

October 22, 2017

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
and World Mission Sunday

Have you been away? Welcome Home!

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

**World Mission Sunday**

**– An Opportunity to Reach Into the Peripheries**

During these past years, Pope Francis has urged the Church to reach out into the peripheries of society and touch lives that are often forgotten. The voices of the poor are often crying out in the wildernesses of our world and suburbia is often so loud that it does not hear them. Even though world poverty has decreased in the last couple of decades, there are still 1.3 billion people living in extreme poverty. It is estimated that half of the world's population, which constitutes over 3 billion people, live on less than \$2.50 a day. UNICEF has estimated that almost 22,000 children die each day because of poverty. The words of Jesus certainly ring true, "The poor you will have always", (Matthew 26:11). Much of the world's population still lives with inadequate food supplies, unclean water or lack thereof, and fall into the chasm where there is very little education or medical attention. In the midst of these realities, missionaries are at work, living and proclaiming a gospel of hope. Many of them are changing lives, one person at a time as they reach out

through their educational and medical endeavors. The Pontifical Mission Societies (the Holy Father's outreach to missionaries), enable schools to be built, wells to be drilled, medical clinics to be erected, churches to be raised, and the homeless to be housed. Missionaries are at the heart of this reality.



Pope Francis in his message for World Mission Sunday says, "The Church's mission is enlivened by a spirituality of constant exodus. We are challenged "to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the peripheries in need of the light of the Gospel" (Evangelii Gaudium, 20). The Church's mission impels us to undertake a constant

pilgrimage across the various deserts of life, through the different experiences of hunger and thirst for truth and justice." Missionaries often live in hostile environments.

*Fr. John anoints one of the elderly residents while on a mission trip to St. Lucia in June, 2012.*

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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.

# PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

## PARISH CLERGY



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

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## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH\*

**Sacrament of Baptism.** The Diocese requires that parents seeking baptism for their child attend a baptism preparation class. To schedule a baptism class, parents must be registered practicing members of St. John's for a minimum of two months. *Deborah Marsh: deb@sjecc.com*

**Sacrament of Matrimony.** Those who wish to be married in our parish must complete the Marriage Preparation Program. The Diocese requires a six month notice. *Tricia Schwarz: tricia@sjecc.com*

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

\*For complete information on the Sacraments, please visit our website: [www.sjecc.com](http://www.sjecc.com)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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### General Manager

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## Education Staff

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### Coordinator, Adult Faith

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## PARISH REGISTRATION

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

# World Mission Sunday

## – An Opportunity to Reach Into the Peripheries

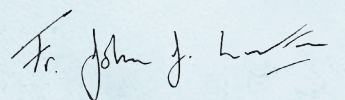
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The recent kidnappings of priests and other missionaries in Yemen, Nigeria, and the Philippines, bear witness to this reality. Thousands of men and women have had the courage to be part of the constant pilgrimage each day as they continue to build environments in which the poor can feel a sense of hope. Missionaries embrace the people of the world that are abused, broken, and forgotten. Their humble presence in which they hold the poor and dying in their arms is a true testament to the risen presence of Jesus in his Church. The reality is the work of Catholic missionaries is changing the world one person at a time.

It is people like you that allow others to go to the peripheries and touch the lives of the poor. On World Mission Sunday, which is October 22nd, Catholics by virtue of baptism are asked to join in solidarity with missionaries throughout the world, through prayer and by giving generously to the Mission Sunday collection. World Mission Sunday provides Catholics with an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and suffering in more than 1,150

mission dioceses. The World Mission Sunday collection is a central fund that aids the poor and disadvantaged in the remotest and poorest parts of the world. Most of the mission dioceses supported by World Mission Sunday never have an opportunity to come to the United States to raise monies for their mission. Mission dioceses rely on this collection to feed and house many of their poor. Most Catholics never have an opportunity to participate in the Church's missionary activity by going to mission lands, but giving allows others to do the work on their behalf. Many come to know Christ and his way of life because of the missionaries that go out to serve them. This is a concrete way in which you can personally reach out to the peripheries by giving financially. Please make your checks payable to World Mission Sunday to make a difference.

God Bless you and your generosity.



Fr. John J. Ludden  
Mission Director for the Diocese of Venice

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2017

## CHAT with POPE FRANCIS

CHAT with POPE FRANCIS using your Facebook Messenger App to learn more about his Missions. **PRAY** and **GIVE** generously on WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.



## World Mission Sunday. Chat with Pope Francis

World Mission Sunday is a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith – leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need.

This year we can even “chat” with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries.

Learn more at [ChatWithThePope.org](http://ChatWithThePope.org).

Chat – Pray – Give this World Mission Sunday.

Instructions to start your Chat: Open the Facebook Messenger App on your mobile phone. Go to the PEOPLE tab at the bottom; then select SCAN CODE and scan the code on the left (the photo of Pope Francis inside the circle).

from: [ChatWithThePope.org](http://ChatWithThePope.org)

On this World Mission Sunday the Diocese of Venice televised Mass will feature Saint John the Evangelist. The Mass, which was taped last month, celebrates the liturgy of the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time and also World Mission Sunday. Fr. John is the celebrant.

The diocesan televised Masses for Collier, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte, Glades and Desoto counties air on WFTX-TV FOX 4 on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

The Sunday Mass on Television is an outreach of the Diocese of Venice Department of Communications and is supported by the donations of viewers.

# MASS INTENTIONS... SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS

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

### October 21, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Ned Leibig Jim & Darlene Follese

#### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Gene Zilavy Nancy  
5:00 PM + Nicholas Carolla, Sr. & Josephine & Frank Mello  
Nicholas Carolla, Jr.

### October 22, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Nicholas Buglione Lillian Sottosanti  
9:00 AM + Vincenzo Ventura Ninetta Magistro  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Jacqueline Mooney Kevin Monahan  
5:00 PM + Jean R. Smith John Smith

### October 23, 2017 Monday

8:30 AM + Brian McMurrugh Mary Byrnes

### October 24, 2017 Tuesday

8:30 AM + Tony Manes Family of Saint John The Evangelist

### October 25, 2017 Wednesday

8:30 AM + Mrs. Sally Carter Barbara Dempsey  
6:30 PM SI Perry Pappas John & Heather Dunlap

### October 26, 2017 Thursday

8:30 AM + Delphine Root Mike & Kathy Mooney

### October 27, 2017 Friday

8:30 AM + Joe Pohrer Mary Lou Liebig

### October 28, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + John McGillicuddy Joan Gleason

#### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + William Seymour Judy Seymour  
5:00 PM + John Sadlier Mary & Tom Vizioli

### October 29, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Jack Gaffey Mary Lou Liebig  
9:00 AM + Mary Anne Sauter Dick & Tish Gullo  
11:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:00 PM + Tony Manes Jim & Darlene Follese  
5:00 PM + Michael Fahey Marian & Tony Bieber

## SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, October 21, 2017

Blessed Virgin Mary  
Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;  
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

### Sunday, October 22, 2017

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Mission Day

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;  
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

### Monday, October 23, 2017

St. John of Capistrano  
Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21

### Tuesday, October 24, 2017

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;  
Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

### Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48

### Thursday, October 26, 2017

Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53

### Friday, October 27, 2017

Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59

### Saturday, October 28, 2017

Ss. Simon and Jude

Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;  
1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

### Sunday, October 29, 2017

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;  
1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

#### Masses at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities

Friday, October 27

10:00 AM

Harbor Chase Memory Care

+ Bruce Baker

req. by Joseph and Sandy DeJesus



**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 [emministy@sjecc.com](mailto:emministy@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.

October 22, 2017

*“True progress quietly and persistently moves along without notice.” — Saint Francis de Sales*



A Capital Campaign for  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## *Priorities and Progress*

We are quietly and constantly making progress on all fronts of our Capital Campaign to **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**. The Life Center continues to take shape, with the foundation and utility work nearing completion. Our new Front Parking Lot will be available next weekend, once the paint is completely dry and the asphalt is sealed. Our offices have successfully moved back into the Parish Activity Center and Claussen Family Center and the programs of the Parish Family have begun again, including both youth and adult Faith Formation. We still have a long road of recovery to journey on together, but each day brings more improvement.

We have now turned to prioritizing the major undertakings that I know Fr. John has spoken about during Mass: repairing and restoring our campus that was damaged by Hurricane Irma. We have identified 5 major projects that we must undertake urgently:

1. **Church Roof:** The roof was heavily damaged in the storm, with major sections being pulled up. The roof will be replaced with a new, stronger metal roof system, and we will remove the overhead skylight (which has not been a skylight for over a decade, due to discoloration) as part of that effort.
2. **Church AC Units:** The two oldest air conditioning systems attached to the church were both destroyed by falling tiles from the roof. These units must be completely replaced.
3. **Church Doors:** Saturated by the driving rain and pushed by the storm wind, the wooden doors of the church must be replaced, especially the doors behind the tabernacle, which have completely warped.
4. **Ballroom Restoration:** The largest social space we have, the Parish Activity Center Ballroom, was completely destroyed in the storm. Leaks from the roof and water coming in from all the doors soaked nearly every component of the room, including the chairs.
5. **Bell Tower:** The winds from Hurricane Irma pushed our Carillon, or Bell Tower, too far off its foundation, so it must be demolished and rebuilt.



Many of these projects were already part of our Capital Campaign's plan to "Serve Our Past", so we are blessed that we can move forward quickly with existing plans, but we must take on these projects with a clear priority and direction. We must ensure

our mission continues with Masses and Services without interruption, even as we move into the busy Advent and Lenten Seasons. We have already begun demolition in the Ballroom, in anticipation of the priorities to get the church repaired as quickly as possible, which will be a major engineering and construction task.

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the gifts, prayers, and support of our Parish Family. For the next month, a generous donor will match any and all donations for our Building Fund up to \$200,000. Please use your blue Capital Campaign envelopes to ensure your gifts will become part of this matching opportunity. Make your checks out to Saint John the Evangelist and put "Hurricane Repairs" or "Building Fund" in the Memo Line. 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

## #ToLove, #ToServe – World Mission Sunday: Mission at the Heart of the Christian Faith

I hope you have all had an opportunity to meet our new NET Missionaries (*see page 11*). These wonderful men and women have dedicated their lives to St. John for the next year in support of our engagement to the larger community. They wear bright blue shirts each Saturday and Sunday and are assisting us with ushering and greeting, as well as integrating into our Parish Family. They are the epitome of the word “missionary”. They put their entire lives on hold, sleeping sometimes on floors and in sleeping bags in the homes of the families of our Parish, focusing on spreading the joy and love of our faith through their outward actions. They go out from our church every day to speak to strangers, who they hope to turn into friends, and those friends into missionaries themselves.

On this World Mission Sunday, their example provides context to our whole Parish Family. We do not need to go to Uganda or Laos to become missionaries. The calling we all feel to assist those around us is our vocation tugging at our souls. We can reflect on the needs of the world and our own role in shaping the positive response to hunger, thirst, lack of education, poverty, homelessness, racism, forced migration, human trafficking, and all the facets of evil in the world. Pope Francis asks us in his message for today:

*This Day invites us to reflect anew on the mission at the heart of the Christian faith. The Church is missionary by nature; otherwise, she would no longer be the Church of Christ, but one group among many others that soon end up serving their purpose and passing away. So it is important to ask ourselves certain questions about our Christian identity and our responsibility as believers in a world marked by confusion, disappointment and frustration, and torn by numerous fratricidal wars that unjustly target the innocent. What is the basis of our mission? What is the heart of our mission? What are the essential approaches we need to take in carrying out our mission?..*

*The Church's mission, then, is not to spread a religious ideology, much less to propose a lofty ethical teaching. Many movements throughout the world inspire high ideals or ways to live a meaningful life. Through the mission of the Church, Jesus Christ himself continues to evangelize and act; her mission thus makes present in history the kairos, the favourable time of salvation. Through the proclamation of the Gospel, the risen Jesus becomes our contemporary, so that those who welcome him with faith and love can experience the transforming power of his Spirit, who makes humanity and creation fruitful, even as the rain does with the earth. “His resurrection is not an event of the past; it*

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*contains a vital power which has permeated this world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force” (Evangelii Gaudium, 276)...*

*The Church's mission is enlivened by a spirituality of constant exodus. We are challenged “to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the peripheries in need of the light of the Gospel” (Evangelii Gaudium, 20). The Church's mission impels us to undertake a constant pilgrimage across the various deserts of life, through the different experiences of hunger and thirst for truth and justice. The Church's mission inspires a sense of constant exile, to make us aware, in our thirst for the infinite, that we are exiles journeying towards our final home, poised between the “already” and “not yet” of the Kingdom of Heaven...*

*Dear brothers and sisters, in carrying out our mission, let us draw inspiration from Mary, Mother of Evangelization. Moved by the Spirit, she welcomed the Word of life in the depths of her humble faith. May the Virgin Mother help us to say our own “yes”, conscious of the urgent need to make the Good News of Jesus resound in our time. May she obtain for us renewed zeal in bringing to everyone the Good News of the life that is victorious over death. May she intercede for us so that we can acquire the holy audacity needed to discover new ways to bring the gift of salvation to every man and woman. – Pope Francis, Message for World Mission Sunday 2017 ([http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/missions/documents/papa-francesco\\_20170604\\_giornata-missionaria2017.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/missions/documents/papa-francesco_20170604_giornata-missionaria2017.html))*

We have been showcasing our missionary spirit here at St. John during our response to Hurricane Irma and for years with our efforts in Jamaica, Immokalee, and around the world. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the Mission of the Catholic Church, and make sure you say welcome to our NET Missionaries the next time you see them.

 **NET MINISTRIES**

## November 1 Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of All Saints, Wednesday, November 1, is a holy day of obligation. Mass times at St. John will be 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., Noon, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

## Divine Gift Boutique Hours Returns to Winter Schedule Sunday, November 5

The Divine Gift Boutique will revert to its winter season schedule effective Sunday, November 5. The religious gift shop will be open Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

If interested in volunteering in the gift shop, contact Elaine at 566.8740.

The Divine Gift Boutique is located across from the restrooms.

## Mass Times Revert to Winter Schedule Beginning Sunday, November 5

The winter Sunday Mass schedule will go into effect Sunday, November 5. We will return to 11:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Mass times. The 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mass times will stay the same, as will the 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. vigil Mass times.

Weekday Mass times will revert to the winter schedule Monday, November 6. We will return to the 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. daily Mass times Monday through Friday. Saturday Mass will remain at 8:00 a.m. with confessions immediately after. Wednesday evening Mass will remain at 6:30 p.m.

We will follow the winter Mass schedule until May, 2018.

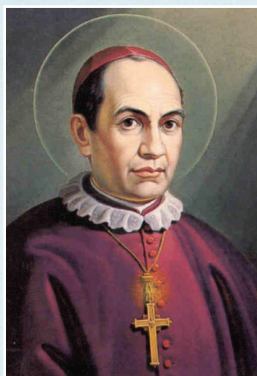
# SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET

Antoni Maria Claret i Clarà was born in Sallent, in the county of Bages in the Province of Barcelona, on December 23, 1807, the fifth of the 11 children of Juan and Josefa Claret. His father was a woollen manufacturer. As a child he enjoyed pilgrimages to the nearby Shrine of Our Lady of Fussimanya.

Claret received an elementary education in his native village, and at the age of 12 became a weaver. At the age of 18, he went to Barcelona to specialize in his trade, and remained there until he was 20 years old. Meanwhile, he devoted his spare time to study and became proficient in Latin, French and engraving.

Recognizing a call to religious life, he left Barcelona. He wished to become a Carthusian monk but finally entered the diocesan seminary at Vic in 1829, and was ordained on June 13, 1835, on the feast of St. Anthony of Padua. He received a benefice in his native parish, where he continued to study theology until 1839; but as missionary work strongly appealed to him, he proceeded to Rome. There he entered the Jesuit novitiate but had to leave due to ill health. He then returned to Spain and exercised his pastoral ministry in Viladrau and Girona, attracting notice by his efforts on behalf of the poor. In an area despoiled by the Carlist civil war, he added the practice of rustic medicine to his other endeavors.

Recalled by his superiors to Vic, Claret was sent as Apostolic Missionary throughout Catalonia which had suffered from French invasions. He travelled from one mission to the next on foot. An eloquent preacher fluent in the Catalan language, people came from miles around to hear. After a lengthy time in the pulpit, he would spend long hours in the confessional. He was said to have had the gift of discernment of consciences. In 1848 Claret's life was threatened by anti-clerical enemies



and he was sent to the Canary Islands where he gave retreats for 15 months. His missions were so well attended that he often preached from an improvised pulpit in the plaza before the church.

On his return to Spain, he established the Congregation of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (The Claretians) on the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (July 16, 1849), and founded the great religious library at Barcelona which was called "Librería Religiosa" (now "Llibreria Claret"). [3] Pope Pius IX gave approval to the congregation on December 22, 1865.

Pope Pius IX, at the request of the Spanish crown appointed him archbishop of Santiago, Cuba in 1849. He was consecrated at Vic in October 1850. Before he embarked, he made three separate pilgrimages: to Our Lady of the Pillar, patroness of Spain; to the Virgin of Montserrat, patroness of Catalonia; and to Our Lady of Fussimanya, near his home village.

Antoni Maria Claret i Clarà died on October 24, 1870, aged 62.

Anthony Mary Claret was beatified in Rome by Pope Pius XI on February 24, 1934. He was canonized 16 years later by Pope Pius XII on May 7, 1950. Pope John XXIII included him in the General Roman Calendar in 1960, and fixed his feast on October 23, where it remained for nine years until the 1969 revision of the calendar moved it to the day of his death, October 24, which had been the feast of Saint Raphael the Archangel since 1921.

*info:* [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anthony\\_Mary\\_Claret](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anthony_Mary_Claret)

*image:* *Painting of Saint Antoni Maria Claret By User Caracas1830 on en.wikipedia [Public domain], via Wikimedia Commons*

## 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. *Council President: Robert Stiff: rcs0242@gmail.com or 239.989.5149*

**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: 239.494.7594.*

**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*



# 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**  
**Christian McLaughlin** - U.S. Navy Sicily  
**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.** Kouloheras: [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:*

Antoinetta Amato, Fran Armstrong Bazany, William "Bill" Focht and Walter John Hoelscher

*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 Corvelo  
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  
Krista Leigh Kozowyk  
Rene Lacoste  
Jean Lydon  
M.M.  
Diane Maloney  
Margie Lynch  
Maria and Family  
Ron Marlow  
Barbara Marsh  
Donna Masee  
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  
Edward Sullivan  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

## Music for the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 21 & 22, 2017

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Closing Hymn:	<b>580 We Are Many Parts</b>

**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 Kicks Off November 9



Join us as we kick off OUR CONCERT SERIES with our November 9 Concert for Flute and Piano with renown Flutist Angela Massey and Pianist Dean Zhang.



The internationally acclaimed duo will present a thrilling and memorable performance. Angela Massey's debut album has been described as "beautiful and enchanting, the performances on this CD are magical!" and Dr. Zhang has been praised by "The Miami Herald" as "a powerful keyboard player" with a "smooth, fluid touch at the keyboard, bringing maximum expressiveness." The program, "Night Soliloquy," will include works featuring each performer as well as Paul Taffanel's exhilarating *Fantasia on "Der Freischütz."*

**Flutist Angela Massey and Pianist Dean Zhang in Concert November 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room. Concert is FREE, but space is limited. To reserve your spot call the office at 239.566.8740 or go online at [sjecc.com](http://sjecc.com) to get your free ticket.**

### CONCERT SEASON:

**A Cozy Christmas.** Your St. John Soloists, Choir, and CYO teachers will perform their favorite Christmas songs complete with a Christmas Carol Sing-a-long at the end. Cozy up with some hot chocolate and cookies and enjoy the music of the season. **December 16, 2017**

**Philip Borter Cello Concert ~ January 25, 2018 • Paradise Coastman Barbershop Quartet ~ February 6, 2018**

**Annual Broadway Concert ~ February 24, 2018 • Garlic and Gaelic Festival ~ March 3 & 4, 2018**

**Dan Heck Quartet Jazz Concert ~ April 12, 2018**

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

## 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

### Sunday, October 22, 2017: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song      **381**      **The Summons**

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

Communion Song      **Jesus, Savior** Fr. John Ludden & Gary Guyon      © the Very Rev. John J. Ludden. All rights reserved.

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v.1) I am the Bread of Life; I come to you this day.  
You will not go hungry again.  
I am there for you, my friends,  
if you call upon my name. I will give you rest.

v.3) Ask and you shall receive; seek and you will find  
Knock and the door will open to you  
For when you call upon my Name  
I will be there for you, and I will give you rest

v.2) I am the True Vine and you my branches are.  
You will not go thirsty again.  
Come drink of this Cup, my friends,  
and you will be free. I will give you rest.

v.4) I am the Good Shepherd, and I look on you with love  
I call to you, now hear my voice  
If you listen close to me  
you will grasp the gift of life, and I will give you rest

Closing Song      **How Great Is Our God**      Chris Tomlin      CCLI Song # 4348399. Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | Jesse Reeves. © 2004 worshiptogether.com songs); sixsteps Music; Wondrously Made Songs (a div of Wondrous Worship & Llano Music, LLC. CCLI License # 2008891.

v1) The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice

v2) Age to age he stands, and time is in his hand  
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end  
The Godhead, Three in One: Father, Spirit, Son  
The Lion and the Lamb; the Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

How great \_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_ Sing with me: \_\_\_\_\_ how great is our God!

4  
\_\_\_\_\_ And all \_\_\_\_\_ will see how great, how great \_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_

*Bridge*) Name above all names, worthy of all praise, My heart will sing, 'How great is our God!' (*repeat*)

## Please Join Us in Welcoming Our 2017-18 Net Team!

Our new 2017-18 Net Team arrived last month. What a wonderful group of young ladies and gentlemen. It is such a joy to witness young people living their faith, and the NET Team takes it to another level by giving a year of their time to volunteer and go out into the world to minister to our youth. As parents, we all know the challenges of raising Godly faithful children with so many outside influences, most of which is not positive or healthy.

It is refreshing to see these young missionaries completely dedicated to our Lord in action. We are so blessed to have them here at St John as they are living their faith to know, love and serve in all aspects of life.

### ***Host Families Needed***

We are in need of parishioners willing to host 2 (or 4 if you have space) of the NET team for a 2-week increment. You don't need to worry about transportation – just provide a place for them to sleep and shower and meals for the day.

Please prayerfully consider hosting these wonderful missionaries while they are away from home and serving our parish family. Who can be a host family? Anyone with a spare bed (or space for sleeping bags).



Don't pass up the opportunity to be a blessing and be blessed to these wonderful young adults who are giving so generously of themselves to our parish! If interested, there are forms on the tables in the foyer to fill out.

For more information please contact: Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, at 239.566.8740 or [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com) or contact Patsy Valentine, NET Host Home Coordinator, at 239.398.8332 or [paulival@aol.com](mailto:paulival@aol.com).

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

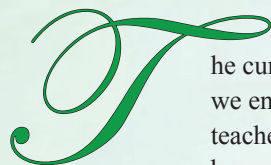
Psalms 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5B

Matthew 22:15-21

# The Word & Life

## A Radical Knowledge



The cunning of men can be very difficult to bear at times. Jesus was no stranger to deception. In today's gospel, we encounter the deceit of the Pharisees as they seek to entrap Jesus. It is hard to imagine why the religious teachers had such a problem with Jesus' teachings. Stranger still is how people could undermine a man who brought so much healing to the world. Maybe the religious establishment feared Jesus because it eroded their sense of control. Perhaps they saw him as a magician who brought temporary relief to those who were hurting. These leaders were most certainly skeptical. Nothing could convince them that Jesus' mission and ministry was the work of God.

When we look at the reality of Jesus, we see at work a radical theology that challenged the conventional religious thought of his time. Jesus taught that God was not only someone to be feared, but someone with whom one could have an intimate relationship. Jesus taught the people to refer to God as "abba", "father". The literal translation is "daddy". Such an outlook fundamentally changed the way in which humanity approached God. Jesus' wisdom revealed how people were no longer passive spectators in the history of salvation, but involved in

the divine drama that was unfolding. He healed disease and the negative traits of the human condition. The healing that Jesus offered showed the Pharisees that sin and illness could be overcome by God's grace. He also put humanity ahead of the Sabbath and tended to the needs of God's people who were crying out to him from the wildernesses of their lives. In this context, the Pharisees failed to bring Jesus down. Instead, they endeavored to rend Jesus powerless and make him an enemy of the Roman occupation by asking him if it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar. Jesus sees through this and exclaims: "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

The challenge that Jesus gave the Pharisees two thousand years ago remains the challenge for the Church today, i.e., to give to God what belongs to God. We must discern what this means for us today. Obviously, we have to be faithful to the duties we have to society as citizens by paying taxes and abiding by the laws of the land. Each one of us has to be faithful citizens and work to protect the rights and dignity of the vulnerable. We have the responsibility in choosing governments that will strive to work for justice and peace. We have to be faithful citizens of the kingdom of God also. *The Church's challenge is to constantly seek its*

### Reflection Questions

1. How is Jesus' teaching radically different from the religious establishment?
2. Why do the Pharisees try to entrap Jesus?
3. What is Jesus teaching us about the obligations that citizens have to the State?
4. What are your obligations as an American citizen?
5. What are your responsibilities as a member of the Body of Christ?
6. How does your sense of religious responsibility dialogue with your duty as a member of society?
7. What do you offer to your country and to God?

*Christological heart.* Church laws are important because they bring us to the ideal and perfection that God intends. However, whenever people fall short of the ideal, the Church must seek to offer Christ's compassion, listening, and love to those broken situations. Today, as the people of the Church, we are asked to offer ourselves to others as Christ did and be agents of transformation. We, like all missionaries across the world, are being called to take this radical message to those who have yet to encounter Christ.

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



So we must ask ourselves what belongs to God? The answer to this question is that everything belongs to God. The world in which we live and perceive the beauty of creation belongs to God. Every man and woman made in the image and likeness of God belongs to God. The children of every family belong to God. The most successful executive belongs to God. The migrant who flees from poverty belongs to God. The greatest of Saints belongs to God. Those ensnared by vice and sin belongs to God. All belongs to God. When we take this radical to heart, it is then that we can discern how we are being called to impact the lives of those who belong to God. When we live this radical discipleship we will discover the Church's Christological heart!

**Prayer**

*Be with us Lord as we journey through life. Let our lives be a radiance of your divine compassion. Help us to learn to give completely of ourselves offering the gift that is truly yours. May we always be faithful to our call as citizens and as people of your kingdom. Amen.*

**Faith of the Fathers**

Love of neighbor is thus shown to be possible in the way proclaimed by the Bible, by Jesus. It consists in the very fact that, in God and with God, I love even the person whom I do not like or even know. This can only take place on the basis of an intimate encounter with God, an encounter which has become a communion of will, even affecting my feelings. Then I learn to look on this other person not simply with my eyes and my feelings, but from the perspective of Jesus Christ. His friend is my friend. Going beyond exterior appearances, I perceive in others an interior desire for a sign of love, of concern. This I can offer them not only through the organizations intended for such purposes, accepting it perhaps as a political necessity. Seeing with the eyes of Christ, I can give to others much more than their outward necessities; I can give them the look of love which they crave... If I have no contact whatsoever with God in my life, then I cannot see in the other anything more than the other, and I am incapable of seeing in him the image of God. But if in my life I fail completely to heed others, solely out of a desire to be "devout" and to perform my "religious duties", then my relationship with God will also grow arid. It becomes merely "proper", but loveless. Only my readiness to encounter my neighbor and to show him love makes me sensitive to God as well. Only if I serve my neighbor can my eyes be opened to what God does for me and how much he loves me. The saints—consider the example of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta — constantly renewed their capacity for love of neighbor from their encounter with the Eucharistic Lord, and conversely this encounter acquired its realism and depth in their service to others. Love of God and love of neighbor are thus inseparable, they form a single commandment. But both live from the love



of God who has loved us first. No longer is it a question, then, of a "commandment" imposed from without and calling for the impossible, but rather of a freely-bestowed experience of love from within, a love which by its very nature must then be shared with others. Love grows through love. Love is "divine" because it comes from God and unites us to God; through this unifying process it makes us a "we" which transcends our divisions and makes us one, until in the end God is "all in all" (1 Cor 15:28).

— "Deus caritas est" ("God is Love"), paragraph 18, Pope Benedict XVI

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# Faith Formation

## 2017-2018 School Year

**NEW UPDATED FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR 2017-2018**  
**Classes Begin This Weekend Sunday, October 22, 2017**

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IMPORTANT DATES

\* DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**AUGUST**

19 Catechist In-Service- FOR TEACHERS ONLY 8:30-11:00 AM

31 Faith Formation Registrations Due- Registration Fee Increase After This date

**SEPTEMBER - NO CLASSES DUE TO HURRICANE**

**OCTOBER**

8 First FF High School Class (Meet and Greet for Parents 6:00-6:30PM)

22 First FF Sunday Class (Meet and Greet for Parents 9:00-9:30AM)

25 First FF Wednesday Class (Meet and Greet for Parents 5:15-5:45PM)

**NOVEMBER**

05 First Communion Candidates Mass Enrollment/ 11:15 Mass Time

*Parents attend and sit with child in Mass on this Day*

12 Parent Meeting of First Communicants - SUN Class 9:15-10:45AM

15 Parent Meeting of First Communicants - WED Class 5:30-7:00PM

**DECEMBER**

3rd & 6th Safe Environment Class for Children Grades K- 5th

3rd & 6th Safe Environment Class for Children Grades 6th-8th

**JANUARY**

7 Safe Environment for High School Youth AM & PM Class

**FEBRUARY**

1 Reconciliation Rehearsal 5:45 p.m. *One Parent Must attend w/Child*

8 First Reconciliation Ceremony 5:30 p.m.

14 Ash Wednesday-No Faith Formation Class

**MARCH**

21 First Communion Parent & Child Activity Night 5:30p.m.

**APRIL**

1st EASTER SUNDAY- No Faith Formation Class

**MAY**

3 - Teaching Mass With Fr. John 5:30pm IN THE CHURCH

10 First Communion Rehearsal Parent & Child 5:30 p.m. CHURCH

12 First Communion Ceremony 11:00 a.m. CHURCH

13 May Crowning of Mary 11:00 a.m. Mass -First Communicants CHURCH

**JUNE**

JUNE 4th-8th Vacation Bible School 9AM -12PM

**NEW HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30 P M BEGINS THIS WEEK ON OCTOBER 25.**

Beginning on Wednesday, October 25 we welcome High School Youth to participate in a journey through the Bible. Come study the Bible with us on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and feel free to stay for as little or as long as you want afterwards until 8:00 p.m. with our High School Youth Group. For more information and to sign up, 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

## Your Spiritual Gifts

### *Living Life From Your Spiritual Center – A Bible and Catechism Study*

Christ's disciples could not have been successful bringing the Gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth without the spiritual Gifts given to them by the Holy Spirit. Jesus told His disciples, "...if I do not go away, the Helper shall not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you." "When the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you into all truth..." (John 16: 7 and 13)

Do you know your unique Spiritual Gifts? You are invited to join with other adult Catholics to learn how you are uniquely, spiritual gifted.

**Tuesday afternoons from 4:30—6:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Claussen Family Center for six sessions beginning October 24 (except November 21 of Thanksgiving week)**

Apostle Paul reminds us that each person's giftedness is needed for the Church community to thrive. He writes that the Church is like a human body, in that it has many parts, and each part has a different function; just as each part of the human body is necessary for the human being to thrive, each person is needed for the Church to flourish.

*"There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of workings, but the same God who inspires them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."* (1 Cor.12:4-7).

Throughout this study your eyes will be on God, the Giver of Spiritual Gifts for the purpose of building up the Church. You cannot create these gifts yourself. The Holy Spirit enables them. You only need to cooperate. For many, learning their spiritual gifts has been a life-changing experience. Each

participant will have the opportunity to take a Spiritual Gift Inventory to learn their own Spiritual Gifts.

When you function in the Holy Spirit, it is your "true self," according to Thomas Merton, as we are no longer living through our egos, but through the Holy Spirit (our Spiritual Center).

Each session will include a brief scripture reading, a short video lecture, a silent meditative prayer to hymns sung by Fr. Stan Fortuna, group discussion, and a closing prayer. Please bring your Bible and

Catechism to each session; a study guide and reading materials will be provided.

For more information, please contact Dee Schwartz, the facilitator, at 781.910.9308 or [austynmarc7@gmail.com](mailto:austynmarc7@gmail.com).

*"The Church is neither democratic nor aristocratic — it is charismatic — and this is where its power comes from."*

— Bishop Robert Barron 08/27/2017



## This Week's Schedule

### **Tuesday, October 24**

**Your Spiritual Gifts** begins ~ 4:30 p.m., Seminar Room  
**Becoming Catholic – Inquiry (RCIA)** ~ 7:00 p.m.,  
Adult Space

### **Wednesday, October 25**

**The Bible Timeline, Divided Kingdom, Part 2** ~ 11:30 a.m.,  
Seminar Room & 7:30 p.m., Rome Room  
**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, Introduction** ~  
5:30 p.m., Rome Room

### **Thursday, October 26**

**Women of the Word, Prophets, Isaiah, Part 1** ~ 9:30 a.m.,  
Seminar Room

### **Friday, October 27**

**Meditation - Intermediate** ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

### **Sunday, October 29**

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, Early World** ~  
9:15 a.m., Rome Room

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

October 22, 2017 ~ Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time and World Mission Sunday

**79th Anniversary of Kristallnacht  
Commemorative Service Will Be  
Sunday, November 5 at 2:30 p.m.**

The Catholic-Jewish Dialogue of Collier County invites the community to the 79th Anniversary of Kristallnacht Commemorative Service Sunday, November 5 at 2:30 p.m. at St. William Parish. The guest speaker is Rabbi James Rudin, renowned author and friend of the last four Popes. Kristallnacht is recognized by most historians as "The Night the Holocaust Began".

Everyone is invited to the event, which is free. Please RSVP to [cjdialogue@naples.net](mailto:cjdialogue@naples.net)

**Life Line Screening Offered  
at St. John on Thursday, November 9**

St. John will host a preventive health event Life Line Screening on Thursday, November 9.

Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1.888.653.6450 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle).

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**"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.




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

**Winter 2018 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes**

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


**CYO:**

- Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning January 13
- Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning January 13
- Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning January 9
- Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning January 12
- Guitar Sunday's at 3:15pm beginning January 14
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 4pm beginning January 10
- Theater and Acting Saturdays at 10am beginning January 13
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 6:45pm beginning January 8
- 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 January 13



**CAO:**

- Strings Program Tuesdays at 5pm beginning January 9
- Vocal/Cantor Program Friday's at 5:45pm beginning January 12
- Guitar Saturdays at 1:00pm beginning January 13
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 5pm beginning January 10
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 7:45pm beginning January 8
- Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning January 13



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

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



# OPEN HOUSE AND GUIDED TOURS

**FALL OPEN HOUSE**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> 3:00 PM

**WINTER OPEN HOUSE**  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> 3:00 PM



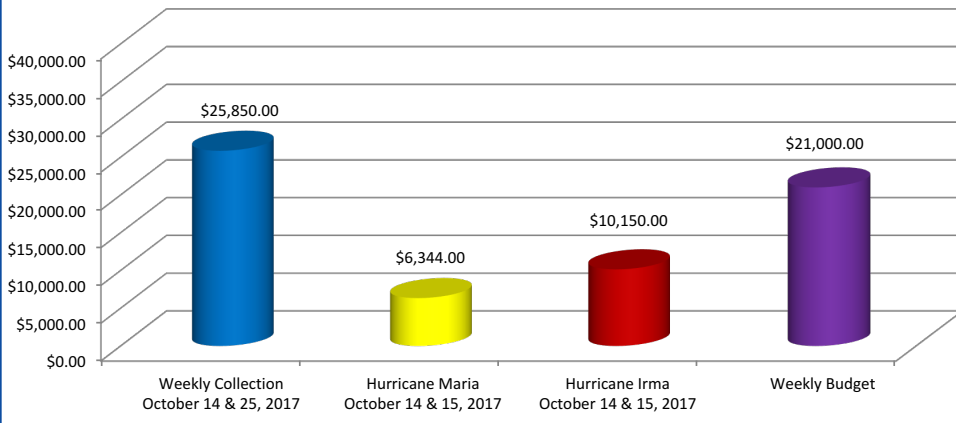
**CFA Summary**

- GUIDED TOURS & DIRECT INTERACTION WITH FACULTY, COACHES, AND STUDENTS
- INFORMATION FAIR, REFRESHMENTS & FACULTY AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
- RSVP PREFERRED, WALK-INS WELCOME

**RSVP OR SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.**

PLEASE CONTACT KATHY SANDERSON AT (239) 455-3044 OR EMAIL [ADMISSIONS@SJNCELTICS.ORG](mailto:ADMISSIONS@SJNCELTICS.ORG)

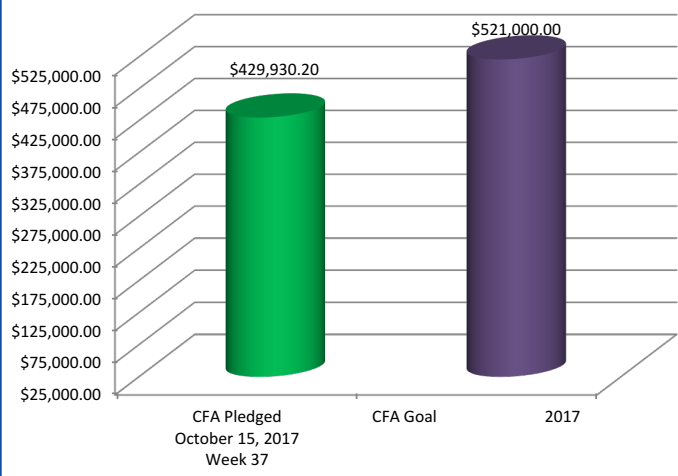
### Weekly Collection Summary



### Catholic Charities Needs Volunteers with Trade Skills

Anyone with a trade skill who is interested in volunteering in the wake of Hurricane Irma with Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice Inc. is asked to call 941.786.8087. Specifically, Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers with skills in flooring, drywall installation, carpentry, roofing, landscaping and much more. Volunteers are needed to assist the neediest families in getting back into their homes.

### CFA Summary



### Free Vocations Awareness Weekend November 10-12 at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami

St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami is hosting a Vocation Awareness Weekend from Friday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, November 12 at 12:00 p.m. This seminary visit is open to young men, ages 16 and older. It is an engaging time of prayer, talks, sports, and other fun activities with the seminarians and priests of St. John Vianney.

Come and experience what life is like for one discerning God's call to the priesthood! There is no cost for the weekend and transportation is provided. To register, please contact the Vocations Director, Father Eric Scanlan, at [scanlan@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:scanlan@dioceseofvenice.org) or call the Vocations Office at 941.486.4720.

# Annual Vocation Dinner Dance

Friday, November 17, 2017 • 6:00 p.m.

Please join us to support our Seminarians  
and to honor and thank the priests of our Diocese  
at Saint John the Evangelist PLC Ballroom  
625 11th Ave. N, Naples, FL 34108



**A night of fun, food, dancing and entertainment!**

Dinner by "Frisco's" • Music by "Legends of Las Vegas"

Open Bar • Silent Auction

Tickets: \$40.00 per person ~ Available after all weekend Masses.

Dress Code: Jacket and Tie Requested



## Honoring All Priests of the Diocese of Venice

Tickets can be purchased after all weekend Masses beginning October 21-22,  
by calling Paul Curti at 612-616-5535, or on our website at:

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

If you'd like to make a donation to help our seminarians,  
please contact Paul at 612-616-5535 or at [plancurti@gmail.com](mailto:plancurti@gmail.com).

Donate an auction item, or make a cash donation.

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