

May 28, 2017

*The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord*

the  
**EVANGELIST**  
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Fr. John Celebrates 20 Years of His Ordination to Priesthood*



*see more photos from Fr. John's Anniversary Mass and Anniversary Celebration on pages 12 and 13 (photos by Philip Baier)*



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Daily Mass: 8:30 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, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 & 5:00 p.m.

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

<b>May 27, 2017</b>	<b>Saturday</b>		
8:00 AM	+	Stephen Conger	Claire Conger
		<b>Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday</b>	
3:00 PM	+	Marie Castry	Dolores Kernochan
5:00 PM	+	Dr. H. Thomas Erbland	Sandy & Al Pistocchi
<b>May 28, 2017</b>	<b>Sunday</b>		
7:00 AM	+	Dr. H. Thomas Erbland	Richard & Kathy Zittel
9:00 AM	+	Leo Horey	Iris Horey
11:00 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM	+	Ida LaGrasta	Ninetta Magistro
5:00 PM	+	Jim Diamante	Kate & Bob Rowland
		<i>Flowers in Memory of Carol Oxx ~ requested by The Family</i>	
<b>May 29, 2017</b>	<b>Monday</b>		
8:30 AM	+	Joe Reid	Wife, Kay Reid
<b>May 30, 2017</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>		
8:30 AM	+	Frank Rosenthal	Jim & Darlene Follese
<b>May 31, 2017</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>		
8:30 AM	SI	First Birthday of Silvia J. Goeren	Neil & Suzanne Goeren
6:30 PM	+	Joe Hennessey	Eileen Hennessey
<b>June 1, 2017</b>	<b>Thursday</b>		
8:30 AM	+	John Brooks	Lee Youlio
<b>June 2, 2017</b>	<b>Friday</b>		
8:30 AM	+	Alice Glickman	Rita Pasternak
<b>June 3, 2017</b>	<b>Saturday</b>		
8:00 AM	+	Ramy Garrido	Josie Mennini
		<b>Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday</b>	
3:00 PM	+	Carl Squires	Jack & Connie Kindsvater
5:00 PM	+	Gene Zilavy	Nancy Zilavy
<b>June 4, 2017</b>	<b>Sunday</b>		
7:00 AM	+	Thomas Heaslip	William Heaslip, Jr.
9:00 AM	+	Helen Nash	Leo Nash
11:00 AM		For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM	+	Dr. H. Thomas Erbland	Susan & John Mulligan
5:00 PM	+	Irene Dykes	Gene & Jackie Popielec

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, May 27, 2017**

St. Augustine of Canterbury  
Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

**Sunday, May 28, 2017**

The Ascension of the Lord;  
World Communications Day  
Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

**Monday, May 29, 2017**

Memorial Day  
Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday, May 30, 2017**

Shavuot ("Weeks"), the Jewish festival of the giving of the Law, begins at sunset  
Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday, May 31, 2017**

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;  
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56

**Thursday, June 1, 2017**

St. Justin  
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday, June 2, 2017**

Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; First Friday  
Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday, June 3, 2017**

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions;  
First Saturday  
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

**Sunday, June 4, 2017**

Pentecost Sunday  
Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

**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](mailto: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...**

# Campaign Corner

May 28, 2017

*“Charity may be a very short word, but with its tremendous meaning of pure love, it sums up man’s entire relation to God and to his neighbor.”*

— Saint Aelred of Rievaulx



A Capital Campaign for  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## ***CYO and Optimist Soccer Donate a Truckload of Toys and Clothes***

There is something so powerful about the giving spirit of individuals and families of this Parish and in Naples. Not only did our Parish Family respond with tremendous generosity to Fr. John’s call for giving to the Immokalee Mission, we spent all month working towards active work for this area. Our staff traveled out to the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen for our monthly service to the poor. Our CYO Soccer program, which are part of the Optimist Soccer League, led by the Tedrow family, filled our box truck again with toys and clothing as part of our Spring Cleaning for Immokalee program. The League supported and encouraged its families, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, to donate items all season long, and during the final tournament, we were blessed with a major donation of bicycles, toys, games, and clothing for all ages.

Thanks again to Optimist soccer and their leadership, which includes the Dina and Greening Families, who are parishioners here at St. John. They, along with the Tedrows, developed this program that will enable our CYO community to provide various necessities to the youth in Immokalee: from the books to clothing, games, and toys. Next year, we will focus on specific necessities that the families in Immokalee may have in concert with Guadalupe Social Services. We are now able to positively impact the entire Naples community with CYO and social service programs, involving our Parish Family and non-parishioners alike in making our world a better place.

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the gifts, 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](mailto:campaign@sjecc.com).



Jean-Paul Boucher, General Manager  
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## PARISH CLERGY



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

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#### Homebound

Call the Office 566.8740

#### Hospital

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### Lectors Ministry

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### Greeters & Ushers:

Bill Fuller [wfuller1@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://www.sjecc.com)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## 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](mailto: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.

*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., 11:00 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. *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*

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**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 or Darlene Follese: 566.8740*

**Divine Gift Boutique** (located across from the restrooms). **Non-Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.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](http://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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# Celebrating the Blessed Virgin Mary and All Mothers



On May 14 we celebrated Mother's Day as a Parish Family and crowned our Blessed Mother Mary during the 11:00 a.m. Mass with our May Crowning. This event recognizes the mother of our Church, Mary. Carrying white roses, our recent First Communicants looked extra special in their dresses, suits and other formal attire from the previous day's sacramental excitement.



Roman Janopoulos and Isabella Bucca placed gold crowns on the statue's heads.



Fr. John used incense to bless Mary and illustrate her role in our faith as mother to us all.

The Family Mission wants to thank all those involved in making this wonderful day possible.

*photos by Scott Schwarz*

## #ToLove – Love, Mercy, Healing and Respect in These Hard Times

Has there been a time in our lives where the healing love and mercy of the Catholic Faith are more in need? I could see my daughters in the young girls that were enjoying Ariana Grande in Manchester, England, this past Monday evening. Their innocence was shattered minutes after the concert concluded, as an explosion rocked the arena. Watching the footage of these young people and children running for their lives, having been targeted for no real reason other than hatred, brought me back to my first experience with terror, the hijacking of TWA Flight 847 in 1985. As a 9-year old, I was exposed to the horror of scared passengers on TV who were leaving Egypt for the U.S. I turned and saw my 9-year old witnessing the same faces, only this time, many of them were the same age as her. I just wanted to hold her and tell her it was going to be alright.

With the amount of hatred in the world today, where ideology seems to be pulling us further and further apart, our faith clearly illustrates we need to stand together and for each other, all of us. There is no separation of God’s love for every single person on earth. We are all made in God’s image and likeness and he did not make a mistake. And Jesus gave us the greatest commandment of all, to love each other as he loves us. It can be very hard to love someone who is shouting at the top of their lungs something that we despise. Or that believe something counter to our beliefs. But that is exactly what Jesus has asked of all of us. As we discussed last week, our communications efforts illustrate our love and mercy. Pope Francis has gone a step further this year:

*I pledge the assistance of the Church in every effort to build peace through active and creative nonviolence. On 1 January 2017, the new Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development will begin its work. It will help the Church to promote in an ever more effective way “the inestimable goods of justice, peace, and the care of creation” and concern for “migrants, those in need, the sick, the excluded and marginalized, the imprisoned and the unemployed, as well as victims of armed conflict, natural disasters, and all forms of slavery and torture”. Every such response, however modest, helps to build a world free of violence, the first step towards justice and peace. – Pope Francis ([https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/papa-francesco\\_20161208\\_messaggio-l-giornata-mondiale-pace-2017.html](https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/papa-francesco_20161208_messaggio-l-giornata-mondiale-pace-2017.html))*



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Let us all pledge to never let the violence of hatred turn our own hearts against others, or allow the acts of terror to make us apathetic to the needs of those around us. And let us pray for the victims of hatred and their families so they can feel God’s love coming from us.

## #ToKnow, #ToLove – Respect Here at St. John

Sometimes, in the face of international incidents and growing antagonism, it can be easy to let those feelings of fear or anger creep into our daily interactions. I want to assure you that we here at St. John:

1. Stay up every night worrying about the safety of all our Parish Family.
2. Work every day to create and foster a safe, positive, engaging and enlivening environment here on our campus for every person that steps foot on it.

Every one of us has responsibilities in ensuring our environment continues to help grow love and faith. From the “if you see something, say something” mentality that applies to everything from a suspicious package to a leaking faucet, to the Crowd Management and CPR certification courses we hold here, we all can assist. There are a few considerations I would ask of you that can impact our safety and respect for each other:

- **Parking:** Earlier this year, I provided a clear and specific need for our Parish Family to respect the safety of each other in how we park on our campus.

Unfortunately, this has continued to be an issue, even as the parking lots become less crowded. If we continue to see illegal parking in our fire lanes, which make it difficult for first responders to arrive on our campus to potentially

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save a life, we will be providing warnings on the vehicles not parked in designated locations. After two weeks of warnings, we will be forced to allow the police to ticket and potentially tow vehicles that continuously are parked illegally. Hopefully this will be sufficient, and we will re-introduce the warnings again for our seasonal Parish Family members, in conjunction with our new back parking-lot golf cart transportation service.

- **Pre-Mass Fellowship:** We are so blessed to have our Parish Family come together before Mass to greet each other and speak about their lives before Mass. For some, it can be the highlight of their week to get to talk with friends. There are others who come early for Mass to pray and have some time for silent reflection. We want both activities to be able to happen respectfully. However, the structure and acoustics of our church building do not allow for that to occur in the same space without one impacting the other. If you would like to speak to your friends before Mass, we would ask that you take those conversations into the Narthex, the “lobby” of the church, or outside if comfortable, out of respect to the Parish Family members who are praying.

These are just a few specific examples of how we can respect and care for each other in these trying times. Thank you so much for your understanding and support!

## My greatest adventure

June 14  
6:00 PM

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for Free RSVP



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## Six Cub Scouts Recognized for Learning About Their Faith

On Sunday, May 21, six Cub Scouts from Saint John the Evangelist's Pack 226 were recognized for their persistence in learning about their faith. Each boy completed one or more Catholic Scouting Awards during this past school year. Fr. John met with the boys during their studies, and Bishop Frank J. Dewane congratulated each boy at the Ceremony, awarding them with a medal, patch or certificate in recognition of their hard work.

“The Diocese of Venice supports local scouting through providing Catholic Scouts and Scouters continued education in the Catholic Faith using the Scout Law and Scout Oath and an opportunity to earn Religious Awards as a result of their greater involvement in their Faith.” ([dioceseofvenice.org](http://dioceseofvenice.org))

Pack 226 meets on Monday nights during the school year at Saint John the Evangelist. The Pack always welcomes new members, age kindergarten through 5th grade. Faith is an integral part of Pack 226 life.

Contact the Pack for more information at:  
[pack226naples@gmail.com](mailto:pack226naples@gmail.com)



(left to right): John 'O'Brien - Religious Emblems Coordinator for Pack 226, Ben O'Brien, Bennett Talford, Bishop Dewane, Thomas O'Brien, Thomas Lund, Adam German, Chad Lund - Cubmaster of Pack 226, and Hunter Lund.

**Bereavement.** Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *For Arimatheans: Toni: 597.1966. 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.

**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.** Our mission is to become the light in the life of separated/divorced Catholics by giving them a sense of inclusion in our parish family and providing support and guidance through our shared spiritual journey. We meet Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Please call for more information *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. Info: *www.faithandwine@gmail.com, www.faithandwine.com or Nancy Squitieri: faithandwine@gmail.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.** 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) 239.514.0290 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org; (summer) 239.248.3248*.

**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. 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: Carole Mancini: 370.1521*

**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*

**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: 239.248.0694

**Divine Will Prayer Group**

Gorana Saner: 239.293.1765

**Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina**

Mondays at 5:30 p.m.: Maria Jones: 239.348.5361

**Liturgy of the Hours**

Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:30 a.m. Mass

## THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

**Adam Decker**

**Nick Detloff**

**Sp. Douglas Hennessy**

**Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes**

**Marine Colonel Brian Howlett**

**Sgt. Larry Oldenburg - U.S. Army (Iraq)**

**Austin Spagnola**

Note: In order to place a name on our Military Prayer List, that individual (the individual to be prayed for), must provide us with a signed release (or email-based approval) prior to the inclusion of his/her name in the printed Military Prayer List.

See the Consent Form to the right or visit our website to download a form:

<http://sjecc.com/forms>

Thank you for your understanding.

**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>

## OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

**AA.** Robert: 239.287.2442

**Al-Anon.** Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

**Narcotics Anonymous.**

**Cursillistas.** Robyn DeVille: 239.253.6275 or [robyndeville@earthlink.net](mailto:robyndeville@earthlink.net)

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## PRAYER LIST

*We remember those who have died recently, especially:*

Palmer Howell and Barbara Sawyer

*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*

Mary Alligood

Kaylee B

Jean & Emmunale Balliro

Richard Becker

Joey Blazer

Gallen Boardman

Brian Bodnar

Caeleigh Brown

Connie Cahill

Lauren Carr

Dick Clark

Joan Clark

Anthony D'Antuono

Mark DaBronzo

Donald Demski

Florence Demski

Jim Gendreau

Rick Genel

George Gonser Jr.

Don Hauptman

Gerard Heyer

Rosie Heyer

Donald Howe

Ann Kerns

Krista Leigh Kozowyk

Rene Lacoste

Jean Lydon

Diane Maloney

Margie Lynch

Maria and Family

Barbara Marsh

Kevin McDonagh

J. McG

Paul McIntyre

Cynthia McLemore

Carolyn McNichols

Anne Michaels

Lorrie Morrison

Bettina Nugent

Emma O'Rourke

Ronald J. Parker

Michael Paul

Anne Perrino

Ann Petrillo

Irene Pires

Renee Rake

Ruth Rechtsteiner

Ellen Roberts

Lloyd Sample

Lisa Sanfelippo

Shelia Scaduto

Joan Scariati

Peter Scariati

Thomas Sissman

Avery Smithies

Nancy Stewart

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Isaiah Thompson

Marilyn Thyen

Helen Thornburg

JoAnn Tinevra

Lawrence A. Varone

Mike Walsman

Bill Warvel

Kirsten Wills

Nancy Wise

## Prayer List Consent Form

Last Updated: January 30, 2017



**SAINT JOHN**  
the **EVANGELIST**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prayer List Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### POLICY:

Saint John the Evangelist will only accept additions to the Prayer List from the individual to be prayed for, or the parent or legal guardian of that individual. A signed release (or email-based approval) will be required prior to the inclusion in the printed Prayer List.

**I understand and agree to all of the above.**

Signature

Date

Parish Acknowledgement

General Manager Signature

Date

# LET US PRAY...

MAY 28, 2017 ~ THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

## 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

### Sunday, May 28, 2017: The Ascension of the Lord

Opening Song

**Christ Is Risen**

Matt Maher

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Verse 1) Let no one caught in sin remain  
inside the lie of inward shame  
But fix our eyes upon the cross  
and run to Him who showed great love  
And bled for us—freely you've bled for us

Verse 2) Beneath the weight of all our sins,  
You bowed to none but Heaven's will  
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown,  
No burden great can hold you down  
In strength you reign—forever let your Church proclaim

Chorus 

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling o - ver death by death, come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave,  
Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with him a gain, come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave!

*Bridge*) O, death, where is your sting? O, hell, where is your victory?  
O, Church, come stand in the light—the glory of God has defeated the night!  
Singing, O, death, where is your sting? O, hell, where is your victory?  
O, Church come stand in the light—Our God is not dead—he's alive! He's alive!!!

Preparation Song     **374**     **Servant Song**

Communion Song     **338**     **Behold the Lamb**

Closing Song

**Lord, I Lift Your Name On High Lord,** Rick Founds

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Lord, I lift Your name\_\_\_ on high;     Lord, I love to sing\_\_\_ Your  
prais - es.\_\_\_\_     I'm so glad You're in\_\_\_ my life;  
I'm so glad You came\_\_\_ to save\_\_\_ us.\_\_\_\_  
You came from heav - en to earth\_\_\_ to show the way,\_\_\_ From the earth\_\_\_ to the cross\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ my debt to pay;\_\_\_     From the cross\_\_\_ to the grave,\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ from the grave\_\_\_ to the sky;\_\_\_     Lord, I lift Your name\_\_\_ on high.

## Hymns for The Ascension of The Lord, May 27 & 28, 2017

Readings: Page **160**

Entrance Hymn: **181 Hail the Day That sees Him Rise**  
(Tune: **Jesus Christ is Risen Today**)

Preparation Hymn: **374 Servant Song**

Communion Hymns: **338 Behold the Lamb**

**376 Here I Am, Lord**

Closing Hymn: **625 America the Beautiful**

### Choral Anthem at 9AM Mass

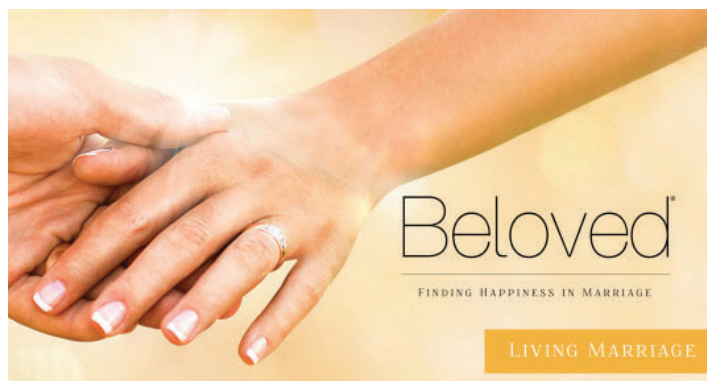
Communion: *We Feel Your Presence, Lord (Young)*

### Memorial Day Mass Monday, May 29 Will Honor Those Who Have Fallen in Order to Protect Our Freedom

We will honor those members of our Armed Forces who answered the call and made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29. The Music Department will celebrate these heroes with special prelude music. Fr. Bob will be the celebrant.

In addition, the names of our loved ones who paid for our freedom with their lives will be read aloud and prayerfully remembered, in order to properly observe Memorial Day.

Please contact the office (239.566.8740) to provide the names and details of those loved ones who served our country and lost their lives for our freedom. Those names will be read aloud and remembered during the Mass on Memorial Day. *Please note that if you already turned in the name you do not need to do so again.*



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# Fr. John Celebrates 20 Years of His Ordination to Priesthood

Sunday, May 21, 2017



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To see the whole collection of photos from Fr. John's Anniversary Mass and Anniversary Celebration, please visit our website at:  
<https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/featured/parish-family-celebrates-father-johns-vocation>

# Parishioners Congratulate and Say Thank You to Fr. John

May 24th, 2017

Dear Friends of St. John the Evangelist,

Greetings to you as you celebrate the Ascension of the Lord in which we are reminded of the promise awaiting each one of us. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of you who came to wish me well for my 20th year of Priestly Ordination. Many of you offered gifts for which I am truly thankful. There are some of you who offered gifts anonymously. I would also say thank you to you as well. The gifts received will benefit ministries of Catholic Charities in Immokalee where Christ lives in the guise of the poor. Your gifts will make a difference. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I would also like to thank Mrs. Donna Boucher and Mrs. Loretta Sullivan who helped organize this parish event. More than 800 parishioners showed up to share fellowship and offer encouragement to me. Obviously, that took a lot of organization. Mr. John Levering, our facilities manager, along with other staff members and other volunteers spent many hours helping. Thank you! The Council of the Knights of Columbus spent time in the heat preparing hot dogs and hamburgers for those who showed up in many numbers. Thank you for your continued support! A note of thanks to all who helped me organize the Mass. The adult and children's choirs, the altar servers, lectors, greeters, and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist. Finally, I would like to thank Jean Paul Boucher, for his partnership in the gospel as he seeks to support my vision, along with the vision offered in our ministries of collaboration, and puts together the detail that makes it all possible.

My priesthood has been very blessed by the people that I have served. Even though many say to me personally that I offer them so much encouragement in their faith, I must tell you that my faith grows when I see God working in the realities of your lives. May God continue to speak through all of you in the midst of your lives, your joys, and in your sorrows.

Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand!

Blessings,



Fr. John



*Acts 1:1-11*

*Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9*

*Ephesians 1:17-23*

*Matthew 28:16-20*

# The Word & Life

## *The Gift of Loving and Hopeful Assurance*

*A*s we gather to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, we recall the great event of Jesus' return to the Father's house. In Matthew's gospel we are told how Jesus appeared in his risen state before his followers. As soon as they see him, their immediate response is one of worship; we also learn about the doubts that took hold of their hearts. The profundity of the risen Christ's presence takes them beyond an ordinary to an extraordinary reality in which they offer their worship to the divine teacher

who had walked with them. No one can easily answer the question of why the eleven disciples doubted on the day of the Lord's ascension. Maybe the reason was telling them there was no way the man standing before them was Jesus who had been raised from the dead. When Jesus speaks, their doubts dissipate and the eleven are given the ultimate mission to evangelize to the ends of the earth. Jesus passes on his authority to them and enables them to continue his work of redemption and salvation. He tells them they will not be alone on their mission. His promise? "And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." The reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tells us how Jesus was taken up into the clouds and vanished from their sight. The angels inform them that Jesus had returned to the Father's house, and one day he will come again.

The Ascension of the Lord is a gift to all Christians because it reminds us of our destiny. It calls us to a deeper reality and knowledge of God's purpose for us. Each one of us is gifted with our earthly existence in order to glorify God. In baptism we are told that we share in his divine life by participating in the ongoing reality of the gospel of life. By following Jesus' gospel and living God's will, we can realize the promise that one day we will be brought to the threshold of eternal life and invited into the Father's house. The Spirit that hovered over the waters of the deep at the beginning of creation is

### **Reflection Questions**

1. What mission does Jesus give to the eleven disciples?
2. What authority does Jesus impart to his disciples and the Church?
3. How does the Church continue the great commissioning that Jesus gave his disciples?
4. How do you share in this work?
5. In what ways do you worship God?
6. What do you think Jesus meant by his comment about returning to earth?
7. What can you do in your life to prepare for the second coming of Christ?

the same Spirit we are imbued with at baptism; and the same Spirit that remains with the Church today and inspires us to follow Christ.

Our challenge as Christians is that we open ourselves to the presence of the Lord in all things. We discern this gift through the power of that same Holy Spirit that descended upon the apostles at Pentecost. Our real hope, as people of the Way, is that we will see the Lord Jesus face to face one day in the joys of heaven. That is the ultimate dream that all of us can ever hope for!

The day that Jesus was taken up to heaven marked another milestone in salvation history. It meant that the people left behind would have to continue his work and ministry on earth. Jesus' command was very simple and clear: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Once the disciples received the Holy Spirit, they were able to make this command of Jesus a reality. As a result of their missionary activity, Christians occupy the seats of churches all over the world today. When we are received into the Church through the sacrament of baptism, we also are led into the deeper reality of Jesus' command to love and know the Father in heaven. Today, we are asked to remember that Jesus Christ does not abandon his Church but rather journeys with it through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The healing and teaching that Jesus brought to the people who walked with him on those dusty roads of Galilee and sat with him on the mountainside as he taught, remains through the Church's activity today.

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



**Prayer**

*Heavenly Lord Jesus, even though we may feel lonely at times, may we also know that you are with us until the end of the age. Help us to keep your commands and discern the truth in love. May we call upon the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in all things. Amen.*

**Voices of Faith**

**The Ascension**

Men of Galilee listen to heaven's Rabbi  
Healed by His wounds  
They are disciples of resurrection's truth  
The reality of the Risen Lord  
Bathes them in the light of a promise

Their Christ had to suffer  
For bringing humanity back to God  
Hearts are changed with his victory over death  
Repentance offered once again  
With forgiveness as His aim

Immersed into Jesus' life  
These men of Galilee delve into His Truth  
Baptized by John, they are cleansed  
The Baptism of the Spirit will come  
Consuming them by the power of love

On that day of days  
Heaven's gate opens wide  
As their Christ is taken from their sight  
God's angels bid them on  
As they announce the future return of the  
Risen One

To Jerusalem the disciples return  
To await the gift of the Father  
Which will set them ablaze  
With the power of His life  
And the Truth of His Love

Engraved upon their memory  
Is a sacred story  
Of One who healed the sick  
Cleansed the leper, forgave the sinner  
And raised the dead – to show His glory

And so the disciple journeys forth  
Ready to serve and to wash the feet  
Of hearts yearning for God  
And souls bruised and torn  
Waiting to be touched by love

Man must not look into the skies to find his Christ  
For Christ walks with all on the journey of life  
The sacred ground of his presence remains in the home  
And on the streets of homeless abodes  
Let man hold fast to this sacred threshold

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



*Ascension of Christ/Wikimedia Commons*

# Faith Formation

## 2016-2017 School Year

### First Communicants Celebrate and Look to Serve in Ministry

Our First Communicants got together to share a meal and learn about opportunities for them to engage even more at St. John! The Children's Choir sang for everyone, under the direction of Gary Prettyman and Jennine Fuentes. They were amazing! The First Communicants had an opportunity to learn more about becoming a member of the choir. They also learned more about becoming an altar server, youth lector and about our camps offered at St. John this summer for the youth. Fr. Bob joined us and led us in a special prayer. It was great to see everyone again and celebrate a wonderful year!



*Michael & Beckett with their moms*



*The Vitale Family*



*Anthony enjoys some dessert!*



*Mariana and her family*



*Bennett and Paul sharing a meal*



*Joanna and her sister, all smiles!*



*Olivia and the Lee Family*



*Mikayla and the Dempsey Family*



*The Gomez Extended Family*

### Register Now for the 2017-2018 Faith Formation Year

Registration Forms are available online at [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com) or may be picked up in our parish office. Our staff will be working hard to prepare for another great year! If you are interested in volunteering in our Faith Formation ministry, please contact Natalie at [Natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:Natalie@sjecc.com).

*See more of the Family photos over the next few weeks.*

**Faith Formation Office Hours:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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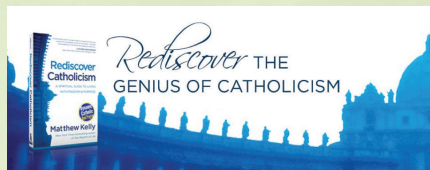
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Short Programs for those who stay in May & June, and June & July.

This week we begin viewing and discussing episodes of the popular program, *The Apostle of Common Sense*, a television series on EWTN, in which Host Dale Ahlquist and actor Chuck Chalberg bring Chesterton's words to life. These programs are expected to help us discover and rediscover G.K. Chesterton, to be challenged by his ideas, to see the completeness of his thought, and to be treated to the joy and depth of his faith.



You are invited to come to as many sessions as you choose and as your schedule allows; just one, or once in a while. But do join us because, "*Chesterton is like fine wine or smooth scotch, and it is usually happier to 'drink' in good company, than to 'drink' alone.*"



We all need to rediscover Catholicism. Central to the beauty and richness of the faith is that it is constantly in need

of being rediscovered. Not because it changes, because we change. Who we are and the circumstances of our lives are constantly evolving and so a truth that we passed over a year ago may prove to be completely transformative today.

The six-session program begins Wednesday evening, June 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center. All are welcome to join us as we delve further into the book by exploring personal reaction and application.

Before then, pick up the book, *Rediscover Catholicism: A Spiritual Guide to Living with Passion & Purpose* from the Parish Office or the Divine Gift Boutique. It costs only \$3. Before attending the first session, read the Prologue, Introduction, and Chapter 1: Our Universal Hunger. (only 19 pages). And reservations to [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com) would be appreciated so we know how many to expect.

### This Week's Schedule

Tuesday, May 30  
G. K. CHESTERTON ~ 7:30 p.m., Seminar Room

### Future Programs

Rediscover the Genius of Catholicism begins Wednesday,  
June 14 ~ 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room

Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com)

# ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

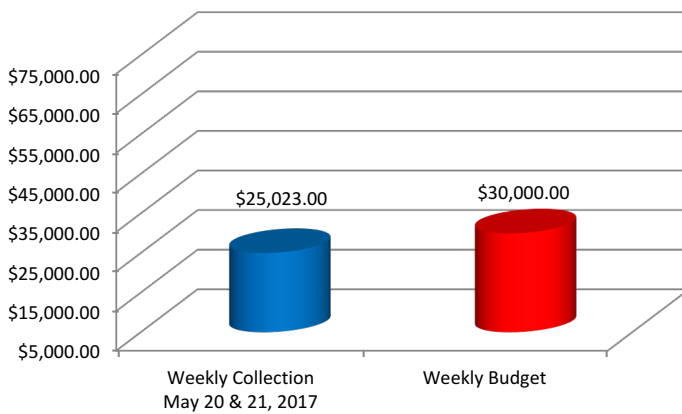
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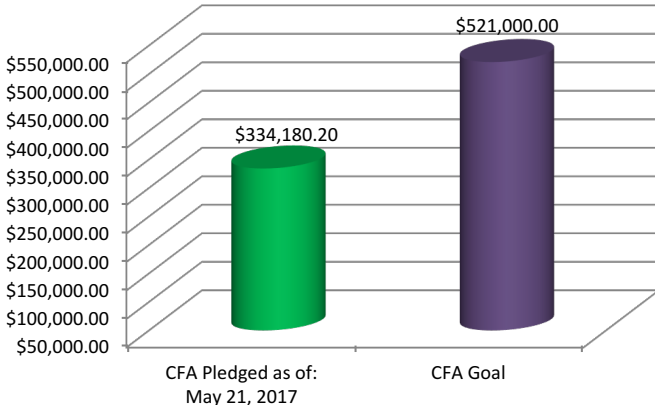
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## Weekly Collection Summary



## CFA Summary



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Don't miss these authentic monk made delicacies! The proceeds will benefit our Parish Youth Group and support the cloistered monks' life of prayer and manual labor – prescribed by St. Benedict in the sixth century and followed ever since.



# CYO EVENTS

## Catholic Youth Organization

Catholic Youth Organization operates under three structures: Social & Spiritual, Arts & Music, and Sports & Activities.

### Arts & Music:

A&M allows for students with unique gifts and talents to be instructed in their gifts.

#### Arts:

- Dancing
- Painting
- Drawing
- Improv Comedy
- And More...

#### Music:

- Piano Lessons
- Guitar Lessons
- Youth Praise and Worship Bands
- Youth Choirs
- And more...

### Sports & Activities:

COMING MARCH 2018

S&A program will have numerous opportunities for young people to explore their athletic and active abilities.

#### Sports:

- Flag Football
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Volleyball
- SAQ
- Weight Training
- And more...

#### Activities:

- Skateboarding
- Paddleboarding
- Biking
- Kayaking
- Summer Camps
- And more...



Catholic Youth Organization

### Social & Spiritual:

S&S provides events for young people to socialize in a spiritually encouraging environment.

#### Events:

- Praise and Worship Nights
- Youth groups
- Concerts
- Bonfires
- Bowling Nights
- Retreats (on and off campus)
- Spiritual Camps

Tell us your interest in these programs. Email Kyle VanDuser at [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com) that you're interested and you will receive a Google form to share your specific interests.

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# NET EVENTS

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## 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.

For more information on these events please contact Kyle VanDuser 239.207.0537 or [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com).

## “Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane”

Join Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio. “Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane” can be heard Friday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. on 1660 AM in Naples and 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at [RelevantRadio.com](http://RelevantRadio.com).

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# ZUMBA WITH MEGAN

**Zumba classes coming to St. John beginning Monday, June 5**

*A Zumba and Dance Masterclass for all ages to learn the steps in the Ballroom • June 3 • 9 am - Noon*

**Cost is \$5 a person**

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- Ballroom Dancing

**Arts and Music Camp at St. John for ages 6 - 14**  
**July 17 - 21 • 9 am - 4 pm**  
**Classes include: string instruments, piano, voice, acting/ theatre/improv, and painting**  
**Only 15 spots available.**  
Email [jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com) for more information.



# INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Assembly 3308 & Council 11281  
*Help Us Celebrate Our Independence and Honor the Brave Men and Women  
of Our Armed Forces, Past and Present, Who Protect Our Liberty*



**Saturday, June 24, 2017**  
at the Saint John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom  
**6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**



**BRING YOUR FRIENDS** to an evening full of  
**Memories, Entertainment and Gratitude**  
for our WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Gulf Wars and other conflicts.

**TICKETS:** only \$25.00 per person

**INCLUDES:** Buffet Dinner, Open Bar,  
Patriotic and Dance Music by

**Legends of Las Vegas**

*Dress Code:  
Smart Casual  
(No shorts, please)*

*Door Prizes!  
Must be present  
to win!*



## TICKETS GO ON SALE

starting Memorial Day weekend, May 27-28,  
at the church entrance  
Saturdays after Vigil Masses  
& Sundays after Masses until 2:00 p.m.

OR on the St. John website at:  
[https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/  
2017IndependenceCelebration](https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org/2017IndependenceCelebration)

OR contact Mike Brady by email:  
Bradymikee@comcast.net

Make checks payable to Arthur J. Corr K of C

## HONOREES

**World War II:**  
Frank Kogut  
Skip Amodeo  
**Korean War:**  
Anthony Lombardi  
Gerald Vezina

## PERFORMING

The Naples H.S.  
JROTC Army  
Drill Team  
& Drum Corp

# Join your Saint John Friends on the Annual Cruise to the Caribbean organized by the Cruise & Travel Experts



## CELEBRITY REFLECTION

Jan. 19, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	4:00pm
Jan. 20, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 21, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 22, 2018	St. Johns, Antigua	8am-4pm
Jan. 23, 2018	Bridgetown, Barbados	9am-6pm
Jan. 24, 2018	Castries, St. Lucia	7am-4pm
Jan. 25, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	9am arrive
Jan. 26, 2018	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	6pm depart
Jan. 27, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 28, 2018	Day at Sea	
Jan. 29, 2018	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	7am



**Celebrity X Cruises®**  
That's modern luxury.™

### Booking Bonuses:

- \* Pre-Cruise Wine and Cheese reception January 6th at Saint John's
- \* Roundtrip Bus from Saint John's
- \* Continental Breakfast day of departure January 19th at Saint John's
- \* Cocktail Party onboard ship
- \* Private Masses with Fr. John
- \* Receive a one category upgrade for past Celebrity passengers. Ask for details.
- \* Receive \$50 discount per person when making final payment with check
- \* Book and deposit an oceanview stateroom or higher and choose two perks below:
  - Classic beverage package for two
  - Prepaid gratuities for two
  - Unlimited internet for two
  - \$300 to spend onboard for two

Two Additional Perks!

### Exclusive Cruise Rates:

#### Suite

Prevailing rate

#### Balcony (some sold out below)

Category C2 (Concierge class):	\$2,120
<del>Category C3 (Concierge class):</del>	<del>\$1,950</del>
Category 1A:	\$1,880
<del>Category 1B:</del>	<del>\$1,820</del>
Category 1C:	\$1,800
Category 2B:	\$1,740
Category 2C (partial obstruction):	\$1,720

#### Ocean View

Prevailing rate

#### Interior

Category 9:	\$1,340
Category 10:	\$1,300

\*All package taxes and fees of \$165 per person not included in rates above. Reserve your cabin for only \$450 per person plus insurance, which is highly recommended.

Document Concierge Service available for \$25 per cabin which includes completing passenger registration, printing and mailing all applicable documents.

 **Cruise & Travel**  
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For additional information and booking  
Contact April Williams at  
**800.940.2394**  
or [awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com](mailto:awilliams@cruiseandtravelexperts.com)

\*Price is per person, cruise only, based on double occupancy. Prices are subject to change and are based on availability at time of booking. Air fare, insurance, and pre and/or post night hotel packages can be added to your vacation at an additional charge. Saint John the Evangelist Parish, the Diocese of Venice and/or any of their employees, shall be held harmless in the event of liability or litigation. FL- ST40081.  
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