

November 19, 2017

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
and Thanksgiving

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

the

EVANGELIST
SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Honoring Our Nation's Veterans



We honored our Veterans in a special Remembrance Mass on Saturday, November 11.

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"To those who disrespect our wonderful veterans and those on active duty in all corners of the world, I say that you could never stand in the shadow of those men and women who donned the uniform and raised their right hand, taking the oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic." – Tom Middlemiss

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Daily Mass: 8:00 & 9:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.
Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 3:00 & 5:00 p.m. – Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:15 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

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Hospital

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Greeters & Ushers:

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SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH*

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

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

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

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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



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Administrative Office Hours are:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

(until all are heard)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 and 9:00 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., 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

FOR OUR RECORDS

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the front office at 239.566.8740 or email: info@sjecc.com

Thank you!

Choirs:

Gary Prettyman: gary@sjecc.com

Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Hospitality. Volunteers serve light refreshments for parishioners who gather after the 9:00 and 11:15 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.

Honoring Our Nation's Veterans

Veterans Remembrance Mass, November 11, 2017

More than 300 parishioners attended the 10th Annual Veterans Remembrance Mass last Saturday, November 11, to honor and pay tribute to all those who have served in our Armed Forces.

Celebrating this special Mass was Fr. Bob Kantor, pastor of our neighboring parish, St. Agnes. Joining Fr. Bob was the 4th Degree Arthur J. Corr Assembly Color Corps, along with the members of the Marine Corps Color Guard, who presented and posted the colors. Leading the procession were members of the Harp & Thistle Pipe Band.

In his homily, Fr. Bob, who had served two tours of duty in Afghanistan as a Navy Chaplain, spoke of his dad, a Korean War veteran who never spoke of his experiences. "Their service ended and they put it behind them," he said. He went on to say that as a Chaplain, he had the privilege of serving with Sailors and Coastguardsmen in the Persian Gulf, Marines on the ships and oil platforms off the coast of Iraq and mostly Army and National Guard soldiers, along with contingents of Navy Air Force and coalition forces in Afghanistan.

Fr. Bob also said, "The ones I remember most often are those, who despite active combat zone conditions, held close to and even grew in their faith."

In his remarks to the congregation, Tom Middlemiss reminded everyone that November 10 was the 242nd birthday of the United States Marines Corps, which drew a good round of applause.

He went on to speak about the disrespect being shown to "Old Glory" in some quarters, and said, "To those who disrespect our

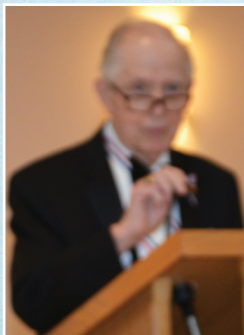
wonderful veterans and those on active duty in all corners of the world, I say that you could never stand in the shadow of those men and women who donned the uniform and raised their right hand, taking the oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic."

Tom also spoke about the dangerous assignment that our military Chaplains endure, such as Fr. Bob did in his service to our country. He went on to speak about famed Navy Chaplain Vincent Capodanno, a Maryknoll priest from Staten Island, NY who was killed while administering the last rites to a mortally wounded Marine in the jungles of Vietnam on September 4, 1967. Refusing to take cover, Fr. Vince, as he was known to the "Grunts," the 38 year old priest was cut down by enemy machine gun fire.

For his action on the battlefield, he was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Following Mass, Fr. Bob blessed the "Lest we Forget" statue in front of the church with the Marines firing a three round volley and the playing of taps for the fallen.

A reception followed in the Rome Room at the Parish Life Center.



photos by Jerry Mierzwa
Knights of Columbus

MASS INTENTIONS... SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS

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

November 18, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Paul & Marie Wach Laurie Vogel

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Cecilia & William Schultz The Family
5:00 PM + Patrick Cassidy Richard & Peggy Maynard

November 19, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Tad Pluc The Family
9:00 AM + Connie Episcopo Children: Antoinette Scott
Joseph Episcopo, Maria Jackson
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM + Joy Gaudreau Ann Mullally
5:00 PM + Peter Acerbi The Family

November 20, 2017 Monday

8:00 AM + Gloria Tenerow Husband John Tenerow
9:00 AM "Novena Mass for Life - For a greater respect for all human life"

November 21, 2017 Tuesday

8:00 AM + Robert Sabatka Donna Spohrer
9:00 AM + Patricia Carsky Edward Carsky & Elaine Medwid

November 22, 2017 Wednesday

8:00 AM + Tony Manes Carolyn Farhet
9:00 AM + Dennis J. O'Keefe Joanne Ryan
6:30 PM + Tony Zoglio Dolores Kernochan

November 23, 2017 Thursday ~ Thanksgiving

9:00 AM SI Intentions of Members of St. Vincent dePaul

November 24, 2017 Friday

8:00 AM + Ian D. Williamson Wife Margaret Williamson
9:00 AM + Howard Kelly Lucy Kelly

November 25, 2017 Saturday

8:00 AM + Viola Rogers Carl Brown

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Jerome VanderHorst Wife Janet
5:00 PM + Susan Wynn Richard & Peggy Maynard

November 26, 2017 Sunday

7:00 AM + Mary Amoroso Hank & Emmy White
9:00 AM SI Joseph S. Ryan, Jr Joanne Ryan
(Birthday Intention)
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners
1:15 PM + Frances Nilson Judith Howe
5:00 PM + Shea Family Kathleen Shea

Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound. Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing emministry@sjecc.com. An Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will bring Holy Communion at a mutually agreed upon time. Please note that the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion to North Naples NCH on Monday through Friday and to Landmark Hospital, North Naples on Wednesday and Sunday.

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 18, 2017

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne; Blessed Virgin Mary

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5;
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

Sunday, November 19, 2017

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Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5;
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

Monday, November 20, 2017

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 22, 2017

St. Cecilia

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 23, 2017

St. Clement I, St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro; Thanksgiving Day

1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday, November 24, 2017

St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 25, 2017

St. Catherine of Alexandria

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Sunday, November 26, 2017

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

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*“No duty is more urgent than that
of returning thanks.”*

— Saint Ambrose



A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Gratitude for Our Parish Family

With Thanksgiving upon us, our whole Parish Family is gearing up to give to Thanksgiving in the Park, the Ladies of Charity, and the Saint Vincent dePaul Society. These programs all serve those in need here in the local community, and clearly showcase the best of our service focus to people who need our love. Pope Francis has called upon us all during this World Day of the Poor, and we have responded to his challenge with our whole soul.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you, our Parish Family, for your astounding support to not only reach and exceed our challenge goal of \$200,000 for a matching contribution, but for the past months' continuous efforts of time, talent and treasure. If you were not here during our response to Hurricane Irma, we have both our own story (<https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/news/hurricane-irma-status-updates>) as well as a story in the Naples Daily News (<http://www.naplesnews.com/story/weather/hurricanes/2017/09/23/naples-church-slammed-irma-but-still-wants-help/693288001/>) that details the activities of St. John after the storm. It is truly extraordinary that our Parish Family, in the midst of the personal and church disasters, came together to serve the communities around us with food, water, diapers, clothes, and all the necessities which filled 45 truckloads over two weeks. Since the call went out after the storm cleared, St. John has not stopped working for our community, and each one of you have my undying gratitude for your prayers, your gifts, your perspiration, and your smiles. Your giving has continued even after we have completed our challenge match and we will be able to travel the difficult road of recovery together due to your generosity.

I also want to thank you for your patience as we repair, renovate, and renew our campus. It will take time to fully restore our facilities, but I know with your encouragement, we will emerge from this challenging time even stronger for it.

I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving. God Bless You!

As we **Build Our Future, Serve Our Past**, we still need all the gifts, prayers, and support of our Parish Family. If you have any questions, please contact Jean-Paul Boucher, at 239.566.8740 or email: jp@sjecc.com.

Jean-Paul Boucher,
General Manager

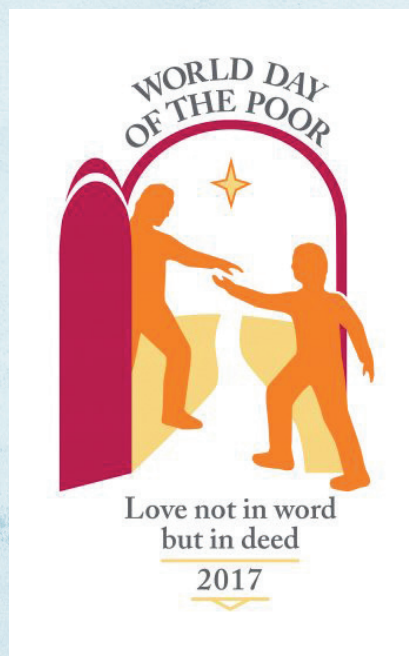


#ToLove, #ToServe – First World Day of the Poor: Love, Not Just with Words but with Deeds

At the end of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis created a new moment for our Catholic Church to focus on the needs of poor throughout the world: The World Day of the Poor, set for today (Sunday, November 19). This day was chosen not only to mark the anniversary of the end of the Jubilee, but to ensure we all recognize the tangible need to reach out and support those around us. Being poor is not just a financial consideration. It can also be spiritual poverty, not feeling connected to God. There are even some in our pews that are isolated and lonely, feeling a lack of community or family. This communal poverty can be as devastating as a monetary one. Our Holy Father calls for direct encounter with the poor in his Message for the First World Day of the Poor:

“Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in deed and in truth” (1 Jn 3:18). These words of the Apostle John voice an imperative that no Christian may disregard. The seriousness with which the “beloved disciple” hands down Jesus’ command to our own day is made even clearer by the contrast between the empty words so frequently on our lips and the concrete deeds against which we are called to measure ourselves. Love has no alibi. Whenever we set out to love as Jesus loved, we have to take the Lord as our example; especially when it comes to loving the poor. The Son of God’s way of loving is well-known, and John spells it out clearly. It stands on two pillars: God loved us first (cf. 1 Jn 4:10.19), and he loved us by giving completely of himself, even to laying down his life (cf. 1 Jn 3:16).

Such love cannot go unanswered. Even though offered unconditionally, asking nothing in return, it so sets hearts on fire that all who experience it are led to love back, despite their limitations and sins. Yet this can only happen if we welcome God’s grace, his merciful charity, as fully as possible into our hearts, so that our will and even our emotions are drawn to love both God and neighbour. In this way, the mercy that wells up – as it were – from the heart of the Trinity can shape our lives and bring forth compassion and works of mercy for the benefit of our brothers and sisters in need...



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We may think of the poor simply as the beneficiaries of our occasional volunteer work, or of impromptu acts of generosity that appease our conscience. However good and useful such acts may be for making us sensitive to people’s needs and the injustices that are often their cause, they ought to lead to a true encounter with the poor and a sharing that becomes a way of life. Our prayer and our journey of discipleship and conversion find the confirmation of their evangelic authenticity in precisely such charity and sharing. This way of life gives rise to joy and peace of soul, because we touch with our own hands the flesh of Christ. If we truly wish to encounter

Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor; as a response to the sacramental communion bestowed in the Eucharist. The Body of Christ, broken in the sacred liturgy, can be seen, through charity and sharing, in the faces and persons of the most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters. Saint John Chrysostom’s admonition remains ever timely: “If you want to honour the body of Christ, do not scorn it when it is naked; do not honour the Eucharistic Christ with silk vestments, and then, leaving the church, neglect the other Christ suffering from cold and nakedness” (Hom. in Matthaenum, 50.3: PG 58).

We are called, then, to draw near to the poor; to encounter them, to meet their gaze, to embrace them and to let them feel the warmth of love that breaks through their solitude. Their outstretched hand is also an invitation to step out of

our certainties and comforts, and to acknowledge the value of poverty in itself...

We know how hard it is for our contemporary world to see poverty clearly for what it is. Yet in myriad ways poverty challenges us daily, in faces marked by suffering, marginalization, oppression, violence, torture and imprisonment, war, deprivation of freedom and dignity, ignorance and illiteracy, medical emergencies and

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shortage of work, trafficking and slavery, exile, extreme poverty and forced migration. Poverty has the face of women, men and children exploited by base interests, crushed by the machinations of power and money. What a bitter and endless list we would have to compile were we to add the poverty born of social injustice, moral degeneration, the greed of a chosen few, and generalized indifference!

Tragically, in our own time, even as ostentatious wealth accumulates in the hands of the privileged few, often in connection with illegal activities and the appalling exploitation of human dignity, there is a scandalous growth of poverty in broad sectors of society throughout our world. Faced with this scenario, we cannot remain passive, much less resigned. There is a poverty that stifles the spirit of initiative of so many young people by keeping them from finding work. There is a poverty that dulls the sense of personal responsibility and leaves others to do the work while we go looking for favours. There is a poverty that poisons the wells of participation and allows little room for professionalism; in this way it demeans the merit of those who do work and are productive. To all these forms of poverty we must respond with a new vision of life and society.

I invite the whole Church, and men and women of good will everywhere, to turn their gaze on this day to all those who stretch out their hands and plead for our help and solidarity. They are our brothers and sisters, created and loved by the one Heavenly Father. This Day is meant, above all, to encourage believers to react against a culture of discard and waste, and to embrace the culture of encounter. At the same time, everyone, independent of religious affiliation, is invited to openness and sharing with the poor through concrete signs of solidarity and fraternity. God created the heavens and the earth for all; yet sadly some have erected barriers, walls and fences, betraying the original gift meant for all humanity, with none excluded. – Pope Francis 11/19/17
https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/papa-francesco_20170613_messaggio-i-giornatamondiale-poveri-2017.html

Let us all heed this call, especially as we approach Thanksgiving, to dedicate ourselves to encountering the poor in our lives with the love, mercy, and joy of our Catholic Faith and Action. Help with Thanksgiving in the Park. Smile at a stranger as they walk by in the store. Make the world a better place for all. God Bless You!

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever

presents

THE CHOICE Wine

7 STEPS

TO A SUPERABUNDANT MARRIAGE

Next session:

January 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm

in the Claussen Family Center

Join us for fellowship, food and marriage enrichment!

Please RSVP to the office at 239.566.8740 and indicate if you need the nursery.

Enjoy a date night with Catholic fellowship at Saint John the Evangelist as you enrich your marriage starting November 18 when we kick off our new enrichment series, entitled **The Choice Wine**.

Enjoy appetizers and marriage discussion.

The Choice Wine offers a new topic each evening, so don't worry if you can't make all the dates.

Remaining Dates:

Jan. 20, Feb. 24, March 24, April 28, May 19, June 30, July 28, Aug. 25



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 Sjostrom: 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). **Season Hours:** Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 a.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 Squittieri: 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 Elaine Mullin: 239.273.1702. To join: Carole Mancini: froglady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever. Enriches the sacrament of marriage. Couples gather: 1) To share and know, 2) To grow and love, 3) To listen and serve and to celebrate our healthy marriages. All married or engaged couples are welcome to join us in celebration of their marriage as we take this journey together. Meets monthly on Saturday evenings at 6:30 p.m. *Rachel Baier: 239.498.4197*

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. *Men's: Jack Nalipinski: 412.613.3551 and Millie Lucanegro: 239.566.9854; Ladies: besunnyinflorida@gmail.com*

Respect Life. Educates and informs the parish community on all aspects of respect life, which include the unborn, mothers who have had abortions, the elderly, mentally challenged, the physically challenged, the imprisoned, and the terminally ill and the poor and hungry. *Rosemary Erickson: 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. *Carl Monticelli: (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

Cub Scout Pack 226 – Chartered at St. John the Evangelist. Provide families with an opportunity to raise their young boys in the way of Jesus and through the formative values of Scouting. Meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. pack226naples@gmail.com

PRAYER GROUPS

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

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group Patricia Bucalo: 239.248.0694

Divine Will Prayer Group Gorana Saner: 239.293.1765

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina Mondays at 5:30 p.m.: Maria Jones: 239.348.5361

Liturgy of the Hours Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:30 a.m. Mass. pmgrys@aol.com

THROUGH THE DARKNESS BRING US TO THE LIGHT

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

Adam Decker
Nick Detloff
Sp. Douglas Hennessy
Staff Sgt. Brian Holmes
Marine Colonel Brian Howlett
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

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

Habitat for Humanity. Kouloheras: 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:

Jon Pierce

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	Gerard Heyer	Ann Petrillo
Mary Alligood	Rosie Heyer	Irene Pires
Kaylee B	Donald Howe	Renee Rake
Jean Balliro	Krista Leigh Kozowyk	Ruth Rechtsteiner
Beagan Family	Rene Lacoste	Ellen Roberts
Richard Becker	Jean Lydon	Lloyd Sample
Gallen Boardman	M.M.	Lisa Sanfelippo
Lori Breyman	Diane Maloney	Shelia Scaduto
Caeleigh Brown	Margie Lynch	Gary Schutebach
Connie Cahill	Maria and Family	Thomas Sissman
Kathy Conley	Ron Marlow	Avery Smithies
Corinne & Children	Barbara Marsh	Nancy Stewart
Lauren Carr	Donna Masee	Edward Sullivan
Frank Comeriato	Kevin McDonagh	Rita Taranto
Tony Corvelo	J. McG	William J. Teplica
Anthony D'Antuono	Paul McIntyre	Isaiah Thompson
Mark DaBronzo	Cynthia McLemore	Marilyn Thyen
Donald Demski	Carolyn McNichols	Helen Thornburg
Florence Demski	Eileen Miner	JoAnn Tinevra
George Dillon	Lorrie Morrison	Jim Tucker
F.W.	Gary Neidhard	Lawrence A. Varone
Jim & Darlene Follese	Emma O'Rourke	Mike Walsman
Tara Follese & Family	Ronald J. Parker	Dan Ward
Jeff Gatt	Michael Paul	Sandra Welker
Sarah Goebel	Francesca Pearo	Bernadette White
George Gonser Jr.	Anne Perrino	Kirsten Wills
Jayne Hagg	Geno Pesce	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 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 18 & 19, 2017

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5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, November 19, 2017: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Song

Here I Am To Worship

Tim Hughes

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V.1) Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
Hope of a life spent with you: [to chorus]

V.2) King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above;
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
All for love's sake became poor: [to chorus]

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my ___ God.
— And you're al-to-ge-ther love-ly, al-to-ge-ther wor-thy, al-to-ge-ther won-der-ful to ___ me. —

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sins upon that cross. *(repeat 2x more, then chorus:)*

Preparation Song: **594 Christ, Be Our Light** Bernadette Farrell

Communion Song: **The Cup Of Life Outpoured**

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Who am I, that I should re - ceive the Cup of Life out - poured?
The Bread of Life, the Blood of Christ, the Bo - dy of my Lord?

Verse 1) Lord, I believe! Help my unbelief!
Cause me to see you as you are:
The King of glory, the Lord of love
The Shepherd of my heart!

Br.) Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*), Holy God (*Holy God*)
I come to receive you now. Come into my heart,
Fill my life, with your very Presence, Lord!

Verse 2) Too great for me, this wisdom of the Lord:
to hold the Savior in my hand.
And greater still, the gift of God:
That I should be one with Him!

Coda) Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*),
Holy God (*Holy God*), Lamb of God (*Lamb of God*), Holy God (*Holy God*)—Lamb of God!

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5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

Sunday, November 19, 2017: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd Communion Song: **Fragrance Prayer** Tom Booth Text by Bl. John Cardinal Newman (1849-1878), adapted by Bl. Teresa of Calcutta (1919-1997). Music 2000, Tom Booth. Published by spiritandsong.com. All rights reserved. Reprinted under LicenSingOnline #U19759.

Refrain

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

1-3
to Verses

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

Closing Song: **In the Light** Charlie Peacock CCLI Song No. 755574. © 1991, 1997 Sparrow Song (a div. of EMI Christian Music Publishing). Charlie Peacock. All rights Reserved. www.ccli.com. CCLI License No. 2008891.

<p>Verse 1) I keep trying to find a life on my own apart from you I am the king of excuses: I've got one for every selfish thing I do</p>	<p>Verse 2) The disease of "self" runs through my blood It's a cancer fatal to my soul Every attempt on my behalf has failed to bring this sickness under control</p>
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Tell me, what's go-ing on in - side of me? I des - pise my own__ be - hav -
 - ior.__ This on-ly serves__ to con-firm my sus-pic-ions that I'm still some-one in need of a
 sav - ior. I want to be in the light, as you are in the light. I want to shine like the stars in the
 hea - vens.__ O Lord, be my light, and be my sal - va - tion, 'cause all I want is to be in the
 light.__ All I want is to be in the light.__

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Is a Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, is the patronal feast day of the United States of America, and as such, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass times for Friday, December 8 are
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets **Wednesdays from 6:30 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

CYO & CAO Concert Series 2017-2018 Season



Regina Russo



A Cozy Christmas

December 16

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.



Jennine Fuentes



Gabi Frei

Also featuring
Annie Dallas and
Keith Cute



***This FREE Concert begins at 7:00 p.m.
in the St. John Ballroom.***



Michael Hayes



CONCERT SEASON:

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

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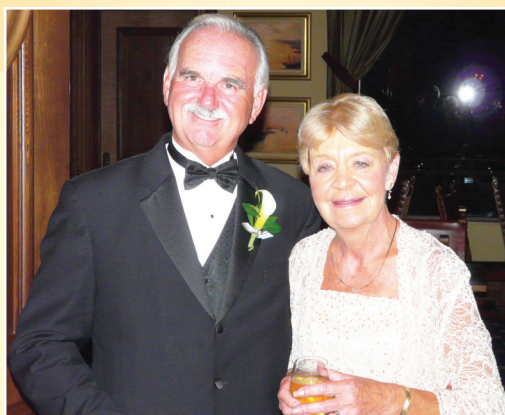
Choral Anthems

Offertory:	For the Beauty - Rutter
Communion:	Ave Verum - Mozart

Celebrating 50 Years of Marriage Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Ray and Maureen Wilkinson!



Ray and Maureen were married on November 18, 1968 at St. Hedwig's Catholic Church in Flora Park, NY. They will renew their wedding vows at the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 19.



Congratulations, Ray and Maureen!

Thanksgiving Day Mass

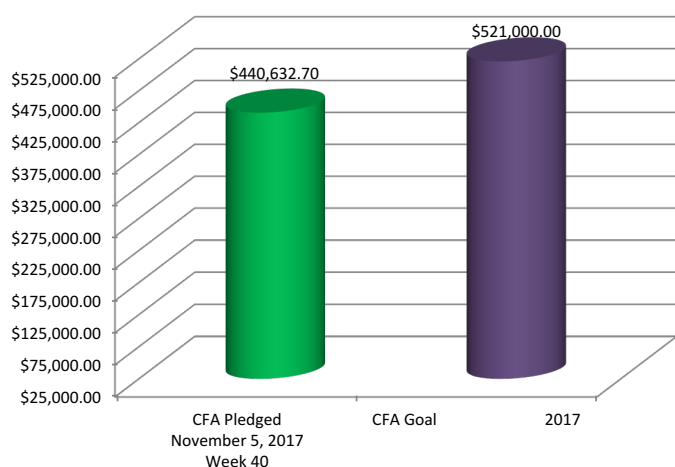
There will be only one
Mass on

**Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 23.
Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.**

Fr. John and all our priests
will concelebrate the
Thanksgiving Mass.

*The Parish Office
will be closed
November 22, 23 and 24.*

CFA Summary



JOP Christmas Tea

The JOP Christmas Tea
previously scheduled
for December 6, 2017 has
been cancelled.
But we plan to host the
same event
in December 2018.

-JOP

The Word & Life

Discerning the Gift



The readings today focus themselves on the readiness of humanity to meet God. In today's gospel Jesus offers the parable of the talents. In the gospel next Sunday we will listen to the Last Judgment. The reason for such discernment comes as we end the Church's year and celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King next week. This is also appropriate as we remember during this month of the Holy Souls, those who have gone from this life to meet the Lord.

We must always be ready to meet the Lord when he comes. Our focus today bids us to question how we use the gifts that he has given. St. Augustine once wrote: "A life half-lived is not a life worth living." Such a comment bears witness to what Jesus is talking about today. Each one of us has been given entirely different gifts and we are called to use such gifts. The greatest poverty is when gifts are laid waste and unused. Jesus reminds us in today's gospel that God has given us these "talents" or "gifts" to build on his economy of salvation. Every time we use our God given talents we glorify God.

Reflection Questions

1. What are your greatest gifts?
2. How do you feel called to use those gifts to others?
3. Why do you think you exist?
4. What is your purpose in life?
5. In what ways can you help transform some of the broken realities around you?
6. What is your greatest achievement in life so far?
7. What do you want to accomplish before you die?
8. Is God part of your life project?

Today, we are asked to discern what gifts God has given to us individually and how are to use them in building up the community of the Church and the world. The gift of medicine promotes health and well being. Music fills our souls with beauty and joy. The gift of education and science gives us opportunities to explore the mystery of God's gift to the world. The world of invention allows the world to explore the possibilities of God waiting to unfold. The gift of family and children enables humanity to join in the co-creation of God. The Church is the gift of the gospel constantly being proclaimed to a world in constant need of redemption and conversion. In the midst of these gifts and the many other gifts that God has to offer the world, we are asked to discern our purpose and to use our gifts by offering them back to God.

The glory of God is truly to be found in the person fully alive. This is the dignity that God has called us to. We become fully alive when we move away from being passive spectators in this great drama of life and move toward being active and contributing

participants, building up the Body of Christ. And so today, let us explore ways in which our commitment to the gospel and the Church will bring to life the gifts that each one of us has received.

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



Prayer

O God, giver of all gifts, help us to use wisely the gifts you have given. Help us to leave a lasting legacy in this world – where our small gifts have played a significant part in salvation history. Help us to define our purpose as we seek to use the gifts that you have given. Let the gift of our life give glory to Your Name. Amen.



"Christ Washing the Disciples' Feet" by Tintoretto [Public domain], via Wikimedia Commons

Voices of Faith

The following prayers were written to frame one's day by contemplating how the gifts of self can help others:

A Morning Prayer

How Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation.
As the dawn breaks I thank you
For the radiance which flows from the sun
Which gives light and life.

This new day is bursting with new moments
And I am empowered by your Spirit,
To give praise to you through my hands,
to the touch the hearts of all who are feeling low this day
to offer a hand to those who are desperately reaching out
for love
to give to those who suffer from the lack of material
goods
and to those who are hungry of heart.

I am your light,
may I journey through this day
with a heart open,
radiant with your everlasting love.

Amen.

An Evening Prayer

How Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe.
As my day comes to a close and the stars light up the
sky,
I thank you for your impenetrable beauty.

This day was gift by you to me
to show love where there was pain
to give warmth where the bitter-cold experiences of
life had been oppressive
to hold the Christ-light for those who have
experienced the darkness of hardship,
sickness and anxiety.
If I have failed in using my gifts,
I ask for pardon and pray for forgiveness
remembering your love and your mercy,
for you our my God that knows no bounds.

Lord, Blessed are you, the Giver of the Gift,
The Empower,
My Life-force.
Thank you for the gift of my being. Amen.

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

Faith Formation

2017-2018 School Year

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 19 Sunday Faith Formation Class 9:15-10:45 a.m.
Parent Faith Formation in ROME ROOM
- 22 NO FAITH FORMATION CLASS
- 26 NO FAITH FORMATION CLASS
- 29 Wednesday Faith Formation Class 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Parent Faith Formation in ROME ROOM

Choir Rehearsals Wednesdays 4:45-5:30 p.m.

**Best Wishes and Happy Thanksgiving
to all of our Faith Formation Families!**



YOUTH RALLY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS: MAGNIFY!

This Year 46 of our High School Youth attended the Diocesan Youth Rally in Port Charlotte, FL. The teens traveled together on a chartered bus along with our NET Missionaries and Kyle VanDuser, our Youth Group Leader. As part of a faith-filled day planned by the Diocese of Venice, our Youth experienced several great speakers, opportunities for confessions, adoration and Mass with Bishop Frank J. Dewane. Many of the youth traveling from St. John are preparing for their Confirmation in either the Spring of 2018 or 2019. They were also joined by a few of their High School Confirmation leaders and members of our Youth Group as well. It was a wonderful day had by all! We are blessed to have such amazing young men and women in our parish community!



Faith Formation Office Hours

Mondays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.
(on the days of Faith Formation classes only)

Fridays: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
(on the days of Faith Formation classes only)

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

Adult Faith Formation & RCIA

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Our Heavenly Father,
We thank you for food, and remember the hungry.
We thank you for our families, and remember those who are alone.
We thank you for our homes, and remember the homeless.
We thank you for our health, and remember the sick.
We thank you for our jobs, and remember the unemployed.
We thank you for our friends, and remember the friendless.
We thank you for our freedom, and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances stir us to service,
that your gifts to us may be used for others.
Amen.

– Based on a Samuel F. Pugh prayer

Your Adult Faith Formation Team is thankful for the opportunity to serve the Saint John the Evangelist faith community and its family and friends and visitors. We invite you to take advantage of this week to pass on to others the gifts we each have received. Have a Happy Thanksgiving. May God bless you.

– Christine, Deborah, Dee, Jack, Nancy, and Susan

This Week's Schedule

There are no Adult Faith Formation Programs Scheduled this week.

Happy Thanksgiving!

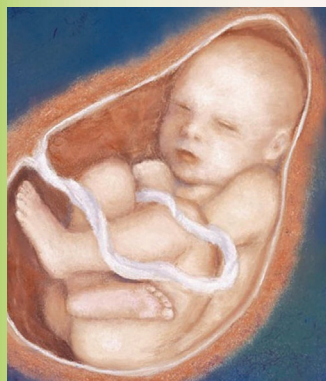
Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Call 239.566.8740, ext. 3918 or email jack@sjecc.com

Spiritual Adoption Program Continues With Month Eight

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

MONTH 8 - Developing Baby — *“I like to listen to my Mommy’s voice!”*

Now your spiritually adopted baby is finished developing and is concentrating on gaining weight; she might be making her mother uncomfortable with her size. She will need a layer of fat to help her stay warm after she leaves the perfect temperature inside her mother’s womb. For some weeks now she has recognized her mother’s voice. In a short time, her baby will be born. Your baby’s mother



appreciated the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It has not been easy, but your prayers have given her the grace she needed to bring her baby to term.

The next Novena of Masses for Life at St. John will be Monday, November 20 at 9:00 a.m. This Mass will be celebrated in special observance of the life of Jesus in the womb of our Blessed Mother. For a complete schedule of the Novena of Masses for Life, check the diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife

NET Missionaries Spotlight

Editor's Note: Since mid-September, eight young adults, NET Missionaries from Minnesota, have been a part of our Parish Family sharing their infectious enthusiasm as young Catholics. This is our second year hosting the NET Missionaries. We are very excited to welcome them as part of our Parish Family. This is the final part of the series introducing you to these young adults. Say Hello when you see them.



Colby Buntin



Colby Buntin is 20 years old and is from Warrensburg, MO. He was home schooled up until high school where he went to a small town public high school. After graduating in 2016, he joined and served with NET ministries last year in Cincinnati, OH. Colby is the second oldest of four boys. In his free time, he enjoys playing the banjo and guitar as well as working on most types of hands-on projects. He loves

spending time with others and learning about their interests. Colby is looking forward to being able to serve and get to know the parish family at St John.

Madelyn Jents



Madelyn Jents is 19 years old and from Wyoming, MN. She graduated from high school in the spring of 2016 and served with NET ministries on a traveling team last year. Madelyn is the oldest of 4 children, she has two sisters in high school and a brother in elementary school. She

loves to read, paint with watercolors, and be outside. She can't wait to get to know the parish family at St. John.

Host Families Needed. We are in need of parishioners willing to host two (or four, if you have space) of the NET team for a two 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 don't pass up the opportunity to be a blessing to these wonderful young adults who are giving so generously of themselves to our parish!

For more information please contact: Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator, at 207.0537 or kyle@sjecc.com or Patsy Valentine, NET Host Home Coordinator, at 239.398.8332 or paulival@aol.com.

Host Experience

"...it is quite refreshing to see these young people living God's love and modeling purity."

We have been hosting NET Missionaries for many years, and were thrilled to learn St. John was getting a parish team. The young men and women who make up the NET Teams are among the best we have ever met. They truly love our Lord, and the positive impact they have on our youth is undeniable.

When they are in our home we don't feel like we have guests, we feel like we have more family, because that's what they become. (The kind you like to have for extended periods of time). They work long hours, but when they come home at the end of the day you wouldn't know it, because they are so cheerful and full of love and light. We volunteer to serve the Lord and our Parish, but it feels more like they are serving us.

While our society is saturated with negative influences and our children exposed to so many poor role models, it is quite

refreshing to see these young people living God's love and modeling purity. We have a teenage daughter at home and have always hosted the ladies, but this year we are going to host the young men as well because we want our daughter to see what Godly young men are like. Our family gets so excited when we get to host NET Teams, and will continue to do so again and again, as it is our privilege and honor.

The Valentine Family

Walking God's Paths "Metaphors For A Unique Relationship "

Sunday, December 17 at 2:30 p.m.



This is one of a series of short videos designed to discuss the differences and commonalities of the Catholic and Jewish religions. Commentary by representatives of both faiths following the film, dialogue discussion and refreshments.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Claussen Center
625 111th Avenue North • Naples

Event is FREE of charge.

RSVP is appreciated to

cjdialogue@naples.net

or (239) 370-4277

A program of the Catholic Jewish Dialogue of Collier County

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 or at the Parish Office!
Don't miss out on these special Winter classes offered just for you!

Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

The clergy
and staff of
Saint John the
Evangelist
wish all of our
parishioners and
their families
and friends
a joyous
and blessed
Thanksgiving.
Happy
Thanksgiving!

Mark Your Calendar for the Venetian Charity Ball which will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort in Bonita Springs. The evening will include a cocktail hour, auctions, a raffle for a car and other exciting items, dinner, and dancing. For information and tickets visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org or call 239.337.4193 or email venetianball@ccslee.org.



Join us for Zumba at St. John the Evangelist

Drop in class is \$10.00. Monthly Unlimited is \$40.00

Classes are Monday, Wednesday, & Saturday

9:00 am - 10:00 am located in the Seminar Room

Checks made payable to SJECC - St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Credit Cards accepted for monthly payment

please visit <https://saintjohntheevangelist.com/event/zumba>

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COACH & PARENT WORKSHOPS

for St. John Evangelist CYO at St. John the Evangelist 625 111th Avenue North Naples, FL 34108

Saturday January 27, 2018

Coach Clinic 11:45am - 2:45pm

Coach Commissioning Mass 3pm

Sport Parent Workshop 4:00pm - 5:15pm

Location: Rome Room for Coach & Parent Workshops Church for the Commissioning Mass

RSVP to: kyle@sjecc.com

Play Like a Champion Today provides leadership in a worldwide effort to renew the culture of sport for youth. It does this primarily by educating ethically responsible sport leaders-coaches, parents, students, and athletic administrators-who in turn will reach millions of young people.

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- Originating at the University of Notre Dame and collaborating with concerned faculty and coaches throughout the country

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- Athletics as Character-Building for Athletes and Families
- Building Teams as Moral Communities
- Champion-Centered Best Coaching & Parenting Practices
- Sportsmanship
- Responsible Decision Making

Over the course of the clinic, participants will learn about:

- The Spirituality of Sport
- The GROW Approach to Athlete Motivation
- Child and Adolescent Development
- Promoting a Safe Sport Environment
- Strategies for Developing Partnerships Between Coaches & Parents



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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.

JAN.

12



Catholic Youth Organization

YOUTH BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED FOR THE SPRING!!

Coaches Training on Jan. 12th Sign-up outside of Mass

Nov. 5th 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm.
Nov. 12th 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm.
Nov. 19th 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm.
Nov. 26th 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm.
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PLAY LIKE A CHAMPION TODAY

Divine Gift Boutique Has Variety of Advent Wreaths



The Divine Gift Boutique is located across from the restrooms in the Narthex. See page 8 for the winter/season hours.

With Advent starting December 3, the Divine Gift Boutique has stocked up on Advent wreaths, Advent candles and Nativity Advent candleholders. With the purchase of any of the Nativity Advent candleholders pictured here (in stock only), customers will receive a FREE box of 10 inch Advent candles (value \$6.00). More traditional wreaths: holly, golden pinecone, decorative and brass, are also available. Customers will receive 20% off the purchase of the traditional wreaths.

Children Advent Calendars are also available in the gift shop. The calendars allow the children to follow the Advent journey.

Be sure to stop by the gift shop to get your Advent wreaths and calendars.



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2018



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SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST
DECEMBER 31 FROM 7 PM TO MIDNIGHT

Cocktail Hour with Open Bar at 7:00 p.m. (pay bar after cocktail hour)

APPETIZER
DISPLAYS

- Artisan Cheese Display
- Vegetable Crudité
- Tropical Fruit Display
- Mango Chutney Meatballs
- Pesto Basil Penne

TAPAS PASSED
APPETIZERS

- Mascarpone Stuffed
Cremini Mushroom
- Seared Chicken Dumpling
with Soy Ginger Sauce
- Shrimp Cocktail with
Wasabi Cocktail Sauce



Music until 2018
by Stereophonic DJs

Champagne Toast at Midnight
(and more)

SIT DOWN
DINNER

- SALAD - Candied Pecan
Salad - Field greens
with candied pecans,
gorgonzola, grapes,
tomato, onions, and red
wine vinaigrette.
- ENTREE - Chateaubriand
- Seared beef tenderloin
over whipped leek and
bliss potato Lyonnaise
with grilled asparagus.
- DESSERT - A wonderful
dessert buffet of assorted
pastries and chocolate
desserts.

\$75.00 PER PERSON

For Tickets: contact Parish Office at 239.566.8740
(checks payable to Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church)

or online at

<https://stjohntheevangelist.weshareonline.org>

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