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# Pentecost Sunday

THE BIRTH OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

# Please Note:

**SATURDAY CONFESSIONS** takes place in the church from 8:30am-9:00am

We will continue LIVE streaming some MASSES on Facebook/Website

#### **PASTOR**

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#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

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#### **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:** The chapel will be open during weekend Masses for those who prefer additional space. However, due to Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays, Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel will not be available during the 9:15am & 11:15am Masses.

# **MONDAY, JUNE 6**

8:00 AM † Robert & Mary Hickey by JoAnn Gair Wilson

# **TUESDAY. JUNE 7**

8:00 AM † William Biossat by Michael & Elizabeth Kane

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

8:00 AM † Arthur & Anne Birsa by Gary Birsa

# THURSDAY, JUNE 9

8:00 AM † Lester Lehmkuhl by Catherine Vaughn

# FRIDAY, JUNE 10

8:00 AM † Charles Hannon, III by Emma Jean, Alan & Suzanne

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 11**

- 8:00 AM † Harold Kennedy by Barbara M. Pizzolato
- 4:00 PM † Mary Lee Merten by Peggy & Dan Pieper
- 8:00 PM † All Souls Vietnamese Mass

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

- 7:15 AM † Brendan Jerome Calvey by Robert & Patricia Ryan
- 9:15 AM † Charles & Catherine Commini by Sharon Katorincek
- 11:15 AM † Becky Kresovsky by Mr. & Mrs. A. Ford
- 1:30 PM † John Henry Martinez by his family

# MASS INTENTION REQUEST UPDATE

There are no Masses in English available until the 2023 book opens in July. Other options will remain available such as Tabernacle Candle \$15 per week and Eucharistic Host \$15 per week.

# **JUNE 12. 2022 - READINGS**

1ST READING

**PSALM** 

2ND READING

GOSPEL

PRV 8:22-31 PS 100:1-2, 3, 5

ROM 5:1-5

JN 16:12-15



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# WHAT IS Pentecost Sunday?

It is the great feast that marks the birth of the Christian Church by the power of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost means "fiftieth day" and is celebrated 50 days after Easter. Red is the liturgical color for this day and it is encouraged that the faithful wear red to Church that day. Red is symbolic of the love of the Holy Spirit and recalls the tongues of fire in which the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles that first Pentecost. The color red also reminds us of the blood of the martyrs. These are the believers of every generation who by the power of the Holy Spirit hold firm to the true faith even at the cost of their lives.

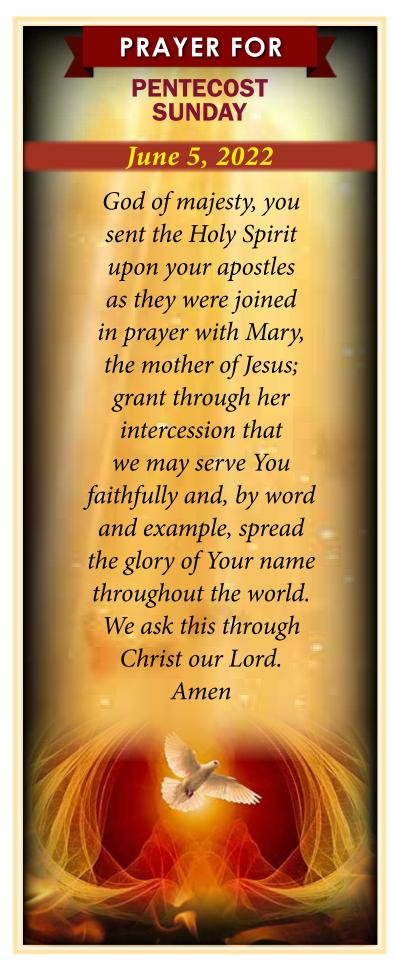
Pentecost Sunday is a commemoration and celebration of the receiving of the Holy Spirit by the early church. John the Baptist prophesied of the first Pentecost when Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire (Matthew 3:11). Jesus confirmed this prophecy with the promise of the Holy Spirit to the disciples in John 14:26. He showed Himself to these men after His death on the cross and His resurrection, giving convincing proofs that He was alive. Jesus told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the Father's gift of the Holy Spirit, from whom they would receive power to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:3-8).

After Jesus' ascension to heaven, the men returned to Jerusalem and joined together in prayer in an upper room. On the Day of Pentecost, just as promised, the sound of a violent wind filled the house and tongues of fire came to rest on each of them and all were filled with the Holy Spirit. They were given the power of communication, which Peter used to begin the ministry for which Jesus had prepared him. After the coming of the Holy Spirit, the disciples did not stay in the room basking in God's glory but burst out to tell the world. This was the beginning of the church as we know it.

Joday, in many Christian churches, Pentecost Sunday is celebrated to recognize the gift of the Holy Spirit, realizing that God's very life, breath and energy live in believers. During this service, John 20:19-23 may be the core of the message about our risen Savior supernaturally appearing to the fear-laden disciples. Their fear gave way to joy when the Lord showed them His hands and side. He assured them peace and repeated the command given in Matthew 28:19-20, saying, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." Then He breathed on them, and they received the Holy Spirit (John 20:21-23).

The celebration of Pentecost Sunday reminds us of the reality that we all have the unifying Spirit that was poured out upon the first-century church in Acts 2:1-4. It is a reminder that we are co-heirs with Christ, to suffer with Him that we may also be glorified with Him; that the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good (1 Corinthians 12:7); that we are all baptized by one Spirit into one body (1 Corinthians 12:13); and that the Spirit which raised Jesus from the dead lives inside believers (Romans 8:9-11). This gift of the Holy Spirit that was promised and given to all believers on the first Pentecost is promised for you and your children and for all who are far off whom the Lord our God will call (Acts 2:39).

"The Holy Spirit", The Comforter Has Come. - John 16:7



# Prayer List

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

**Elaine Quan Marlene LaRose Gary Neubauer** Ron Hudepohl **Denise Vannelli Laura Ford Tony Gagnet Susan Davies** Cynthia & William Lynne Mogell Ross Mannina Virginia Lochner **Steve Lane Timothy Stephan Shea** Mark Joseph Lattner Kimberly Ann

**Judy Mayer** 

Paul Rotz Laurie Gilligan Maria Elena Terinoni Michael Sturm **Benito Gonzalez Brianna Bethany** Ron Nardi **George Lee** Mary Monaco **Patricia Biel Tom Dolan Tony Navy** JoAnne Walsh **JC Alvarez Carmelo Santos Mary Collins** John DePiro

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 eprayer.stjohn23@gmail.com

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



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! Jack Wolfrum Sr.

Adoration Chapel

In Memory of: Don Davies Requested by: Cora



In Honor of: Christine Saliga Sullivan Requested by: her husband Michael



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# **Weekly** Calendar

**PLC = PARISH LIFE CENTER** 



# Monday, June 6

- Men's Gospel Forum: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary 7am
- Craftie Ladies: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary 1pm

# raftie Ladies **VE MOVED**

The ladies now meet EVERY MONDAY at 1pm in the Parish Life Center/St. Martha & Mary. They are always looking for new members. For more information contact Judy Siegel at (239) 437-4978

# Tuesday, June 7

- Opening the Word: Zoom/PLC 9am
- Bereavement: PLC/St. Bernadette & St. Michael 1pm
- Hispanic Charismatic Prayer Group: Chapel 6:30pm
- AA Meeting: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary 7pm

# Wednesday, June 8

Pastoral Staff Meeting: Office Conference Room - 10am

# Thursday, June 9

- Choir Practice: Church 6pm
- Hispanic Music Rehearsal: Main Hall 7pm



## Friday, June 10

Vietnamese Choir Rehearsal: Church - 8pm

## Saturday, June 11

- Spanish Baptism Class: PLC/St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 10am
- Vigil Mass: Church 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass: Church 8pm

# Sunday, June 12

- Masses: 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am \* Livestreamed
- Surviving Separation & Divorce Ministry: PLC/ St. Martha & St. Mary - 9am
- Hispanic Choir: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary 11am
- New Family Orientation: Chapel 12:15pm
- Spanish Mass: Church 1:30pm \* via YouTube

# WATCH AT HOME

WFTX-TV FOX 4 - Sundays at 10:30am

www.dioceseofvenice.org/offices/offices-departments/ communications/tvmass/

# WELCOME

# Vew Parishioners

- **Elmes & Catherine Cardoza**
- John & Jodylee Garibaldi
- Joaquin Marcial & Janeet Ponce Arono Alan Echenique & Jadzia Cooper Echenique
- Fernando Gomes & Paula Andrea Lopez

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 is next Sunday, June 12, 2022 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

PFC Bryan Bard Sean Ball Major Bart Boma Staff Sgt. Dennis Cosgrove Sgt. Phil Dellibovi CPT Andrew Dugan, Spec. Forces Sgt. Jared Gaudet Capt. Kellyn C. Hall Andrew Herman Sgt. Kathleen Hudepohl PFC Michael P Hughes SPC Michael Jednak PFC Andrew Kanopkh Michael Klem Major 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 2nd Lt. Edward Hudson Tillinghast IV, Army Jethro Ignacio, US Air Force Com. Craig Fowler, USN Eric Sanchez, US Air Force Lt. Col. Mike Garry, US Army, 82nd ABN PFC Eric Lyons, USMC 2nd Lt. Nicholas Meunier, US Army Robert Trenton Morell, Medic Specialist US Army Michael Thomas Morell, US Navy PFC Judy Martinez, US Army 1st Lt. Jeffrey Zivkovic, US Army Christopher Dominski, PFC ARNG 2nd Lt. Sara Wulff Sean Dryhurst US Navy Lt. Amanda Macaluso Anthony An Schroeder, 11 Bravo Infantry Derrick Hambling, Army Airborne Infantry Maj. Paige Blevins USAF Maj. Christopher Blevins USAF Capt. Cameron Hortman USAF PFC Alan Copeland



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Faith Formation classes have ended for the 2021-2022 School year. Registration for the 2022-2023 School year will begin in July.

St. Francis students: if you have a child who will be entering 2nd grade next year, you will need to register and attend Sacramental Preparation Sessions. Please watch the bulletin for details.



# VACATION BIBLE CAMP:

Camp will be held June 13-17. We need donations: monetary, gift cards to Walmart, Target, Publix. No amount is too small! Please bring to the parish office or drop at the VBS station in the Narthex. Thank you!

#### TOTUS TUUS:

Totus Tuus (Totally Yours), is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship. The goal of Totus Tuus is to help young people grow in the understanding of, and strengthen their faith in, Jesus Christ. It is only by establishing a real and personal relationship with Him that we can be led to love of the Father in the Spirit and so be made sharers in the life of the Holy Trinity. The camp is run by College age students hired by the Diocese and trained specifically for this Camp.

To learn more about the program, please visit:

# https://totustuus.church/

The camp will be held at St. John XXIII July 11-15.

# CAMP TIMES:

Grades 1 through entering 5th from 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday.

Middle and High School from entering 6th through 12 from 7:30pm-9:45pm Monday-Thursday.

## TO REGISTER:

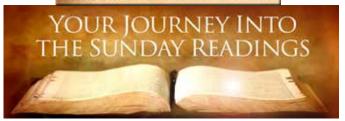
https://www.osvhub.com/st-john-xxiii-parish/forms/registration-1-1-2-2

# **ADULT FAITH**

Education

Keep in TOUCH with your Faith ONLINE:

OPENING WORD



# Tuesday Mornings at 9:00am PARISH LIFE CENTER

Meetings are available in person and through ZOOM. 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 <a href="https://johnxxiii.formed.org/">https://johnxxiii.formed.org/</a> and follow the instructions to sign in and watch Opening the Word. Formed log in code: 1823ee



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- 2. Android users can use FORMED on the go with these easy instructions.

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If you are thinking about joining the Catholic Church....

The RCIA Inquiry is the starting place for adults who are considering it.

For more information, please contact: Leslie Robertson at (239) 560-5617



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.

July 7: Please check the Facebook page for more information.



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

<u>Confirmation Program:</u> Sundays 5pm - 6pm

Registration for 2022-23 season will begin July 1st. Both Year one and Year two students must register through our parish website under the sacraments tab.

# High School Youth Group

**HSYG Social Sessions:** Sundays 5pm - 6pm

# SUMMER BREAK

# Middle School Youth Group

MSYG Sessions - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm

# SUMMER BREAK

Registration for 2022-23 Season will be online July 1 under the education tab on the parish website. Youth Ministry will open with a concert on August 28.

Vacation Bible School Meeting: June 6 from 6-7pm.

# Youth Council

Meets quarterly: The mission of St. John XXIII Youth Council is to challenge and equip children of God with the tools to inspire and disciple others while giving a voice to young leaders to serve love and grow with the St. John XXIII Community.

# **Volunteer Opportunites**

Visit Sign up Genius website at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c45aead2daaf58-youth



# Misas en Español

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

Las misas también están siendo transmitidas a través de YouTube. Recuerda el rezo del Santo Rosario (antes de la misa de los domingos, 12:45pm).

# Grupo de Oración de Renovación Carismática

- Lugar: Capilla Nuestra Señora del Rosario.
- Fecha y Hora: Todos los martes del mes. 6:45pm.

# Contáctanos

Estamos ofreciendo el servicio de misas especiales como Quinceañeras, Bautismos y Matrimonios para más información comunicarse con nosotros al email: comunidadhispana@johnxxiii.net



For those who may be unfamiliar with OUR MOTHERS HOME in Estero, please check out these opportunities to make a difference in the life of a young mother. Our mothers home is dedicated to fostering a positive environment for young moms who have been in the Florida Foster care system. There are many ways to help.

Please prayerfully discern how you CAN make a difference by "WALKING with Moms in NEED"!

https://www.ourmothershome.org/volunteer-opportunities/



# **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!
- Online Giving: We appreciate your donations to keep our parish running. You can enroll online through the St. John XXIII website at: https://johnxxiii.net/giving
- Low Gluten Hosts: If you are interested in receiving low gluten hosts at Mass, please see a Sacristan to make a request.
- St. Luke Adoration Chapel: Chapel hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am-3:45pm and Saturday 8:30am-3:30pm. For information on The Adoration Chapel Ministry please visit: johnxxiii.net/adoration-chapel-ministry/
- Journey to Hope: This family support group for mental health challenges, meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm in the St. Therese classroom. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 14.
- 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.
- Non-Perishable Donations: If you are returning back home, please consider bringing your nonperishable items to church. These donations fill pantries in our area. Items can be dropped off in the Narthex.
- 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
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# History Showcase

# Remembering Our Founding Pastor

by: Maureen Dombrowski

# Father Kevin Francis Sullivan - Founding Pastor August 6, 1936-April 27, 2022

"Remember the battle is won in the pews (in our case gymnasium metal chairs.) How we welcome people and how we reach out to everyone brings the spirit, the compassion, and love of Christ to their lives." These words of Fr. Sullivan from 2002 when St. John XXIII Church was in its embryonic stage with Masses being celebrated at Bobbie Noonan Academy set the tone for our parish's future and the essence of its Mission Statement, "All are Welcome."

Father continued to guide our fledgling parish in weekly bulletin articles, "From the Pastor." In the first year of our existence, he reminded parishioners, "Let us never lose sight of what our parish is called to be. We are a Eucharistic community. Our lives are centered in Christ, and we bring Christ to our environment."

Many of our parishioners remember our founding pastor as Father Charles. Baptized as Kevin Francis, he received the religious name Charles when he entered the Passionate Congregation in 1954 and was ordained in 1964. His first priestly assignments included preaching missions and retreats throughout the northeast.

A man of great vision, diligence, and faith he went on to establish several parishes. "I liked building churches and they knew it," Fr. Sullivan said of his construction assignments. He founded St. Paul of the Cross in North Palm Beach, St. Columbkille in Fort Myers, and St. John XXIII. Also, he served at Our Lady of Mercy, Boca Grande; St. Isabel, Sanibel; San Marco, Marco Island; and St. Ann, Naples.

In addition to parish work, pastoral care to the men and women in law enforcement was a cause close to his heart. He also served for decades as chaplain to sheriff's deputies in Palm Beach, Lee, and Collier counties, as well as riding with Florida Highway Patrol and the FBI.

The parishioners of St. John XXIII continue to benefit from the hard work and far-reaching vision of Fr. Sullivan. May we find comfort and solace at this time of his loss in his words written in 2003. He encouraged parishioners to evangelize and complete the task of establishing a flourishing new church. "As we make our journey each day from our temporary borrowed home to our permanent dwelling, please remember that God is with us. He will bring us to safe haven."



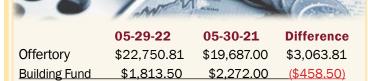


"For it is witnessed of him, you are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek." - Hebrews 7:17





**Weekly** Financials



\$21,959.00

\$2,605.31

Mass Attendance 2167 1869 3568 Registered Families 3561

\$24,564.31

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

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

# 2022 Catholic Faith Appeal

\$458,000.00 2022 Goal \$408,204.78 Pledge % of Goal 89.13% % of Households 18.17%

\$316.645.69 **Payments** 

# 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 \$ % of the or 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 email:

Holly Atkins: holly@johnxxiii.net





# GIVING TO THE CFA Through a Qualified Charitable Distribution

In 2020 the law changed, requiring those 72 years old or older to begin taking a required minimum distribution (RMD) from their individual retirement account (IRA). However, only those who will turn 70½ (born on or after July 1, 1949) in 2020 or later may wait until age 72 to begin taking required distributions. If you are currently receiving RMDs (or should be) because you are over age 70½, you must continue taking these RMDs.

# FOR TRADITIONAL ACCOUNTS THIS **INCOME IS TAXABLE!**

To avoid paying taxes on this income while also meeting the obligation of the RMD, you may designate the distribution as a gift directly from the IRA custodian to the CFA. You can donate up to \$100,000 and married couples can donate up to \$200,000 if the spouse has a separate IRA.

Help lower your tax burden while making a GIFT OF **HOPE** to those in your community!

# DOUBLE YOUR GIFT

Matching gifts are a type of corporate philanthropy that allows donors giving smaller donations the opportunity to maximize the impact of their donation on an organization.



In a matching gifts program, a company donates to a nonprofit organization in response to one of their employees giving a gift.

These gifts can range in maximum sizes and ratio, but many companies will match an employee's donation at a 1:1 ration, starting at \$25. Retirees and/ or spouses may also qualify.

To find out if your company offers a matching gift program, please visit:

https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/offices-departments/stewardship-and-development/ matching-gifts/



The Knights will be selling pavers in the Narthex June 18-19

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

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| Address or PO Box   | SHERIFF O  |  |
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# Parenting Pointer:

<u>Pentecost:</u> "Jesus came and stood in their midst." (John 20:19) Church is a holy place but so are our homes and the people we live with. Consider how Jesus may come, stand, sit, and play with us as we spend time together today. Peace & love often sound like cliches. Help it to come alive with your children this weekend.

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# ECO-FRIENDLY TIPS AND TRICKS

while you're out and about

# **ENERGY**

**EASY:** Run full loads in your dishwasher, washer, and dryer (or be adventurous and dry your sheets and other flat items on a clothes line.)

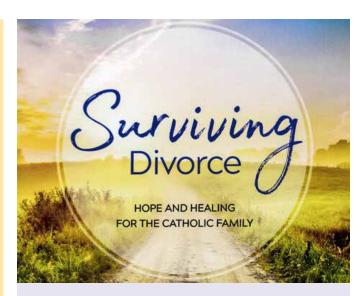
**CHALLENGING:** If possible, transition to renewable energy - Solar, Wind, or Geothermal

**BONUS:** Consider installing one of these in a school, house of worship, office building.

# Marriage Moment:

<u>Pentecost:</u> "If you love me..." (John 14:15) Jesus says these words to his disciples (his family) on Pentecost. But spouses often say this to each other also — "If you love me, you would..." Don't turn your love into a bargain. Give it freely to each other and keep your word.

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# Join Us!

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

9AM-10:30AM PARISH LIFE CENTER

We are pleased to announce that St. John XXIII is starting a Surviving Separation & Divorce Ministry. The mission and purpose of this ministry is to create a safe and nurturing environment based in our Catholic faith for everyone surviving divorce. This ministry is open to anyone at any phase of divorce whether newly separated or divorced for many years.

This **12 week Diocesan approved program** will be facilitated by **Carole Wheeler-Antle**. *The course will focus on:* 

- Working through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce.
- Find personal healing and growth.
- Discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you.

The first meeting will take place next **Sunday, June 12** from **9am-10:30am** in the Parish Life Center, room St. Martha/St. Mary. Meetings will occur every two weeks.

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# Catholic Community

Religious Freedom Walk: The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops is once again promoting the celebration of Religious Freedom Week beginning Wednesday, June 22 to Thursday, June 29. Each year the week encompasses the period between the Memorial of Saints Thomas More & John Fisher, through the Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul. The theme for this year is Life and Dignity for All. As we approach the Supreme Court decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, we are especially mindful of the debates around our country about abortion. The Church plays a crucial role in both bearing witness to the gospel of life and serving all who will be affected by these discussions and their outcomes. Learn how you can pray, reflect, and promote religious freedom at ww.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek

Ukraine Relief: As the world continues to pray for peace and for the victims of the war in Ukraine, the Diocese of Venice has made it possible for the faithful to support charitable relief and assist in providing humanitarian aid, as well as necessary recovery efforts. Donations may be sent to the Diocese of Venice, with "Ukraine" indicated in the memo or note line at the following address: Diocese of Venice in Florida, Ukraine Relief, 1000 Pinebrook Road, Venice, FL 34285, or visit https://dioceseofvenice.org/ways-to-give/and click the donate button. Also, please keep the people of the Ukraine in your prayers.

**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.

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/

Regret Having an Abortion? There is hope and healing is available. Contact Sylvia at (941) 412-5860 for confidential help and information about the next Project Rachel One Day Retreat or visit project.rachel@dioceseofvenice.org

English as a Second Language Classes: Free classes for Beginning and Intermediate students sponsored by St Columbkille Church. Offered via Zoom on Tuesday evenings, and In Person classes on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings in the Ministry Center. Individual tutoring available. If you are interested, please call Mary at (443) 567 9200

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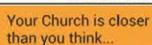
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