



January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

the
EVANGELIST
 SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**The Old Library
 Is Now the
 Rome Room**

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**Passion and
 Purpose for
 Marriage Retreat
 at St. John
 Saturday,
 January 28**

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**First
 Reconciliation
 Ceremony
 Thursday,
 January 19**

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**Casino Night
 Senior Prom Is
 Saturday,
 January 21**

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Everyone Is Invited

**to our Arts Fair/Open House
 Sunday, January 22, 2017**

Through our CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) and CAO (Catholic Adult Organization) programs, Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church is excited to offer the first of many workshops and instruction in the arts. Our goal is to make the arts accessible and affordable to all youth and adults for our parish family and surrounding communities in a positive, supportive, and faith-filled environment. We have an amazing team of professional, high quality instructors ready to share their gifts and talents with you all.

Beginning in February 2017, we will offer workshops and classes for the youth and adults in:



- Ballroom Dance
- Painting and Art Appreciation
- Theater/Acting
- Improv/Comedy
- Piano/Keyboard
- Wind Instruments (Saxophone, Flute, and Clarinet)
- Strings Program (Violin/Cello)
- Voice Group/Cantor Workshop
- Guitar

On Sunday, January 22 we will sponsor an Arts Fair/Open House beginning after the 11:15 a.m. Mass (Noon) until 4:30 p.m. in the Claussen Family Center. This is an excellent opportunity for families and adults to meet our instructors, try out a mini class/

presentation in each of the classes we are offering, and register.

You will get 20 minutes to try out each artistic activity for yourself and your family and then try another activity each half hour. There will be time to experience all your interests!

Stop by, enjoy some snacks, and experience some of the exciting new programs we are putting together for you and your children. Everyone is welcome!



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Daily Mass: 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.; Wednesday 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, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5:00 p.m.

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Mass for Deceased (+) and Special Intentions (SI) Requested by

January 14, 2017	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Jack Gaffey	Lee Youlio
		Vigil Masses for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Rodney Mailhot	Mom & Dad (Mr. & Mrs. Mailhot)
5:00 PM	+	Lambert & Louise Abell	Kathy & Bob Sims
January 15, 2017	Sunday		
7:00 AM	SI	Anthony Ciazzo	Mr. & Mrs. Ballmiro
9:00 AM	+	Steven Tauro	Benito & Debora Tauro
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Harold Courtney	Molly & John Perez
5:00 PM	+	Peggy Kegaly	Jack Kegaly
January 16, 2017	Monday		
8:00 AM	+	Nick Episcopo	Children: Antoinette Scott Joseph Episcopo, Maria Jackson
9:00 AM	+	Lucille Santos	Kirk & Connie Hoffman
January 17, 2017	Tuesday		
8:00 AM	+	Joe Reid	Wife, Kay Reid
9:00 AM	SI	Frank & Mary Lou Kreber	Ann Miller
January 18, 2017	Wednesday		
8:00 AM	+	David Travis	Mary Ellen Travis
9:00 AM	+	Son, Steven	Mom & Dad (Mr. & Mrs. Tauro)
6:30 PM	+	Ann Dagostino	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Guido
January 19, 2017	Thursday		
8:00 AM	+	Thomas Millet	Mike & Bettyann Manganaro
9:00 AM	+	Wava Botero	Jesus Botero
January 20, 2017	Friday		
8:00 AM		"Novena Mass for Life - for a greater respect for all human life"	
9:00 AM	+	Doris Nogueira	Rita & Jay Riggio
January 21, 2017	Saturday		
8:00 AM	+	Tom Wood	Pat & Ray Axberg
		Vigil Masses for Sunday	
3:00 PM	+	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph D'Addario	Janet D'Addario
5:00 PM	+	Joseph & Mary Montello	Vincent & Kathryn Corbino
January 22, 2017	Sunday		
7:00 AM	+	John Riccardo	O'Reilly and Chiara Familes
9:00 AM	+	Vincenzo Ventura	Ninetta Magistro
11:15 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:15 PM	+	Mariangela & Rocco Martone	Angie Lampron
5:00 PM	+	Donal J. Murphy	Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Schoeler
		<i>Bread & Wine in memory of Robert Berg ~ requested by Wife Carolyn</i>	

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, January 14, 2017

Blessed Virgin Mary

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Monday, January 16, 2017

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

St. Anthony

Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 19, 2017

Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

Heb 7:25 – 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 20, 2017

St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday, January 21, 2017

St. Agnes

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 8:23 – 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

Sunday, January 22, 2017

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23 – 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound. Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing emministry@sjecc.com. An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will bring Holy Communion at a mutually agreed upon time. Please note that the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion to North Naples NCH on Monday through Friday 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 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 a.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

January 15, 2017

"There was a dream that was Rome."

— Marcus Aurelius, *Gladiator*



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Welcome to Rome!

We are pleased to present to all of our Parish Family and friends our new multipurpose room, Rome! Rome was not built in a day, but you can see its transformation from our old Library into Rome on our website: <http://saintjohntheevangelist.com/featured/renovations-begin>

Rome showcases the new “look and feel” of Saint John the Evangelist. It is warm and inviting, yet clean and precise. Rome’s color scheme is muted based on the types of activities and events that are planned for its usage: meetings, bereavement receptions, small get-togethers. You will see small accents in the carpet. These accents will be more vibrant in the higher energy and impact spaces in the Pulte Family Life Center, the rest of the Parish Activity Center (formally known as the Parish Life Center), and the Claussen Family Center. I hope you get a chance during our many events, like our Adult Faith Formation classes, to walk through Rome and experience the difference of this soothing atmosphere.

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the prayers and support of our Parish Family to reach our Pinnacle Goals. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Lichwalla, the Campaign Coordinator at 239.495.2001 or email: campaign@sjecc.com. You can also learn more information about 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

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Homebound

Call the Office 566.8740

Hospital

Mary Ellen Metro maryellen@sjecc.com

Lectors Ministry

lectors@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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

All Administrative Staff

239.566.8740

General Manager

Jean-Paul Boucher: *Ext. 3910*

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Lan Tran

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Coordinator

Kyle VanDuser

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Jean-Paul Boucher

Bookkeeper

Karen Beebe

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Maintenance

566.8740

Education Staff

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!

*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our website:

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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

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

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses:

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

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,

11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

Choirs:

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Residents and seasonals welcome. *Gary Prettyman: 566.8740*

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Grades

1-5. *Gary Prettyman: 566.8740*

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Grades 6-12

especially welcome. *Gary Prettyman: 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 *Darlene*

Follese: 495.9741

Divine Gift Boutique (located across from the

restrooms). **Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00

to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. If

interested in volunteering, 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

Mass Intentions. We are now accepting 2018 intentions.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2017 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... OPERATIONAL

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Chris Salvail

JANUARY 28, 2017

6:30PM-10:30PM

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#ToServe – Ministries Step Up for “We Are Saint John”

It was wonderful to meet with the Ministry Leads this week during our annual Ministry Town Hall. We were able to discuss the exciting future of our Parish Family, as well as listen to the thoughts and questions from the ministries on how to improve and engage every one of you in the mission of the church. Some ministries focus on our liturgical environment, like Lectors or the Artistic Environment. Others focus their efforts on serving the poor, like the Jamaica Outreach Program, the Ladies of Charity, and the Knights of Columbus. Still others direct their time and talent for social activities, like the Men’s Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Each one is important to the overall mission and vision of Saint John the Evangelist, To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community.

One of the requests from the Ministries is for assistance in growing and expanding their capabilities through new membership. It is true that these ministries will only be able to move into the future with new ministers, individuals from our Parish Family who are willing to stand up and carry on the mantle of these great efforts. I would highly recommend you take a look at Page 8 of the bulletin and read through the ministries to see if there are any that reach your soul and your spirit of stewardship. It is an essential component of the Catholic Faith that we not only believe the tenants of our Church of love, mercy, respect, and peace, but we are required to take those beliefs and make them a reality in our actions on a daily basis. Joining in the ministry of St. John is a perfect way to do so. You could make a person’s day when you smile while you greet them as they arrive at church as a greeter.

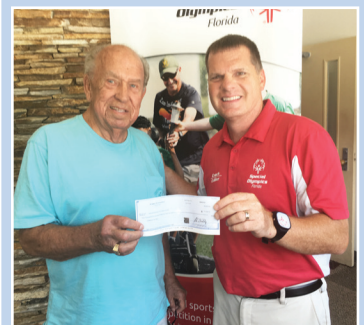
by Jean-Paul Boucher
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You could spend time delivering groceries to food pantries and people’s homes. You could bring a neighbor with you to church with our Driving Ministry. There are so many ways to turn our faith into tangible love in this world.

One essential way to ensure our ministries keep this mission at the forefront of their focus is our “We Are Saint John” mantra. Just like in sports, “We Are Saint John” showcases that what we do, we do as a team, as a family. We all need to work together for the greater good of the church, not for our own purposes or priorities. That is part of the definition of ministry, giving of yourself, not for your own reasons, but for the Church. The Ministry Leads all agree that one of the priorities for this year is “We Are Saint John”. The first illustration will be our Gaelic and Garlic Festival, March 18-19. This exciting and massive cultural festival will mesh the two most well-known Catholic cultural events, Saint Patrick’s Day and Saint Joseph’s Feast into a “friendly” clash of Irish and Italian food, drinks, dance, and music. From a street arcade of games, to a 5K race, from wine and beer tents to food trucks, this festival will take over the campus and we will need every single one of us to pitch in. If you have ever had the treat of attending the Greek Festival, imagine doubling or quadrupling it, with meatball eating contests, family activities, and a street carnival atmosphere. I am so excited for this unique festival; we will be the center of activity for Naples that weekend!

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#ToKnow – CFA Status Update

As we focus on our Catholic Faith Appeal Assessment Goal, I will be providing a short summary of where we stand on a weekly basis. These updates may be a week or so behind, so we will also provide them on our website, so please visit <http://sjecc.com> for the most up-to-date information.

What an amazing feat of our Parish Family. With only a month and a half to go, our parish was able to raise the nearly \$200,000 needed to reach our CFA Goal for 2016. We stand at \$502,797.42, only \$15,202.58 from the Diocesan Assessment. Thank you all for your dedication to this important focus for the gifts to the area of Southwest Florida. We have been able to sponsor more Catholic Charities support, more

Seminarians, and more Diocesan programs than nearly any other parish in our Diocese. Only Saint Williams has a larger CFA Assessment than us this year. It is only through your tremendous devotion to our faith that we have been able to achieve this goal.

Unfortunately, our work is not done. Each year, the Diocese re-evaluates our assessment. For 2017, they have seen fit to increase our goal only \$3,000, to \$521,000. This is very achievable for us, given the dedication we have been able to show this year. Please stay tuned for our 2017 CFA Weekend in February, and we will continue to keep you updated as we strive to continue to lead this community in service to those most in need around us.

God Bless You!

Companion Driving Ministry Offers Rides, Needs 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!

Royal Palm Academy Will Host Open House Wednesday, January 18

Royal Palm Academy Admissions will host an Open House Wednesday, January 18 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

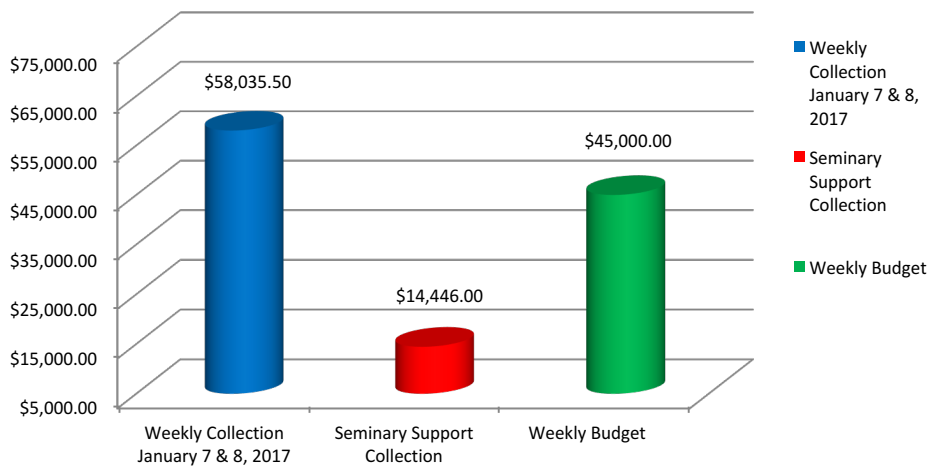
Attendees can take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to meet the new Head of School, Academic Dean, Dean of Students and learn about Royal Palm programs and future plans, and hear testimonials from current parents. Prospective families will tour the Royal Palm Academy campus, visit classrooms, and learn about the exciting happenings at the school. Refreshments will be served.

Call Susan O'Malley at 239.594.9888 (ext. 241) to register.

The mission of Royal Palm Academy is to provide an education of rich academics with Catholic content while teaching the mind, educating the heart, and forming the character of tomorrow's leaders.

The 2017 Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Calendar is available. Don't forget to pick up your copy.

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*

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*

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*

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. *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 Koullouheras:nick@hfhcollier.com*

Jamaica Outreach Program. JOP has been an integral part of Saint John the Evangelist since 1997. Our mission is to help the poor in Jamaica. JOP provides goods, food, medical-vision-dental services, education and basic support to improve the lives of the poor in Jamaica. We welcome new volunteers. For more info: *Jeanne Stamant (season) 514.0290 (summer 248.3248). To volunteer: Martha Mador 860.449-2105*

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. Next social meeting is October 24. 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 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from October to May. Meets in the Youth Room of the Claussen Family Center. New members welcome. Accepts fabric, notions, monetary donations. Needs fleece fabric. *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*

Vocations Ministry. Vocations are a calling from God and each of us has one, from single or married life to religious life. Help the Parish Family educate and identify vocations through prayer and activities. *Marty Gautier: marty@naples.net*

Women of the Word (WoW). We welcome any woman of any age to study our faith using the Bible and other Catholic writings in a non-judgmental, supportive community. Thursday 9:30 a.m. *Nancy Bouchard: 443.498.8452 or nancybdh@hotmail.com*

PRAYER GROUPS

**Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet
of Divine Mercy**

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group

Patricia Bucalo: 248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group

Gorana Saner: 293.1765

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

Mondays: Maria Jones: 348.5361

Resumes January 11 after 9:00 a.m. Mass.

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

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)

Joshua Emmons
U.S. Air Force

Lt. Robert Pedrigi
U.S. Army

LCpl. Conor Fleurant
USMC

Lt. Joseph Schafer
U.S. Army

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

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

Lt. Bernardo Garcia
U.S. Marines

**Lt. Jr. Gabriella
Scrudato**
U.S. Coast Guard

Lt. Joseph Gilig
1st Marine Division
* LAV Recon

**MidShipman Micaela
Scrudato**

Cpl. Dylan Granza
U.S. Army Ranger

U.S. Naval Academy

Sp. Shelby Granza
U.S. Army

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

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

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

Sp. Douglas Hennessy
U.S. Army

Houng Tran
U.S. Army

Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes
U.S. Army (Iraq)

IT2 Jason E. Tydingco
(USN)

**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

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

AI-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and
Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous.

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

Mah Jong. Space Limited. 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:

Mae Castello, Jeffrey Richard Rabbito, William Sherwood and Joseph Van Kirk

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*

Steve Allender
Rich Annunziata
Fernando Ardila
Thomas Ardila
Jean & Emmunale Balliro
Margie Benefico
Barbara Berg
Gallen Boardman
Teresa Brecht
Joseph Brzoza
Connie Cahill
Doug Callen
Carrie
David Casola
Susan Chiappini
Eric Christensen
Dick Clark
Sam and Frank Comeriato
Fr. Gerard Critch
Kathryn Gallagan-Culp
Anthony D'Antuono
Mark Dabronzo
Donald Dempski
Sandra Demski
George Edwards
Carey Eliason
Pat Erhardt
Coletta Farina
John Farrell
John Farrow,
Donna Flynn
Anna Focht
Jon Fournier
Fran
Galloway Family
Edward Gaynor
Connor Gelinias
Roberta George
Emma Gilardi
Carlos D. Gomez
George Gonser Jr
Joe Goss

Lisa & Richard Granger
Keri Grasso
Glenn Griffin
Margi Hearson
Gerard Heyen
Kim Hocker
Donald Howe
Patricia Jones
JRM
Neil King
Krista Leigh Kozowyk
Jim Krauser & Family
John Kuryea
Lindsay Lavery
Rene Lacoste
Delk Lindaman
Logan
Jack Lucarelli
Jean Lydon
Margie Lynch
Richard Lyncheski
Maria and Family
Andrew Maroney
Marisa Mazza
Kenneth J. McAvoy
Kevin McDonagh
Paul McIntyre
Carolyn McNichols
Jean Meleo
Paul Miller
Lorrie Morrison
Maxine Newman
Marylee Olsen
Emma O'Rourke
Maryla Panagos
Charles Parente Family
Michael Paul
Babe Pelli
Anne Perrino
Petric Family
Ann Petrillo
Philip Petrone

Georgia Pinto
Irene Pires
Thad Pluc
Bill Porter
Renee Rake
Ruth Rechtsteiner
Aurielia Rein
Cindy Renner
Peter Renner
RLC
Susie Romanovich
Jean Ruel
Lloyd Sample
Christine Sanders
Lisa Sanfelippo
Joseph Savani
Shelia Scaduto
Peter Scariati
Mary Schell
Eli Schneider
Breana Short
Thomas Sissman
John Smith
Solazzo Family
JoAnne Spehn
Anthony Spinella
Nancy Stewart
Rita Taranto
William J. Teplica
Demonic Terrogrossa
Gary Tester
John Thyen
Logan Uzzi
Lawrence Varone
Mike Walsman
Larry Ward
McKenna Weinstein
Vera Weinstein
Nancy Wise
Bob Wright
Ed Zerrer
Zoe

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
When submitting a name for Prayer List, please make sure you have that individual's permission.

JANUARY 15, 2017 ~ SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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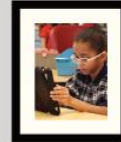


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Mass of Remembrance Tuesday, February 7

Family members of parishioners who died in 2016 will be remembered at a Mass of



Remembrance on Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m. here at St. John. A candlelight service in remembrance of the deceased will be part of the celebration.

If you wish to reserve a candle, please call Rita Spagnola at 514.1302 by Wednesday, February 1. Leave your name, phone number and name of the person to be remembered.

A reception will follow in the Parish Life Center for those attending the Mass.

Come and experience

ENCOUNTER ON THE MOUNTAIN!

Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The first of four quarterly nights of Praise and Worship Music, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Healing Prayer in collaboration with our youth and young adult groups and NET ministries team.

Come, and encounter the Lord in a powerful way with fellow parishioners and friends.

A priest will be available to hear confessions throughout the night, and during adoration there will be a brief reflection on Encountering the Living God.

Hymns for the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 14 & 15, 2017

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Prelude Hymn: 85 Of the Father's Love Begotten

Entrance Hymn: 543 Sing a New Song

Preparation Hymn: 195 Beautiful Savior

Communion Hymn: 338 Behold the Lamb

327 Ubi Caritas

Closing Hymn: 404 In Christ Alone

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid - Sunday, January 15, 2017 Sunday, January 15, 2017: the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song 543 Sing a New Song

Presentation Song **Our God** Chris Tomlin / Matt Redman CCLI Song # 5677416. Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman. © 2010 Thankyou Music, sixsteps Music, Said And Done Music, Vamos Publishing, SHOUT! Music Publishing, and worshiptogether.com songs (All admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

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

Chorus

Our God is great - er, our God is stron - ger; God, you are high - er than an - y-oth - er.
Our God is Heal - er, awe-some in pow - er, our ³ God, our ³ God.

Bridge) And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?

And if our God is with us, then what could stand against? (*repeat, then back to Chorus*)

Communion Song 338 Behold the Lamb

Closing Song 404 In Christ Alone

Call for all instrumentalists!

We'd like to compile a database of our instrumentalists who would be comfortable adding your instrumental talents to a Mass or public performance here at St. John, whether for violin, cello, trumpet, alto saxophone, etc. Whatever your instrument, whatever your age, please contact us at the music office or by e-mail. There's no commitment, no obligation, of course, but we would LOVE on certain occasions or when a certain piece calls for special instruments, to be able to know who we have right here at home!

Sincerely, Gary Prettyman (gary@sjecc.com) and Jennine Fuentes (jennine@sjecc.com).

Jamaica Outreach Program

The Jamaica Outreach Program invites parishioners interested in serving our ministry to a gathering this weekend that will outline our needs as we enter our 20th year. The gatherings will be held on this Saturday (January 14) after the 3:00 p.m. Mass in the parish library, and Sunday (January 15) after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the small ballroom. This "Volunteer Job Fair" will hopefully attract those who can help and guide us through the next decade of the 21st century. Please drop in and learn about our work in Jamaica. It is always done in His name through the support and encouragement of the St. John parish community.

2017 Women's Conference

All women are invited to attend the 2017 Diocese of Venice Women's Conference Saturday, February 11, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Bishop Verot Catholic High School in Fort Myers. Cost in advance is \$20 (pre-registration on line), students \$5 pre-registration. Cost at the door is \$30, and \$10 for students.

This year's speakers are Dr. Ted Sri, Rachael Balducci, Susan Conroy and Lisa Cotter. This event usually sells out. For Conference details and to register go to dioceseofvenice.org/womens.

2017 Men's Conference

All men to attend the 2017 Diocese of Venice Men's Conference on Saturday, March 4, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Bishop Verot Catholic High School in Fort Myers. Cost in advance is \$20 (pre-registration on line), students \$5 pre-registration. Cost at the door is \$30, and \$10 for students.

The day includes internationally renowned speakers, Jeff Cavins, EWTN regular and creator of the popular Great Adventure Bible Study and the Bible Timeline, as well as Kevin Lowry and Mike Pacer. For Conference details and to register go to dioceseofvenice.org/mens.

Next Magnificat Breakfast Saturday, January 28 at the Holiday Inn Airport

The Magnificat breakfast will be Saturday, January 28, at 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. The speaker is Kathy MacInnis, Coordinator of the Magnificat Central Service Team. To register, send a \$20 check payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Joanne Tarantino, 3315 Bermuda Isle Circle, Unit 128, Naples, FL 34109, 239.631.6661, or Barbara Tay, 20230 Burnside Place #1703, Estero, FL 33928, 646.296.2335. Requests must be postmarked by January 20.

First Concert of the Winter/Spring Concert Series!

Experience composer, virtuoso pianist
and acclaimed performer,
Eric Genuis

Saturday, February 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ballroom

Refreshments at 6:00 p.m.
followed by the concert at 6:30 p.m.

Along with a violinist, vocalist, and cellist,
Eric Genuis will provide an evening
of gorgeous music appealing to both classical
and contemporary tastes.

Pre-order your food and drink tickets online to take
advantage of \$5 for PACK of 6 tickets special!
[https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/
ConcertSeriesEricGenuis](https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/ConcertSeriesEricGenuis)

\$1 each tickets will be available at the door.

You will not want to miss this FREE Concert!!



For the LOVE of the Poor

The Ladies of Charity
are asking your support for our local food
pantries to specifically assist them during the
VERY LEAN summer months when there
are items needed outside of what our regular
"Simple Gesture" bags provide.

Ending: **February 28, 2017**

NO FOOD PLEASE! WE ARE REQUESTING CHECKS ONLY.

- A tree is in the Narthex with ornaments on it.
- Parishioners are encouraged to take an ornament and generously donate a check to St. John the Evangelist with "Food Drive" written in the memo line. Place your check in the collection baskets passed during Mass or take to the church office.
- The Ladies of Charity will designate the money collected to be used during the summer months when food shelves are near empty.





Faith and Wine

Thursday, January 19, 2017
6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

featuring

Father Bob Kantor & Rabbi Adam Miller

Father Bob Kantor, Pastor of St. Agnes Catholic Church, and **Rabbi Adam Miller**, Rabbi of Temple Shalom, will participate in a dialogue based on a book co-written by Pope Francis and Rabbi Abraham Skorka: "On Heaven and Earth; Pope Francis on Faith, Family, and the Church in the 21 Century." The book brings together a series of conversations between the authors - both tenacious promoters of interreligious dialogues on faith and reason - about God, fundamentalism, atheism, abortion, homosexuality, euthanasia, same-sex marriage, and globalization. Father Bob and Rabbi Miller, as members of the Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County, will re-create this fascinating dialogue, making it relevant to our lives and providing us with a better understanding of these religions and their responses to the issues we face today.

So, pre-register NOW at www.faithandwine.com.

Invite your friends, neighbors and fellow parishioners to this GREAT event!

"On Heaven and Earth"



Event open to men!

Menu

Cheese Display:

Vegetable Crudite

Fresh Fruit Display

Buffet:

Chicken Marsala • Penne Pesto Pasta

Whipped Bliss Potatoes

Cranberry Herb Thyme Green Beans

Greek Salad • Bread Assortment

Dessert: Cheesecake Bites

Cost: \$25 prepay • NO WALK-INS!

Please prepay for this event no later than noon on January 17, 2017 by going to www.faithandwine.com (using Paypal) or dropping off your check at the parish office made payable to St. John. In the memo line put Faith and Wine. Or you can mail (**postmarked before Thursday, January 12, 2017**) your check to Kathleen Millard at 2134 Morning Sun Lane, 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: February 23, 2017; March 23, 2017 and April 20, 2017.

Go to www.FaithandWine.com to learn more!

FIERCE

All girls 6-12th Grade
are welcome to come!

Come watch **Frozen**
and talk about friendships!

Friday, January 20, 2017
6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

in the Claussen Family Center.

Wear your favorite fuzzy socks!!!

"Without LOVE, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing." -St. Therese of Lisieux

@netteam12

Jamaica Outreach Program

*Would You, Could You, Consider
Hosting Jamaican Choir Members?*

Once again, Kevin Williams and his Jamaican choir will be visiting St. John from February 3 to February 6, 2017. As always, we are in need of host families for the choir during their stay. Host families are asked to offer lodging, transportation, and some meals to their guests. The evening meals for each day of the visit are arranged by the JOP. The choir's visit is a wonderful opportunity to reach out and welcome Jamaicans into our homes. Most choir members are students at a Jamaican University or gainfully employed. Each and every one of the group comes as an ambassador of their country with a smile on their faces and a song in their hearts.

If you are interested in becoming a host, please contact Martha Mador at 860.449.2105 or martha@madors.net.

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

John 1:29-34

The Word & Life

Jesus Invites Us to “Come and See”

John the Baptist must have brought tears to the eyes of his listeners the day he proclaimed Jesus to be the Lamb of God. It was a day when a dream came true. John had been calling the people of his time to the baptism of repentance because the time was near at hand. The day he watched Jesus coming toward him was a day of recognition – Jesus was the Son of God who would baptize the world with the Holy Spirit and set it on fire! The people who followed John were hoping for the promised Messiah – now their hopes were realized and, as the gospel continues, they leave John to follow Jesus to embrace the wisdom of God!

Reflection Questions

1. Where do you perceive Christ to be in your life?
2. In what situations have you been overwhelmed by the presence of God?
3. How does the message of Jesus help you in your family life?
4. How do you concretely reach out to others?
5. How are you being called to serve God's Church?
6. What are some of the challenges that inhibit you in your faith?

How is this good news for us today? As the Church continues to proclaim the gospel in the modern world, we are asked to behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world and allow him to lead us. The Holy Eucharist reminds us of this as the priest holds high the Host after the breaking of the bread. This is beyond all imagining and beyond a shadow of a doubt, the real presence of Jesus in our community. Such a divine presence demands a respect, reverence and deep faith from all of us as we gather to celebrate the Mass. However, we are called to go further than that also. As we end the Mass, the priest or deacon tells us, “Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life!” In concrete this means that we are to be attentive and to watch for the Lord throughout our week. We do so by encountering Christ within our families, the domestic Church and within our community. In a sense, the disciples of John had it easier than us because they could see Jesus with their own eyes and hear him with their own ears. For us, all these years later, we must discern where Christ

is to be found in the world today. Such discernment comes through our reflection, prayer, and a willingness to follow Christ in all that we say and do.

Once we have knowledge of Jesus, the challenge is to experience him in the here and now. This requires a conscious effort on our part to fully embrace him in our lives by being open to his presence in all things. Jesus invites each one of us to “Come and see” where he lives. As we move through this year, every gospel we hear proclaimed will challenge us to go deeper. Every encounter of Jesus that we hear of in the gospel will ultimately disturb our complacency to go the extra mile – to bring forgiveness where there is a reluctance to forgive, to heal where there is pain, to bring hope where there is despair, and to establish peace within the broken realities of our lives and of the world.

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



Prayer

Lord, in this New Year may we watch for you. Help us to embrace your message as difficult as it may be. Let our firm belief in the Eucharist lead us to the many ways that you reveal yourself to us every day. Wherever our lives take us may we always be open to your transforming love. May our lives be a reflection of your presence in the world. Amen!

Voices of Faith

Come and See

Out of all the possibilities – I am; I exist
I am chosen by God to be who I am
And rejoices in the fact that I am chosen
And loved into being

I am loved into life!
I am called to cherish that love.
Called to become – the invitation is ever present
To “Come and See”

The angry teenager who feels misunderstood
Asks me to “Come and See”
Those who have been abused physically,
psychologically, and sexually
Are asking me to “Come and See”

From the drug abuser, the drunk, and the one
living on the street
I am given the radical call to “Come and See”
The child lives in wonder and trust
Asking me into their little world to “Come and
See”

It is in answering the invitation to “Come and
See”
That I meet the Christ of faith;
The one who calls me every day
To know and love all those made in God’s
likeness that come my way



*Good Shepherd/Wikimedia Commons/
Bernhard Plockhorst*

I am called and chosen by Christ –
For without my hands, my heart-filled and loved-filled presence
Christ cannot be fully appreciated in the world
For it is through me, God’s vessel, that Christ’s love is to be made known

May I have the confidence to “Come and See”
May I not fear this radical call
Throughout my life I must give God my all
For God stands waiting in the guise of his poor

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

Faith Formation

2016-2017 School Year

JANUARY CALENDAR

- 15 ~ No Sunday Faith Formation Class
- 18 ~ No Wednesday Faith Formation Class
- 19 ~ First Reconciliation Ceremony 5:30 p.m. in the Church
- 22 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class,
Parent Faith Formation, High School Confirmation Class
- 25 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class, Parent Faith Formation
- 29 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class, Parent Faith Formation

First Reconciliation Update

- Ceremony, Thursday, January 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Church
- 72 Children Prepared! How blessed we are!



CATECHIST SPOTLIGHT

My name is **Pat Zewalk**.

I am the youngest of five children hailing from the Pittsburgh area. Prior to retiring in Naples, I was employed as the Training Manager and later as the Area Financial Services Manager for General Motors Acceptance Corporation. My husband Mike and I have been in Naples full-time for about 16 years now and have been attending Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church almost as long.

For the past seven years, I have been involved in the Faith Formation program, the first as a teacher's aide and the last six as catechist "Mrs. Z." to second graders. Nothing in my life has been as rewarding and heart-warming as instructing these children. Preparing them for their sacraments is the focus of our year.

I am step-mom to five great kids who live in Wake Forest, Charlotte, and Pittsburgh, and I am Grammy Pat to nine very busy grandkids.

Golfing, gardening and cooking are my passions. I also enjoy creating unique rosaries and jewelry in my spare time.



Sr. Katie Flanagan, Fr. John and Kyle VanDuser Speak to High School Confirmation Students



We were so blessed to have Sr. Katie Flanagan speak to our High School morning class about the Sacrament of Confirmation. Fr. John stopped by, along with Kyle VanDuser, our St. John CYO Social and Spiritual Director, to offer encouragement for our teens. A special thank you to Donna Boucher, their catechist, for arranging this special treat for our youth!

Faith Formation Office Hours

- 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

CYO - YOUTH NEWS & EVENTS

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/netteam16 • INSTAGRAM: [@netteam16](https://www.instagram.com/netteam16)

ONGOING EVENTS

ABLAZE (Everybody)

Praise and Worship *every Sunday, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.* in the Claussen Family Center Youth Room. All are welcome.

THE ROCK (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP) ~ 9th - 12th Grade

Every Sunday, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. Meet in the Claussen Family Center Seminar Room for food and fellowship! We will play games, watch skits, open up the Bible, hang out with friends, and more. We cannot wait to see you there to learn more about our Catholic faith.

L.I.F.T.E.D ~ 6th - 12th Grade

Open Youth Room *every Mondays, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.* Hang out with the NET Team in the Claussen Family Center Youth Activity Room.

MONTHLY

One Friday every month there will be a Guys and Ladies Night separately planned for the 6th-12th graders at our Parish.

Host Homes

We still need Host homes for our NET Missionaries. If you would like to host them at your house for one of our two week periods this semester please contact Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, at kyle@sjecc.com for more information.

Several Safe Environment Training Sessions Have Been Scheduled at Area Parishes

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment. For further information, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment.

There are several upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at nearby parishes. For more details or to register, call the Parish Office at the location where the class is offered. Please note that no one should attend Safe Environment Training until their fingerprints have cleared. Fingerprints must be updated every five years. If you need to be fingerprinted here at St. John, call the office at 566.8740 for an appointment.

Any employees or volunteers who need to renew their background clearance or be fingerprinted should complete the paperwork and call the office at 566.8740 for an appointment.

Thursday, February 9	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Leo Bonita, Springs	239.992.0901
Saturday, February 11	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Leo Bonita, Springs	239.992.0901
Thursday, February 16	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Finbarr, Naples	239.417.2084
Saturday, February 18	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Finbarr, Naples	239.417.2084
Thursday, March 2	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.262.4256
Saturday, March 4	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.262.4256

For the complete list of regional trainings that will be held this winter and spring, please visit <http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/training-schedule/>

The next trainings will be scheduled in the spring and summer of 2017.

Annual Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal Underway Through January

The 15th Annual Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal is underway and needs your support! The Christmas Appeal takes place now through January 2017. This year's goal is to raise \$550,000. The Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal is our largest annual fundraiser and critical to operating our social service organization. Your gifts provide funding for the many Catholic Charities programs and services available throughout Southwest Florida. Your generosity enables us to serve those seeking help all year long.

To donate please visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org or mail a donation to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc., 5824 Bee Ridge Road PMB 409, Sarasota, FL 34233-5065

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Adult Faith Formation Bible Studies Begin January 18 and February 2

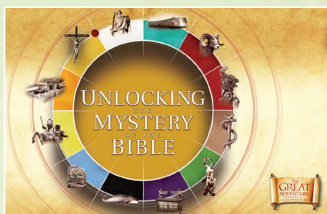
Many Catholics don't know the Bible very well. Vatican II called for a revival in biblical studies, but I don't think that's happened yet, at least among average Catholics.

We need to understand the great biblical story, beginning with Creation and the Fall, the formation of Israel, the coming of the prophets and patriarchs, and finally the formation of a people that leads to the coming of a savior. It's only when we get the sweep of that whole story that we understand why the coming of the savior matters, and what the coming of the savior even means.

When you extract Jesus from the biblical narrative, he becomes a mere guru, teacher, or philosopher. That's all our culture gives us: Jesus as another mystic, seer, or sage. But when you see Jesus against the backdrop of the great story of Israel, now you see that he's the savior.

So, I would recommend to all Catholics, open up your Bible and get deeply immersed in the great biblical story.

– Bishop Robert Barron, Advent Reflection, December 3, 2016

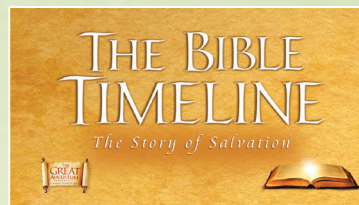


UNLOCKING the MYSTERY of the BIBLE is an 8-week quick overview that provides the easiest way to understand the Bible. It is an excellent introduction to Scripture from a Catholic perspective that is suitable for beginners as well as those who are experienced at Bible study. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin.

This program, developed by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer, makes the complex simple and provides a way to read the Bible and begin to understand it. It helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture so that you can get the “big picture” of the Bible and understand what it is all about. The Bible is a story about the Father’s unfailing love for you – a love that you are now called to share with others.

You will make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life, discover the remarkable connections between the Old and New Testaments, and see how the sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith are rooted in Scripture.

Beginning Thursday, February 2 and continuing for eight weeks until March 23, two sessions will be offered each Thursday, one from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. and the other from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Both will be facilitated by Michael Viola.



THE BIBLE TIMELINE is an in depth 24-session study that takes you on a journey through the entire Bible, goes deep into each period of salvation history and discovers the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see them all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith; it's like driving through the Holy Land in a Land Rover.

You will read the 14 narrative books of the Bible that keep the story moving and discover the amazing story woven throughout Scripture. Study the Bible from a Catholic perspective and see how our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture. See how the events in the Old Testament are fulfilled in the New Testament by Christ and the Church. Gain a greater appreciation for the Scripture readings you hear during Mass. See how God reveals himself to us through Scripture and learn how God’s Word applies to your life today.

Beginning Wednesday, January 18 and continuing for 12 weeks until April 5, the first half of this program will be offered. After an Easter break, participants will decide when they wish to schedule the second half, in spring or next fall.

Two sessions will be offered each Wednesday, one from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. facilitated by Susan Hamilton, and the other from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. facilitated by Nancy Bouchard.

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

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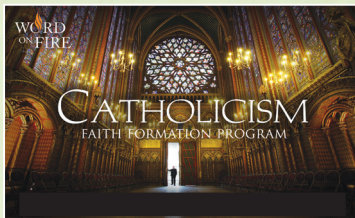
Bishop Robert Barron Series Begin January 24 and February 2

These **Word on Fire** documentary film productions are part beautiful travelogue, taking the participants throughout the Holy Land and around the world, visiting the places where the historic events occurred and the real people lived, and 100 percent solid theology, about what we as Catholics believe and why. Both series have been broadcasted nationwide on PBS. Hundreds of Saint John the Evangelist parishioners and guests have viewed and discussed the Catholicism series and given rave reviews.

Produced and hosted by Robert Barron, former Rector of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary and recently ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, they show the artistic and architectural splendor of the Catholic faith, interpreted in the light of the mystery of God revealed in Jesus Christ and his followers.

I invite all parishioners, and their family and friends who have not experienced **CATHOLICISM** to do so this winter. Decide this is the year you will invest a little of your time in formation of your faith.

– Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation Coordinator



In ten sessions, **CATHOLICISM** presents the entire scope of our religion. This groundbreaking documentary film series takes viewers around the world and deep into the Catholic faith. Key topics include:

- Jesus, human and divine,
- the teachings of Jesus,
- the mystery of God,
- Mary, the mother of God,
- the mystical union of Christ and the Church,
- the Church's sacrament and worship,
- the last things, and much more.

Beginning Thursday, February 2 and continuing for 10 weeks until April 6, two sessions will be offered each Thursday, one from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and the other from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

This Week's Complete Schedule

Wednesday, January 18

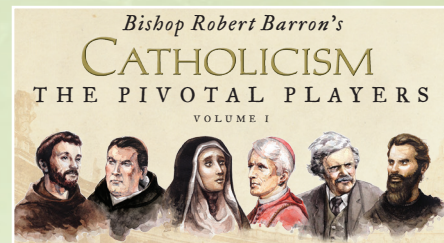
The Bible Timeline, Finding the Story in Scripture – 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Seminar Room
NO Parents Happy Hour this week.

Thursday, January 19

Women of the Word continue – 9:30 a.m. in Classrooms 9 and 10.

Sunday, January 22

Parents Coffee – 9:30 a.m. in the Rome Room (the old Library)



THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS, A NEW, RECENTLY RELEASED PROGRAM, 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.

Beginning Tuesday, January 24 and continuing for six weeks until February 28, two sessions will be offered each Tuesday, one from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. facilitated by Christine Reinhard, and the other from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. facilitated by Deborah Simon.

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SAVE THE DATE!



GAELIC AND GARLIC FESTIVAL

March 18-19

All Day Both Days



GRIEF SUPPORT

A seven-week grief support group will begin at St. John on Tuesday, February 14. The gathering will be from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and will meet in the Claussen Family Center. Meeting dates are: February 14, February 21, February 28, March 7, March 14, March 21, and March 28.

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.

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OPEN HOUSE

YOU'RE INVITED! Sunday, Jan. 29, Noon - 2:00pm

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BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

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

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era

Featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra
Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller & Stan Kenton

For Reservations (table of 8 or 10 only) CONTACT: 239-821-9395
Prepayment Required

Food available at reasonable prices.

Admission:

- \$10.00 cash only at the door ~ includes snacks

Cash Bar: Water and Soda ~ \$1.00

- Beer ~ \$2.00 per 12 oz. cup; \$7.00 per 60 oz. pitcher
- Wine and Mixed Drinks ~ \$3.00

Dress: Country Club Casual
(No shorts please.)

Singles Welcome

Sponsored by the Men's Club and Women's Auxiliary



- Big Band Dance Schedule**
- Tuesday, January 24
 - Tuesday, February 14
 - Tuesday, February 28
 - Tuesday, March 14
 - Tuesday, March 28
 - Tuesday, April 11

SOCK HOP
FEBRUARY
24, 2017



The Knights of Columbus at St. John the Evangelist
Proudly Presents

The Valentine's Day Dance

Thursday, February 16, 2017

With Billy Dean and Dawn

6:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

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



OPEN BAR



**JACKETS
REQUIRED.**

Music
Dancing

50/50

Tickets: \$50 per person.

**On sale after all weekend Masses starting
January 7, 2017.**

Make checks payable to: The Knights of Columbus

Tickets are also on sale online at:

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017ValentineDinnerDance>

No sales or refunds after February 12 or at the door.

Menu by Frisco's Catering

Appetizer Display: Cheese • Vegetable Crudite • Organic Fruit • Pecorino Romano Meatballs.

Salad: Mediterranean Salad with Red Wine Vinaigrette.

Entrée: Chateaubriand w/Whipped Potatoes and Asparagus.

Dessert: Flourless Chocolate Cake.

We will attempt to meet dietary needs.

LIMITED SEATING THIS YEAR.

SUPPORTING LOCAL CHARITIES. For more information, please contact **Jim McDonald** at **947-6454**

Live Casino
Games



Everyone
Is Invited!
All Ages!

CASINO



NIGHT

Senior Prom

for Anyone and Everyone
"Let the Good Times Roll"

Saturday, January 21 • 6:00 - 11:00 p.m.

- Great Food
- Raffle

**Admission
\$25.00**



*If you are single or widowed, we have a treat for you as
our Youth will be honored to take you to the prom!*

Sign up online at: <https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017SeniorProm>

Formal Dress



Music
from
Different
Eras!

- Live Music
- Prizes



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNTRY WESTERN HOE DOWN & CHILI COOK-OFF FOR LIFE

Proceeds
for Respect
Life

Sponsored by St. John Council Knights of Columbus



Monday, January 30, 2017

6:00 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Life Center

Cost: only \$8.00 Per person at the door. Includes chili servings, coffee and dessert. Pay "Saloon" available.

"Chili cook-off open to anyone who wishes to enter their GREAT Chili in the cook-off."
Call Jerry at (239)821-9395

The St. John the Evangelist Knights of Columbus Council will add to this annual respect life fundraising event with good old Country Music. Featuring the country western sound of "Vegas." Music, Cowboys and Cowgirls line dancing, Country Music, Country Dancing, Campfire and Chili Cook-off. Guests will enjoy different chili recipes of "chili aficionados" in the Naples Area.



Florida K of C Charities, Inc / Helping Life Fund is a 501 C 3 non-profit



"Walking Toward Eternity" A Seminar with Jeff Cavins February 3 and 4 at Our Lady of Light in Fort Myers

As Catholics our Faith is meant to be put into practice. "Walking Toward Eternity" with Jeff Cavins in person, is a powerful seminar that will help you to put your faith into practice, draw you closer to Christ, and challenge you to make real and lasting changes in your life. The seminar kicks off on Friday, February 3, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center at Our Lady of Light in Fort Myers with a free talk called "Christ Looks at us with Mercy... And Calls us to Discipleship." Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Saturday's seminar, "Walking Toward Eternity" will be from 9:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

The cost for the seminar is \$40 per person and includes materials and lunch. Register at www.regonline.com/FTMYERSWTE or with events@ascensionpress.com or 484.875.4550, x2003. There will be a book-signing reception with Jeff Cavins following the talk on Friday. Our Lady of Light is at 19680 Cypress View Dr, Ft Myers 33967, 239.267.7088. Jeff Cavins is the creator of The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Program.

Open House

You're Invited!

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Sunday, January 29 - Noon - 2:00pm

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