

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

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



**On Assignment:
 Accompaniment of Refugees Around the World**

Our Special Lenten Mission Retreat is coming this week with Father Doll's On Assignment: Accompaniment of Refugees Around the World. Sessions will be Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at both 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. This focus comes directly from the Holy Father, who stated in his message for the 2018 World Day of Migrants and Refugees last month:

Dear brothers and sisters!

"You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God," (Leviticus 19:34).

Throughout the first years of my pontificate, I have repeatedly expressed my particular concern for the lamentable situation of many migrants and refugees fleeing from war, persecution, natural disasters and poverty. This situation is undoubtedly a "sign of the times," which I have tried to interpret, with the help of the Holy Spirit, ever since my visit to Lampedusa on 8 July 2013. When I instituted the new Dicastery for Promoting Integral

Human Development, I wanted a particular section – under my personal direction for the time being – to express the Church's concern for migrants, displaced people, refugees, and victims of human trafficking.

Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age (Matthew 25:35-43). The Lord entrusts to the Church's motherly love every person forced to leave their homeland in search of a better future. This solidarity must be concretely expressed at every stage of the migratory experience – from departure through journey to arrival and return. This is a great responsibility, which the Church intends to share with all believers and men and women of good will, who are called to respond to the many challenges of contemporary migration with generosity, promptness, wisdom, and foresight, each according to their own abilities.

In this regard, I wish to reaffirm that "our shared response may be articulated by four verbs: to welcome, to protect, to promote, and to integrate".

Read more at: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/papa-francesco_20170815_world-migrants-day-2018.html



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Sunday Masses:

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m.
5:00 p.m. Contemporary Mass

Saturday Vigil Masses: 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (until all are heard)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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Administrative Office Hours:

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

Come join us for refreshments and fellowship after the 9:00 and 11:15 Sunday Masses.

If you are interested in volunteering with our Hospitality Ministry, contact Loretta Sullivan at loretta@sjecc.com.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2018 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.

PARISH CLERGY AND MINISTERS

Fr. Robert Murphy, Associate

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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!

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.



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

Mass Intentions... Special Observances and Readings

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

February 17, 2018 Saturday

8:00 a.m. + Anne Schuchmann Barbara & Karl Wettels

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. + Jerome Paul VanderHorst Janet VanderHorst

5:00 p.m. + Brian Zinc John & Angelina Henry

February 18, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Walter D. Venkin Mary Lou, friend

9:00 a.m. + Marie & John Kaptain Suzanne Goeren

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Jack Tracy Chuck & Gloria Mazzoni

5:00 p.m. + Sam Comeriato Mary Parente

February 19, 2018 Monday

8:00 a.m. + Irene A. Kopp Nhi Nguyen

9:00 a.m. + Teresa Serra Gordon & Alvera Clark

12:15 p.m. + Sally Parmenter Sharon and Larry Monaco

February 20, 2018 Tuesday

8:00 a.m. + Milt Wollman The Franzoni Family

9:00 a.m. + Sara Leins Arthur & Paula Leins

12:15 p.m. + Joseph Dilger Jean & Joe Carpino

February 21, 2018 Wednesday

8:00 a.m. + Pucciarelli Family Robert Scott

9:00 a.m. + Domenico Arone Salvatore & Carmela Santorelli

12:15 p.m. + Charles Orsini Pamela Conlon

6:30 p.m. + Diane J. Wilson Jane V. Neubecker

February 22, 2018 Thursday

8:00 a.m. + Linda Mulrine Agger The Franzoni Family

9:00 a.m. + Vincent Conlon Pamela Conlon

12:15 p.m. + Ingrid Bledsoe Sandy & John Lindars

February 23, 2018 Friday

8:00 a.m. + Mary Tranchina Anne Tranchina

9:00 a.m. + Tracy Frillici Skeffington Mom & Dad Frillici

12:15 p.m. + Gerald Kopasz Barbara Kopasz

February 24, 2018 Saturday

8:00 a.m. + Steven Rummel Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Caccese

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. SI Dennis Gallagher Kathleen & Ed Miller

5:00 p.m. + Jim Harrison Ginger & Mac

February 25, 2018 Sunday

7:00 a.m. + Scott Foulks Baker Family

9:00 a.m. + Carpentieri Family Phyllis Barbaro

11:15 a.m. For Our Parishioners

1:15 p.m. + Joseph J. Smoljan Donna J. Murphy

5:00 p.m. + "Novena Mass - For a greater respect for all human life"
Diocese of Venice

MASSES AT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

February 21, 2018 Wednesday – Bentley Village

10:00 a.m. + Rocco Panetta JoEllen Chickery

February 23, 2018 Friday – Harbor Chase Memory Care

10:00 a.m. + Helga Brand Gail DeFrancesca

Week of February 24 through March 3, 2018: Wine and Host is in memory of Jose N. Areta as requested by Rafael Areta, Sarah Areta, and Patricia Canfield.

Readings for the Week

Saturday, February 17, 2018

The Holy Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32 (222)

Sunday, February 18, 2018

First Sunday in Lent
Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15 (23) Pss I

Monday, February 19, 2018

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46 (224)

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15 (225)

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

Saint Peter Damian
Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32 (226)

Thursday, February 22, 2018

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

Feast
1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19 (535) Pss Prop

Friday, February 23, 2018

Saint Polycarp
Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26 (228)

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48 (229)

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, please contact our Parish Secretary, Deborah Marsh: deb@sjecc.com or (239) 566-8740.

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.

Ministries and Prayer

PARISH COUNCILS

Building and Grounds Council. The Buildings and Grounds Council provides future direction, advice, and insight for the physical plant of St. John the Evangelist, to include all buildings, the grounds, and all utilities therein. The Council meets quarterly to evaluate any long-term strategy planning that is required. *Council President: Bill Sjostrom: bsjost@yahoo.com or 815.670.3733*

Finance Council. The Finance Council assists the Pastor and General Manager in their decision-making process to serve the needs of the Parish in the prudent administration of its resources and funds. *Council President: Robert Stift: rcs0242@gmail.com or 239.989.5149*

Pastoral Stewardship Council. The Pastoral Stewardship 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. Offers 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).
Seasonal Hours: Saturday from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. If interested in volunteering, contact *Elaine deLaurentis: elaine@sjecc.com or 239.228.3921*

Divorced and Separated Support Group. Provides support and guidance for divorced/separated Catholics through our shared spiritual journey. We meet Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhariza@yahoo.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Faith and Wine. Monthly thought-provoking speakers, food, and fellowship for women in the Diocese. *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 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 Stamtant: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org*

Knitting & Crocheting. Make baby hats, booties, and blankets for babies, lap robes for nursing homes, prayer shawls, baptismal blankets, and sweaters for kids. Meets year-round on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - Noon. No experience necessary. *Vicki Brenner: 239.498.9900*

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Immokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen, and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Meets the second Friday of every month. **Homebound:** *Marie Elaina Mullin: 239.273.1702. To join: Carole Mancini: froglady505@gmail.com 239.370.1521*

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever. Couples gather: 1) To share and know; 2) To grow and love; and 3) To listen and serve

and to celebrate our healthy marriages. All married or engaged couples are welcome to join us. Meets monthly on Saturday evenings at 6:30 p.m. *Rachel Baier: 239.498.4197*

Men's Club and Ladies Auxiliary. Organizes events, prepares meals, and provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. 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. Helps Catholics understand, value, and become engaged with supporting the God-given dignity of every person - which naturally leads to protecting the gift of every person's life. *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. - 3:30 p.m. from October to May. To volunteer or donate: *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: 239.250.4162*

St. Vincent de Paul. Helps the poor, specifically people in zip codes 34108, 34109, and 34110. Members work in teams making home visits to those in need. Meets first and third Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass. *Carl Monticelli: (SVdP Office): 239.775.1667*

Vocations Ministry. What is your vocation? 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 nancybdd@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*

Check the Event Sheets on the building doors for the meeting location of the group.
Groups do not always meet in the same location from week to week.

Ministries and Prayer

SOCIAL GROUPS

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

Habitat for Humanity. Kouolloheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

Mah Jong. Space Limited. Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860

Pinochle. Joseph DeJesus: 239.598.9865

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA. [Robert: 239.287.2442](tel:239.287.2442)

Adult Children of Alcoholics. [Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195](tel:239.287.0195)

AI-Anon. [Carol: 804.306.5323](tel:804.306.5323) and [Juliette: Lysack](tel:239.784.2682)

Food Addiction Support Group. [Maryann Scandiffio, 239.784.2682](tel:239.784.2682)

Narcotics Anonymous. [888.435.7301](tel:888.435.7301)

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

Gambler's Anonymous. [1-800-ADMIT-IT](tel:1-800-ADMIT-IT)

Recovering Couples Anonymous. [Britta: 239.348.5031](tel:239.348.5031) or [Roger: 239.250.6888](tel:239.250.6888)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by PRAYER and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. – Philippians 4:6

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](tel:239.248.0694)

Divine Will Prayer Group – [Gorana Saner: 239.293.1765](tel:239.293.1765)

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

Mondays at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday morning 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

PRAYER FOR THE MILITARY

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

Adam Decker

Nick Detloff

Sgt. Douglas Hennessy

SFC Brian Holmes – U.S. Army

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett

Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF, Turkey

Christian McLaughlin – U.S. Navy, Sicily

Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – U.S. Army, Iraq

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

We remember those who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace.

Alfred A. Alizandro, Paul V. Buckley, Anita L. Coyne

Baby Declan Aigner	Mark DaBronzo	Pat Lampe	Francesca Pearo	Marilyn Thyen
Kaylee B	Donald Demski	Jean Lydon	Anne Perrino	Helen Thornburg
Jean Balliro	Florence Demski	M.M.	Geno Pesce	JoAnn Tinevra
Juan Barajas	Melissa Diamantini	Joan Maier	Ann Petrillo	Albert Treichel
Jennifer Basile	Donovan Family	Diane Maloney	Irene Pires	Jim Tucker
Beagan Family	Leon Doughty	Margie Lynch	Renee Rake	Janet Vanderhorst
Richard Becker	Kathy Erickson	Maria and Family	Ruth Rechtsteiner	Mike Walsman
Gallen Boardman	F.W.	Ron Marlow	Ellen Roberts	Dan Ward
William M. Boardman	Sandy Flaig	Barbara Marsh	Mary Romaniello	Sandra Welker
Lori Breyman	Jim & Darlene Follese	Donna Massee	Lloyd Sample	Bernadette White
Donald Brown	Tara Follese & Family	J. McG	Lisa Sanfelippo	Kirsten Wills
Brian Bulger	Jeff Gatt	Paul McIntyre	Shelia Scaduto	Nancy Wise
Connie Cahill	George Gonser Jr.	Cynthia McLemore	Gary Schutebach	Note: In order to place a name on our 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 Prayer List.
Kathy Conley	Philip Gorney	Eileen Miner	Thomas Sissman	To download the Consent Form, visit our website: http://sjecc.com/forms .
Corinne & Children	Keri Grasso	Mary Ann Morreale	Avery Smithies	
Lauren Carr	Jayne Hagg	Lorrie Morrison	Sr. Colette Stevenson	
Frank Comeriato	Gerard Heyer	Joan M. Oliver	Nancy Stewart	
Merlyn Comeriato	Rosie Heyer	Jane Oraziatti	Edward Sullivan	
Tony Corvelo	Ted Konicki	Emma O'Rourke	Rita Taranto	
Brad Cunningham	Krista Leigh Kozowyk	Ronald J. Parker	William J. Teplica	
Anthony D'Antuono	Rene Lacoste	Michael Paul	Isaiah Thompson	

by Jean-Paul Boucher
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Ask the GM: Information about and for SJE

Over the past four years, I have taken a few moments out of every week to develop and communicate our Parish Mission. This column has described our Parish Family, showcased Catholic thought leaders (in particular Pope Francis), and generally kept you abreast of the goings on here at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Many of you have contacted me in one way or another over the past few months about various questions, concerns, comments, and general communication requests. While I have responded directly to those requests, some of them made sense to provide to the entire Parish Family. Here are a few:

What is this CFA thing, some kind of tax from the Diocese?

The Catholic Faith Appeal is indeed an annual program from the Diocese in which they require each and every parish to provide a percentage of their prior year income to assist with the valuable and essential programs of the Diocese, including Seminarian education, Catholic Charities, and Catholic Schools. The assessment is roughly equal to 26% of our income as a Parish Family, but it should not be considered a "tax." This goal is incredibly important to ensure these social programs continue to support the community and those most in need across the area. Last year, we were not only able to meet our goal of \$521,000, we exceeded it with a final amount given of \$544,734.03. Saint John is blessed as a parish that can and does serve a significant portion of the CFA. Our 2018 goal has stayed stable at \$521,000 due to our Capital Campaign, and we still have the third highest parish goal in the Diocese. I want to thank all of you who continue to give to the CFA on our behalf. We will have a special weekend devoted to the CFA very soon, so stay tuned for more information.

I got a weird email from Father John. What does it mean?

Father John Ludden, our Pastor, is a widely recognized and respected priest in the Diocese and in the larger Catholic Community. His work on the National Pontifical Mission Society, as well as his multiple responsibilities within the Diocese, have spread his name and his vision far beyond the confines of our Parish Family. However, with that positive engagement, sometimes a detractor or another person wishing to take advantage of his status will attempt to use his good name to spread falsities or misinformation. This is called "Spear Phishing" in tech speak, where someone would use direct and specific information about an individual to attack and steal financial or personal information. Please always check the email address of a message. Most of these attacks are originating from Gmail or other free email systems, where someone can pretend to be Father John until that account is shut down. Father John will only email a Parish Family member from his official (and

secured) St. John email account. Please always be careful about email communications, and if you question its validity, do not hesitate to pick up the phone and call our office.

What is the difference between a "Second Collection" and a "Special Collection"?

The Catholic Church is a massive hierarchal organization, with hundreds of years of interesting, complicated, and intriguing processes and procedures. Some requests for support and giving come directly from the Vatican, others from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and still others come from the Diocese of Venice directly or from our local church. It is up to the Pastor of each parish to develop and approve the collections provided through his responsibilities outlined in the Code of Canon Law. Here at Saint John, we have three types of giving during Masses: Offertory, Special, and Second Collections. The Offertory Collection is our normal weekly collection, which is the first basket that is distributed throughout the pews. Your wonderful contributions toward our Offertory allow us to fulfill the Mission of St. John on a weekly basis. If there is an additional identified need, the Pastor will approve one of the other types of giving. A Special Collection would be called for as a separate gift that will be collected in that same Offertory basket, and it will be separated during our counting process. There may be a separate envelope provided for these collections, so please ensure those envelopes are placed in the same basket as the Offertory. A Second Collection is a very special occasion at St. John and is reserved for extremely essential or emergency requisitions. Those situations will include a second basket being passed during Mass. We attempt to specify these collections the week before in the bulletin. Please listen to the announcements before Mass to ensure you know how to provide your generosity.

So... The Ballroom??

We have been working as hard as humanly possible with our Construction Manager, Gates Construction, our architect, Studios Plus, and the County to move forward with our essential damage repairs from Hurricane Irma. We have kicked the Ballroom repair and renovation program into high gear this week with the final permit being approved by the County. It will be a completely renewed space for our Parish Family and the larger community, but it will take time to complete correctly. As much as I would like to put a timeframe on its completion, that would not be appropriate at this time. We will keep you all informed on every facet, from the completely new floors (including a new dance floor), walls, window coverings, doors, divider wall, ceiling, lighting, and the many other renewal components of the Ballroom that will transform it into a premier location for events and programs in Naples.

Mercy & Mary Parish Mission
 Saint William Catholic Church
 March 5-7, 2018

Join Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC for three inspiring talks:



Monday, March 5th:
 Personal Testimony:
 Now is the Time of Mercy
 9:00am or 6:30pm

Tuesday, March 6th:
 St. John Paul II:
 Fatima and the Great
 Mercy Pope
 9:00am or 6:30pm

Wednesday, March 7th:
 St. Maximilian Kolbe:
 Mary's Instrument of Mercy
 9:00am or 6:30pm

No registration required.
 Donations accepted.
 Materials available for purchase.

Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, is director of Evangelization for the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception and director of Formation for the Marian Missionaries of Divine Mercy. Fr. Michael is also the author of the best-selling books 33 Days to Morning Glory, Consoling the Heart of Jesus, and 33 Days to Merciful Love. He lives and works on Eden Hill in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, home of the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy.



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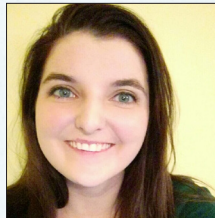
Saint William Catholic Church
 601 Seagate Drive Naples, FL 34108

Jamaica Outreach Program and Ave Maria University: Joining Forces in Concert

The Jamaica Outreach Program is pleased to announce it's alliance with the Music Department of Ave Maria University. Each Weekend for the coming month, Voice Students from the University's Music Department will be performing a sacred solo at our five major masses. On March 14, 2018, these students, joined by others from the University's music department, faculty, and the fantastic Ave Maria Choir, will be performing in concert, right here at St. John's. Hopefully this will introduce our parishioners to our wonderful neighbors at Ave Maria. You may obtain tickets for this concert after Masses, on the JOP website, or by calling Roger Plante at 239-948-2145.



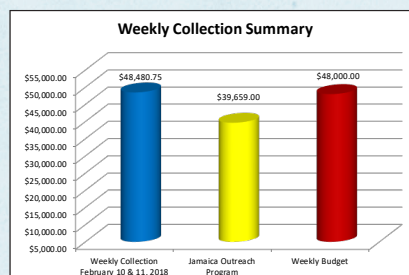
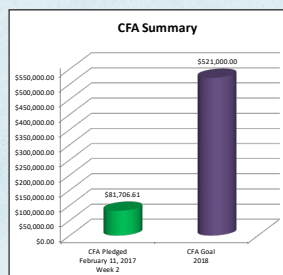
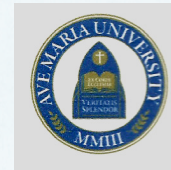
Olive Delaney is a Freshman at Ave Maria University. She is from Estero, and she began cantering at Our Lady Of Light Church at a very young age. Her plans include a career in Music Therapy, allowing her to share her love of music with those who need it most.



Eileen Plunkett is a Junior at Ave Maria University. She is from Detroit and loves to share her music with the Catholic community. Eileen is a regular cantor at Ave Maria Parish and other area churches. Eileen plans to further her studies in music & arts administration after graduation.



The Fabulous Ave Maria Choir will be performing at the March 14, 2018, concert.



Who are We? A Look at the Hospitality Ministry



The motto of St. John's is, "To Know, To Love, and To Serve God in His Church and Our Community," and the Hospitality Ministry, the "face of St John's," follows that motto closely. With kindness, a smile, and a warm welcome, we take pride in our parish and the abundance of ways in which we can interact with our fellow parishioners. Beginning with the coffee and juice table after Mass where conversation is lively and friendships are formed, our mission is to foster an awareness of the many needs of our community and the avenues to participation in addressing those needs.

While the congenial atmosphere at St. John the Evangelist Parish is historically second to none, we have an opportunity to further enhance that important characteristic.

Although the damage to the St. John campus by Irma was devastating, it opens a window for us to improve and expand our Hospitality Ministry to be prepared and fully staffed with volunteers when the church, Parish Life Center, The Claussen Center, and our new Pulte Family Center are up and running again. Once the church is closed for repairs more volunteers will be needed to direct people to the other areas of the campus which will be open for Mass, as well as those for events and other parish activities. The front office will need additional help with the many questions that will arise during the construction period. And when the Pulte Family Center at the rear of the property comes on line, we will need even more volunteers to give tours and otherwise help familiarize our parishioners with all the activities those buildings will provide.

So for those who wish to lend your talents and energy to this effort, bring your warm, welcoming attitude, your enthusiasm for our parish, and of course your smile to the Hospitality Ministry.

If you are interested in volunteering with our Hospitality Ministry, contact Loretta Sullivan at loretta@sjecc.com.

Ladies of Charity

The Ladies of Charity held their annual retreat on Feb. 9th at St. Agnes church. The theme of retreat was, "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World." The guest speakers were Father Orsi from St. Agnes Church and Kim Elsmore, Coordinator for Family Life, Diocese of Venice.

The committee of (from left to right) Barbara Walters, Genevieve King, Mary Keenan, Ann Sissman, and Marie Elaina Mullin spent months planning a special retreat for all the LOC members, which was appreciated and enjoyed by all.



Ladies of Charity President Carole Mancini and Secretary Barb Troy are holding up the handmade "thank you" card for the LOC group from the Immokalee and Naples Elementary school children for the sneakers they received as gifts at Christmas from the LOC members.



Capital Campaign

February 18, 2018

"If we allow the love of Christ to change our heart, then we can change the world. This is the secret of authentic happiness."
- Pope Benedict XVI

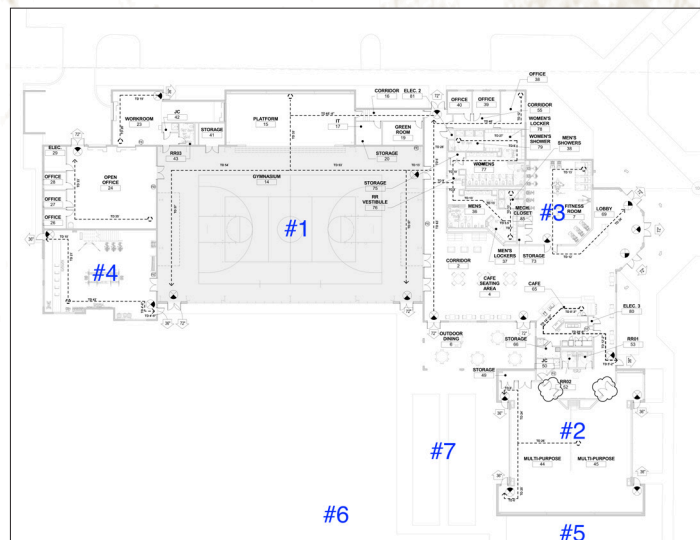


A Capital Campaign for
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Leaving Your Mark: Final Chance for Naming Opportunity

As we come to the end of our Capital Campaign to Build Our Future, Serve Our Past, we can reflect on the tremendous vision Father John laid out for our Parish Family only a few years ago. This vision radically transforms the Catholic engagement of our larger community, meeting everyone where they are, with the activities and programs youth and adults enjoy in their lives. Many of us have already committed ourselves to this vision and have helped achieve the goals to build the Pulte Family Life Center, begin the renewal of Catholic Youth Organization, and develop the brand new Catholic Adult Organization. As our campaign comes to a close, we wanted to provide one last chance for our Parish Family to leave their mark on the future of the community with our various naming opportunities for the Life Center:

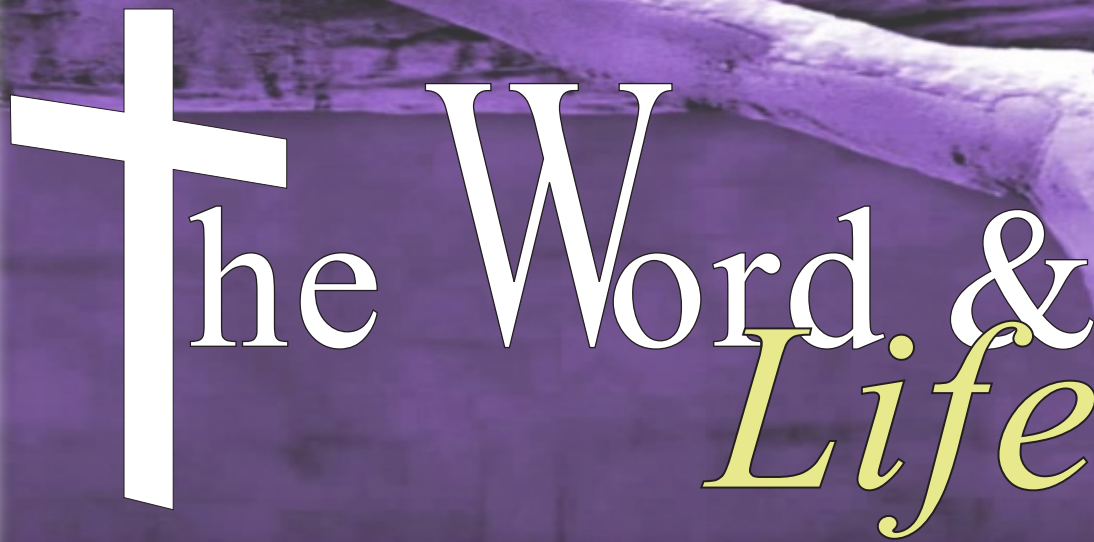
1. Gymnasium: \$1 Million
2. Multi-Purpose Room: \$500,000
3. Wellness Room: \$250,000
4. High-Impact Exercise Room: \$250,000
5. Playground: \$75,000
6. Mission Garden: \$50,000
7. Bocce Courts: \$20,000



We have a very special way we will be remembering every individual and family that has pledged to our Campaign. We will be placing a large Eagle on the wall of the Life Center Café, called The 5 Saints. It will be a dynamic image that will be built out of the pictures or names of our pledgers. This will be the last chance to join in our eagle, so if you are called to support our efforts, please prayerfully contemplate the gift you may be able to provide our Parish Family.

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



The Word & *Life*

First Sunday of Lent: Year B

Genesis 9:8-1 • Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 • 1 Peter 3:18-22 • Mark 1:12-15

Changing the Heart ~ A Noble Endeavor

The Season of Lent is here, and we are called to conversion. The discipline of Lent – fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, enable us to enter the depths of our souls and to discern God’s will in our lives. Conversion is not simply the changing of the mind, but also the changing of the heart. The mind can simply digress from one thing to another. It is here that opinions are formed and sin reigns supreme. Each Lent we are called to ‘Metanoia’ which means ‘a change of heart.’ A true change of heart brings transformation to the life of the one who commits himself to be converted to Christ in this most holy season.

Reflection Questions

1. How are you going to discipline yourself this Lent?
2. In what ways will fasting, prayer, and almsgiving help you grow closer to Christ?
3. Which temptations keep on recurring in your life?
4. What ways do you combat such temptations?
5. Name some of the situations in your own life which require you to change your heart.
6. How are you going to actively transform what is broken in your life or around you?
7. What is the ultimate promise God has given to you?

In today’s gospel, we hear of the temptation of Jesus. Jesus listened to the Spirit of God within himself, and the Spirit led him into the desert where he underwent self-denial. The 40 days Jesus spent in the desert enabled Him to look deep within Himself. It was in this reality that Satan brought temptation. Jesus, however, resisted this temptation, uniting his heart to the Father in heaven. In this short passage from Mark, we also hear that Jesus was “...among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.” He had to deal with both the good and the bad. Out of this test, Jesus is seen to call us to repent and believe in the gospel. He calls for a change of heart and surrender to the good news.

Each year we are given an opportunity to turn our lives back to God. We are bombarded with so much today. Temptations pervade our time and our space. Goodness is all around us, but so also is sin. Materialism, indifference, discrimination, the world of sensuality, and the undermining of the dignity of life, deter us from living the fullness of life. During Lent, Christ and the universal Church invite us to reflect on our lives and to make a return to God. This is a time to refuse to be mastered by sin and

yield to the love of God. The language of the heart allows us to let go of what is nonessential and hold onto what is essential. If we turn our hearts toward God, we can remove the negative influences that bring the stain of sin to each one of us.

Let us reflect on our lives. If there is a person or persons with whom we are in conflict, we are asked to turn away from the temptation of resentment and to grapple with the mystery of God's mercy and forgiveness. If there is a situation that we are involved in that is seemingly unjust, immoral, or unethical, then we are challenged to transform these broken realities. We live in a world of fragile peace – fragility exists because of sin. However, the answer to prayer for a lasting peace can be found. This hope exists in the dignity and soul of every individual. Peace can be made a reality when we allow the Prince of Peace to speak through us. This is the hope to which we are called!

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



Prayer

Turn our minds to you, O Lord. Transform our hearts so that we can return to you in love. Help us to remove the things that hinder your new life and growth. Temptation is all around us – do not let us choose sin over you. You are our only hope and salvation. Let our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving lead us to you. Amen.

Voices of Faith

Wisdom of the Fathers

The Lenten season offers us once again an opportunity to reflect upon the very heart of Christian life: charity. This is a favorable time to renew our journey of faith, both as individuals and as a community, with the help of the word of God and the sacraments. This journey is one marked by prayer and sharing, silence, and fasting, in anticipation of the joy of Easter...

...A society like ours can become blind to physical sufferings and to the spiritual and moral demands of life. This must not be the case in the Christian community! The Apostle Paul encourages us to seek "the ways which lead to peace and the ways in which we can support one another" (Rom 14:19) for our neighbor's good, "so that we support one another" (15:2), seeking not personal gain but rather "the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved" (1 Cor 10:33). This mutual correction and encouragement in a spirit of humility and charity must be part of the life of the Christian community...

...These words of the Letter to the Hebrews (10:24) urge us to reflect on the universal call to holiness, the continuing journey of the spiritual life as we aspire to the greater spiritual gifts and to an ever more sublime and fruitful charity (cf. 1 Cor 12:31-13:13). Being concerned for one another should spur us to an increasingly effective love which, "like the light of dawn, its brightness growing to the fullness of day" (Prov 4:18), makes us live each day as an anticipation of the eternal day awaiting us in God. The time granted us in this life is precious for discerning and performing good works in the love of God. In this way the Church herself continuously grows towards the full maturity of Christ (cf. Eph 4:13). Our exhortation to encourage one another to attain the fullness of love and good works is situated in this dynamic prospect of growth.

Pope Benedict XVI (Lent 2012)



Youth Faith Formation... 2017-2018 School Year

97 Children Celebrate God's Love and Forgiveness in the Sacrament of First Reconciliation



Thank you to everyone who made First Reconciliation so special for our children. To our catechists who prepared them so well – we thank Donna Boucher, Sylvia DeFeo, Liz and Bob Koplitz, Gina Manfredi, Danielle Manzano, Christina Telford, and Pat Zewalk. We are grateful for the support of Kay and Andy Sanfelippo who help facilitate the lighting of the candles every year. For all the support of our priests – Fr. John, Fr. Bob, Fr. Paul, Fr. Rourke, and Fr. Len. We also appreciate Fr. Russell Ruggerio from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, who lent a hand that evening. Thank you to our sacristan, Lan, for all of her preparations and to Gary and Jennine for providing the beautiful music. We are most grateful to the parents, grandparents, and extended families who are walking in faith with the children each day, bringing them up to be disciples of Christ. We look forward to celebrating First Holy Communion with these children on Saturday, May 12th, 2018. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers!

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, February 18
No Faith Formation Classes

Wednesday, February 21
Pre-K 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)*

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Adult Faith Formation and RCIA

Lenten Thoughts from Pope Francis Regarding Fasting

"We must be careful not to practice a formal fast, or one which in truth 'satisfies' us because it makes us feel good about ourselves. Fasting makes sense if it questions our security, and if it also leads to some benefit for others, if it helps us to cultivate the style of the Good Samaritan, who bends down to his brother in need and takes care of him." – Pope Francis *Homily, March 5, 2014*

In the Pope's words:

Fast from hurting words ...and say kind words
Fast from sadness ...and be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger ...and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism ...and be filled with hope
Fast from worries ...and have trust in God
Fast from complaints ...and contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures ...and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness ...and fill your hearts with joy
Fast from selfishness ...and be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges ...and be reconciled
Fast from words ...and be silent so you can listen



Questions and Answers about Lent and Lenten Practices

Q. When counting the days from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, there are 46, so why do we say that there are 40 days of Lent?

A. It might be more accurate to say that there is the "forty day fast within Lent." The Sundays of Lent are certainly part of the Time of Lent, but they are not prescribed days of fast and abstinence.

Q. So does that mean that when we give something up for Lent, we can have it on Sundays?

A. Catholics have traditionally chosen additional penitential practices for the whole Time of Lent. That being said, such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

Q. I understand that Catholics 18 to 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, but what exactly are the rules for fasting?

A. Fasting on these days means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, but combined they should be less than a full meal. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

Q. I know that Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat, but I'm not sure what is classified as meat.

A. Moral theologians have traditionally taught that we should abstain from all animal-derived products (except foods such as gelatin, butter, cheese, and eggs, which do not have any meat taste). Fish are a different category of animal. Salt and freshwater species of fish and shellfish are permitted.

Q. I've noticed that restaurants and grocery stores advertise specials on expensive types of fish and seafood on Fridays during Lent. Some of my Catholic friends take advantage of these deals, but somehow, I don't feel right treating myself to the lobster special on Fridays during Lent.

A. While fish, lobster, and other shellfish are not considered meat and can be consumed on days of abstinence, indulging in the lavish buffet at your favorite seafood place sort of misses the point. Abstaining from meat and other indulgences during Lent is a penitential practice. On the Fridays of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Christ on Good Friday and unite ourselves with that sacrifice through abstinence and prayer.

This Week's Schedule

Tuesday, February 20:

RCIA Catechesis ~ 6:00 p.m., Adult Space

Wednesday, February 21:

The Bible Timeline, Session 18 ~ 11:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Seven Deadly Sins ~ 5:30 p.m., Rome Room

Matthew Begins, Session 1 ~ 7:30 p.m., Rome Room

Thursday, February 22

Women of the Word, Passion Narratives ~ 9:30 a.m., Seminar Room

Friday, February 23

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

Sunday, February 25

Seven Deadly Sins ~ 9:15 a.m., Rome Room

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

Catholic Youth Organization

Upcoming Sport, Arts & Music, and Social Events.



Arts & Music Spring Classes

Spring session begins
March 19th!



Registration now OPEN!! Our next session of CYO and CAO classes in piano, voice, guitar, strings, acting, ballroom dance, and improv comedy is quickly approaching. Head over to sjecc.com/cyo or sjecc.com/cao to register and pay for your class/es before March 18th to ensure your class is offered.

Weekly NET Events:



EVERYONE: "ABLAZE" Prayer and Worship every Sunday 2:30pm-3:30pm Rm. 15.

Instagram: @netteam16

Ladies "FIERCE" Nights: Next "Fierce" is March 2nd 6pm-8:30pm Middle school and High school Girls!

Guys' Nights: Every Friday for High school and Middle School Guys 6pm-8:30pm in the Seminar Room.

"I am asking all families of our parish please prayerfully consider hosting 2 of these wonderful young adults for just 2 weeks. Please e-mail me at kyle@sjecc.com for more info. You're going to want their influence on your home!!"

**-Kyle VanDuser
CYO Social & Spiritual Coordinator**

Sports Summer Camps:



Registration opens **June 1st.** Flag Football, Basketball, & Soccer skills camps

March Arts And Music Classes



Piano, Guitar, Voice, Strings, Acting, Ballroom Dance, Painting, Improv Comedy.



High School Youth Group
Wednesdays @ 6:30p in the Seminar Room.

Middle School Youth Group
Sundays @ 6-7:30pm in Rome.

Follow CYO!! ↓↓↓

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Click on Program and Register online to sign-up for upcoming events leagues and classes



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Catholic Adult Organization

Upcoming Sport, Arts & Music, and Social Events.

*PLAY LIKE
A CHAMPION
TODAY*

Coaches Training

June 30th, 2018
Coaches Seminar.
11:45am-2:45pm.

March Arts And Music Classes



Piano,
Guitar,
Voice,
Strings,
Ballroom
Dance,
Improv Comedy.



Men's Adult Softball

Sign up for Spring
Men's Church
League Slow-pitch
Softball.

Men's Church League Slow-pitch Softball



**Defending League
Champions!!**

Join today!!

Men's Church League Softball at North Collier Regional Park. Want to play slow pitch softball on Monday Nights? All men 18 and up are able to sign-up for a team. If you are interested in joining a team or building a team please email me.

St. John's already has two teams and one more joining the spring season. We invite all people from all catholic churches to participate with us.

CAPTAINS NEEDED!! Please email kyle@sjecc.com to receive all information to put a team together.

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Music and Choir

5 PM Mass Music Worship Aid Sunday, February 18, 2018: First Sunday of Lent

Opening Song

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Paul Baloche

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O - pen the eyes ___ of my heart, ___ Lord, ___ o - pen the eyes ___ of my heart,
— I want to see you, ___ I want to see you. ___
To see you high and lift - ed up, ___ shi - ning in the light of your glo - ry, ___
Pour our ___ your power and love, ___ as we sing "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly!"

Preparation Song

666

Hosea

Communion Song

Holiness (Take My Life)

Scott Underwood

V1) Holiness, holiness is what I long for. Holiness is what I need.
Holiness, holiness is what you want from me. [to Verse 2]

V2) Faithfulness... [then to Chorus]

Chorus) So take my heart and form it; Take my mind, transform it
Take my will conform it; To yours, to yours, oh Lord. [repeat last line]

V3) Righteousness... [to Verse 4]

V4) Purity... [to chorus]

Meditation Song

Sinking Deep

Hillsong Young and Free

V1) Standing here in Your presence, in a grace so relentless. I am won by perfect love.
Wrapped within the arms of heaven, in a peace that lasts forever. Sinking deep in mercy's sea.

Chorus) I'm wide awake, drawing close, stirred by grace, and all my heart is Yours.
All fear removed I breathe You in. I lean into Your love. Oh, Your love.

V2) When I'm lost You pursue me, lift my head to see Your glory. Lord of all so beautiful.
Here in You I find shelter. Captivated by the splendor of Your face. My secret place (to chorus)

Bridge) Love so deep is washing over me. Your face is all I seek.
You are my everything. Jesus Christ

You are my one desire. Lord hear my only cry to know You all my life. (to chorus)

Music and Choir

Closing Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman

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Verses 1 & 2) Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful, where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name. Blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place, though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name. (to chorus below)

Verses 3 & 4) Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me. When the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name. Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering, though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. (to chorus, below)

Bridge) You give and take away; you give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name!" (to chorus, below)

Ev - 'ry bless - ing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the dark - ness clos - es in. Lord. still I will sav. "Bless - ed be the
name of the Lord. bless - ed be Your name. Bless - ed be the
name of the Lord, bless - ed be Your glo - ri - ous name."

Hymns for the First Sunday of Lent • Sunday, February 18, 2018

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Choir Schedules

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Adult Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

Youth/Children's Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

Rehearsals Wednesdays, 4:40 to 5:30 p.m. – Ages 9-18 (Age 8 considered)

Contemporary Choir of St. John the Evangelist.

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

During this great season of Lent, the Holy Catholic Church charges us to present and sing music which centers on the themes and pillars of Lent. Our Opening Hymn, Litany of the Saints, is chosen to invoke the Saints to pray for us on this Lenten journey. The Roman Missal provides specific instructions for music during this season. We refrain from the Gloria's and Alleluia's (with a few exceptions) until Holy Thursday and Easter. We even change the music to the Mass parts to help distinguish this season from the others. The music may seem more reflective; yet, still powerful, intense, and even dramatic (if you will). The joy does not cease, however, because we remain a resurrection people. There are special and beautiful Lenten hymns and chants which will, once again, immerse and enrich our spirits during our Lenten encounter.

Church and Social Events

**2018 Lenten Fish Fry begins Ash Wednesday, February 14,
and continues every Friday in Lent through March 23rd**

4:30-7:00 p.m.

Seating will be in Rome Room and in Courtyard (adjacent to Ballroom)

ONE DELICIOUS DEEP FRIED COD FISH BASKET \$12.00

w/Clam Chowder, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Bread & Butter

ONE DELICIOUS OVEN BAKED COD FISH DINNER \$12.00

w/Clam Chowder, Green Beans Almandine, Rice Pilaf, Cole Slaw, Bread & Butter

CHILD (7 yrs. and under) DINNER \$7.00

Served with One Piece of Fried Cod w/Mac & Cheese

All Dinners Include One Soft drink beverage and One Ice cream dessert

To learn more: call 566.8740

St. John
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Couples' Wedding Anniversary Mass

February 17 and March 10

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: February 17th at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice at 11:00 a.m., and March 10th at St. Leo the Great Parish in Bonita Springs at 10:00 a.m. Please note the time difference for the Mass at St. Leo. Please call your local Parish office for reservations no later than a week before the event you choose to attend.

Saint John Parish Family & Friends Presents:

River cruising the wine region of BORDEAUX

Sail on two of France's mighty rivers and the Gironde estuary.

BORDEAUX - PAUILLAC - BLAYE - LIBOURNE - SAINT-EMILION - CADILLAC - COGNAC

Departure: Oct 21 to Oct 29, 2018

Nine days, seven nights including cruise, meals, drinks with meals & airfare from RSW or Miami from \$3995

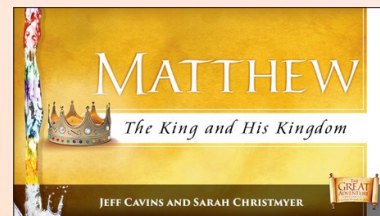
Come to the Rome Room on Thursday, February 22, at 10:00 a.m., immediately after the Daily Mass to learn more about these wonderful cruising opportunities. Staff from Jet Vacations will be on hand to present the cruise options and answer any questions you may have.

NEW Evening Bible Study Begins THIS Wednesday February 21 at 7:15 p.m.

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom

This is an exciting study that explores the life and mission of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew that demonstrates how the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament are fulfilled in Christ, who establishes a New Law and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who relives the life and struggles of Israel to become the faithful and victorious King. Set in the rich context of Jesus' Jewish culture, this study will help you understand who Jesus is and what his life and teachings mean for us today.

Although this is an ideal follow-up study to the basic narrative of Scripture taught in Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, or The Bible Timeline, you do not need to have attended those programs to join this New Testament program.



Conferences and Seminars

Marriage Ministry: Together Forever



Enjoy a date night with Catholic fellowship at St. John the Evangelist as you enrich your marriage with our new series entitled, The Choice Wine. Enjoy appetizers and marriage discussion.

Next Session:
February 24, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
in the Claussen Family Center

Please RSVP to the office at 239.566.8740.

Remaining Dates:
March 24, April 28, May 19, June 30, July 28, August 25

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 (preregistration online), students \$5 pre-registration. Cost at the door is \$30, and \$10 for students.

The speakers this year are Deacon Harold BurkeSivers, Patrick Coffin, and Bob Rice. Come be filled and transformed with the fire of God's love!

To register,
please visit www.dioceseofvenice.org/mens.

Hearing Loop Seminar

Did you know that this church is equipped with a hearing loop? If compatible, you can switch your hearing aid to t-coil to tap directly into the sound system in certain areas of the church.

Would you like to find out if your hearing aids have a t-coil? Would you like to learn more about our t-coil system? Would you like to improve your listening experience at church and elsewhere?

Join us for an informative hearing seminar with local Audiologists Dr. Brittany Gates and April Royan from Decibels

Audiology on **Thursday, February 22,**
at 9:45 a.m. following Daily Mass.
Coffee and pastries will be provided.

Please RSVP to the office at (239) 566-8740
by Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Walking God's Paths "Mending Relationships, Mending the World"

Sunday, February 18 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 • (239) 370-4277

Health and Safety Events

Safe Environment Training Sessions 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.

There are several upcoming Safe Environment Training sessions at nearby parishes. For more details or to register, call the Parish Office at the location where the class is offered. No children are permitted to attend these sessions.

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
Saturday, March 10	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Our Lady of Light, Fort Myers	239.267.7088

Please note that no one should attend Safe Environment Training until their fingerprints have cleared. If you need to be fingerprinted here at St. John, call the office at 566.8740 for an appointment.



Trappist Preserves 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 and gift sets for only \$18.00 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.



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>