

January 14, 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish Family Welcomes You!

# the EVANGELIST

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Welcome Back NET Missionaries



(Top) Jessica, Colby, Michaela, Dan.  
(Sitting) Mark, Kathryn, Will, Madelyn.

Welcome back to our NET Team Missionaries from their winter break. By now you have seen these amazing young men and women who are giving one year of their lives to volunteer and serve our parish family.

We need 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 by these wonderful young adults who are living their faith and giving so generously of themselves to our parish.

Host Family information forms are located on the tables in the Narthex.

For more information please contact:

Kyle VanDuser, CYO Social and Spiritual Coordinator,  
at 239.207.0537 or [kyle@sjecc.com](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com) or,

Patsy Valentine, NET Host Home Coordinator,  
at 239.398.8332 or [paulival@aol.com](mailto:paulival@aol.com)

## Area Catholic Schools to Host Open Houses This Month

Area catholic schools will host their annual Open Houses this month. See details regarding their Open Houses on pages 10 and 11.



*Royal Palm Academy  
Hosts Open House  
Wednesday,  
January 17*



*St. John Neumann  
Catholic High School  
Open House  
Sunday, January 21*



*Saint Elizabeth Seton and Saint Ann  
Catholic School Open Houses  
Sunday, January 28*

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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.



# PARISH INFORMATION... OPERATIONAL

## PARISH CLERGY



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

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

### Altar Servers:

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

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Kay and Andy Sanfelippo  
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#### Mass

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

#### Homebound

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

#### Hospital

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

### Lectors Ministry

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

### Greeters & Ushers:

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

## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH\*

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

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

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

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

**All Administrative Staff**  
239.566.8740

### General Manager

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

### Parish Secretary

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### Front Office Manager

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Gary Prettyman [gary@sjecc.com](mailto:gary@sjecc.com)

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### Director of Family Mission

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

### Parish Publications/Bulletin Editor

Kathy Sims [kathys@sjecc.com](mailto:kathys@sjecc.com)

### CYO Social and Spiritual

#### Coordinator

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

### Memorial Garden

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

### Bookkeeper

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

### Divine Gift Boutique

Elaine deLaurentis [elaine@sjecc.com](mailto:elaine@sjecc.com)

### Facilities

239.566.8740, dial 0

## Education Staff

### Director of Religious Education

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

### Coordinator, Adult Faith

#### Formation & RCIA

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

## PARISH REGISTRATION

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



Scan this tag with your smartphone to view our mobile website.

## 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: 8:00 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](mailto:info@sjecc.com)

Thank you!

### Choirs:

*Gary Prettyman: [gary@sjecc.com](mailto:gary@sjecc.com)*

### Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

### Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

### Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

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





# Faith and Wine

Thursday, January 25, 2018  
6:30-8:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.)  
featuring

## “Top Ten Reasons for Being Catholic”

It is not unusual for people to ask “Why are you Catholic?” If your response is a blank stare or “because that was the way I was raised” or even if you think you have a good answer to this question, we guarantee you will benefit from attending this dynamic event. In his light-hearted and fast-paced presentation, Father Mark will share with us his top 10 reasons for becoming and staying Catholic.

**This event is open to both Men and Women.**

Father Mark Wiesner



**CANCELLED!**

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Faith and Wine has cancelled Father Mark on January 25 because there is not a venue available to host him at this time. Faith and Wine will bring Father Mark back at a future date; watch the bulletin for info on our February event. **We thank you for your understanding.**

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**Become a Sponsor!** All sponsors receive one or more tickets for each event (depending upon sponsorship level) and you will never have to worry about deadlines or prepaying! To become a sponsor, please visit our website at [www.faithandwine.com](http://www.faithandwine.com) and click on “Sponsorship” from the menu bar for more information about levels and benefits and to obtain a Sponsorship pledge form. Please complete the form and mail it with your check to Kathy Millard at 2134 Morning Sun Lane, Naples, FL 34119.

For those who are not sponsors, you can prepay for an event with: (1) a credit or debit card by going to [www.saintjohntheevangelist.com](http://www.saintjohntheevangelist.com) and clicking on “Ways to Give”; or (2) a check made payable to “St. John the Evangelist” with “Faith and Wine” in the memo line and either delivered two days or mailed one week prior to the event to the St. John the Evangelist parish office at 625 111th Avenue North, Naples, Florida 34108. Please include a note with your name, the name of each of your guests, if any, and your e-mail address and/or telephone number.

**SAVE THE DATES:** Mark your calendar now for the remaining Faith and Wine 2018 Dates: February 22, March 22, April 26, May 24, September 27, October 25, November 29, and December 14.

For more information, please visit [www.FaithandWine.com](http://www.FaithandWine.com)

### 2018 Women’s Conference Saturday, February 3

Women of all ages are invited to a day filled with the richness of our faith at the 2018 Diocese of Venice Women’s Conference. The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday, February 3, at Bishop Verot Catholic High School in Fort Myers. Cost in advance is \$20 (pre-registration online), students \$5 pre-registration. Cost at the door is \$30, and \$10 for students.

This year’s speakers are Kimberly Hahn, Sonja Corbitt, and Rosario Rodriguez. Join us in enjoying the tenderness of God’s love and mercy! To register, please visit [www.dioceseofvenice.org/womens](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/womens).

### 2018 Men’s Conference Saturday, February 24

The Diocese of Venice extends an invitation to all men who desire to encounter the presence of God to attend the 2018 Diocese of Venice Men’s Conference from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 24 at Bishop Verot Catholic High School in Fort Myers. Cost in advance is \$20 (pre-registration online), students \$5 pre-registration. Cost at the door is \$30, and \$10 for students.

The speakers this year are Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Patrick Coffin, and Bob Rice. Come be filled and transformed with the fire of God’s love! To register, please visit to [www.dioceseofvenice.org/mens](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/mens).



# MASS INTENTIONS... SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS

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

### January 13, 2018 Saturday

8:00 AM + Joseph Hiris Brigitte Hiris

#### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Anna Mody Michael & Joan Currid  
5:00 PM + Lambert & Louise Abell Kathy & Bob Sims

### January 14, 2018 Sunday

7:00 AM + Jackie Gibson Jackie Brodeur  
9:00 AM + Thelma Corsetti Bob & Norma Claussen  
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:15 PM + Jack McGlenn Nancy & Arthur Goldstein  
5:00 PM + Carmine Devita Carmela & Lorenzo Siciliano

### January 15, 2018 Monday

8:00 AM + Peggy Kegaly Jack Kegaly  
9:00 AM + Ramy Garrido Elida Gil

### January 16, 2018 Tuesday

8:00 AM + Richard L. Delatte, Jr. Bob Hill  
9:00 AM + William Moorkamp Philip & Betty Duff

### January 17, 2018 Wednesday

8:00 AM + Joe Reid Kay Reid  
9:00 AM SI Anne Marie Hovancsek Carmen Hodge  
6:30 PM + Dwayne Barnett Elizabeth Koplitz

### January 18, 2018 Thursday

8:00 AM + Arielle Rachel Elizabeth Koplitz  
9:00 AM + Steven Tauro Debora & Benito Tauro(Mom&Dad)

### January 19, 2018 Friday

8:00 AM + Paul Brown Kathleen Brown  
9:00 AM + Wava Botero Jesus Botero

### January 20, 2018 Saturday

8:00 AM + Joe Tomelevage Diane & Peter Lawson

#### Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 PM + Anne Doorish Michael & Joan Currid  
5:00 PM + Joseph Van Kirk Mr. & Mrs. James Garry

### January 21, 2018 Sunday

7:00 AM + Robert L. Vangunten Pam Miller  
9:00 AM + Steven Tauro Mom & Dad - Debora & Benito Tauro  
11:15 AM For Our Parishioners  
1:15 PM + Ronald McKinnon Evelyn & Charles Felice  
5:00 PM + Frank Gerace Patti & John Diamond

*Wine & Host In Memory of Robert Berg ~ Requested by Carolyn Berg*

## SPECIAL OBSERVANCES AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, January 13, 2018

St. Hilary; Blessed Virgin Mary  
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;  
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

### Sunday, January 14, 2018

#### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;  
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

### Monday, January 15, 2018

#### Martin Luther King, Jr., Day

1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22

### Tuesday, January 16, 2018

1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

### Wednesday, January 17, 2018

#### St. Anthony

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

### Thursday, January 18, 2018

#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12

### Friday, January 19, 2018

#### Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

### Saturday, January 20, 2018

#### St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

### Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

### Sunday, January 21, 2018

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

**Holy Communion Available for the Hospitalized and Homebound.** Any parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion while he/she is in the hospital or unable to get to Mass from his/her home may do so by calling the parish office, 566.8740, or emailing emministry@sjecc.com. 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.



January 14, 2018

*“We have all come into the world  
in order to leave a mark.”*

— Pope Francis



A Capital Campaign for  
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

## *Inspirational Quotes for the Life Center*

As we begun the final planning for the interior of the Pulte Family Life Center, we truly need your assistance. The walls around this enlivening and engaging building should themselves speak out with the excitement of our Catholic Faith, especially in terms of the activities that will be constantly filling the space with joy. We need your suggestions for inspirational quotations from saints and leaders of the Church like Pope Francis. This weekend marks 155 straight bulletin announcements about our Capital Campaign, and each one has a quotation like the one above. With a sea of powerful, enjoyable, and empowering thoughts from the Catholic Church on the arts, sports, wellness, community, and other topics for you to choose from, now is your chance to leave a mark on the Life Center with your favorite quote. Some possible options include:

*Remember the past with gratitude. Live in the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence.*

– Saint John Paul II

*Fear is the enemy of love* – St. Augustine

*The arts give expression to the beauty of the faith and proclaim the Gospel.* – Pope Francis

*To reach something good it is very useful to have gone astray, and thus acquire experience.* – St. Teresa of Àvila

*Love ought to show itself in deeds more than in words.* – St. Ignatius of Loyola

Please send me your Catholic Quote by the end of January, 2018, so we can choose our Top 10 that will be etched into the walls of the Life Center.

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](mailto:jp@sjecc.com).

Jean-Paul Boucher,  
General Manager





## #ToKnow – Safely Parking and Walking on Campuses

As more of our Parish Family return to the area, it has become clear that some may not be aware of the changes and improvements we have made to the campus in order to create a safer space for both pedestrians and vehicles. This past Summer and Fall, our Parish Family’s patience was tested with the re-engineering of the Front Parking Lot and Access Road to Naples Park Elementary School. As you may have seen, this renovation has significantly increased the total amount of parking spaces by over 40 as well as created a clean and efficient way to park near the church. Hurricane Irma also assisted us, as it decimated a significant number of mature trees on our campus, including large oaks within the parking areas. These new spots should allow for parking within the lined and available spots, rather than on the roadways, which block emergency vehicles and other Parish Family members from entering the campus safely. In particular, the widened Access Road between the school and our church is not to be used for parking at any time as it is the primary access by fire trucks and EMS ambulances when an emergency call comes from the church.



Additionally, a brand new paved sidewalk was created between the parking lot in front of the school that goes directly between that lot and our church. It is completely separate from the access road, on the other side of the tennis courts. This walkway creates a completely safe way for all of us to park at the school and walk to church without being hit by the car traffic that now travels easily on the

full two-lane Access Road. Please use this sidewalk if you decide to park on the school side of the fence.

These steps have been taken to keep you and our entire Parish Family safe. However, there is a small group of people that are disregarding these essential safety steps, endangering our Parish. In this year of Patience and Flexibility, it is important that we all work together to create the loving and embracing church we are supposed to represent to the world. That starts right here on the campus. Please ensure you choose a properly marked parking space when you arrive on campus. I understand that may mean you will have to park further away from the church. It may not be the most convenient to have to park in more distant locations like the school or our middle parking lot, but that additional walk could save someone’s life.

by Jean-Paul Boucher  
General Manager  
jp@sjecc.com



I understand that some Parish Family members’ frustration with leaving Mass may be influencing their attempts to park in these illegal locations. I have continuous communications with both the County Sheriff, who provides traffic management, and the Collier County Traffic Operations department in order to modify the traffic flow both at our exits and at the lights that impact the traffic flow on 111th Avenue North.

So, in an attempt to productively and positively implement a safe and joyous environment in our parking lots, I am authorizing our staff to place this Parish Mission message on the windshields of the cars illegally parked on our campus for the next two weekends. This will be a communication directly to those individuals, ensuring they understand that they are parked where it is a significant risk to the safety of our Parish Family. I am hopeful that with several weeks of this “gentle” communication, we will not have to take further action to protect and safeguard our Parish Family.

I thank all of you, who are in the vast majority, who understand this safety concern, and who do park in the proper locations and ensure we can all enjoy the love, mercy, and happiness that is the heart of our Catholic Faith.

## #ToLove – Saying Goodbye to Bulletin Editor Kathy Sims



One of the first things that stood out to me when my family and I started to attend St. John was the bulletin. Here was a fully-realized, fleshed-out weekly periodical, not just a page or two bulletin filled with flyers like we were used to. There was deeply faithful content from Fr. John, business communications from Scott, and a host of details on events and activities that seemed to go on and on

forever. The breadth and depth of the activities and enrichment attracted us to our Parish Family that we have been blessed to be a part of since that moment. It is with a heavy heart that I must announce that Kathy Sims, our faithful bulletin editor who has been at the heart of this weekly communication, will be leaving her job this week. We will all miss working with Kathy. She knew how to give the right level of detail and pack our pages with content that everyone wanted to know. She kept us all on track with deadlines and always had a smile for each person who walked in her door to ask for help in reaching our Parish Family with information about their ministry or event. Thank you from the bottom of my heart, Kathy, for your dedication and devotion to the positive and engaging message of Saint John the Evangelist!



# Sanctity of Life Weekend – January 20-21

Next weekend, we celebrate the life that God has given to all of humanity. He knew us even in our mother's womb. We keep in our memory and prayers the 60 million unborn babies who have lost their lives through abortion since 1973, and also the millions of mothers, fathers and families affected by this "choice". Please pray for an end to abortion.



Thankfully, there are ministries like **Project Rachel** that help mothers and families seek peace, healing and the mercy of God. For information about this vital ministry, please call 239.719.7210 or email [Fonda.rachel@gmail.com](mailto:Fonda.rachel@gmail.com) to talk with someone who cares and can help.

For **Sanctity of Life** weekend, a bouquet of red roses has been displayed on the altar. These roses are in memory of the 60 million babies who have lost their lives in the 44 years since the Roe vs. Wade decision legalized abortion. **Please join us in praying a Rosary for Life in the Memorial Garden following the 9:00 a.m. Mass on January 21.**



## Next Pray for Life Monday for St. John is January 22

Would you like to get involved in the pro-life cause? Our parish has committed to praying for an end to abortion outside of Planned Parenthood on the fourth Monday of every month, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Please join fellow parishioners for this peaceful prayer time. **Our next "prayer Monday" is Monday, January 22.**

### Why should you pray outside the abortion center?

- When women arrive for abortions and see you praying, they know that you are praying specifically for them when they need it most. Women often change their minds and choose life when they see others praying for them.
- It demonstrates your love for both the pre-born baby and for the mother.
- Your prayerful witness awakens the conscience of our Naples community.

Contact Nancy or Paul Curti for more information:

[plancurti@gmail.com](mailto:plancurti@gmail.com) or 612.616.1434.

Planned Parenthood is located at 1425 Creech Road (on the corner of Goodlette-Frank and Creech Road).



**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. *Anne Petrillo: gapetrillo41@gmail.com or 239.248.2189*

**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 239.272.4257*

**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 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](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. Wednesday morning Centering Prayer meditation and Lectio Divina will start again on January 10 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Library. *Kathleen Dunne: kadunne61@aol.com, 901.574.2947*

**Liturgy of the Hours** *Phyllis Gryskiewicz: After 8:00 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**  
**SFC Brian Holmes - U.S. Army**  
**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.

To download the Consent Form visit our website: <http://sjecc.com/forms>

Thank you for your understanding.

## OUTREACH & OTHER GROUPS

**AA.** Robert: 239.287.2442

**Adult Children of Alcoholics.** Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195

**Al-Anon.** Carol: 804.306.5323 and Juliette: Lysack

**Food Addiction Support Group.** Maryann Scandiffio, 239.784.2682

**Narcotics Anonymous.** 888.435.7301

**Cursillistas.** Robyn DeVille: 239.253.6275 or [robyndeville@earthlink.net](mailto:robyndeville@earthlink.net)

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

**Habitat for Humanity.** Kouolloheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

**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:*

Carley Donovan, John Patrick Foley, Ann Harris, Michael Keating, Kevin McDonagh, Robert Ostrowski, Margaret Prutting, Richard Sloan and Lawrence A. Varone

*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	George Gonser Jr.	Anne Perrino
Kaylee B	Philip Gorney	Geno Pesce
Jean Balliro	Jayne Hagg	Ann Petrillo
Beagan Family	Gerard Heyer	Irene Pires
Richard Becker	Rosie Heyer	Renee Rake
Gallen Boardman	Krista Leigh Kozowyk	Ruth Rechtsteiner
William M. Boardman	Rene Lacoste	Ellen Roberts
Lori Breyman	Jean Lydon	Lloyd Sample
Caeleigh Brown	M.M.	Lisa Sanfelippo
Connie Cahill	Diane Maloney	Shelia Scaduto
Kathy Conley	Margie Lynch	Gary Schutebach
Corinne & Children	Maria and Family	Thomas Sissman
Lauren Carr	Ron Marlow	Avery Smithies
Frank Comeriato	Barbara Marsh	Nancy Stewart
Merlyn Comeriato	Donna Masee	Edward Sullivan
Tony Corvelo	J. McG	Rita Taranto
Anthony D'Antuono	Paul McIntyre	William J. Teplica
Mark DaBronzo	Cynthia McLemore	Isaiah Thompson
Donald Demski	Carolyn McNichols	Marilyn Thyen
Florence Demski	Eileen Miner	Helen Thornburg
Melissa Diamantini	Mary Ann Morreale	JoAnn Tinevra
George Dillon	Lorrie Morrison	Jim Tucker
Donovan Family	Gary Neidhard	Janet Vanderhorst
Leon Doughty	Joan M. Oliver	Mike Walsman
Kathy Erickson	Jane Oraziatti	Dan Ward
F.W.	Emma O'Rourke	Sandra Welker
Jim & Darlene Follese	Ronald J. Parker	Bernadette White
Tara Follese & Family	Michael Paul	Kirsten Wills
Jeff Gatt	Francesca Pearo	Nancy Wise

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## Portrait of a Caregiver

### Did you know ....

There are 65.7 million unpaid caregivers. (That includes you!)

62% of care recipients are female

The average care recipient age is 61

The average age of the caregiver is 48



Annalee Kruger,  
President of CareRight, Inc.  
presents

### Taking Care of YOU

January 23, 2018  
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
at St. John the Evangelist

This seminar is FREE and a light lunch will be served.  
However, anyone wanting to attend must RSVP by January 16  
to the Parish Office at 239.566.8740.



CARE RIGHT  
MOVING FORWARD

For more information, contact  
or JP at [jb@sjecc.com](mailto:jb@sjecc.com)

# ENCOUNTER ON THE MOUNTAIN

Let us come together as a community and take time away from the stress of our lives for a beautiful night of prayer, music, and adoration. Everyone is welcome...THIS IS A TIME FOR YOU. It will be a spiritual and peaceful night of praise and worship music by Jennine Fuentes, our teens, and our NET music ministers with confession and intercessory prayer available.



St. John the Evangelist (Church)  
625 111th Avenue North,  
Naples, FL

6:30 pm

Friday,

January 26, 2018

- Adoration
- Confession
- Praise and Worship

## Royal Palm Academy Hosts Admissions Open House on Wednesday, January 17 Beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Royal Palm Academy will host an Open House on Wednesday, January 17 beginning at 9:00 a.m. to meet their Head of School, Academic Dean, Dean of Students and learn about their programs and future plans, and hear testimonials from current parents. Prospective families will tour the Royal Palm Academy campus, visit classrooms, and discover the exciting happenings at our school. Refreshments will be served. Call Susan O'Malley at 239.594.9888 (ext. 241) to register.

The mission of Royal Palm Academy is to partner with families to provide an education of rich academics with Catholic formation. They teach the mind, educate the heart, and form the character of tomorrow's leaders.

## Save the Date!

### OPEN HOUSE ~ Jan. 28

*Tour our beautiful, state-of-the-art campus and meet teachers, staff, parents and students from PK3 through Grade 8.*

*Refreshments served.*

Sunday, January 28, 2018 from 11:00am to 1:00pm



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AT ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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

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

**ENTRANCE EXAM**  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>

**RSVP OR SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT**  
PLEASE CONTACT KATHY SANDERSON AT (239) 455-3044 OR EMAIL ADMISSIONS@SJCCELTICS.ORG

[WWW.SJCCELTICS.ORG](http://WWW.SJCCELTICS.ORG)



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**Our family would love to meet yours!**



**St. Elizabeth Seton School Open House**

2730 53rd Terrace SW  
239.455.2262

Sunday, January 28th, 2018  
10:00 am - 1:00 pm



## 5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid

### Sunday, January 14, 2018: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Opening Song**                      **Our God**                      Chris Tomlin / Matt Redman                      CCLI Song # 5677416. Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman. © 2010 Thankyou Music, sixsteps Music, Said And Done Music, Vamos Publishing, SHOUT! Music Publishing, and worshiptogether.com songs (All admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing). All rights reserved. CCLI License # 2008891.

v.1) Water you turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind; There's no one like you, none like you  
 v.2) Into the darkness you shine, out of the ashes we rise; There's no one like you, none like you (*Chorus*)

Chorus

5                      Our God is great - er,                      our God is stron - ger;                      God, you are high - er than an - y-oth - er.

Our God is Heal - er,                      awe-some in pow - er,                      our <sup>3</sup> God, \_\_\_                      our <sup>3</sup> God. \_\_\_

*Bridge*) And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?  
 And if our God is with us, then what could stand against? (*repeat, then back to Chorus*)

**Preparation Song**    379    **Here I am, Lord**

**Communion Songs** 339    **Behold the Lamb**                      Martin Willett

**Meditation**                      **Breathe**                      Marie Barnett                      CCLI Song No. 1874117. © 1995 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing (Admin. by Music Services). Marie Barnett, arranged and revised by Tom Oram. All rights Reserved. CCLI License No. 2008891.

This is \_\_\_ the air \_\_\_ I breathe,                      this is \_\_\_ the air \_\_\_ I breathe:                      your Ho-ly Pres - ence, \_\_\_

liv-ing \_\_\_ in me. \_\_\_                      This is \_\_\_ my dai - ly Bread,                      this is \_\_\_ my dai - ly Bread,

your ve-ry Bo - dy, \_\_\_                      bro-ken \_\_\_ for me. \_\_\_                      And I, \_\_\_                      I'm des-p'rate for

\_\_\_ you, \_\_\_ O Lord. \_\_\_                      And I, \_\_\_                      I'm lost with-out \_\_\_ you, \_\_\_ O Lord. \_\_\_

**Closing Song**                      500    **Go, Make a Difference**                      Steve Angrisano

### Call for all Instrumentalists!

We'd like to compile a database of our instrumentalists who would be comfortable adding your instrumental talents to a Mass or public performance here at St. John, whether for violin, cello, trumpet, alto saxophone, etc. Whatever your instrument, whatever your age, please contact us at the music office or by e-mail. There's no commitment, no obligation, of course, but we would LOVE on certain occasions or when a certain piece calls for special instruments, to be able to know who we have right here at home!

Sincerely,  
 Gary Prettyman ([gary@sjecc.com](mailto:gary@sjecc.com)) and Jennine Fuentes ([jennine@sjecc.com](mailto:jennine@sjecc.com))



## Hymns for the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 13 & 14, 2018

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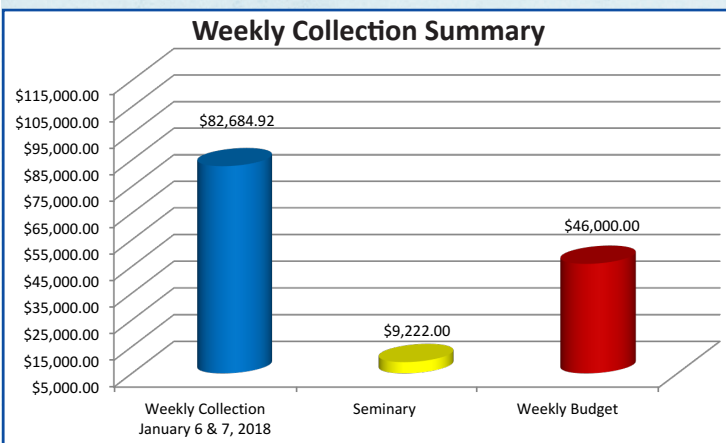
Entrance Hymn: **415** All Are Welcome

Preparation Hymn: **379** Here I Am, Lord

Communion Hymn: **339** Behold the Lamb

**459** Shepherd Me, O God

Closing Hymn: **713** Lift High the Cross



### *Special Collection for Church in Latin America Next Weekend, January 20-21*

January 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Faithful of the Church in Latin America face many challenges in living out the Faith; yet the light always shines through and hope arises. For the past 50 years, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has helped 25 countries in Central and South America, as well as the Caribbean, confront challenges and facilitate new programs in the sharing of the Faith.

The needs in this region of the world are great and can seem insurmountable. The distance in rural areas and deteriorated

roads makes attending Mass regularly difficult. Language barriers and lack of resources make catechetical materials problematic to produce. The absence of church buildings, priests, and lay catechists, hampers spreading the message of the Gospel. Your support will allow for pastoral agents to receive training so that they may bring the good news of the Gospel to all our Brothers and Sisters in this part of the world.

The Collection for the Church in Latin America will take place in the Diocese of Venice the weekend of January 20 and 21, 2018. Please be generous and take this opportunity to share your faith with families in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your support truly makes a difference! Thank you!!

I take this opportunity to extend to you the assurances of my prayers for you and your family, and in-turn, ask for your prayers. Have a Blessed and Healthy New Year!!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

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

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment. For further information, visit the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment).

There are several upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at nearby parishes starting in January. For more details or to register, call the Parish Office at the location where the class is offered. Please note that no one should attend Safe Environment Training until their fingerprints have cleared. Fingerprints must be updated every five years. If you need to be fingerprinted here at St. John, call the office at 566.8740 for an appointment. No children are permitted to attend these sessions.

Any employees or volunteers who need to renew their background clearance or be fingerprinted should complete the paperwork and call the office at 566.8740 for an appointment.

Thursday, February 15	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576
Saturday, February 17	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576
Saturday, February 17	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Peter the Apostle, Naples	239.775.9576
Thursday, February 22	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Leo the Great, Bonita Springs	239.992.0901
Saturday, February 24	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Leo the Great, Bonita Springs	239.992.0901
Thursday, March 1	6:00-8:00 p.m.	St. Finbarr, Naples	239.417.2084
Saturday, March 3	9:30-11:30 a.m.	St. Finbarr, Naples	239.417.2084
Thursday, March 8	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Light, Fort Myers	239.267.7088
Thursday, March 10	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Our Lady of Light, Fort Myers	239.267.7088

For the complete list of regional trainings that will be held this winter and spring and for additional updates, please visit <http://dioceseofvenice.org/programs/safe-environment/training-schedule/>

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



1 Samuel 3:8-10, 19

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 6:13C-15A, 17-20

John 1:35-42

# The Word & Life

## A Divine Invitation

As we journey into Ordinary Time, we focus on the call of the first disciples. In today's gospel, John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Lamb of God. This revelation must have been intriguing to his disciples. Jesus asks these inquisitive men, "What are you looking for?" He knew they were searching for something in life — he sensed their intrigue and hunger. The disciples of the Baptist ask Jesus, "Where do you live?" In response Jesus invites them to "Come and see". Little did these men know how this invitation would change their lives. Filled with excitement, the disciples lead Jesus to Simon. Jesus

recognizes Simon's strength and tells him that he will be called Peter — the rock! From this moment on Jesus leads the disciples deeper into the heart of God's plan. It is interesting to note in the Gospel of John that the first thing Jesus says to his disciples is, "What are you looking for?" That is God's question to us today. The first disciples response is, "Where do you live?" That is the ultimate question a discerning Christian must ask to discover God's presence in the midst of the world.

The other readings in today's liturgy also speak of the calling given to people through time. We hear of Samuel's call in the first reading and are reminded in Paul's letter to the Corinthians that we are called to be members of the body of Christ. God continues to issue the call to all of us. He calls us to know Him and respond to His call of love. If we are honest with ourselves, each of us hunger for God in our lives. This hunger leads us to look beyond the surface and search for meaning. The important questions to ask ourselves are, "What does God want from me? Where is God leading me?" The leaders of our Church constantly remind their people that faith is not an entirely personal thing. Our Catholic beliefs call for partnership in faith. We exist as a community and are asked to discern God's will together and help build the kingdom of God. The mission of the Church is evangelization. Every member of the Church is challenged to make Jesus known in their own

### Reflection Questions

1. What are you looking for in life?
2. Where do you perceive the presence of God?
3. What is God asking of you?
4. In which way are you willing to make a difference in the life of another?
5. What is most challenging to you in leading a gospel way of life?
6. Are there any obstacles in your life that prevent you from following God's will?
7. Would you consider yourself an active or passive disciple?
8. How could you make your discipleship more intentional?



reality. Our baptism calls us to share in the priestly, prophetic, and kingly nature of Christ.

In concrete, answering Christ's call means that we engage ourselves in priestly charity. We are asked to sacrifice our time and treasure in response to the needs around us. In order to be prophetic in modern times, we have to discern God's will and see where He is present. We are reminded that we are the People of God and that our destiny is the kingdom of God. Our call therefore, can be found in a world of hunger — where people suffer every day for lack of food and shelter. It is found in the midst of conflict and division. We discover God's call in our relationships and within the burning questions of faith. God is to be found in all people and in every situation. We are challenged to be Jesus' disciples in the way that we respond to the invitation to "Come and See."

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



### Prayer

*Lord, may we dare to ask you where You are to be found in our lives. Give us the courage to answer Your call with confidence. As we discern your presence, may we find you in all people and all things. When faced with challenges, help us to recognize these challenges as opportunities for grace and let us listen to your language of love and transformation. May we always hunger for your call and bring the message of the gospel to the waiting world. Amen.*

## Voices of Faith

### Come and See

Out of all the possibilities – I am; I exist  
I am chosen by God to be who I am  
And rejoices in the fact that I am chosen  
And loved into being

I am loved into life!  
I am called to cherish that love.  
Called to become – the invitation is ever present  
To "Come and See"

The angry teenager who feels misunderstood  
Asks me to "Come and See"  
Those who have been abused physically,  
psychologically, and sexually  
Are asking me to "Come and See"

From the drug abuser, the drunk, and the one living  
on the street  
I am given the radical call to "Come and See"  
The child lives in wonder and trust  
Asking me into their little world to "Come and See"

It is in answering the invitation to "Come and See"  
That I meet the Christ of faith;  
The one who calls me every day  
To know and love all those made in God's likeness  
that come my way



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I am called and chosen by Christ –  
For without my hands, my heart-filled and loved-filled presence  
Christ cannot be fully appreciated in the world  
For it is through me, God's vessel, that Christ's love is to be made known

May I have the confidence to "Come and See"  
May I not fear this radical call  
Throughout my life I must give God my all  
For God stands waiting in the guise of his poor

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



# Faith Formation

## 2017-2018 School Year

### JANUARY CALENDAR

- 14 ~ NO Sunday Faith Formation Class
- 17 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class
- 21 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class  
High School Confirmation Classes
- 24 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class
- 28 ~ Sunday Faith Formation Class
- 31 ~ Wednesday Faith Formation Class

### First Reconciliation Update

- Ceremony, Thursday, February 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the Church
- 96 Children Prepared! How blessed we are!



### CONFIRMATION UPDATE

#### CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Save the Dates: March 23 and 24. More Details Soon!

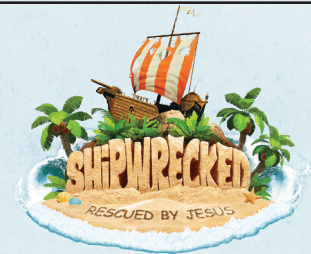
#### 2018 Confirmation Upcoming Class Dates

- January 7- Safe Environment Lesson Included
- January 21
- February 11
- February 25 - No Morning Class - Q & A With Fr. John
- March 4
- March 18
- \*Retreat March 23 and 24
- April 8
- April 22
- April 29
- May 6

Confirmation will take place on Monday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. Confirmandi and their sponsor should arrive no later than 5:45 p.m. and meet in the ROME Room. Rehearsal for Confirmation will take place on Sunday, May 6 from 6:15-7:30 p.m. in the church.

### 2018 VBS –Shipwrecked! Prepare to be rescued by Jesus!

2018 Looks forward to Vacation Bible School, Shipwrecked! Making land near you – June 4 -8 at Saint John the Evangelist! More information coming soon!



### This Week in Faith Formation

#### Sunday, January 14

NO Faith Formation Class today

#### Wednesday, January 17

PreK Atrium Class ~ 12:10-2:10 p.m.

Faith Formation Class ~ 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Parent Faith Formation ~ 5:30-7:00 p.m. ~ Rome Room

High School Bible Study ~ 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**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](mailto:natalie@sjecc.com)



# Adult Faith Formation & RCIA



**Living Life through Your Spiritual Center Beginning Tuesday, January 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Seminar Room**

*Do you know the 24 Gifts of the Holy Spirit that Scripture scholars have discovered in the Bible? Do you know your own unique set of Spiritual Gifts?*

Spiritual Gifts (Charisms) are given to every believer by the Holy Spirit. The Bible tells us that we need to both know our Spiritual Gifts, and understand them, for the purpose of fulfilling our Baptismal Covenant with God as Spiritually Gifted Disciples.

***“The Church is not democratic or autocratic, it’s charismatic.” – Bishop Robert Barron***

This means it is the Holy Spirit empowering the Church (you and me) to build, protect, and grow Her. Spiritual Gifts are not talents, and they cannot be learned. They are empowered solely by the Holy Spirit so that the Church functions in accordance with God’s will. – 1 Cor.12: 11, 27.

***There’s no greater joy than living life through the Holy Spirit (our Spiritual Center).*** Prepare for Lent now by learning how you will serve the Church during Lent and into the future.

*“Although the Church is One Body in Christ, it has many members who have different functions. (1 Cor. 12: 12-31). At the Feast of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit empowered the very first believers, just as He does you and me. (John 18:25-27, Acts 2:1-17, 37-39). In what ways has the Holy Spirit empowered you? All adults (ages 18–100) are welcome.*

**Christian Meditation** instruction and practice will begin on Friday, January 19 at 11:30 a.m. in the Seminar Room.



Over eight weeks this new program demonstrates how meditation can benefit your soul, by centering on God.

Scientific research documents that it also benefits your body, by reducing stress and blood pressure. New material is always being added every session for those who would like to repeat the series.

We end each class with a meditation experience. During the lecture and discussion part of each class we will discuss consciousness (religion calls it Soul, and science calls it Mind). When we understand consciousness and how meditation can benefit us, we tend to be more serious about the work of meditation because meditation is work.

February 9 will be three weeks of Intermediate meditation, which will explore the evolution of consciousness every human experiences. March 2 begins two weeks of Advanced Meditation. These classes begin exploring the three faces of God and ramifications of the integral states of consciousness growth. We also explore the “connecting states” and the “being states” as exemplified in the gospels. Various deep imaging techniques are explored in the eight classes.

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**Confirmation is now scheduled for Monday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.**

ADULT CONFIRMATION is available to all baptized Catholics, who for whatever reason have not been confirmed. It is never too late to receive Confirmation; in previous years our adult confirmani ranged in age from 18 to 80 and spanned three generations.

**Adult Confirmation preparation will begin Sunday, January 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rome Room.**

Whether you would like more information or are ready to register now, please contact Jack Kindsvater, Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Coordinator. Contact info below.

## This Week’s Schedule

**Tuesday, January 16**

**NEW Spiritual Gifts** ~ 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room

**Wednesday, January 17**

**The Bible Timeline, Session 14** ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

**Thursday, January 18**

**Women of the Word, Unleashed** ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

**Friday, January 19**

**NEW Christian Meditation** ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

**Sunday, January 21**

**NEW Adult Confirmation Preparation** ~ 6:00 p.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)



# CYO & CAO Concert Series 2017-2018 Season

continues January 25 with

## Philip Borter, Cellist

Philip Lawrence Borter is quickly becoming recognized as one of the most diverse stringed instrumentalist of his generation. Being equally comfortable in traditional as well as non-traditional performance styles, Dr. Borter has prided himself in exploring and sharing an incredibly varied repertory.

**This FREE Concert begins at 7:00 p.m.**

**Location: Claussen Family Center**



### REMAINING CONCERT SEASON:

Annual Broadway Concert~ February 24, 2018

Paradise Coastman Barbershop Quartet ~ March

Dan Heck Quartet Jazz Concert~ April 12, 2018

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

# BIG BAND DANCE

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Admission:

**CANCELLATIONS:** We are sorry, but the following Big Band dances have been cancelled: January 23, February 13 and March 28. Additionally, the Sock Hop on January 26 has also been cancelled. The ballroom is still undergoing extensive repair and renovation due to the damages incurred as a result of hurricane Irma. We hope to see you soon, though! Thank you for your understanding.

### Tables

#### Available

For Reservations  
(table of 8  
or 10 only)

CONTACT:  
239.821.9395  
Prepayment  
Required

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR:  
SOCK HOP  
JANUARY 26,  
2018  
**CANCELLED!**

*Dance to the Music of the Big Band Era*

*Featuring the Live Southwest Florida 16-piece Orchestra  
Sounds of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller & Stan Kenton*

**Big Band Dance Schedule:  
Tuesday, March 20 • Tuesday, April 10**



per 12 oz. cup;  
\$7.00 per 60 oz.  
pitcher

• Wine and  
Mixed Drinks  
~ \$4.00

**Dress:** Country  
Club Casual  
(No shorts  
please.)

*Sponsored by  
the Men's Club  
and Women's  
Auxiliary*



# Marriage Ministry: Together Forever

Enjoy a date night with Catholic fellowship at Saint John the Evangelist as you enrich your marriage with 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.

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## THE CHOICE Wine™

7 STEPS

TO A SUPERABUNDANT MARRIAGE

### Remaining Dates:

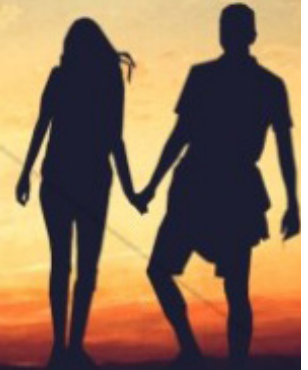
Jan. 20, Feb. 24, March 24, April 28,  
May 19, June 30, July 28, Aug. 25

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.



## HEAR SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE SHOW TUNES & LIGHT OPERA

in Concert

**January 24 at 7:00 p.m.**

*in the St. John the Evangelist Church*



Joseph Ryan  
Baritone

**YOUR FAVORITE SHOW TUNES & LIGHT OPERA**

*Last year's concert drew rave reviews!!*

*Don't miss this all-new program!*

STARRING: *Opera Naples Professional Artists*



Melissa Fajardo  
Mezzo Soprano



Heather Vicevic  
Soprano

*Benefits the*

**Jamaica Outreach Program**

**Tickets: \$25.00**

Online: **JamaicaOutreach.org**

or call 239-948-2145 • *Tickets will be held for you at the door.*

### ***Bishop Frank J. Dewane to Honor Couples Celebrating Marriage with a Special Anniversary Mass in February and March***

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in two locations: 11:00 a.m., Saturday, February 17 at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice, and 10:00 a.m., Saturday, March 10 at St. Leo the Great Parish in Bonita Springs.

More details will be available in future bulletins.

### *Zumba at St. John*

**Classes continue on  
Wednesdays & Saturdays**

**9:00 am - 10:00 am**

**located in the Seminar Room**

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





# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILI COOK-OFF JANUARY 29; 10 CONTESTANTS NEEDED

The Knights of Columbus Council 11281 is looking for contestants for the annual Chili Cook Off, which will be held Monday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m.

The event will be held in the Saint John the Evangelist Rome Room and Outside Veranda.

The Knights are looking for 10 contestants to present their "best in the world" chili for tasting at their January Social. A prize will be awarded to the winner. The chili winner will be judged by independent judges.

### HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

Bring 3 to 4 quarts of your masterpiece.

Bring in a crock pot to keep it warm (will provide for plug ins, if needed).

If you bring your chili in a pot, bring it hot and we can warm it up.

Bring a serving spoon/ladel (tag it with your name) that will serve about 1.5 oz. max.

Bring whatever condiments or side items you desire to go with your chili (i.e., chips, cheese, crackers, salsas, etc.). Remember, 50-60 may be sampling your chili.

Be sure you arrive no later than 5:30 p.m.

Let Jerry Detloff know if you cannot serve your own chili  
239.821.9395 or [gfdetloff@gmail.com](mailto:gfdetloff@gmail.com)

All attendees: If you can, bring some corn bread for condiment table (even if you are not a contestant).

Contact Jerry Detloff at  
239.821.9395 or [gfdetloff@gmail.com](mailto:gfdetloff@gmail.com) to register.

## Winter 2018 CYO and CAO Arts and Music Classes

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

### CYO:

- Piano 1 Saturdays at Noon beginning Jan. 13
- Piano 2 Saturdays at 10am beginning Jan. 13
- Strings Tuesdays at 4:30pm beginning Jan. 9
- Singing/Vocal Program Fridays at 4:45pm beginning Jan. 12
- Guitar Saturdays at noon beginning Jan. 13
- Ballroom Dance Wednesday's at 4pm beginning Jan. 10
- Theater and Acting Saturdays at 10am beginning Jan. 13
- Improv Comedy Monday's at 6:45pm beginning Jan. 8
- Art and Painting for Elementary Age students Saturdays at 9am beginning Jan. 9
- Voice Saturdays at 10am beginning Jan. 13
- Art and Painting for Middle/High School Age Students Saturdays at 10:30am beginning Jan. 13



### CAO:

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



- Art and Painting Saturdays at noon beginning Jan. 13
- Voice Saturdays at 10am beginning Jan. 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.

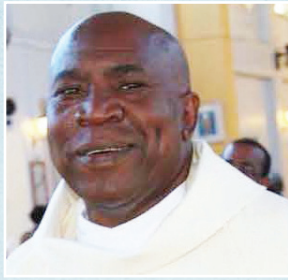
**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** meets Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

**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](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com)





# Jamaica Outreach Program

## 20th Anniversary Party

Bishop Burchell, Fr. John & Fr. Tom  
with Kevin Williams



& the Jamaican choir will concelebrate  
the 5:00 pm Mass at St. John  
**BEFORE** the

Party at St William's Church Hall  
601 Seagate Dr., Naples, FL

6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 10, 2018

\$20 per person — Very Casual Attire



Complimentary  
Beer, Wine,  
Soda.

Dinner,  
Dancing  
with  
DJ Bob Cox.

Silent Auction.

**LIMITED  
SEATING**

Tickets:  
available  
after Masses  
or call Jeanne  
239.514.0290

## Trappist Preserves and Creamed Honey on Sale in Divine Gift Boutique

The Divine Gift Boutique has stocked up on the renowned Trappist Preserves. The Boutique is selling Red Raspberry, Blackberry, Blueberry, Strawberry, Rhubarb-Strawberry, Mango-Pepper, Ginger, Cranberry Pepper Preserves, Seville Orange Marmalade & Grape for only \$5.00 each.

Made by the Roman Catholic priests and brothers of St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Massachusetts, the Preserves are prized for their exceptional richness and taste.

Don't miss these authentic monk made delicacies!



Winter hours at the Divine Gift Boutique are:

*Weekdays:* 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. *Saturday:* 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

*Sunday:* 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Divine Gift Boutique is located across from the restrooms in the Narthex.





Now is the time to mark your calendars for

Frisco's Catering

# The Valentine's Day Dinner Dance

Thursday, February 15, 2018

Billy Dean and Dawn will entertain us

Tickets (\$50 each) go on sale at all weekend Masses beginning Saturday, January 13, 2018

**CANCELLED!**

The ballroom is still undergoing extensive repair and renovation due to the damages incurred as a result of hurricane Irma. Therefore, we have to cancel our annual Valentine's Day Dinner Dance. We will return next year. Thank you for your understanding.

## The Venetian Charity Ball Will Be Held Saturday, February 3 at Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs

The Venetian Charity Ball will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort in Bonita Springs. All proceeds will benefit the programs and services of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. in Lee, Hendry, and Glades counties which include Positive Youth Development Program, Senior Support Coordination Program, Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Program, Immigration Services, food assistance and pantries, and direct assistance.

The evening will include a cocktail hour, auctions, a raffle for a car and other exciting items, dinner, and dancing. Tickets are \$250. For information and tickets visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org) or call 239.337.4193 or email [venetianball@ccslee.org](mailto:venetianball@ccslee.org).

### Play Like a Champion Today Coach and Sport Parent Education Program

## PLAY LIKE A CHAMPION TODAY

Character Education Through Sports  
learn more at: [playlikeachampion.org](http://playlikeachampion.org)

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.

## COACHING AS MINISTRY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Crafted by leaders in the fields of sports psychology, coaching education, Catholic theology, and moral development, *Play Like a Champion Today* is:

- Centered around the principles of justice, tolerance, respect, and solidarity
- Designed using the best athlete-centered practices supported by research into character development and faith formation through sports
- Originating at the University of Notre Dame and collaborating with concerned faculty and coaches throughout the country

*Play Like a Champion Today* deals with tough sport issues and supports schools in promoting:

- 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



## 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](mailto:kyle@sjecc.com)

[playlikeachampion.org](http://playlikeachampion.org) [plactoday@gmail.com](mailto:plactoday@gmail.com)



Catholic Youth Organization

Working with Coaches and Sport Leaders to Shape a Positive Sports Culture for All Young People Since 2006.