



ST. JOHN XXIII

Catholic Church

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June 16, 2019

FATHER'S DAY *Blessings*



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

June 16, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses:

Monday-Saturday, 8:00am
Rosary-7:20am (Mon.-Sat.)
followed by Divine Mercy

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 8:00am, 4:00pm
Vietnamese Mass 8:00pm
Sunday 7:15am, 9:15am
and 11:15am
Spanish Mass: 1:30pm every
Sunday

Reconciliation:

Saturday 8:30-9:00am

First Friday Adoration:

Friday 8:30-9:00am

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Monday-Friday,
8:00am-Noon | 1:00-4:00pm
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239-561-3713 (Fax)

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 encouraged 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

239-693-0818

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 15

- 8:00 AM † Clara Regele by The Stamps Family
- 4:00 PM † Mary Jane Dowd by Stephen Dowd
- 8:00 PM † Teresa - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 16 - FATHER'S DAY

ALL FATHERS LIVING & DECEASED

- 7:15 AM, 9:15 AM & 11:15 AM Masses
- 1:30 PM - Spanish Mass

MONDAY, JUNE 17

- 8:00 AM † Joesph & Mary Percacciolo by JoAnn Gair-Wilson

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

- 8:00 AM † Joseph Fiali, Jr. by Jo Anne Walsh

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

- 8:00 AM † Bill Brown by Barbara Brown

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

- 8:00 AM † Ron Rogers by Tom & Louise Lodato

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- 8:00 AM ♥ Patricia Mannion by Clare Mannion & Tom McMenemon

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- 8:00 AM † Ron Rogers by Bob & Gloria Wallace
- 4:00 PM † George Boland by Anne Boland
- 8:00 PM † All Souls - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

- 7:15 AM † Gerard DiCrocco by Michele & Fred Madden
- 9:15 AM † Schleimer & Lange Families by Jim & Barbara Lange
- 11:15 AM † Virginia Bender by Wanda & Chuck McCallum
- 1:30 PM - Spanish Mass

THE 2019 MASS BOOK IS OPEN FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR

To ensure 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 23, 2019 - READINGS

- 1ST READING GN 14:18-20
- 2ND READING 1 COR 11:23-26
- GOSPEL LK 9:11B-17

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.

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Saint Joseph

THE PATRON SAINT OF FATHERS

by: **William James - Catholic News**

St. Joseph, husband of Mary and earthly father of Jesus, is the model of fatherhood. His faith and obedience to God inspired his devotion for his family. As we celebrate Father's Day on June 16th, it might be helpful to study his example. In "Five Lessons from St. Joseph," author Randy Hain points out attributes that serve as a helpful guide:

- St. Joseph Was Obedient
- St. Joseph Was A Worker
- St. Joseph Was Selfless
- St. Joseph Was A Leader
- St. Joseph Led By Example

"Let's look to the inspiring example of St. Joseph, patron saint of fathers, workers and the Universal Church for his obedience, humility, selflessness, courage and the love he showed to Mary and Jesus. If we can emulate St. Joseph even a little each day, we will be that much closer to becoming the men you called to be.

St. Pope John Paul II highlighted St. Joseph to explain the Catholic understanding of fatherhood in his 1989 apostolic exhortation, *Redemptoris Custos* (Guardian of the Redeemer: On the Person and Mission of St. Joseph in the Life of Christ and the Church).

"Commending ourselves, then, to the protection of (St. Joseph) to whose custody God 'entrusted his greatest and most precious treasures, let us at the same time learn from him how to be servants of the economy of salvation. May St. Joseph become for all of us an exceptional teacher in the service of Christ's saving mission, a mission which is the responsibility of each and every member of the Church: husbands and wives, parents, those who live by the work of their hands or by any other kind of work, those called to the contemplative life and those called to the apostolate."

The significance of St. Joseph's presence in Jesus' life reminds us how important fathers are in our lives. Let us celebrate the fathers in our lives this Father's Day.



PRAYER FOR OUR FATHERS

*Heavenly Father,
We thank you for
our fathers.
They gave us life
and continue to give
us the wisdom to
live our lives.
By their examples
of love, we know
ourselves.
By their examples
of faith, we know
you better.
Invigorate our fathers
with the love and
respect of their children
so that they may be
encouraged, inspired
and greatly blessed.
Amen*

Prayer List

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

Elaine Quan	Walter & Jeanne Stobb
Ryan Novajasky	Rudy Stobb
Lynne Haughey	Tony Stobb
Linda Sayres	Patricia Mannion
Carol Clausen	Lola Arena
Marlene LaRose	Nick Piccoli
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek	Mary Lou Tedeschi
Jeff Hlavacek	Anthony Bosch
Bernadette Frammarino	Michaud Family
Antoinette Bosco	Gail King
Michael Assante	Mike Rheäume
Patrick DeLuca	Caryl Eddy
Robert Smolka	Jim Tatum
Debbie Anderson & Family	Kathy Pusateri
John Mangione Jr.	Gary Neubauer
Janet Fernandez	Beverly Martin
Bess Manderfeld	Daniel Harrington
Clark Gordon	Ed Fennick

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

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!*

**Christine Saliga Sullivan
Carl Hornsby**



Tabernacle Candle

In Memory of: **Ed Pavlan & Jim Harley**
Requested by: **Dave & Andrea**



Adoration Chapel

In Memory of: **Biagio Dente**
Happy Father's Day
Requested by: **Emma Jean & Alan Dente**





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Weekly Calendar

Saturday, June 15

- Registration for Living Your Strengths
- Vigil Mass - 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm



Sunday, June 16 - Father's Day

- Registration for Living Your Strengths
- Masses - 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am
- Hispanic Choir: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 11am
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm followed by hospitality in the Main Hall - 2:30pm

Monday, June 17

- Men's Gospel Forum: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7am
- Craftie Ladies: Villas - 1pm
- Vacation Bible School Youth Volunteer Meeting: Main Hall - 6pm
- Women's Guild: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Tuesday, June 18

- Opening the Word: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 9am
- Blessed Little Angels: Movie Day at Regal Cinemas Gulf Coast 16 & IMAX - 10am
- Bereavement: Rooms St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 1pm
- Spanish Rosary: Cry Room - 6pm
- AA Meeting (Alcoholics Anonymous): Rooms St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Wednesday, June 19

- Blessed Little Angels: Fishing Pier at Ft. Myers Beach - 10am
- Children's/Middle School Choir Practice: Church - 6pm

Thursday, June 20

- Nourish: St. Martha & St. Mary - 2pm
- Choir Practice: Church - 6pm
- Hispanic Choir: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 7pm



Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22

- Table in the Narthex for The Adoration Chapel
- Living Your Strengths Workshop: Rooms St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 8am
- Prayer Walk/Abortion Clinic: Meets after the 9:15am Mass
- Table in the Narthex for The Adoration Chapel
- Vigil Mass - 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm



Sunday, June 23

- Table in the Narthex for The Adoration Chapel
- Masses - 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am
- Hispanic Choir: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 11am
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm
- Youth Mass: Chapel - 4pm
- High School Youth Group Summer Schedule: St. Patrick's Patio Area - 5pm

WELCOME

New Parishioners

- Clifford Patten
- Nancy Dones
- Darryl & Carol Stalter
- David Townley
- Carol Geric
- Lillian Rossi

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 on Sunday, August 11th, 2019 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

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 Military Personnel

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| PFC Bryan Bard | Sgt. Justin Pingicer, Army |
| Sean Ball | Lt. Col. Brady Sexton |
| Major Bart Boma | 2nd Lt. Kristen Thompson |
| Staff Sgt. Dennis Cosgrove | Christian Troutner, US Navy |
| Sgt. Phil Dellibovi | Alex Zizzo, US Navy Medic |
| Staff Sgt. Chris Dominski | PFC Jordan Feil, USA |
| CPT Andrew Dugan, Spec. Forces | Hayden Linde |
| Captain Andrew Duguay | Aaron Crump, USCG |
| Sgt. Jared Gaudet | PFC Nathaniel Broemmel |
| Tech Sgt Jeffrey K. Green | Lt. Com. Mark Buonomo |
| 1st Lt. Kellyn Hall | Col. Scott C. Woodward |
| Andrew Herman | Private Nicholas Loeb, ARNG |
| 1st Lt. Paige Hortman | Andrew Hawkinson, USN |
| Sgt. Kathleen Hudepohl | Cavalry Scout Specialist, |
| PFC Michael P Hughes | Ryan Silva, Army |
| SPC Michael Jednak | 2nd Lt. Greg Fry, USMC |
| PFC Andrew Kanopkh | Jared Broemmel, US Navy |
| Michael Klem | Army 2nd Lieutenant Edward |
| Capt. Bradley D. Laux | Hudson Tillinghast IV |
| Lt. Jacob Mundo, US Army | Jethro Ignacio, US Air Force |
| Sgt. Nicholas Mundo, USMC | 1st Lt. Christopher Dryhurst, |
| SSGT Anthony Padula | US Air Force |
| LCP James Palenik | Com. Craig Fowler, USN |
| Master SGT Peter Parison | Eric Sanchez, US Air Force |



Faith Formation

Contact **Chris Biel** | 561-7499 | chrisdre@johnxxiii.net



THIS WEEK IN FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation Classes have ended for the 2018-2019 School Year. Registration for the 2019-2020 School year will begin in July. If your child has completed Year I for First Holy Communion, you should have received a mailing with registration materials.

SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION

We are hoping to start a Sunday Faith Formation Program for grades 1,2, and 3 but we need catechists and volunteers in order to make this happen. There is ongoing training and support. The time commitment would be 2 to 3 times a month from 10:30am to 11:45am. Please contact Chris Biel for more information. (239) 561-7499

DONATIONS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Donations to Vacation Bible Camp are greatly appreciated. Please visit the donation display located in the Narthex. Monetary donations or Gift cards to Publix, Walmart or Target help us tremendously. Thank you for your support!

SACRAMENT PREPARATION:

BAPTISM: Congratulations on your decision to baptize your child! At St. 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. Please 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: celebrating 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 (239) 561-7499 to begin the process.

ADULT FAITH

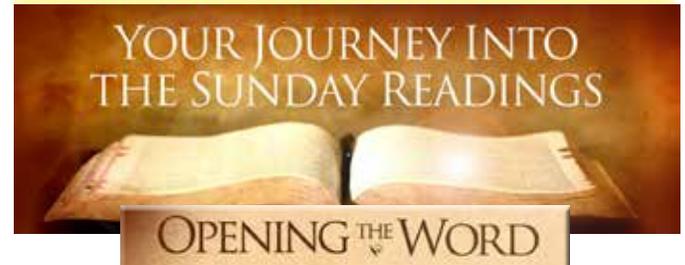
Education

All Are Invited to Opening The Word!

Opening the Word is a weekly Bible Study exploring the upcoming Sunday Readings. All are Welcome!

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

Next Session: Tuesday, June 18th



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

To register go to <https://johnxxiii.formed.org/> and follow the instructions to sign in and view 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 **PARISH LIFE CENTER FROM 9AM-10AM IN ROOMS ST. BERNADETTE & ST. MICHAEL.**



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- *Why be Catholic?*
- *Why does an all-loving God allow Suffering?*

Through Credible Catholic you will have these questions and many more answered from a religious and scientific perspective. Please go to www.crediblecatholic.com and under programs, start by watching the 7 Essential Modules. Credible Catholic offers free on-line teaching products based on content from **Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D.**, president and co-founder of Magis (a non-profit educational organization).

Fr. Spitzer, a Catholic Priest and former president of Gonzaga University, seeks to revitalize Catholic and Christian belief among contemporary Americans. This content and more can be viewed at any time.

Young Adult Ministry - 561-3022 xt 107

Contact **Beth Benham** | beth@johnxxiii.net
Contact **Kelly Evers** | kelly@johnxxiii.net



Welcoming All Young Adults 18 -39

- **PLEASE NOTE** - NO SESSION ON JULY 4TH

We Need You!

We are continuing the Youth and Young Adult Masses during the summer. They will take place once a month on the 4th Sunday at 4pm. Dates: June 23, July 28 and August 25.

We hope to have it led by the "Rooted/Young Adult Ministry". If you are interested in helping as a Lector, EM, Greeter or Usher please contact Beth or Kelly in the Youth Ministry Office. If you would like to serve as a musician or sing in the choir at this Mass please email Tom, our music director at: tom@johnxxiii.net

If there is an interest by the Rooted Group to have a social after Mass outside on the patio, we can add that as well. We would love to hear from you!



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

Youth Ministry - 561-3022 xt 107

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MSYG Contact **Kelly Evers** | kelly@johnxxiii.net

High School Youth Group

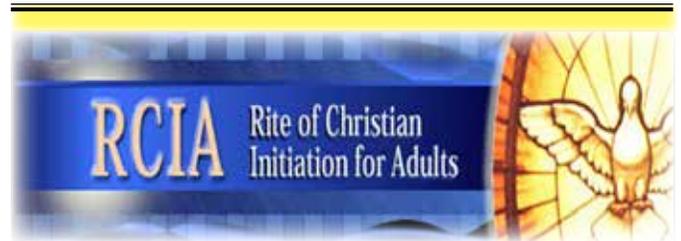
HSYG - Sundays 5pm to 6:30pm

- **June 17** - VBS Volunteer **Mandatory** Meeting - 6pm
- **July 14-20** - Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission
- **August 3 & 10** - Living Your Strengths for Teens

Middle School Youth Group

MSYG - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm

- **Summer Break:** Sessions Resume in September
- **2019-2020 Session Trifold/Event Calendar** will be out in late July. Please check the Narthex welcome desk to pick one up. It will also be posted on our parish website.
- **September 29:** Pam Stenzel, international speaker, will be here to talk to parents and youth from 7th grade and higher. You don't want to miss this event!
- **What I like About Youth Group:** "Youth Group is about learning about God with people our ages through fun activities." - Katherine Baran



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.

INQUIRY SESSIONS

THURSDAY 6:30PM

June **OCR Office Conference Room**

6/27: - Journey of Faith: Welcome God's Dream for You

July **PLC Rooms St. Martha & St. Mary**

7/11: - Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity

7/18: - Bible: Who is Jesus? (New Testament)

7/25: - Catholic Prayers

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



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.

MUSIC MINISTRY



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Contact **Tom Tiehel** | tom@johnxxiii.net

AUDITIONS - OPEN TO ALL AGES!

The St. John XXIII Music Ministry will be holding auditions on **July 6th** starting at **10:30am**. Please prepare a 30-second cut of a musical theater song. Video auditions are also acceptable for those who cannot attend. For more information or questions, contact Amanda Collins: yaymanda@gmail.com or our music director, Tom Tiehel: tom@johnxxiii.net



SUMMER CONCERTS

JUNE 30 - (4:00pm)

PATRIOTIC Concert

JULY 7 - (4:00pm)

PIANO & ORGAN Concert

JULY 14 - (4:00pm)

BROADWAY & BEYOND (Main Hall) with Supper

JULY 15- 19 - (12:00pm - 3:30pm)

Children's Music Week: "Oh Jonah" (Main Hall)

JULY 21 - (4:00pm)

Children's Music Week Musical: "Oh Jonah!"
(with Reception)

Hispanic Ministry ANNOUNCEMENTS



Reflexión

- Hermanos y hermanas, Jesús que no tuvo pecado ha cargado sobre sus hombros el peso de nuestros pecados. El Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu Santo descienden entre los hombres y nos revelan su amor que salva. Dios nos invita a mirar en la resurrección, la victoria de Cristo sobre el pecado y la muerte.

Facebook

- Nos gustaría invitarle a unirse a la página de Facebook de nuestra comunidad hispana. El link es el siguiente: <http://www.facebook.com/HispanosJPXXIII>

Unirse a Nosotros

- Te invitamos a asistir al grupo abierto de parejas de la parroquia San Juan XXIII. Para mayor información llamar al teléfono: (239) 878-1460

Misa en Español

- No olviden que nuestra misa hispana es cada domingo a las 1:30pm con nuestro querido padre Lorenzo González, los esperamos junto a sus familiares, vecinos y amigos.



A Father's Story

by: **Clayton Atkins**

When I sat down to speak with Lewis and Barbara Keister, I asked if they could tell me a little bit about themselves. Lewis' face burst into a broad smile, and he quickly began counting off his immediate family members: eight children, 44 grandchildren, 66 great-grandchildren, and 22 great-great-grandchildren. As I struggled to keep up and take notes, Lewis' daughter, Mary Poofy, slid me "The Calendar", an essential Keister family document—the only conceivable means by which anyone could keep track of Lewis and Barbara's extensive family. As I leafed through its pages, I was hard-pressed to find a date that was not occupied by a birthday, anniversary, or some sort of special occasion celebrated by one the 149 people who count themselves as part of the Keister clan.

Originally from Ohio, Lewis and Barbara Keister were married on March 5, 1946, a mere six weeks after they were introduced, and only a few short months after Lewis' return from serving in the Airforce during WWII. Lewis joked that he never rushed into anything important, but did convert to Catholicism four days before their wedding. Something must have worked...the Keisters recently celebrated their seventy-third anniversary, and they attribute their good fortune to having lived a Christian life in faith, love, and always hope.

All eight of their children attended Catholic schools, Barbara served in the Ladies Auxiliary, and Lewis has been an active member of the Knights of Columbus since 1948. "Without faith," Lewis says, "We would not be where we are today." Imagine the number of crises a family of 149 will inevitably undergo. But the Keisters have come to rely on each other: when someone is sick or going through trying times, there is an extensive network of tight-knit family spanning four generations and the entire country, from San Francisco to North Carolina, and Washington State to Florida.

The Keisters have been parishioners at St. John XXIII for the last six years, but sadly Lewis Keister passed away on May 20th, 2019. Lewis use to joke that, although he loved his new Florida parish, he still slept with a rosary of tiny buckeyes beneath his pillow. He will live on in his loved ones cherished memories.

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Lewis and Barbara Keister attended the Wedding Anniversary Mass on March 16th with Bishop Dewane. They were married for 73 years!



What is **TRINITY SUNDAY?**

Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost to honor the Holy Trinity: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Although the word "trinity" does not appear in Scripture, it is taught in Matthew 28:18-20 and 2 Corinthians 13:14 (and many other biblical passages). The concept of the trinity can never be completely understood or rationalized, but it is clearly taught in Scripture. Understanding of all scriptural doctrine is by faith which comes through the work of the Holy Spirit; therefore, it is appropriate that this mystery is celebrated the first Sunday after Pentecost, when the outpouring of the Holy Spirit first occurred.

In Trinity Sunday, the Christian Church ponders with joy and thanksgiving what the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have done to accomplish the salvation of sinful humanity. It is brought to remembrance how Christians should respond to the love God has shown us, praising Him and giving Him glory. We remember the Father as our Creator, the Son as our Savior and the Holy Spirit as our Comforter. Scriptural readings for the Trinity Sunday ceremony may include Psalm 8, beginning and ending with, "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth." Second Corinthians 13:11-13 appeals to believers to aim for perfection and live in peace, ending with the prayer that the grace of Christ Jesus, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all, including again the commission Jesus left for believers in Matthew 28:16-20.

In the Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Catholic churches, the Sunday of Pentecost itself is called Trinity Sunday (the Sunday after Pentecost is All Saints Sunday). The Monday after Pentecost is called Monday of the Holy Spirit, and the next day is called the Third Day of the Trinity. Though liturgical colours are not as fixed in the Eastern practice (normally there are simply "festive" colours and "somber" or Lenten colours), in some churches, green is used for Pentecost and its Afterfeast.

Today, Trinity Sunday is to explain, to the best of man's ability, the clues written in Scripture to guide us to a fuller understanding of our triune God. The Father is God from the beginning (John 1:1); Jesus revealed Himself as equal to the Father in John 10:30, "I and the Father are one." Together, they sent the Holy Spirit (John 14:26). "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19).

"The Holy Spirit is Eternal"

- Hebrews 9:14

ADORATION CORNER

Come Sit With Me

HELP DESK

WEEKEND

JUNE 22 & JUNE 23

The Adoration Software **HELP-DESK** will be available in the the Narthex for your convenience. Please Bring your devices and we will be happy to assist you with any questions.



FIRST FRIDAY *Adoration*

On **Friday, July 5th**, the St. Luke Adoration Chapel will be open from **9:00am** following Benediction in Our Lady of Rosary Chapel until **9:00pm**.

We ask that you visit the Adoration Chapel for quiet prayer during these extended hours.

REGULAR CHAPEL *Hours*

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 8:30am-4pm

(Adorers Begin at 9am)

SATURDAY: 8:30am-3pm

(Adorers Begin at 9am)



ST. JOHN XXIII
Catholic Church

Weekly Financials



June 6, 2019

Offertory	\$28,106.40
Building Fund	\$4,155.00
Total	\$32,261.40
Mass Attendance	2506
Registered Families	3625
Kid's Offertory Envelopes	\$0.00

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

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

2019 Catholic Faith Appeal

2019 Goal	\$347,000
Pledge	\$466,073.99
% of Goal	134.32%
% of Households	23.47%
Total	\$381,351.35

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.

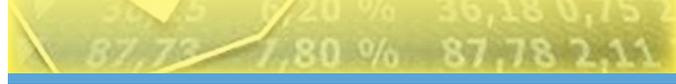
For more information, questions, or wish to consider a gift annuity or trust for St. John XXIII Catholic Church, then please contact:

Holly Atkins at (239) 561-2245



MAKING A STOCK TRANSFER

When making a stock transfer to the Diocese of Venice on behalf of **St. John XXIII**, please email **holly@johnxxiii.net** to let us know you made the request. Sometimes a transfer comes to the Diocese with no name or no parish name. This will help us track the transaction. Thank you.



RECYCLING EQUALS MONEY

Here at St. John XXIII, we encourage you to recycle!

Our recycle bin is located to the far right of the Vietnamese Statue near the other side of the parking lot.

Items such as cardboard, newspapers, office paper and aluminum cans can be deposited in the recycle bin.

With your diligent help, we are able to receive money from the recycling company, Garden St. Paper Products, which in return, goes back to help the church.

Thank you for your support of our common home and the Parish community!



MEMORIALIZE A LOVED ONE

Here at St. John XXIII, we have several ways to memorialize your loved one.

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

Memorialization
The art of commemorating the lives of those we love.





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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
- **“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, 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 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.
- **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!
- **St. Luke Adoration Chapel:** Chapel Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm & Saturday 8:30am-3pm. The Chapel will be open every 1st Friday until 9pm through the summer. Sign up to be an adorer by visiting the church website ministry tab or going directly to: <https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/enrollment/johnxxiii>
- **Want to incorporate more family prayer time at home?** Register to have the Traveling Mary visit your home. For more information visit the “Traveling Mary” SignupGenuis page at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C45AEAD2DAAF58-weekly>
- **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
- **We need your help with keeping our database current:** Have you moved, changed email addresses, dropped a landline or changed your cell number? Please email maryann@johnxxiii.net with any changes or additions to your contact information.
- **YARN Needed:** The Craftie Ladies appreciate all your generous donations in the past, and now we are in need of more yarn to make projects. You may drop off the donations in the church Narthex. Thank you in helping us do for others.

PARKING LOT UPDATE

Our parking lot is in need of major repair and we wanted to wait until the construction was completed on the new Parish Life Center.

During the summer months from mid-June to mid-September, we have contracted with PMI to repave our parking lot. They will be doing the work in sections to minimize the down time for our parking. We will coordinate with them to allow for the most parking on the weekends when it is needed most. There will be some inconveniences as the work moves to different sections of our parking lot. We will be addressing the area in the front of the Memorial Garden where water pools after it rains. A drain will be installed. PMI will clearly mark areas where we cannot park and we ask that you be patient with this process. We will do our best to minimize the inconvenience.

Our goal is to keep everyone safe during this construction process and we would ask that you watch for signs and directions as the work begins. We will be closing the entrance from Apaloosa Lane at some point and closing the other entrances on Palomino but always leaving open at least two entrance/exits for safety. The end goal will be a nice clean smooth parking lot and it will be worth it as we strive to care for our parish home.

Our Playground is being put back up and a fence will go around it for the safety of our children. This work will be completed in the next few weeks.

Please watch the bulletin for updates and listen for the announcements as we work through the process. We will do our best to keep you advised.

Thank You
FOR YOUR PATIENCE



DISCOVER YOUR **TOP 5** GOD-GIVEN TALENTS and how they affect the way you most naturally think, feel, and behave.

Develop your talents into strengths and use them for growth and service.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Please Contact:
Jennifer Engelman
 jennifer@johnxxiii.net
 (239) 561-2245

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

Living Your STRENGTHS

Saturdays, June 22 & 29 • 8:45am-12:30pm



MUSIC MINISTRY

Patriotic Concert

JUNE 30 - 4:00PM

The St. John XXIII choral, handbell and instrumental ensembles will present music to celebrate our nations birthday. The adult, middle school and children’s choirs along with choregraphed patriotic music include solos by our wonderful cantors and choir singers. A patriotic sing along will be included.

Following the concert an old fashioned Fourth of July picnic will take place with hot dogs, hamburgers and other delicious surprises! Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. **FREEWILL DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

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GETTING TO KNOW OUR PARISH TEAM



Getting to Know

FATHER LAWRENCE

Parochial Vicar

frlawrence@johnxxiii.net

Fr. Lawrence is a dedicated member of the Parish team. We thought you would be interested in getting to know him better!

How long have you worked at St. John XXIII?

I have been in a religious order, CRM, for 26 years. I was sent to a Vietnamese Parish in Texas as a parochial in 2014 and I have been at St. John XXIII since July 2017.

What do you want the parishioners to know about your role within the Church?

In general, I am called to serve the needs of all people in the name of Christ. My role in the church is a parochial, assisting a pastor in the area I am assigned to build a good parish community. In addition, I am an administrator for the Vietnamese community.

How does your faith reflect in your Parish work?

I love the mission statement of St. John XXIII, *“Welcoming and respecting all people regardless of background, history, race or color.”* I am inspired by the examples of parish staff who are responsible and content in serving others. My faith helps me bring peace to those facing difficulties and I always try to see God in others in order to serve them with respect as children of God.

How does your job benefit a parishioner?

As a parochial, I have been working well with the pastor and other parochials to make sure to meet the needs of the parishioners. I try my best to be responsible for the tasks assigned to me in order to bring spiritual benefits to the parishioners that I am called to serve. In addition, I keep parishioners in my prayers since God is the main author to change human’s hearts and bestow on them abundant blessings throughout their lives.

Building Our

VIETNAMESE Community

VIETNAMESE WOMEN'S GUILD

The purpose of Women Guild is two-fold:

- Total devotion consecration to Jesus through Mary.
- Assist Pastor/Parochial Vicar and dedicated to working together for the good of the community and the parish.

Currently, there are 22 Members. Prayer meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month, Guided by faith, prayer, knowledge and concern, the Vietnamese Catholic Women's Guild helps build the community through friendship, spiritual reflection, and mutual support.



VIETNAMESE MEN'S HOLY SACRED HEART MOVEMENT

The purpose of Holy Sacred Heart Movement is two-fold:

- Total devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- Assist Pastor/Parochial Vicar and dedicated to working together for the good of the community and the parish.

Currently, there are 15 Members. Prayer meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month, specializing in prayer and apostolic action in harmony with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the movement embraces the Sacred Heart of Jesus as the foundation for all work.



FATHER'S DAY FUN FACTS

- First local Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, in Spokane, Washington but today Father's Day is celebrated around the world.
- Father's Day was started in the US in the early 20th century and is celebrated on the third Sunday of June.
- In 1972, President Nixon finally signed it into law and Father's Day became a permanent national holiday in the US.
- The necktie is consistently the most popular gift for dad.
- Over 87 million cards are sent each year, and makes father's day the fourth-largest greeting card occasion of the year.
- Roses are the official flower for Father's Day. A red rose is worn in the lapel if your father is living, a white rose if he is deceased.
- It is estimated that the word dad began in the late 15th century. It is believed that it was simply derived from baby talk, as in many languages "dada" refers to a baby's acknowledgement of father.
- According to the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, one of the fastest growing groups in the United States are stay-at-home dads: they now number 214,000 men.
- In Germany, Father's Day is celebrated in an unusual way. Men hike with hand-pulled wagons filled with beer, and often partake heavily of that and the local food.
- Among seahorses, it is the male who carries the babies. While mating, the female seahorse will deposit 1,500 eggs in the male's pouch, who carries them until they're fully developed.

Parenting Pointer:

What did your own father teach you about being a father. Hopefully it was positive like fidelity, loyalty, protection, unconditional love. But even if your father was absent or flawed, you can still be inspired to be better with your own child.

"by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"

Reflections by J. Conroy

Luke 9:11-17 Miracle of Loaves & Fishes

This story is attested by all four evangelists in some form. There are three important elements to this story: a) If we compare the actions of Jesus (blessed, broke, gave) in this story, we see exactly the same at the Last Supper when He instituted the Eucharist. b) Notice that his Disciples pass out the food, which suggests the symbolism that Jesus acts through his disciples, us. c) Notice that those who ate, "were satisfied." This same word occurs in Psalm 132:15 "I will bless (Zion) with abundant provision, her poor I will satisfy with bread." All three readings focus on the central element of our Faith: sharing that Bread which makes us one with each other and with our Lord. It is that celebration that distinguishes us, and serves as a source and symbol of the love of Christ in this world today, within our very experience.

Reflections on Scripture
Jack Conroy, Ph.D.

Marriage Moment:

"Affliction produces endurance..." (Romans 5:3) Now that's not a happy thought! Who wants to suffer affliction? But, as much as we try to avoid physical or emotional pain, it happens. Share with your beloved a time that a hardship eventually made you stronger.

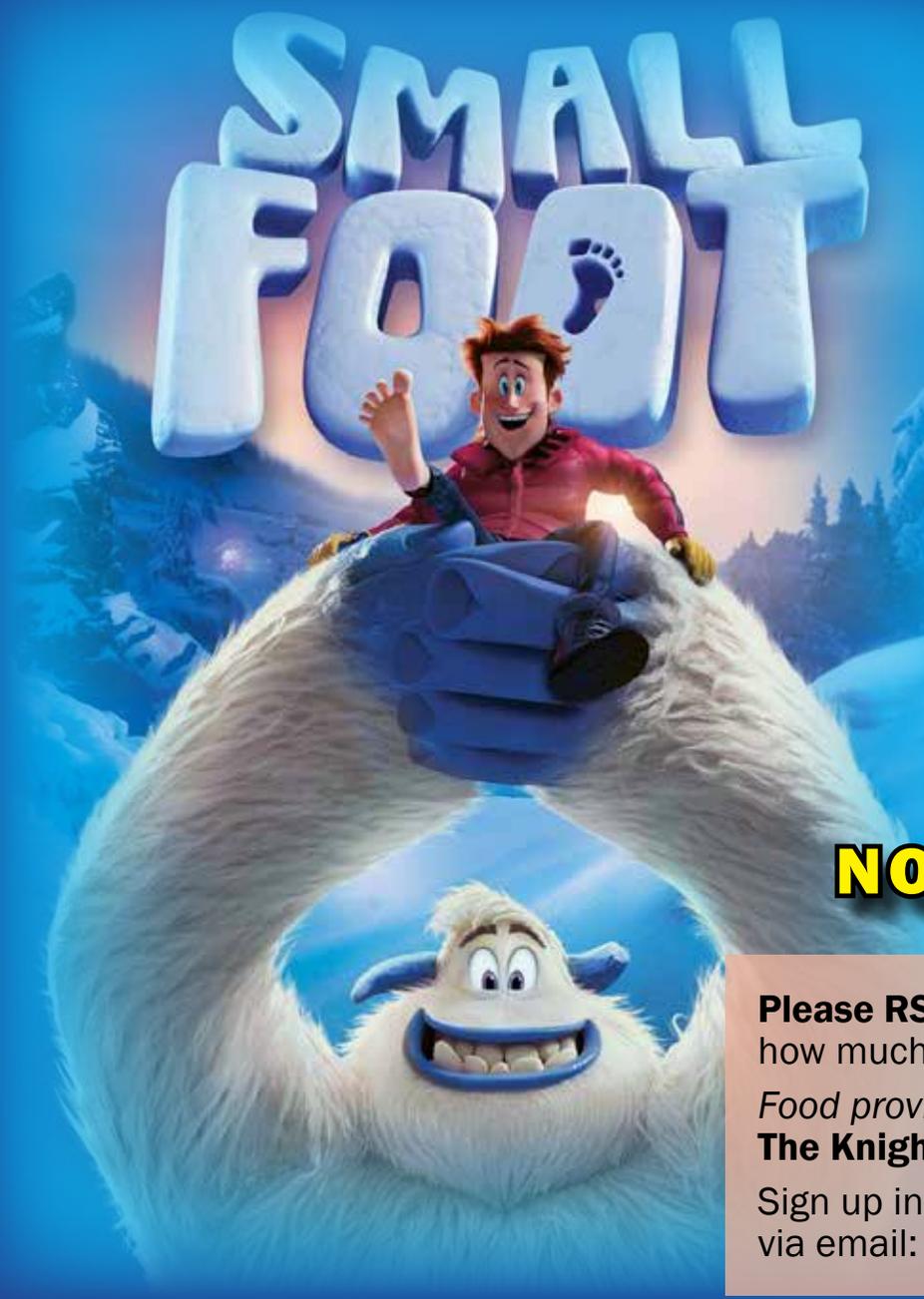
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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

P R E S E N T S



SMALL FOOT



THIS IS OUR
6th 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 26 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: mtd0522@yahoo.com

IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER

FRIDAY, JUNE 28 - 6PM TO 8PM



Catholic Community HAPPENINGS

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School: To set up a tour or for more information, call (239) 334-7707 or visit their website at www.stfrancisfortmyers.org

Religious Freedom Week: Join the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops for Religious Freedom Week 2019: Strength in Hope, from Saturday, June 22nd to Saturday, June 29th, to pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad. To learn more and for additional resources please visit www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek

Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane: Join Bishop Dewane for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio. It can be heard at 8:30am Friday, June 28th on 1660 AM in Naples and 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at RelevantRadio.com

Ave Maria University Junior Stars Football Camp: Join us July 15th through July 19th. It takes place on AMU's campus from 8:30am to 11:30am daily, and is directed by the AMU coaching staff. For details, registration, and more information can be found at <https://sites.google.com/view/amu-football-camps/junior-stars-football-camp>

Retrouaille Marriage Help: Our next program in Tampa begins on July 26th through July 28th. For more information visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call (813) 816-0711. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

10 Days in Italy - Assisi, Carceri, Greccio, Rome: Travel with Deacon William Tribbey OFS, Friar John Bamman OFM Conv., and Deacon Mark & Christine Patterson November 2nd-11th. The cost is \$3,699.00 (Airfare included from anywhere in the US) Please reference trip #656 during registration. For more information call: (855) 842-8001 or visit: www.proximotravel.com

Televised Mass for the Homebound: For those who are unable to attend Mass due to medical or physical limitations, the Diocese of Venice offers a televised Mass each Sunday. For viewers in the northern portions of the Diocese, the Mass airs at 9:30am on the CW Network; and for those in the southern portions of the Diocese, the Mass is at 10:30am on WFTX-TV (FOX-4).

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

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 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 or call (941) 441-1101

Catholic Charities: Provide support, shelter, food and education to families and individuals in your community. Build up the people of Southwest Florida with the courage them to move beyond poverty and achieve self-sufficiency. A total of 92 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to clients. Visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org to donate.

RESPECT LIFE UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, JUNE 29:

12pm-1pm: Silent Adoration Time for the Respect of All Life (All are Welcome) St. Luke Adoration Chapel

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, JULY 27, AUGUST 24:

9:15am-9:45am: Monthly Prayer Walk at Ft. Myers Abortion Clinic - 3900 Broadway Avenue



If you would like more information, be updated or become more involved on Pro-life issues please send an email request to: respectlife@popejohn23.net

NourishTM For Caregivers

**THURSDAY, JUNE 20th
2pm-4pm**

Rooms St. Martha & St. Mary

PREPARE TO CARE The Nourish workshop is for anyone who is juggling the challenges of life, career and family while caring for an aging parent, spouse, or grandparent. In this workshop, explore the roles and impact of the family caregiver and discover ways to maintain your well-being. Practical tools and emotional supports will enable you to thrive while caring for another. Be nourished!

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For more information contact:
Helen Tuffy at (239) 826-6873