


September 18, 2016
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ellie Roberts Says Good-Bye to Her St. John Parish Family



Dear Friends,

I am saddened to be telling you that I have decided to join my husband in North Carolina. This has been a very difficult and arduous decision for us, and I want you to know that personal and family issues have precipitated my decision. I have loved being with you for the past 14 years and I can hardly believe that I would ever leave you. I have grown so much because of the opportunities you have afforded me, and I am so very grateful for your support, friendship and love. For some reason, that only God will reveal over time, I am being drawn to another community to start a new chapter, spend time with aging parents before they pass on, to re-acquaint with family and to make new friends.

St. John has embarked on a very important mission and that is to provide leadership and guidance to the youth of our parish family. This is probably one of the most important things you can give to your community. These youth need guidance, love and positive role models. Embrace this mission as your signature project. It's leading edge and right in line with the Holy Father's vision of the church for today. I am looking forward to following along with the CYO Program and to continue to support this mission at Saint John the Evangelist.

I want to thank JP Boucher for his faith in me and giving me the opportunity to serve in an expanded capacity. I am forever grateful for his support. I especially want to thank Fr. John for his caring and love for me. He is such a beautiful, caring pastor to this parish family and I will miss him dearly. Embrace him and support him in all your efforts. He has set this church on a path of greatness that will last beyond our lifetime.

I love you all so much and you will always be in that special place in my heart. One thing I ask is that you continue to pray for me as I will for you. Stay in touch and keep a song in your heart. Blessings!

Ellie Roberts, Artistic Director



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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**

September 17, 2016	Saturday	8:00 AM + Joseph Reid	Kay Reid
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	3:00 PM + Robert Ulliana	Marion & Philip Ulliana
		5:00 PM + Jarrod Ditmars	Inez Rush Britt
September 18, 2016	Sunday	7:00 AM + Terry Reilly	Pat & Ralph Riley
		9:00 AM + Joseph Reid	Judie & Steve Pristas
		11:00 AM For Our Parishioners	
		1:00 PM + Renato Serraino	Wife, Nancy
		5:00 PM + Arthur Hildebrand	Family & Friends
September 19, 2016	Monday	8:30 AM + Joseph Reid	Lee Youlio
September 20, 2016	Tuesday	8:30 AM + Bob Saganal	Phil & Mickey Keating
September 21, 2016	Wednesday	8:30 AM + Rose Marie Hammond	Edward James Synowka
September 22, 2016	Thursday	8:30 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Leo	Janet D'Addario
		6:30 PM + Steven Catan	Tom & Ginny Tette
September 23, 2016	Friday	8:30 AM + Hermann Hirsch	Kathy Toth
September 24, 2016	Saturday	8:00 AM + Raymond Frazier	Betty Sundstrom
	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	3:00 PM + JoAnn Johnson, Greg Johnson & JoLynne Johnson Wohlwend	Karen & Gail
		5:00 PM + Vivian Sestito	Sandy & Al Pistocchi
September 25, 2016	Sunday	7:00 AM + Thomas Derolf	Joe McCarthy
		9:00 AM + John Claussen	Bob & Norma Claussen
		11:00 AM For Our Parishioners	
		1:00 PM Mass For the Unborn	Respect For Life Committee
		5:00 PM + Maria Bernardes	The Children

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK****Saturday, September 17, 2016**

St. Robert Bellarmine; Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

Sunday, September 18, 2016

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

Monday, September 19, 2016

St. Januarius

Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

St. Matthew

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Autumn begins

Ecc 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 23, 2016

St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Ecc 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday, September 24, 2016

Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Sunday, September 25, 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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 and to Landmark Hospital, North Naples on Wednesday and Sunday.

**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

September 18, 2016

“Lord, give us the grace of an open heart, of a heart open to the voice of the Holy Spirit, which can discern what must not change because it is fundamental from what has to change in order to be able to receive the newness of the Holy Spirit.” — Pope Francis



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Interior Design Chosen for Renewal of Entire Campus

When determining the visual warmth and appeal of the campus of Saint John the Evangelist, the team of volunteers and staff that make up our Buildings and Grounds Council, along with the Life Center Program Management Office, went back to our mission as a Parish Family. We thought about how to develop an environment that provides an illustration To Know, To Love, and To Serve God. It must be lively and immediately lift up anyone who walks in the doors of the Life Center for a wellness activity, but at the same time, inviting and warm for the thousands of other events and activities. Our campus hosts over 4,800 events annually already, so there has to be appeal and function for everything from youth classes to bereavement receptions to prayer groups. Our bathrooms must be functional and comfortable. Lighting should enhance the events and programs. No detail is too small. We are taking every possibility and idea into consideration for the future of our Parish Family.

In order to accomplish all of this, both in our new Life Center and throughout our campus renovations, we have developed the standard set of colors, flooring, lighting, and accents. This palette, while somewhat neutral, will then be enhanced with specific components that will be function-specific based on the space's usage. For example, the entrance to the Life Center will have an extremely colorful and dynamic focal wall to catch the eye. The choice we have made for carpeting has four different accent levels, allowing us to use the same pattern with bright accents in the Life Center, and yet allow for a calm and soothing environment for our Library Room. We will create consistency (and cost effectiveness) throughout our entire campus that will ensure you, and all our visitors, will know you are home here at St. John, no matter where you are on campus. As an illustration of this new scheme, below is a rendition of the Library Renovation from our architect, StudioPlus.



While the money has been pledged in our **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** capital campaign to build our Life Center 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 our Capital Campaign at:

<http://www.sjecc.com/future>.

Jean-Paul Boucher, General Manager

jp@sjecc.com

PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

Fr. Robert Murphy	Associate
Fr. Paul D'Angelo	Associate
Deacon Hal Brenner	
Deacon Forrest Wallace	
Deacon Frank Panicia	Senior Status

Altar Servers:

Jean-Paul Boucher *jp@sjecc.com*

Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay and Andy Sanfelippo 949.7122

Eucharistic Ministry

Maureen Reed *EMMinistry@sjecc.com*

Homebound

Call the Office 566.8740

Hospital

Mary Ellen Metro *maryellen@sjecc.com*

Greeters & Ushers:

Bill Fuller *wfuller1@comcast.net*
239.280.8870

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. *Deborah Marsh: 566.8740*

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. *Tricia Schwarz: 566.8740*

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.

*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our website: www.sjecc.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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566.8740

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Director of Religious Education

Natalie Campbell: Ext. 3904 and 3909

Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: Ext. 3918

email staff members at:

info@sjecc.com

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!

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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

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*

Hospitality. 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: 239.592.7973* or *Judy Hemond: 561.779.6024*

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, contact *Elaine: 566.8740*.

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

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 17-18

Readings: **755**

Entrance Hymn: **475 Christ Be Beside Me**

Preparation Hymn: **213 Turn to Me**

Communion Hymn: **Behold the Lamb Pg 12 of the Bulletin**

530 Abba Father

Closing Hymn: **439 On Eagles Wings**

Choral Anthem at 11 AM Mass

Prelude: **For the Beauty of the Earth** *Rutter*

Communion: **Lord Make Me An Instrument** *MacDonald*

ANTIPHONS for WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, September 19: Monday of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

This holy man fought to the death for the law of his God and did not fear the words of the godless, for he was built on solid rock.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The just one shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Mt 16:24*

Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

Tuesday, September 20: Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The blood of the holy Martyrs was poured out for Christ upon the earth; therefore they have gained everlasting rewards.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 10:32*

Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father, says the Lord.

Wednesday, September 21: Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Mt 28:19-20*

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you, says the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Their message goes out through all the earth.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Mt 9:13*

I did not come to call the just, but sinners, says the Lord.

Thursday, September 22: Thursday of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Ps 119 (118):4-5*

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Friday, September 23: Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Cf. Ps 132 (131):9*

Your priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with justice; your holy ones shall ring out their joy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Cf. Mt 24:46-47*

Blessed is the servant whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. Amen, I say to you: He will put that servant in charge of all his property.

Saturday, September 24: Saturday of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, who bore the Creator of all things. You became the Mother of your Maker, and you remain for ever a Virgin.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Lk 1:49*

He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

#ToServe – Mercy and Faith: St. John Showcases the Best of the Catholic Church with Our Actions

This past year has been the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy for the Catholic Church. Our world has certainly needed all the mercy we can get. We show how our faith enables our joy and mercy every single day, from helping a neighbor with their groceries, to tutoring and serving in the soup kitchen in Immokalee, to packing 20,000 meals for starving refugees in Africa. Many of these activities and events could be done as simple volunteer activities. Pope Francis, however, states eloquently how our Catholic Faith transforms mercy into these actions:

Jesus' admonition is always pertinent: today too, man forms an idea of God that prevents him from enjoying His real presence. Some people carve out a "do-it-yourself" faith that reduces God to the limited space of one's own desires and convictions. This faith is not a conversion to the Lord who reveals himself, but rather, it prevents him from enlivening our life and consciousness. Others reduce God to a false idol; they use his holy name to justify their own interests, or actual hatred and violence. For others still God is only a psychological refuge in which to be reassured in difficult moments: it is a faith turned in on itself, impervious to the power of the merciful love of Jesus which reaches out to others. Others still consider Christ only as a good instructor of ethical teachings, one among the many of history. Finally, there are those who stifle the faith in a purely intimate relationship with Jesus, nullifying his missionary thrust that is capable of transforming the world and history. We Christians believe in the God of Jesus Christ, and our desire is that of growing in the living experience of his mystery of love.

Let us therefore commit ourselves not to allow any obstacle to hinder the Father's merciful action, and let us ask for the gift of a great faith so that we too may become signs and instruments of mercy. – Pope Francis 9/7/2016 (http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2016/documents/papa-francesco_20160907_udienza-generale.html)

It is inherently Catholic to serve without need for praise or recognition. It is Catholic to truly give everything for those in need and for the larger community. It is Catholic to go out into the world and proclaim the joy of our relationship with Jesus through our actions. It is our mission. We are so very excited to be taking the next step in our journey to be Intentional Disciples of Jesus as Catholics in two concrete ways:

1. NET Missionaries - By the time you read this, we will have eight missionaries integrated into our

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Parish Family, from all over the country (and one even from Ireland, and you can guess he will get along well with Fr. John). They are alive with the missionary spirit and will take our joyous message to all the youth, young adults, and experienced members of the Naples community. We will need all the help we can get to support them, so please contact Kyle VanDuser (kyle@sjecc.com), our CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, if you have the ability to house a few of these missionaries for a few weeks. All they need is a floor where they can lay their sleeping bag.

2. New Adult Faith Formation Seminar: Forming Intentional Disciples – This book points to the core of both the current issues facing the Catholic Church, as well as some of the solutions we are implementing here at St. John. This is a “must-read” for the leadership of our Parish Family, and that means each and every one of us. Please check with Jack Kindsvater for his schedule for the seminar series or see page 19 of this bulletin.

I want to thank you all for the support and commitment you have shown as part of this active Catholic community of Saint John the Evangelist. We have a wonderful past, a beautiful now, and an exciting future together as our Parish Family.



Net Missionaries

OCTOBER 2, 2016 - NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

On Sunday, October 2, the Naples Pro-Life Council will be organizing a prayer vigil along U.S. Route #41 starting at Vanderbilt Beach Road South to 5th Ave. South in support of the Culture of Life.

We are asking all participants to be peaceful and prayerful.

WHAT: 2016 National Life Chain Sunday **WHEN:** Sunday, October 2nd, 2016

Time: 2:00PM - 3:30PM – Even if you can only come for a short time you are welcome!

Bring water, umbrella, friends and a chair if needed.

WHERE: U.S. #41 starting at Vanderbilt Beach Road south to 5th Ave. S., Naples.
St. John will be located at the northwest and southwest corners of U.S. 41 and 111th Ave. N. parking at Wells Fargo Bank.

Any questions please call Rosemary Erickson @ 239 250-0432 e-mail: Relife@aol.com

Jamaica Outreach Program

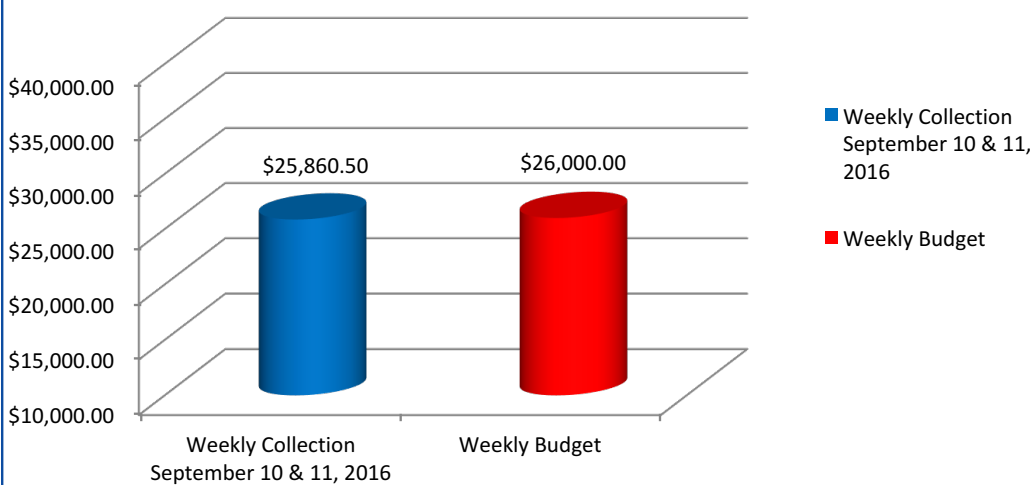
Next Weekend's Second Collection Will Benefit the Poor in Jamaica

September 30 will mark the end of the JOP fiscal year and, as always, the second collection on the last weekend in September is set aside for the benefit and well-being of our brothers and sisters in Jamaica. The commitment by our parish to the poor in Jamaica began in 1997 and continues to this very day. During the ensuing years we have played a large role in establishing clinics devoted to eye and dental care on the grounds of St. Pius X parish in Kingston. The clinics are staffed by JOP volunteers. In addition we have refurbished a medical clinic there and provide free medicines to the patients who come to the clinic with little or no money to cover the cost of medications. Our housing program has enabled generous donors to underwrite the cost of constructing 500 houses for the poor island wide; our support of the Dupont School on the grounds of St. Pius has made a tremendous difference in the lives of the students there. These are only a few of the initiatives we sponsor in Jamaica through the generous support of St. John parishioners.

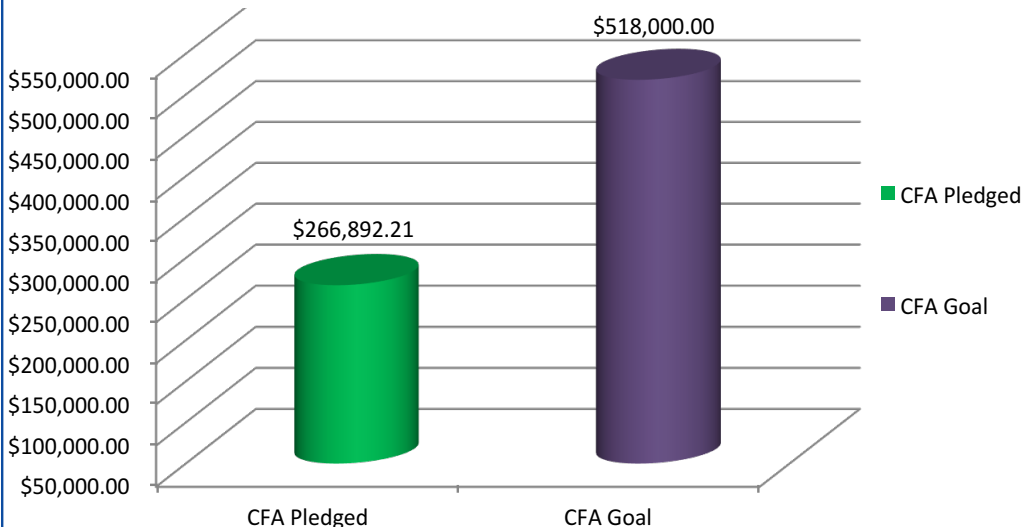
We thank you for your continued support and encouragement as we put into action the words of Jesus Christ... *Whatever you do for the least of my people, that you do unto me.*

*submitted by
Martha Mador, JOP*

Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



Bereavement. Attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Take turns serving lunch for the family and friends after a funeral Mass. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *For Arimatheans: Elaine: 566.8160. For Grief Support Ministry: 566.8740*

Boy Scout Troop 226 – St. John the Evangelist. Prepare boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. *scoutmaster@troop-226.com*

Buildings and Grounds Council. The scope of the Buildings and Grounds Council is to provide future direction, advice, and insight for the physical plant of Saint John the Evangelist, to include all buildings, the grounds, and all utilities therein. The Council will meet quarterly to evaluate any long-term strategy planning that is required to provide such a large and complex environment with multiple purposes.

Catholic/Jewish Dialogue. Engage Catholics and Jews in understanding our past history and to advance the cause of mutual understanding and appreciation for our differences as well as our commonalities. *Marty Gauthier: marty@naples.net*

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*

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. *pack226naples@gmail.com*

Companion Driving Ministry. To promote a sense of love and belonging for every member of our Parish Community by offering transportation to church services regardless of age, infirmity, marital or socioeconomic status. To sign up for a ride or to become a volunteer driver: *566.8740 or Beth Lucci at 877.6254 or sjeride@gmail.com*

Divorced and Separated Support Group. Whether separated/divorced 10 days ago or 10 years ago, sign up now for our 12-week DVD series/group discussions to help you along your path to Spiritual Healing. Series runs Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Claussen Family Center starting September 7 through December 7. (No class Thanksgiving

week). *Lhara Echeverria: 293.3694 or Lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci: 877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Provide interesting and thought provoking speakers monthly with food and fellowship for women in the Diocese. *Nancy Squitieri: mamasquit@yahoo.com*

Finance Council. The Finance Council is an integral part of the Stewardship responsibilities of the parish. The council assists the Pastor and General Manager in their deliberation and decision-making process in order to serve the needs of the Parish in the prudent administration of its resources and funds. *President: Barbara Kuryea*

Habitat for Humanity. Build homes in Naples for qualifying families in need. *Nick Kouloheras: nick@hfhcollier.com*

Jamaica Outreach Program. Non-profit 501 c(3) public charity whose mission is to help the poor in Jamaica, through sister-parish and other strategic relationships. JOP provides funds, goods and services for health care, food, clothing, housing, community facilities, and education, to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica without regard to religious affiliation, personal history, gender, age or race. *Jeanne Stamant: (season) 514.0290, (summer) 248.3248*

Knights of Columbus St. John Council 11281. Worldwide Catholic men's fraternal organization founded on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. St. John's Council provides regular financial support for our seminarians and our parish. Knights also conduct a wide variety of activities to enhance and strengthen family life in the parish. 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. *Bill Warvel, Grand Knight: 331.7151*

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meets second Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Knights are invited. *S/K Jim McDonald: 947.6454*

Knitting & Crocheting. Knits and crochets to benefit those in need. Make baby hats booties and blankets for babies, lap robes for nursing homes, prayer shawls, baptismal blankets and sweaters for kids. Meets year-round on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - Noon. no experience necessary. *Vicki Brenner: 498.9900*

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound.

Meets the second Friday of every month. **Homebound:** *Diane Pesce: 630.571.0707. To join: MarieElaina Mullin: 273.1702*

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Organizes, cooks, orders and serves food and beverages and otherwise provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. It hosts the parish picnic, Children Easter Egg Hunt, and the men work closely with the Family Ministry at many of their events. Monthly meetings 2:00 p.m. on the second Thursday from October to May. *Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551*

Parish Nurse Ministry. Dedicated to the support and encouragement of wellness and health of the St. John Parish Family via monthly seminars on health topics. Illustrates how taking care of your body helps take care of your spirit and your soul. *Sue Townsend: sue@sjecc.com*

Pastoral Stewardship Council. The major responsibilities of St. John's stewardship program falls under the purview of the Pastoral Stewardship Council. The Council's mission is to create awareness of God's gifts of time, talent and treasure and to encourage their use to the best of one's ability for the good of the Parish. The Council has three major subcommittees: Hospitality, Sharing, and Time and Talent. *Council President: Rick Beebe: psc@sjecc.com*

Respect Life. Educates and informs the parish community on all aspects of respect life, which include the unborn, mothers who have had abortions, the elderly, mentally challenged, the physically challenged, the imprisoned, and the terminally ill and the poor and hungry. *Rosemary Erickson: 597.3941*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. from October to May. Please check bulletin for start date. New members welcome. We accept fabric and notions as well as monetary donations. *Phyllis Crivelli: 594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 250.4162*

St. Vincent de Paul. To help the poor, specifically people in zip codes 34108, 34109 and 34110. Members work in teams making home visits to those in need. Many times it means helping individuals with rent payment, late electrical or water bills, prescription needs and food. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. *SVdP Office: 775.1667*

■ 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...

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PRAYER GROUPS

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Lee Yulio: 513.0715

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Patricia Bucalo: 248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group

Linda Reilly: 821.8982

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

Mondays: Maria Jones: 348.5361

Wednesday morning will resume in the fall.

Liturgy of the Hours

Phyllis Gryskiewicz: 566.7307

St. John Charismatic Prayer Group "Blazing Hearts"

Linda Reilly: 821.8982

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Cpl. Francisco Alvarenga
U.S. Marines

Sp. Petrus Botha
U.S. Army

S. Isaiah Brutus
U.S. Air Force

Ensign Stuart Campbell
U.S. Navy

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

Adam Decker
U.S. Air Force

Nicholas Detloff
U.S. Air Force

Sgt. Anthony J. Diamante
U.S. Army

Joshua Emmons
U.S. Air Force

LCpl. Conor Fleurant
USMC

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

Lt. Bernardo Garcia
U.S. Marines

Lt. Joseph Gilig
1st Marine Division
* LAV Recon

Cpl. Dylan Granza
U.S. Army Ranger
Sp. Shelby Granza
U.S. Army

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

Sp. Douglas Hennessy
U.S. Army

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett USMC

2nd Lt. Sean Kealey
U.S. Army

Lt. John Meyers
U.S. Army

LCpl. Randy A. Novak
USMC

LCpl. Ryan D. Novak
USMC

Ryan D. Novak
USMC

Cpt. Daniel Palmer
U.S. Army

Cpt. John Palmer
U.S. Army

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

Lt. Robert Pedrigo
U.S. Army

Lt. Joseph Schafer
U.S. Army

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

Ensign Gabriella Scudato
U.S. Coast Guard

MidShipman Micaela Scudato
U.S. Naval Academy

Sp. Andrew Smith
U.S. Army (Kuwait)

Sp. Devin Snyder
U.S. Army (Ft. Drum, NY)

Houng Tran
U.S. Army

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco
(USN)

Staff Sgt. Brandon Waithe
U.S. Air Force

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino
U.S. Air Force

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous.

Cursillistas. Robyn DeVille: 253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

Mah Jong. Lanelle Bishop: 352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 598.9865

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 348.5031 or Roger: 250.6888

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Daniel Lee Heil, Gerard Planchon, Jeanette Vogel and Helen Martha Zaks

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

Antoinette and Nicholas
Acquiviva

ADD

AJM

Rich Annunziata

Fernando Ardila

Thomas Ardila

Ander Carcamo Arpaia

Marge Baker

Jean & Emmunale Ballmiro

Richard Becker

Margie Benefico

Barbara Berg

Linda Berry

Gallen Boardman

John E. Boyle

Al Buchanan

Richard Cantello

Carrie

Art Cavanagh

Tiffany Chill

Eric Christensen

Delores Crowley

Anthony D'Antuono

Mark Dabronzo

Florence Demski

Sandra Demski

Carey Eliason

McKenna Feinstein

Wendy Bui Fewell

Tanna and Taelor Fiedler

Donna Flynn

Anna Focht

Tara Follese

Fran

Jeffrey Gatt

Edward Gaynor

John Gazzola

Michael Getty

Jackie Gibson

Emma Gilardi

Carlos D. Gomez

Virginia Goodman

Don Goodwillie

Joe Goss

Keri Grasso

Richard Hennings

Kim Hocker

Peggy Hooper

Horton Family

Donald Howe

Sean Keating

Pam Kirk

Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Jim Krauser & Family

Glenn & Joanne Krumel

Leslie Mary Kugel

Lindsay Lavery

Dan & Lu LeBlanc

Mary Lou Leibig

Delk Lindaman

Ma Teresa Lozano

Jack Lucarelli

Lillian Luchini

Margie Lynch

Arthur Magiero

Katherine Malatespa

Ann Maniuske

Maria and Family

Ron Marlow

Ross Mart

Enrique Martinez

Kenneth J. McAvoy

Mary McCue

Carolyn McDonald

John McGlenn

J. Bradley McGonigle

Carolyn McNichols

Beth Ann Meloche

Amanda Merhige

Gerald Mitchell

Shirley Monacelli

Lorrie Morrison

Liam Murray

Gloria & Bill Oliver

Marylee Olsen

Emma O'Rourke

Eric Parker

Michael Paul

Babe Pelli

Anne Perrino

Gene Peterson

Ann Petrillo

Irene Pires

Thad Pluc

Renee Rake

Aurelia Rein

Cindy Renner

Peter Renner

Ruth Rechtsteiner

Linda Riley & Family

RLC

Rea Rossi

Jean Ruel

SA

Eileen Sabini

Lisa Sanfelippo

Tessa Santagate

Peter Scariati

Darlene Scerbinski

Eli Schneider

Pat Schuler

Samantha Schultz

Ben Schweninger

Nikki Sherman

Lisa Siegwarth

John Smith

Krista Sowers

Anthony Spinella

Nancy Stewart

Susan Stokes

Rita Taranto

William J. Teplica

James Thompson

Sister Angela Tiencken, MSC

Tuni

Logan Uzzi

Fay VanWie

Lawrence Varone

Rocco Vitale

Mckenna Weinstein

Thomas C. Wood

Bob Wright

Amy Meade Zuverza

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

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 ~ TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Remembering 9/11 – 15th Anniversary

SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

Special Mass Commemorates the Deceased and First Responders of 9/11

Some 700 parishioners attended the 9/11 Mass of Remembrance celebrated on the 15th anniversary of the attacks on America by Islamic terrorists.

The congregation, joined by members of the Saint John Knights of Columbus, the Harp & Thistle Bagpipe Band, The United States Marine Corps League of Naples and members of the FDNY, PAPD, NYPD, the North Naples Fire District and the Collier County Sheriff's Office were on hand as Fr. Paul celebrated the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

In his homily, Fr. Paul called on firefighters who race into a burning building to say the prayer, "Lord, lead me the way to go." He also thanked all those who attended the Mass and recited the prayer of St. Francis to make us an instrument of His peace.

In his remarks, Tom Middlemiss asked that members of the congregation make sure that their children and their children's children know what took place in New York City, the Pentagon and a field in Shanksville, PA. He pointed out that the heroic efforts of the members of the FDNY, PAPD and NYPD saved 343 souls before the twin Towers collapsed.

Middlemiss also addressed the deliberate murder of our law enforcement officers, saying, "The lack of respect for what they do has become too commonplace." He added, "We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for what you do for us. You are our last line of defense."

Following his remarks, the rear doors of the church were opened and ringing of four fives took place. The Marine Corps then fired a three-round volley and taps were played for the fallen.

Retired NYPD Lieutenant Frank Alberts and his wife Mary said, "It was a beautiful tribute to the fallen heroes of 9/11." Mrs. Alberts added, "We were so happy to be part of the remembrance."

Detective Vincent Martino, of the Port Authority Police of NY and NJ, said, "We were so happy to hear Tom Middlemiss say before the singing of the Star Spangled banner, "Here at Saint John the Evangelist, we stand for our National Anthem."

A special thanks to Artistic Director Ellie Roberts, Pastoral Musician and Liturgist Gary Prettyman as well as the St. John Choir who performed a magnificent arrangement of patriotic hymns fit for the occasion.



Members of Harp & Thistle Pipe Band lead the procession down the aisle.



Fr. Paul celebrates the 9/11 Mass on Sunday, September 11; Deacon Frank assists.



Retired NYPD Lieutenant Frank Alberts, who is a WWII and Korean War veteran, walks to his seat. He was a member of the elite "Silent Service" Navy, otherwise known as Submariners.



Detective Vincent Martino (retired) of the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey Police Department and his wife Teresa present gifts to Fr. Paul. Detective Martino is currently a Deputy Collier County Sheriff.



"We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for what you do for us. You are our last line of defense."
— Tom Middlemiss



The ringing of the Four Fives Bell is a FDNY tradition of notifying the department that a member has been killed in the line of duty.



The Marine Corps prepares to fire a three-round volley.

photos by Jerry Mierzwa

How to be a Super Hero with CYO: Families in Christ Kicks Off the School Year

About 350 members of our Parish Family packed into the Ballroom for the first Families in Christ of the year. With Faith Formation, Full STEAM Ahead, and our new sports programs, everyone had a great time learning “How to Become a Super Hero: CYO”. Matthew Birk, ex-NFL Star, spoke about how families and sports go together. Fr. Bob gave a special blessing for all the families in attendance. Epiphany Bakery and our own Knights of Columbus served wonderful treats for all to enjoy. Finally, the whole room stood for a moment of silence for the real Super Heroes of our country in conjunction with our 9/11 Remembrance Mass. We are looking forward to our new activities and events for youth and families all-year long. Take a look at the presentation on our website (<http://tinyurl.com/h7276pb>) so you can see how we are helping all the youth in the area become Super Heroes!



5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, September 18, 2016

the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **534 We Are Called** David Haas

Preparation Song **Lord, I Need You** Matt Maher CCLI Song # 5925687. Christy Nockels | Daniel Carson | Jesse Reeves | Kristian Stanfill | Matt Maher © 2011 worshiptogether.com songs (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) sixsteps Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Sweater Weather Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Valley Of Songs Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Thankyou Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

Verse 1) Lord, I come, I confess;
bowing here, I find my rest
And without you, I fall apart:
you're the One that guides my heart (*to Chorus*)

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

Chorus

Lord, I need you, oh, I need you, ev' - ry hour I need you; my
5
one de-fense, my ri - ghteous-ness, O God, how I need you.

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

Communion Songs **Behold the Lamb** Bob Hurd

Verses

1. Those who were in the dark are thank - ful for the
2. Peace - ful now, those whose hearts are blessed with un - der -
3. Gen - tle one, Child of God, join with us at this
4. Lord of all, give us light. De - liv - er us from

1. sun - light; we who live, we who die are grate - ful for his
2. stand - ing of the wheat, of the wine u - nit - ed with his
3. ta - ble. Bless our lives; nour - ish all who hun - ger for this
4. e - vil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that

Refrain

1. gift, thank - ful for his love. Be - hold, be - hold the Lamb of
2. word and the love we share.
3. feast; shel - ter them with peace.
4. blow; cra - dle us with love.

God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all,
all who dwell in God shall come to know his glo - ry.

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Breathe

Marie Barnett

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This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe: your Ho-ly Pres - ence, —
liv-ing in me. — This is my dai - ly Bread, this is my dai - ly Bread,
your ve-ry Bo - dy, — bro-ken for me. — And I, — I'm des-p'rate for
— you, — O Lord. — And I, — I'm lost with-out — you, — O Lord. —

Closing Song

You Are the Lord

Matt Maher

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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.



All Parishioners Are Invited to the Taping of Two Masses at Saint John the Evangelist

The taping of two Masses for the Diocese of Venice will begin at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 22 at Saint John the Evangelist. The Masses are televised for those who are unable to attend Sunday Masses in one of the parishes of the Diocese.

The first Mass taped will be the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also World Mission Sunday and will air October 23. Fr. John will be the celebrant. The second Mass taped will be the 29th Sunday

in Ordinary Time and will air October 16. Fr. Paul will be the celebrant for this Mass.

All parishioners are invited to attend one or both of the Mass tapings.

The diocesan televised Masses for Collier, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte, Glades and Desoto counties aire on WFTX-TV FOX 4 on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Amos 8:4-7

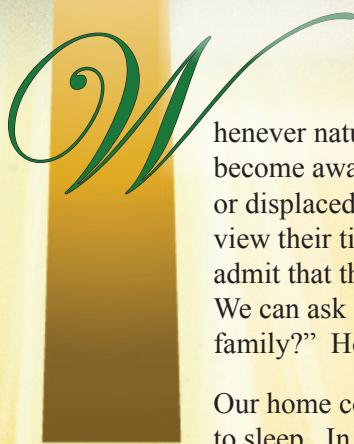
Psalms 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Luke 16:1-13

The Word & Life

Faithful Stewardship



Whenever natural disasters take place such as hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, etc., people become aware of what is truly important in their lives. Such events leave people homeless or displaced. However, in the midst of these terrible events there are many victims who view their time of testing as nothing compared to the suffering of others. Most of us will admit that the ultimate treasure is the gift of life itself, not the things that surround us. We can ask ourselves “what is the most important thing for me – my possessions or my family?” Hopefully, most of us would say that family is most important.

Our home comforts are important. People need roofs over their heads and a safe place to sleep. In today’s gospel, Jesus asks us to be faithful stewards with the treasures that are gifted to us. We are asked to do the truth in love and choose what is right. Material comforts are the blessings of hard work. However, if we start to let materialism consume us, it starts to eat away at the fabric of what is truly important. The greatest treasure gifted to the Church is that of the wisdom of Jesus Christ. We are asked to be faithful stewards of the Living Word handed down to us.

Reflection Questions

1. What are the gifts entrusted to you?
2. How is God asking you to use those gifts wisely?
3. What is most important to you?
4. Do you serve God or do you allow other things to obscure God’s purpose? Why?
5. What is the greatest gift that you can offer God?
6. What is most challenging for you in the Scriptures proclaimed today?

All of us are entrusted with a faith that is to be lived. We are reminded that we have to be trusted in the small matters of life in order to be trusted in great matters. This is faithful stewardship. Jesus’ example and the great example of the Christian witness throughout the centuries teach us about what it means to be entrusted with the small things of faith. We are simply called to serve and to love as Jesus loved. Whenever we encounter need in others, we are asked to reach out as best we can thus offering healing to God’s people. Whenever we defend life and seek dignity to those who are undervalued in the world, we serve the Lord. As we gain the Lord’s trust in what we say and do in life, it is then that we are entrusted with something much greater. What is this treasure? It is the gift of eternal life.

We share in a common purpose by virtue of our baptism. During baptism, each one of us is anointed with oil and commissioned to be His witness to the world. The rite prays: As Christ was anointed priest, prophet and king, so may you live always as a member of His Body sharing everlasting life. Each one of us is called in our own small way to bring others to have an encounter with God. As a Church, we are asked to seek the Lord and discern his will in society. We all have a common purpose – to recognize that everyone around us belongs to God and should be respected. We must seek the ways of the kingdom where peace, dignity and respect is reality for all.

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



Prayer

Lord, may we be seekers of the kingdom of God. Help us to realize that it is in giving of our treasures that we truly receive. May we recognize your face amongst the poor and those who are in need. Whenever we are confronted by sin, may we be faithful in doing what is right, calling others to conversion. Help us to live as you live, and love as you loved – thus becoming your faithful stewards. Amen.

Voices of Faith

Stewardship

God intended men and women to be
Creatures and reflections of great dignity
In his image male and female alike
Blessed and sent to multiply
Humanity's shares in a divine call
To be faithful stewards and have dominion over all

The world is filled with awesome beauty
Flowers, fruits, fields and forests
Expansive lands and extensive seas
The skies above give light and water
Gifting the earth with life
Inhabitants of the world are witness of God's delight

God's eternal plan to be
For humanity to honor each one's dignity
Prudent stewards must be aware
Of future generations need to breathe clean air
To experience earth's resources and its delight
So all might experience God's grace and light

Faithful is the God of Jesus Christ
Who sent His Son to offer new life
Fulfillment of Sacred Word He shows the world
How to open the heart to the Truth unfurled
His life is a way of love
To change one's heart to seek the things above



And so Christ continues to issue his call
That others may follow him once and for all
To live as He lived and to love and He loved
So the broken may experience the grace from above
This our charge and burden be
To be great stewards of this great mystery

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

Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR FAITH FORMATION, CATECHISTS, STUDENTS AND FAMILIES AS WE BEGIN THE NEW YEAR

NEW THIS YEAR: Parent Coffee Time & Happy Hour Sessions offered while your children attend Faith Formation
(See page 18 of this bulletin for more details).

First Day: Meet and Greet Your Child's Faith Formation Teacher

If your child is in grades K-8 and registered for Sunday classes, the first day of class is on **Sunday, September 18 from 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.**, with an opportunity to meet the teacher beginning at 9:00 a.m. that day only. If your child is in grades K-8 and registered for Wednesday classes, the first day of class is **Wednesday, September 21 from 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.**, with an opportunity to meet the teacher beginning at 5:15 p.m. that day only. *High School Confirmation Classes begin on Sunday, September 25 and are offered from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m., with an optional morning class for Year One students as well, from 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.*

Parent Drop Off/Parent Pick Up

Drop Off: Please walk your child to their Faith Formation Classroom. Class lists with room numbers will be clearly posted.

Pick Up: Please pick up your child from your child's classroom. This is an opportunity to say hello to the teacher and the safest way to make sure your child is under your care. It is unsafe to allow kids to go into the parking lot unsupervised. Thank you for parking in a parking space and walking into the building to pick up your children.



High School Confirmation and Faith Formation Classes

High School Confirmation Classes begin on Sunday, September 25 and classes are held from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Parents are invited for a brief meeting on the first day at 7:00 p.m. There is also a morning option from 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. for those students in their first year of Confirmation preparation. *Children who have already received the sacrament of Confirmation are welcome to enroll in these classes to enrich their faith formation.*



Michelle and Dr. Anthony D'Agostino, Confirmation Catechists

Children's Choir Rehearsals Begin Wednesday, September 21

Calling all Children Grades 1 - 5. Children's choir rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 21 at 5:00 p.m. Rehearsals are each Wednesday from 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. and follow the Faith Formation schedule. If you are interested in joining, please contact Mr. Gary at the parish office at 239.566.8740. At the Wednesday, September 21 rehearsal we will complete registration forms, hand out the schedule and sing a little bit. We might even play the eraser game!

New Faith Formation Office Hours Beginning September 18, 2016

Mondays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. (on the days of Faith Formation classes only).

Fridays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. (On the days of Faith Formation classes only).

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

Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 18** First Day Meet the Teacher 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Students and Parents
First Day of Sunday Class 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Parent Morning Coffee in the Library 9:35 - 10:40 a.m.
Mass 11:00 a.m. – Catechetical Sunday
- 21** First Day Meet the Teacher 5:15 - 5:45 p.m.
Wednesday Students and Parents
First Day of Wednesday Class 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.
Parent Happy Hour in the Library 5:50 - 6:55 p.m.
- 25** Sunday Class 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Parent Morning Coffee in the Library 9:35 - 10:40 a.m.
Mass 11:00 a.m. - 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time
FIRST COMMUNION - Parent Meeting
9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
High School Confirmation First Day – Morning
Session 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Meet the Teacher 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.
High School Confirmation First Day – Evening
Session 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.
Meet the Team of Teachers 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- 28** Wednesday Class 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.
Parent Happy Hour in the Library 5:50 - 6:55 p.m.
FIRST COMMUNION - Parent Meeting
5:45 - 7:00 p.m.

Updated Faith Formation Calendar Available in Parish Office and Online

The Faith Formation Calendar is available at www.sjecc.com under the Faith Formation Tab. Color copies are also available in the parish office.

Catechetical Sunday, September 18, 2016

Please join us at the 11:00 a.m. Mass as our dedicated catechists are commissioned during Mass. We welcome our catechists, both returning and new, and are grateful for their commitment to our children of Saint John the Evangelist. Please continue to pray for them that the Holy Spirit will bless and guide them in their ministry. Please also pray for the parents, grandparents and caregivers of the approximately 400 children in our program, as we all work together to come to know Jesus and spread the message of his Gospel.

Upcoming Important First Communion Meetings for Parents September 25 and 28

Parents who have children receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 13, 2017, need to attend ONE of these meeting on the following two dates. Parents of children who attend Private Catholic Schools need to attend one of these meetings as well. During the meeting we will go over many of the details toward preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. There are two dates available, and parents are welcome to attend either one. At least one parent needs to attend. Thank you for making this special parent meeting a priority as together we continue to prepare your child for their sacraments.

Sunday, September 25 ~ 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Seminar Room

Wednesday, September 28 ~ 5:45 - 7:00 p.m. Seminar Room

Experience the True Presence of Jesus at Mass

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.,

Thursday Evenings
6:30 p.m.,

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

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

Sundays: 7:00 a.m.,
9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.



Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Fall 2016 Adult Faith Formation Programs

You may ask, what exactly is Adult Faith Formation? And you have good reason to ask since it has not typically been the “Catholic way.” For many of us religious education and formation ended when we were confirmed; though we may be highly educated, we are still operating with the religion we received as a child.

It’s quite difficult to address adult questions with eighth grade answers.

You are invited to join other adult men and women in a quest to develop a mature faith; a faith that enables you to relate your faith to the complexities and ambiguities of the ever changing postmodern world.

Nearly 400 men and women attended one or more Adult Faith Formation programs at St. John last year. Here is what some of those who participated said:

“Terrific, informative, and interesting program that helped me understand complex Catholic faith principles.”

“This is an eye-opener for the lifelong Catholic who has merely participated in his/her religion.”

“So many things I did not really understand are clear to me now. It has reinforced my decision to come back.”

“I see great value for me; this program provides knowledge of God and Catholicism that cannot be envisioned or understood from brief sermons or in reading the Bible.”

“It made me look at common concepts in our religion from an entirely different perspective.”

“You may think you know everything, but you don’t.”

So take a minute right now to Choose Your Program(s) and Save the Dates!

All programs, except **Grand Adventure**, will be offered at two times of the day to enable more parishioners to attend.

One session will be at noontime (11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.), bring a brown-bag lunch, light refreshments will be provided. The other session will be in the evening (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.), and again refreshments will be provided. You can attend either session, or daytime some weeks and evening other weeks. Most programs will meet in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center, but check the schedule posted on the entrance doors for exceptions or changes.

CATHOLICISM Begins October 4

The Classic **CATHOLICISM** program will be offered on Tuesdays beginning October 4 and continuing for 10 sessions.

CATHOLICISM will take you around the world and deep into the faith to consider what Catholics believe, and why. This program uses the spiritual and artistic treasures of the Faith to illuminate the key teachings of the Church.

You will journey across the planet and see how the Catholic Church’s influence on humanity has created a truly global culture.

You will see the artistic and architectural splendor of the Catholic Faith interpreted in light of the mystery of God revealed in Jesus Christ. You will hear for yourself precisely what the Church believes and why.



Participants view the Documentary Film Series, **CATHOLICISM**, which displays the artistic and architectural splendor of the Catholic Faith interpreted in light of the mystery of God revealed in Jesus Christ.

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

For parents of children in the Youth Faith Formation program, there will be a special Sunday morning COFFEE SECTION and a Wednesday evening HAPPY HOUR SECTION that will meet in the LIBRARY during the youth faith formation times beginning Sunday, September 18, and Wednesday, September 21.

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

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

New Adult Faith Formation Programs for Fall 2016

UNLOCKING the MYSTERY of the BIBLE Begins September 28

UNLOCKING the MYSTERY of the BIBLE, developed by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer, will be offered on Wednesdays beginning September 28 and continuing for eight sessions. *Note, this evening session begins at 7:30 p.m.*

Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin. This program presents the Bible Timeline learning system to make the complex simple, to provide a way to read the Bible and begin to understand it.

THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS Begins September 29

THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS, A NEW, JUST RELEASED PROGRAM by Bishop Robert Barron, will be offered on Thursdays beginning September 29 and continuing for six sessions.

This multi-part film series unlocks the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people and illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

ST. FRANCIS of ASSISI, the Reformer, radically and literally lived as Jesus commanded to transform the Church. ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, the Theologian, demonstrated that faith and reason are not at odds, as they come from the same source. ST. CATHERINE of SIENA, the Mystic, gave testimony to the reality of the spiritual dimension here and beyond. BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, the Convert, left a prestigious career to seek and preach the apostolic faith. G.K. CHESTERTON, the Evangelist, publicly, humbly, and humorously announced the paradoxes and truth of Christianity. MICHELANGELO, the Artist, dramatically demonstrated that beauty and creativity are a primary route of access to God.

THE GRAND ADVENTURE Begins September 30

THE GRAND ADVENTURE: A New Call to Grand parenting, developed by leaders of the Christian Family Movement will meet in a small discussion group on six select Friday evenings ONLY beginning September 30 and ending December 13.

“Grandparents are a precious resource for families, the church, and society.” — Pope Benedict XVI, April 2008

Grandparents are perfect candidates to fill in the gaps in the fabric of family life – not to supplant the parents but as unique reservoirs of knowledge and experience who bring a valuable dimension to the lives of their grandchildren.

THE GRAND ADVENTURE helps grandparents to realize their true grandparent potential as they explore new ways to enhance the grandparent-grandchild relationship.

FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES Begins October 6 and 7

FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus, by Sherry A. Wadell, will be the basis for a six-session workshop on every other Thursday evening or Friday mid-day beginning October 6 and 7.

How can we transmit a living, personal Catholic faith to future generations? By coming to know Jesus Christ and following him as his disciples.

This workshop leads participants through steps that will help them enter more deeply into a relationship with God and discover gifts that flow from that relationship for the sake of the Church and the world.

COMING SOON

MOVIE NIGHT will feature thought-provoking films for adults on Sunday evenings October 9, November 13, December 4, January 15 and February 19. *Look for the selection soon.*

DEACON HAL BRENNER PRESENTS two different programs at lunchtime on November 15 and 17. *Look for the details here in a few weeks.*

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MEDITATION will be offered on three Wednesdays, November 30, December 7 and December 14. *More information to come.*

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for any of the programs on these two pages, email Jack at jack@sjecc.com or leave him a voice mail at 239.566.8740, ext. 3918.

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Faith and Wine

Thursday, September 22, 2016
6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

featuring
Gary Ingold

Gary Ingold, CEO of Community Pregnancy Clinics, will share how his organization is reaching out to women with care, compassion, and choices to save babies from abortion. Founded in 1974 in Naples as one of the original 13 crisis pregnancy centers in the U.S., Community Pregnancy Clinics provides free life-affirming services, support, and education classes as well as healthy relationship education outreach programs for students through its medical clinics in Naples, Fort Myers, and in the near future, Sarasota, as well as through its mobile medical clinic which travels to areas near Planned Parenthood and abortion clinics to reach and assist women at their most critical moment of decision-making. Gary will also discuss why you should care and how you can help. So, pre-register NOW at www.faithandwine.com.

Invite your friends, neighbors and fellow parishioners to this GREAT event!
Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.

“Joining Together to Foster A Culture of Life...One Community at a Time”



Napa Valley Night Menu

Appetizer Display:

Artisan Cheese Display

West Coast Cheese Display • Vegetable Crudite

Buffet:

Sun dried Tomato Chicken • Penne & Broccoli
• Aglio E Olio • Monterrey Potato Gratin •
Fire Roasted Vegetables • Walnut Bleu Cheese
Salad • French Baguettes

Dessert:

Petit Fours and Tartlets

Cost: \$25 prepay • NO WALK-INS!

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on September 20, by going to www.faithandwine.com (using Paypal) or dropping off your check made payable to “Faith and Wine, Inc.” to the St. John parish office. Or you can mail (**postmarked before Thursday, September 15**) your check to Kathleen Millard at 1937 Crestview Way Unit 172; Naples, FL. 34119

Event held at: St. John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom
625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL

SAVE THE DATES: Mark your calendar now for the remaining Faith and Wine Dates: October 20, 2016; November 17, 2016 (open to men); January 19, 2017 (open to men); February 23, 2017; March 23, 2017 and April 20, 2017.

Go to www.FaithandWine.com to learn more!

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Begins September 28 in North Fort Myers

The fall campaign for 40 Days for Life runs from September 28 to November 6 outside of Planned Parenthood in Sarasota and Fort Myers, with a new campaign site outside the abortion center in Weaver’s Corner, North Fort Myers. For the first time, 40 Days for Life will be held simultaneously in all 50 states as well as many other countries around the world.

Join in praying and witnessing for life by signing up on your parish’s days or register directly online at www.40daysforlife.com (choose location).

More details to follow.



GRIEF SUPPORT

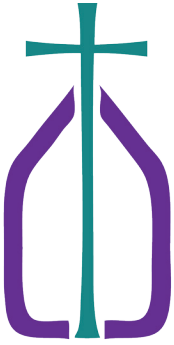
A seven-week grief support group will begin at St. John on Tuesday, October 11. The gathering will be from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and will meet in the Claussen Family Center. Meeting dates are: October 11, October 18, October 25, November 1, November 8, November 15, and November 22.

Anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend.

There is no fee, but pre-registration is required. To register, please call GERALYN POLETTI at Catholic Charities at 455.2655.

Any parishioner who needs individual grief support or immediate assistance may contact the parish office to set up an appointment with one of our priests.

Empowerment and the Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center



Did you know? **The Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center of Catholic Charities'** Empowerment Program helps families become self-sufficient. You remember the quote, "Teach a man to fish..."?

At the Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center, we are doing just that. Our Empowerment Program helps individuals overcome barriers to full time employment. We can help with the cost of education or training, and or even with day care for the children, until the parent is back employed and receiving paychecks.

Other times, it's transportation that's needed, and a bike, a gas card or a bus pass will get that person to work, and on the road to self-sufficiency.

If you know someone who can benefit from the program, or would like to find out more about this and other programs at the Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center, please contact Mary Shaughnessy, District Director of Catholic Charities in Collier County, at 239.455.2655 or maryshaughnessy@catholiccharitiescc.org.

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Sunlight Home Now Offers Transitional Housing Program

Sunlight Home has added a new program in addition to the "Rays of Hope" maternity program. This past year our prayers were answered, funds were raised and construction was completed on a new wing for our "Transition to Hope" transitional housing program. Once the mothers give birth and complete the maternity program, they can move into the transitional housing and continue preparing to take that first step toward independence, financial responsibility and a bright future. This program is also available to mothers who choose the gift of adoption for their baby.

"Presently, Sunlight Home is the only transitional housing

program in the State of Florida. We are so grateful for your prayers and continued support," said Carolyn V. Bott, President/Director of Sunlight Home of Collier County.

The Sunlight Home fall Benefit Dinner, which is underway for November 19 at the Naples Yacht & Sailing Club, will feature a very special Keynote Speaker. Check future bulletin for more details.



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- ◆ Numerous faith formation opportunities
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Bratwurst • Schnitzel
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Train Ride, Amusement Rides, German Band Music,
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Adults ~ \$6.00 • Family ~ \$20.00 max • Children 8 years and Younger ~ FREE

Tickets NOW on sale in the Parish Office, after weekend Masses or at

<http://tinyurl.com/2016SJEOP>

Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #11281.

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

Proceeds to assist the Knights of Columbus Charity Fund and Food Kitchens in the Naples/Immokalee areas.