



# ST. JOHN XXIII

## Catholic Church

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**June 3, 2018**



*Come Sit With Me*

St. John XXIII Catholic Parish in Fort Myers, Inc. a Florida non-profit corporation

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **Daily Masses:**

Monday-Saturday, 8:00am  
Rosary-7:30am (Mon.-Sat.)  
Divine Mercy after 8am Mass

### **Weekend Masses:**

**Saturday** Mass 8:00am, 4:00pm,  
Vietnamese Mass 8:00pm  
**Sunday**, 7:15am, 9:15am, &  
11:15am  
Spanish Mass: 1:15pm first  
Sunday each month

### **Reconciliation:**

Saturday 8:30-9:00am  
**First Friday Adoration:**  
Friday 8:30-9:00am

### **Pastor**

**Rev. Robert Tabbert**

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Friday,  
8:00am-Noon | 1:00-4:00pm  
239-561-2245

### **MINISTRY TO THE SICK:**

A priest is on call 7 days a week,  
24hrs a day for these hospitals:  
**Health Park - St. Columbkille**  
**Church** 239-489-3973

**Lee Memorial - St. Francis**  
**Xavier Church** 239-334-2161  
**Gulf Coast - St. John XXIII**  
239-561-2245

### **RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT:**

You are able to receive the  
Sacrament of the Sick before  
being admitted to a facility.

**St. Columbkille - Hope Hospice**  
239-489-3973  
9470 Health Park Circle,  
Ft. Myers, FL

**St. Raphael - Lehigh Acres**  
**Health & Rehab Center**  
239-369-2194

1550 Lee Blvd, Lehigh Acres, FL  
**Hope Hospice** 239-369-1831  
1201 Wings Way, Lehigh Acres, FL

**St. Leo - Hope Hospice**  
239-992-0901  
27200 Imperial Pkwy,  
Bonita Springs, FL

**St. Vincent de Paul - Discovery**  
**Village** 239-693-0818  
2073 Lafayette St, Ft. Myers, FL

**St. Vincent de Paul - Promise**  
**Hospital** 239-693-0818  
2073 Lafayette St, Ft. Myers, FL

*The Mission of St. John XXIII Catholic Church is to actively engage all those who desire to more fully accept and live out the message of Christ, welcoming and respecting all people regardless of background, history, race or color, as we strive to nurture spiritual growth and personal holiness on our journey to become more responsible stewards of God's gifts.*

## *Mass Intentions*

### **Saturday, June 2nd**

8:00 AM + Florence Nash by Dennis & Laura Ford  
4:00 PM + Kevin Joseph Gray by Joseph, Marcia & Terrance Gray  
8:00 PM PRAY FOR TERESA & ALL SOULS

### **Sunday, June 3rd**

7:15 AM Timothy Shea by Amy Shea  
9:15 AM + Chester Biel by The St. John XXIII Pastoral Team  
11:15 AM + Josefina & Joaquin Mendieta by The Jones family  
1:15 PM + Oscar Eloy-Sue Orellana by his family

### **Monday, June 4th**

8:00 AM + George Fox by Michael & Elizabeth Kane

### **Tuesday, June 5th**

8:00 AM The Herron Family (living/deceased) by the Schmid children

### **Wednesday, June 6th**

8:00 AM + Rick Leonardos by his family

### **Thursday, June 7th**

8:00 AM + Lillian Ramirez by Hal & Gloria Frock

### **Friday, June 8th**

8:00 AM + Ted Perantinides by Mr. & Mrs. A. Ford

### **Saturday, June 9th**

8:00 AM + Lester Lehmkuhl by Angelo & Catherine  
4:00 PM + Enes Sacchetti by Steve & Jennifer Engelman  
8:00 PM + Michael J. Rafferty by his wife, Katherine & family

### **Sunday, June 10th**

7:15 AM + Joan, Gerald & Tom Brichacek by Geroge  
9:15 AM + Edward & June Carter by Frank & Mary Jane Robers  
11:15 AM + Mary Ann Schlein by her family

### **THE 2018 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.**

To insure availability throughout the year, we must limit requests for the English speaking Masses to no more than (2) weekend Masses and (2) weekday Masses for the entire year. Other options will remain available: Tabernacle Candle \$15 per week, Eucharistic Host \$15 per week.

## **June 10th, 2018 - SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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|---------------|-----------------|
| • 1ST READING | GN 3:9-15       |
| • 2ND READING | 2 COR 4:13-5:11 |
| • GOSPEL      | MK 3:20-35      |

## *Minister Schedule*

### **June 9th & June 10th**

#### **Saturday 4:00 PM**

**LECTORS:** Ch. Nieset, Ca. Nieset, J. Dalida  
**SERVERS:** To Be Determined

#### **Sunday, 7:15 AM**

**LECTORS:** M. Rohrbaugh, C. Beswick, T. Penza  
**SERVERS:** N. Villiers, A. Villiers

#### **Sunday, 9:15 AM**

**LECTORS:** Z. Dylík, J. Fernandez, J. Dylík  
**SERVERS:** W. Shanahan, E. Shanahan, M. Frei

#### **Sunday, 11:15 AM**

**LECTORS:** S. Zeder, D. Cox, A. Zeder  
**SERVERS:** M. Polsinelli, R. Leslie, S. Leslie

***There will no longer be a 5pm Sunday Mass.***

## **Pastoral Team**

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**June 3, 2018**

■ **Saturday, June 2nd**

Deacon Rich to Speak - Adoration  
Parish Nurse Table - Special Needs  
Safe Environment Training  
Vigil Mass 4pm  
Vietnamese Mass 8pm

■ **Sunday, June 3rd**

Feast of Corpus Christi  
Deacon Rich to Speak - Adoration  
7:15am, 9:15am & 11:15am  
Masses/Hospitality  
Spanish Mass/Hospitality 1:15pm

■ **Monday, June 4th**

Men's Gospel Forum/CCR 7am  
Craftie Ladies/Villas 1pm  
Deacon Rich Adoration Chapel  
Presentation/CCR 5pm  
VBS Youth Volunteer Meeting  
(for those students currently  
registered)

■ **Tuesday, June 5th**

Opening the Word/CCR 9am  
Deacon Rich Adoration Chapel  
Presentation/CCR 10am  
Manor Care Mass/Brookdale 10am  
Bereavement 1pm  
Spanish Rosary/Cry Room 6pm  
Boy Scouts/Villa 7pm

■ **Wednesday, June 6th**

Blessed Little Angels/Cape  
Christian 10am

■ **Thursday, June 7th**

Rooted 7:15pm

■ **Friday, June 8th**

■ **Saturday, June 9th**

Vigil Mass 4pm  
Vietnamese Mass 8pm

■ **Sunday, June 10th**

7:15am, 9:15am & 11:15am  
Masses/No Hospitality

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Help foster a stronger  
parish life at St. John XXIII  
and better engage the  
New Evangelization.

Download our app today  
at myparishapp.com or  
search your phone's app  
store for myparish. You  
can also text the word  
"APP" to 88202!



# *Come Sit With Me*

by: **Deacon Rich Klish**

The St. John XXIII Adoration Chapel is nearing completion, and should be finished in late August or early September. All parishioners will be welcome to this sacred building, which you can see being constructed near the front of the Church.

Eucharistic adoration involves the Blessed Sacrament being adored by the faithful. Adoration happens when the Eucharist is exposed in a monstrance – a sacred vessel designed for display of the Sacred Host (It can also be experienced when the Eucharist is in a church tabernacle.) Adoration is based on the real presence of Christ in the Blessed Host.

Prayer during adoration is silent prayer. Adorers usually commit to one full hour to sit with Jesus. Some pray the rosary, or the liturgy of the hours, or offer prayers of adoration and intercession. Some read the Sacred Scriptures or other spiritual texts. Others simply spend quiet time with God.

The chapel will seat a maximum of twenty, and will be equipped with a security system, telephone and Internet access. The Sacred Host will be displayed in a monstrance. The chapel will be used exclusively for adoration, so no Masses, weddings or other worship will be offered there.

Presently, our parish has Eucharistic adoration on the first Friday of every month after the 8am Mass, and on Friday evenings during Lent there is a benediction followed by adoration. We would like to expand the adoration times starting in early October, offering this chance to worship during regular office hours: 8:30am to 4pm Monday through Friday. To make this happen, we need the involvement of parishioners who would volunteer to spend an hour a week (or even more!) in adoration. Depending on the response from the parish community, we could grow to offer Perpetual Adoration – 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The benefits of Eucharistic adoration are profound and many. St. John XXIII has said: "There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become . . . pupils of adoration".

## *Parish Benefits:*

- An increase in vocations
- An increase in Mass attendance and reception of the sacraments
- A heightened desire to serve the greater community
- Greater activity in evangelization

## *Individual Experience:*

- Spiritual growth
- A deepened prayer life
- Experiencing peace in other areas of life
- A richer friendship with Jesus
- . . . and many, many more!

## *Learn More:*

If you would like to learn more about this new opportunity for worship, you are invited to attend one of our presentations about the Adoration Chapel. All are in the Community Room:

- **Monday, June 4th - 5pm to 6pm**
- **Tuesday, June 5th - 10am to 11am**
- **Tuesday, June 19th - 6:30pm to 7:30pm**
- **Wednesday, June 20th - 6:30pm to 7:30pm**

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

*My Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that  
You are really here in this Sacrament.*

*Night and day You remain here  
compassionate and loving. You call,  
You wait for, You welcome everyone  
who comes to visit You. I thank You,  
Jesus my Divine Redeemer for coming  
upon the earth for our sake and for  
instituting the Sacrament of the Holy  
Eucharist in order to remain with  
us until the end of the world. I thank  
You for being within the Eucharist  
with Your infinite majesty and beauty,  
which Your angels delight to behold,  
so that I might have courage to  
approach the throne of Your mercy.  
I thank You dear Jesus, for having  
become the priceless victim to merit  
for me the fullness and heavenly  
favours. Awaken in me such confidence  
in You that their fullness may descent  
ever more fruitfully upon my soul.  
I thank You for offering Yourself  
in thanksgiving to God for all His  
benefits, spiritual and temporal  
which He has bestowed on me. Grant  
me grace and perseverance in your  
faithful service. Amen.*

## Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers all of our parish family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually, especially:

Elaine Quan  
Ryan Novajasky  
Jan Smith  
Lynne Haughey  
Linda Sayres  
Carol Clausen  
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek  
Linda Kircher  
Marlene LaRose  
Raymond Mancke  
Kay Nervie  
Jill Loudon  
Rob Wing  
Peg Greco  
Natalie Richard  
Mario Leno  
Bruce Hoyt  
Anne Grace Killion  
Elena Piazza

Nancy Oswald  
Marcy Cetnar  
Nate Pechulis  
Gabriel Gelardi  
Anne Marie Fernandez  
Nancy Uhl  
John Ryan  
Terry O'Connor  
Lauren Major  
Brian Collins  
"S"  
Rose Schmigle  
Chris Savvas  
Molly Boudreault  
Sherry Anderson  
Ron Rogers  
June Shea  
Beverly Loo  
Jean Silvestri

**These names are kept in the bulletin for one month. If you would like continual prayer, please add your name to the prayer book in the Narthex.**

The best way to ensure your loved ones are consistently prayed for within our greater E-Prayer Community - email Betsy Engelbrecht at [e-prayer@popejohn23.net](mailto:e-prayer@popejohn23.net)

Their names will be circulated to an ever-growing list of people who will pray for them by name!

## Ways to Memorialize

For requests to memorialize a loved one, you may call or stop in our Parish office.

### Prayers for Eternal Life

Life is changed, not ended.  
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!

**Greysen Gregory  
Anthony Costa  
Richard Pilon**



### Tabernacle Candle

In Honor of: **All 2018 Graduates**



### CREDIT CARD POLICY:

We **MUST** request that any credit card transactions made at St. John XXIII be a minimum of \$25.

Thank You!

## General Announcements

- **Have You Listened to Our Podcasts?** Listen to our weekly inspirational messages from Father Bob and homilies from Mass. Visit our site weekly at [johnxxiii.podbean.com](http://johnxxiii.podbean.com)
- **"Like" our Facebook Page!** For all the latest happenings and inspirational messages "Like" us on Facebook. Just search "St. John XXIII Catholic Church".
- **Our Weekly Newsletter:** Visit our website, [johnxxiii.net](http://johnxxiii.net), scroll down to "Stay Connected" and enter your email address.
- **Download Our Parish App:** Foster a stronger parish life at St. John XXIII and better engage the New Evangelization. Download our app today at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) or search your phone's app store for myparish. You can also text the word "APP" to 88202!
- **St. John XXIII Catholic Church Mass Times:** Stay up to date and visit: <http://johnxxiii.net/info/new-mass-schedule/> for our Mass schedule.
- **Directory of Perpetual Adoration Chapels:** If you are visiting, vacationing or away from home, you can find churches that provide Adoration by visiting <http://www.therealpresence.org/states/perp.htm>
- **Interested in Serving our Parish Family During Mass?** Men, women and teens may serve as a Greeter, Usher, Lector, or Eucharistic Minister. Please contact the parish office at (239) 561-2245, if you feel called to serve in any of these areas, we can use your time and talent!
- **Coffee & Donuts Hospitality:** Additional people needed after the 7:15am, 9:15am, 11:15am Sunday Masses, to help with coffee and donuts hospitality. You would be part of a team that would rotate on a monthly basis. You must go through the volunteer process. For information contact Jennifer Baumgardner in the office at (239) 561-2245
- **Low Gluten Hosts:** If you are interested in receiving low gluten hosts at Mass, then please go to the Sacristy before Mass starts to make your request with a Sacristan.
- **Journey to Hope:** Each month, Journey to Hope offers support and education to families struggling with mental health issues. The group will meet at 6pm on Monday, June 4th at St. Columbkille.
- **FREE Rosary Repair:** Send broken rosaries in a padded envelope to: Betty & Dick Holden, 7930 Estero Blvd., #502, Ft. Myers Beach, FL 33931. Rosaries will be returned within a week of receipt. Old or broken rosaries may also be donated, repaired and sent to the missions. For more information email: [holdenbnd@gmail.com](mailto:holdenbnd@gmail.com) or call Dick at (239) 463-3993
- **People Asking For Money Outside of Church:** We remind you that if there is anyone asking for money around the Church outside of Mass at our exits, ignore them. We have been contacted by the police regarding a group of professionals who travel to various churches. Be generous in giving to our Poor Boxes. That is where and how we can assist those who are truly in need. **Be sure to take your purses with you to Communion.**
- **If you are hospitalized at Gulf Coast Hospital** and would like to be visited by one of our Eucharistic Ministers or our Parish nurses, please let the Hospital Admissions Office know you are from our parish and contact our parish office, as well. Once you go home, if you are unable to attend Mass and would like to have the Eucharist brought to you, please call the parish office. (239) 561-2245
- **Advertise with us:** As much as you enjoy reading our bulletin, we'd love for you to be in it! If you own a business and are interested in advertising in our bulletin, please contact Dennis Gardner at J.S. Paluch (239) 470-9200

## WELCOME

### *New Parishioners*

- Rafael & Daniella DaRosa
- Joseph & Roberta O'Sullivan

Those who are new to our Parish this year, and those who've been coming for years without being registered, we need your help in staying organized and planning for our future needs. Having an accurate database of our parishioners will help us know where and how we need to grow. Thank you to everyone who registered with our Parish. If you have not received a welcome letter, please call the Parish Office to confirm your registration. All new parishioners, and those interested in registering in our Parish, are invited to attend **The New Parishioner Orientation will take place on Sunday, July 15th, 2018 at 12:30pm.**

This is your opportunity to become informed and active members of the Parish and participate in our various ministries. Registering at St. John XXIII is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community. Please let the parish office know your email address OR you can even update it on the Parish Website! [www.johnxxiii.net](http://www.johnxxiii.net)

Frequently, those seeking to celebrate Marriage, Baptisms or serve as sponsors for Confirmation or Baptism request a letter stating that they are parishioners. To receive such a letter, one must be registered in the parish, attend Mass regularly, and be committed to stewardship of time, talent and treasure. One means of verifying participation is through the use of parish offertory envelopes. If you choose not to participate in the support of the parish or are unable to contribute at this time, please at least note your prayerful support on your envelope and place it in the weekly offertory basket.

## PRAYERS FOR

### *Our Service Personnel*

PFC Bryan Bard  
Sean Ball  
Major Bart Boma  
Staff Sgt. Dennis Cosgrove  
Sgt. Phil Dellibovi  
Staff Sgt. Chris Dominski  
2nd Lt. Andrew Dugan, Army  
Captain Andrew Duguay  
Sgt. Jared Gaudet  
Tech Sgt Jeffrey K. Green  
1st Lt. Kellyn Hall  
Andrew Herman  
1st Lt. Paige Hortman  
Sgt. Kathleen Hudepohl  
PFC Michael P Hughes  
SPC Michael Jednak  
PFC Andrew Kanopkh  
Michael Klem  
Capt. Bradley D. Laux  
2nd Lt. Jacob Mundo, Army  
LCPL Nick Mundo

SRA Anthony Padula  
LCP James Palenik  
Master SGT Peter Parison  
Sgt. Justin Pingicer, Army  
Lt. Col. Brady Sexton  
2nd Lt. Kristen Thompson  
Christian Troutner, US Navy  
Alex Zizzo, US Navy Medic  
PFC Jordan Feil, USA  
Hayden Linde  
Aaron Crump, USCG  
PFC Nathaniel Broemmel  
Lt. Com. Mark Buonomo  
Col. Scott C. Woodward  
Private Nicholas Loeb, ARNG  
Staff Sgt. Alec DeLuca  
Andrew Hawkinson, USN  
Cavalry Scout Specialist,  
Ryan Silva, Army  
2nd Lt. Greg Fry, USMC

#### **Lord God, Almighty Father,**

Creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.

Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen

## Faith Formation

Contact **Chris Biel** | 561-7499 | [chrisdre@johnxxiii.net](mailto:chrisdre@johnxxiii.net)



### THIS WEEK IN FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation has ended for the 2017-2018 school year! Registration for the 2018-2019 school year will begin in July. Please watch the bulletin for details.

**SUPPLIES FOR VACATION BIBLE CAMP:** A display will be set up in the Narthex with items that are needed. Gift cards to Target, Walmart, or Publix are appreciated. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS:** Wednesdays 4:15-5:30pm or 6:00-7:15pm two to three times a month or our Sunday Family Faith Formation program that takes place once a month.

We would also like to start a PreK 3 program that would be held during the 11:15am Mass. Ongoing training and support provided. If you are able to help with any of the above or would like more information. Please contact Chris Biel at [chrisdre@johnxxiii.net](mailto:chrisdre@johnxxiii.net)

### Thank You Craftie Ladies!

**Faith Formation** would like to thank the **Craftie Ladies** for their generous donation that allowed us to purchase twenty new children's bibles. Thank you for helping pass the faith on to the young of our parish!

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION:** Baptism: Congratulations on your decision to baptize your child! At Saint John XXIII we are happy to help your family prepare for the celebration. Baptisms are offered for registered members of Saint John XXIII and are scheduled only after the preparation process is completed by the parents. Please do not make arrangements for family members until you have actually received a date. Contact the office at (239) 561-2245 for more information or to begin the process.

**FIRST COMMUNION:** (also called First Eucharist) and First Reconciliation: Children in First grade or above, who have expressed a desire and willingness and are attending Mass, are welcome to begin the two year process of preparing for these Sacraments. The first year consists of regular attendance at Faith Formation classes or through a Diocesan Catholic school. (Either St. Francis Xavier or St. Andrew) The second year continues those classes, but also adds in direct Sacramental Preparation (Reconciliation and Communion) sessions. Contact Chris at 561-7499 for more information or to begin the process. Parents who Home school their children must contact the office during Year I.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:** to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation is a two year process that now begins at the start of 9th Grade and is celebrated in the Fall of 11th grade. (Older teens are certainly welcome also!). Each year consists of Faith Formation through the parish Youth Group or a Diocesan Catholic school (Bishop Verot) as well as scheduled Confirmation classes and a retreat. Please note: Students from Bishop Verot must register and attend the preparation classes at the beginning of 9th grade. If you are entering the 9th grade or would like more information on our program, Contact Chris at 561-7499 for more information or to begin the process.

## ADULT FAITH

### Education

### All Are Invited to Opening The Word!

**Opening the Word** is a weekly Bible Study exploring the upcoming Sunday Readings.

**When?** Tuesday Mornings from **9am-10am**

**The Next Session:** Tuesday, June 5th



We will use the parish resource, Formed.org to prepare for the Readings that we hear each Sunday.

To register go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and use parish code: **1823ee** to see Catholic content 24/7.

We will watch a short video (7-10 minutes), share what the Readings say to us, and discuss how we can apply them to our lives.

**This Bible Study** meets every Tuesday morning in the church community room from 9am-10am

**All are Welcome!**



Thank you to **Edith** and **Lance Trafford** for leading the Bible Study and for all those that have joined in to learn more about the book of Matthew in *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom*.

**The next 8 week series** commences on **September 11th** at **6:30pm**. It is not too late to join the study. Go to [www.ascensionpress.com](http://www.ascensionpress.com) and Join a Study by searching for our parish and study. Once you register and purchase your study guide, you will have access to the online videos.

Use this summer to catch up on our first 8 weeks. We look forward to seeing you in September!

## Young Adult Ministry - 561-3022 xt 107

Contact **Beth Benham** | [beth@johnxxiii.net](mailto:beth@johnxxiii.net)

Contact **Kelly Evers** | [kelly@johnxxiii.net](mailto:kelly@johnxxiii.net)



**Welcoming All Young Adults 18 -39**

- **June 7** - Rooted will meet at 7pm for a Cornhole Tournament at St. John XXIII. Get your team together! **\$20 per team** to enter. Food and Drinks are included.



Join Our Facebook Group: *Rooted at St. John XXIII* for updates and local happenings.

## Youth Ministry - 561-3022 xt 107

HSYG Contact **Beth Benham** | [beth@johnxxiii.net](mailto:beth@johnxxiii.net)

MSYG Contact **Kelly Evers** | [kelly@johnxxiii.net](mailto:kelly@johnxxiii.net)

### High School Youth Group

**HSYG** - Sundays 6pm to 7:30pm



## FILM FESTIVAL CONTEST

**Diocese of Venice Film Festival Contest:** Once again, the Diocese of Venice is asking youth and young adults to step up for Religious Freedom for a chance to win \$500, \$250, and \$100 cash prizes, while having a little fun and learning about defending their faith.

Diocese of Venice participants will have 14 days (between June 7-June 21) to create a short video (2-10 minutes) on an aspect of Religious Freedom. Individuals or teams will write, shoot, edit and upload the video to the Communication Director at the Diocese of Venice which will be viewed at an evening showcase on June 29. For more information: [www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week/index.cfm)

### Middle School Youth Group

**MSYG** - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm

- **September 26** - Classes resumes with a Kick off Celebration!

**Words of Inspiration:** Contest entry by **Jaci Lopez**: "When you think about our Middle School parish a few words come to mind. Like; inspiring, fun, and very interesting. It's easy to get connected to the parish, I am very thankful for Youth Group."

### MSYG & HSYG *Save the Dates*

- **June 18-22** - Just 5 Days Mission Trip
- **June 23-30** - Catholic Heart Work camp St. Croix Trip VI
- **July 8-14** - Catholic Heart Work Camp



**Thinking about joining the Catholic Church, but feel a little lost? The RCIA inquiry stage is the starting place for adults who are thinking about entering the Catholic Church.**

*"Be still, and know that I am God."* — Psalm 46:10

In the inquiry stage, you're just finding out about Jesus, Christianity, and the Catholic Church. Talk to people, walk around in our shoes for a bit and get a feel for the place. As an inquirer, you're not yet sure exactly what you think about the Catholic Church. Your main task here is to develop your faith a little bit, get to know Christ, prayer, the Catholic Church, and how Christians live. That's the only way you can make an informed decision about entering the Catholic Church.

### Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Just as bodies and minds grow, Catholics believe that the soul also needs to grow in the life of grace. The Sacrament of Confirmation builds on the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Holy Communion, completing the process of initiation into the Catholic community.

### Want to Hear More?

Please call the parish office at **(239) 561-2245** and make an appointment to meet with Father Bob.

For questions please contact **Ginny Whelan** at: **(239) 362-1283** or email: [vwhelan99@gmail.com](mailto:vwhelan99@gmail.com)

## Eucharistic Ministers

### NEEDED AT THE HOSPITAL

During the summer months the number of EMs serving at the hospital drops significantly; many have returned to their "summer" homes while others set out on well deserved vacations.

At the same time, the number of Catholic patients visited each day by St. John's Eucharistic Ministers remains unusually high, averaging about 80 - 90.

We meet at 8:45am daily at the hospital and we are finished between 10am and 10:30am. Experience is not required, we provide any training necessary.

If you can help us once a week, every other week, just for the summer, or serve as an on-call substitute please call **Jennifer Engelman** at the parish office: **(239) 561-2245**

Christ is asking you for help, step forward and be counted!

## HELP SUPPORT OUR

# Back to School



## BACKPACK DRIVE

Help Support CHILDREN in the Community who are in NEED of School Supplies.

### DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE

If you would like to contribute to this year's Backpack Drive, then please feel free to leave a monetary donation to support this wonderful cause.

**Donation Envelopes will be in the NARTHEX on: JUNE 30TH**

#### What Your Money Buys:

- **\$10 Donation Backpack**
- **\$20 Donation Filled Backpack**

#### NO DONATION IS EVER TOO SMALL!

Checks may be made out to St. John XXIII.

For more information please contact:

**Sandy Szymanski**  
szysan05@comcast.net



## Hispanic Ministry ANNOUNCEMENTS



Queremos invitarlos a las actividades en español que se están realizando en la Iglesia, contamos con su presencia para que los grupos se incrementen.

- Nuestra siguiente misa en español será el Domingo 3 de Junio a la 1:15pm.
- Los invitamos a que nos acompañen al rezo del Rosario todos los Martes a las 6:00pm dentro de la Iglesia.
- Quien desee participar en la misa como lector u otras actividades pueden contactarnos también a nuestra dirección de correo.
- Dirija todas sus inquietudes, peticiones y preguntas Nuestro correo electrónico para cualquier información o petición que deseen: [contactohispanosjpxxiii@gmail.com](mailto:contactohispanosjpxxiii@gmail.com)
- Visite nuestro Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/HispanosJPXXIII>

## Congratulations SPRING RAFFLE WINNERS

#### \$100 EACH

- Dennis Solon
- Nancy Coole

#### \$200 EACH

- Nancy Henry
- Marilyn Kelly

#### \$300 EACH

- Timothy Woodward
- Ron Kumas

#### \$400 EACH

- Dan Dugan
- Marge Tripton

#### \$500 EACH

- Linda Stanley
- Anthony Ballantone

#### \$2,500 GRAND PRIZE

- Thomas Morell

# FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

P R E S E N T S

THIS IS OUR  
**5th** YEAR!

THIS IS A NICE NIGHT FOR  
CHILDREN AND PARENTS!

- *Bring Your Children!*
- *Enjoy a Movie and Food!*
- *Meet Other Parents!*

**NO CHARGE!**

Please **RSVP** by **June 13th** so we know how much food to prepare.

Food provided by:

**The Knights of Columbus**

Sign up in the Parish Office or RSVP via email: [deaconrich@johnxxiii.net](mailto:deaconrich@johnxxiii.net)

## DESPICABLE ME 3



IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

**FRIDAY, JUNE 15 - 6PM TO 8PM**

## Parenting Pointer #783:

*"He took bread, blessed it...and gave it to them."  
(Mark 14:22) Hopefully your family says a blessing  
before meals. Good. What we eat becomes part of our  
body. As your family eats together this weekend be  
mindful that God is in each of you. Together, we are  
the body of Christ.*

"by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"

## Reflections by: J. Conroy

### Mark 3:20-35 Who is Jesus' Mother and Brothers?

The first few chapters of the Gospel of Mark focus on Jesus as a healer. Not only does he heal many people, but he is recognized only by unclean spirits who have been cast out by Jesus' power (1:24). Remarkably, despite the crush of crowds looking to Jesus for healing, even his relatives contended that Jesus was "out of his mind." Scribes, coming down from Jerusalem, contended that Satan was the source of Jesus' power. The well-known argument that a kingdom divided against itself cannot survive is offered as a rebuttal. This argument is expanded to affirm that "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit" is guilty of an everlasting sin. To blaspheme in this case means to identify the Holy Spirit with Satan, which is precisely what the scribes have done. Finally the arrival of Jesus' mother and brothers was announced, "but they were 'outside' and had to 'send word' and 'call to him.'" In fact, some in the crowd announced their presence. This gives Jesus the opportunity to affirm the primacy of those doing the will of God, even more than the most intimate familial relations.

**Reflections on Scripture**  
**Jack Conroy, Ph.D.**

## Marriage Moment #784:

*"Couples who are finding it hard to stay married deserve  
our prayers and assistance." (Follow the Way of Love,  
USCCB). Pray for a couple you know who is struggling  
in their marriage. Perhaps your prayer is for yourself.  
Consider trying Retrouvaille or The Third Option.*

"by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"



## The Pope's Prayer Intentions for 2018

### JUNE - Social Networks

That universal social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects other for their differences.

For more information:

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/the-popes-monthly-intention.cfm>



MAY WE SUGGEST....

# RELAX!



### Parents of Young Children:

God put the wiggle in your children so don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what is going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others! Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, lectors, choir, and others. Help them find the hymns and prayers in the hymnal or booklets. Sing the hymns, participate in the liturgy, and pray! Children learn about worship and liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but **please come back**. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me". Remember that the way we welcome children in the church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in His house of worship.

### Those Without Young Children:

The presence of children is a gift to the church and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

Get more resources for families at:

[www.themassbox.com](http://www.themassbox.com)



ST. JOHN XXIII

Catholic Church

*"Building Our Legacy"*

## Weekly Financials

**May 27, 2018**

Offertory	\$14,446.00
Building Fund	\$9,179.00
Total	\$23,625.00
Mass Attendance	2329
Registered Families	3509
Kid's Offertory Envelopes	\$2.00

No money is kept on Church property. Thank you for your continued generosity!

**\*Please make your checks payable to "St. John XXIII"**

### 2018 Catholic Faith Appeal

2018 Goal	\$339,000
Pledge	\$367,641.11
% of Goal	108.45%
% of Households	26.41%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$277,824.59</b>

## PLANNING YOUR WILL

### REMEMBER ST. JOHN XXIII

A bequest is a wonderful way to express gratitude to God for a lifetime of blessings! The gift you give establishes a lasting legacy of love for others by helping the Church to continue our Catholic heritage through its many ministries.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Leaving money to the Parish in your will is not assessed and 100% goes to the parish.

The following is possible wording for including a bequest in your will:

*"I bequeath the greater of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate to Bishop Frank J. Dewane, (or his successor), Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida, a corporation sole, whose principal office is located at 1000 Pinebrook Rd., Venice, FL 34285, For the benefit of St. John XXIII Catholic Parish, in Fort Myers, Inc."*

The actual wording in your will should be determined by you and your attorney.

For more information, questions, or wish to consider a gift annuity or trust for St. John XXIII Catholic Church, then please contact:

**Holly Atkins at (239) 561-2245**



## PARISH LIFE CENTER

### Building Status

With the door and window installation reaching completion, we are working on ways to keep the inside cool during the hot summer months.



## ADORATION CHAPEL

### Update

The beautiful decorative monstrance is on order and will sit on the altar in front of the stained glass window.



View why people attend Adoration at:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=txuaN5FXgW8&feature=youtu.be>

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### **What is AmazonSmile?**

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support St. John XXIII every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. This includes Prime benefits if you are a Prime member. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

### **How do I shop at AmazonSmile?**

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

### **Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?**

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

### **Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?**

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same. Your login information will be the same as your Amazon.com account.

### **How do I select St. John XXIII Catholic Church as my charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?**

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you will need to search for and select Saint John XXIII to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Our parish will be listed as *Saint John XXIII Parish in Fort Myers, FL*. **(PLEASE TYPE THE WORD SAINT)** Please be sure that the parish, along with city & state are correct, as there are many listings. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

### **How much of my purchase does Amazon donate?**

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. From time to time, we may offer special, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services or provide for additional donations to charitable organizations. Special terms and restrictions may apply. Please see the relevant promotion for complete details.

### **Can I receive a tax deduction for amounts donated from my purchases on AmazonSmile?**

Donations are made by the AmazonSmile Foundation and are not tax deductible by you.

## SUPPORT US WHEN YOU SHOP ON



St. John XXIII Catholic Church has been issued a \$74.07 donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of the AmazonSmile program activity between January 1st, 2018 and March 31st, 2018.

You can increase our donations by spreading the word about AmazonSmile. Father's Day is June 17th and it's a great opportunity to remind all of our supporters to shop for Dad at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate to St. John XXIII Catholic Church.

Your shopping matters! Shop for Father's Day at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-4893911> and Amazon donates to St. John XXIII Catholic Church!



*Thank You*  
**amazon**smile****



*Knights of Columbus*

## WHAT'S NEW?



*Thank You*

FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE  
PARISH AS AN ALTAR SERVER

The Knights of Columbus honored the **2018 graduating Altar Servers** with a certificate and monetary gift of appreciation for their great service to the parish. Grand Knight **Mike Cocolichio** presented the awards with **Kelly Evers**, the Coordinator for the Young Adult Ministry. Pictured are **Chloe Springer**, **Giovanni Esposito**, and **Grace Smith**. Not pictured, but honored, are **Benjamin Herrera**, **Luis Marquez**, **Michael Polsinelli**, and **Yesnia Villanueva**. Thank you for serving our Parish community.

## VISIT OUR PARISH LIBRARY



Our lending library, which was accessible on two library carts in the Narthex, is now housed in the hallway where the restrooms are located. New shelves were put up and now more books are available to anyone who would like to borrow them. **Lori Izral** is the chair of this ministry and does a wonderful job of organizing the many books that have been given to the parish. We thank Lori for caring for the books and organizing them so that they can be enjoyed by all.

The library even has a children's section just at the height for our children to reach. Spiritual reading is an additional form of spiritual development. Thank you to all who have donated these treasures. Be blessed for being a part of our ministry!



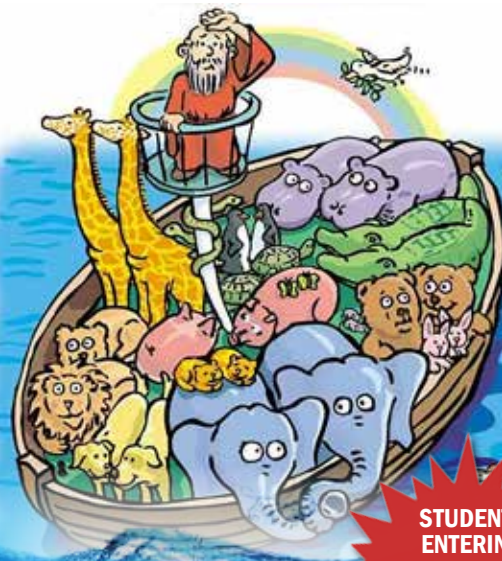
ST. JOHN XXIII  
Catholic Church

PRESENTS  
**THE MUSICAL**

**Don't  
Rock  
the Ark!**

**Children's Summer  
Music Week**

**JULY 16th - 20th**



STUDENTS  
ENTERING  
**GRADES 2-6**  
FALL 2018

**REGISTRATION FEE:**  
\$30/\$75 per family 3 or More

**MONDAY - FRIDAY:**  
12:00pm - 3:30pm

For the REGISTRATION FORM E-mail  
**tom@johnxxiii.net**

## 10 Tips for College Freshmen: Staying Connected to Your Faith



**1. Hang out at your campus ministry center.** Your college or university has a central place for you to get plugged into faith life on campus. Check out the upcoming events, and connect with a whole community of fellow students and ministers.

**2. Meet your college chaplain or campus minister.** Some have offices at the campus ministry or others may even live in your dorm! Find a chaplain and drop by to introduce yourself. They meet individually with students, and host Bible studies.

**3. Join a small faith group or intentional community.** It's a great way to meet other students interested in reflecting together and growing closer to God. Small groups can focus on any sort of topic, such as Scripture or prayer, and they can be a specific women's or men's group. Got an idea for a new group? Chat with a campus minister about forming your own!

**4. Sign up for a theology or religious studies course.** Be prepared for a whole new world to break open. Whatever your area of study, don't hesitate to check out the course listings and find a topic that intrigues you. The intellectual challenge of the classroom will deepen your faith in unpredictable ways.

**5. Find a spiritual director.** Hands down, one of the best things you can do for yourself. Especially at a time in life when you're making big choices about your future, it's such a gift to have someone walk with you through all the ups and downs of young adult life.

**6. Explore other faith traditions and denominations.** The high school bubble has popped and the world's your limit. Take these years as a perfect opportunity to learn about other religions beyond your own. Attend a worship service, study group or interfaith event. Seek out and build friendships with people of diverse religious backgrounds.

**7. Get off campus and serve your local community.** There's a world beyond the hundreds or thousands of 18 to 22 year-olds on your college campus. It's great to connect with peers, but don't lose sight of the many gifts offered by people younger and older than yourself. Explore Catholic organizations and service opportunities.

**8. Take an alternative spring or school break trip.** Sign up to participate on a spring or school break service or solidarity trip abroad. These opportunities can connect you with the global church, build lasting friendships, and foster your understanding of another culture or spirituality.

**9. Plug into national and global Catholic organizations.** Check out Catholic publications and organizations. Pax Christi, for example, often have local university chapters that discuss and engage Catholic social teaching and justice work.

**10. Carve out time for yourself.** Talk a walk. Visit the chapel. Journal. Run. Meditate. Whatever it is, take time just for you. Get to know yourself, your gifts, struggles, hopes and calling.

<https://www.ncronline.org/blogs/young-voices/10-tips-college-freshmen-staying-connected-your-faith>

The  
**NEWMAN**  
CONNECTION



## KEEP OUR YOUTH CONNECTED TO THE CHURCH

Did you know that 80% of students stop practicing their faith at some point during college, while only 15% look for a campus ministry on their own?

The Diocese of Venice would like to support our incoming college freshmen by connecting them to Catholic Organizations at the Universities they will be attending.

The **Newman Connection** is a data entry program that assists in this effort at the national level. We will have Newman Connection cards available at the Welcome Desk for those parents and/or grandparents who wish to fill out the card. The only information needed is the student's name, college choice and the college's city. The Campus Ministry will welcome the students and reach out to them when they arrive.

For more information visit the Newman Connection at: [www.newmanconnection.com](http://www.newmanconnection.com)



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## HURRICANE PREPARATION

FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

*Information Available*

**IN THE NARTHEX THIS WEEKEND**

This program provides shelter from a tropical storm or Hurricane for those who live in a home/area that is not safe from a storm surge or wind, and have no other safe place to go. It also provides transportation to a shelter for those who do not have a way to get there. In addition:

- They are open for those with medical needs that require electricity, such as oxygen dependence, nebulizers etc.
- Those that are wheelchair dependent, chronic wounds, assistance with medications, memory loss, recent hospital discharge, requires transfer assistance, and more.
- You must have a companion/caregiver accompany you to that shelter.

The nurses will be happy to assist you filling out the form or give you instructions on the details and they will try to answer questions or point you in the right direction to get the answer.

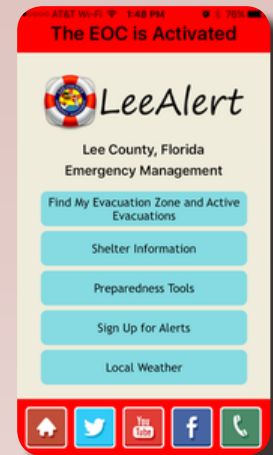
### PREPARE EARLY

Forms will be available in the **NARTHEX THIS WEEKEND** or you can ask our Parish nurse, **Helen Tuffy** for any assistance or clarification.

**YOU MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR**



## LeeAlert App



LeeAlert encourages preparedness and provides situational awareness when a disaster impacts Lee County. This tool is provided to assist individuals and families with preparing for and recovering from all types of disasters that may occur.

You can find information on: Find My Evacuation Zone and Active Evacuations, Shelter Information, Sign Up for Alerts, Preparedness Tools (including ASL videos), Local Weather, and Social Media feeds.

### ADDITIONAL FEATURES:

- GPS Functionally for Locating Your Evacuation Zone
- Real Time Information on Shelter Openings with Mapping/Directions
- Current Emergency (EOC) Activation Level
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Links to Special Needs Registration for those with Special Medical Needs and/or transportation needs During an Evacuation
- Family Disaster Plan and Emergency Supply List
- American Sign Language Disaster Preparedness Videos
- Current Local Weather and Hazardous Weather Outlooks

LeeAlert applications requires an active internet connection and will indicate when data is unavailable.

LeeAlert can be downloaded from iTunes and Google Play app stores.



## *Catholic Community* **HAPPENINGS**

**Billy Dean & Dawn in Concert:** 7pm Monday, June 11th in Iona Hall at St. Columbkille Catholic Church. 12171 Iona Road in Ft. Myers. Tickets are \$20 and available at their Parish office. For more information call (239) 489-3973

**Networking Lunch:** The Catholic Chamber of Commerce invites all Catholic businesses and ministries to a networking lunch at 11:30am on June 27th at Brookdale Senior Living, 7460 Lake Breeze Drive, Ft. Myers. The event is free and no membership is required. RSVP by calling (239) 980-0921 or at [toni@floridacatholicchamber.org](mailto:toni@floridacatholicchamber.org)

**Novena of Masses for Life:** Participate in a Mass near you and pray for life! Visit [www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife) for the monthly schedule of Novena of Masses for Life.

**Prison Ministry Volunteers Needed:** Join a team of volunteers who share God's love and mercy with those incarcerated in any of the 23 jails/prisons throughout the Diocese. No previous experience required; newcomers are paired with experienced volunteers. Contact Robert Hiniker at (863) 558-0407 or [hinbob5@hotmail.com](mailto:hinbob5@hotmail.com)

**Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane:** Join Bishop Dewane for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio. It can be heard at 8:30am Friday, May 25th on 1660 AM in Naples and 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at [RelevantRadio.com](http://RelevantRadio.com)

**St. Francis Xavier Catholic School:** To set up a tour or for more information, contact Natalie Rose at (239) 334-7707 ext. 223 or email [natalie.rose@stfrancisfortmyers.org](mailto:natalie.rose@stfrancisfortmyers.org). Visit their website at [www.stfrancisfortmyers.org](http://www.stfrancisfortmyers.org)

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Summer Camp:** This co-ed youth camp is located at 8888 East Gobbler Dr. in Floral City, FL and is a part of the St. Petersburg Diocese. Space is limited. For dates and pricing visit [goodcounselcamp.org](http://goodcounselcamp.org)

**Retrouvaille Marriage Help:** This ministry gives hope to struggling couples and families. The next program begins May 25th and registrants will be accepted until the final day. For more information or to see additional upcoming dates visit: [www.helppourmarriage.org](http://www.helppourmarriage.org)

**SWFL Catholic Moms:** Join other moms for coffee, brunch, childcare and fellowship the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, from 9:30-11:30am at Church of the Resurrection's Parish Hall. 8121 Cypress Lake Drive, Ft. Myers. For more information contact Amanda Gavini at (239) 222-0452

**Bishop Verot International Student Homestay Search:** Have a life-changing experience in your own home by opening your hearts to international students in Fort Myers! Now looking for host families for students who will attend Bishop Verot High School. You provide: a furnished bedroom and a loving home. You receive: competitive monthly compensation and ongoing support. Interested families should contact Christina at (512) 627-4111 or [cnicholls@usivy.net](mailto:cnicholls@usivy.net)

**Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing:** Are you suffering after an abortion? There is hope and healing for you. For confidential information, contact Fonda at (239) 719-7210 or email [Fonda.rachel@gmail.com](mailto:Fonda.rachel@gmail.com)

**Spiritual Adoption Program:** You are invited to register to spiritually adopt an unborn child in danger of abortion. To register, visit [www.dioceseofvenice.org/offices/respect-life/spiritual-adoption-program](http://www.dioceseofvenice.org/offices/respect-life/spiritual-adoption-program) and receive monthly updates on the development of the child in the womb. For information, questions or prayer cards, please contact Jeanne Berdeaux at [Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org) or call (941) 441-1101



### KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

The mission of Keep Lee County Beautiful is to inspire, educate, and engage the Lee County community in improving, beautifying, and protecting our environment.

You can help by donating, sponsoring an event, becoming a member or volunteering with us!

For more information visit: [www.klcb.org](http://www.klcb.org)



## *Journey to Hope* by: J. Halt

False beliefs about mental illness can cause some people to hide behind a mask of fear, shame, or embarrassment. While 1 in 5 Americans live with a mental disorder, estimates indicate that nearly two-thirds of all people with a diagnosable mental illness do not seek treatment. Lack of knowledge, fear of judgment or rejection by family and friends, and discrimination are a few reasons why people with mental illness do not seek help. Mental illnesses are treatable through medication and psychosocial therapies.

The Journey to Hope support group meets in order to support our loved one's recovery from mental illness/substance abuse, to advocate and to offer hope to those who are searching for answers to what is often a mystifying disease. We offer education and support in a caring and confidential setting, actively partnering with NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) of Lee County and other local agencies.

JOURNEY TO  
*hope*

**Join us the 1st Monday of the Month:  
June 4th from 6pm-7:30pm**

**ST. COLUMBKILLE PARISH  
Ministry Building, Room 2  
12171 Iona Road, Fort Myers, FL 33908**

# MEMORIALIZE A LOVED ONE

## NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CHURCH!

We want to thank everyone who memorialized ALL of the Stations of the Cross in the Memorial Garden and ALL of the classrooms in the Parish Life Center! We have other opportunities for you to memorialize inside the Church:

**HOLY OIL CHRISMATORY SET - \$3,000**  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS - \$5,000 EACH**

If you are interested please call our Business Manager, **Holly Atkins** at **(239) 561-2245**

### HOLY OIL CHRISMATORY SET

THIS IS NOW  
**MEMORIALIZED**  
NO LONGER  
AVAILABLE



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



**#3**

Jesus Falls the  
First Time



**#7**

Jesus Falls the  
Second Time



**#9**

Jesus Falls the  
Third Time



**#10**

Jesus is Stripped  
of His Garments

### *Memorialization*

The art of  
commemorating  
the lives of  
those we love.