

July 16, 2017
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

the
EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Commitment: Wellness for the Entire Person



Almost two years ago, we began talking about how we want to assist our Parish Family's wellness focus, the healthy balance of mind, body, soul, and spirit. When a group of people come together in worship and communion with each other, it makes such a positive impact on each individual. Wellness is at the heart of all our new initiatives, from the Farmers Market to the Life Center, to our new CYO and CAO Programs.

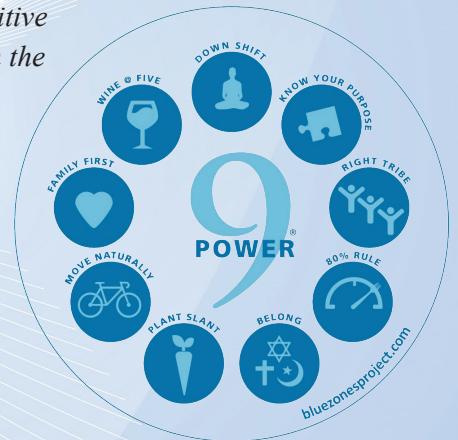
One international effort for wellness that we have utilized is called Blue Zones. Blue Zones are places around the world where people have been able to live longer and happier lives based on their personal habits and their interaction within their community. One of the unique traits for Blue Zones from other Wellness programs is that belonging to a faith-based group and attending services regularly is actually a core requirement (*part of the Power 9 seen here*).

The Blue Zones Project is free of charge to the people in a region, as a corporate sponsor pays for the entire project. The Naples Community Hospital is the generous sponsor for Southwest Florida.

St. John became the first Religious Organization to have scored above 32 points in the Blue Zone program, through our existing and planned activities that promote the health and wellness of our Parish Family. We only need about 150 more participants in the Blue Zone commitment from our church in order to be fully recognized as a Blue Zone certified Religious Organization, the first Catholic Church to reach that goal.

There will be NCH and St. John Blue Zone representatives available after Mass this weekend outside the church so you can ask questions, get more information, and even sign the commitment to working with us all to foster wellness for all our bodies, our minds, our souls and our spirits. However, if you would rather sign the Commitment Form online, go to:

<https://southwestflorida.bluezonesproject.com/pledge?c=eDVuZUdmd1lz a0lz dXdWRmJh&t=FAITH>



Zumba classes are offered here on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the ballroom.



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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

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July 15, 2017 Saturday 8:00 AM + Carol Seay	Bruce & Peg Reale
Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Fred "Fritz" Fromert	Janet D'Addario
5:00 PM + Gene Zilavy	Nancy Zilavy
July 16, 2017 Sunday 7:00 AM + Fran Purcell	Catherine Sblendorio
9:00 AM + Fred "Fritz" Fromert	Kay Reid
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM + Rolin Rodriguez	Millie Rodriguez & Family
5:00 PM + Peter Acerbi	Peter's Wife
July 17, 2017 Monday 8:30 AM SI Special Intention of Iris Horey	
July 18, 2017 Tuesday 8:30 AM + Merle V. Martin	John Martin
July 19, 2017 Wednesday 8:30 AM + Peter Acerbi	Sylvia Kidd (The Kidd Family)
6:30 PM + Cissy Prentiss	Cheryl Horbal
July 20, 2017 Thursday 8:30 AM "Novena Mass for Life - For a greater respect for all human life"	
July 21, 2017 Friday 8:30 AM + Richard Organisciak	Joseph DeJesus
July 22, 2017 Saturday 8:00 AM + William Schultz	The Family
Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday	
3:00 PM + Mr. & Mrs. John Shea	Kathy & Ginger
5:00 PM + Janice O'Connor	Douglas O'Connor
July 23, 2017 Sunday 7:00 AM + Jerry Lane	Mr. & Mrs. Gus Schieszler
9:00 AM + Anne Decarmine	Carol Nucci
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners	
1:00 PM + Elizabeth Mullally	Ann Mullally
5:00 PM + Jerry Monroe	Ferreira Family

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 15, 2017 St. Bonaventure Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]
Sunday, July 16, 2017 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]
Monday, July 17, 2017 Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 - 11:1
Tuesday, July 18, 2017 St. Camillus de Lellis Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday, July 19, 2017 Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday, July 20, 2017 St. Apollinaris Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
Friday, July 21, 2017 St. Lawrence of Brindisi Ex 11:10 - 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday, July 22, 2017 St. Mary Magdalene Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]
Sunday, July 23, 2017 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

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...

Campaign Corner

July 16, 2017

“God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, Courage to change the things I can, And wisdom to know the difference.”

— Karl Paul Reinhold Niebuhr



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

New Lighting Around the Campus for Safety Improvements Include Memorial Garden Renovation

While we continue with the major renewal of the St. John campus for our Parish Family, we wanted to provide specific improvements to the exterior lighting of all the areas we walk through. It is important to create a consistent lighting environment to remove the dark areas where it is difficult to see, park, and walk. With less changes in lighting, it will be easier on your eyes to adjust when traveling outside and you will be comfortable in seeing the entire pathway to and from your car. You will see the start of this new lighting system in the newly structured front parking lot, and we have plans to implement it throughout the rest of the campus.

This opportunity to renovate the exterior lighting gave us a chance to take a look at all our walkways as well. We listened to the feedback of both the late-night dancers and the 7:00 a.m. Mass-goers. The pathway lighting is sadly lacking when it comes to safely illuminating our campus. A new light system is necessary to resolve these issues. We have chosen a new post-light and bollard system for our campus lighting that will provide the same consistency and visibility as our new parking lot lights. We will be installing these over the next few months, as part of the campus renovations.

One location in particular will require very special attention: our Memorial Garden. The new lighting system will provide a safe and inviting environment for those who visit their friends and loved ones between dusk and daybreak. However, the installation must be done extremely carefully. Our first and primary responsibility is to our deceased and their loved ones. This installation will require new electrical infrastructure. We will need to stage the installation in sections around the Memorial Garden where we will pull cabling under the walkways. This will create times where the Memorial Garden will be under renovation. This will not impact the ability to use the Memorial Garden for Interments, but may make it difficult to visit at times. We will ensure to always put signage up during worktimes so you will not be surprised if we are digging or working within the Garden. We anticipate this work will begin in August, and it may continue for some time, depending on the schedule of activities like funerals, that may impact the project.

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.

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jp@sjecc.com



PARISH CLERGY



Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor

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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: deb@sjecc.com*

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: tricia@sjecc.com*

Anointing of the Sick/Funeral Arrangements. Call the parish office. If the office is closed the answering machine will provide an emergency phone number for you to reach a priest.

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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

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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

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!

Choirs:

Gary Prettyman: gary@sjecc.com

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Residents and seasonals welcome.

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m.
Grades 1-5.

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Sundays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.
Grades 6-12 especially welcome.

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: prayerlist@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*To Know, To Love, and To Serve God
in His Church and Our Community.*

PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

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With Your Help We Can Make 40,000 Meals for Refugees in 60 Minutes or Less



Right here at Saint John the Evangelist we are providing an opportunity for our parishioners and the Naples community at large to make a huge impact for those who are suffering around the world.

We will host our second annual meal-packing event where we hope to make 40,000 individual ready-to-serve meals for our brothers and sisters in Burkina Faso. We need people of all ages from St. John and the Naples community to come out and help pack these meals on Thursday, August 10 at 5:30 p.m.

The event is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services as part of their Helping Hands Service, which provides meals to refugee camps and starving families internationally. Last year, with the help of 320 individuals, we packed enough meals to feed 20,000 people in 46 minutes.

Please RSVP with the link below if you, your friends, and your family are able to assist. This is a community-wide effort so please invite and bring everyone you know.

If you are unable to come to the event on August 10, but would like to donate money in order to help us reach our goal, you may do so using the link below as well.

To register or donate, visit:
<http://helpinghands.crs.org/events/sjecc2017/>



photos from last year's event

#ToKnow, #ToLove, #ToServe – Convocation of Catholic Leaders Day 2: Landscape and Renewal

There is no doubt that the U.S. Catholic Church is in the midst of a radical transformation. It is not enough to sit back, and just keep maintaining the church we have. We must be missionary in our nature, a permanent state of outwardly living our joyous faith. That is the state in which the Convocation of Catholic Leaders have provided this background:

Jesus' call to missionary discipleship has been sustained in and answered by his Church over the centuries. Following the Second Vatican Council, Bl. Paul VI issued a call for the whole Church to embrace anew her fundamental mission of evangelization. St. John Paul II amplified and deepened this call with an emphasis on the need to undertake a new evangelization, an emphasis continued and strengthened by Pope Benedict XVI and now Pope Francis.

In Evangelii Gaudium, Pope Francis encouraged the Church to enter a "new phase of evangelization" as missionary disciples—a phase marked by ongoing "missionary conversion." This is the motivation and context for the Convocation of Catholic Leaders: The Joy of the Gospel in America. The Holy Father teaches that, "The Gospel joy which enlivens the community of disciples is a missionary joy" (EG, no. 21). Each of us is called to witness Christ to the world. At the Convocation, bishops and other Catholic leaders will "devote the necessary effort to advancing along the path of a pastoral and missionary conversion which cannot leave things as they presently are."

The pastoral and missionary conversion called for by Pope Francis includes an initiation into the "art of accompaniment" which teaches us to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other (cf. Ex 3:5)." This



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accompaniment, as the Holy Father explains, leads others closer to God as "a pilgrimage with Christ to the Father." Missionary discipleship demands "drawing nearer to others," including drawing "near to new forms of poverty and vulnerability, in which we are called to recognize the suffering Christ." Pope Francis's vision of missionary conversion and pastoral accompaniment is central to the Convocation.

We started Day 2 with prayers for the opening of our minds, hearts, and souls for the message and mission of the Convocation. Archbishop Wenski, the only Bishop in Florida who is native to the state (and he reminded

us of that fact), opened the day with a wonderful introduction to the current landscape of both the US Church and the overall society of the nation. He clearly illustrated Pope Francis' focus of the Church as a Field Hospital is the core structure that must be put in place. A keynote from Boston College professor Dr. Ospino, who spoke about the constantly changing environment of the Catholic Church in the US. It has actually been constant historically, we just so happen to be at a moment of significant change. The new wave of immigrants from all different cultures is impacting all parishes in some way. He stated that 60% of Catholics in the U.S. under 18 are Latino. If we do not connect people in their communal life both to their faith and to the parish life, they will not prioritize their faith, allowing for the "disconnection" of religion, makes caring about others someone else's problem.

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The panel discussion provided a great representation of the landscape of the U.S. Catholic Church, and all the challenges we all face together. The most important word was "together". Not just accepting diversity, but welcoming in and allowing that diversity (culture, race, age, sex, ideas, and all the forms of diversity) to challenge and change the parish. From a Bronx priest to a Georgetown CARA researcher, all the message was the same: showing the joy of the Catholic Church through reaching the peripheries. Youth, young adults, immigrants, nones, working poor, and countless others that do not feel welcome or engaged in the church. How do we reach them with the true message that Jesus loves them for who they because God made them in love.

Breakout sessions followed, discussing the nones, people who no longer identify themselves as religious or part of a religious organization, as well as what is working (and not) in the current environment of parishes and ministry today. What tremendous discussions.

The afternoon session was called the Radical Call to Missionary Discipleship. There are several major words in that title. The panel defined "radical" as the uncompromising desire to go out and get to the heart of the matter, the root of the life we are accompanying. Bishop Caggiano of Bridgeport, who clearly communicated his Italian roots, said our whole role in the world is to create an invitation to our homes, and like any good host, we should clean our house, makes sure there is enough food for everyone, and ensure that everyone who comes feels like family. What a great analogy for our Parish Family.

Cardinal Wuerl of Washington DC provided the definition of a Missionary Disciple. He provided 5 key characteristics:

1. Boldness/Courage
2. Connection to the Church
3. Sense of Urgency
4. Compassion/Mercy
5. Joy

Can we all see those characteristics in ourselves, our ministries, and our daily efforts in the world? That is the plan of the Catholic Church in the United States.



Registration for Summer 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes is open!

We are offering the following classes during the summer. Please register as soon as possible to ensure that your class of interest is offered.



CYO:

- Ballroom Dance on Wednesdays at 4pm beginning July 26
- Improv Comedy on Mondays at 7pm beginning July 24
- Art and Painting on Thursdays at 10am beginning July 20
- Singing Lessons on Fridays at 4:30pm beginning June 30
- Guitar Lessons on Sundays at 3:15pm beginning July 2

additional summer offerings:

- Keyboard/Piano 1 (open to all beginners) on Saturdays at Noon beginning July 29
- Keyboard/Piano 2 (by invitation or audition only) on Saturdays at 10am beginning July 29



CAO:

- Ballroom Dance on Wednesdays at 5pm beginning July 26
- Painting Class on Saturdays at 11:15am beginning July 29
- Vocal/Cantor Training on Fridays at 3pm beginning June 30
- Guitar Lessons on Saturdays at 1pm beginning July 22

Register online on our website or at the parish office! Don't miss out on these special summer classes being offered just for you!

Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

PARISH COUNCILS:

Building 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. *Council President: Bill Siostrom: bsjast@yahoo.com or 239.566.8314*

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. *Council President: Barbara Kuryea: payables1@comcast.net or 239.513.9952*

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 or 239.597.2086*

MEET OUR MINISTRIES:

Arimatheans. Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. *Toni Biordi: 239.597.1966.*

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 Follese: prayerlist@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

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: *Beth Lucci: sjeride@gmail.com or 239.877.6254*

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 deLaurentis: elaine@sjecc.com or 239.228.3921*

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 Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhariza@yahoo.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Provide interesting and thought provoking speakers monthly with food and fellowship for women in the Diocese. Info: *www.faithandwine@gmail.com, or Nancy Squitieri: faithandwine@gmail.com or 239.566.8740*

Grief Support Ministry. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *Leo Gallagher: 239.594.1535*

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: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org*

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: froglady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

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*

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: relife@aol.com or 239.250.0432*

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.

Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 239.250.4162

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. *Bill Smart: (SVdP Office): 239.775.1667*

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 or 239.370.4277*

Knights of Columbus Councils:

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: jmc708@comcast.net or 239.947.6454*

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. *Grand Knight Ed Phelps: efpep@aol.com or 239.339.3847*

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: 239.498.9900*

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. Thursdays 9:30 a.m. *Nancy Bouchard: 443.498.8452 or nancybdds@comcast.net*

PARISH MINISTRIES...

Check the Event Sheets on the building doors for the meeting location of the group. Groups do not always meet in the same location from week to week.

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

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

PRAYER GROUPS

Pray The Rosary & The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Carol Swank 757.559.4761

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. pmgrys@aol.com

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.

OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

AA. Robert: 239.287.2442

Al-Anon. Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

Narcotics Anonymous. 888.435.7301

Cursillistas. Robyn DeVille: 239.253.6275 or robyndeville@earthlink.net

Gambler's Anonymous. 1-800-ADMIT-IT

Habitat for Humanity. Kouolloheras: nick@hfhcollier.com

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 239.598.9865

Recovering Couples Anonymous. Britta: 239.348.5031 or Roger: 239.250.6888

PRAYER LIST

We remember those who have died recently, especially:

Hiroshi Chiwaki, Ingeborg Corbett, Mary Ellen Wheeler and Paul J. Zaino

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 Balliro
 Beagan Family
 Richard Becker
 Joey Blazer
 Gallen Boardman
 Brian Bodnar
 Lori Breyman
 Caeleigh Brown
 Connie Cahill
 Frank Comeriato
 Lauren Carr
 Joan Clark
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 Mark DaBronzo
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 Florence Demski
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 Jeff Gatt
 Genel Family
 George Gonser Jr.
 Jayne Hagg
 Don Hauptman
 Gerard Heyer

Rosie Heyer
 Donald Howe
 Krista Leigh Kozowyk
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 Diane Maloney
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 Barbara Marsh
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 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: _____

I understand and agree to all of the above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parish Acknowledgement _____

General Manager Signature _____ Date _____

LET US PRAY...

JULY 16, 2017 ~ FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Next Worldwide Marriage Encounter
for Happily Married Couples Is August 25-27**

What have you done for your marriage today? Successful marriages don't work on automatic pilot – at least not for long. Like a garden, they require constant attention: fertilizing, watering, and weeding. Healthy marriages, like gardens, don't die suddenly. More often they fade away from a gradual lack of attentiveness, letting things slide, taking each other for granted.

Join us for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter and discover God's plan for joy, romance and passion in your marriage. Join us on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend August 25-27 at the Franciscan Center. Space IS limited, so apply early! For more information about taking a private time away, check out fwc-wwme.org or call 813.270.7832.

GRIEF SUPPORT

A seven-week grief support group began at St. John last week, July 11. Additional sessions will be held July 18, July 25, August 1, August 8, August 15, and August 22. The gathering will be from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and will meet in the Claussen Family Center. Anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend, even after missing the first session.

There is no fee, but pre-registration is required. To register, please call Geralyn Poletti at Catholic Charities at 455.2655 or for individual assistance call the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

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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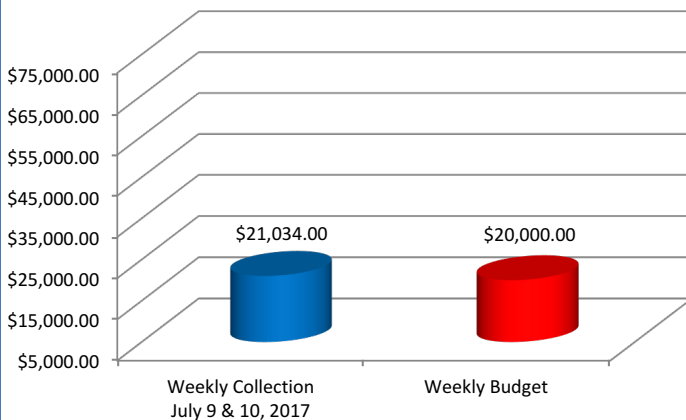
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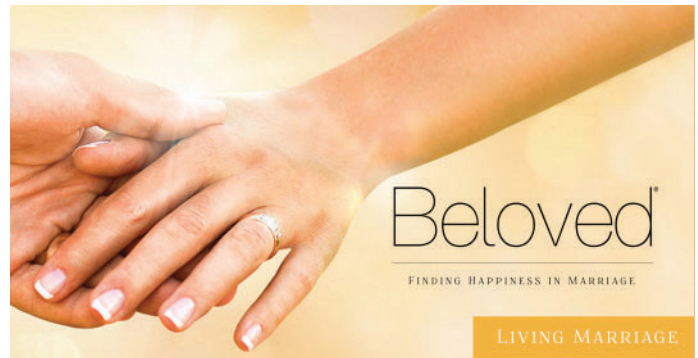
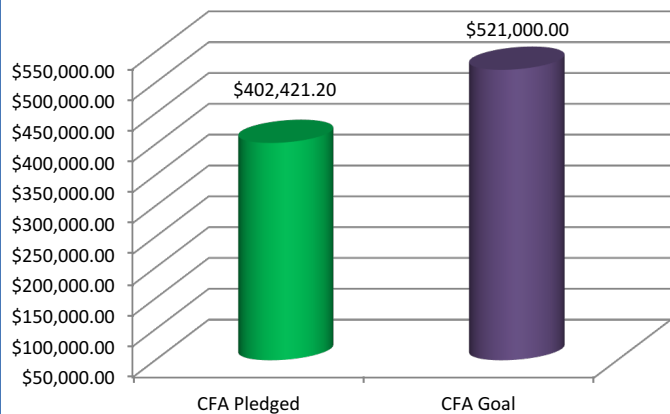
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Weekly Collection Summary



CFA Summary



*Want to enrich your marriage and spend time
with like-minded couples?*

Join us for

BELOVED: LIVING MARRIAGE

*A monthly, six-part series designed
to help live out the day-to-day challenges
of married life.*

Next session: July 29 from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

FINAL session: August 26

Nursery will be available upon request.

Please RSVP at the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.

Music for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 15 & 16, 2017

Readings:	Page 181	
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	488	Center of My Life
Closing Hymn:	497	We Have Been Told

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, July 16, 2017: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song **539** **Come, Now Is the Time To Worship**

Preparation Song **Better Is One Day** Matt Redman CCLI Song No. 1097451 © 1995 Thankyou Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Matt Redman All rights Reserved. Reprinted under CCLI License #2008891.

Verse 1)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord almighty,
For my soul longs and even faints for you.
For here my heart is satisfied within your Presence
I sing beneath the shadow of your wings *(to chorus)*

Verse 2)

One thing I ask and I would seek:
to see your beauty,
to find you in the place your glory dwells
(repeat, then to chorus)

Better is one day in your courts, bet-ter is one day in your house, bet-ter is
3 one day in your courts than thou-sands else-where; — Bet-ter is one day in your courts, bet-ter is
6 one day in yourhouse, better is one day in yourcourts than thousands elsewhere; — than thousands else-where. —

Communion Song **488** **Center of My Life**

Closing Song **497** **We Have Been Told**

Safe Environment Training Will Resume in the Fall

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.

Report all abuses against minors to the Florida Department

of Children and Families at 800.962.2873. To report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers, please also call the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara DiCocco at 941.416.6114.

Training sessions will resume in August and the schedule will be available at that time.

Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14

Romans 8:18-23

Matthew 13:1-23

The Word & Life

A Precious Seed

Living in the modern world can often obscure the power behind the parables of Jesus. Most of us go to the grocery store to pick up food that is nicely displayed and neatly packaged. Chances are that most of us probably do not think about the process behind the food packages. The world of agriculture has changed so much that seeds are now sown by machines and not by people. If we are truthful, we do not even think much about the seed that was initially planted. In Jesus' time it was very different — just as it is in the remotest and poorest parts of our world today. Jesus lived in the arid lands of Israel. Seed was precious to the people of his time just as water is a precious necessity for our survival today. The people of Israel planted seed in the hope that it would produce vegetation and sustain their lives. When Jesus offered the parable of the sower everyone would have understood the impact of the message.

Reflection Questions

1. Look at the four ways in which Jesus talks about the seed being sown and name the various ways in which you have responded to God's seed in your life.
2. What does the seed represent for you?
3. Where do you think the listeners of Jesus' day lacked wisdom?
4. In what ways does the world show ignorance to God's grace?
5. How do you lack understanding?
6. How does God's Word fill you with wisdom and understanding?
7. Name the ways in which the Sacraments enable you to implant the precious seed of God in your soul.
8. How does the Church help you to nurture God's seed?

The seed is the Word of God. The sower is God and we are the soil. Jesus uses four images to demonstrate how we respond to God's word. The seed that falls to the path represents how people can hear the Word of God but allow the world of sin to erase its importance. The seed that falls on rocky ground, sprouts very quickly, then immediately dies for lack of roots. Many people love to hear God's Word and the wisdom of Jesus, but when it comes to putting the message into practice they find it too difficult because it involves *sacrifice*. Therefore, the message quickly dies because it has not taken root in peoples' hearts. The seed that is sown among the thorns characterizes those individuals who really understand the message of the gospel, but they allow greed and materialism to take hold in their lives leaving no room for the seed to bear fruit. Finally, Jesus talks of the sower who places the seed in rich soil that produces much fruit. This image tells us that we have the opportunity to make our very lives the fertile ground of God's loving presence.

The Word of God is creative — it becomes a life-giving force within each one of us if we allow its power to form and shape our lives. If all of us thought of the way God would critique some of the choices we make, we

would probably look at life in a totally different way. Our decisions would obviously reflect God's Word if we allow His Word to be our driving force. We often hear people say: "I give you my word." This involves trusting the person that makes the statement. Sometimes we are disappointed by another who breaks their word. However, with God it is different. God has given us His Word — we can trust in that Word to bring us hope and new life. If we do that, we will never be disappointed!

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



Prayer

Lord, sow your seed deep within our hearts. May your Word take root in our lives. Help us to rid ourselves of the things that steal your presence and remove from our lives the things that choke us and obscure your message of true freedom. Let us bear the fruits of your mission and ministry as we strive to follow your example today. Amen.



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Voices of Faith

The Sower & the Seed

The mystery of life contained within the seed
Waits to reveal the possibilities of its life waiting to become
The vulnerability of the seed is entrusted to the sower
The sower is the steward of life's sacred gift

Sacred seed, Word of God, Saving Grace, Mystery of Love,
Hands take hold of the gift from above
Eyes look out at life's landscape
Where to plant? Where to root?

Trodden paths where birds wait to steal is real
The seed is cast out onto trampled path
Swallowed up by evil mouth's grasp
Understanding not, God's Word forgot

Sacred seed, Word of God, Saving Grace, Mystery of Love,
Hands take hold of the gift from above
Eyes look out at life's landscape
Where to plant? Where to root?

Rocky ground with little harden soil is forlorn
Seed is sown it comes to life
Roots sprout but end in strife
The joy of life lost in shallow soil

Sacred seed, Word of God, Saving Grace, Mystery of Love,
Hands take hold of the gift from above
Eyes look out at life's landscape
Where to plant? Where to root?

Seed scattered and sown in thorns
Life burst forth to be choked by the barbs
Of life's tragedies of worry and greed
Stealing the treasure of God's presence and peace

Sacred seed, Word of God, Saving Grace, Mystery of Love,
Hands take hold of the gift from above
Eyes look out at life's landscape
Where to plant? Where to root?

The sower finds the soil of abundance
Where God's beauty is waiting to burst forth
The seed is planted and the miracle of growth takes place
A hundred or sixty or thirtyfold grace

The seed, God's Sacred Word, deeply planted
In the depth of heart and soul – the rich soil provides a home
For in the indwelling of the presence of God
His grace is given, His love outpoured to all

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

Faith Formation

2017-2018 School Year

Registration 2017-2018 School Year

All Registration Forms Due August 31

Registration packets are available in the Parish Office and Faith Formation offices for the 2017-2018 school year, grades Pre-K through grade 12. Registration Forms are due August 31.

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

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2017-2018

SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST
Office of Faith Formation
625 111th Avenue North • Naples, Florida 34108
Phone: 239-566.8740, ext. 3909 Fax: 239-449.6426
Website: www.sjecc.com E-Mail: natalie@sjecc.com

1. Our Faith Formation Program is open to all children of our parish. If you are not a member of our parish, please complete Family Parish Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms must be completed and submitted at the time you a Faith Formation Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms (New Parishioner Forms) can be obtained at the Chu under the window "Forms."
 I am a registered St. John parishioner.
 2. Please complete and submit separate Faith Formation Registration Form for each of your children. Or print a copy, copy return it through the mail (above address) with check made payable to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church or please it along with your payment to the Faith Formation Office. Incomplete registration forms will not be accepted!
Please return registration forms by August 31, 2017 as classes fill up quickly.
 3. Registration Forms and checks can also be dropped off in the main office. Ask that they be put in Natalie's mailbox.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Returning Student and WAS enrolled 2016-2017 New Student and WAS NOT enrolled
 If new student, provide the Church name, address, and the year last attended Faith Formation:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Shirt Sz: _____
 Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Grade (September 2017): _____
 Known allergies or medical concerns: _____

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Date of Baptism: ____/____/____ Church of Baptism: _____
 Has your child received these sacraments? (Check all that apply.)

Faith Formation For Grades K-6

We are excited to continue using as the heart of our Faith Formation Program, the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*. This lectionary-based program brings the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday alive for the kids in different age-appropriate ways. For more information on this program and to watch an introductory video, please go to www.pflaumweeklies.com. There is also a link for parents to sign up and receive weekly Gospel Guides for families. Once at www.pflaumweeklies.com, go to Online Resources and scroll down to *The Gospel At Home*. You can choose to receive these update in English or Spanish. We are looking forward to a great year!



Bienvenido a nuestras familias de habla Hispana

En una manera muy especial, me gustaría darles la bienvenida a todas nuestras familias de habla Hispana al programa Formación de Fe. Ustedes son una parte muy importante para nuestra iglesia y estamos aquí para servirles. Para aquellas familias que todavía están aprendiendo Inglés y necesitan ayuda con la traducción, nuestra asistente de Formación de Fe, Luz Lozano, es bilingüe y esta disponible para ayudar. Luz nació en Guanajuato, México y se crio en los Estados Unidos. Muy pronto tendremos todos los formularios de registración en Español en nuestra oficina y online. ¡Gracias! Si usted está interesado en ser voluntario, nosotros le daremos la bienvenida por su participación! – Natalie Campbell

SEPTEMBER - SAVE THE DATES

Families In Christ: September 10
Faith Formation Classes Begin:
 Sunday Classes, K-8, September 17
 Wednesday Classes, K-8, September 20
 High School Confirmation, Sunday, September 24

Catechists Needed for 2017-18 School Year

We are looking for catechists to serve the needs of our Pre-K through 12th grade students. If interested, contact Natalie at natalie@sjecc.com.

High School Confirmation Preparation Program

If you have not been confirmed and you will be in Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 in the Fall, join us on this 2-year (30 session-15 sessions each year) plan towards preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. **Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation** is a video-based Confirmation program uniquely created for students of high school age. This program has received great reviews from teenagers and parents throughout the country.

“Filmed on locations all around the U.S. and internationally, Chosen keeps teens’ interest with the right balance of faith,

fun and powerful vignettes that challenge their existing perspectives on the meaning of their lives and their ultimate call to holiness.” — Ascension Press

If you are of high school age and have already received the sacrament of Confirmation, you are welcome to join us for small group bible study or to serve as a teen mentor to our groups.



All are welcome!
 Please register soon.

If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 239.566.8740, ext. 3909.

Faith Formation Office Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Adult Faith Formation On YOUR “Device”

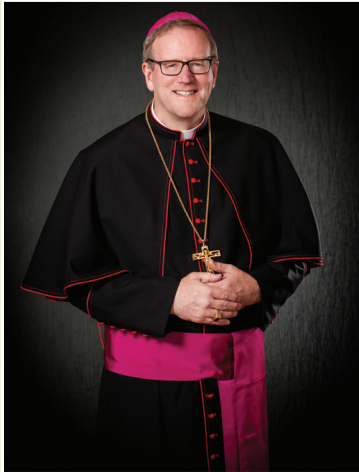
Daily Gospel Reflections from Bishop Robert Barron

There are a number of sites on which you can read the weekly and daily gospels, but only one that also includes a “mini-homily” from Bishop Barron. It began during Lent and Advent each year when nearly 300,000 people chose to receive daily reflections from the Bishop. But when that season was over, people inevitably asked, “How can we receive a bit of this nourishment the rest of the year??”

Well, you asked for it....and now you’ve got it!

Introducing Bishop Barron’s daily Gospel reflections!

Here’s how it works:



STEP 1 - Sign up FREE at DailyCatholicGospel.com.

STEP 2 - Make sure you receive the introductory email in your Inbox. If it’s not there, check your spam or junk folders.

STEP 3 - You’ll receive a brief email each morning. Each email will contain a link to that day’s Gospel passage, so you can read the Scripture yourself. Then that will be followed by a short reflection on the passage from Bishop Barron.

It’s short, simple, but extremely powerful.

So be sure to sign up today to start receiving your reflections.

Enjoy!

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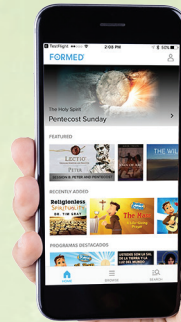
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This Week’s Schedule

Wednesday, July 19

Rediscover the Genius of Catholicism ~ 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room

Thursday, July 20

Courageous Women ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

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

Annual Undy Sunday Weekends of August 5-6 and 12-13

In one month Collier County public school students will return to school. The first day of school is Wednesday, August 16. With this in mind, Catholic Charities of Collier County is once again sponsoring its annual Undy Sunday the weekends of August 5-6 and August 12-13.

“August is ‘back to school’ month and school staff members and nurses continue to remind us of the surprising number of young students who lack decent, or sometimes any, underwear and socks. Therefore, we ask your assistance in bringing **new and unused** underwear and socks sizes 2 through 12 (small sizes preferred) to your church or synagogue, on the weekends of August 5-6 and August 12-13. Your generosity in providing this essential clothing will help give low income children a decent start in their new school year,” Don Campbell, Catholic Charities Undy Sunday chairman, said.

This is the 21st annual event. Since the initial Undy Sunday in 1997, the number of participating churches has more than doubled.

“Prior to Undy Sunday many of our local teachers were dipping into their own pockets to buy undergarments for their students who couldn’t afford their own,” Campbell explained. “The program started out slowly 21 years ago, but it has become a community effort. Now the children and families who receive the undergarments are happy and the teachers are happy. It is a wonderful effort getting everyone together on this very worthwhile project.”

Look for the Undy Sunday boxes in the narthex of the church on the weekends of August 5-6 and August 12-13. Catholic Charities volunteers will pick up from all churches, sort and package the

undergarments and see that the items get to the schools for proper distribution — before Labor Day — to needy children of Naples and Immokalee, as well as the Children’s Advocacy Center, the Shelter for Abused Women & Children, Providence House, Catholic Charities Social Services and Youth Haven, where the most need has been identified. Deliveries will be completed within the first 10 days of the new school year.

“We distribute the undergarments to the schools and centers and their personnel handle the distribution. It is all handled very discreetly,” Campbell said.

The department manager at the nearby Walmart (on the corner of 111th Ave. and Hwy. 41) has been alerted and said Walmart will stock up on extra underwear and socks for the Undy Sunday drive.

Cash donations will also be accepted to purchase additional underwear and socks or to meet other needs of low income children. For cash donations, please make

checks payable to Catholic Charities of Collier County and mark it “For Undy Sunday.” Mail checks to 2210 Santa Barbara

“...a surprising number of children lack decent, or sometimes any, underwear...this essential clothing will help the low income children get off to a good start with the new school year.” — Don Campbell, Undy Sunday Catholic Charities chairman

Blvd., Naples, FL 34116 or bring it to the Parish Office during regular office hours.

“Last year more than 37 churches and synagogues took part in donating tens of thousands of underwear and socks, which were distributed to 40 elementary schools and six social service agencies throughout Collier County,” Campbell said. “A heartfelt ‘Thank You’ to all of our donors.”



Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Four

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

MONTH 4 - Developing Baby — “I had a dream!”

Well, your spiritually adopted baby now weighs six ounces. She has fingernails and eyelashes. She has her own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same until she dies. Her taste buds are working. Her sense of hearing is developing and present at 14 weeks. There are no major developments anymore. At this month



rapid eye movements (REMs) can be detected – a sign of dreaming. Your spiritually adopted baby is already well-formed, internally and externally. All she needs now is time to gain weight and grow strong. What a miracle she is!

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John will be Thursday, July 20 at 8:30 a.m. This Mass will be celebrated in special observance of the life of Jesus in the womb of our Blessed Mother. For a complete schedule of the Novena of Masses for Life, check the diocesan website at: www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.

ZUMBA WITH MEGAN

Zumba classes offered at St. John

Classes on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday mornings at 9 am in the ballroom

Cost is \$10 a person for drop in or \$40 for the month



register by email to jennine@sjecc.com

St. John Needs YOU As a Catechist!

Have you ever wanted to **enliven the spirit of our youth** with your knowledge and joy of our faith?

Have you aspired to **strengthen the faith of others** around you (and in doing so, may strengthen your own)?

Have you felt the Holy Spirit inside you, and wanted to **share that joy and happiness**?

If you have felt any yearning to engage your faith in a deeply engrossing and tangible way, becoming a Catechist may be just what you are looking for. The role of a Catechist is to teach the faith of the Catholic Church both by word and by example. At Saint John the Evangelist that translates to our Faith Formation program, where youth from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade are instructed and inspired to learn, love, and live our faith.

We are looking for joyous and engaging men and women who would love to teach the future of our Church what we believe and why we believe it. Please contact Natalie at: natalie@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740, if you are interested.



CYO & CAO EVENTS

St. John Youth Help Build Home for Family of Nine in Mexico

“As a part of Saint John the Evangelist’s CYO social and spiritual efforts, a group of our students and youth leaders went to do God’s work in Rosarito, Mexico. St. John’s students joined a group of students in Naples to change the lives of a Christian family in need. The group’s coordinated efforts resulted in a

house for a family of 9. We built a house in 4 days with no power tools or running water. God blessed our time with the family and our hard work in order to be his hands and feet to those in need,” said Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator.



*Students: Gabby Landolt, Crystal Valentine and Garth Corbett.
Leaders: Zach Gibbons and Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, with most of the family.*

*For more information on these events please contact
Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, 239.207.0537 or kyle@sjecc.com.*