



ST. JOHN XXIII

Catholic Church

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July 3, 2022

IN GOD WE TRUST



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

July 3, 2022

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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DeaconRich@johnxxiii.net

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: 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, JULY 4 - INDEPENDENCE DAY

- 8:00 AM † Catherine DePhillips by JoAnn Gair Wilson

TUESDAY, JULY 5

- 8:00 AM † Phyllis Benham by her family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

- 8:00 AM † Gene & Ellen Sue Minchak
by Henry & Margaret Cassi

THURSDAY, JULY 7

- 8:00 AM † Peter DeFrancesca by Tina Monastra

FRIDAY, JULY 8

- 8:00 AM † Jerry Downes by John Carlson

SATURDAY, JULY 9

- 8:00 AM † Elaine Rompella by Barbara M. Pizzolato
- 4:00 PM † Carlos Martinez by Diane Newman
- 8:00 PM † All Souls - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 10

- 7:15 AM † Roman & Antoni Kurzac by Teresa Flack
- 9:15 AM † Ann Ford by Joanne & Charlie Donches
- 11:15 AM † Ben Bingcang by Marc & Lucy Bingcang
- 1:30 PM † José Salazar by Phyllis Noble - Spanish Mass

FYI

MASS INTENTION UPDATE

The 2023 book opens July 5. Please visit the parish office for requests. Other options will remain available such as Tabernacle Candle \$15 per week and Eucharistic Host \$15 per week.

JULY 10, 2022 - READINGS

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|---------------|------------------------------------|
| • 1ST READING | DT 30:10-14 |
| • PSALM | PS 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 |
| • 2ND READING | COL 1:15-20 |
| • GOSPEL | LK 10:25-37 |

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

MONDAY, JULY 4 - INDEPENDENCE DAY

ST. LUKE ADORATION CHAPEL

OPEN from **8:30am - 3:45pm**

Pastoral Team

Business Manager

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Celebrating INDEPENDENCE *Day*

AS A CHRISTIAN

by: **Nick Rabiipour - The Catholic Company**

July 4th is the national celebration of our Nation's independence. As we celebrate let us remember to pray that God will strengthen and bless America and make our nation a haven of liberty and justice for all - born and unborn.

How are we as Catholic Christians and Americans supposed to celebrate this great day? John Adams, one of the Founding Fathers of our country, wrote this about how to celebrate the fourth of July:

"It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with parades, picnics food, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and fireworks from one end of this continent to the other from this time forward forever more."

Well, let's see how we're doing in celebrating the fourth of July the way one of the greatest Founders envisioned. Parades? Check. Picnic? Check. Sports? Backyard games count, right? Check. Bonfires? Check. Fireworks? Double check. Solemn Acts of Devotions to God Almighty? Um . . . I don't know about you, but I don't typically live up to that calling on the Fourth of July.

But, John Adams set an example for us. After everything's said and done, we owe God more than anyone else for what occurred 246 years ago. In fact, the most famous part of the Declaration of Independence explicitly points to God as the source of our freedom:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

There are many ways to honor God on this special day. Perhaps you can read a passage from the Catholic Bible with your family to kick off the festivities, or pray a family rosary with the special intention for our political leaders and our country's future.

Not our parents, or politicians, or government, are the source of our most important rights. Only God. As the source of our rights, He deserves the highest praise, honor, and glory on Independence Day and every day.



WISHING YOU A BLESSED
Independence Day

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

- 1 JOHN 3:16

INDEPENDENCE

PRAYER

Monday, July 4th

*God of justice and truth, we ask
your blessing on our nation.*

*Thank you for the freedoms
we enjoy, especially those
we take for granted.*

*Thank you for the diversity of
our people and enlarge
our capacity for tolerance
and mutual respect.*

*As we celebrate our
independence as a sovereign
nation, may we also celebrate
our independence.*

*Make us mindful of the blessings
of our rich and abundant land.*

*May your gracious Spirit inspire
us to work together to meet the
challenges of our times.*

*With all hope, faith, and trust
in you, we pray. Amen.*

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
Judy Mayer
Paul Rotz
Laurie Gilligan
Maria Elena Terinoni
Michael Sturm
Benito Gonzalez
Brianna Bethany
Ron Nardi

George Lee
Mary Monaco
Patricia Biel
Tony Navy
JoAnne Walsh
JC Alvarez
Carmelo Santos
Mary Collins
John DePiro
Bill Acini
Colleen Ryan
Cathy McManus
Elethia Ajose
Avery Brantley
Barry Zielinski
Sophia Bentz
Kathy Prichinello

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 epriayer.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!

**Janice Looney
Andrew Maloney**

Adoration Chapel

In Memory of: **Phyllis Benham**
Requested by: **her family**

Tabernacle Candle

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

Memorial Flowers

In Memory of: **Christine Saliga Sullivan**
Requested by: **her husband Michael**





Weekly Calendar

PLC = PARISH LIFE CENTER



Monday, July 4

- PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Adoration Chapel open 8:30am-3:45pm
- Men's Gospel Forum: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 7am

Tuesday, July 5

- 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, July 6

- Pastoral Staff Meeting: Office Conference Room - 10am

Thursday, July 7

- Mass at Cypress Point: Discovery Commons Cypress Point - 9:30am
- Rooted: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm
- Hispanic Music Rehearsal: PLC - 7pm

Friday, July 8

- Vietnamese Choir Rehearsal: Church - 8pm

Saturday, July 9

- Vigil Mass: Church - 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass: Church - 8pm



Sunday, July 10

- Surviving Divorce: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 9am
- Masses: 7:15, 9:15 & 11:15am * *Livestreamed*
- Hispanic Choir: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 11am
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm * *via YouTube*



Next Session

SUNDAY, JULY 10

9AM-10:30AM

PARISH LIFE CENTER

CAROLE WHEELER-ANTLE
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(239) 850-7443

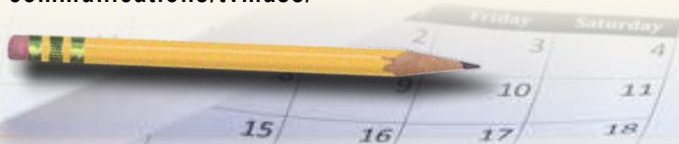


WATCH AT HOME

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

ONLINE

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



WELCOME

New Parishioners

- Israel Zamora Campos & Yolis Bello
- Shaun Presser & Darla Sane
- Ivan & Florita Kurtenbach
- Dawyn Perez Hernandez & Yudelka Perdomo Munoz

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 on Sunday, August 14, 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 Broemmell
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 Broemmell, 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

Faith FORMATION

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

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. Visit our website at www.johnxxiii.net and click on the education link, Faith Formation, grades K- 5.

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP

REGISTRATION CLOSED

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, please contact Chris at (239) 561-7499 to begin the process.

Thank You From:

CHRIS BIEL



*D*ear Friends,

I want to thank all of those who attended my retirement party a few weeks ago. I'm touched beyond words, and I am humbled and grateful for the enormous outpouring of your kindness.

Thank you for the beautiful cards and gifts. I would also like to thank the hospitality committee and the staff for all of their hard work to make the event so special for me. I will miss you all, and your friendship means a lot to me.

Sincerely, Chris Biel



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.

Confirmation Program: 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 11:15am Mass and Social



Middle School Youth Group

MSYG Sessions - Wednesdays 6pm to 7:15pm



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.

Totus Tuus - July 11-15: An evening camp for middle and high school youth.

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 Opportunities

Visit Sign up Genius website at:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c45aead2daaf58-youth>

Hispanic Ministry **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



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



RCIA

A JOURNEY IN FAITH

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





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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!
- **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.
- **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.
- **St. Luke Adoration Chapel:** Chapel hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am-3:45pm and Saturday 8:30am-3:30pm. First Friday Adoration 8:30am-8pm. For information on the chapel, visit: johnxxiii.net/adoration-chapel-ministry/
- **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.
- **FREE Rosary Repair:** Send broken rosaries in a padded envelope to: Betty & Dick Holden, 7930 Estero Blvd., #502, Ft. Myers Beach, FL 33931. Rosaries will be returned within a week of receipt. For more information email: holdenbnd@gmail.com or call Dick at (239) 463-3993
- **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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POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

2022

JULY: FOR THE ELDERLY

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility

For more information:
www.popesprayerusa.net/popes-intentions/



ST. JOHN XXIII

THRIFT store



Selling quality goods
for the good of others.

JULY

50% OFF Blankets, Throws, Comforters/ Coverlets, Duvets, Towels, Sheets, Sleeping Bags, Tablecloths, Napkins

30% OFF Framed Artwork/Paintings, Lamps, Sets of China/Dishes, Teacup/Saucer Sets, Teapot Sets, Costume Jewelry, DVD's, CD's, VHS

PLEASE NOTE: Sales cannot be combined with other sales/offers)

Store Hours: MONDAY-FRIDAY 10AM - 5PM
SATURDAY - 10AM - 4PM

www.bpjthrift.com

Out & About



Our Church Parish



FULL-TIME MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT POSITION

We have an opportunity at the parish for a full-time position to be an assistant to Rob Erp, our Maintenance Supervisor.

The maintenance position at St. John XXIII Catholic Church is taking care of the buildings and grounds. We ask that you take a prideful approach to maintain the building and grounds.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Maintain all church grounds
- Maintain equipment and facilities in top condition.
- Maintenance and repair of all physical properties.
- Operate within approved budget.
- Serve as a resource person regarding maintenance and business matters of the church, meet with vendors that come to property to work.
- Set up and tear down of tables and chairs for all groups and their events.
- Be available for special projects that come up on a daily basis.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Valid Florida Drivers License
- Self-motivated individual able to work independently
- Need to have basic maintenance skills
- Must be flexible with work schedule and duties
- Able to work indoors as well as outdoors
- Lift and carry at least 50 pounds on a regular basis, throughout the day
- Stand, bend, stoop, pull and lift on a regular basis for at least 50% of each workday
- Climb a ladder or work in assorted lift
- Walk, stretch, raise your arms over your head, crawl and work in small spaces on a regular basis, throughout the entire workday
- Must pass background check

TO APPLY go to the Dioceseofvenice.org - select offices, Human Resources, and click on the link for employment opportunities.



We need a couple of people that have a steady hand to **help us repaint the stones in our Memorial Garden**. You will need to be able to lift the stones and paint with a steady hand and then we seal them before reinstalling. Our maintenance team will meet with you and explain the details. There will be a covered area for you to work. Please call **Holly Atkins** at **(239) 561-2245** or email: holly@johnxxiii.net

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.

FYI

Paver orders may also be placed at **www.KC23.org**

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

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



	06-26-22	06-27-21	Difference
Offertory	\$21,714.07	\$22,391.00	(\$676.93)
Building Fund	\$1,454.50	\$2,337.00	(\$882.50)
Total	\$23,168.57	\$24,728.00	(\$1,559.43)
Mass Attendance	2068	1973	
Registered Families	3586	3586	

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 - NO UPDATE

2022 Goal	\$458,000.00
Pledge	\$447,374.78
% of Goal	97.68%
% of Households	18.61%
Payments	\$357,792.97

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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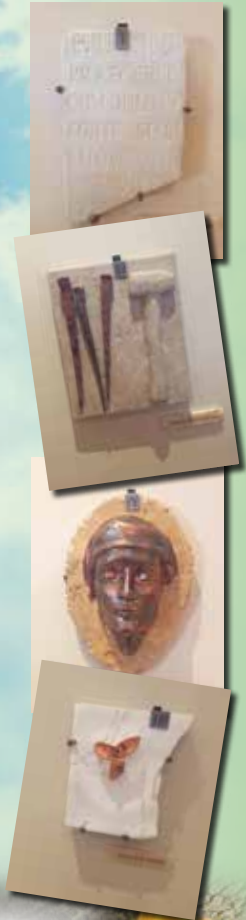
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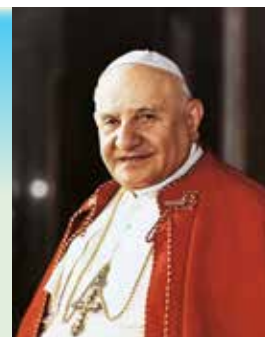


Praise God the Supreme Court has overturned Roe V. Wade by a 6-3 vote. Abortion is no longer a constitutional right! After 50 years and 63,000,000 lives lost to abortion we are at a cross roads. Abortion rights will now go back to the states and there is much work to be done. In the immediate future please pray for hearts and minds to be transformed to make abortion not only illegal but unthinkable. Pray for the millions of men and women who have lost their parenthood, grandparenthood and let us pray that their hearts may be healed and transformed by the Divine Mercy of Christ. Pray for the thousands of ProLife advocates who support women and give them TRUE choice and options. Let us pray for the thousands of FREE pregnancy centers and maternity homes who love and support men and women through pregnancy and beyond with love and resources and, should abortion be the choice, offer compassionate healing. Most importantly, let us pray for the hearts and minds of the ProAbortion factions that have promised a "Night of Rage" aimed at Pregnancy Resource centers and churches. Violence is NEVER the answer. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

May **GOD BLESS YOU ALL** and keep you in his tender care.

Sincerely,

The St. John XXIII Respect Life Ministry



PRO-LIFE HELP NEEDED

At the **FORT MYERS PLANNED PARENTHOOD CLINIC**

Please consider becoming a **SIDEWALK ADVOCATE FOR LIFE** interacting with women (and men) who are dealing with an unplanned pregnancy and considering aborting their baby.

A comprehensive training program is provided for this life saving ministry.

Jesus said: *"the harvest abundant but the laborers are few"*. - Matthew 9:37

If you feel you are being called to make a difference, please contact Mary Claire Dant at: maryclairedant@gmail.com

We are always peaceful and law abiding. A few hours a week or month would be a big help. All materials and handouts will be provided.

(Bi-lingual volunteers are also needed)

JOIN US:

365 PRAYER:

Come join in 365 prayer every Wednesday any time from **12pm-5:00pm** at Planned Parenthood: 6418 Commerce Park Dr. Fort Myers

FIRST FRIDAY of Every Month:

If you are at the Adoration Chapel, we ask that during the regular hours people offer up special prayers for an end to the death penalty.

THIRD WEDNESDAY of Every Month:

Respect Life general meeting Parish Life Center at **8:45am**

CONTACT US:

If you would like more information, or interested in volunteering, email: respectlifejohn23@gmail.com or call Maureen Nash at **(239) 823-6800**

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Food Donation Information:

- Non-perishable donations can be placed in the Round Wicker Baskets in the Narthex at Mass.
- These items are then delivered to a local non profit outreach which provides groceries weekly and cooks dinner M-F for the needy in the Tice region of Fort Myers. Our Social Justice Committee also provides pantry items to the seniors in The Villas of St. John XXIII with these generous donations.
- Items that are always needed: rice, beans, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, soup, canned veggies and fruit, canned meat, pasta, tomato sauce, Mac and cheese, meseca flour, cooking oil, etc.
- Smaller bags/packages are preferred to hand out for weekly groceries

If you can make a difference in someone's life, it all starts with just one helping hand.

Thank you for continued support and generosity!

For More Information:

Looking to get involved beyond dropping food here? Join us!

St John XXIII's Social Justice Committee in partnership with SMDP Outreach.

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NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

To learn more about the National Eucharistic Revival, visit <https://eucharisticrevival.org>

You will find a free online course from Bishop Cozzens, "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church," which can be utilized in parishes, small groups, or for individual study. Bishop Cozzens is head of the Committee for Evangelization and Catechesis for the USCCB. this is a three year revival of the devotion of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. See prayer in English and Spanish below.

Prayer for the Revival:

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. (Three times)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners.

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

Oración para el avivamiento:

¡Dios mío, yo creo, adoro, espero y te amo! ¡Te pido perdón por los que no creen, no adoran, no esperan, no te aman! (Tres veces)

Santísima Trinidad, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo, yo te adoro profundamente y te ofrezco el Preciosísimo Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, presente en todos los Sagrarios del mundo, en reparación de los ultrajes con los que Él es ofendido. Por los méritos infinitos del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús y del Inmaculado Corazón de María, te pido la conversión de los pecadores.

Nuestra Señora de Fátima, ruega por nosotros.

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FindARideFlorida.org helps older adults stay safe and mobile for life. The Florida Department of Transportation's Safe Mobility for Life Program partnered with the University of Florida, Institute for Mobility, Activity and Participation, partnered to launch this online listing of transportation service providers throughout all of the state's 67 counties.

Older adults looking for transportation options beyond their driver's seat, can take advantage of Florida's new and improved statewide resource. Users can visit FindARideFlorida.org to enter where they would like to start and end their trip, then click on "Find a Ride," and the site will populate a list of transportation service providers that can take them where they want to go. The list appears in alphabetical order and contact information is provided.

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Catholic Community **HAPPENINGS**



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Homeless Service Day & Job Fair: This is an opportunity to secure a replacement ID or Driver's license, employment opportunities, along with other social service referrals. Lunch graciously donated by Hope Clubhouse. Join us July 14 from 9am-1pm at Grace Church, 2415 Grand Ave. in Ft. Myers. For more information or to register online, visit bettertogetherus.org/events/popup-jf

Walking with Moms in Need: A nationwide program in the Catholic Church to connect pregnant women with pregnancy help centers. Join the effort to walk with her! For more information visit www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife or call (941)441-1101

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/>

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.

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 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 interested, please call Mary at (443) 567 9200

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4th of July FUN FACTS

- Only John Hancock actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. All the others signed later.
- The White House held its first 4th of July party in 1801.
- Congress made Independence Day an official unpaid holiday for federal employees in 1870. In 1938, Congress changed Independence Day to a paid federal holiday.
- The stars on the original American flag were in a circle so all the Colonies would appear equal.
- Benjamin Franklin proposed the turkey as the national bird but was overruled by John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who recommended the bald eagle.
- Every 4th of July the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is tapped (not actually rung) 13 times in honor of the original 13 colonies.
- Approximately 150 million hot dogs and 700 million pounds of chicken are consumed on this day.
- In 2012, vast majority of imported U.S. flags (\$3.6 million) were made in China.
- Fireworks are a tradition of celebrating our national holiday. The U.S. imported \$227.3 million worth of fireworks from China in 2012. U.S. exports of fireworks, by comparison, came to just \$11.7 million in 2012, with Israel purchasing more than any other country (\$2.5 million)
- In 1776, there were 2.5 million people living in the new nation. Today the population of the U.S.A. is 316 million

Parenting Pointer:

Identify some things that clutter your home. Now, what do you do with it? Give it away of course. Let your kids help you find people who need your extras. Here are some ideas:

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TAKE THE CHALLENGE: Our weekly emails during July help to keep you motivated! Enjoy stories from our participants and other news from our global movement. Together we can make a difference and be a part of the solution.

www.plasticfreejuly.org/take-the-challenge/



Marriage Moment:

What does Independence Day look like in marriage? Does it mean being free to do whatever you want? Of course not. Perhaps it's closer to being “interdependent”, knowing your strengths and weaknesses and helping each other out.

“by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net”



Meaning of: *Flag Draped Coffin*

All Americans should be given this lesson. Those who think that America is an arrogant nation should really reconsider that thought. Our founding fathers used GOD's word and teachings to establish our Great Nation and it is high time Americans get re-educated about our Nation's history.

Be proud of the country we live in and even more proud of those who serve to protect our "GOD GIVEN" rights and freedoms.

Take the time to read this. To understand what the flag draped coffin really means when the flag is laid upon it and is surrendered to so many widows and widowers.

Do you know that at military funerals the 21-gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776?

Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the United States of America flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies but here is its significance:

THE 1ST FOLD of the flag is a symbol of life.

THE 2ND FOLD is a symbol of the belief in eternal life.

THE 3RD FOLD is made in honor and tribute of the veteran departing our ranks, and who gave a portion of his or her life for the defense of our country to attain peace.

THE 4TH FOLD exemplifies our weaker nature as citizens trusting in God; it is to Him we turn for His divine guidance.

THE 5TH FOLD is an acknowledgment to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but it is still our country, right or wrong."

THE 6TH FOLD is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

THE 7TH FOLD is a tribute to our armed forces, for it is through the armed forces that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies.

THE 8TH FOLD is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor our mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.

THE 9TH FOLD is an honor to womanhood, for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty, and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

THE 10TH FOLD is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since he or she was first-born.

THE 11TH FOLD represents in the eyes of Hebrew citizens, the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

THE 12TH FOLD represents in the eyes of a Christian citizen, an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE 13TH FOLD or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding them of their nations motto, "In God We Trust."

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for them the rights, privileges and freedoms they enjoy today.

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