

SAINT JOHN *the* EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

the **EAGLE**

Finish the Church: Capital Campaign Update

We are blessed to be back in our church, again whole with our enlivening faith environment. This new persistent message: Finish the Church, is our final push of the Capital Campaign, to complete the transformation of the entire campus and ensure our success for the next 30 years.

The Parish Family of Saint John truly believed in the Mission of our Capital Campaign: Build Our Future, Serve Our Past. Our vision was to become a beacon of community and faith here in Naples, renewed with our Life Center and campus as a "new wineskin" of Catholic engagement for decades to come. As such, we defined a strategy of incremental improvements to Saint John that could be achieved based on the success of the campaign.



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A Prayer for World Peace

Dear God, thank You for all creation. In the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth and all teachers of peace who inspire the many faith traditions, help me and all the people of the world learn how to replace hate, war, oppression, and division with love, peace, freedom, and reconciliation. Help me to embody Your love in my relationships with my family, friends, strangers – even my enemies. I commit myself to this sacred task throughout my life. So let it be. Amen.

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Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Sunday Masses:

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

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

Daily Mass:

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

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Please see Mass Schedule Change on Page 26

If you are interested in volunteering with our Hospitality Ministry, contact Loretta Sullivan at loretta@sjecc.com or 239-566-8740.

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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Phone: 239.566.8740 • Fax: 239.566.9117

www.sjecc.com

Administrative Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Altar Flowers and/or Host & Wine. We have 2019 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. Tom Zalewski, Pastor

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Fr. Arun Paul, Associate

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Natalie Campbell: natalie@sjecc.com

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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

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

Saturday, January 4, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Robert Reins

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

3:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

5:00 p.m. + Mary & Joseph Montello

Sunday, January 5, 2020

7:00 a.m. + James Harrison

9:00 a.m. + Denise J. Burke

11:00 a.m. + Sara Hill

1:00 p.m. + John H. & Anne Kelsch

5:00 p.m. + Jozica Vitulich

Monday, January 6, 2020

8:00 a.m. + William Brune

9:00 a.m. + Edward Webb

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Alberta Leo

9:00 p.m. + Beverly Jean Mitchell

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Mary Ann Anelli

9:00 a.m. + Salvatore Migliore

Thursday, January 9, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Gertrude Trapp

9:00 a.m. + Laura Ward

Friday, January 10, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Pat Cox

9:00 a.m. + Vilo Haag

Saturday, January 11, 2020

8:00 a.m. + John P. Foley

Saturday Vigil Masses for Sunday

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

5:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

Sunday, January 12, 2020

7:00 a.m. + Mary Jane Perry

9:00 a.m. + Vincent Vu Dam

11:00 a.m. SI Michael D. Rullo

1:00 p.m. + Angela Pizzuro

5:00 p.m. SI Rev. Krzysztof Kuczynski

Requested By

Mark & Colleen Wernig

Kathryn & Vincent Corbino

Ginger & Mac

Daniel Schaefer &

Mary Lynn Estep

Bob Hill

Pat & Kathy Monachino

Romano, Claudia & Romanca

Vitulich

Darlene Follese

Tom & Nancy Garlick

Anthony & Johanne Calaprico

Lou & Kathy Galzerano

Anthony & Johanne Calaprico

Family

Loretta & Marty Sullivan

Tom & Nancy Garlick

Anne & Michael Colleary

Cindy Henning

Eileen Foley

Diane VanderHorst

Margie Lawler

Lan Tran

Claudia Vitulich

Nancy Olshepsky

Michele Murtagh

Mary Beth & Jeff Goldman

Readings for the Week

Saturday, January 4, 2020

[Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton]

Memorial

1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42 (207)

Sunday, January 5, 2020

The Epiphany of the Lord

Solemnity

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12 (20) Pss Prop

Monday, January 6, 2020

[Saint André Bessette]

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 (212) Pss II

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

[Saint Raymond of Penyafort]

1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44 (213)

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52 (214)

Thursday, January 9, 2020

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a (215)

Friday, January 10, 2020

1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16 (216)

Saturday, January 11, 2020

1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30 (217)

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 exists to assist the Pastor by providing advice in regards to financial matters of the parish. It supports decision-making and serves to assist in the prudent administration of Parish resources. Council Chairman: Jim Culkar: jrculkar@aol.com or 239.254.9510

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@yahoo.com or 239.566.8740*

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 in the church). Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30-10:00 a.m.; Saturdays 2:30-5:00 p.m.; and Sundays 9:30-12:30 p.m. We are in need of volunteers! If you are interested, please contact *Holly: holly@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. in the Alexandria Room. Please call for more information *Lhara Echeverria: 239.293.3694 or lhara@sjecc.com or Beth Lucci: 239.877.6254*

Grief Support Ministry. Grief facilitators hold support groups as needed to give support to those suffering a loss. *Gerilyn Poletti: 239.455.2655 ext. 107*

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 Stamant: 239.248.3248 or info@jamaicaoutreach.org*

Knitting & Crocheting. Meets year-round on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Classrooms 3 & 4 in the Parish Activity Center. No experience necessary. Make baby and children's items, prayer shawls, nursing home and elderly blankets. *Sharon Camp: 239-438-7867 or sharon@naples.net. https://*

stjohnknitandcrochet.wordpress.com/

Ladies of Charity. Volunteer in Imnokalee schools, the Guadalupe soup kitchen, and clothing bank. The Ladies also visit local nursing homes to assist residents who want to attend Mass. In addition, they are available to provide friendly visits and to perform simple errands for the elderly and homebound. Meets the second Friday of every month. **Homebound:** *Marie Elaina Mullin: 239.273.1702. To join: Carole Mancini: frog lady505@gmail.com 239.597.3078*

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*

Social Ministry. Organizes events, prepares meals, and provides staff and support for a multitude of parish and parish-related functions. Monthly meetings 6:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday. *Social: JD DeSousa: 239.877-2950 or sousa2net@aol.com; Millie Lucanegro: 239.566.9854; or 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. *Mary Thompson: respectlife@sjecc.com or 239.273.6472*

Sewing Ministry. Meets to sew for needy children of Collier County on Wednesdays 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2, from October to May. If you like to sew, we encourage you to come see what we're all about. All are welcome! To volunteer or donate: *Phyllis Crivelli: jandpcrivelli@gmail.com or 239.594.1148 or Barbara Arthur: bka1678@hotmail.com or 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. *Kyle VanDuser: kyle@sjecc.com or 239.566.8740*

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 wow@sjecc.com*

Knights of Columbus Councils:

Knights of Columbus Arthur J. Corr Assembly 3308. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month in the Rome Room. Officers meet at 6:30 p.m. with the business meeting at 7:00 p.m. All visiting Sir/Knights welcome. *Paul McPherson Faithful Navigator: 443-807-3436 or pmcp77@gmail.com*

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 Joseph Hemrick: jhemrick21@gmail.com or 239.566.8740*

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

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 Mondays at 6:45 p.m. in the Alexandria Room. 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. joanne116@mac.com or 239.919.2265

Habitat for Humanity. Kouloheras:nick@hfhcollier.com

Mahjongg. Wednesday Play. *Lanelle Bishop: 239.352.1860*

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA Robert: 239.287.2442

Adult Children of Alcoholics Tom Mooney, 239.287.0195

Al-Anon For meeting locations and times, call 239.263.5907 or visit www.NaplesAl-Anon.org

Food Addiction Support Group Maryann Scandiffio, 239.784.2682

Sunset Coast NA 239.451.3275

Gambler's Anonymous 855.222.5542

Recovering Couples Anonymous Britta: 239.348.5031 or Roger: 239.250.6888

PRAYER GROUPS

Pray the Rosary & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are recited every day starting 50 minutes before Mass begins, Monday through Saturday. Summer Schedule at 7:40 a.m., Winter Schedule at 7:10 a.m. *Maria Desa: 239-529-7611 or Carol Swank 757.559.4761*

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group – *Rosemary Erickson: 239.250.0432*

Divine Will Prayer Group – *Gorana Saner: 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

Call the Office: 239.566.8740

PRAYER FOR THE MILITARY

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

Adam Decker

Nick Detloff

Sgt. Douglas Hennessy

Marine Colonel Brian Howlett

Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF

PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft.

Eustis, VA

Col. Brian Murphy

Lt. Col. Jill Murphy

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

Cpl. Derek Perez – U.S. Marine Corps

Austin Spagnola

Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey

Lt. Stephen English – Iraq

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

PRAYER LIST

Baby Declan Aigner
Theresa Allingham
Di Di Arpaia
Paschal Arpaia
Paul Arpaia
Aurise Bain
Florence Ballachio
Jean Balliro
Agatha Barczynski
Jennifer Basile
Beagan Family
Lynn Becker
Mark Benson
Paul Bishop
Liselotte Bluem
Gallen Boardman
Sue Boyle
Kent Brase
Steve Brase
Lori Breyman
Kyle Brune
Elaine Buscemi
Connie Cahill
Ed Carsky
Rosalie Castro
Corinne & Children
Lauren Carr
Frank Christopher
August Cimmino
Merlyn Comeriato
Monica Connors
Tony Corvelo
Lizabeth Cuenya
Brad Cunningham
Cutler Family
Mark DaBronzo

Danielle
Eileen DaSilva
Donald Demski
Florence Demski
Sally Detloff
Melissa Diamantini
Julie Dieter
Dee Donnelly
Donovan Family
Leon Doughty
Robyn Hyland Doyle
Peter Durso
Kevin Enger
Katy Esquivel
F.W.
Carolyn Felner
Feroce Family
Scott Fewell
Tiffany Fiedler & Family
Don Fitzgerald
Sandy Flaig
Tara Follese & Family
Sandy Frania
Debbie Fritts
Patty Gahan
Carol Gaskill
Jeff Gatt
Julia Giblin
Fr. Tom Glackin
Marie Gleason
George Gonsler Jr.
Phyllis Grysiewicz
Randy Harrison
Rosie Heyen
Amy Hilliard
Ashleigh Hodges

Mary Ann Holt
Edward Hommel
Judy Howe
D. K.
Yvonne Keenan
Theresa Keller
Elyse Kristinik
Rene Lacoste
Lorraine Leclerc
Carrie Lehmann
Peter Lemon
Laurie Lind
Mel Lisser
Teresa Lozano
Pat Lozon
Jean Lydon
Margie Lynch
M.M.
Andrew Mager
Joan Maier
Robin Malone
Diane Maloney
Margaret
Maria and Family
Ron Marlow
Barb Marsh
Jackie Mascolo
Donna Masse
Angelo Mastrotrillo
Kathy Maxwell
Kevin McGill
Jack McGrory
Paul McIntyre
Alley McKee
Cynthia McLemore
Carlos Mendelzon

Cyntia Mendelzon
Patrick Metro
Eileen Miner
John Montana
Lorrie Morrison
Tom Morse
John Nickerson
Jack Noonan
Emma O'Rourke
Katie Oelslager
Joan M. Oliver
Jane Oraziotti
Patricia Orris
Sean Osterman
David P.
Eric Parker
Ronald J. Parker
Francesca Pearo
Anne Perrino
Ann Petrillo
Timothy Pollard
Rachel Polt-Holmes
Olivia Prawradilaga
Carolyn Pulte
Lee Redman
Gil and Renee Rake
Pete Renner
Henrietta Reynolds
Tom Riley
Ellen Roberts
Katie Roberts
Joanne Roddy
Racheal Romine
Terre Rozin
Sterling C. Rutherford
Peggy O'Neil Saba

Lloyd Sample
Lisa Sanfelippo
Shelia Scaduto
Gary Schutebach
Fritz Simacek
Marian Simacek
John Smith
Josephine Soto
Sr. Colette Stevenson
Nancy Stewart
Jane Sullivan
Brad Tanner
Rita Taranto
John Tenerow
William J. Teplica
Janice M. Thomas
Isaiah Thompson
Marilyn Thyen
Helen Thornburg
Jerome D. Tomasso, Jr.
Louis Torretta
Albert Treichel
Richie Twiefel
Denny V.
Kari Van Tol
Mike Walsman
Arthur Warburton
Eileen Warburton
Dan Ward
Baby Benedict Wardein
Warner Family
Frank Westerbeke, Sr.
Kirsten Wills
Nancy Wise
Brandon Woods
Carolyn Wootton
Michael Zielinski

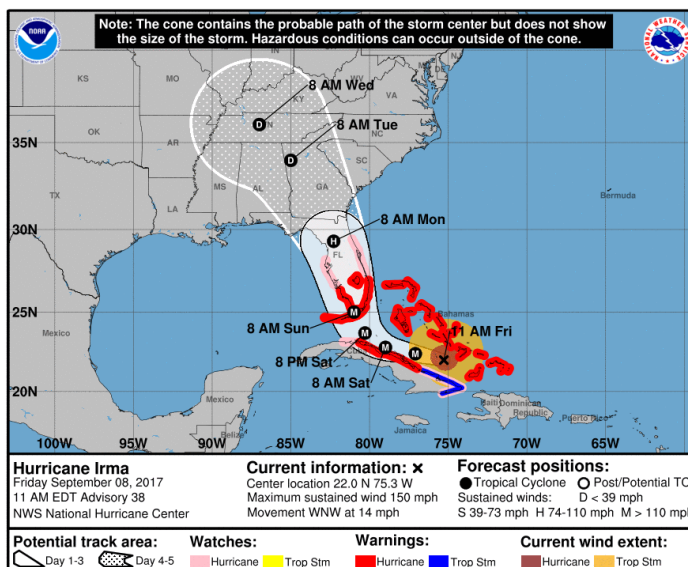
Finish the Church: Capital Campaign Success

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By the numbers, our Parish responded to this vision with substantial support. When we finally closed the initial campaign on March 8, 2018, (the three-year window allowed by the Diocese at the time), we had collected an impressive \$11 million. And not just a small fraction of our Parish gave to this campaign. We had over 2,000 individuals and families participate, which is well over half of our Parish Family. The normal Catholic Church campaign currently has 27% participation in the U.S. We shattered that statistic, and we easily gathered enough for the construction of the Pulte Family Life Center, and much more to shape the future of the campus:



We were just about to identify the additional partial campus improvements we could move forward with the success of our campaign in September of 2017, when we had a visitor... Hurricane Irma.



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Interior Lobby Reception



Exterior - Front Entrance



Exterior - Side View



Exterior - Rear View



Exterior - Rear 3/4 View



Exterior - Front Walkway



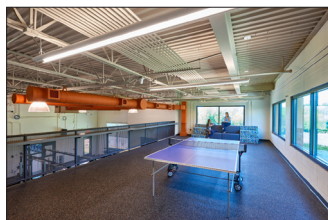
Exterior - Patio



Exterior - Bocce Ball Court



Interior - Conference



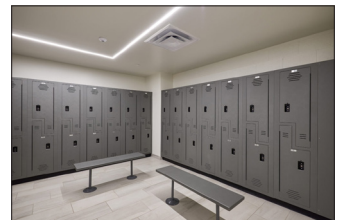
Interior - Game Area



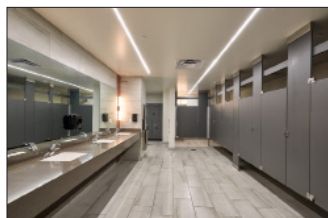
Interior - Gym



Interior - Auditorium



Interior - Locker Room



Interior - Restroom



Interior - Restrooms



Interior - Cafe



Interior - Reception Lobby

Capital Campaign

2020 Life Center Membership Now Available

Our body is like armor, our souls like the warrior. Take care of both, and you will be ready for what comes."

- St. Amma Sycletice



We are blessed as a Parish Family to have a church that provides us with a single location where we can become healthy: body, mind, spirit, and soul. The Pulte Family Life Center has programs and activities for all ages to achieve this balance for health and wellness. If you have not taken the time to visit the Life Center, please take a stroll to the back of campus to witness all we have to offer. The membership is also a steal:

- \$50 a Year for an Individual Social Membership (no access to gyms or fitness activities)
- \$100 a Year for a Parish Family Membership if you have given to our Campaign (including Finish the Church)
- \$150 a Year for Parish Family Membership if you have not given yet
- \$300 a Year for a Non-Parish Family Membership

The Family Memberships include all the individuals in your family so it is an incredibly good deal. This membership also includes our free activities, like Bocce, Boot Camp, Golden Age Fitness, and more!

Please stop by the Life Center desk Monday – Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., to fill out the new agreement. You will need to fill out the 2020 agreement even if you signed up in 2019. Additionally, the agreement can be found on our website (in our Forms section), and emailed to Kyle VanDuser (kyle@sjecc.com). Once we receive your agreement, we will issue you a fob to access the building and rooms. Starting February 1, access to the Life Center outside the normal operating hours and events will require a fob.

Come join in the fun!

Finish the Church Goal: \$1.8 Million
Gifts from 12/15/19: \$55,888.90
Total Gifts as of 12/15/19: \$ 608,502.78
Percentage of Goal Achieved Already: 33.8%



Gospel Reflections with Father Tom

The picture many people have of how the Magi came to Bethlehem goes somewhat like this. They saw a bright star in the eastern sky and began to follow it. The star guided them unerringly, first to Jerusalem, where it temporarily disappeared, and then to Bethlehem where they found the Child Jesus. Put like that, it sounds very simple and very exciting.

But how true is this picture? If we read the Gospel account carefully, we will see that it is quite false. In the Gospel it says that they saw the star 'as it rose.' It says nothing about the star guiding them. What this suggests is that the star was no more than a sign that something unusual had happened, or more precisely, that someone special had been born.

The next time the star is mentioned is when they were on the road to Bethlehem, that is, as they neared the end of their journey. The text says: 'There in front of them was the star they had seen rising.' From this we conclude that in between they traveled in darkness and had to ask and seek and enquire.

Their journey was neither simple nor easy. They encountered difficulties, doubts, and dangers. Yet, in spite of these, they persevered in their quest and were rewarded when they finally found Christ.

This is why their story has such relevance for us. Like them, we too are on a journey. When we start out on the road following the call to be disciples of Christ, we too are attracted by something bright – an ideal or vision or hope. But this initial 'star' does not remain forever in our sky. It grows dim. Clouds get in the way and deprive us of its light.

And we must expect to encounter difficulties and doubts. Some people think they are losing their faith when they experience doubt. We should not be surprised when this happens. We must imitate the Magi. We must not be too proud to ask for guidance. We must believe that the darkness will pass, and once again we will see the initial star beckoning to us. The Magi can serve as models for us on our faith journey. They were single-minded. They refused to be put off by difficulties and hardships.

When they found Christ, they offered Him gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



This shows what happens to those who find Christ. Their hearts are awakened and burst into life. When we find Christ and offer our love to Him, He will help us to open the treasures of goodness that lie buried inside us, so that we can offer "gifts" to our brothers and sisters, especially those who are in need.

Having worshipped Christ, the Magi "returned to their own country by another route." This suggests not just a new geographical route, but a new mentality. Having met Christ and heard his Gospel, we too will travel through life by a different route. We will have different attitudes, different values, different goals. It is impossible to encounter Christ without it affecting the way we live our lives.

Faith Formation



Faith Formation Youth Celebrate Christmas!

Dr. Peggy Aune and Mrs. Joanne Janopoulos' 6th grade class is full of smiles as they celebrate the Christmas Season together in Faith Formation class. We look forward to seeing everyone back in Faith Formation beginning this Wednesday, January 8th, and wish you all a very Happy New Year!



This Week in Faith Formation ~ January 5 - 11, 2020

Sunday, Jan. 5 - No Faith Formation Classes
Wednesday, Jan. 8 - 5:45 p.m. - Faith Formation K-8 Classes and Adult Faith Formation
Sunday, Jan. 12 - 9:30 a.m. - Faith Formation K-8 Classes and Adult Faith Formation
9:30 a.m. - High School Confirmation Morning Sessions



We Served Presents

**"You Don't Know What You Don't Know"
Here we go again**

New information at every meeting. This month, guest speakers will discuss:

- Your Health Care – Basic Enrollment and Benefits
- Enrollment in the Premium Accounts – Secure Messaging
- 72-Hour Rule
- Mission Act – Updates
- Pain Management
- What medicines can I get?

**Monday, January 13, 2020
9:00-10:30 a.m.**

Location:

Saint John the Evangelist Church
Pulte Family Life Center
625 111th Ave. N.
Naples, FL 34108

Registration:

Call the Parish Office: 239.566.8740
or contact Bill Fuller at 239.280.8870
Wfuller1@comcast.net

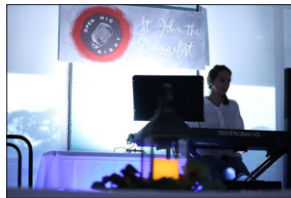
CAO/CYO Music and Arts

Information on Upcoming Music and Arts Events

Events

Open Mic Night – February 6, 2020 – 7:00 p.m. at the 5 Saints Cafe!

Adults and youth welcome! Music, comedy, poetry all welcome! Come out and support our local musicians! 7:00 p.m. at the 5 Saints Cafe! New cafe ambiance! We need an audience! Come out and support our local musicians! Free beverage for all performers!



2019-2020 Concert Series – An Evening of Pop, Rock, and Disco – Jan. 9, 2020 – 7:00 p.m. – \$30

Join our parish family for a night of pop, rock, and disco with The Gypsy Lane Band and guests, Johnny Tarangelo, and Marie Rotunda! The Gypsy Lane Band boasts former band members of The Village People, the O'Jays the Richie Family and Patti La Belle. They will rock the house, best group you will ever hear! **Register online at sjecc.com/concertseries**



Saint John's Children's Choir Updates:

Any child interested in joining this wonderful group is welcome! Rehearsals are in the choir room at 5:15 p.m. (before Faith Formation). Email jennine@sjecc.com for more information.

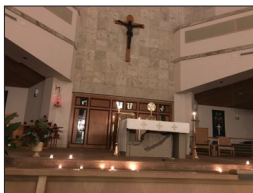


Paint and Wine Night – Jan. 30, 2020 – 6:30 p.m. – \$20

Register online now for our next Paint and Wine night! \$20 includes all your supplies and a beverage. 6:30 p.m. at the 5 Saints Cafe!

Join us for our next Encounter on the Mountain: A Holy Hour of Praise and Adoration

Thursday, January 23, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Our 5:00 p.m. Mass band, Rise, will play beautiful worship music during this powerful holy hour with confessions available throughout the night and a reflection.



A/V Ministry Workshop – January 16, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. in the Pulte Family Life Center Gym

We are currently in need for volunteers interested in helping us with our sound and light during our concert series and theatrical productions. Our sound and light technician will be hosting a workshop for anyone interested in learning to use our equipment. Please register online at sjecc.com or email jennine@sjecc.com so that we know how many people will be attending.

Audition Notice: The Passion Play – January 15, 2020 – 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Please email Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com to schedule your appointment time on January 15th or for more information. This is an incredible experience not to be missed. We hope to welcome back previous cast members from last year's play. Past cast members will not need to audition but will need to email Jennine Burkwit that you would like to participate again.

Classes

CYO February 2020 Classes begin February 22nd! Register by Wednesday, February 19th, to ensure your class is offered! (see CAO Newsletter for Adult classes)

Beginner Piano Class – Saturdays @ 11:00 a.m. – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Intermediate Piano Class – Saturdays @ 10:00 a.m. – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Guitar Class – Saturdays @ Noon – Nazareth North – \$100 – eight-week session

Voice/Cantor Class – Tuesdays @ 5:00 p.m. or Fridays @ 4:30 p.m. – Music Room – \$100 – eight-week session

Acting/Theatre Class – Saturdays @ 10:00 a.m. – Alexandria Room – \$100 – eight-week session

Painting Class – Mondays @ 5:00 p.m. – Nazareth North – \$150 – eight-week session

Private lessons available for guitar, piano, and voice!

Email Jennine at jennine@sjecc.com for more information about any of our Music and Arts programs.

Weekly Calendar: January 5-12

Sunday, January 5

No Activities

Monday, January 6

No Activities

Tuesday, January 7

9:00 a.m. – Zumba in the Gym
6:30 p.m. – AFF – Becoming Catholic in Antioch
7:00 p.m. – Pick Up Basketball in the Gym

Wednesday, January 8

9:30 a.m. – Golden Fitness in the Gym
5:45 p.m. – Faith Formation K-8 Classes
6:00 p.m. – Bootcamp in the Boneyard
7:00 p.m. – Pick Up Volleyball in the Gym

Thursday, January 9

9:00 a.m. – Zumba in the Gym
9:00 a.m. – Bocce in the Bocce Court
9:30 a.m. – AFF – Women of the Word in Alexandria
6:30 p.m. – AFF – The Bible Timeline
in Claussen Center Library
7:00 p.m. – Concert Series: An Evening of Pop, Rock,
and Motown in the PFLC

Friday, January 10

6:00 p.m. – Happy Hour in the 5 Saints Cafe

Saturday, January 11

9:00 a.m. – Bootcamp in the PFLC Boneyard
9:00 a.m. – Bocce in the Bocce Courts

Sunday, January 12

7:30 a.m. – AFF – Mornings for Men in 5 Saints Cafe
9:30 a.m. – Faith Formation K-8 Classes
9:30 a.m. – High School Confirmation Morning Sessions



Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition



Boys and Girls, Age 9-14.

CHAMPION AT EACH AGE AND GENDER.

**LOCATION: ST. JOHN THE
EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH IN
THE PULTE FAMILY LIFE CENTER
GYM.**

DATE: JANUARY 25TH, 2020

TIME: REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9AM

SPONSOR: COUNCIL 11281

**CONTACT: KYLE VANDUSER AT
KYLE@SJEC.COM**

Audition Notice for: **The Saint John's Passion Play**



Calling all performers and volunteers! Adults and Older Youth!

Your parish needs YOU to once again bring our incredibly moving Passion Play to life! Our Passion Play this year will be our parish's Good Friday service. This is a powerful way to spend your Lent as you partake in bringing to life The Passion of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Please email our Artistic Director, Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com to schedule your 10 minute audition. All of last year's cast members are encouraged to participate again and will not be required to audition. Simply send an email stating your interest.

Date: January 15, 2020

Time: By Appointment

**Where: Pulte Family Life
Center Music Room**



Adult Faith Formation

Welcome to Winter 2020

This is an exciting time of year at our parish; our seasonal members return and enliven our liturgies and programs, we begin a new decade (although some say the decade doesn't begin until January 2021), we are fully in our new spaces, church, life center and the rest, and new programs kick off the Adult Faith Formation opportunities for you.



We continue with a focus on the Mass, our time to encounter Jesus Christ, converse with Him and enjoy a meal. This winter there are two new programs exploring the Mass, and one new facilitator. We welcome Laura Huggett to our team; she has decades of experience and nothing but rave reviews. She will utilize six great Brant Pitre lectures to explore **Why We Worship**.

A shorter and more focused program, **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist**, will dig into the constantly challenging belief in and understanding of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.



Whether you are interested in the Bible stories from the thousand years between David killing Goliath and the Ascension of Jesus, or the Church from the 14th century through the Reformation, Modernism, the Second Vatican Council, to today, there is a *Timeline* program for you.

The Bible Timeline arranges the narrative books of the Bible in chronological order to help you see the big picture. **Epic: A Journey Through Church History** presents the key events and people in Church and secular realms in relation to each other so you can understand why the Church developed as it did.



Two books of the New Testament will be studied in depth. This Liturgical Year, Cycle A, features the **Gospel of Matthew**, and this program will focus on the Chapters that have been chosen for the weekly readings, beginning with the birth of Jesus proceeding to His Ascension in Chapter 28. Deacon John Sebastian has become a member of the team and will take the lead on this program.

Also, from the New Testament, one of Paul's later letters, the Letter to the **Romans** will be read and discussed. It provides a

comprehensive yet simple way to understand salvation.



Christian Meditation returns, but with new presentations. This combination of lecture, discussion, and practice is great for both those interested in an introduction to meditation as well as those who look to take meditation to a deeper level.



Women of the Word continue to meet on Thursday mornings and there is a new **Mornings for Men** that has begun to meet on Sunday mornings. Check them out.



Programs for Parents will continue to meet during youth faith formation times. More details will be forthcoming from Natalie.

And Grandparents, save the dates January 29 or 30 when we will welcome Kay and Gary Aitchison to introduce us to their program for **Grandparents**, a precious resource for families, the church, and society. *Pope Benedict XVI April 2008*.



While you have your calendar open, also save the dates March 30 – April 1 for our **Parish Mission**.



There is a lot to choose from over the next three months until Easter. But don't be overwhelmed or frozen in fear you might miss something great. If you choose just one program that appeals to you, I'll guarantee you'll experience something great.

The entire Adult Faith Formation team is excited and looks forward to seeing you at our Winter 2020 programs.

The Adult Faith Formation Team
Jack Kindsvater, coordinator
jack@sjecc.com
or leave a message at 239.228.3918

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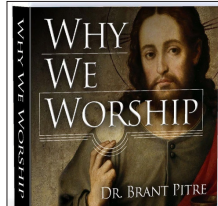
Lunchtime Winter 2020 Programs Begin January 14-17th

on Tuesdays—

Why We Worship

This 6-week program explores what the Bible says about worship and why Catholics do what they do at Mass.

Dr. Brant Pitre takes you on a scriptural tour addressing questions including:



- Who determines how we worship?
- What did worship look like in the Old Testament?
- How does it parallel the Mass today?
- What does worship look like in Heaven?
- How does Revelation reveal the Mass?
- What was Passover worship like at the time of Jesus and how does it parallel Catholic worship today?
- How does the Bible unlock the mysteries behind the words and actions in the Mass?

on Wednesdays—

Epic: The History of the Church

Teachers and historians Steve Weidenkopf and Dr. Alan Schreck developed *Epic* to help Catholics learn their family story



and answer common objections about the Church. Knowledge of our Catholic story helps provide meaning to the present, and the present determines the future. Many in our society misunderstand and even attack the Church for its' supposed past misdeeds. What is the truth concerning these events and persons?

This is the second part of a fascinating 20-session study that takes you through the major people, places, and events that make up the history of the Catholic Church. But even if you have not yet completed the first part, you are invited to join now and study the period from the Reformation to today.

on Thursdays—

The Gospel of Matthew

Over the 12 weeks before Holy Week, this Jeff Cavins program shows how Jesus fulfills God's promises to Israel and how Christ established His Kingdom on earth. He explains how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to a new level of holiness.



Matthew portrays Jesus as the true King who fulfills the Law the people of Israel have failed to keep and who introduces the new law that will accompany the New Covenant. This study will provide deeper understanding of the Sunday readings and the key to understanding the rest of the New Testament and Christ as the fulfillment of God's plan.

on Fridays—

Christian Meditation

See how meditation can benefit your soul, by centering it on God, and your body, by reducing stress and lowering blood pressure.

During the lecture and discussion part of each class, there is an introduction to consciousness (religion calls it Soul, and science calls it Mind). When we understand what our consciousness is and how meditation can benefit us, we tend to be more serious about the work of meditation, because meditation is work.

Each session ends with a meditation experience. Various deep imaging techniques are explored. New material has been added so even those who have attended a prior Christian Meditation program will benefit.



Adult Faith Formation

Evening Winter 2020 Programs

beginning Thursday, January 9—

The Bible Timeline

The key to understanding the Bible is finding the story that ties it all together. As you see the story unfold, you will see the “big picture” of the Bible. The Mass readings will begin to make more sense and you will see God’s loving plan for your life.

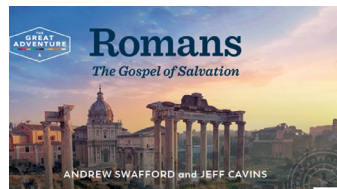


This is the second part of a fascinating 24-session study that takes you deep into each period of salvation history. But even if you have not yet completed the first part, you are invited to join now and study the thousand years from King David to the Ascension. You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith; it’s like driving through the Holy Land in a Land Rover.

beginning Tuesday, January 21—

Paul’s Letter to the Romans

From the very beginning, Paul’s letter to the Romans has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy. Romans: The Gospel of Salvation provides a Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand the overarching theme of Romans—salvation. It explores the ways in which Jesus is the fulfillment of Israel’s prophecies, which leads to the universal, “Catholic” family of God.

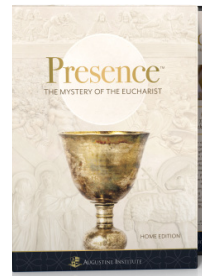


In this 8-week program, theology professor Dr. Andrew Swafford and scripture scholar Jeff Cavins examine Paul’s letter to the Romans, provide historical context and highlight the connections to Jesus and Christianity Paul makes with the Old Testament.

beginning Monday, January 27—

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

This short, 3-week program explores the truth and beauty of Christ’s Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members.



“... too many Catholics approach the Holy Eucharist with—let’s be honest—indifference. Presence is a perfect blend of storytelling to fire the imagination, personal testimony to stir the soul, and theological instruction to inform the intellect. This lively and compelling series on the central reality of the Catholic religion is ideal for ... anyone who finds himself longing to love Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament more but not knowing where to begin.” *Chris Check, President of Catholic Answers*

beginning Tuesday, January 21—

Thursdays - Women of the Word

Join other women of all ages and walks of life to study our faith in a non-judgmental, supportive community. The books and programs are chosen by the women and typically run for 3 to 8 weeks; at 9:00 on January 16 a new program, Lectio: Mark will begin.



Sundays - Mornings for Men

Are you open to the spiritual growth and social fellowship of a focused “Men’s Group?” Consider joining other men of all ages on Sunday mornings in the 5 Saints Café for a lite breakfast, bottomless coffee, and good fellowship.



At 7:30 a.m., the day’s program begins. It is participant driven to be responsive to the issues we face today and generally under 30 minutes long to allow for dialogue and discussion. The meeting ends at 8:45 in time to attend 9:00 Mass.



Adult Faith Formation

Programs and Detailed Schedule, Winter 2020

| <u>Date and Time</u> | <u>Program</u> | <u>Location and Leader</u> |
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| Mondays 6:00-7:00 p.m. January 27 - February 3 | Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist | Library Nancy Bouchard |
| Tuesdays 12:30-2:30 p.m. January 14 - February 18 | Why We Worship | Nazareth Laura Huggett |
| Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 p.m. January 21 - March 17 (skip 2/4) | Romans | Library Mike Viola |
| Wednesdays 12:00-1:30 p.m. January 15 - March 25 (skip 2/26) | Epic: A Journey Through Church History | Nazareth Sue Hamilton |
| Thursdays 9:30 a.m. Ongoing | Women of the Word (various) | Alexandria Nancy Bouchard |
| Thursdays 12:00-1:30 p.m. January 16 - April 2 | Matthew | Nazareth Deacon John Sebastian |
| Thursdays 6:30-8:00 p.m. January 19 - April 2 | The Bible Timeline | Library Deborah Simon |
| Fridays 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. January 17 - March 13 | Meditation (new) | Alexandria Christine Reinhard |
| Sundays 7:30-8:45 a.m. Begins January 12 | Mornings for Men | 5 Saints Cafe Jack Kindsvater |

Another program, The Grand Adventure, is anticipated to take place on Wednesday, January 29, and Thursday, January 30. Exact time and locations to be determined. Stay tuned for more information!

There is no cost for any program. Study guides and workbooks are optional and available at our cost. Each program is facilitated by an experienced and educated member of the Adult Faith Formation team. If there is little interest in any individual program it is subject to cancellation.

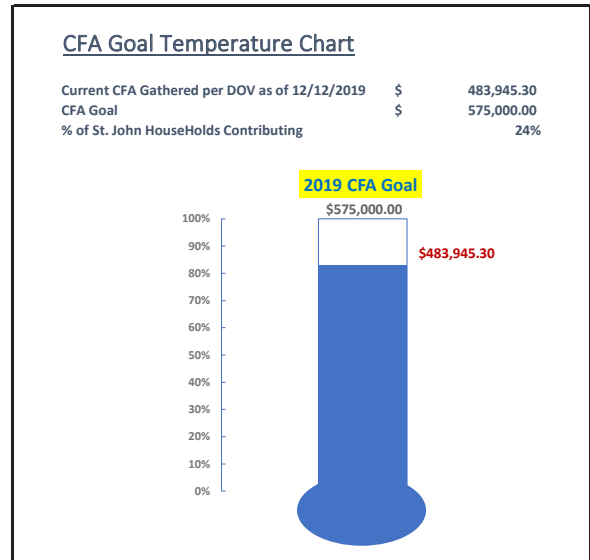
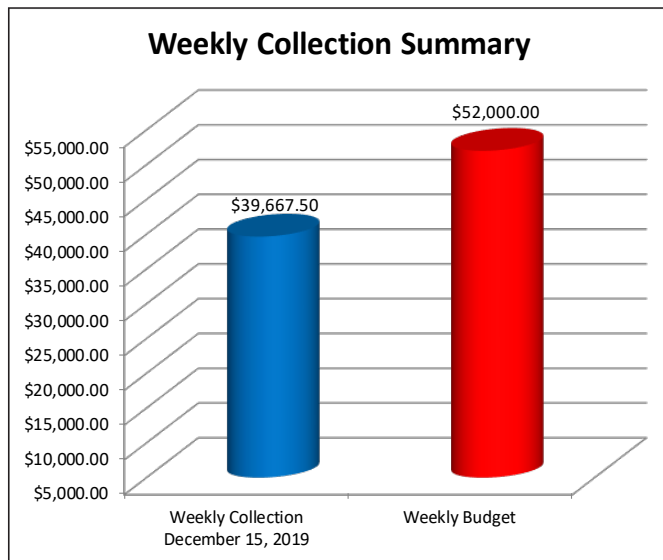
Hymns for the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord January 4 and 5, 2020

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Our Adult Choir will sing next Sunday, January 12th, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Attention ALL musicians! We have wonderful opportunities for singers and instrumentalists to join our dynamic music ministry! In the following weekends, we will highlight one of our exciting music ministries! But, please do not wait for the bulletin invitation to join one of our fine choirs! This is our very warm invitation to join us NOW! Whether already well established or conceptual, our ministries are always in development and growth. St. John's has been very blessed to have had a history of terrific music. With your participation, we can ensure that this legacy will continue and thrive!

Sincerely in His service, Gary Prettyman (gary@sjecc.com), Jennine Burkwit (Jennine@sjecc.com).



Advent/Christmas Music Worship Aid

Mass of Divine Promise

Kyrie eleison (Lord Have Mercy)

Based on 'Conditor Alme Siderum' (Creator of the Stars of Night)

Gary Prettyman

The musical score for 'Kyrie eleison (Lord Have Mercy)' is presented in three systems. Each system includes a Cantor part and a Congregational (Cong.) part. The lyrics are: 'Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Lord - have mer - cy.' The first system is in 3/4 time. The second system is in 3/4 time. The third system is in 3/4 time.

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Sanctus (Holy)

Based on 'Veni, Veni Emmanuel' (O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

Gary Prettyman

The musical score for 'Sanctus (Holy)' is presented in seven systems, each with a single melodic line. The lyrics are: 'Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Hea - ven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Hea - ven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He - who comes, who comes - in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!' The score includes measure numbers 1, 4, 7, 11, 15, 17, and 20. The time signature changes from 3/4 to 2/4 and back to 3/4.

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Advent/Christmas Music Worship Aid

Mass of Divine Promise

Mystery of Faith #2

When We Eat This Bread and Drink this Cup

Based on 'Conditor Alme Siderum' (Creator of the Stars of Night)

Gary & Terri Prettyman

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim - Your
4 death, O Lord, un - til You come a - gain.

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Amen

Based on 'Veni, Veni Emmanuel' (O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

Gary Prettyman

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men!

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A Prayer for World Peace

Dear God, thank You for all creation.

In the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth and all teachers of peace who inspire the many faith traditions,

help me and all the people of the world

learn how to replace hate, war, oppression, and division

with love, peace, freedom, and reconciliation.

Help me to embody Your love in my relationships

with my family, friends, strangers – even my enemies.

I commit myself to this sacred task throughout my life.

So let it be. Amen.



Mass Music Aid

5:00 p.m. Mass Music Worship Aid – Sunday, January 5, 2019 The Epiphany of the Lord

Opening Song **104** **We Three Kings** **KINGS OF ORIENT / John H. Hopkins, Jr.**

Preparation Song **Offering** **Paul Baloche** CCLI Song # 3956562. Paul Baloche. © 2002 Integrity's
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Verse 1)
Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star;
While angels sang to lowly shepherds,
Three wise men seeking truth travelled from afar
Hoping to find the Child from heaven,
Falling on their knees they bowed
Before the humble Prince of Peace [to chorus]

Verse 2)
The sun cannot compare to the glory of your love,
There is no shadow in your presence.
No mortal man would dare to stand before your throne,
before the Holy One of heaven—
It's only by your Blood,
and it's only through your mercy, Lord, I come

Chorus

I bring an of - fer - ing ___ of wor - ship to ___ my King. ___ No one on earth
3 ___ de - serves ___ the prai - ses that ___ I sing. ___ Je - sus, may you
5 ___ re - ceive the hon - or that ___ you're due. ___ O Lord, ___ I bring an of - fer - ing ___ to you. ___

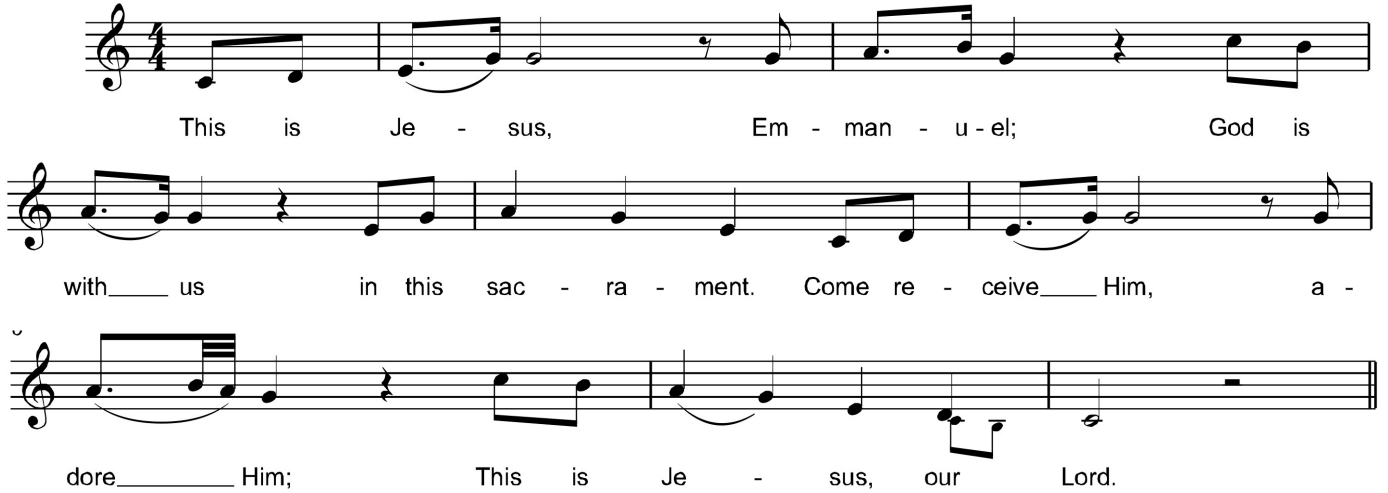
Communion Song **This Is Jesus** **Jim Cowan** CCLI Song No. 2185286. © 1987 International
Liturgy Publications.

Verse 1)
Bright Star of David, Radiance of God
now become the Living Bread,
the Body of the Lord!
Come in adoration,
receive with trembling hands
the Sacrament most holy,
the Banquet of the Lamb!

Verse 2)
Drink of living waters
flowing from the Lord,
Taste the Cup of blessing,
partake of Precious Blood!
River of salvation, holy cleansing tide,
Fountain of redemption
flowing from the Savior's side!

Verse 3)
Priest of highest honor,
King and Sov'reign Lord,
Unblemished Lamb of sacrifice,
your very life outpoured!
Royal Paschal victim,
true begotten Son
Offered as our ransom
by the Holy One!

Mass Music Aid



This is Je - sus, Em - man - u - el; God is
with us in this sac - ra - ment. Come re - ceive Him, a -
dore Him; This is Je - sus, our Lord.

Communion Song

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The First Nowell

THE FIRST NOWELL / Traditional Carol

Closing Song

In the Light

Charlie Peacock

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Verse 1) I keep trying to find a life on my own apart from you. I am the king of excuses: I've got one for every selfish thing I do .

Verse 2) The disease of "self" runs through my blood. It's a cancer fatal to my soul. Every attempt on my behalf has failed to bring this sickness under control.



Tell me, what's go-ing on in - side of me? I des - pise my own be - hav -
ior. This on-ly serves to con-firm my sus-pic-ions that I'm still some-one in need of a
sav-ior. I want to be in the light, as you are in the light. I want to shine like the stars in the
hea - vens. O Lord, be my light, and be my sal-va-tion, 'cause all I want is to be in the
light. All I want is to be in the light.

Events and Information

St. Vincent de Paul Society Thrift Store

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Mass Honoring Widows and Widowers

Bishop Frank J. Dewane will celebrate a Mass for all widows and widowers beginning at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, January 26, at St. John the Evangelist Parish, 625 111th North Avenue, Naples. Dinner will follow in the Parish Hall. A display of photos will be available for viewing during the reception. Should you wish to participate with a photo of you and your deceased spouse, please email Gail at ardy@dioceseofvenice.org, or send a copy in advance to Diocese of Venice, ATTN: Widows and Widowers Mass, 1000 Pinebrook Road, Venice, Florida 34285. There is no cost to attend. Registration is required to plan for food. To register, visit www.dioceseofvenice.org/calendar. For more details, contact Gail at 941-484-9543 or ardy@dioceseofvenice.org, or Kim at elsmore@dioceseofvenice.org.

Bishop Invites Couples Celebrating Marriage

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Mass honoring significant anniversaries will be celebrated in two locations: 11:00 a.m., Saturday, February 1, at Epiphany Cathedral, 310 Sarasota Street, Venice; and 11:00 a.m., Saturday, February 29, at St. Leo the Great Parish, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs. Please contact St. Leo at (239) 992-2253.

Events and Information

National Catholic Youth Conference

Thanks to the financial generosity of you, the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist, our CYO Youth Group recently went on a pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis, Indiana. We joined 20,000 other high school teens from 145 dioceses across the United States and included participants from Canada, England, and Australia.

Our group of 10 teens and three adults spent three days and nights learning about and praising God. In a stadium that has hosted the Super Bowl, we knelt in adoration, received individual reconciliation, and participated in the holy sacrifice of the Mass with seven bishops and hundreds of priests. We sang along with the Christian band For King and Country, listened to testimonies from many youth and adults, and shouted in unison “Viva Cristo Rey” (“long live Christ the King”). One highlight was hearing directly from Pope Francis via a videotaped message, who asked the youth to:

- Go out and meet each person
- Fill the peripheries of the world – even the digital ones
- Bear witness to the tenderness and mercy of Jesus

For many of us, this trip was our first visit to the midwest. We toured downtown Indianapolis on a bicycle-built-for-16, got really excited when snow fell from the sky, and attended Sunday Mass at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church (yes, really!) next door to the Indiana Convention Center.

NCYC is a bi-annual event championed by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry. Attending was inspirational, informative, and invigorating to our relationship with Jesus Christ! SJE’s CYO Youth Group is already planning to attend NCYC in 2021. Thank you for all your prayers and for the financial support you provided to make this experience possible.



Events and Information

Daily Mass Schedule Change Through Easter

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

Help Wanted

- Our CYO/CAO program is in great need of volunteers to work the reception desk of the Pulte Family Life Center. Responsibilities include welcoming people, answering the phone, registering people for our events and activities, as well as taking memberships for the Pulte Family Life Center. Please email kyle@sjecc.com if you are able to work a shift.
- Our theater program is in great need of volunteers to help with our children's theater productions and our annual Passion Play production. We need back stage help, costume and set help, light and sound, and so much more. Please email Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com to add you to our volunteer list!
- Our Music and Arts program is looking for volunteers to help with checking in people for the concert series (second Thursday of the month). Please email jennine@sjecc.com to be added to our volunteer list.
- Encounter on the Mountain – A Night of Praise and Adoration is in need of volunteers to form a ministry to take over for our NET team responsibilities during the event. From setting up candles, to handing out worship aids, to door greeters, to prayer teams and confession line organizer... we need your help! There are only five nights a year, making this the perfect volunteer opportunity for someone with a busy schedule. These night are very impacting to our parish family and community. Please email our Artistic Director, Jennine Burkwit at jennine@sjecc.com to be added to our volunteer list.
- We are in need of children to partake and serve in our Children's Choir Ministry. Please come to our rehearsals at 5:15 p.m. in the choir room.
- Calling all performers! We need musicians, comedians, and poetry readers for our open mic nights. Performers all receive a free drink ticket. Open mic nights occur every first Thursday of the month from August-May at 7:00 p.m. at the Pulte Family Life Center 5 Saints Cafe.