



First Friday Mass & Dinner October 4, 2021

We had 22 people turn out for First Friday and dinner at the Naples Yacht Club. It is great to be back. Mass was held at St. Ann's Catholic Church at 5:30. Mass was celebrated by Fr. George. We had 22 people attend Mass and dinner.

Thank you Jo for a wonderful event!

David and Maria welcomed everyone back and gave a huge thank you to Courtney Price for planning all the summer First Fridays. We had a great turn out this summer. We had between 10 and 18 people attend mass and dinner at The French. Again, Thank you so much Courtney, it was great getting together over the summer!

We had a lot of birthdays to catch up on. For the month of July Ken Peach and Leo Stec, for the month of August Joanne Kuehner and Pete Bewley. For the month of September Anne Peach and finally in October Cesca Copeland, Carl Kuehner and Mike Cogburn.



Happy Birthday!

On behalf of the **Grants Committee**, Michael Rothmeier came up to the podium to announce that the Naples Area donated \$3,000 to Hope for Haiti to help with the 2021 Hurricane Relief.

Maria announced that the first kickoff meeting to make laundry bags to give to the residents and the homeless that use the facilities at St. Matthew's house. If you would like to be part of this ministry, please reach out to Maria Joyce at Joycema970@gmail.com.

David introduced new ministry, outreach to Providence House. Providence House in Naples is the oldest provider of transitional housing (up to two years) for women with young children in Collier County. Their structured program aids women on their path to independence with life skill classes, child care assistance, and the opportunity to increase their education. We are looking forward to working with them.



Leah Flavia & Chris Barton
Congratulations!

would be interested, please email David and let him know. Our first Naples Area Auxiliary Meeting will be in January 2022.

Great news, Gerrie Musicco, our **Members Chair** is going to be starting up Town Meetings for new member soon. So, if you know of someone who is interested in learning about membership in the Order of Malta, contact Gerrie Musicco at gerriemusicco@gmail.com.

Lastly, Over the summer two of our members got engaged, Leah Flavio and Teresa Claugus.



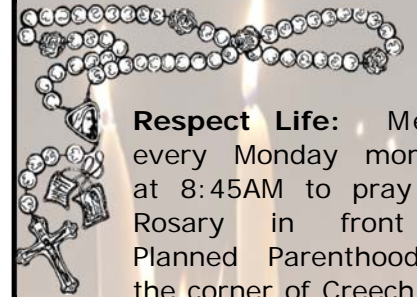
Teresa Claugus & Michael Rosman
Congratulations!

And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

-Colossians 3:14

Ministries

Power Pack: Is packing 200 weekend bags for elementary school children in Naples. We meet at 8:00AM every Wednesday morning at Catholic Charities, 3174 Tamiami Trail, East Naples. Contact Tom O'Reilly at (toriinap@aol.com) to volunteer.



Respect Life: Meets every Monday morning at 8:45AM to pray the Rosary in front of Planned Parenthood at the corner of Creech and Goodlette Frank Roads. Please contact BJ Barone at (BJB@BJBarone.com) for more information.

Recruiting: If you know of someone who is interested in learning about membership in the Order of Malta. Please contact Gerrie Musicco at gerriemusicco@gmail.com if you have someone you would like to recommend.

Human Trafficking Back Pack Program: We work with the Catholic Charities staff by providing some basic provisions for individual victims. Semi-annually, we provide 25 backpacks (20 for girls/women, 5 for boys/men) filled with many essential everyday products, which include clothing, hygiene products, toiletries, towels, blankets, and other miscellaneous items. Attached to each backpack is a custom made key chain tag that states, "You are loved." If you would like to help out, please contact Steve or Sharon Niehaus at sgniehaus61@gmail.com.



New Ministry

St. Matthews House Resident Essentials Ministry: We work with the St. Matthew's House staff by providing some basic provisions for homeless and the residents at St. Matthews House. Quarterly, we provide toiletries and laundry items. If you would like to help out, please contact Maria Joyce at joycema970@gmail.com or 239-340-0610.



Announcements

Remember: November 1st Friday Mass and Dinner: November 12, 2021,
December 1st Friday Mass and Dinner: December 3, 2021
January 1st Friday Mass and Dinner: January 7, 2022





Pope Francis

While writing the newsletter this month, Pope Francis was heavy on my heart. I feel compelled to share his intentions for the rest of the year, share a prayer of his and a prayer to pray for him everyday.

Pope Francis' Intentions for 2021

November

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

December

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

-His Holiness Pope Francis

The world needs our prayers too. There are so many out there who are lost, sick and downhearted.

Pope Francis' Five Finger Prayer

Using the fingers on your hand, start with the thumb and pray these intentions in this order:

1.) The thumb is closest finger to you. So start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "Sweet Obligation."

2.) The next finger is the index. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers.

3.) The following finger is the tallest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.

4.) The fourth finger is the ring finger. Even though it may surprise you, it is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick or those plagued by problems. They need your prayers.

5.) And finally we have our smallest finger, the smallest of all. Your pinkie should remind



you to pray for yourself. When you are done praying for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs but in the proper perspective, and also you will be able to pray for your own needs in a better way.

Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Meet Issa



Agnes and Hanna married in 2020, in the midst of the pandemic and were delighted to find out they were expecting their first child soon after. They both lost their jobs due to the pandemic but hoped they would be back to work when their child arrived.

Agnes knew Holy Family Hospital would help her family in their time of greatest need. She and Hanna had no idea how they would be able to afford medical care. The social workers at Holy Family Hospital reassured the young couple that the Hospital's Poor Case Fund was intended to cover medical expenses when families most needed it. Baby Issa was born, happy and healthy, in late May.

For more information or to help, please contact Debbie & Jean Brunel at 239-495-1939.

Pray for Our Sick

Mary, spiritual Mother to those in need, we fervently request your heavenly intercession for,

- Sue Dillon
- Tom Redmond
- Jeannie Murtaugh
 - Al Cinotti
 - Steve Orr
 - Harry Witt
 - Ginny Ingold
 - Ave Bransford

and all those who are ill and seek God's miraculous assistance.



Do you know someone who is in the Order of Malta that is unable to leave home and would benefit from a visit from Malta. Let us know. Joanne Kuehner is heading up our newest program and Nancy Stec is assisting Joanne, visiting our own sick. Please contact them if you would like to be involved. Joanne can be contacted at joanne@hopeforhaiti.com and Nancy can be contacted at n.stec2516@gmail.com.