St. John XXIII Catholic Church

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October 27, 2019

All Saints

"I am the resurrection
and the life;
whoever believes in me,
even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives
and believes in me
will never die."

- JOHN 11:25

All Souls

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

October 27, 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
239-561-2245
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 - Select
2073 Lafayette St. Ft. Myers
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, OCTOBER 26
- 8:00 AM † Patrick DeLuca by The Lexington Country Club
- 4:00 PM ♥ Paul & Virginia Lochner 55th Wedding Anniversary by Barbara Reilly
- 8:00 PM † Peter - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27
- 7:15 AM † Ernie Molino by Ellen Werle & Jim Sak
- 9:15 AM † Nancy Keenan by Tim & Amy Shea
- 11:15 AM † Edith Termotto by Joseph & Robert
- 1:30 PM † Lucia Monegro by Glenys Navarro

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28
- 8:00 AM † Rebecca Dowling by Christina Martinez

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29
- 8:00 AM † Raymond McCallum by Chuck & Wanda McCallum

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30
- 8:00 AM † Eugen Borosch by his wife

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31
- 8:00 AM † Special Intention by Christina Martinez
- 6:00 PM † Patrick DeLuca by The St. John XXIII Pastoral Team

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1
- 8:00 AM † Marie Sellig by Barbara Brown
- 12:00 PM † Betty Waschbusch by Jim & Bonnie Dooley
- 8:00 PM - Vietnamese Mass

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - ALL SOULS DAY
- 8:00 AM † A.J. Cooper by his parents
- 4:00 PM † Deceased St. John XXIII Parishioners
- 8:00 PM † All Souls - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3
- 7:15 AM † Tom & Gloria Montrois by Jose F. & Elena Salazar
- 9:15 AM † Theodore Feindt by his family
- 11:15 AM † Erin Pedretti by Robert & Patricia Ryan
- 1:30 PM † Vin & Pat Capuano by the family

THE 2020 JANUARY - JUNE MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN

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.

NOVEMBER 3, 2019 - READINGS

• 1ST READING	WIS 11:22-12:2
• 2ND READING	2 THES 1:11-2:2
• GOSPEL	LK 19:1-10

REMINDER: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

DON'T BE
LATE FOR MASS

DON'T FORGET to turn your clocks **BACK 1 HOUR** before you go to bed next **Saturday, NOVEMBER 2.**

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Praying FOR ALL Souls

by: **Cynthia Genovese - Catholic News**

On Saturday, November 2nd, we will celebrate All Souls Day, but for Catholics the entire month of November is dedicated to praying for the souls in Purgatory.

Purgatory is the name the Church gives to the final purification after death and judgment, a period when those who die in God's grace and friendship undergo a purification to achieve the holiness necessary to enter into the joy of heaven. All souls in Purgatory are assured of eternal salvation, but they must first be cleansed of all their lesser sins before they can enter the glory of heaven.

But what about those souls we don't think were in a state of grace when they died? Should we continue to pray for our loved ones who were fallen-away Catholics? Our atheist friends? Or what about those (uncanonized) people who lived such holy lives that we figure they must already be in heaven?

When we're talking about the communion of saints and the body of Christ, there are all kinds of questions that come up with this topic, like whether we'll all enter heaven at the same time or whether it's an immediate judgment. The Catechism says there's an immediate judgment, but what does that mean when there's no time? You can kind of go cross-eyed and get a headache after a while.

So in fact, just keep praying. Never could we just give up hope and say, "Well, this person is probably in hell. I'm going to stop praying for them." That's not Christian. In fact, in the book of Romans we hear "hope against hope" – that's faith. That was Abraham's faith, and that's who Catholics are. We're the ones who hope against all hope that Jesus can purify and can save. We can't draw conclusions, we just keep praying."

OCTOBER 31

- Vigil Mass - 6pm

ALL SAINTS DAY - NOVEMBER 1

- Masses at 8am and 12pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm

ALL SOULS DAY - NOVEMBER 2

- Mass for Deceased St. John XXIII Parishioners - 4pm
- All Souls Day Memorial Service: Being held in the St. John XXIII Memorial Garden - 5:30pm
- All Souls Vietnamese Mass - 8pm

PRAYER FOR

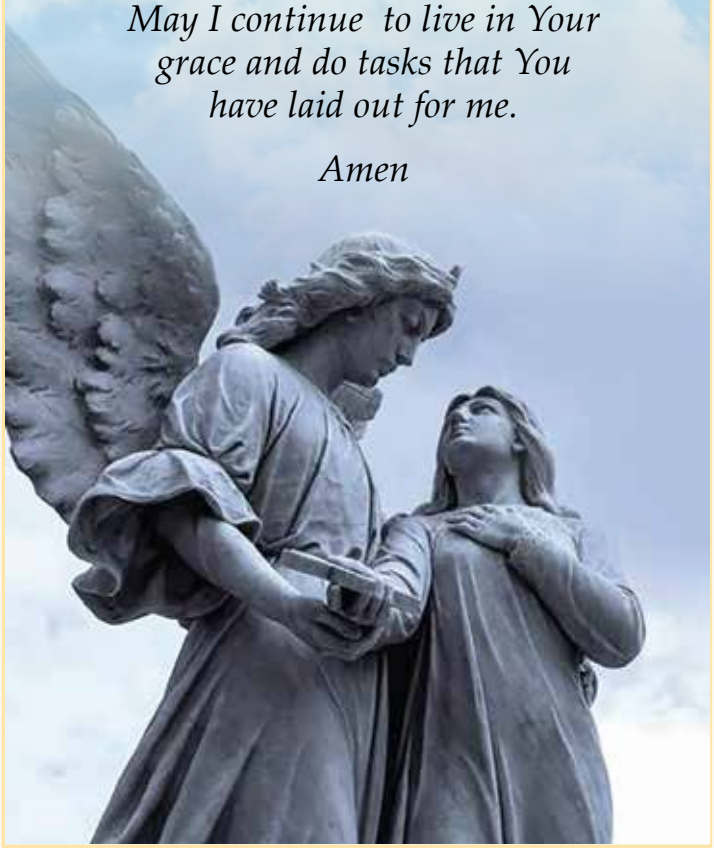
Widows & Widowers

Lord Jesus Christ, during Your earthly life you showed compassion on those who had lost a loved one. Help me to cope with my loss and to rely on You ever more. I praise and thank You for the gift of my life, and especially the gift of my beloved spouse.

Grant my spirit patience as I follow the plan you now have for me. Teach me to adapt to the conditions of my life and to continue doing Your will as I strive to discern it.

Enable me to give to myself in helping those You place in my life and to show Your blessings through my words and actions. May I continue to live in Your grace and do tasks that You have laid out for me.

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
Lynne Haughey
Carol Clausen
Marlene LaRose
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek
Jeff Hlavacek
Bernadette Frammarino
Antoinette Bosco
Sal Pantano
Gary Neubauer
Arlene Hood
Anthony Biagoli
Brianna Serrano
Bill Hilson
David Lovely
Mike Clark & Family
Bev Martin
Mary Jo & Michael Rheaume
Jan Brinich
Curtis Atkins
Alec Dominski
Joanne Donches
Arlene Brummer
Sally Stobb
Walter & Jeanne Stobb
Peggy Stobb
Tony Stobb
Alex Walser
Martha Solon
Eileen Brahney
Jennifer Miller

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!

John Mangione
Marianne Suozzi
Lydia DeMoya
Jim Buersmeyer

Tabernacle Candle

In Memory of: **Bill Clancey**
Requested by: **Dave & Brook Jones**

Adoration Chapel

In Honor of: **Curtis Atkins**
Get Well Wishes
Requested by: **The Glowacki Family**

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Weekly Calendar

Saturday, October 26
- Blood Pressure Check by the Nurses after all Masses
- Thanksgiving Bags Given Out
- Vigil Mass - 4pm
- Trunk or Treat/Youth Night: Parking Lot/Outside Stage - 6pm
- High School Youth Group After Party: Main Hall - 8:30pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm

Sunday, October 27
- Blood Pressure Check by the Nurses after all Masses
- Thanksgiving Bags Given Out
- Masses: 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am
- Faith Formation Classes K - 3rd Grade: Main Hall - 10:30am
- Hispanic Choir: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 11am
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Session: St. Martha & St. Mary - 10:15am
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm

Monday, October 28
- Men's Gospel Forum: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7am
- Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study: Main Hall - 10am
- Craftie Ladies: Villas - 1pm
- The Eucharist in Scripture Bible Study: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 1:30pm

Tuesday, October 29
- Opening the Word: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 9am
- Bereavement: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 1pm
- Spanish Rosary: Cry Room - 6pm
- Acts Bible Study: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 6:30pm
- AA Meeting St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Wednesday, October 30
- Adoration Chapel open until 6pm
- Sacrament Preparation: Main Hall Classrooms - 6pm
- Middle School Youth Group: Outside - 6pm
- Vietnamese Choir Rehearsal: Church - 8pm

Thursday, October 31
- Adoration Chapel open until 6pm
- Vigil for All Saints Holy Day: Church - 6pm
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) St. Martha & St. Mary - 6:30pm
- Men's Ministry: Main Hall - 6:30pm

Friday, November 1 - ALL SAINTS DAY
- ALL SAINTS' HOLY DAY: Church - 8am & 12pm
- 1st Friday Adoration - 8:30am
- Adoration Chapel open until 9pm (closed from 12-1pm)
- Spanish Mass: Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel - 6pm
- Hispanic Marriage Ministry: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 7pm
- Vietnamese Holy Day Mass: Church - 8pm

Saturday, November 2 - ALL SOULS DAY
- Thanksgiving Food Collection
- Cypress Point Mass - 9:30am
- Diocese of Venice Youth Rally - 10am
- Vigil Mass - 4pm
- All Souls Day Memorial Service: Memorial Garden - 5:30pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm

Sunday, November 3
- Thanksgiving Food Collection
- Masses/Hospitality: 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am
- Hispanic Choir: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 11am
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Session: St. Martha & St. Mary - 10:15am
- Faith Formation Classes K - 3rd Grade: Main Hall - 10:30am
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm

WELCOME

New Parishioners

- Justin Simeone
- Robert & Tina Morrill
- John & Anne Rachmaciej
- Al & Jillian Miller
- Jordan & Kristin Nowak
- Salvatore & Donna Spoto
- Joan Jerpe
- Elizabeth Galvano
- Trevor Desuze
- Matt & Shelly Chitwood

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, November 17th, 2019 at 12:30pm**

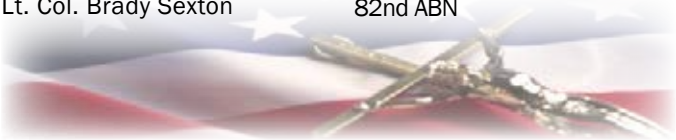
Registering at St. John XXIII is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community. Please let the parish office know your email address OR you can even update it on the Parish website! **www.johnxxiii.net**

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

PFC Bryan Bard
Sean Ball
Major Bart Boma
Staff Sgt. Dennis Cosgrove
Sgt. Phil Dellibovi
Staff Sgt. Chris Dominski
CPT Andrew Dugan, Spec. Forces
Major 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
Capt. Jacob Mundo, US Army
SSGT 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
Sgt. Hayden Linde, FLARNG
Aaron Crump, USCG
Sgt. Nathaniel Broemmel
Lt. Com. Mark Buonomo
Col. Scott C. Woodward
Private Nicholas Loeb, ARNG
Andrew Hawkinson, USN
Cavalry Scout Specialist,
Ryan Silva, Army
2nd Lt. Greg Fry, USMC
Jared Broemmel, US Navy
Army 2nd Lieutenant Edward
Hudson Tillinghast IV
Jethro Ignacio, US Air Force
1st Lt. Christopher Dryhurst,
US Air Force
Com. Craig Fowler, USN
Eric Sanchez, US Air Force
1st Lt. Colin Snook, 82nd ABN
Lt. Col. Mike Garry, US Army
82nd ABN



Faith Formation

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

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE:

October

WEDNESDAY FAITH FORMATION CLASSES:

- **10/30:** Sacrament Preparation Year II students and parents 6pm-7:15pm

SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION CLASSES:

- **10/27:** Faith Formation

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 begins at the start of 9th Grade and is celebrated in the Fall of 11th grade. (Older teens are certainly welcome!). 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.

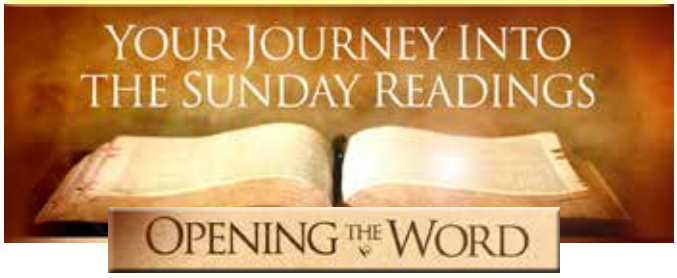
ADULT FAITH Education

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** in The Parish Life Center, rooms St. Bernadette & St. Michael.

Next Session: Tuesday, October 29



We will use the parish resource, Formed.org to prepare for the upcoming Sunday readings.

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.

The Eucharist in Scripture:

THROUGH NOVEMBER 11

Monday afternoons from 1:30pm-3:30pm in Parish Life Center, rooms St. Bernadette & St. Michael

NO FEES ● NO READING REQUIRED
NO MATERIALS TO PURCHASE ● NO HOMEWORK

Contact Linda Stanley: lindastanley.ls@gmail.com

Acts - The Spread of the Kingdom Bible Study:

THROUGH NOVEMBER 12

Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm - 8pm in Parish Life Center, rooms St. Bernadette & St. Michael

REGISTER ONLINE:
www.ascensionpress.com

Contact Edith Trafford: lancith@aol.com

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

- **November 7 - 7:15pm Trivia Night:** Dowd's Irish Pub in Ft. Myers. Check out our Facebook Group: Rooted at *St. John XXIII.* For more info contact Beth or Kelly to sign-up.

CHWC

Mission Trip:

ADULTS/YOUNG ADULTS 18 and older that would like to volunteer or go to the CHWC Mission Trip with the HSYG program please contact Beth Benham.

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

High School Youth Group

HSYG - Sundays 5pm to 6:30pm

- **November 2:** The Youth Rally bus leaves at 10am **PLEASE ARRIVE at St. John XXIII by 9:30am**
- **November 17:** Sunday 4pm Youth Mass
- **November 17:** Right Judgment Guest Speakers is open to all high school teens. **PLEASE NOTE:** confirmation students **must attend** 5pm-6:30pm

Volunteers Needed:

PARENTS/ADULTS/YOUNG ADULTS 18 and older that would like to volunteer with the HSYG program please contact Beth Benham

Middle School Youth Group

MSYG - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm

- **October 30:** - From Jack O'Lanterns to Faith Filled Heroes
- **November 6:** - Beatitude Attitude - Be Happy (Youth Missions)
- **This Week:** Kids will choose their favorite Saints and decorate pumpkins in their honor. We will meet on The St. Patrick patio. No pizza served.

***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.

Doctrine Sessions:

Sundays 10:30am - St. Martha & St. Mary

10/27: - Holy Eucharist: The Real Presence
11/3: - Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance & Moral Living
11/10: - Baptism & Confirmation

Inquiry Sessions:

Thursdays 6:30pm - St. Martha & St. Mary

11/7: - The Holy Spirit: Who is Grace & Love
11/14: - Church is called the Eucharist (Mass)
11/21: - Liturgical Year

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.

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

FALL FRIDAY NOON
ORGAN CONCERTS

Thomas Tiehel, organist of St John XXIII, will present Fall Noonday Organ Concerts each Friday in October from 12:15pm to 12:45pm on the 3 manual Rodgers Organ. Concerts are FREE and open to the public. All are welcome!

FALL FESTIVAL OF MUSIC
NOVEMBER 10 - 4PM

The musicians of St. John XXIII Music Ministry present an afternoon of music featuring the choirs, instrumentalists and soloists.

NEW KEYBOARDS NEEDED

The music ministry must replace the two aging keyboards due to age, use, malfunctioning buttons, audio distortion and display screen failure. The instruments are over 15 years old and technology has surpassed several generations of improvement. The keyboards are utilized weekly for rehearsals and each week during Mass, in addition to concerts and musicals in the Parish Life Center.

The cost for two state of the art keyboards is approximately $10,000. Both are high quality and will meet the flexibility and demands of our growing music ministry.

Please contact Tom Tiehel for more information or to make a donation.

Hispanic Ministry
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grupo de parejas con Padre Lorenzo

- Lugar: St. Michael & St. Bernadette PLC.
- Hora: 7:00pm
- Fecha: Primer viernes del mes.
- Cuidado de niños y niñas disponible.

Misas en Español

- Lugar: Iglesia Católica St. John XXIII
- Hora: 1:30pm
- Fecha: Todos los domingos del mes.

Rezo del Santo Rosario

- Lugar: Iglesia Católica St. John XXIII
- Hora: 6:00pm
- Fecha: Todos los martes del mes.

Contactanos

- Para cualquier informe o preguntas relacionado al ministerio hispano, por favor enviarlos al correo contactohispanosjpxxiii@gmail.com

ANGEL TREE

2019 GIFT/FOOD REQUESTS

Our Angel Tree will be in the Narthex on November 15th with gift tag requests representing the needs of seniors from Catholic Charities, children from St. Martin de Porres Outreach Ministry, veterans in retirement homes, residents of St. John XXIII Villas, and our own parish faith community.

Any registered parishioner who is in need of help with Thanksgiving food and/or Christmas food and or/gifts for their immediate family may complete and submit the request form below. It must be received by October 31st. You will have our assurance it will be held in strict confidence.

ST. JOHN XXIII - 2019 GIFT/FOOD REQUEST FORM

Parent Name:		**Phone #**		**E-mail:**
First Name	**Gender**	**Age**	**Size** ***If Clothing***	**GIFT REQUESTED (Maximum Value of $50 each)**

I AM REQUESTING (*Please check ALL that apply*):

_____ **Food for Thanksgiving** (Pick-up at Church on Friday, November 22 from 1-3pm)
_____ **Food for Christmas** (Pick-up at Church on Thursday, December 19 from 1-3pm)
_____ **Christmas Gifts** (Pick-up at Church on Friday, December 19 from 1-3pm)

Total Number in my Family _____ **I am: _____ Registered Parishioner**
_____ Not Registered

REQUESTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 31, 2019

please submit request by mail or email to:
STELLA MCCAFFREY, COORDINATOR
2143 Oxford Ridge Circle, Lehigh Acres, FL 33973
email: **Stellamccaffrey@aol.com** *phone:* **(239) 303-1935**

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General Announcements

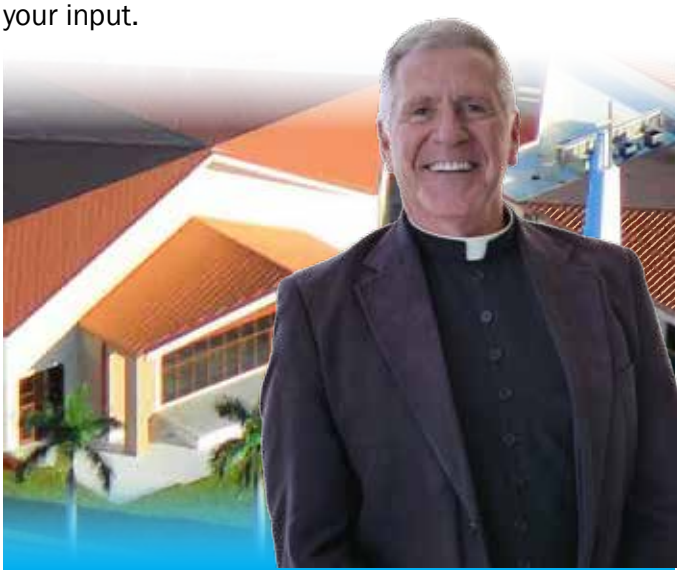
- **Have You Listened to Our Podcasts?** Listen to our weekly inspirational messages from Father Bob and homilies from Mass. Visit our site weekly at johnxxiii.podbean.com
- **"Like" our Facebook Page!** For all the latest happenings and inspirational messages "Like" us on Facebook. Just search "St. 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!
- **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.
- **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 and extended hours on Wednesday night. Sign up to be an adorer by visiting the church website ministry tab or going directly to: https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/enrollment/johnxxiii
- **Nonperishable Donations:** When you are coming to Mass, please consider dropping off any nonperishable items in designated baskets located in the Narthex. These items help supply our food pantries and help those in need.
- **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
- **Replacing Your Appliances?:** Please consider giving your old appliances to our Thrift Store. Gently used appliances 7 years old or less that are in good working order can be sold at our Thrift Store. Please email thrift@johnxxiii.net and Cynthia, our store manager will contact you to schedule a pick-up. The Thrift Store is located at 15200 S. Tamiami Trail #110 in Ft. Myers, FL. Call (239) 433-4097 or visit www.bpjthrift.com

WHY THE PARISH survey?

It should come as no surprise to those worshipping at St. John XXIII that it is a vigorous and charitable parish. Simply look at the bulletin from any given weekend and you will see numerous ministry activities and events listed as well as measurements such as the number of registered families and Mass attendance. A summary of financial contributions to the offertory, building fund, Catholic Faith Appeal, and special collections is also reported. While these traditional measures reflect the *outcomes* of our active and generous parish community, they do not measure the key *inputs* of spirituality and engagement.

As Fr. Bob announced in the October 20 bulletin, during the weekend of **November 16 & 17** we will once again be conducting a parish survey to measure the overall spiritual health of our parishioners. This confidential survey, administered by Gallup, was last conducted here in 2011. At that time, we learned 32% of respondents were engaged in parish life; 47% not engaged; and 21% actively disengaged. These results were better than the average Catholic church at that time and the upcoming survey will confirm where efforts are succeeding while highlighting opportunities for improvement.

St. John XXIII is a special parish that continues to grow while serving the needs of many. Your pastoral team strives to ensure that spiritual enrichment continues for all who worship here, and this survey will provide an assessment of our current state plus information for future planning. We look forward to receiving your input.



St. John XXIII Catholic Church

Weekly Financials

October 20, 2019

Offertory	$30,222.52
Building Fund	$4,111.00
Total	$34,333.52
Mass Attendance	3182
Registered Families	3717
Kid's Offertory	$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	$517,490.05
% of Goal	149.13%
% of Households	24.81%
Total	$491,525.59

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**

NEW

ONLINE *Apparel Store!*

We have **NOW LAUNCHED** an online apparel store! All parishioners are welcome to **BUY** St. John XXIII branded clothes and merchandise from **NOW UNTIL NOVEMBER 4TH**.

We are working with **BSN Sports** who will manage all orders, payment and shipments through a branded microsite on their platform. We DO NOT hold any of the inventory. Once the ordering window ends on November 4th, BSN Sports will ship items to all parishioners by early December. This is a first-ever initiative for the parish!

VISIT OUR STORE AT:
www.bsnteamsports.com/shop/XXIII19

ORDERS RECEIVED WITHIN 3-4 WEEKS

NO RETURN POLICY/NO RETURNS

CAR MAGNETS will be available for purchase in the NARTHEX after ALL MASSES **NEXT WEEKEND**. All proceeds benefit Youth Ministry Service Trips.
LIMITED QUANTITY: **COST IS $10 - CASH ONLY**

BSN SPORTS

MTS CUSTOMER SUPPORT - REF # 5417805
1-800-749-3813 | myteamshop@bsnsports.com
Team Coordinator: Jake Dylik **jakedylik@gmail.com**

Community Pregnancy Clinics
Care. Compassion. Choices.

You are Invited!

Friends for Life

RECEPTION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7
6:00PM - 7:30PM
PARISH LIFE CENTER

Learn about Community Pregnancy Clinics: What we do, why we do it and how you can help to save babies and help moms.

Our Mission:

To save babies from abortion while providing care, compassion and choices for women. There will be an opportunity to support the life saving mission of CPCI.

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 1:
jbobzien@Community4Life.com
(239) 825-5409

DRESS:
Smart Casual
Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be provided for your enjoyment.

For more information:

Visit: **www.community4life.com**
Table in the Narthex: November 2-3

ADORATION CORNER

Come Sit With Me

FIRST FRIDAY *Adoration*

Friday, November 1: The St. Luke Adoration Chapel will be open from **9:00am** (Following Benediction in Our Lady of Rosay Chapel) **until 9:00pm**.

Extended Hours: The chapel will be open **until 6pm** on **Wednesday, October 30** & **Thursday, October 31** **(check the weekly calendar on page 5 for updates)**

REGULAR CHAPEL *Hours*

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 8:30am-4pm
SATURDAY: 8:30am-3pm

belk charity sale

25% OFF RARELY DISCOUNTED BRANDS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

IN STORE ONLY
Shop All Day • 7am - Close

DONATE **$5**
and Receive a
$5 COUPON

Your $5 donation supports The Women's Guild of St. John XXIII and their Outreach Ministries.

FREE GIFT CARD:
On November 9th to the **first 100 customers** in the Store! Valued from **$5 to $1,500**

TICKETS:
Stella McCaffrey
Stellamccaffrey@aol.com
(239) 303-1935

The Sound of Music

Thank You

We would like to thank **Tom Tiehel**, **Amanda Collins**, the Music Ministry, actors, musicians, volunteers, parishioners and everyone who participated in the Sound of Music performances. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by our parish community!

St. John XXIII
Catholic Church

GETTING TO KNOW OUR PARISH TEAM

Ministry Spotlight

KATHY DANEHY

St. John XXIII Respect Life Ministry
respectlifejohn23@gmail.com

How long have you worked at St. John XXIII?

I have been an active volunteer at the parish for 15 years. For awhile I alternated Sundays between here and Resurrection doing everything from leading bible studies, womens ministries and being a catechist.

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

Two years ago I said I would temporarily "do the communication" for the Respect Life ministry. After talking to Fr. Bob several times about the many people who seemed to be a good fit to lead the ministry and many discussions with Jeanne Berdeaux who is the director of Respect Life for the diocese, I realize it was ME. My career and life experiences as a nurse has given me a unique perspective into the dignity and worth of every human being. We each have a story and I use mine to help educate others learn where they are called to advocate for life in all of its stages. My current work at pregnancy and women's clinics, as well as outreach to college campuses, strengthens my resolve for teaching others the importance of treating every life with respect, understanding and compassion. I hope and pray with our help God will grow this ministry across the many generations of our parish.

How does your faith reflect in your Parish work?

I pray to be Jesus' eyes, ears, hands and feet so that those who know me may come to know Him. My faith has been a crooked journey of both ignoring and listening to the Holy Spirit's call in my life.The more prayer that goes into my work the more I know it is God, not me.

How does your job benefit a parishioner?

Since stepping into this role, I have been approached by many parishioners and ministres who want a better understanding of the churches teaching on many life issues or want to share their own stories. I hope to be a bridge and a catalyst for those seeking understanding or if needed, healing.

RESPECT LIFE

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY SATURDAY:

12pm-1pm: Silent Adoration Time for the Respect of All Life in the St. Luke Adoration Chapel.

EVERY 4TH SATURDAY:

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

DEATH PENALTY PRAYER VIGIL:

As we continue to honor ALL life throughout the month of October, our Florida governor has once again signed a death warrant to be carried out on **November 7th**. St. John XXIII will be hosting a prayerful vigil that evening in the Adoration Chapel. Please consider contacting the governor's office to voice your opposition to the death penalty. All Catholics are encouraged to learn more about this difficult topic through the Catholics Mobilizing Network against the death penalty.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

The fall campaign continues through November 3rd. Our parish covers the peace prayer vigil EVERY TUESDAY from 9am to 6pm.

To volunteer for a time period, use the sign up sheet in the Narthex or email: **respectlifejohn23@gmail.com** or visit our table in the Narthex for more information.

HELP SAVE LIVES IN FT. MYERS

THROUGH NOVEMBER 3

40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL PERIODS
PLANNED PARENTHOOD FACILITY
COLLEGE PKWAY & WINKLER AVE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29 11:00AM - 6:00PM

CLOSING RALLY
Sunday, November 6 - 1pm

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9
Parish Life Center

DRESS UP IN THE DECADE YOU WERE BORN

ADVANCE TICKETS: $30 - AT THE DOOR: $45

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

Ft. Myers Beach Nature Boat Cruise

$250 Gift Certificate for Spot on Carpet and Tile Cleaning Grout Resealing Services

Paver Protectors Brick Cleaning and Sealing Services

Gift Cards from Live Love Locks Blow Dry Bar

AND MORE!

DOORS OPEN: 5PM
Bar Service: beer, wine, lemonade, water, tea, coffee/decaf

FOOD SERVICE BEGINS: 5:30PM/BAND 6-9PM
Buffet Table/Final Auction items close at band's last break.

TICKETS AVAILABLE: Parish Office: MON - FRI 8am to 4pm
Youth Ministry: MON - WED 9am to 3pm
TICKETS WILL BE SOLD IN THE NARTHEX THIS WEEKEND

CONTACT: (239) 561-3022
Kelly Evers: kelly@johnxxiii.net or **Beth Benham**: beth@johnxxiii.net

MUSIC PROVIDED BY:

Electric Lipstick

SCRIPTURE CLASS ON ESSENTIAL OILS

Gifts of the Magi

GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, MYRRH, OTHER OILS IN SCRIPTURE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

6:30PM - 8:00PM

PARISH LIFE CENTER
St. Bernadette & St. Michael

Learn:

- WHAT THE GIFTS REPRESENT
- LEARN THE HISTORICAL AND PROPHETIC
- SIGNIFICANCE OF ESSENTIAL OIL

Trace God's hand through scripture as you understand how oils point to Christ, *"...Their fruit will be for food and their leaves for healing"* Ezekiel 47:12

You will love this class! OILS OF THE BIBLE GIFT will be given to everyone attending! Oil safety instructed.

This is an opportunity to experience essential oils. Essential oil infused snacks will be served.

Instructed by: ROBIN DYSARD

Please RSVP to **PTdoctoroils@gmail.com**
or call **(239) 949-7000**

Registration in the Narthex: November 9, 10, 16, 17

Giving in Thanksgiving

SOCIAL JUSTICE FOOD COLLECTION

THROUGH NOVEMBER 17

- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Rice
- Pinto Beans
- Maseca Flour
- Cooking Oil
- Canned Soup
- Pasta
- Sauce
- Mac & Cheese
- Cereal
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Publix Gift Cards
- WalMart Gift Cards

For More Information:

SANDY & GEORGE SZYMANSKI
szysan05@comcast.net

Catholic Community
HAPPENINGS

Safe Environment Training: As Christian adults, we have a moral and legal responsibility and are entrusted by God with the spiritual, emotional and physical well-being of minors and vulnerable adults. To provide a safe and nurturing environment for everyone, we ask all volunteers to attend the Safe Environment Training Class once their fingerprints have been cleared. To view the next sessions go to www.dioceseofvenice.org website, click on Offices, Programs and Safe Environment. Select Training Schedule to see the list of classes. Click on "Start Registration" at the top of the page to register for a class. All registrations must be done through the Diocese of Venice website.

New Movie about Saint Faustina: This movie is only being shown in our area on October 28th at 7pm at several Regal Cinemas. Shot in the U.S., Poland and Lithuania, the film is a compelling hybrid of dramatization and documentary-style storytelling that will leave viewers in awe of this spectacular account of divine friendship.

Taste of Freedom: The Florida Coalition against Human Trafficking will host their 4th annual fundraiser on Saturday, November 2nd from 6-10pm at Fort Myers Event Center located at 1900 Park Meadows Drive. To purchase tickets or for more information visit: www.slavefreeflorida.org

Annual Casino Night: St. Cecilia Catholic Community will be holding their annual Casino Night in their new Marian Hall on Saturday, November 2nd from 7-10pm. Hors d'oeuvres are included. $25 per person until October 30th/$35 after that date. Call (239) 936-3635 or visit the St. Cecilia office.

Bishop Verot Visit Days & Placement Exam: The Placement Exam for prospective 2020-2021 freshmen year will be held Saturday, November 2nd and Saturday, November 16th. Students must complete the online application in order to register for the exam. Participants in the November testing dates are eligible for the DeSales Scholarship. Verot visit days are October 22nd and November 11th. Registration is required. Please visit www.bvhs.org/admissions to fill out an application or register. For more information email Admissions Director Patty Holmes at patty.holmes@bvhs.org

Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic Church Bazaar: Saturday, November 2nd from 10am-6pm and Sunday, November 3rd from 9am-2pm. There will be vendors, arts & crafts, retail, jewelry, 50-50 raffles, silent auction, bake sale and food. Located at 1922 SW 20th Ave in Cape Coral. For more information contact Barbara at (330) 760-2965

Retrouvaille Marriage Help: The next program begins on November 8th in Tampa. For more information visit: helpourmarriage.org

2nd Annual Falcon Family Bazaar: Friday, November 22nd from 8am-2pm at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall located at 2057 Cleveland Avenue in Ft. Myers.

"Enchanted Sea" St. Andrew Gala: Saturday, November 23rd at The Westin Cape Coral Resort at Marina Village. Live entertainment, casino, and live/silent auctions. For sponsorship and ticket information visit: SandSgala.com

Free Mental Health Counseling: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. is offering free mental health counseling services for adults, children and families who lived in Florida during Hurricane Irma. Counselors can help resolve a variety of issues. Visit the website at www.catholiccharitiesdov.org or call Joan at (941)-355-4680 ext. 311

Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

ALL WOMEN are invited to a breakfast sponsored by **Magnificat**, a ministry to Catholic women.

The breakfast will be held **Saturday, November 2**, from **9:30am -12:30pm** at the **Holiday Inn Airport**, Gulf Coast Town Center, Ft. Myers. Guest speaker: **Susan Potvin.**

Susan is a worship leader and inspirational speaker who has been involved in Catholic and ecumenical renewal work for more than thirty years andleader of Living Praise Worship Team, which has produced seven worship CD's. She longs for all women to know the power of God's love and healing in the midst of their lives and their families.

SEATING IS LIMITED:
No walk-ins or payment at the door.
We accept advanced registration ONLY.

REGISTER ONLINE:
www.magnificatfortmyers.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Margaret Mengle: **(239) 826-7475**