

August 20, 2017  
*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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

***Helping Hands 2017:  
Feeding 40,000 People in 1 Hour and 3 Minutes***

When our community comes together, amazing things happen at St. John! Nearly 350 people filled our Ballroom on Thursday evening, August 10 to support our second annual Catholic Relief Services Helping Hands Event. We had a goal to double the meals we packed last year, 20,000, to an astonishing 40,000 meals. The 350 volunteers were made up of every part of our Parish Family, young and old alike. They also brought their friends and family with them: members of other faith groups, neighborhoods, and even sports teams. Truly, it was an inspiration to see the entire Naples area come together to serve.



Fr. John led us in the CRS Prayer for our effort and for those without food we would be serving. We got right into the instructions for the double-sized food packing lines. Everyone was able to find a job to do, from filling the bags with rice, protein, vegetables, and vitamins, to weighing each bag to ensure it had enough food to feed 6 people, to sealing the bags for transportation around the world, to finally packing the bags into boxes for their travel to Africa. Additional volunteers ran food or the bags around from station to station. It was a chaotic and beautiful experience to see so many people dedicated to our mission.

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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 Mass Intentions (Si) Requested By**

**August 19, 2017 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Gregg Gronowski The Becker Family

**Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday**

3:00 PM + Patricia Mill Elizabeth Morgan  
5:00 PM + Carolyn McDonald & Robert Abell Kathy & Bob Sims

**August 20, 2017 Sunday**

7:00 AM + Vito Mortillaro Connie Mortillaro  
9:00 AM + Anthony De Cesare Kay Reid  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM "Novena Mass for Life - For a greater respect for all human life"  
5:00 PM + Enid Gauthier Martin Gauthier

**August 21, 2017 Monday**

8:30 AM + Frank Macri Pat & Kathy Ford

**August 22, 2017 Tuesday**

8:30 AM + Patricia Sullivan Dick Sullivan

**August 23, 2017 Wednesday**

8:30 AM + Jimmy Mullally, Jr. Ann Mullally  
6:30 PM + Joe Hennessey Eileen Hennessey

**August 24, 2017 Thursday**

8:30 AM + Lou Pham Dolores Kernochan

**August 25, 2017 Friday**

8:30 AM + Edmund Nowicki Darlene McQuen

**August 26, 2017 Saturday**

8:00 AM + Raymond Scivolette Dolores Kernochan

**Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday**

3:00 PM + Josephine Manes & Tony Manes Susan  
5:00 PM + Peter Acerbi The Family

**August 27, 2017 Sunday**

7:00 AM + Vito Mortillaro Josephine Allocca  
9:00 AM + Ida LaGrasta The Caccese Family  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM Lee Anthony Carolla Josephine & Frank Mello  
5:00 PM + Edwin Bruce Gammell Elizabeth A. Harris

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES  
AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, August 19, 2017**

**St. John Eudes; Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

**Sunday, August 20, 2017**

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

**Monday, August 21, 2017**

**St. Pius X**

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday, August 23, 2017**

**St. Rose of Lima**

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 24, 2017**

**St. Bartholomew**

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**Friday, August 25, 2017**

**St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz**

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday, August 26, 2017**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

**Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

**Sunday, August 27, 2017**

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

**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 11:00 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

August 20, 2017

*“For it is not joy that makes us grateful;  
it is gratitude that makes us joyful.”*

— Brother David Steindl-Rast



A Capital Campaign for  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## *Our Parish Family Thanks Joe Lichwalla, Chairman of Capital Campaign*

Did you know that Fr. John’s vision for our Life Center began well before our Capital Campaign to **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past** kicked off 2 and one-half years ago? Prior to the Campaign, a team of leaders from across the Parish Family was brought together to understand and plan for such an endeavor. There was almost a year’s worth of effort put into creating this campaign. Before that, a team of clergy, staff, and one single volunteer spent another 2 years strategizing how to best implement Fr. John’s vision and convince the Diocese of Venice and Bishop Dewane that this was the future of the Catholic Church in Naples. That single individual volunteer, who has shepherded our Life Center through every iteration and dedicated his time and significant talent to this initiative, is Joe Lichwalla.

Many of you may know Joe from both his leadership of the Men’s Club as well as his stewardship of the Life Center. I met him in my first meeting about the Life Center when it was only a basic floor plan drawing on a piece of paper that he had worked tirelessly to get the approval of the Diocese to build. Immediately, I was struck with his intelligence, easy-going personality, and clear experience in this realm. Both Fr. John and I have relied on Joe to develop and execute the campaign strategy that bore the fruits of the Parish Family almost a year ahead of schedule. It is due to Joe’s effective communication style that we were able to properly engage every Parish Family Member, from 5 to 105, with a positive message of the plans to build the future of the church with the Life Center and CYO/CAO Programs, as well as to take care of our past, with the continued renovations and renewal of the church and other campus areas.

Thank you, Joe, for your leadership, guidance, insights, dedication and support that have truly led our Parish Family into our new and renewed environment. We would not be where we are without you.

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 Jean-Paul Boucher, at 239.566.8740 or email: [jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com).

Jean-Paul Boucher, General Manager,  
[jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com)



## PARISH CLERGY



**Fr. John J. Ludden, Pastor**

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

### Altar Servers:

Jean-Paul Boucher [jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com)

### Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay and Andy Sanfelippo  
[ksanfelippo@comcast.net](mailto:ksanfelippo@comcast.net)

**Eucharistic Ministry** [EMMinistry@sjecc.com](mailto:EMMinistry@sjecc.com)  
*Mass*

Maureen Reed [Maureen@sjecc.com](mailto:Maureen@sjecc.com)

### Homebound

Lisa Godlasky [lisa@sjecc.com](mailto:lisa@sjecc.com)

### Hospital

Mary Ellen Metro [maryellen@sjecc.com](mailto:maryellen@sjecc.com)

### Lectors Ministry

L. Philip Baier [lectors@sjecc.com](mailto:lectors@sjecc.com)

### Greeters & Ushers:

Bill Fuller [wfuller1@comcast.net](mailto:wfuller1@comcast.net)

## 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](http://www.sjecc.com)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

*Business Office is located in the PAC (behind the Church)*

**All Administrative Staff**  
**239.566.8740**

### General Manager

Jean-Paul Boucher: [jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com)

### Parish Secretary

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### Front Office Manager

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### Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

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### Artistic Director

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### Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor

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### CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator

Kyle VanDuser [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com)

### Memorial Garden

Jean-Paul Boucher [jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com)

### Bookkeeper

Karen Beebe [karen@sjecc.com](mailto:karen@sjecc.com)

### Divine Gift Boutique

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### Facilities

239.566.8740, dial 0

## Education Staff

### Director of Religious Education

Natalie Campbell: [natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com)

### Coordinator, Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com)

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration Forms are available on the tables in the church narthex, in the parish office and on the website: [www.sjecc.com](http://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](mailto:info@sjecc.com)

Thank you!

### Choirs:

Gary Prettyman: [gary@sjecc.com](mailto: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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## Summertime “Giving Is Easy Appeal”

Make life easier for your neighbors in need with the Catholic Charities “Summertime and the Giving is Easy” appeal. Everyone deserves the feeling of having enough food to eat, the warmth of a roof over head, the well-being of learning valuable skills, and the relief of knowing there is help to overcome your obstacles. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers the people of Southwest Florida the means to move beyond poverty and achieve self-sufficiency. Give food, shelter, education and support this summer. You can provide the necessities to eager families and individuals yearning to obtain a better life. A total of 93 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to clients. The giving is easy! To donate, please visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org). Your gift will make a positive impact!

## *A New Choral Year Begins With Beautiful Music to Enrich the Worship!*

Brothers and sisters of our parish family, we hope you enjoy having the adult choir return as much as we enjoy singing for and with you! Now would be a perfect time to join in with us, if you’re so inclined! We meet Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Choir Room in the Claussen Family Center. In order to present a full and balanced sound, our choir does not split its resources, but alternates between the 9:00 or the 11:00 a.m. Masses. We meet 45 minutes before each Mass to warm up and, once again, review the extra special music for that particular Mass. (8:15 for the 9:00 a.m.; 10:15 for the 11:00 a.m. Mass, though soon it will become the 11:15 a.m. again and we will then meet at 10:30 a.m.)

Finally, as someone who is still in a real sense new to the community, you will find in our choir members people of welcoming hearts and good spirits, who know not only how to accomplish tasks in rehearsal, and how to worship at the Mass with voices joined, but also how to have fun in various events throughout the year. I’m grateful for them, and invite you to join us, so that together we might continue to make something beautiful for the Lord at our liturgies and special events this year!

Please contact myself, or Jennine, for further information! Thank you kindly, Gary.  
[gary@sjecc.com](mailto:gary@sjecc.com) or [jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com)

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## SAVE THE DATE! *Sunlight Home Annual Benefit Dinner*

**Saturday, November 4, 2017 at The Naples Sailing & Yacht Club**

896 River Point Drive, Naples, FL 34102

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JENNIFER O’NEILL** • *Internationally Acclaimed Model, Actress, Author, Producer, Director and Pro-Life Spokesperson*

Event Chair Mrs. Jean Beauchamp • Musical Entertainment by “Souvenir Band”

Tickets \$100 • Round Tables of 8

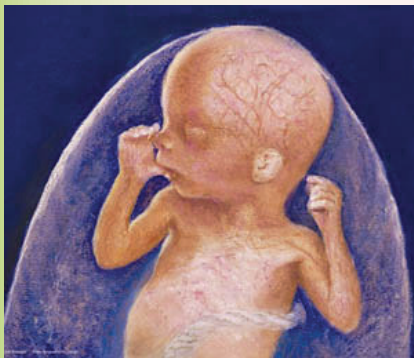
*Sunlight of Collier County, Inc. 2903 Tropicana Blvd., Naples, FL 34116*

**For information contact Linda Hale at [linda\\_lee\\_hale@yahoo.com](mailto:linda_lee_hale@yahoo.com) 239-352-0251**

## Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Five

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

### **MONTH 5 - Developing Baby – “Mommy felt me kick today!”**



Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now, and his mother can feel his movement. Before this time he was too small for her to feel. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to

kick hard against the outside wall and dent it - - the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby’s mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John is this weekend, Sunday, August 20 at 1:00 p.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](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife).

*Isaiah 44:24 - “Thus says the Lord, your redeemer, who formed you from the womb: I am the Lord, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, I spread out the earth by myself.”*



# Helping Hands 2017

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We were also blessed to have images from Fr. Doll around the Ballroom. Fr. Doll is a priest photographer who has supported the Jesuit Refugee Services with his artistic gifts by traveling to various refugee camps and capturing the plight of those attempting to live in conditions that are almost unlivable. These pictures gave a direct face to all our volunteers, and certainly spurred them on. Additionally, when we informed the volunteers that the food we were packing was going to Burkina Faso, a West African nation, a wonderful woman who came with her friend raised her hand, saying she was from that country and was overcome with joy that our efforts would help her native land.

With all the love and joy that was being spread in the room and everyone working tirelessly, we were able to fill and pack food for 40,000 people in just 1 hour and 3 minutes! The final gong went off and all the volunteers, exhausted from their hard work,

cheered and shouted. A final blessing came to us all as New York Pizza and Pasta donated 50 pizzas to our volunteers to feed them after they had fed so many.

I want to thank every single person, from the staff that assisted with the setup and logistics from both SJE, CRS, and Rise Against Hunger (the organization that builds these meal programs), to the dedication of our 350 volunteers who made this program so tremendously successful, to all those who were not able to make it to the church, but sent their prayers for our success. The below pictures say a million words of how powerful and impactful this program is for both the volunteers and those we served.

by Jean-Paul Boucher  
General Manager  
[jp@sjecc.com](mailto:jp@sjecc.com)



see more Helping Hands photos at: <https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/featured/helping-hands-2017>





## Several Safe Environment Training Sessions Have Been Scheduled at Area Parishes

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment awareness issues. Due to the sensitive nature of this training, no children are permitted to attend. For directions and additional information, visit the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment).

There are several upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at nearby parishes starting in August. For more details or to register, call the Parish Office at the location where the class is offered. **Please note that no one should attend Safe Environment Training until their fingerprints have cleared.** Fingerprints must be updated every five years. If you need to be fingerprinted here at St. John, call the office at 239.566.8740 for an appointment.

Any employees or volunteers who need to renew their background clearance or be fingerprinted should complete the paperwork and call the office at 239.566.8740 for an appointment.

Thursday, September 7	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.455.3900
Saturday, September 9	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Ann, Naples	239.455.3900
Thursday, October 12	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576
Saturday, October 14	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576

The next trainings will be scheduled in Winter/Spring 2017-18. For the complete list of regional trainings that will be held this fall, please visit <http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/training-schedule/>

The next trainings will be scheduled in the spring and summer of 2018.

## Diocesan Goal Is A Safe Environment for Everyone

All allegations of child sexual abuse by diocesan personnel, including clergy, should be reported to law enforcement, the Florida Department of Children and Families and to the Victim Assistance Coordinator. The Coordinator will notify the Chancellor who will refer the matter to the Review Board for investigation.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator will listen, provide support and understanding on behalf of the Diocese. The Victim Assistance Coordinator, as the liaison between the diocese and the alleged victim, will focus energies on coordinating pastoral care for victims/survivors and will follow up with victims to ensure that they will receive appropriate care.

To report an allegation, call Victim Assistance Coordinator, Barbara DiCocco at 941.416.6114.

Thank You!



Thank You!

JP,

One of your parishioners, Pam Galas, just came into our office with a bag of new children's clothing and school supplies and she brought your church bulletin with the wish list on the back page to show me. She took it with her when she went shopping, and I just want to thank you and your team for doing that! I never know what people are doing with it once I send it out into hyperspace! I wish all churches/organizations did that with their newsletter.

You guys are just the best!

Thanks again!

Kelly Hammer, Director of Community Outreach & Public Relations

For more information regarding back to school donations, contact Kelly at: 239.657.7158 or [khammer@guadalupecenter.org](mailto:khammer@guadalupecenter.org)

Donations may be dropped off in Naples at two convenient locations:

**Guadalupe Consignment & Resale Shop** 8100 Trail Blvd, on US 41 across from Pelican Bay

**Guadalupe Center Development Office** 2640 Golden Gate Parkway, #106

**Or call Kelly Hammer**, Director of Community Engagement, 239.657.7158 for pick up.

## YOUTH GROUPS

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

meets

Wednesdays

from

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

meets

Mondays

from

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



## 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*

**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*

**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:** *Marie Elaina Mullin: 239.273.1702. 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*

**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 nancybdds@comcast.net*

## 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: jmcd708@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*



**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](mailto: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](mailto: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.: Kathleen Dunne: 901.574.2947 or [kadunne61@aol.com](mailto:kadunne61@aol.com)

**Liturgy of the Hours** Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:30 a.m. Mass. [pmgrys@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:robyndeville@earthlink.net)

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

**Habitat for Humanity.** Koullouheras: [nick@hfhcollier.com](mailto: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:*

Delores C. Ashley, Marie R. DiPalma, Mary Hickey, Theresa Klima and Lee Youlio

*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  
Gallen Boardman  
Brian Bodnar  
Lori Breyman  
Caeleigh Brown  
Connie Cahill  
Kathy Conley  
Corinne & Children  
Lauren Carr  
Frank Comeriato  
Anthony D'Antuono  
Mark DaBronzo  
Donald Demski  
Florence Demski  
F.W.  
Jim & Darlene Follese  
Tara Follese & Family  
Jeff Gatt  
George Gonser Jr.  
Jayne Hagg  
Gerard Heyer  
Rosie Heyer

Donald Howe  
Donald Hudec  
Krista Leigh Kozowyk  
Rene Lacoste  
Jean Lydon  
Diane Maloney  
Margie Lynch  
Maria and Family  
Barbara Marsh  
Donna Massee  
Kevin McDonagh  
J. McG  
Paul McIntyre  
Cynthia McLemore  
Carolyn McNichols  
Anne Michaels  
Eileen Miner  
Lorrie Morrison  
Bettina Nugent  
Emma O'Rourke  
Ronald J. Parker  
Michael Paul  
Anne Perrino  
Geno Pesce  
Ann Petrillo  
Irene Pires

Renee Rake  
Ruth Rechtsteiner  
Ellen Roberts  
Lloyd Sample  
Lisa Sanfelippo  
Shelia Scaduto  
Gary Schutebach  
Thomas Sissman  
John Smith  
Avery Smithies  
Nancy Stewart  
William Strouse  
Edward Sullivan  
Jeannie Sullivan  
Rita Taranto  
William J. Teplica  
Isaiah Thompson  
Marilyn Thyen  
Helen Thornburg  
JoAnn Tinevra  
Lawrence A. Varone  
Mike Walsman  
Dan Ward  
Bernadette White  
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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Acknowledgement \_\_\_\_\_

General Manager Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**LET US PRAY...**

AUGUST 20, 2017 ~ TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Music for the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 19 & 20, 2017

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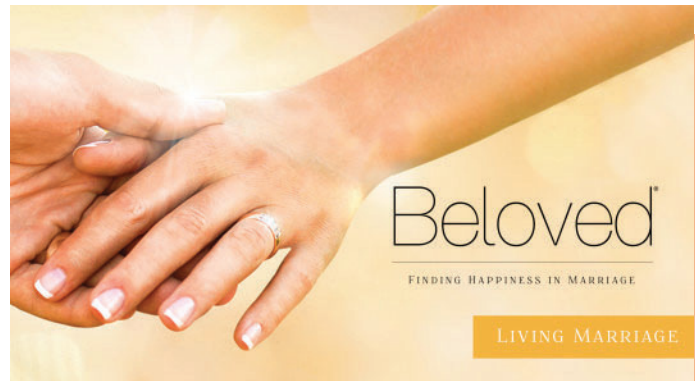
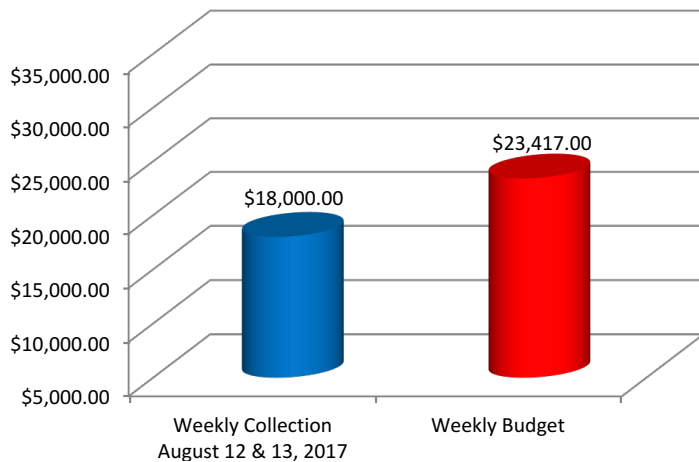
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*A monthly, six-part series designed  
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*Final session: August 26*

*from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.*

*Nursery will be available upon request.*

*Please RSVP at the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.*

### Zumba Classes with Megan Ongoing at St. John

Classes on Monday, Wednesday,  
and Saturday mornings  
at 9 am in the ballroom.  
Join in when you can.

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

register by email to [jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com)



## 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

### Sunday, August 20, 2017: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Opening Song

#### Lord, I Lift Your Name On High 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.

#### Preparation Song 493 We Walk By Faith

#### Communion Song

#### Fragrance Prayer

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Refrain

Dear Je - sus, help me to spread your fra-grance ev - 'ry-where  
that I go. Dear Je - sus,  
flood my soul with your spir - it and your love.

1-3  
to Verses

- v.1) Penetrate and possess my being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of you.  
v.2) Shine through me and be so in me that ev'ry soul I come in contact with may feel your presence in my soul.  
v.3) Let them look up and see no longer me, but only you, my Jesus.

Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine so to shine as a light to all.

#### Closing Song 628 Lead Me Lord

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28

# The Word & Life

## The God of Faith



Today's gospel presents a theology of profound significance and consequence. On the surface it appears that Jesus is having a bad day! Here we find a Canaanite woman begging Jesus to bring peace and healing to her daughter's life. Who could refuse such a request? Jesus' response is both harsh and rude. He tells the woman that he was sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel and virtually refers to her as subservient by using an image of a dog. Why would Jesus do such a thing? Jesus was responding as a Jew to this Canaanite woman. The Canaanites had been the public enemies of the Jews for 1000 years —there was a lot of animosity between them. However, this woman's persistence and faith triumphs over this tragic estrangement. Jesus' heart is moved with compassion at the sight of this woman's faith. The gift of faith transcends the exclusive nature of Jesus' mission.

### Reflection Questions

1. How is Jesus shaped by the world in which he was raised?
2. What does the encounter with the Canaanite woman teach you about God's initiative of salvation?
3. How has institutionalized faith been abused in the past?
4. In what way does this gospel challenge people's approach of making absolute the truths about a particular faith?
5. How do you allow the gospel to shape your life?
6. Name the ways in which the institution of the Church reflects the gospel and shapes your life?
7. How are you being called to reach out to those who live outside your faith experience?

The mission of Jesus is redefined in this encounter. Jesus brings healing to the world of the non-Jew. This act opens the whole world to the economy of salvation. Jesus recognizes that faith can be relevant to others. The compassion that Jesus has for this troubled child and her mother moves him beyond the boundaries of an institutionalized faith and starts to tear down the walls of indifference and discrimination. Up to this moment, Jesus brought the message of the gospel exclusively to Israel, but now he realizes that faith could exist outside of Judaism. The people of Israel had always been known in the realm of faith and monotheism as the "chosen people" or "elect" of God. It was to Israel that God revealed himself and sent the patriarchs and prophets to establish covenants and relationship with Him. The Messiah was promised to the people of Israel (Jews). The Messiah would lead them out of bondage into freedom. Jesus the Christ, as Messiah, comes into the world and offers radical freedom — freedom from sin and world oppression by believing in his name. In today's gospel we learn that although his message is delivered to the House of Israel, Jesus' message could not



be given in isolation to Israel any longer because the whole world had begun to cry out for Him.

The message of the gospel frees us from discrimination and encourages us to respect people from every walk of life. The event of the Canaanite woman reminds us that God cannot be put into a box and be contained. Indeed, God is at work in the world in many remarkable ways. Even though our Church contains within its history and tradition the fullness of truth, this in no way is meant to exclude others. Indeed, every Jew, Muslim, Hindu, Baptist, Methodist, Episcopalian, etc., is not excluded from the kingdom. Rather, all Christian denominations and other faith traditions possess something of the spirit of truth that demands a respect and dignity from all of us. As the prophet Isaiah said, "Observe what is right and do what is just... for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

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



### Prayer

*Lord, let us clearly see people of other faiths as a gift to be embraced. May we be united one day around one table, sharing the one bread and the one cup. Let us work together for the common good of humanity. May those who are estranged learn to let go of earthly pride to join hands in friendship. Encourage our Mother, the Church, to lead and show us the way so that discrimination and hatred will be no more. Amen.*

## Wisdom of the Fathers

### *Pope Francis reflecting on the Gospel of the Canaanite Woman:*

"This is a courageous woman, a Canaanite, who is a pagan asks Jesus to free her daughter from the devil. She is a desperate mother — and a mother, will do anything for her child's well-being. Jesus explains that he first came first of all for the sheep of the house of Israel and he does so with harsh words: 'Let the children be fed first. For it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs'. This woman, who certainly had not gone to university responds, not with her intelligence, but with her mother's womb, with her love: 'Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the children's scraps!'" This woman was not ashamed and because of her faith Jesus preformed a miracle for her.

"She risked making a bad impression, but she insisted, and from paganism and idolatry found health for her daughter and she found the living God. This is the journey of a person of good will who seeks God and finds him. The Lord blesses her. How many people take this path and the Lord waits for them! But it is the same Holy Spirit that brings them forward to make this journey. Every day in the Church of God there are people who are making this journey, silently, to find the Lord, because they allow themselves to be carried forward by the Holy Spirit".

— *Pope Francis, Vatican City, February 13, 2014*



*Pope Francis blesses a baby as he visits St. Thomas the Apostle Parish on the outskirts of Rome on February 16, 2014. (Catholic News Service photo/Paul Haring)*



# Faith Formation

## 2017-2018 School Year

### A Note About Sacramental Preparation

The Diocese of Venice requires that students attend a minimum of two consecutive years of Faith Formation to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation. Students must be at least 7 years old by September 30, 2017, and in the 2nd grade to be eligible to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Students are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of 10th grade. They must be at least 15 years old.

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

### When Do Faith Formation Classes Begin?

The 2017-2018 Faith Formation Calendar is now available online at our website [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com) or for pick up in our parish office. The following groups are represented:

**PRE-K** - Offered on Wednesdays 12:10 - 2:10 p.m., begins Wednesday, September 20.

**1st -8th Grade** - Our Faith Formation classes begin on Sunday, September 17 from 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. or Wednesday, September 20 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

**High School Confirmation & Bible Study** - Begins Sunday, September 24 from 9:15-10:45 a.m. or 6:05 - 7:30 p.m.

**First session of Families in Christ is Sunday, September 10 from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. All families are welcome!**

## Register Now for the 2017-2018 Faith Formation 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. **Please fill out one packet on each child.**

*If you have children in your family who are new to the program, please secure a copy of their Baptismal certificate.* If you do not have a copy, you can call the church of their baptism and have it sent directly to our office. If your child was baptized at St. John please indicate that on the form and we will secure a copy from our records for you. We are looking forward to another great year!

We will kick off the year with a morning get-together for the entire family on Sunday, September 10 from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., so please save the date!

Registration Forms are available in the parish office or can be printed from our website at [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com).

#### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM 2017-2018



SAINT JOHN the EVANGELIST

Office of Faith Formation

625 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue North • Naples, Florida 34108

Phone: 239-566.8740, ext. 3909

Fax: 239.449.6426

Website: [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com)

E-Mail: [natalie@sjecc.com](mailto: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 a separate Family Parish Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms must be completed and submitted at the time you submit your Faith Formation Registration Form. Family Parish Registration Forms (New Parishioner Forms) can be obtained at the Church website under the window "Forms."  I am a registered St. John parishioner.
2. Please complete and submit a separate Faith Formation Registration Form for each of your children. Or print a copy, complete it, and return it through the mail (above address) with check made payable to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church or physically deliver 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 2016-2017

If new student, provide the Church name, address, and the year last attended Faith Formation:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

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.)

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

**Faith Formation Office Hours:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Natalie Campbell • Director of Religious Education • 239.566.8740, ext. 3909 • email [natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com)



# Faith Formation

## 2017-2018 School Year

### 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](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com) or 239.566.8740, if you are interested.**

**NOTE: Catechists must be fingerprinted and go through the Safe Environment Training.**

**Faith Formation Office Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

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***Next Magnificat Breakfast Will Be  
Saturday, September 9 at the Holiday  
Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center***

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, September 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. The speaker, Amberose Courville, is an artist from Sarasota. She was blessed with very supportive Catholic parents, who encouraged her artistic development from the time she could hold a pencil. Several of her high school art pieces won numerous awards and were published in newspapers and magazines. Her art is well known throughout Sarasota County, and one was displayed for a year in the U.S. Capitol. While attending FGCU, her faith was challenged by peers and professors. But, with the guidance of the Blessed Mother and Holy Spirit, Amberose learned to courageously share Jesus' love and mercy through her art. Her paintings became a source of healing for many. Amberose can't wait to share her God-inspired paintings with you.

Please send a \$20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Lucy Denett, 5671 Whispering Willow Way, Fort Myers 33908, 239.791.8007 or Barbara Tay, 20230, Burnside Place #1703, Estero, FL 33928, 646.296.2335. Requests must be postmarked by September 1.

# ENCOUNTER ON THE MOUNTAIN

St. John the Evangelist  
(Church)

625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL

**6:30 pm**

**Saturday,**

**September 23, 2017**

- Adoration
- Confession
- Praise and Worship

## ***Discover God's Call for your Life***

The **Called & Gifted workshop** is a two-day live presentation on the nature of **spiritual gifts, call, and vocation** and the process of **discernment**. You will leave with a solid understanding of your unique **giftedness** and how to take the next steps toward **purposeful living**.

### **THE CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP**

**Fri. Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm**

**& Sat. Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 9-4pm**

**ST AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH**

7775 Vanderbilt Beach Rd, Naples, FL 34120

**\$25 fee includes all materials & refreshments**

**Contact: Ivy at 239-592-1949 or [ivy@StAgnesNaples.org](mailto:ivy@StAgnesNaples.org)**

**Register at the office or [www.StAgnesNaples.org](http://www.StAgnesNaples.org)**

***God has called you for His purpose. Only you can accomplish it through the unique gifts or "charisms" you received in Baptism and Confirmation.***

***Come discover the Church's teaching on these gifts presented by Mary Sharon Moore and Charlie Hoover from the Catherine of Siena Institute, Colorado Springs, CO.***



# Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

*An opportunity to explore Catholicism will begin on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00 p.m.*

If you, or someone you know, are interested in exploring becoming Catholic, would like to know more about being a Catholic, or simply have questions regarding aspects of the Catholic, Christian faith, you are invited to participate in a series of meetings to consider various aspects of “being Catholic.”

Especially in today’s secular culture, which tells us that happiness and joy is to be found in the things of this world, you may be asking the truly important questions in life and considering whether organized religion, and specifically Catholicism, could offer any answers? This is an informal opportunity for interested individuals to begin the journey that may or may not result taking the next step toward full membership in the Church.

If you, as of yet, have no real commitment to religion, you are invited to discover the beauty of the Gospel revealed in the life and teachings of Jesus and the Catholic Church.

Even if you are only mildly interested, take advantage of this opportunity to ask questions and receive answers about “things Catholic,” such as why have organized religions, and why be Catholic?

**No reservation is necessary, just come to the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church on Tuesday, September 19, and succeeding Tuesday evenings, at 7:00 p.m.**



Throughout the last year, I have had the privilege of working with a number of adults at various points in their journey to a deeper and fuller relationship with Jesus and “full communion” with the Catholic Church. Assisting women and men in a broad range of particular circumstances has been one of the most interesting and fulfilling aspects of my role as Adult Faith Formation coordinator.

Some were new to Christianity and had never been baptized. Many had been baptized and raised in another Christian tradition but were now interested in becoming Catholic. Others had been Catholic for years, but for some reason or another had never been Confirmed.



If you, or someone you know, want to explore becoming Catholic, please contact me.

The first step begins with you, today. I am available to either meet with you or to facilitate a meeting with a member of the clergy. Please contact me.

Jack Kindsvater,  
RCIA Coordinator

Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918  
or email [jack@sjecc.com](mailto:jack@sjecc.com)

*This is your opportunity to receive information with no obligation, no commitment!*

## This Week's Complete Schedule

**Thursday, August 24**

**Women of the Word continue *Courageous Women* discussion ~ 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](mailto:jack@sjecc.com)



# Registration for Fall 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes is NOW open!



photos from Summer Camp

## Fall 2017 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes

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

### CYO:

- Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning September 30
- Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning September 30
- Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning September 12
- Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning September 8
- Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning September 10
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 4pm beginning September 6
- Theater and Acting Saturdays at 10am beginning September 9  
(working on Christmas Eve Pageant)
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 6:45pm beginning September 11
- Art and Painting for Elementary Age students Saturdays at 9am beginning September 9
- Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning September 9



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- Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning September 12
- Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning September 8
- Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning September 9
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning September 6
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 11
- Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning September 9



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