

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

October 1, 2017

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome! We are happy  
you could join us this weekend.

# We Are Saint John

#ToKnow, #ToLove,  
#ToServe – Thank  
You All for Your  
Support  
and Service

I am not normally an emotional person. Since my days of the post-Katrina FEMA offices to assist with disaster communications to standing up the Louisiana National Guard Headquarters in an Army Base in Baton Rouge, I have dealt with more than my fair share of crisis situations. Even in evacuating the Capital Building for Test, Training, and Exercises after 9/11, literally taking thousands of staffers, Congressmen, and Senators out of their offices to safe locations, and watching the fear creep back into their faces from as they remembered the shock of that horrible day, I was able to keep composure throughout the event. There is something radically different here at Saint John the Evangelist these past days however. My heart is overwhelmed by the love, the support, and the service that has been overflowing from our Parish Family. If you will indulge me for a few moments, I would like to extend my gratitude to several groups and families that have lived out our mission even in the midst of all the destruction and damage we have endured.

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Daily Mass: 8:00, 9:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.; Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. – Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:15 a.m., 1:15 & 5:00 p.m.

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# PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

## 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*

### Arts & Liturgical Environment:

Kay and Andy Sanfelippo  
*ksanfelippo@comcast.net*

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Maureen Reed *Maureen@sjecc.com*

#### Homebound

Lisa Godlasky *lisa@sjecc.com*

#### Hospital

Mary Ellen Metro *maryellen@sjecc.com*

### Lectors Ministry

L. Philip Baier *lectors@sjecc.com*

### Greeters & Ushers:

Bill Fuller *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*

### Parish Secretary

Deborah Marsh *deb@sjecc.com*

### Front Office Manager

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### Pastoral Musician and Liturgist

Gary Prettyman *gary@sjecc.com*

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Lan Tran *lan@sjecc.com*

### Director of Family Mission

Jean-Paul Boucher *jp@sjecc.com*

### Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor

Kathy Sims *kathys@sjecc.com*

### CYO Social and Spiritual

#### Coordinator

Kyle VanDuser *kyle@sjecc.com*

### Memorial Garden

Jean-Paul Boucher *jp@sjecc.com*

### Bookkeeper

Karen Beebe *karen@sjecc.com*

### Divine Gift Boutique

Elaine deLaurentis *elaine@sjecc.com*

### Facilities

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## Education Staff

### Director of Religious Education

Natalie Campbell: *natalie@sjecc.com*

### Coordinator, Adult Faith

#### Formation & RCIA

Jack Kindsvater: *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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## St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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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*

### 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* at 239.566.8740

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

**Mass Intentions.** We are now accepting 2018 intentions.

**Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine.** We have 2017 wine and host and flowers availability. Stop by the parish office to offer the wine and host and/or the altar flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones.

# Campaign Corner

October 1, 2017

*“It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...”*  
— Charles Dickens “A Tale of Two Cities”



A Capital Campaign for  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## *A Tale of Two Campuses*

When we came up with our theme for the Capital Campaign over three years ago, to **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, never did we believe that we would need to accomplish both halves at the same time. Our Future is the Pulte Family Life Center, which has continued its construction timeline after Hurricane Irma, including the delivery of the pre-engineering metal building components this week. Did you know that we are helping with Hurricane Harvey relief with the construction of our building? These metal components were forged right outside Houston, and our steel order put people right back to work after their lives were impacted by their storm, just as ours have been.

To Serve Our Past, we had identified many opportunities to renew the rest of St. John, including a new roof on the church, renovations of the Ballroom, and other essential changes. Hurricane Irma's force has damaged just about every other part of our campus, and will require significant efforts to repair and recover. We did not anticipate this opportunity in any way, and it will require a significant amount of money, as the insurance deductible is high and will be required for every building. If you would like to provide a donation to a specific part of the campus, like the church, we could use all the gifts we can gather. Please consider this opportunity to support our church.

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 •  
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# MASS INTENTIONS... SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS

## Mass for Deceased (\*) and Special Intentions (SI)

### September 30, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Carmen Rosario Nan Mooney

### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Charlie McElroy Sally McElroy  
5:00 PM + Michael & Angela Rose Carolla Josephine & Frank Mello

### October 1, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Vincent Conlon Chet & Michelle Lucarelli  
9:00 AM + Serraino Family Nancy Serraino  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Mary Ann Dubois Michele DuBois Mulderrig  
5:00 PM SI Barbara Ullman Alexandra White

### October 2, 2017 Monday

8:30 AM + John Kelly Maryann & Joe Natoli

### October 3, 2017 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Ramy Garrido Lee Youlio

### October 4, 2017 Wednesday

8:30 AM + Ozzie D'Addario Janet D'Addario  
6:30 PM + Tony Manes Janet D'Addario

### October 5, 2017 Thursday

8:30 AM + Sheila Murphy Teresa Roughan

### October 6, 2017 Friday

8:30 AM + Mrs. Sally Carter Barbara Dempsey

### October 7, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Guillermo Delgado Mireya Delgado

### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Jerome VanderHorst Wife, Janet  
5:00 PM + Walter & Selma Bocwinski The Family

### October 8, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Mary Pham Louis Lan Tran  
9:00 AM + Fritz Fromert Jeanne Stamant  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Rolin Rodriguez Millie Rodriguez & Family  
5:00 PM + The Joyce Family Patricia Joyce

## SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, September 30, 2017

#### St. Jerome

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

### Sunday, October 1, 2017

#### Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

#### Respect Life Sunday

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

### Monday, October 2, 2017

#### The Holy Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

### Tuesday, October 3, 2017

Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

### Wednesday, October 4, 2017

#### St. Francis of Assisi; Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

### Thursday, October 5, 2017

#### Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

### Friday, October 6, 2017

#### St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher;

#### First Friday

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

### Saturday, October 7, 2017

#### Our Lady of the Rosary; First Saturday

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

### Sunday, October 8, 2017

#### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



**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.

# NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

October 1, 2017 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

The Life Chain is a “chain” of people showing their support for life on a public sidewalk. We pray for an end to abortion and for God’s intervention to heal our community and our nation. Bring your entire family. You can also bring water, a chair and an umbrella if you wish. Stay for the entire time or for as long as you can.

Parking is available at **ST. WILLIAM CHURCH** parking lot. Signs will be available starting at 1:30 p.m. at **ST. WILLIAM MINISTRY CENTER** at 750 Seagate Drive, Naples. We will line up on Highway 41 and Seagate.

Contact Rosemary Erickson at 239.250.0432 with questions.

## The Season of Creation: September 1 - October 4

The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** (September 1) and the **Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi** (October 4). This “time for creation” offers, in the words of Pope Francis, “individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live.” (Pope Francis, “Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis For the Establishment of the ‘World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation,’” September 1, 2015)



Below are some ways to live out these three dimensions of Pope Francis’ call, both as individuals and as a community. This week we present the third dimension.

O God of the poor,  
help us to rescue the  
abandoned  
and forgotten of this earth,  
who are so precious in your  
eyes...

God of love, show us our  
place in this world  
as channels of your love  
for all the creatures of this  
earth,

God of mercy, may we  
receive your forgiveness  
and convey your mercy  
throughout our common  
home.

Praise be to you!

Amen.

Source: Message of His Holiness  
Pope Francis for the Celebration  
of the World Day of Prayer for the  
Care of Creation on September  
1, 2016

### 3. Implore God’s Help and Ask His Pardon

As individuals and  
families:

#### Confession

In calling for a deep  
“ecological conversion,” Pope  
Francis has emphasized the  
importance of examining  
one’s own conscience,  
of recognizing one’s  
“contribution, smaller or  
greater, to the disfigurement  
and destruction of creation”  
(*Laudato Si’*, no. 8). We invite  
you to bring these sins to  
confession and to perform a spiritual work of mercy  
for our common home, such as an act of “grateful contemplation of God’s world”  
(*Laudato Si’*, no. 214).



#### As a community: Prayer Service

One final suggestion for this time is to organize a prayer service in your parish. The Catholic Climate Covenant has developed a four-part prayer service to be said after Mass each week. As we approach the beautiful autumn season, holding this service outside may allow for a rich experience. Please visit [bit.ly/CCC-PS](http://bit.ly/CCC-PS) to access this resource.

For more resources related to care of creation, please visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on the Environment at [usccb.org/environment](http://usccb.org/environment).

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Development and United States  
Conference of Catholic Bishops

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First, I want to thank our Parish Staff, especially our Facilities Team. They were the first ones to come back to the campus after Irma, and immediately started the clean-up to make our church safe to begin Masses and services as quickly as we did. St. John is the second worst impacted parish in the Diocese, and our staff cleaned the Memorial Garden, the church and as much as we could so people could visit their loved ones and join back in our community, even without power. God was with us. There was catastrophic damage to the trees around our Memorial Garden and one large branch impaled a section of our plots 3 feet into the ground, but it landed directly between the spots and did not even scratch a single headstone or touch the remains below them. The staff have since continued to work out of the church as best we can to serve our Parish Family with critical needs and have stepped up to help with the donation process as well, driving water, food, diapers and all our gifts out to Immokalee and East Naples, where the need continues to be urgent. From communication to back breaking labor, we are so blessed to have our amazing staff committed to our mission.

Next, I need to thank the countless volunteers that have dedicated their lives to supporting our service to the community these past 2 weeks. We have had over 100 people gathering, sorting, prioritizing, and then moving donations from our Parish Family out to those in need. We fed families at Naples Park

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Elementary with FEMA meals. We distributed water and ice for the local community with the assistance of FPL and our local Commissioner, Andy Solis (and his wonderful assistant, Angela Goodner). We stuffed Power Pack meals for youth that need food on the weekend when they are not in school for the free and reduced lunch program. We have Lectors, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers that served in our church even without power and Air Conditioning. Everyone in our Parish Family has stepped up, especially the Knights of Columbus. They have been here every single day for our Donation Center, making sure that we can get the needs met all over the area. Our second collection this past weekend was over \$40,000 for Hurricane Irma Relief efforts right here, that is spectacular. Many more have given the needed items that have continued to keep our Donation Center filling trucks and vans every single day. There are so many names to thank that we will need an entire page next week to showcase just how many people deserve all our gratitude.



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I also want to thank the many organizations we have partnered with in order to serve the community. The Ritz Carlton donated over 7,000 bottles of water which we used our box truck to get to Immokalee. Collier County Emergency Management and the District 2 Commissioner assisted with water and ice donations right here on campus for Naples Park. Florida Power and Light, ServPro, Crowther Roofing, Bonness, Inc., and Gates Construction have all prioritized St. John to get our campus functioning again as quickly as possible. Thank you to all these organizations that are working for us and for the community.

We all owe the clergy of St. John our gratitude for their pastoral leadership and support during this difficult time. I know they have been working non-stop to comfort and engage our Parish Family. Fr. Bob even went and blessed a house the day before the storm. We are so blessed to have such dedicated and devoted priests and deacons.

Finally, I want to thank my family. I have been a preoccupied husband and father these past few weeks, with my focus being directed for our entire Parish Family. My children came back with me to the church as soon as the storm cleared and helped with cleaning up the campus. Ben, Jack, Julia, and Stella have been helping every day until they went back to school with the Donation Center. My wife Donna is literally a saint for dealing with me, taking care of our family and our home, and on top of all that, she has been going to Saint Peter the Apostle on a daily basis with van loads of diapers and wipes for the children and adults of East Naples. Father G there now calls her "The Diaper Lady". I am blessed and honored to call her my wife, my soulmate, and my heart and soul.

I cannot truly express the love and gratitude I am feeling for our Parish Family and all those who have put our Mission: To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community into motion even in this challenging time. God Bless You All!



## 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 Sjoström: bsjost@yahoo.com or 815.670.3733*

**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.

**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. *Contact the Office at 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: frog lady505@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: espep@aol.com or 239.339.3847*



# LET US PRAY...

**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.: Maria Jones: 239.348.5361

**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**

**Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino -USAF Turkey**

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.** Kouolloheras: [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:*

Mario Biasi, Ana Horton, Donald Hudec, Paul J. Lawrence, Mary Oglietti, Ellen Reilly, Marion Santos and Nancy Williams

*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*

Baby Declan Aigner  
Mary Alligood  
Kaylee B  
Jean Balliro  
Beagan Family  
Richard Becker  
Gallen Boardman  
Lori Breyman  
Caeleigh Brown  
Connie Cahill  
Kathy Conley  
Corinne & Children  
Lauren Carr  
Frank Comeriato  
Tony Coruelo  
Anthony D'Antuono  
Mark DaBronzo  
Donald Demski  
Florence Demski  
George Dillon  
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  
M.M.  
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  
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  
Carol Swank  
Rita Taranto  
William J. Teplica  
Isaiah Thompson  
Marilyn Thyen  
Helen Thornburg  
JoAnn Tinevra  
Jim Tucker  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

**5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid**  
**Sunday, October 1, 2017: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Preparation Song      **659**      **Turn to Me**

Communion Song      **Communion** Mac Powell / 3<sup>rd</sup> Day CCLI Song No. 4586072 © 2005 Consuming Fire. Music (Admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing) Brad Avery/David Carr/Mac Powell/Mark Lee/Tai Anderson. All rights Reserved. CCLI #2008891.

**Chorus) This is the Body; this is the Blood; broken and poured out for all of us.  
In this Communion, we share in his love...This is the Body; this is the Blood.**

**Verse 1)** I will remember ev'rything, Lord, that you've done for me  
I won't take for granted the Sacrifice that set me free. I hunger and thirst for your love, come fill me today

**Verse 2)** We hunger and thirst for your love and your righteousness  
We long for your Presence here, Lord...Be with us again...

Closing Song      **594**      **Christ Be Our light**

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Sundays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**  
**Groups meet in the ballroom.**

**See more info in future bulletins.**

**- Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator • [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com)**

**CYO & CAO Concert Series**  
**2017-2018 Season**

**Upcoming Concerts:**

October 12, 2017 Dan Heck  
Quartet Jazz Concert  
**POSTPONED**

**OUR CONCERT SERIES**

**WILL KICK OFF WITH our**  
November 9, 2017 Concert  
for Flute and Piano with  
renown flutist, Angela  
Massey

January 11, 2018- Philip Borter  
Cello Concert

February 6, 2018- Paradise  
Coastmen Barbershop  
Chorus

February 24, 2018- Annual  
Forgotten Broadway  
Concert

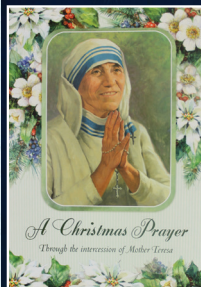
For more info, email:  
[jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com)



**“Keep Christ in Christmas”**

Help to “Keep Christ in Christmas”  
by sending religious Christmas cards.

The Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring an evangelization program designed to emphasize the real meaning of Christmas through the sale of Christmas cards. There will be a large assortment of cards available after each Mass in front of the church starting October 7.



**Buy early to get the best selection.**



*Ezekiel 18:25-28*

*Psalms 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14*

*Philippians 2:1-11*

*Matthew 21:28-32*

# The Word & Life

## *The Reluctant Giver*



There is power in Jesus' Word today as he confronts the chief priests and the elders with their hypocrisy. He uses the parable method to present the case and then poses a question to the religious establishment. They seal their own fate in the way in which they answer the question. In Jesus' example, the first son does the father's will regardless of his reluctance to do what was asked of him. The second son, however, tells his father what he wants to hear and then does nothing about it. Jesus is pointing out to the chief priests and elders that they are like the second son. The Father in heaven wills that they bring others closer to him. The leaders accept the invitation, but then hide behind the letter of the law, failing to bring people into the presence of God. They give lip service to God's saving power but do not expend the effort to make it a reality in the world. Further, even though tax collectors and prostitutes were looked down on by the ruling classes, Jesus points out that these sinners were more ready to receive John's message than they were. God's grace was at work in their lives, turning them away from their sin and they allowed themselves to be transformed by the wisdom they received.

### Reflection Questions

1. Which character of today's parable best reflects the way in which you respond to God?
2. What does the image of being called into the vineyard mean to you?
3. What do you think is meant by the kingdom of God?
4. Why does Jesus think prostitutes and tax collectors will enter the kingdom of God before the religious leaders?
5. What is God's will for you?
6. How do you reflect your belief in the kingdom of God in your daily life?
7. Name those moments of grace when you resisted God's will but then carried it out?

Cynics often criticize people who attend church on a regular basis for giving lip service to the message of the gospel. Some use this as an opportunity to suggest that is why they do not attend church. It is hard to be a Christian today because it demands more than lip service — it means that we must put into practice what we preach. A great deal of effort is involved in living the Christian life. The work of Jesus is never over. Even though we may be reluctant in our approach to the Father's will in our lives, once we struggle with the demands of our faith, God sees the blessing of our endeavors. *God loves the one who tries.* Jesus warned the chief priests and elders not to be self-righteous and superficial. Instead, he encourages these men to reach out to sinners and recognize the sacred ground of their road to transformation. *Jesus invites us to also journey down this road of transformation.*

In order to discern the Father's will, we need to discern the needs of those around us. God is constantly asking us to reach out to

the vulnerable and the poor. These people are present in our communities. Our response to their need ultimately reflects our understanding of the demands of faith and our commitment to God. When we truly live a Christian life we feel the pinch of sacrificing our time and we turn our energies to those who do not yet know the Living God. Jesus reminds us to hold onto the vocabulary of outreach and acceptance. *This is what it means to know the Father's will — to follow the example of Christ and his commandment to love.* The parable encourages us to move beyond spoken promises to incarnate the Word in our lives. By truly embracing the wisdom Jesus imparts in this parable, our lives become an expression of God's Word among us.

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



**Prayer**

*Strengthen us, O Lord, help us to know your will. As the days pass, may we not neglect opportunities of fulfilling your will. Empower us to be doers of your Word. May our lives become a reflection of your presence to those we meet. Amen.*

**Wisdom of the Fathers**

“In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples (cf. Mt 28:19). All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization, and it would be insufficient to envisage a plan of evangelization to be carried out by professionals while the rest of the faithful would simply be passive recipients. The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized. Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love. Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no longer say that we are “disciples” and “missionaries”, but rather that we are always “missionary disciples”. If we are not convinced, let us look at those first disciples, who, immediately after encountering the gaze of Jesus, went forth to proclaim him joyfully: “We have found the Messiah!” (Jn 1:41)...

... Of course, all of us are called to mature in our work as evangelizers. We want to have better training, a deepening love and a clearer witness to the Gospel. In this sense, we ought to let others be constantly evangelizing us. But this does not mean that we should postpone the evangelizing mission; rather, each of us should find ways to communicate Jesus wherever we are. All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections offers us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives. In your heart you



*Pope Francis greets a patient as he visits the Santa Lucia Foundation rehabilitation center in Rome September 22. (Catholic News Service photo/ L'Osservatore Romano, handout)*

know that it is not the same to live without him; what you have come to realize, what has helped you to live and given you hope, is what you also need to communicate to others. Our falling short of perfection should be no excuse; on the contrary, mission is a constant stimulus not to remain mired in mediocrity but to continue growing. The witness of faith that each Christian is called to offer leads us to say with Saint Paul: “Not that I have already obtained this, or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own” (Phil 3:12-13).”

— “*The Joy of the Gospel*” (120-121) – Pope Francis

# Faith Formation

## 2017-2018 School Year

**THE SUNDAY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:28-32** – *The Parable of the Two Sons*

**OCTOBER 1 – 26TH Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### ***Faith Formation Update:***

Thank you to all of the Faith Formation Families who have been so patient as we take extra time and care to make sure that our buildings are safe and ready for your children. For families that are registered for Faith Formation this year, you should be receiving weekly updates about our program. If you feel like you have not been receiving email updates, please email Natalie at [Natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:Natalie@sjecc.com).

Thank you for your patience and we look forward to seeing you soon!

### **Faith Formation: Recently Asked Questions**

**1. Can I still register my child for Faith Formation?**

Yes, we are accepting late registrations.

**2. Where and when can I drop off my Faith Formation Registration form and payment?**

Forms may be picked up/dropped off in the “Temporary Office” located in the Narthex of the Church between 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. until we are back in our regular offices.

**3. Can I mail my application with payment in?**

Sure! St. John the Evangelist  
Attn: Faith Formation  
625 111th Ave North  
Naples, FL 34108

**4. When will Faith Formation Classes begin?**

As soon as a decision is made about the start of Faith Formation Classes, we will communicate to all families registered for Faith Formation via email, as well as on our website. We will have an updated Faith Formation Calendar on our website soon.

Thank you for your patience. In the meantime, you may visit

[www.pflaumweeklies.com](http://www.pflaumweeklies.com) to preview our curriculum and stay up to date. Please go to the PARENTS tab and check out *Handout for Families* and *The Gospel At Home*, available in English and Spanish. Enjoy!



Cry Room

*The temporary Faith Formation Office is located in the Cry Room at the back of the church.*

Registration Forms for 2017-2018 are available online at [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com).

If you are interested in volunteering in our Faith Formation ministry, please contact Natalie at [Natalie@sjecc.com](mailto:Natalie@sjecc.com).

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

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# Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

## Fall 2017 Adult Faith Formation

### HURRICANE IRMA IMPACT REPORT

As many of you know, power was only restored to our campus on September 21, and then lost again for 10 hours last Sunday. The church is open, but the other buildings are closed until inspected and repaired and any issues are mitigated. We do not yet have an estimate for when we can begin the Faith Formation programs for this Fall, but we will advise you as soon as we have information. We still plan to offer all the programs that have been scheduled.

Watch this space and the Parish Calendar on the website: [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com) for updates.

### Becoming Catholic Inquiry

Becoming Catholic Inquiry began **Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.** and will continue each week at that time. We are currently meeting in the back of the church and will continue to meet there until the Claussen Family Center is cleared for use.

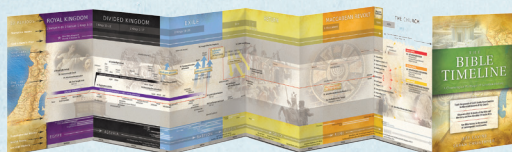
It is never too late to join those who are exploring “becoming Catholic.”

Bishop Robert Barron’s *CATHOLICISM* program provides the topic focus for the discussion. This groundbreaking documentary film series takes viewers around the world and deep into the Catholic faith.

Questions including what do Catholics believe, and what do Catholics do, are being addressed as they arise.

### Fall 2017 Programs Overview and Schedule

**UNLOCKING the MYSTERY of the BIBLE**, developed by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer, provides an easy way to understand the Bible. This eight-week quick overview helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture so that you can get the “big picture” of the Bible and understand what it is all about; it’s like *flying over the story at 30,000 feet*.



This program utilizes the Bible Timeline Chart: a simple, color-coded timeline of Bible history. It divides the entire timeline into 12 color-coded periods and then focuses on 14 books that tell the story in chronological order.

Key people and events that advance the story are highlighted so that you aren’t overwhelmed with too much at once.

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible will be offered Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 9:15 a.m.**

**These are new days and new times.** You can attend either session, or Wednesdays some weeks and Sundays other weeks.

The second half of the in-depth **The BIBLE TIMELINE** study begun last Spring, will continue for those who have completed the first part.



Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. As usual, you can attend either session, or lunchtime some weeks and evening other weeks.

**YOUR SPIRITUAL CHARISMS AND GIFTS**, A Bible and Catechism Study where you can learn how you are uniquely spiritual gifted, what the Bible and the Catechism teach us about Spiritual Gifts (Charisms), and about your unique spiritual giftedness.

**Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m.**

**Intermediate and Advanced CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** will continue for those who have previously attended an Introduction program. These sessions will explore different types of meditation and the evolution of consciousness that every human experience.

**Fridays at 11:30 a.m.**

This Week’s Complete Schedule will be posted at [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com)

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

# Spotlight on Greeters and Ushers Ministry

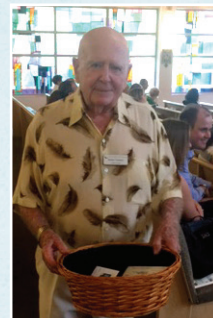
“I made a difference today.”

## Who Am I?

I see you every Sunday (and sometimes Saturdays). We've chatted, I know exactly where you will sit. I've learned all about your worries and I have said a prayer of thanksgiving when everything worked out well. Sometimes your family comes to visit and I see the big smile on your face. I know how you like your coffee and exactly which cookie you will take on your way out. I always wish you a good day or week, although sometimes you do not hear it with all the people around. And when everyone is gone, and the church is quiet, I walk to my car with a smile on my face...because I know that in some small way, I made a difference today. Even if just for an hour or two.

## Who Am I?

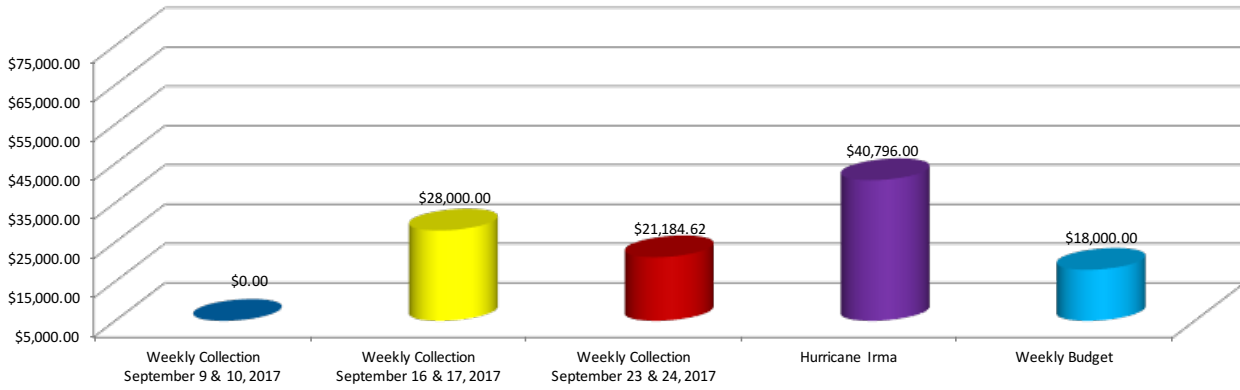
I am a volunteer usher and help with hospitality. See you next Sunday!!!



For more information about the  
**Greeters & Ushers Ministry**,  
please contact:  
Bill Fuller at [wfuller1@comcast.net](mailto:wfuller1@comcast.net)



## Weekly Collection Summary



## Emergency Collection for Maria Victims Next Weekend

“...Parishes in the Diocese of Venice will take up an emergency collection the weekend of October 7 and 8, 2017. Your donations will be used to support those who are in the greatest need in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria. These storms have destroyed what took lifetimes to build for so many. Everything they have ever known is now gone. The loss is for them boundless...”

– + *Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida*

## Registration Is Now Open for 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.



**PLEASE NOTE:** start dates have been postponed due to the hurricane and there is still time to sign up



### CYO:

- Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning September 30
- Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning September 30
- Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning September 19
- Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning September 22
- Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning September 24
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning September 6
- Theater Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 25



**Due to Hurricane Irma, these classes have been postponed until further notice.**

**Look for more info in upcoming bulletins.**

- Improvisation Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 25
- Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning September 23

Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning September 23

### CAO:

- Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning September 19
- Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning September 22
- Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning September 23
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning September 6
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning September 25

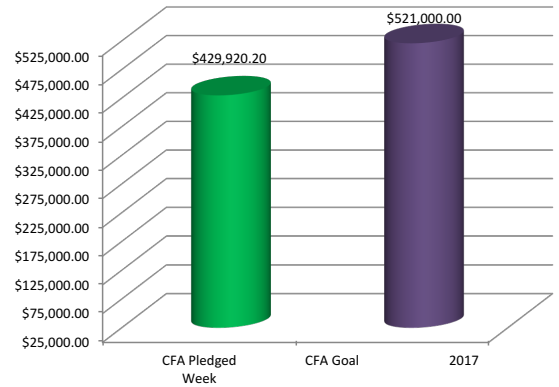


Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning September 23

Register online on our website: [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com) or at the Parish Office! Don't miss out on these special Fall classes offered just for you!

Email [jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com) for more information.

## CFA Summary



## “Evangelist” Bulletin Tries Out New Look; We Want Your Input

As you hopefully have noticed, we have been trying out new design ideas and features these past few weeks for the weekly bulletin. You will see some changes in design and color, presentation and content. Some things may be subtle, while others will be more obvious. We want the bulletin to be informative, easy to read and pleasing to the eye.

This is bulletin change #4.

We welcome your comments and suggestions. If there is something you like or don't like in the bulletin, no matter how small or how big, let us know. You may like bits and pieces from several different bulletins. Thank you to those of you who have already made comments and suggestions.

If you would like to suggest or offer ideas for inclusion in the bulletin, let us know that as well. All suggestions will be considered.

Send all comments and suggestions to the email below.

**Remember, the bulletin is for you.**

– Kathy Sims, Bulletin Editor  
[kathys@sjecc.com](mailto:kathys@sjecc.com)

# It Feels Like Fall in the Gift Shop

*Divine Gift Boutique Offers Variety of Fall Items*

*In celebration of the beautiful fall season and the blessings that we all share at the St. John parish community, we invite you to browse all the beautiful new fall and Thanksgiving merchandise available in the Divine Gift Boutique.*



Trappist Preserves and Creamed Honey are on sale again in the Divine Gift Boutique. Cherry and Apricot Preserves and Cinnamon Creamed Honey have been added to the inventory.

Prices are: Jelly - \$6.00

Honey - \$8.00

Gift Sets - \$21.00

See page 8 for gift shop hours.