the pleasure of witnessing five youth from our parish along with a future Youth Group Leader, do just that. They took a day from their summer vacation and decided to volunteer at the Guadalupe Soup Kitchen in Immokalee. They fed the poor, homeless and ill with a joyful heart and a smile on their face. They worked hard, prepared the tables and food, cleaned up and laughed. They truly were the eyes, hands and feet of Jesus.

When I asked what they were surprised to see, some said it was the young kids and families. One of the guys said that there was a man who did not look as though he belonged there. He was not used to the

routine of eating there. He seemed to be "newly" homeless. After he ate, he went to the priest and thanked him over and over again and asked what he could do to repay the kindness he had just received. He wanted to help others the way he had just been helped. Giving of one's self is so easily done when Jesus is leading the way. Our youth looked into the eyes of people Jesus died for, walked into their world and with the hands of Jesus served them food and drink and love and compassion.

I am very proud of these kids!



Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church has committed to serve the poor and homeless at the soup kitchen in Immokalee EVERY fourth Tuesday of EVERY month. If you have not done so, I highly suggest you plan on making those Tuesdays a priority and go be the hands and feet of Jesus. You will not only be a blessing to others, but your life will be changed as well.

*text and photo submitted by
Mary Beatty,
Youth Group Leader*

Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

Registration 2016-2017 School Year

ALL REGISTRATION FORMS DUE AUGUST 31.

~ REGISTER BY AUGUST 31ST TO ENSURE A SPOT ON YOUR DAY OF CHOICE! ~

Class units are filling quickly!

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2016-2017



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1. Our Faith Formation Program is open to all children of our parish. If you are not a member of our parish, please complete a separate Family Parish Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms must be completed and submitted at the time you submit your

Registration packets are available in the Parish Office and Faith Formation offices for the 2016-2017 school year, grades Pre-K through grade 12. There is also an opportunity to register for the Children's Choir on the registration form.

Please fill out one packet on each child. *If you have children in your family who are new to the program, please secure a copy of their Baptismal certificate.* If you do not have a copy, you can call the church of their baptism and have it sent directly to our office. If your child was baptized at St. John please indicate that on the form and we will secure a copy from our records for you.

Registration Forms are ALSO available to print at www.sjecc.com. To access 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.

Early registrations are greatly appreciated so that we may secure the necessary number of catechists and classroom materials. Thank you!

A Summary of Next Year's Offerings

WEDNESDAYS

Preschool-K: 12:00 -2:00 p.m.

Faith Formation Classes - Grades K-8: 5:45-7:00 p.m.

Children's Choir: 5:15-5:45 p.m.

SUNDAYS

Faith Formation Classes K-8: 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Confirmation Classes - High School: Sundays 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.*

*Ask about Sunday morning Confirmation Classes

Catechists Needed for Upcoming 2016-2017 School Year

With approximately 425 kids in our Faith Formation program this year, we are in need of several Catechists for the next school year. We are looking for catechists to serve the needs of our Pre-K through 12th grade students. If interested, please contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com.

2016-2017 High School Faith Formation Calendar

Confirmation Classes on Sundays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. *Please Save the Dates!*

Sept. 25	Oct. 9 and 23
Nov. 6 and 13	Dec. 4
Jan. 8 and 22	Feb. 12 and 26
March 5 and 26	April 2 and 23
May 7	

A Note About Sacramental Preparation

The Diocese of Venice requires that students must attend a minimum of two consecutive years of Faith Formation to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation. Students must be at least 7 years old by September 30, 2016, and in the 2nd grade to be eligible to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Students are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of 10th grade. They must be at least 15 years old.

We are grateful for the dedication and support of all of our Faith Formation catechists.

Faith Formation for Mom and Dad

Parents, as we begin the new year, we want you to know that we want to meet your Adult Faith Formation needs! Whether you have never been baptized and want to learn more about the faith or maybe you have never received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, or you have received all of your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation), we have a plan for you!

Please feel free to contact me and *read more about Adult Faith Formation in our bulletin with articles by our Adult Faith Formation and RCIA coordinator, Jack Kindsvater. He can be contacted at jack@sjecc.com.*

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

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Conceived in Liberty...

On Sunday, October 8, 1995, Pope Saint John Paul II concluded a five-day American tour with a mass in Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. In his homily he said:

“One hundred thirty years ago, President Abraham Lincoln asked whether a nation ‘conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal’ could ‘long endure’. President Lincoln’s question is no less a question for the present generation of Americans. Democracy cannot be sustained without *a shared commitment to certain moral truths about the human person and human community*. The basic question before a democratic society is: ‘how ought we to live together?’ In seeking an answer to this question, can society exclude moral truth and moral reasoning? Can the Biblical wisdom which played such a formative part in the very founding of your country be excluded from that debate?”

Would not doing so mean that America’s founding documents no longer have any defining content, but are only the formal dressing of changing opinion? Would not doing so mean that tens of millions of Americans could no longer offer the contribution of their deepest convictions to the formation of public policy? Surely it is important for America that the moral truths which make freedom possible should be passed on to each new generation. Every generation of Americans needs to know that freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.”

As we celebrate the 240th anniversary of our nation’s independence, let us take a moment to reflect on the freedoms that we enjoy and give thanks to our God for the gifts He has given us and our country. Throughout the years many aspects of these freedoms have been expressed. Can you match the quote with the author?

1. “Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged.”
2. “Our freedom fades when it is handed over to the blind forces of the unconscious, of immediate needs, of self-interest, and of violence.”
3. “They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.”
4. “What is the essence of America? Finding and maintaining that perfect, delicate balance between freedom ‘to’ and freedom ‘from.’”
5. “The boisterous sea of liberty is never without a wave.”
6. “Emergencies have always been the pretext on which the safeguards of individual liberty have been eroded.”
7. “The very idea of freedom incites fear in the hearts of terrorists across the world.”
8. “Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn’t pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.”
9. “This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.”
10. “Posterity: you will never know how much it has cost the present generation to preserve your freedom. I hope you will make good use of it.”

Note: one author is quoted twice. See next week’s Bulletin for the answers.

We are called the
nation of inventors.

And we are.

We could still claim
that title and wear
its loftiest honors
if we had stopped
with the first thing
we ever invented,
which was human
liberty.

-Mark Twain



- A. John Quincy Adams
- B. Elmer Davis, WW II Director, Office of War Information
- C. Elizabeth Dole
- D. Pope Francis; 2015 Encyclical *Laudato Si*, paragraph 105
- E. Benjamin Franklin
- F. Friedrich August von Hayek
- G. Thomas Jefferson
- H. Ronald Reagan
- I. Marilyn vos Savant

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

Spotlight on Time and Talent

Ann Ganley Honored to Have Served as Eucharistic Minister

Editor's Note: Many parishioners give numerous hours of time and talent to the Parish Family in order to see St. John flourish. Sadly, the time comes when a parishioner decides he/she must step aside from one of the ministries, often for personal reasons. To express our gratitude, we would like to honor those individuals with a Spotlight.

Ann Ganley stepped away from the ministry of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist this past fall. Ann regards her ten years serving the Lord as a Eucharistic Minister as a privilege and an honor.

Ann, born Ann Spillane in Lansdale, PA, is the oldest of three children. She attended first grade at Saint Stanislaus Parish School there and finished elementary school at St. Patrick's in Norristown, PA. From there she went to Mount St. Joseph Academy in Chestnut Hill where the St. Joseph sisters taught. She also completed two years at Rosemont College before joining United Airlines for five years in Reservations and Ticketing.

She became Ann Ganley when she married in 1957 at St. Eleanor Church in Collegeville, PA. She has had four children who all went to Catholic School in Montgomery County, PA.

Ann became a parishioner of Saint John the Evangelist in 1998. She has been and continues to be active at St. John in many ways, including: the Divine Gift Boutique, the Ladies of Charity, The Arimatheans, The Jamaican Outreach Program, and the Renew group. Deceased Parishioner Gloria O'Donnell recruited Ann into the Eucharistic Ministry and Ann is grateful that God called her to serve Him.

Saint John the Evangelist thanks you, Ann!



Next WorldWide Marriage Encounter Weekend Is August 12-14

HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLES:

Could your marriage use a "break" in its routine lifestyle? Want more "sparkle and glow" in your marriage? Want to feel that "original romance" you had in your dating days? Make Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

The next WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend in this diocese is at Our Lady of Perpetual Help retreat center in Venice August 12-14.

For more information about taking a private time away, check out wwme.org or call 813.270.7832 (evenings and weekends).



Raising a Drug Free Kid in a Drug Filled World

The Impact of Drugs on Youth, Families and Communities

For Parents, Youth & Community Members!

A Free Community Event!

JOIN US TO HEAR FROM LEADING NATIONAL EXPERT MONTE STILES

A former state and federal drug prosecutor, Stiles supervised the Organized Crime/Drug Enforcement Task Force – a group of agents and prosecutors who investigate and prosecute high-level drug trafficking organizations, including Los Angeles street gangs, Mexican cartels and international drug smuggling and money laundering operations. He left government service in April 2011 to devote all of his time to drug education.

Stiles is a passionate drug educator and motivational speaker traveling to schools, businesses, churches, law enforcement agencies, as well as youth and parent organizations throughout the country. Using real life experiences and research, Stiles' multi-media presentation will highlight the influence of popular culture on both youth and adult attitudes regarding substance abuse. His training allows participants to recognize drug normalization trends and also empowers individuals to take an active role in combatting this within the community.

ARRIVE EARLY TO WALK THROUGH OUR TRAVELING EXHIBIT...

Hidden In Plain Sight is a traveling exhibit designed to help parents of teens recognize unfamiliar hazards that are often in plain sight. With more than 100 items in this interactive exhibit, local experts guide parents through a simulated teenager's bedroom and explain potential areas of concern.

The exhibit is for ADULTS ONLY!

About us: A local non-profit, Drug Free Collier was established in 2005 as a coalition of parents, youth, teachers, religious and fraternal organizations, health care and business professionals, law enforcement and media. Our mission is to unite the community to protect the children of Collier County from substance abuse.

Date: FRIDAY, July 22, 2016 6:00pm-7:30pm

Location: St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Ballroom 625 111th Avenue N. Naples, FL 34108

Refreshments Provided

Cost: The event is FREE but RSVP is requested.

RSVP at: (239) 302-6717 or Email: CarlyG@drugfreecollier.org

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT
LOOKS CAN BE DECEIVING
A Traveling Exhibit & Program

