



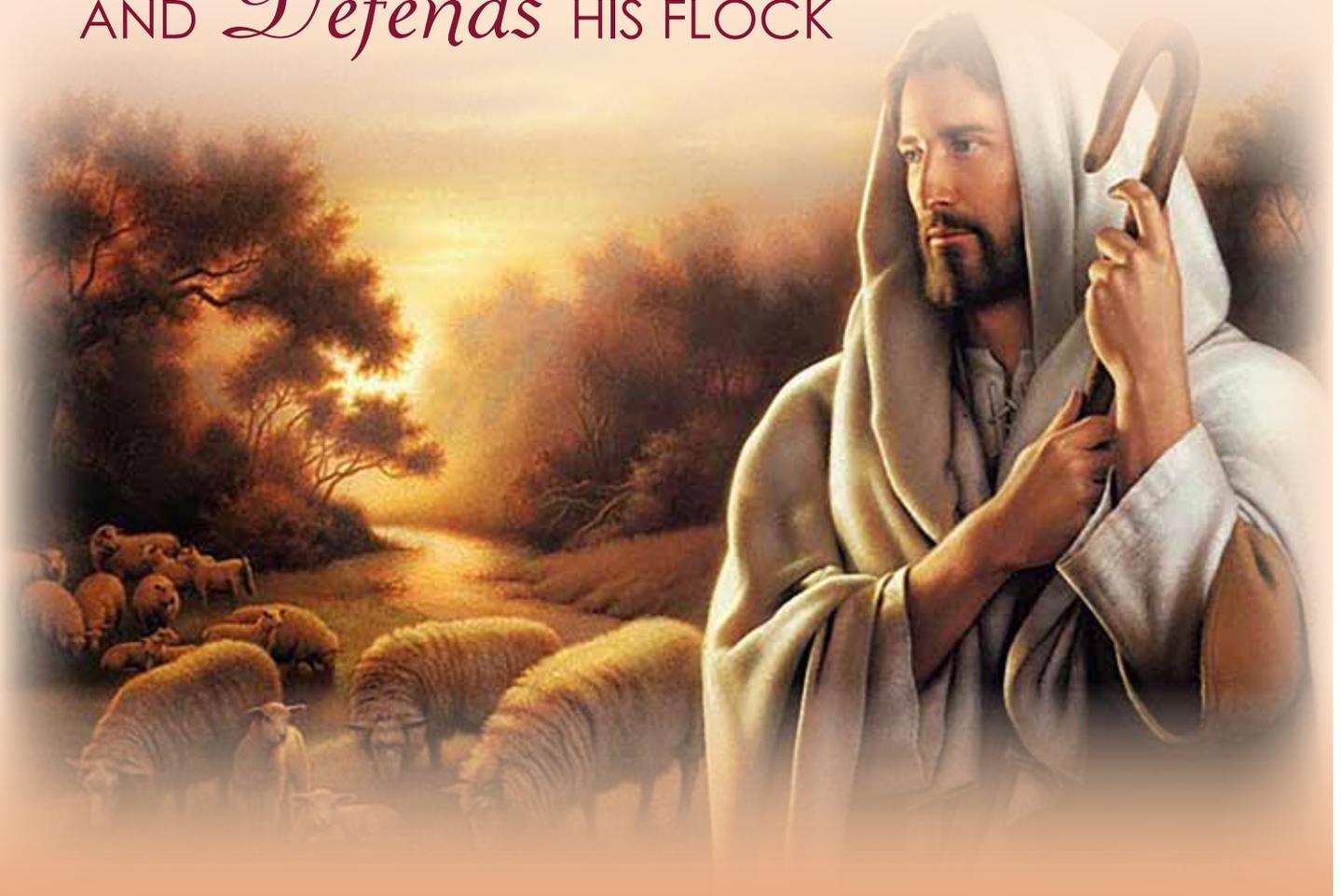
ST. JOHN XXIII

Catholic Church

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June 13, 2021

Jesus ALWAYS *Loves*
AND *Defends* HIS FLOCK



"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want"

- PSALM 23

June 13, 2021

Please Note:
SATURDAY
CONFESSIONS
have resumed in
the church from
8:30am-9:00am

We will continue
LIVE streaming
MASSES on
Facebook/Website

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday,

8:00am-Noon & 1pm-4pm

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

PLEASE NOTE: You are welcome to attend 8:00am Daily Mass as well as weekend Holy Masses in the Church. In accordance with CDC Guidelines, all fully vaccinated parishioners are no longer required to wear a mask during Mass.

MONDAY, JUNE 14

- 8:00 AM † Alma Albeciete by Olivia Verde

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

- 8:00 AM † Carol Stokes by MaryLou & Marty Lydecker

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

- 8:00 AM † Mary Jane Dowd by Stephen Dowd

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

- 8:00 AM † Raymond Marr by Tony & Carol Ciavarelli

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

- 8:00 AM † Joesph Fiali by Joanne Walsh

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

- 8:00 AM ♥ Agnes Mary Joseph by Suja Thomas
- 4:00 PM † Marie Augusta McDonald by Carol & Nicholas Hahn
- 8:00 PM † Teresa - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 20 - FATHER'S DAY

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

ALL FATHER'S LIVING & DECEASED

Happy FATHER'S Day!

There are NO MORE MASSES IN ENGLISH AVAILABLE for 2021

THE 2022 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN JULY 1 FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR

To ensure availability throughout the year, we must limit Mass requests to no more than (2) weekend Masses and (2) weekday Masses per person. Other options will remain available such as Tabernacle Candle \$15 per week and Eucharistic Host \$15 per week.

JUNE 20, 2021 - READINGS

- 1ST READING JB 38:1, 8-11
- PSALM PS 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31
- 2ND READING 2 COR 5:14-17
- GOSPEL 4:35-41

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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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

by: **Carol Glatz - Catholic News Service**

Jesus is the good shepherd who knows, loves and defends his sheep, embracing everyone without exception, Pope Francis said.

“For this is the Father’s will — that no one should be lost. Christ’s love is not selective; it embraces everyone,” the pope said before reciting the “Regina Coeli” prayer with visitors in St. Peter’s Square.

Focusing on the day’s Gospel reading (Jn 10:11-18) presenting Jesus as the good shepherd, the pope said the opposite of the good shepherd is the “mercenary” — the hired hand who does not care about the flock “because they are not his.”

“He does the job only for pay and is not concerned about defending them; when a wolf arrives, he flees and abandons them,” the pope said.

Jesus, the true shepherd, “defends us always and saves us from so many difficult situations, dangerous situations through the light of his word and the strength of his presence that we always experience if we want to listen, every day.”

But even more beautiful, he said, is Jesus knows each and every one, “we are not a ‘mass,’ a ‘multitude’ for him, no. We are unique individuals, each with his or her own story” and with his or her own value.

Knowing each person’s strengths and defects, Jesus “is always ready to care for us, to heal the wounds of our errors with the abundance of his mercy,” he added.

It was out of love for his sheep that he gave his life for them, and it is God’s will “that no one should be lost,” the pope said.

Jesus says in the Gospel that he has “other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.”

The pope said these words testify to Jesus’ universal concern: “he is everyone’s shepherd” and wants everyone to encounter God and receive the father’s love.

Many people, even the majority of them, go to church on special occasions or never, the pope said. “But this does not mean they are not God’s children; the father entrusts everyone to Jesus the good shepherd, and he gave his life for everyone.”

***"My sheep hear my voice
and I know them and they
follow me" - John 10:27***



AMAZING PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
You have gathered us
together as a parish to be
Your visible life in our
world. Here we unite
in worship, proclaim
Your word, celebrate
the Eucharist, and are
sent forth to share Your
love and make disciples.
Lord, we take your Great
Commission seriously
and long for our Parish to
be so on-fire that we draw
people to You. Help us
in that endeavor, as we
strive to work together,
ordained, religious and
laity. Please make our
parish amazing, through
Your power and Your
grace. Amen.

Prayer List

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

Elaine Quan	Judy Walker
Ryan Novajasky	Bobby Perillo
Lynne Haughey	Thomas Kearns
Carol Clausen	Dottie Zielinski
Marlene LaRose	Kevin Natella
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek	Lynn Palen
Jeff Hlavacek	William Riehle
Gary Neubauer	Linda Sayres
Tom Biedak	Judy Walker
Ron Hudepohl	Laura Sands
Denise Vannelli	Kenny Knapp
Judy Montanye	Olga Oliva
Jill Wagner	MaryAnn McDonald
Henry Martinez	Anita Dantino
Daniella Naomi Mejia	Betty Galvano
Yinna Vesga	Stephen Shay
Cynthia & William	Bob Jarlenski

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 epayer.stjohn23@gmail.com

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, please call the parish office at: (239) 561-2245

Prayers for Eternal Life

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



Tabernacle Candle

In Memory of: **Joyce Ferranti**
Requested by: **Dan & Judi Weller**



Adoration Chapel

Special Intentions: **Worldwide Healing**





Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 14

- Men's Gospel Forum: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7am
- Craftie Ladies at The Villas - 1pm
- Knights of Columbus Meeting: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Tuesday, June 15

- Opening the Word: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 9am
- Bereavement: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 1pm
- AA Meeting: St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Wednesday, June 16

- Pastoral Staff Meeting - 10am

Thursday, June 17

- RCIA Inquiry: St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 6:30pm
- Hispanic Music Rehearsal: St. Martha and St. Mary - 7pm

Friday, June 18

- Vietnamese Choir Rehearsal: Church - 8pm

Saturday, June 19

- KofC selling Pavers: Outside the Church
- Vigil Mass - 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass - 8pm

Sunday, June 20

- Masses: 7:15, 9:15 & **11:15am *LIVESTREAM**
- KofC selling Pavers: Outside the Church
- Hispanic Music Rehearsal: St. Martha and St. Mary - 11am
- Blessing of the Rosary Banner: Chapel - 12:15pm
- Spanish Rosary: Church - 12:50pm
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm



DAILY MASS

8:00am: Monday - Saturday
www.facebook.com/St-John-XXIII-Catholic-Church-314726987796

EVERY SATURDAY

- 4:00pm Mass with Fr. Angelo

EVERY SUNDAY

- 11:15am Mass
 - 1:30pm Spanish Mass
- www.facebook.com/ministeriohispano.sanjuan.1

WATCH AT HOME

- WFTX-TV FOX 4 - Sundays at 10:30am
- www.dioceseofvenice.org/offices/offices-departments/communications/tvmas/

WELCOME

New Parishioners

- Jolybett Mendes
- Lisa Damiani
- Martha Palomino
- Shannon Simmons
- Christine Tackill
- Andrew & Alison Martin
- Francis & Nicole Houle
- Richard & Karen Braden

Those who are new to our parish, or have been attending mass without being registered, we need your help in staying organized and planning for our future needs. If you have not received a welcome letter, please call the parish office to confirm your registration. All new parishioners or those interested in registering in our parish, are invited to attend the **New Parishioner Orientation on Sunday, August 22, 2021 after the 11:15am Mass**

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, you 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 or are unable to contribute at this time, please 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 | PFC Jordan Feil, USA |
| Sean Ball | Sgt. Hayden Linde, FLARNG |
| Major Bart Boma | Aaron Crump, USCG |
| Staff Sgt. Dennis Cosgrove | Sgt. Nathaniel Broemmel |
| Sgt. Phil Dellibovi | Lt. Com. Mark Buonomo |
| Staff Sgt. Chris Dominski | Col. Scott C. Woodward |
| CPT Andrew Dugan, Spec. Forces | Private Nicholas Loeb, ARNG |
| Major Andrew Duguay | Andrew Hawkinson, USN |
| Sgt. Jared Gaudet | Cavalry Scout Specialist, |
| Tech Sgt Jeffrey K. Green | Ryan Silva, Army |
| Capt. Kellyn C. Hall | 2nd Lt. Greg Fry, USMC |
| Andrew Herman | Jared Broemmel, US Navy |
| 1st Lt. Paige Hortman | Army 2nd Lieutenant Edward |
| Sgt. Kathleen Hudepohl | Hudson Tillinghast IV |
| PFC Michael P Hughes | Jethro Ignacio, US Air Force |
| SPC Michael Jednak | 1st Lt. Christopher Dryhurst, |
| PFC Andrew Kanopkh | US Air Force |
| Michael Klem | Com. Craig Fowler, USN |
| Capt. Bradley D. Laux | Eric Sanchez, US Air Force |
| Capt. Jacob Mundo, US Army | Lt. Col. Mike Garry, US Army |
| SSGT Anthony Padula | 82nd ABN |
| LCP James Palenik | Lt. Ross Walker, US Navy |
| Master SGT Peter Parison | PFC Eric Lyons, USMC |
| Sgt. Justin Pingicer, Army | 2LT Nicholas Meunier, US Army |
| Lt. Col. Brady Sexton | Robert Trenton Morell, Medic |
| 2nd Lt. Kristen Thompson | Specialist US Army |
| Christian Troutner, US Navy | Michael Thomas Morell, US Navy |
| Alex Zizzo, US Navy Medic | PFC Judy Martinez, Army |



Faith Formation

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



Faith Formation has completed the 2020-2021 school year. **Registration for the 2021-2022 Faith Formation classes will begin on July 1, 2021.** The link will be posted on our parish website. All registrations will be done online. Please check information listed below on Sacrament Preparation.

We are always in need of help with our various programs. Please consider sharing the gift of faith with the youth in our parish. For more information, contact **Chris Biel** at chrisdre@johnxxiii.net



We are happy to announce that **beginning the first weekend of July**. Children's Liturgy of the Word will be starting in the **Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel at the 9:15am and 11:15 Masses**. We are closing the Chapel for seating as there is plenty of space in the church for anyone that wants to be distanced.

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 St. 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.

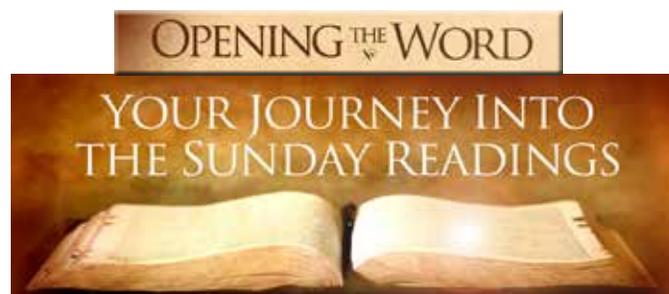
FIRST COMMUNION: (also called *First Eucharist* and *First Reconciliation*) Children in first grade or above, who have expressed a desire and willingness and are attending Mass, are welcome to begin the two year process of preparing for these Sacraments. The first year consists of regular attendance 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

Keep in TOUCH with your *Faith* ONLINE:



**Tuesday Mornings at 9:00am
PARISH LIFE CENTER**

We have resumed in-person meetings! Masks DO NOT have to be worn for fully vaccinated individuals. For more information email **Linda Stanley** at: lindastanley.ls@gmail.com

Watch a short video each week on Formed.org to help prepare you for the upcoming Sunday Readings. You can register at <https://johnxxiii.formed.org/> and follow the instructions to sign in and watch Opening the Word. View all of the Catholic content 24/7.



As the Covid restrictions have eased throughout the Diocese of Venice, we have been slowly re-introducing the congregation's participation in the musical parts of our weekly Mass celebrations. Unfortunately, at this time we still do not have Breaking Bread missals available for general use among our parishioners. If you are, however, wanting to participate more actively in the singing at Mass, OCP has released a Breaking Bread app that includes music, readings, and the Order of Mass. This app has been approved for use in church by the USCCB during the 2021 liturgical year, but it does come with a **subscription fee of \$4.99 for the year**. If you are interested in downloading this app for use during our Masses, you can visit your app store on your smartphones or tablets and search for the **Breaking Bread 2021 eMissal app**.





Coordinator of Youth Ministries 561-3022 xt 107
Contact **Kelly Evers** | kelly@johnxxiii.net

Rooted at St. John XXIII

Welcoming all Young Adults 18 - 39

Rooted meets on the first Thursday of each month in the Parish Life center flex rooms. Please check the Facebook page for more information.



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

Confirmation Program

- **2021-22 Registration and Session Dates** will be available in July. We plan our dates in July to give families enough time to commit to the mandatory dates and program.

High School Youth Group

HSYG Social Sessions - Sundays 5pm to 6pm

- **2021-22 Dates** will be posted on the website in July under the education tab. All High school students are welcome. Confirmed students will earn community service as teen mentors.

Middle School Youth Group

MSYG Sessions - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm

- **Registration for the 2021-22 Sessions** will be open in July. Please check the website under the education tab. The topics and dates will be listed as well.

Volunteer Opportunitites

We will be starting a new young adult, youth, and junior youth council. Please email Kelly Evers if interested in this leadership role.

- **Youth Council High School Students**



Hispanic Ministry **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Recientemente celebramos la segunda quinceañera en la Iglesia Católica San Juan XXIII. Muchas gracias a Sophia Piña por darnos la oportunidad de acompañarte en este día tan importante en el cual expresaste en frente del Altar las gracias a nuestro Padre Celestial por el Don de la vida y la bendición por los años venideros. Felicitaciones Sophia, y que Dios te bendiga por siempre.

Misas en Español

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

Las misas tambien estan siendo transmitidas a traves de YouTube, ahí podrá encontrarnos como Comunidad Hispana St John XXIII.

Rezo del Santo Rosario (Antes de la misa los domingos)

- Lugar: Iglesia Católica St. John XXIII
- Hora: 12:45pm
- Fecha: Todos los domingos del mes.

Rezo del Santo Rosario (Via Zoom)

- Lugar: Video conferencia a través de Zoom
- Hora: 6:00pm
- Fecha: Todos los martes del mes.

Contactanos

- Queremos dejarles saber que estamos ofreciendo el servicio de misas especiales como Quinceañeras, Bautismos y Matrimonios para más información comunicarse con nosotros al email: comunidadhispana@johnxxiii.net



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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, search “St. John XXIII Catholic Church” and “like” our page.
- **Download Our Parish App:** 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!
- **Our Weekly Newsletter:** Visit <https://www.johnxxiii.net/e-newsletter-sign-up/> and enter your email address.
- **Follow us on Instagram:** St. John XXIII is now on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/stjohnxxiiichurch/>
- **St. John XXIII Catholic Church Mass Times:** Stay up to date and visit: <http://johnxxiii.net/info/new-mass-schedule/>
- **Serve our Parish Family During Mass:** Men, women and teens may serve as a Greeter, Usher, Lector, or Eucharistic Minister. 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, please see a Sacristan to make a request.
- **Non-Perishable Donations:** If you are heading north, please consider bringing your nonperishable items to church. These donations fill pantries in our area. Items can be dropped off in the Narthex.
- **Keep 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.
- **St. Luke Adoration Chapel:** Chapel Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm & Saturday 8:30am-3pm. The chapel will be open every 1st Friday of the month from 8:30am-8pm. For information on The Adoration Chapel Ministry please visit: johnxxiii.net/adoration-chapel-ministry/
- **St. John XXIII Thrift Store:** Hours are Monday-Friday 10am-5pm and Saturday 10am-4pm. For more information email thrift@johnxxiii.net or visit <http://bpjthrift.com/>
- **Free Mental Health Services:** Catholic Charities offers free mental health services for adults, children and families. Counselors can help resolve a wide variety of issues such as stress, anger, anxiety, relationship problems, trauma, depression, low self-esteem and grief. Call (239) 337-4193
- **Yarn/Fabric Needed:** The Craftie Ladies are in need of more yarn to make projects. You may drop off the donations in the church Narthex.
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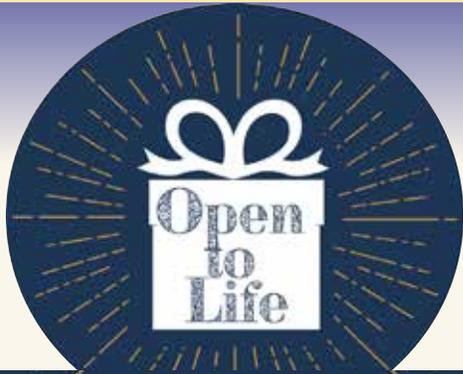
asking for a “FAVOR”

It has once again been brought to my attention that parishioners and staff have received email messages pretending to be me. These messages often greet the person by name, ASKING FOR A “FAVOR” and include my name, “Fr. Bob”, in the closing signature of the message.

This is a well-crafted and targeted attack on the Church across the country which has hit our Diocese again. The messages are “spoofed” fakes that should not be responded to or taken seriously by anyone. The best defense against this sort of scam is to raise awareness in the community and DO NOT respond or open any worrying attachments. It is Diocesan policy that no priest or staff within the Diocese request donations in the form of gift cards, PayPal, MoneyGram, etc.

If a parishioner is worried about any request for money or favor from the parish staff or priest, I ask that you PLEASE DELETE THE EMAIL and call the parish office. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES should you ever respond to these scam requests.





Community ^{and} Support
Ministry

Sunday, June 13 - 10:15am
in the Parish Life Center

Open to Life Ministry is having their **FIRST IN PERSON MEETING!** Join our community in supporting you as a natural, foster or adoptive parent. An area will be set up nearby for kids to play, while teen volunteers assist in watching the littles, so you can socialize and hear from our speakers on Foster Care.

Have you ever said "I would love to foster, but..." No matter your age, gender or marital status; please come to see how God may be calling you to support His children. Not everyone can take in a child, but EVERYONE can make a difference in a child's life.

Come learn about our Ministry and the truth about Foster Care:

Elizabeth Andrews (734) 552-4560
Elipchik@hotmail.com



R.C.I.A.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Thinking about joining the Catholic Church but feel a little lost?

The RCIA Inquiry is the starting place for adults who are thinking about entering the Catholic Church.

For questions, please contact:

Leslie Robertson call or text **(239) 560-5617**
or email **cdr609@aol.com**



BEREAVEMENT AND BEYOND



If you lost a loved one, we offer a safe, supportive place to deal with this life changing event.

The Bereavement and Beyond Group is now meeting each Tuesday from 1pm-3pm in the Parish Life Center in rooms: St. Bernadette and St. Michael.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact the Parish office at **(239) 561-2245**

Eucharistic Ministers FOR THE Homebound



We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to serve the homebound.

The privilege of bringing the Body of Christ to those who probably haven't received in over a year is a true gift! They want to be part of our Eucharistic family.

Visits can usually be made at your convenience as to time and day. A prayer book and training on the steps will be gladly provided.

We normally visit once a week, subject to your availability. For more information, please email **helengtuffy@gmail.com** or call **(239) 826-6873**

Thank You!

HELEN TUFFY

Coordinator of Homebound Visits



**Selling
next
Weekend**



Guardian Angels WALKWAY

PAVER MEMORIALIZATION

St. John XXIII Parish, along with the Knights of Columbus and The Women's Guild, are excited to offer **12x12 pavers**, which will be placed on the walkway around the site for our St. Michael the Archangel statue. **The price for each paver is \$350.** This is a wonderful way to pay tribute to a loved one who has served, or is currently serving in the military or as a first responder.

Defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, Oh Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Guardian Angels WALKWAY

Name _____
 Address or PO Box _____

 Unit/Apt # _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

Payments may be made by cash, credit card or check.
 I would like to pay by:
 CASH CHECK CREDIT CARD

If paying by check, please make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus.

To order, or check the status of an order, please contact The Knights of Columbus:

LARRY EVENER: larryevener@yahoo.com or
 TOM DOLAN: mtd0522@yahoo.com

The Women's Guild Contact:
 SUE EDWARDS: sgedwards007@gmail.com

PAVER ORDER FORM

Please circle the graphic to be added to the stone:



Please print clearly. The 12x12 paver has 3 lines.

LINE 1 NAME _____
 example: John Doe

LINE 2 RANK _____
 example: SGT. USMC

LINE 3 SERVICE _____
 example: WWII

Please sign and date verifying all information is correct on the paver.

PRINT NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____



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Weekly Financials



	06-06-21	06-07-20	Difference
Offertory	\$31,628.67	\$30,351.67	\$1,277.00
Building Fund	\$2,381.00	\$2,980.00	(\$599.00)
Total	\$34,009.67	\$33,331.67	\$678.00
Mass Attendance	2045	996	
Registered Families	3573	3642	

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

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

2021 Catholic Faith Appeal

2021 Goal	\$492,000.00
Pledge	\$424,396.12
% of Goal	86.26%
% of Households	15.67%
Payments	\$351,016.62

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.

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Holly Atkins: holly@johnxxiii.net



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YES, your kid

by: Dr. Mark Goulston

*A*s a psychiatrist specializing in suicide prevention, it's deeply troubling to me that suicide rates keep climbing, especially for teens. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the suicide rate for white children between 10 and 17 years old was up 70 percent between 2006 and 2016, and up 77 percent for black children. Every time it happens, their bereaved parents say, "I had no idea." Other parents hear this and wonder how anyone could miss the signs. They often say, "That would never happen to my kid."

The truth is it could happen to your child...and you too may miss the warning signs. Suicide can affect any family at any time, and all parents should be on the lookout for behavioral indicators or suicidality.

Before you jump to judgment, there are a few things parents should know. The warning signs of suicide might be easier to piece together in retrospect, when you are looking for them. But in the moment, they can be much harder to detect. That's why it's so important to help everyone understand the suffering and isolation impacting the at-risk community. In *Stay Alive*, a new 75-minute video/podcast documentary (available here on YouTube), featuring myself, suicide survivor Kevin Hines and suicide prevention advocate Rayko, we have an honest conversation about what it feels like to be suicidal, and provide some insight into what parents and at risk teens need to understand about how to address these thoughts before they become fatal (#StayAliveNow).

To really move the needle, we need to remove the societal stigma surrounding suicide. This begins with helping the loved ones of those at risk gain understanding and offer support. The next step is helping society recognize what it really feels like to be suicidal. When everyone understands how much suffering is really going on, we have a real chance to reach out and save lives.

Meanwhile, parents need to be on the lookout for anything out of the ordinary in their children's behavior. It's crucial for them to learn to recognize the early warning signs of despair that could lead to suicide and break through at a time when their children need them the most.

A Few Insights:

FIRST, ACCEPT THAT ANYONE CAN BECOME SUICIDAL:

Prevention starts with understanding that suicidal thinking can strike anyone (yes, even your high-performing, seemingly confident, and happy child) at any time.

KNOW THAT YOUR KIDS PROBABLY WON'T OPEN UP TO YOU:

They aren't going to come to you in despair, like you might imagine. They may feel that you won't understand, or that there's nothing you can do. They also might think that what they're going through is a "failure," and worry that you'll be disappointed in them.

LOOK FOR CHANGES, EVEN SUBTLE ONES:

Be aware of any changes in your child's demeanor. Keep in mind, though, that these changes can be more difficult to spot among naturally moody teens who tend to isolate themselves even in the best of circumstances. Teens are moody—that's to be expected—but don't write it off as just moodiness. When it crosses over into physiological disturbances of sleep, appetite, sexual desire, or just an unshakable dark feeling, and stays stuck there, it has then crossed over into a mood disorder and can be incredibly destructive.

KNOW THAT LITTLE THINGS CAN CAUSE BIGGER PROBLEMS:

Something seemingly insignificant could be more impactful than it looks. So be aware of possible catalysts, whether it's the stress of starting a new school year, changes in their medicine, or even problems in their social

INITIATE THE CONVERSATION:

Most importantly, parents must ask their teens how they are feeling. It's not enough to rely on indicators that you may or may not spot. If you suspect your child may be struggling, or even if you don't, here are five questions that might get the conversation flowing:

1. "At the worst that you feel, how bad does it get?"
2. "When you've felt how bad it could get, how often did you feel alone?"

3. "When you were feeling that horrible and alone with it, what did it make you think, feel and want to do?"
4. "And what did you do?"
5. "I don't want you to be alone with those thoughts and feelings. So I'm asking you to call me when you are feeling that way and I will do my best to listen to you, hear you and keep you company. I promise not to give you advice or solutions, unless you ask me for them. So would you be willing to call me when you're feeling like that? And by the way, if you think you're a burden, you're not. I can see and feel the good person you are - the person can't see or feel when you're feeling so awful."

LET THEM KNOW THEY ARE LOVED AND THAT THEY ARE NOT ALONE:

Pain is pain; suffering is feeling alone in pain. When you eliminate the aloneness, suffering that people can't live with becomes pain that they can live with.

Even if your child doesn't show it, they need you to be there to support them. Don't wait for them to ask for help. Reach out—even if your child appears to be thriving—and show them that you are here no matter what. Your compassion could truly be lifesaving.

About the Author:

Dr. Mark Goulston is a former UCLA professor of psychiatry, a suicide and violence prevention expert and one of the world's foremost experts on listening. He is the author of the best selling **"Just Listen: Discover the Secret to Getting Through to Absolutely Anyone"** and the host of the "My Wakeup Call" podcast. He is the 2019 recipient of the Dr. W. Mark Warfel Resilient Heart Award.

If you or someone you know needs help, dial 911 or call **1-800-273-TALK (8255)**

For more information visit:
www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org



According to the CDC, suicide is the 2nd cause of death in persons age 10-34!

Survivors of suicide don't need the answers to incomprehensible questions. They need our loving presence to help them continue living their lives. They don't need you to minimize their pain, just be there.



THINGS NOT TO SAY:

- She/he is in a better place now
- I know how you feel
- Every thing happens for a reason
- What doesn't kill you makes you stronger
- God never gives you more than you can handle
- Let me know if there is anything I can do. Just do it! (Make dinner, run errands, clean their house)

THINGS TO SAY:

- NOTHING (just be there)
- I am so sorry
- I don't know what to say
- Do you want to go get a cup of coffee, lunch?
- Tell me your favorite story about him/her.
- Tell me your story



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summer schedule

JUNE

- 6/15 - Tuesday Bonus Outing: Sun Harvest Citrus
- 6/17 - Cape Coral Yacht Club Pool
- 6/24 - Southern Fresh Farms

JULY

- 7/1 - Veterans Park Water Playground
- 7/8 - Miromar Outlets WINK Playland
- 7/15 - McGregor Reserve Pool (Hosted by Teresa)
1452 Friendship Walkway, Fort Myers
- 7/20 - Tuesday Bonus Outing: Jumping Jacks
- 7/22 - Fort Myers Beach: Pier
- 7/29 - Lakes Park Splash Pads

AUGUST

- 8/3 - Tuesday Bonus Outing: Cape Christian Fellowship Park
- 8/5 - Bowling at HeadPinz Entertainment Center (1:00pm-3:00pm)
14513 Global Parkway

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For questions or concerns, email Gabi and Teresa at:
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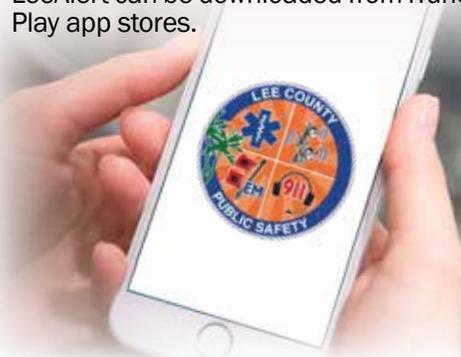
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Father's Day Action Guide: Father's Day is an appropriate time to recall the essential role of fathers in the life of the family and in building a culture of life. It is also an opportunity to highlight spiritual fatherhood, which all men are called to embrace. USCCB has provided a Respect Life Action Guide: <https://www.usccb.org/fathers-day-action-guide>

Religious Freedom Week 2021: The week takes place from June 22-29. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Pray-Reflect-Act Series aims to help Catholics build solidarity with people of faith who are persecuted and find strength to carry out the mission of the Church here in the United States. For resources and reflections each day of that week, please visit Pray-Reflect-Act

Florida Vaccination Scheduling Line: You can now check appointment availability and schedule your COVID-19 vaccination online at myvaccine.fl.gov Should you need any assistance, you can reach one of our vaccination support specialists at (833) 540-2032 or for TTY assistance, please call (833) 476-1038

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).

Project Rachel Post-Abortion: Reconciliation and healing is available to you. For more information, please call: Sylvia at (941) 412-5860 e-mail: project.rachel@dioceseofvenice.org or visit: www.hopeafterabortion.com

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.

Safe Environment Training: The Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment prior to beginning employment or volunteering. For further details please visit <https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/programs/safeenvironment/>

Theology on Tap: Young Adults are invited to attend Theology on Tap at Southern Fresh Farms, 8500 Penzance Blvd, Fort Myers, for a lovely outdoor venue with picnic benches for food and refreshments as well as practical presentations. Feel free to bring a lawn chair if you are more comfortable. The event runs from 7-9pm on the second Thursday of each month. Please contact Joshua Mazrin at evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org or Patty Cox at patty@ourladyoflight.com with any questions.

Witnessing the Faith: Listen to Bishop Dewane on Relevant Florida Radio at 8:30am the last Friday of every month. Listen anywhere at RelevantRadio.com

Free Mental Health Counseling: Catholic Charities is providing free mental health counseling services. For help or support, please call our staff at (844) 385-2423 or visit www.catholiccharitiesdov.org

Know Your Immigration Rights: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has numerous resources outlining the rights of immigrants located on the website www.justiceformigrants.org



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SAFETY TIP

INTERNET VEHICLE FRAUD

While purchasing a new or pre-owned vehicle online has become a common and popular practice, so has online vehicle sale fraud.

The truck looks immaculate...just what you have been looking for! Low mileage, original owner, no accidents...a dream come true! The price, based upon mileage and condition, seems incredible.

Great deals on cars and trucks do exist. Many online vehicle purchasers swear by the process and have found incredible bargains on the internet.

BUT EVERYTHING THAT GLITTERS IS NOT GOLD

Criminals regularly post false advertisements and photographs of vehicles that are not for sale and usually belong to someone else. You will receive additional photos, upon request, along with a heart-wrenching story of why they need to sell their beloved vehicle at a bargain price.

Often, criminals use reputable companies to initially lure you in...such as eBay, Facebook Marketplace or other online selling sites...leading the buyer to believe that the deal is legitimate.

The transaction begins to go sideways when you are sent a third-party toll-free number, asked to pay with gift cards or asked to wire money. You may be asked to send a small amount, to serve as a deposit, to ensure that it isn't sold to someone else.

EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION

Ask for the vehicle identification number (VIN) and current license plate information.

Insist on inspecting the vehicle IN PERSON prior to purchase.

Inspect title and lien information prior to making any payment or deposit.

Over a three-year period, the FBI has received nearly 30,000 complaints of fraudulent vehicle sales exceeding \$57,000,000.

If you suspicious of this scam, please contact the Lee County Sheriff's Office fraud line at (239) 258-3292 or contact your local law enforcement agency.

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