




ST. JOHN XXIII Catholic Church

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June 16, 2024

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Father's DAY Blessing



*Blessed is the Father,
who lets the Lord be
his guiding hand,
whose faith brings
his family courage,
whose wisdom comes
from God, and whose
children still stand
and honor him.*

June 16, 2024

Please Note:
SATURDAY
CONFESSIONS
takes place in the
church from
8:30am-9:30am
Livestreamed
9:15am MASS on
Facebook/Website

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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.

FORT MYERS:

St. Columbkille
239-489-3973
Health Park & Hope Hospice

St. Francis Xavier
239-334-2161
Lee Memorial Hospital

St. Vincent de Paul
239-693-0818
Select Hospital

LEHIGH ACRES:

St. Raphael
239-369-1831
Hope Hospice, Lehigh Hospital
and Health & Rehab Center

BONITA SPRINGS:

St. Leo the Great
239-992-0901
Hope Hospice

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

MONDAY, JUNE 17

- 8:00 AM † John Hagan by his wife, Marie

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

- 8:00 AM † Ligorio Alphonso by Clarice Alphonso

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

- 8:00 AM † John McHugh by Bob & Jean Moran

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

- 8:00 AM † John Hagan by Mary & George Clarke

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- 8:00 AM † John Assetta by the Women of Bible Study

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- 8:00 AM † Bill & Mary Kirrane by Bill & Marjorie
- 4:00 PM ♥ Parishioners of St. John XXIII
- 8:00 PM † All Souls - Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

- 7:15 AM † Gloria Del Brocco by Jim & Andrea Buczek
- 9:15 AM † Dorothy Adams by St. John XXIII Women's Guild
- 11:15 AM † Gerard Nardi by his sisters
- 1:30 PM † Marianela Gamarra by Yonela Sarmiento
- Spanish Mass

***** MASS INTENTION UPDATE *****

There are no more English Masses available for the remainder of 2024. Please know we have another option of "Unannounced Masses." This means the particular intention under the Unannounced Masses will be given to a religious or retired priest of DOV to be celebrated at a time of their choosing. Please call the parish office for more details.

JUNE 23, 2024 - 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 MK 4:35-41

Anointing OF THE Sick



NEXT WEEKEND: JUNE 22-23
after ALL Masses

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Saint Joseph

THE PATRON SAINT OF FATHERS

by: **William James - Catholic News**

St. Joseph, husband of Mary and earthly father of Jesus, is the model of fatherhood. His faith and obedience to God inspired his devotion for his family. As we celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 18, it might be helpful to study his example. In "Five Lessons from St. Joseph," author Randy Hain points out attributes that serve as a helpful guide:

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

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

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

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

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



FATHER'S DAY

PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

We give You thanks and praise for our fathers. On this day when we honor them, our first and best role models and our earliest guides, we ask Your blessing upon them.

We ask Saint Joseph, loving foster father of Jesus, to also bless our fathers for all the good things they have done for their children.

Give our fathers grace, wisdom, and patience to balance faith, family and work.

Bless too, all those fathers who have gone to their eternal rest.

May they enjoy their heavenly peace. Saint Joseph pray for all fathers. Amen.

Prayer List

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

Marlene LaRose
Gary Neubauer
Laura Ford
Scott Dugan
Braden O'Halloran
Steve Lane
Lucy DeRose
Bill Becker
Cynthia & William
David Hilson
Sandy Szymanski
Collin Carnel
Russ Aubrey
MaryAnn Hemmer
Girard Cugini
Edward Virtue
Ray & Janie Sucik
Karen Racz

Jill Louden
Darlene Kepshire
Crystal Heim
Mimi Weaver
Linda Anderson
Kristen Lipp
Denis Ryan
Kevin Walsh
Janice Herrington
Cora Davies
Marie Boutwell
Louis Cooper, Jr.
Bill Acini
Kathleen Atkins
Leyla A. Bolivar
Kate Maloney
Kathy Privhinello
Steven Kapish

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



Honoring Your Loved One

You can honor or remember your loved ones by donating the Tabernacle Candle or Eucharistic Host for \$15 for the week. Please inquire in the parish office.

Prayers for Eternal Life

Life is changed, not ended.
Eternal rest grant unto them, Oh Lord!
Timothy Francis Mottram



Tabernacle Candle

In Honor of all living/deceased:
Fathers, Grandfathers, Greatgrandfathers



DOWNLOAD OUR PARISH APP:

myparishapp.com or search your phone's app store for myparish. You can also text the word "APP" to 88202!





Weekly Calendar

PLC = PARISH LIFE CENTER



Monday, June 17

- Men's Gospel Forum: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 7am
- Craftie Ladies: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 1pm
- Women's Guild: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 6:30pm

Tuesday, June 18

- Opening the Word: Zoom/PLC - 9am
- Bereavement: PLC/St. Bernadette & St. Michael - 1pm
- Fraud Workshop: PLC Main Hall - 1:30pm-3pm
- Hispanic Charismatic Prayer Group: Chapel - 6:45pm
- Evening of Adoration & Benediction: Chapel - 6:30pm
- AA Meeting: PLC/St. Martha & St. Mary - 7pm

Wednesday, June 19

- Living in the Father's Love Virtual Bible Study: ZOOM Only - 9am
- Pastoral Staff Meeting: Office Conference Room - 10am
- Altar Server Appreciation Outing: Sunsplash Family Waterpark in Cape Coral - 10am
- American House Mass Fort Myers - 3pm

Thursday, June 20

- Hispanic Music Rehearsal: PLC/St. Elizabeth - 7pm

Friday, June 21

- Vietnamese Choir Rehearsal: Church - 8pm

Saturday, June 22

- Anointing of the Sick after All Masses
- Vigil Mass: Church - 4pm
- Vietnamese Mass: Church - 8pm



Sunday, June 23

- Anointing of the Sick after All Masses
- 7:15am, **NOTE: 9:15am* Livestreamed** & 11:15am
- Pre-School Bible Class: PLC/St. Susanna - 9:15am
- Summer Choir Rehearsal: Chapel - 10:30am
- Hispanic Choir: PLC/St. Elizabeth - 11am
- Spanish Rosary: Church - 12:50pm
- Spanish Mass: Church - 1:30pm

WATCH AT HOME

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

ONLINE

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



WELCOME

New Parishioners

- **Richard & Yessica Salazar**
- **Albert & Elizabeth Dunton, III**
- **Rick & Jeanne Brightman**
- **Joseph & Eileen Lombardi**

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, September 22, 2024 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 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
 M/Sgt Jarod 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
 Master SGT Peter Parison
 Sgt. Justin Pingicer, Army
 Lt. Col. Brady Sexton
 Christian Troutner, US Navy
 Alex Zizzo, US Navy Medic
 PFC Jordan Feil, USA
 Aaron Crump, USCG
 Sgt. Nathaniel Broemmell
 Lt. Com. Mark Buonomo
 BG Scott C. Woodward
 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

Eric Sanchez, US Air Force
 Lt. Col. Mike Garry, US Army,
 82nd ABN
 Sgt. Eric Lyons, USMC
 Lt. Nicholas Meunier, US Army
 Robert Trenton Morell, Medic
 Specialist US Army
 Michael Thomas Morell, US Navy
 SPC 4 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
 Augustus Gagis, Major, USAF
 Zachary Gagis, Lieutenant, USN
 Andrew Duffy, USSF
 A1C Mark Greenwald, USAF
 Col. Jeffrey Greenwald, USMC
 Sarah Lambert, USAF
 1st Lt. Jarod Pankau USAF
 1st Lt. Curi Pankau USAF
 Charles Robert Connolly, US Navy
 PFC Abner Casiano, US Army
 Ranger
 Ensign Aaron Humphrey

Lee County Sheriff's Office Presents

FRAUDS & SCAMS

An opportunity to learn best practices in keeping information and assets safe. Would you know what to do if you became a victim of fraud?



**FREE
EVENT**

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

Parish Life Center - 1:30PM

RSVP to MaryAnn maryann@johnxxiii.net

FRAUDS & SCAMS TUESDAY, JUNE 18 • PLC 1:30PM

For seating purposes, please RSVP to maryann@johnxxiii.net 239-561-2245

NAME: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

Please return to the parish office or drop in the collection basket by Sunday, June 16

EVENING *Holy Hour*



TUESDAY, JUNE 18
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Our next Evening Holy Hour takes place **Tuesday, June 18 from 6:30pm - 7:30pm** in the Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel.

As we continue to celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival at the parish level, we are providing an additional opportunity to participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, especially for those who find it difficult to visit our Adoration Chapel during the week. It will include Exposition and Benediction.

We invite you to come spend some quiet time with Jesus amidst all the hustle of our every day lives.



Farewell RECEPTION *for* FR. MIKE



THE WEEKEND OF *June 29-30*

On behalf of Fr. Jay and the parish staff, we want to thank Fr. Mike for his dedicated service to our community over the last 2 years.

We will have a hospitality reception after all Masses in the Parish Life Center the ***weekend of June 29-30***, so we can give him a proper goodbye. You are welcome to send your blessings and cards that weekend or at the parish office, 13060 Palomino Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33912.



A NOTE REGARDING:

CALLING 911 from St. John XXIII Property

Please avoid giving anyone who may need 911 assistance from the fire department or the paramedics, ANY TYPE OF LIQUID OR FOOD.

They specifically request this in case blood needs to be drawn for a lab test. Also, people may tend to get sicker when they drink or eat anything.

It is good to know that if assistance arrives for an assessment, but the patient does NOT have to be transported, there is NO charge for the assessment. We usually recommend letting them come and make their assessment because then they can make an objective decision.

It certainly has saved lives in the past!

Thank You

from your Faith Community Parish Nurse Team!

MEN'S *Gospel* FORUM



Welcoming MEN of ALL Ages!

Gospel Forum provides men an opportunity to grow in their faith and deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. This gathering of men is not a bible study. The Sunday Scriptures are read aloud, followed by open and meaningful sharing on what the readings mean to us today, as men, and as members of our community. We learn scripture, we pray, we have fellowship, and we laugh a lot! Come as you are, wherever you are in life.

Men's Gospel Forum meets every Monday morning in the PLC/St. Mary/St. Martha from 7:00am to 7:50am.

For more information contact:

MARK BIR: 239-910-2170

MIKE LANCELLOT: 239-940-7580



We are still in need of new members for our Funeral Hospitality Ministry. We offer this service to families that have a funeral and want the reception in our Parish Life Center. When families purchase food, members help to put out the food and drinks, serve, and help with clean the up. The ministry is happy to train you. You would be part of a team that allows the families the time to be with family and friends and feel the love and hospitality of the parish.

For more information contact:

HOLLY ATKINS: holly@johnxxiii.net or call the parish office at 239-561-2245



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

Rooted at St. John XXIII

Please visit our Rooted Facebook page for exciting information starting this summer. Email Kelly for for updates: kelly@johnxxiii.net

- **JULY 3 - St. Michael 7:00pm**
Rooted 18-22
- **JULY 3 - Parish Life Center 7:00pm**
Rooted 23-29
- **COMING SOON**
Rooted and Married
(children welcome)



Confirmation Program:

Classes have ended for the 2023-24 season. Registration will begin July 1 on the Parish website. Both first year and second year candidates must register and commit to all scheduled dates.

High School Socials

Sunday morning Gospel Sessions have ended for the 23-24 season. New dates will be published July 1. Visit our summer offerings page for ways to encounter Christ over the summer

Middle School Youth Group

Sessions have ended for the 2023-24 season. Registration will begin July 1 on our parish website. Visit our summer offerings page for ways to encounter Christ over the summer.

Youth Council

Mission statement: 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 St John XXIII Community.

Volunteer Opportunities

Scan this code with your mobile device photo app to be directed to the sign up genius webpage for opportunities to volunteer.



3 SIMPLE WAYS To STOP BLAMING and Start Reclaiming Your Power in Grace

DR. GREGORY POPCAK - Catholic Exchange

In today's world, placing blame is easier than ever. Outlets such as the news and social media allow us to say "it's their fault!" without a second thought. Because of this, placing blame on others—or even yourself—is a trap that is all too easy to fall into. However, figuring out "who's to blame" is not an effective way to heal the hurtful situations in our lives. Here are three tips that will help you stop blaming and start reclaiming your power in grace!

1. DON'T BLAME YOURSELF: Overcoming the temptation to blame others isn't an invitation to start blaming yourself. The first step to reclaiming your power over blaming is to stop trying to figure out whose fault it is and just start solving the problem. Assigning blame—whether to others or yourself—won't change reality. Only the next steps you take will. The only question that matters is, "What are YOU going to DO about it NOW?"

2. ADOPT A SUPERNATURAL PERSPECTIVE: We often blame others when we feel powerless or afraid. Saying that our circumstances are someone else's fault allows us to avoid acting in ways that might be necessary, but are scary or unpleasant—especially when we aren't sure we can do it. This is the time to remember St Thomas Aquinas' maxim, "Grace builds on nature." Instead of saying, "I CAN'T." Remind yourself of St Paul's words, "I have the strength for everything through Christ who empowers me." First, ask God what he wants you to do to start making a positive difference in your situation. Second, ask him for the grace to make up for everything you feel you lack. Finally, do the thing that challenges both you and the people around you to be your best selves and let God's grace flow through your actions.

3. ACCEPT THE INVITATION: Surrendering the tendency to blame means accepting God's invitation to grow in strength and wisdom. When we stop blaming ourselves or others, we embrace the changes that God wants to make in us and through us. These changes that WILL lead to us closer to becoming our whole, healed, godly, grace-filled selves. All of God's children receive this invitation.

Have the courage to let God make you a witness to the amazing things that only He can create!



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 _____



ST. JOHN XXIII
Catholic Church

Weekly Financials



	06-09-24	06-11-23	Difference
Offertory	\$32,321.48	\$24,865.27	\$7,456.21
Building Fund	\$1,706.00	\$1,075.00	\$631.00
Total	\$34,027.48	\$25,940.27	\$8,087.21
Mass Attendance	2481	2388	
Registered Families	3595	3697	

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

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

2024 Catholic Faith Appeal

2024 Goal	\$492,000.00
Pledge	\$373,043.67
Payments	\$282,261.21

Planning Your Will



Remember St. John XXIII

A bequest is a wonderful way to express gratitude to God for a lifetime of blessings! The gift you give establishes a lasting legacy of love for others by helping the Church to continue our Catholic heritage through its many ministries.

PLEASE NOTE: Leaving money to the parish in your will is not assessed and 100% goes to the parish.

The following is possible wording for including a bequest in your will:

"I bequeath the greater of \$_____ or _____% of the residue of my estate to Bishop Frank J. Dewane, (or his successor), Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida, a corporation sole, whose principal office is located at 1000 Pinebrook Rd., Venice, FL 34285, For the benefit of St. John XXIII Catholic Parish, in Fort Myers, Inc."

The actual wording in your will should be determined by you and your attorney.

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



RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

June 22 - June 29, 2024

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom.

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week>



**JUNE 22:
Respect for Sacred
Spaces**

PRAY that all people of faith would be free to gather in houses of worship without fear.



**JUNE 23:
Blasphemy and
Apostasy Laws**

PRAY for all people of faith who live in fear of persecution under unjust blasphemy laws.



**JUNE 24:
Freedom to Speak
the Truth**

PRAY that the Holy Spirit would give us the courage to bear witness to the truth of the gospel, even in the face of social and legal pressure.



**JUNE 25:
Service to
Immigrants**

PRAY that the Lord would protect all migrants and refugees, and that all those who work with people on the move would be free to serve.



**JUNE 26:
India**

PRAY for all our Christian brothers and sisters in India, who face harassment and violent attacks.



**JUNE 27:
Faith at Work**

PRAY that business leaders would be free to promote a culture of life in their workplaces.



**JUNE 28:
Civility**

PRAY that God would give us the grace to remember the dignity of all and invite others to do the same.



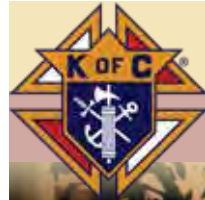
**JUNE 29:
Catholic Healthcare**

PRAY that governments will respect the consciences of all individuals and institutions that care for the sick and the vulnerable.

2024 Theme: "Called to the Fullness of Dignity"

FATHER'S DAY FUN FACTS

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



Knights of Columbus

WHAT'S NEW?



pictured above: Shannon Messner from The Dubin Center and Larry Evener, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus and the Women's Guild want to thank our May Bingo players for once again supporting our efforts to help others. Without all of our wonderful bingo players we wouldn't be able to provide all the support to these charities throughout the year. **We thank you!**

The Dubin Center is a free Alzheimer's and Dementia resource center serving Southwest Florida since 1995. Their mission is to achieve caregiver health, strength and resilience by providing education, information, hope and compassion.

If you would like more information their website is DubinCenter.com or call **239-437-3007**

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PRAYER FOR SAFETY During Hurricane Season

Through November 30

Oh God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude.

You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

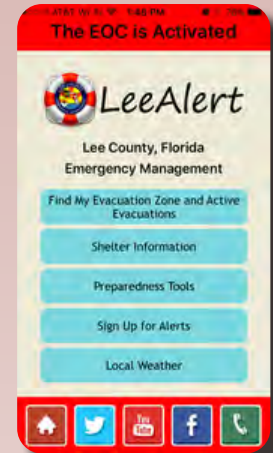
During this hurricane season we turn to You, Oh loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time.

Oh Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amen



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LeeAlert encourages preparedness and provides situational awareness when a disaster impacts Lee County. This tool is provided to assist individuals and families with preparing for and recovering from all types of disasters that may occur.

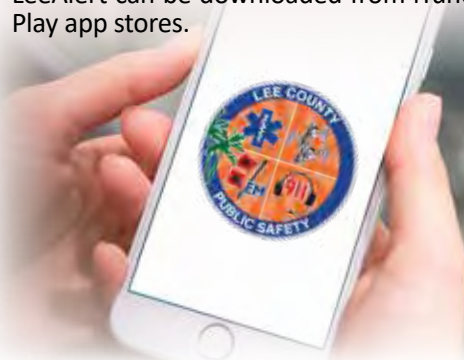
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- Frequently Asked Questions
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- Family Disaster Plan and Emergency Supply List
- American Sign Language Disaster Preparedness Videos
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Catholic Community HAPPENINGS

Sidewalk Advocacy Training in Naples: Have you ever consider coming to pray or counsel at the Naples or Fort Myers Planned Parenthood? Especially during these summer months, we are in great need of those who will answer God's call to minister to abortion-minded women with love. We invite you to attend Sidewalk Advocates for Life training in Naples on **Saturday, June 29**, 9:30am-3pm. Location: Corpus Christi Chapel, 5975 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples, FL. Topics will include:

- **The Battle for Life**
- **Understanding the Heart of an Abortion-minded Woman**
- **Understanding the Abortion Industry**
- **Outreach to an Abortion-minded Woman**
- **Outreach in Special Cases**
- **Outreach after Abortion**
- **Outreach to Abortion Workers**

Lunch and workbook included. \$10 Suggested Donation. Please RSVP by June 22 to cyrillevelasco@gmail.com

Witnessing the Faith: Join Bishop Dewane for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio. The next broadcast can be heard at 8:30am on Friday, June 28. Anyone can access to the program at <https://dioceseofvenice.org/our-bishop/relevant-radio-podcasts>

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.

4KIDS Brings Hope: The 4KIDS model and paradigm extends Hope, Homes, and Healing to children and families across 13 Florida counties. Hope is experienced through preventative based care. Homes are open to children in foster care. And Healing is made possible for children and families who have experienced trauma with the help of training and therapeutic care. Here is how 4KIDS brings Hope, Homes, and Healing to those in need. For more information, please call (239) 266-8354 or visit <https://www.4kids.us/4kidsswfl>

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed: Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers for our Food Pantry, located at 4235 Michigan Link Avenue in Ft. Myers. Help is needed Wednesday 8:30am-11am and/or Thursday 8:30am - 12pm noon. On Wednesdays we bag the food and receive the delivery. Thursdays is the actual distribution with bagging also occurring. If you would like to help, please contact **Mike Vega** mike.vega@catholiccharitiesdov.org or call (239)270-3291

Healing after Abortion: For more information or questions, contact Sylvia Jimenez by email or on the Project Rachel Helpline at (941) 412-5860



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SAFETY TIP

BEWARE Suspicious Packages Arriving by Mail

Lee County Sheriff Carmine Marceno is warning residents to be vigilant about opening unsolicited packages arriving by mail that appear to have originated from China. The packages typically have Chinese characters on the label and may contain mysterious items such as white powder, seeds or jewelry.

At this time, it is unclear who exactly is sending these packages, why they are being distributed and if they are being sent to harm the receiver.



Avoid This Scam:

If you receive a suspicious package in the mail you DID NOT order, the Sheriff's Office is advising you not to open it and limit contact with the package. Immediately call Postal Inspectors at 1-877-876-2455 If you DO OPEN the package and experience a medical or health issue, please call 911.

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SHROUD OF JESUS EXHIBIT

Welcome to our Shroud of Jesus Exhibit at the Ark Chapel in the Bob Thomas Student Union and on the second floor of the Canizaro Library at Ave Maria University.

The Sign

Come to the Ark chapel and see the visual Sign that Jesus predicted 2000 years ago, telling us who He is. And only now it comes to light. And here, for the first time, is an exhibit of the words of John, the onsite witness, that reveals the meaning of what we see on the Shroud of Jesus. See the first sculpture of the sign that Jesus left us. This sign, that John ingeniously concealed, shows the world that Jesus is the Son of God.

Come to the second floor of the Library to view the life size replica of the Shroud of Turin and view the blood of atonement on the Shroud of Jesus.

To learn more about this exhibit and sculpture please refer to the source of this data in the following book: *The Shroud of Jesus and the Sign John Ingeniously Concealed* by Gilbert Lavoie, M.D., published by Sophia Institute Press. The shroud photos were done by Vernon Miller © 1978. The sculpture, The Sign, by the sculptor Pablo Eduardo, go hand in hand with the book.

There is no more comprehensive book for those who are curious—or skeptical—about the Shroud.

—Scott Hahn, Founder and President,
St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

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