

First Sunday of Advent - November 27, 2022

# Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church



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### **The Memorare**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

### **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.

# Parish Information

## Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. (livestreamed)

Saturday: 8:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. (livestreamed), 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (livestreamed), 11:00 a.m. (livestreamed), 1:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m.

## Hours of Operation

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

St. John's Religious Gift Shop : Saturday 2:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint John the Evangelist offers the healing sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) in the Church confessionals on Monday and Wednesday after morning Mass and Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 2:00-2:45 p.m.

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# Mass Intentions

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

### Saturday, November 26, 2022

8:00 AM + Elizabeth Carrier and Gary Kriger  
*Vigil Masses for Sunday*  
 3:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners  
 5:00 PM + Montello and Corbino Families

### Sunday, November 27, 2022

7:00 AM + Merle Martin  
 9:00 AM + Mr. and Mrs. John Shea  
 11:00 AM + Michael Blake  
 1:00 PM + Jim and Jo Papa  
 5:00 PM + Robert Naples

### Monday, November 28, 2022

8:30 AM + Dorothy Squires Shew

### Tuesday, November 29, 2022

8:30 AM + Deborah Wilton McLoughlin

### Wednesday, November 30, 2022

8:30 AM + Edwin McDougall

### Thursday, December 1, 2022

8:30 AM SI Margaret Curran

### Friday, December 2, 2022

8:30 AM + Bob and Madeleine Dugan

### Saturday, December 3, 2022

8:00 AM SI Nancy and Gergor Owen

*(Vigil Masses for Sunday)*

3:00 PM + Ed and Janette Malling  
 5:00 PM SI For Our Parishioners

### Sunday, December 4, 2022

7:00 AM + Thomas Curran  
 9:00 AM SI Norma Claussen  
 11:00 AM + Jim Papa  
 1:00 PM + Eileen Tomasello and Family  
 5:00 PM + John Larotonda

### Requested By

The Eight Carrier Children

Vincent and Kathryn Corbino

### Requested By

John Martin  
 Ginger and Kathy  
 Gloria Blake  
 Therese Surges

Frances Naples

### Requested By

Connie and Jack Kindsvater

### Requested By

Bernard and Ryan McLoughlin

### Requested By

Diane Rowe

### Requested By

Rosemarie and Gerard Heyen

### Requested By

Marsha Finck and Family

### Requested By

Jacki and John

Janice Wieland

### Requested By

Rosemarie and Gerard Heyen

Merrill Fox

Terese Surges

Eileen Tomasello

Rosemary

## Readings for the Week

### **Saturday, November 26, 2022**

RV 22:1-7/LK 21:34-36

### **Sunday, November 27, 2022**

Is 2:1-5/Mt 24:37-44

### **Monday, November 28, 2022**

Is 4:2-6/ Mt 8:5-11

### **Tuesday, November 29, 2022**

IS 11:1-10/LK 10:21-24

### **Wednesday, November 30, 2022**

Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

### **Thursday, December 1, 2022**

Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27

### **Friday, December 2, 2022**

IS 29:17-24/MT 9:27-31

### **Saturday, December 3, 2022**

IS 30:19-21, 23-26  
 PS 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/MT 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8

## 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 call the office at (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 Groups

**Arimatheans.** Arimatheans attend funeral Masses and memorial services to provide support and compassion. Please contact Ann Petrillo: 239.248.2189

**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 information, contact Jeanne Stamant Pittman: 239.248.3248 or [info@jamaicaoutreach.org](mailto:info@jamaicaoutreach.org)

**Knights of Columbus.** At St. John the Evangelist, Knights serve parish ministries, sponsor parish events and help with special projects. They support our clergy, fund parish equipment, assist in events for our youth and help the less fortunate. You can learn more about the parish K of C Council on our website <https://11281.knights.church> or contact us, at [info@kofccouncil11281.org](mailto:info@kofccouncil11281.org) or leave a message at 239.228.3938, and we'll respond promptly. Fourth degree Knights can find information about our Assembly at <https://3308.patriotic.degree>.

**Knitting & Crocheting.** Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. - Noon in the Parish Activity Center, classrooms 3 & 4. Knits and crochets baby and children's items, prayer shawls, nursing home and elderly blankets. No experience necessary. Donations, both monetary and yarn are welcome. Contact: Sharon Camp 239.438.7867 or [sharon@naples.net](mailto:sharon@naples.net)

**Faith Chat** - (formerly Women of the Word) A group of women who meet on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Claussen Center for Bible Study. The next session will begin on October 6 at 9:30 a.m.. The group will watch the second season of the TV series "The Chosen." Please contact Lee Pinto at [Leepinto2924@aol.com](mailto:Leepinto2924@aol.com) or 239.821.6195 for more information.

**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](mailto:scoutmaster@troop-226.com)

**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. Barbara Hardebeck: 765-714-6589

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

**Ladies of Charity.** Our motto is to serve rather than to be served in humility, simplicity, and charity. We strive to serve the poor, sick, and marginalized in our community. Membership is open to any Catholic woman. For more information, please contact Karen Kaspar at [kcmk77@aol.com](mailto:kcmk77@aol.com) or 216.496.7414.

**Sewing Ministry.** Sewing Ministry meets to sew for needy children on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Parish Activity Center, rooms 1 and 2. Donations, both monetary and of fabrics and supplies are welcome. If you like to sew we encourage you to come and see what we are all about. Please call either Barbara Arthur at 239.250.4162, email [Bka1678@hotmail.com](mailto:Bka1678@hotmail.com) or Phyllis Crivelli 973.710.6347, email [jandpcrivelli@gmail.com](mailto:jandpcrivelli@gmail.com) before coming to make sure we are meeting that day.

**The Society of St. Vincent DePaul.** We give glory to God by offering direct/in-home help to anyone in need within the boundaries of our parish. Our work spans fighting food insecurity, keeping families in their homes, and a wide variety of special projects and programs focused on helping our neighbors address difficult challenges. We meet the FIRST and THIRD Tuesdays of every month at 9:00 a.m. in the Rome Room. Contact Bob Westenberg: [bwstjohn@SVDNnaples.org](mailto:bwstjohn@SVDNnaples.org).

**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 6:00 p.m. Contact Melissa Wychocki: [mwychocki@gmail.com](mailto:mwychocki@gmail.com)

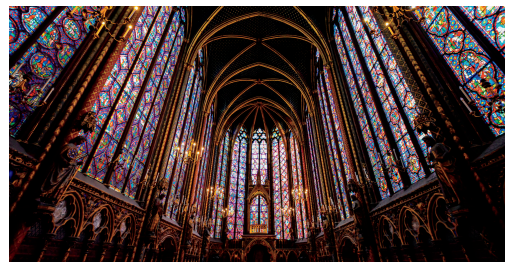
**AA Robert:** 239.287.2442

**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](http://www.NaplesAl-Anon.org)

**Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina** – Mondays at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. Kathleen Dunne: [kadunne61@aol.com](mailto:kadunne61@aol.com), 901.574.2947

**Liturgy of the Hours** - Call the Office: 239.566.8740  
Pray the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena: Every Saturday immediately after the 7:50 a.m. Mass.  
Allan Degnan : 239-919-4465





# Pray

## Pray for the Military

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

- Adam Decker
- Nick Detloff
- SSG Douglas Hennessy
- Marine Colonel Brian Howlett
- Lt. Col. Scott Huber – USAF
- PV2 Alexander McMickle – Ft. Eustis, VA
- Hunter Scalzo – Army Ranger with 1st Division & 75th Infantry
- Col. Brian Murphy
- Lt. Col. Jill Murphy
- Sgt. Larry Oldenburg – US Army
- Cpl. Derek Perez - US Marine Corps
- Austin Spagnola
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Zecchino – USAF, Turkey
- Capt. Stephen English – US Army
- LTJG Tanis K. Taylor – US Navy, USS Sullivans
- Sophie Koepl
- Austin Zicht – USAF
- Brendan C. Finnegan-USAf
- SPC Nicholas LaManna
- PFC Sisi Tyrrell US Marine Corps
- Hugh O'Donnell, SPEC 4, 75th Ranger Regiment
- Lt. Brendan Tourek – USN
- Capt. Gregory Sacenti - US Army
- Daniel Petito – US Army
- PFC John Dyer - US Army Germany
- Drew Kendall – Seamen US Navy

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

## Prayer List

Declan Aigner	Paula Cantoni	Bill Farley	John Michael	Paul Lombard	O'Donnell	Diane Sweeney
Amy FitzGerald	Hortencia Victoria	The Fewell Family	Jannusch	Janet Lombardo	Patrick O'Donnell	Joan Marie
Molly and Randy Anton	Arbocco Carrillo	Follese and Fiedler Families	Anna Lee Johnson	Teresa Lozano	Joseph Pandolfo	Switalski
Josephine Apricena	Pauline Cataldo	Kevin Flynn	Megan Johnson	Bob Lutz	Eric Parker	Terry
Dexter Aumiller	Chris Rosanne	Anna Focht	Kennedy Johnston	Joan D. Lynch	Ryan Paul	Kristin Travis
Tony Aumiller	Christinzio	Dylan Fowler	Ophelia Joy	Barb Marsh	Bill Payne	Kathleen Trotter
Allison Avery	Lorraine Ciano	Jim Gallagher	Robert Kaliebe	Deborah Marsh	Adolfo Peters	Lily Troutman
Babies Ralph and Charlie	Leonora Coleman	Sandra Geffert	Ronald & Patricia Kaminski	Ruth Martin	Raymond Placencia	Beth Tze
Kim Bach	Paige Coughlin	Fr. Len Gioeli	Shawn Kay	Donna Masse	Dennis Powers	Pavel Ushakov
Florence Ballachino	Cosme Cruz	Joann Golia	Yvonne Keenan	Janice McCarthy	Amrita Rashmi	Vlada Ushakova
Sam Ballachino	Margaret Cunnane	Florence Gordon	Karen Kellington	Catherine McCusker	John Repice	Nicole Vander Horst
Barbara Barber	Brad Cunningham	Richard Granger	Caroline Lansing Kelly, MD	Jutta McInnis	Vicki Reza	Michael Venardi
Carolyn Bashaw	Curran family	Harry Grevey	Marion Kelly	Susan McKeever	Jack Roberts	Joann Vullo
Robert Bashaw	Elisa D.	Jessica Gary	Dolores Kernocha	Jerry McMahon	Danica Roy	Noah Wagner
Jennifer Basile	Janet D'Addario	Lisa Ann Granger	Nancy Kiel	Andrew McManus	Frank Ryan	Barbara Wallace
Kurt Becker	Eileen Norma DaSilva	Karen Gross	Elizabeth Kiffney	Rebecca McManus	Peggy O'Neil Saba	Elaine Wilkinson
Ralph Belmore	Mark Davey	Gary Gwizdala	Tracey Kirk	Bishop Burchell	Lisa Sanfelippo	Harry Witt
Linda Berry	Julie DeArmas	Becky Hanson	Liz Knott	McPherson	RC Schmidt	Randy Witt
Larry Biela	Nicholas DeCanto	Fred Harkins	Jeffrey Kostiw	Thomas and Michael Miller	Anne Sissman	S.J. Zarebi
Boxer	Nicki DeVries	Cody Harrison	Kathie Kotscher	Eileen Miner	Kyle Sitarz	Carol Zolan
Bernie Boyle	Vincent DiStefano	Gayle Harvey	Brady Koza	Heather Schwarz	Teddy & Joe Sitter	James Stowers
Therese Braiz	Tim Dodd	Don Herring	Richard C. Kruger	Maroney	Clyde Smatlak	Robert and Kathleen Soares
Kent Brase	Dolores Donnelly	Rosemary Heyen	Richard C. Kruger	Carrie Nudd	Robert and Kathleen Soares	Amy Sobie
Isabella Bucca	Suzanne Donnelly	Amy Hilliard	Judy Kruzich	James Oko	Soares	Pamela Solomon
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Bill Stuckey	Eileen Elkin Escobar	Liz Hunziker	Jack and Kay Lain	Marylee Olsen	Julian Stickney	Julian Stickney
Rosalie Senatore	Melanie F.	Sianead Hyland	Shanna Lee	Kathleen Dolores Donnelly	Jeanne Stoll	Brendan Sullivan
		Jim Rankin	Doris Lloyd			
		Dawn Luderman	Michele Loggi			
		Sean S. Haugh	Raymond Vanasse			



# Gospel Reflection with Fr. Nick

Last week we celebrated the Mass of Christ the King, and the liturgical year came to an end. This Sunday, the first Sunday of Advent, it's good to turn both the Missal and the Lectionary from the very last page back to the very first page. Today we begin the celebration of the paschal mystery all over again. Today is a Mass of new beginnings.

First, we begin a new liturgical year. There are three years in the cycle: Year A when we read the Gospel of Matthew; Year B when we read the Gospel of Mark; and Year C when we read the Gospel of Luke

Today we begin the three-year cycle again from the very beginning, Year A. In another sense, we are also beginning the pilgrimage of the rest of our life. From all the different areas of the parish, from many different walks of life, and from a great variety of human situations you and I have joined the long procession of Catholics who, throughout the world, have gathered in their own local church to celebrate these three new beginnings as disciples of Christ.

In this context, the opening words of our celebration are especially significant. Hundreds of millions of Catholics will begin the Mass with these words from the entrance antiphon: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

To you, I lift up my soul O my God. What beautiful words. We gather for this new season of Advent and the first thing the Church asks us to do is to say together: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. This is the definition and essence of prayer – raising the soul to God. Notice that it is in the singular form, and not the plural form. As the millions of believers gather to pray it is fitting that together, each one of us should address God in a personal way. Only I can lift my soul to God. It's a very personal thing. You cannot lift my soul to God. You cannot trust God for me. Your wife or husband can pray for you at Mass, and that is a good and beautiful thing, but they cannot take your place before God.

The antiphon continues: In you, I have trusted. Of all the prayers we can say to God, this has to be one of the most pleasing. Saint Faustina confirms this for us in her Diary when she writes that trust in God will unlock the door of his mercy. It was the signature Jesus wanted placed under the image of Divine Mercy – Jesus, I trust in you.

Recognizing our own weakness, however, we acknowledge that it can cause us grief and so we plead: let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me.

And our enemies do exult, they do gloat over us. That's what enemies do, that's their job, they can't help it. To the degree that they cause us to turn to God we should be grateful to them. The best kind of enemy to have, is one who opposes you for the sake of the name of Christ. We heard this in our readings two weeks ago. You will be hated by all men on account of my name. Jesus then promised us: Not a hair on your head will be lost. Therefore, we pray with confidence! The kind of confidence we find in the conclusion of our Entrance Antiphon: let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Our themes are clear. Advent will be for us, or should I say, for me?

- A time for gathering with the Church for the Sunday Mass.
- A time for looking forward to and waiting for the coming of Christ
- A time of prayer, of lifting my soul to God every day, as often as possible.
- A time of renewed trust.
- A time of faith, of knowing that no one who waits for God is ever put to shame

In Christ's love,  
Fr. Nick



# Prayers

## Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to  
pray for me to the Lord our God.

## Gloria (Glory to God in the Highest)

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of  
good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify  
you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have  
mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our  
prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have  
mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in  
the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven  
and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of  
God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God,  
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not  
made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all  
things were made. For us men and for our salvation he  
came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was  
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake  
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death  
and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the  
Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the  
right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to  
judge the living, and the dead and his kingdom will have no  
end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who  
with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic  
Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins,  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the  
dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be  
Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our  
daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as  
we forgive those who trespass against us; and  
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us  
from evil.

## Communion Prayer

Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.

## Ukraine Prayer

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide  
their choices.  
We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.  
Amen





# Readings for the Readings for the First Sunday of Advent

Lectionary: 1  
Reading 1  
Is 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz,  
saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.  
In days to come,  
the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest mountain  
and raised above the hills.  
All nations shall stream toward it;  
many peoples shall come and say:  
"Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may instruct us in his ways,  
and we may walk in his paths."  
For from Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  
He shall judge between the nations,  
and impose terms on many peoples.  
They shall beat their swords into plowshares  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
one nation shall not raise the sword against  
another,  
nor shall they train for war again.  
O house of Jacob, come,  
let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm  
Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.  
I rejoiced because they said to me,  
"We will go up to the house of the LORD."  
And now we have set foot  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.  
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.  
Jerusalem, built as a city  
with compact unity.  
To it the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD.  
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.  
According to the decree for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.  
In it are set up judgment seats,  
seats for the house of David.  
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.  
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!  
May those who love you prosper!  
May peace be within your walls,  
prosperity in your buildings.  
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.  
Because of my brothers and friends  
I will say, "Peace be within you!"  
Because of the house of the LORD, our God,  
I will pray for your good.  
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Are you a widow or widower? Looking for support and healing? Please join our **Bereavement Group** which will begin meeting on Tuesday, October 11, from 9:30am to 11am in the Antioch room of the Claussen Center. We will meet weekly for 9 weeks. A companion book will be provided for each participant for our group discussions, and will be facilitated by Paula Hand, Deacon Hal Brenner, and Rosemary Larotonda. If you are interested to join, please email [hal@sjecc.com](mailto:hal@sjecc.com) or call the parish office at 566-8740. We look forward to this journey together, from grief to healing.



# Readings for the Readings for the First Sunday of Advent

Reading 2  
Rom 13:11-14

Brothers and sisters:  
You know the time;  
it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep.  
For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed;  
the night is advanced, the day is at hand.  
Let us then throw off the works of darkness  
and put on the armor of light;  
let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day,  
not in orgies and drunkenness,  
not in promiscuity and lust,  
not in rivalry and jealousy.  
But put on the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

Alleluia  
Mk 11:9, 10

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
Show us Lord, your love;  
and grant us your salvation.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel  
Mt 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"As it was in the days of Noah,  
so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.  
In those days before the flood,  
they were eating and drinking,  
marrying and giving in marriage,  
up to the day that Noah entered the ark.  
They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away.  
So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man.  
Two men will be out in the field;  
one will be taken, and one will be left.  
Two women will be grinding at the mill;  
one will be taken, and one will be left.  
Therefore, stay awake!  
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.  
Be sure of this: if the master of the house  
had known the hour of night when the thief was coming,  
he would have stayed awake  
and not let his house be broken into.  
So too, you also must be prepared,  
for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."



# Music

## Hymns for the First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

Gathering Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 122 - Let Us Go Rejoicing

Gospel Acclamation: Veni Emmanuel Alleluia

Gifts: The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

Communion Songs: Christ Be Our Light, Only In God

Closing Song: City of God

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### O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

Verses



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And  
2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who  
3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who  
4. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se's stem, From  
5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And  
6. O come, Thou Day - spring from on high And  
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In



1. ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in  
2. or - d'rest all things might - i - ly; To us the  
3. to thy tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient  
4. ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them That trust thy  
5. o - pen wide our heav - 'nly home; Make safe the  
6. cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the  
7. one the hearts of all hu - man - kind; Bid thou our



1. lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of  
2. path of knowl - edge show, And teach us in her  
3. times didst give the law, In cloud and maj - es -  
4. might - y pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry  
5. way that leads on high, And close the path to  
6. gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow  
7. sad di - vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our

Refrain



1. God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u -  
2. ways to go.  
3. ty and awe.  
4. o'er the grave.  
5. mis - er - y.  
6. put to flight.  
7. Prince of Peace.



el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: LM with refrain; Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3-6, para. in *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818-1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. *The Hymnal 1940*, alt.  
Music: *Processionale*, 15th cent. French; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890; Chant, Mode I.






# Music

## Psalm 122: Let Us Go Rejoicing

Refrain



Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord;

Let us go, re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

Verses

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to the house of the Lord," and now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
2. Jerusalem is a city built with unity and strength. It is there, it is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.
3. For Israel's law is to praise God's name and there to give God thanks. There are set the judgment thrones for all of David's house.
4. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May those who love you prosper; May peace ever reign within your walls, and wealth within your buildings!"
5. For love of my fam'ly and love of my friends, I pray that peace be yours. For love of the house of the Lord our God I pray for your good.

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## Gospel Acclamation

(VENI EMMANUEL) Stephen Pishner



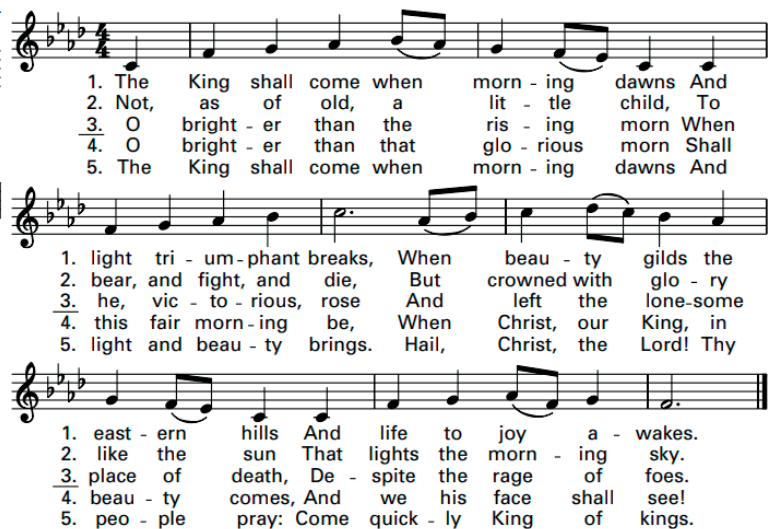
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## THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS

MORNING SONG



1. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And lit - tle child, To  
 2. Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, To  
 3. O bright - er than the ris - ing morn When  
 4. O bright - er than that glo - rious morn Shall  
 5. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And

1. light tri - um - phant breaks, When beau - ty gilds the  
 2. bear, and fight, and die, But crowned with glo - ry  
 3. he, vic - to - rious, rose And left the lone - some  
 4. this fair morn - ing be, When Christ, our King, in  
 5. light and beau - ty brings. Hail, Christ, the Lord! Thy

1. east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.  
 2. like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.  
 3. place of death, De - spite the rage of foes.  
 4. beau - ty comes, And we his face shall see!  
 5. peo - ple pray: Come quick - ly King of kings.

Text: CM; Greek; tr. by John Brownlie, 1859-1925, alt.  
 Music: *Sixteen Tune Settings*, Philadelphia, 1812; *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816.



# Music

## CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT/SÉ NUESTRA LUZ

Bernadette Farrell

## ONLY IN GOD

John Michael Talbot

Verses

1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for  
 2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for  
 3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for  
 4. Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for  
 5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

1. truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
 2. hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
 3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
 4. warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
 5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

1. your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
 2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
 3. bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
 4. shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
 5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain/Estribillo

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.  
 ¡Sé nues - tra luz, Cris - to Se - ñor, en las ti - nie - blas!

Verses

1. On - ly in God is my soul at - rest, in - him comes my sal -  
 2. On - ly in God is found safe - ty when my en - e - my pur -

1. va - tion. He, on - ly, is my rock, my strength - and  
 2. sues me. On - ly in God is found glo - ry when I am found

Refrain

1. my sal - va - tion. My strong - hold, my Sav - ior,  
 2. meek and found low - ly.

I shall not be a - afraid at all. My strong - hold, my

1 to Vs 2 Final

Sav - ior, I shall not be moved. moved. On - ly in

God is my soul at rest, in him comes my sal - va - tion.

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## CITY OF GOD

Dan Schutte

Verses 1, 2

1. A - wake from your slum - ber! A - rise from your  
 2. We are sons of the morn - ing; we are daugh - ters of

1. sleep! A new day is dawn - ing for all those who weep.  
 2. day. The One who has loved us has bright - ened our way.

1. The peo - ple in dark - ness have seen a great light. The  
 2. The Lord of all kind - ness has called us to be a

to Refrain

1. Lord of our long - ing has con - quered the night.  
 2. light for his peo - ple to set their hearts free.

Refrain

Let us build the cit - y of God. May our tears be

turned in - to danc - ing! For the Lord, our light and our

love, has turned the night in - to day!

Verse 3

3. God is light; in him there is no dark - ness.

3. Let us walk in his light, his chil - dren,

3. one and all. O com - fort my

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## CITY OF GOD (CONT 2)

3. peo - ple; make gen - tle your words. Pro - claim to my

to Refrain

3. cit - y the day of her birth.

Verse 4

4. O cit - y of glad - ness, now lift up your voice!

to Refrain

4. Pro - claim the good tid - ings that all may re - joice!

Blessed Mother,

Mary, as we reflect on your yes to bring the Savior into the world, we ask that you be with us as we strive to bring Jesus to all those we encounter.

In this season of joyful hope, we turn to you for guidance. May we imitate your loving example, and steadfastly bring peace and justice to our world.

When we are tempted to distance ourselves from another, give us the grace to say yes to charity.

When we are frustrated, let us listen with our hearts to our neighbors.

When we are disappointed, help us seek new solutions as you did when the Inn was full.

Let us embrace our own need for poverty and humility in order to work toward creative solutions for our world as we await the coming of Christ.

Amen.



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH  
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PRESENT

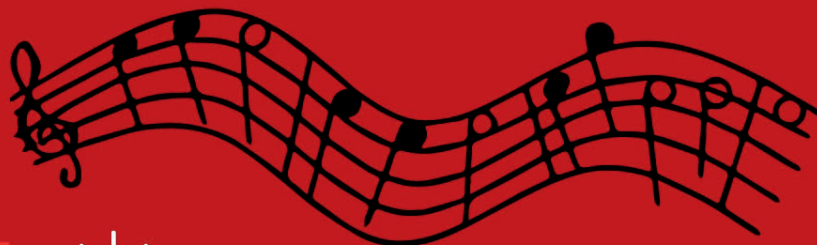
# What Sweeter Music

A Festival of Carols

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, 2022 | 7PM  
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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CAROLS PLUS SEVERAL ORIGINAL SONGS WILL  
DELIGHT PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

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# 5pm Contemporary Mass Music

## Opening: O Come O Come Emmanuel

TO come, O come, Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear

## Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and  
cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to  
flight

## Offertory: Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
And with thanksgiving  
I will be a living sanctuary for you.

## Safe Environment Training

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 complete online training in Safe Environment prior to beginning employment or volunteering.

For further information, please visit:  
<https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/programs/safeenvironment/>. Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. Further, if Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114

## Communion: New Wine

In the crushing  
In the pressing  
You are making new wine  
In the soil  
I now surrender  
You are breaking new ground

So I yield to You into Your careful hand  
When I trust You I don't need to  
understand

**Make me Your vessel  
Make me an offering  
Make me whatever You want me  
to be  
I came here with nothing  
But all You have given me  
Jesus bring new wine out of me**

'Cause where there is new wine  
There is new power  
There is new freedom  
And the Kingdom is here  
I lay down my old flames  
To carry Your new fire today

## Closing: This is Jesus

Night of wonder  
Still and silent  
Heaven's brilliance from above  
Light of glory  
Pierced the darkness  
Mercy pierced my heart with love

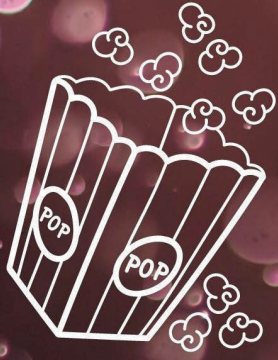
**This is Jesus  
King of glory  
Here to rescue from the fall  
Son of God who  
Comes to save us  
Prince of peace and Lord of all**

Oh the mystery  
Who could fathom  
God would leave His Holy throne  
For a manger  
For a sinner  
For us all to be His own



CYO PRESENTS A VERY MERRY

# Christmas MOVIE NIGHT




**Showtime**  
is  
@ 6:30



*The whole family is  
invited to attend!*



12/17/22  
6 - 9 p.m.  
Pulte Center



*If you are interested  
in attending, please  
register and vote on  
the film!*



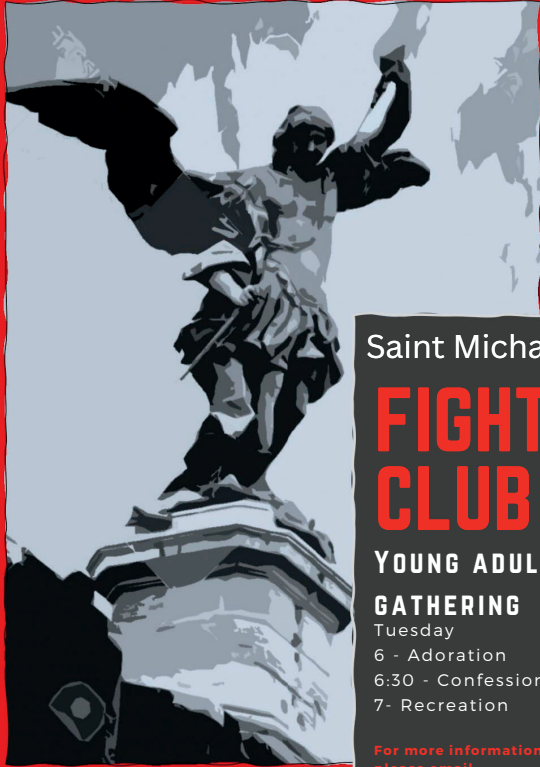


**POPCORN - CANDY**  
**HOT COCOA & MORE**  
**CHRISTMAS P.J.'S ARE ENCOURAGED!**



FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT JULIANA AT [JULIANA@SJECC.COM](mailto:juliana@sjecc.com)





Saint Michael's  
**FIGHT CLUB**  
 YOUNG ADULT MEN  
**GATHERING**  
 Tuesday  
 6 - Adoration  
 6:30 - Confession  
 7- Recreation  
 For more information  
 please email  
 frmark@sjecc.com

*Join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings for  
 SJ ECC Young Catholic Woman's Group!*

Meet other young Catholic women as we journey through "Courageous Women: A Study on the Heroines of Biblical History" with group reflection, and discussion, ending with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confession.



*Meetings take place in Pulte Center, with refreshments provided we are excited to see you there!*



**Children for the Arts presents**



**ALICE  
 in WONDERLAND**

**November 11th - February 11th**  
 Space is still available Open to ages 6-17  
 Rehearsals and performances held at  
 The Pulte Family Life Center  
 Fridays 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
 Performances February 10th & 11th  
 Contact Tish Poorman, Program Director  
 239-571-3305  
 www.childrenforthearts.com

*Participation Fee Required*

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# Celtic Angels Christmas



## CELTIC KNIGHT DANCERS AND THE TRINITY BAND ENSEMBLE

Thursday, December 1st @ 7:30pm

Pulte Center Stage

Tickets: Adult \$40

Children (up to 12 yrs) \$20

Ticket link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/celtic-angels-christmas-tickets-446074018397>



## ASK A KNIGHT HOW YOU CAN BECOME A KNIGHT



As the strong right arm of the Church, the Knights of Columbus serve God, our priests, our parishes, and our communities.

Being a Knight is an experience of a lifetime. Brothers join together to help one another become better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers, better citizens, and better men. The work of the Knights combines community service, social activities, charitable fundraising, and support for the Catholic Church.

At St. John, members serve as volunteers in parish ministries, help with special projects, and sponsor parish events including the Lenten fish bakes, dinner dances, Tootsie Roll drive for the disabled, and Christmas time collections of gifts and toys. Behind the scenes, they support our priests and seminarians, fund parish equipment purchases, assist in activities and events for youth and young adults, and help the less fortunate with time and treasure.

Knights come from all walks of life and seek to be a greater part of their world. You can commit as much or as little time as you want, but you will belong to one of the largest Catholic communities in the world. Knights of Columbus members have the opportunity to make a meaningful difference. Take a NEW look at the Knights and become active even if the time you have to give is limited.

Knights will be at the weekend Masses on December 3rd and 4th to extend a special invitation to all men of our parish to consider joining our parish Council of the Knights of Columbus.

**REQUIREMENTS ARE FEW. REWARDS ARE MANY!**

For more information, and to get answers to your questions:

- Talk with a Knight after the weekend Masses on Dec. 3 & 4.

- Send an email to [info@kocouncil11281.org](mailto:info@kocouncil11281.org) and we will promptly respond.

- Go to the National "Supreme" website [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) to join online.







*For it is in giving that we receive.*  
*St. Francis of Assisi*

# Christmas TOY DRIVE

*Presented by the Knights of Columbus St. John Council #281*

**Drop off at all masses**  
**December 10 & 11**



If you can't drop off on these days at the church, please drop off at the SJ ECC office during the prior week.

New toys and other appropriate gifts are needed for girls and boys up to 17 years of age. Toys can be wrapped or unwrapped. If wrapped, mark package with toy description, girl or boy and appropriate age range.

**A special thanks to**  
**Angela's Angels**



**and North Naples Fire and Rescue**  
 who again have partnered to coordinate and distribute the toys to needy children and families.



# Faith Formation

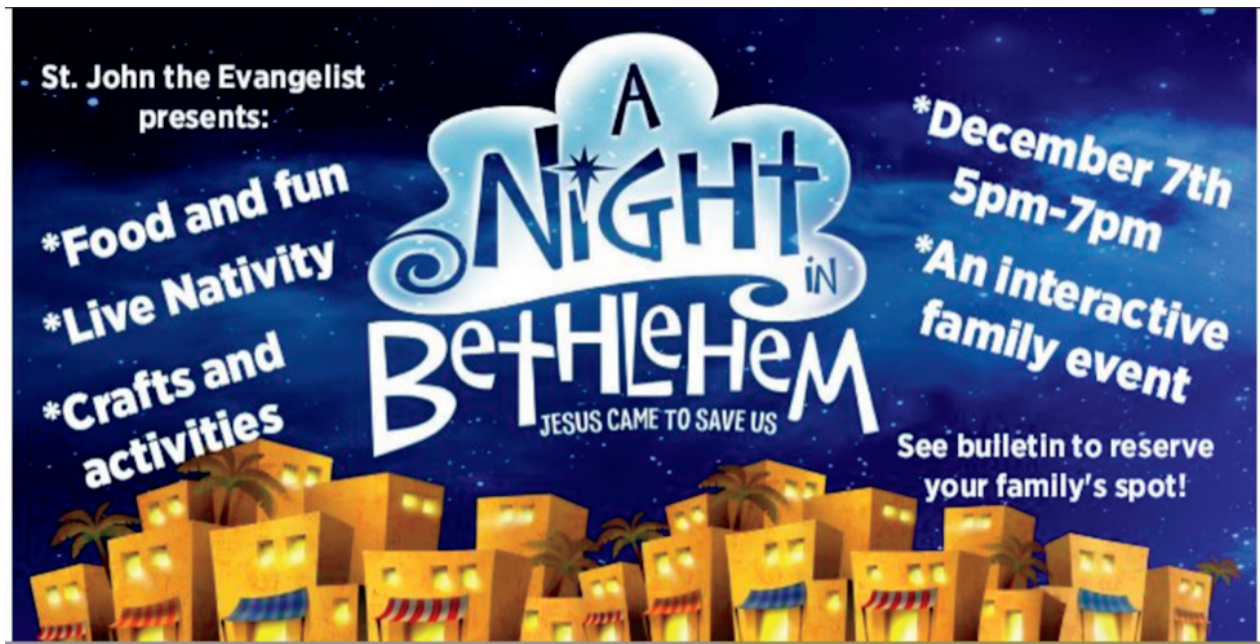
## *"A Night In Bethlehem"*

*A Bible-Times Christmas Event for Families  
December 7th: 5:00-7:00PM ~Parish Ballroom*

### **Families are invited to discover Jesus in Bible-times Bethlehem!**

During this 2-hour Christmas program, families wander through the bustling Bethlehem marketplace and discover what life was like when Jesus was born. Everyone will create unique keepsakes as they interact with local shopkeepers who share the Christmas story. And...they'll love talking to Mary and Joseph in The Stable—and hearing about the miracle of Jesus' birth.

***FREE ~Donations Accepted~ Registration Required.***



Participant and Volunteer Registration :

[vbspro.events/p/01a605](https://vbspro.events/p/01a605)

### **This Week in Faith Formation**

Sunday, November 27th - Thanksgiving Holiday - No Faith Formation

Wednesday, November 30- PreK Faith Formation – 12:30-2:30PM  
K-8 Faith Formation 5:00-5:15PM – Safe Environment Lessons





# Adult Faith Formation

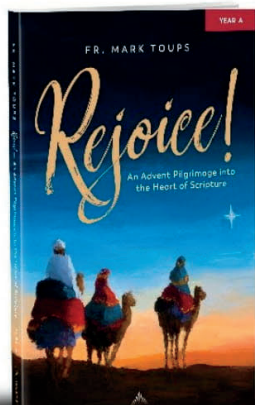
## Rejoice! ~ Daily Meditations for Advent Optional Fridays with Coffee ,Donuts and Reflections

### Rejoice Journal Daily Reflections

Independent Readings begin on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Sunday of Advent- November 27<sup>th</sup>.

Each Day, you'll enjoy ...

- **A word** - Focus on a single word each day to help you enter more deeply into that week's readings.
- **A reflection** - Explore each week's readings and enter more deeply into them.
- **A prompt** - Space is provided each day to journal. Record how the Lord is speaking to you this Advent.



*“Imagine yourself in the Word of God as you take a pilgrimage through the Advent Season. Drawing from the Sunday readings for Advent, Year A, Fr. Mark Toups leads you through daily meditations, prayer and journal prompts to enrich and enliven your experience of this Blessed season.*”

*Together with the video reflections found at [www.rejoiceprogram.com](http://www.rejoiceprogram.com), this Rejoice! Journal will help you experience an Advent filled with peace and a Christmas filled with joy!”*

In addition ~ Join Sue Hamilton as she leads us through this video series in Advent. Participants will have the option to purchase a **Rejoice!** journal for \$10, filled with beautiful art and meaningful daily meditations to accompany us throughout the Advent season.

### **Rejoice! Discussions: Fridays, 9:15-10:15AM**

Nov. 18, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> in the Alexandria Room of the Claussen Center.

*\*Immediately following the 8:30AM Mass~ Coffee and Donuts. Journals may be purchased in the Gift Boutique, the Parish Office or at the First Session. To register for the study, please email [aff@sjecc.com](mailto:aff@sjecc.com).*

### This Week in Adult Faith Formation:

**Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

RCIA Session 6:00PM – Library, Claussen Center

**Thursday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>**

Faith Chat – 9:30-11:00AM, Alexandria Room

**Friday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>**

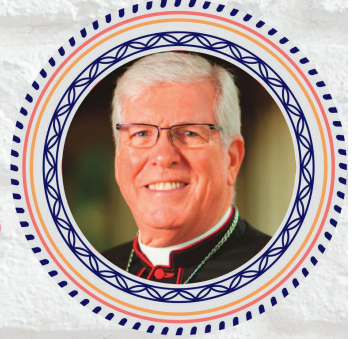
Rejoice! 9:15-10:15AM , Alexandria Room







**You are invited to join  
Bishop Dewane  
for World Youth Day 2023**



*“Mary arose and went with haste” LK 1:39*

**Grades  
9 to 12**



**First  
payment is  
due 11/30**

**11-Day Pilgrimage: July 29 – August 8, 2023**

**Cost per person: \$3,995**



**Space is limited! Scan for more  
information about the  
World Youth Day 2023  
pilgrimage and to register!**







## Helping People Impacted by IAN

St. John's, along with the St. Vincent DePaul Society, have joined together to help those impacted by IAN. Because of the overwhelmingly generous donations from our parishioners, we have the ability to help you or any individuals or families needing help getting back on their feet. Please let us know where we can help!

**For information or help, please e-mail Bob at [disaster@svdpnapples.org](mailto:disaster@svdpnapples.org) or call the parish office at (239) 566-8740.**

### The Ladies of Charity annual **Christmas Sneaker Drive** *to benefit Children in our Community*



**It's that time of year !  
Time to share in the joy of giving.  
Help us reach this year's goal of 550 new pairs of sneakers!**

#### **Here's how it works:**

- take a tag from the LOC table outside the front of the Church during the following weekends:  
11/19 & 11/20, 11/26 & 11/27, and 12/3 & 12/4
- Each gift tag contains a child's name, grade or age, gender, and shoe size
- Take one or more tag and generously donate NEW sneakers
- Wrap your package, with the tag secured to the outside, and bring it back to either the LOC table during weekend Masses or to the wrapped box in the Narthex during the week
- There will also be a tree with tags and a collection box in the Pulte Family Life Center
- All sneakers MUST be returned by December 11