

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



*What must I do to
inherit Eternal Life?*



October 13, 2024

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!
Psalm 90



October 13, 2024

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OUR PARISH MISSION

Inspired by our Patron, St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Center Moriches seeks to bring the light of Christ to a world in need, so that as Christ has done, we may also do. From the celebration of the Eucharist, we are sent forth to serve God and neighbor through ministries of formation, education and outreach.

-Mission Statement

Church Hours

Monday through Friday 6:30 AM - 2:45 PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Seton Chapel
(Convent) - Monday through Friday
3:00 - 7:00 PM

Next Weekend's Schedule

Saturday, October 19th

5:00 PM - Fr. Jerry

7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

(Saturday Evening 5 PM and 7:30 PM Masses will be livestreamed. Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Sunday, October 20th

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

12 noon - Fr. Abin

6:00 PM - Msgr. Walden

*Presider subject to change. Please call the Rectory or check SJE Social Media for latest updates.

We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday - Friday: After the 7 AM & 12 Noon Masses
Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &
7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM
Confessions will take place in Our Lady's Chapel in the Church.

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger

Pastor

Reverend Abin Panicker

Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden

Retired, In Residence

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno

Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele

Parish Assistant

John Pettorino

Deacon

Michael Hoonhout

Deacon

Ed Grieb

Deacon

Carolyn Lapham

Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia

Director of Faith Formation

Heather Crayne

Director of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller

Director of Operations

Mass Schedule

OLQA

**Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School**

(on the campus of SJE)

2 St. John Place

Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033

www.olqany.org

Dawn Waller

Principal

dwaller@olqany.org (ext. 201)

Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House

Monday - Thursday:

9 AM - 8 PM

Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Friday - Saturday

9 AM - 2 PM

We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

Confession Schedule

Meet Father Abin...

Saint John the Evangelist welcomes Father Abin Panicker, a priest of the Order of the Imitation of Christ (Bethany Navajyothe Province), who has been appointed as Parochial Vicar of our parish by Bishop John O. Barres, effective June 26, 2024.

Father Abin, born on August 4, 1985 (in Mavelikara, Kerala, India) was born to James Panicker and Lucy J. Panicker. From as far back as he can remember, Abin became interested in Oriental Liturgy, and as time went on, he became involved with various missions. He has a tremendous admiration for his grandfather's uncle, Venerable Archbishop Mar Ivanios OIC (founder of the Reunion Movement), who was a bishop in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.

Abin realized his call to be a priest when he was ordained on January 12, 2015. One aspect of his personal mission is to make whole-life disciples, while enriching the Church and its families with a love for Christ.

Father Abin has extensive experience in education as a student-centric instructor, academic facilitator and instructional coach. He has earned Bachelor's Degrees in Communicative English, Philosophy, Theology, and Education, and has a Master's Degree in Mass Communication and Journalism.

He has held positions such as director, superior, procurator, and parish priest in various locations, and he became Founder Director of the Bethany Book Centre in Sultan Bathery (a town in the mountainous Wayanad region of Kerala, South India). He was also Principal of Girideepam Bethany Central School (CBSE) in Kottayam, Kerala, inspiring students as a companion and mentor, allowing them to learn according to their creativity, and by doing so, shaping their future. He has conducted stage shows and competitions according to various themes and events, even writing lyrics for some of the songs.

Before his current appointment in our church, Father Abin served as the administrator

and academic head of Navajyothe Bethany Vidhyapeeth School in Mumbai, and as Parish Priest of St. Thomas Syro-Malankara Catholic Church in Thane, Mumbai, India. He is fluent in the English language, as well as Malayalam, Hindi, Tamil, and Syriac.



As a member of Bethany Ashram, also known as the Order of the Imitation of Christ (OIC), Father Abin came to America as part of the Pastoral Ministry. OIC is the first indigenous religious congregation started in the Malankara Church, prompted by divine inspiration to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout India, through the spiritual renewal of the Church. The charism of the Order of the Imitation of Christ is following Jesus Christ in his life of prayer and action. It was founded by the late Archbishop Venerable Geevarghese Mar Ivanios OIC (the younger brother of Father Abin's great-grandfather) on August 15, 1919, at Perunadu, in Kerala, India. Bethany beautifully blends the spirit of both Oriental monastic tradition and Indian sanyasa.

As the very name indicates, Bethany Ashram has been a house of consolation for all those who enter its threshold. It became the cradle of the Reunion Movement when Mar Ivanios and others embraced the unity of the true Catholic communion, thus giving rise to the Malankara Catholic Church on September 20, 1930.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre has entrusted the OIC with the parishes of St. Ignatius Loyola, and Our Lady of Mercy, both in Hicksville.

Father Jose Kuruvila, who has served in our parish twice during the month of August (last year and this year) is also a member of the OIC.

Next time you have the chance, walk up and introduce yourself to Father Abin. I'm sure it will make his day.

~ Angela Werner

Masses for the Week...

Saturday, October 12th Weekday

5:00 PM Jeraldine Eten

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, October 13th Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Sandy Fabricatore

10:00 AM Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

12:00 Noon Gertrude and Edward McCrossen

6:00 PM Jared McGuinness

Monday, October 14th Weekday

7:00 AM Jane Ann Sherry

12:00 Noon Alan Raymond Barr

Tuesday, October 15th St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Richard Meyer

12:00 Noon Christopher Bowman

Wednesday, October 16th Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph and Gerard Wilkinson

12:00 PM Linda Murphy

Thursday, October 17th St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

7:00 AM Ralph Anthony Rivas

12:00 Noon Francis Both

Friday, October 18th St Luke, Evangelist

7:00 AM Michael Zingarino

12:00 Noon Francis and Rosemary Both

Saturday, October 19th St John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 AM Victoria Raymond

5:00 PM Edna Dugan

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

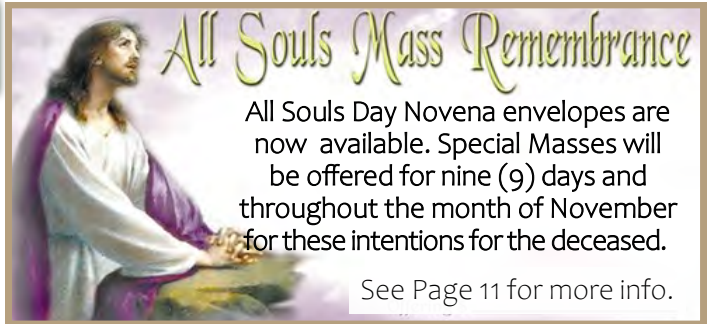
Sunday, October 20th Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Richard Meyer

10:00 AM Arleen Probeyahn

12:00 Noon Helen M. Gallagher

6:00 PM Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney



All Souls Mass Remembrance

All Souls Day Novena envelopes are now available. Special Masses will be offered for nine (9) days and throughout the month of November for these intentions for the deceased.

See Page 11 for more info.

We are having a special collection after communion this weekend in support of those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.



Help for those suffering...

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.			
Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$716,104	40	\$17,903
2023	\$669,691	40	\$16,742

On the weekend of October 26 & 27, there will be a special collection and a video presentation that recaps the wonderful gifts that are possible with the donations from the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

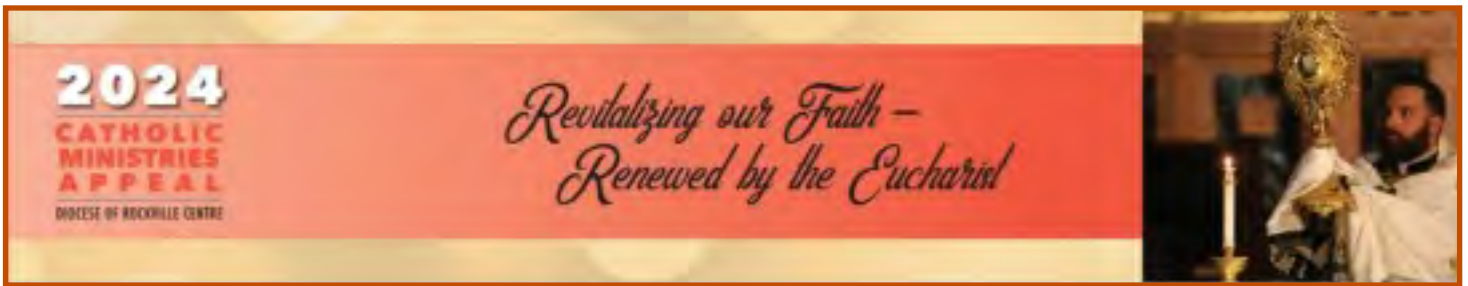


2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Revitalizing our Faith - Renewed by the Eucharist

As of 10/8/2024	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	212	223
Total Pledged to date	\$92,011	\$88,070
Avg. Gift	\$434	\$395
Percent of Goal	80%	76.5%

Supporting the CMA helps to support SJE! We receive back 20% of whatever is raised below the goal. If we go above the goal, we also receive 80% of all monies that are raised above the goal! Please help us go above the goal!



As the last few months of the Appeal are upon us, I am writing to ask that, if you have not already done so, you might consider joining with me, by making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

I am grateful to those who have already contributed to the good work we are trying to accomplish together here on Long Island. Every dollar helps to bring Christ to so many who need to hear His voice, feel His healing touch, and be inspired by works of catechesis and evangelization.

As a faith-filled parish community, all of us recognize the responsibility of bringing our young people into our family of faith and guiding them on their lifelong journey with Christ. Our Diocese continues to focus on ministries that support young Catholics and their baptismal call to holiness; to welcome the contributions they make to the Church and help them grow in faith. Such growth is key for young Catholics in discerning the state of life that would best correspond to what God wants from them.

Thanks to your gifts to the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministry Programs are responding to the call for action by offering many opportunities for young people to engage in a dialogue with Bishop Barres, priests and religious, youth and young adult ministers and their peers.

Michaela, a participant at a Holy Hour at our Seminary shared, *"My faith is so important to me – without it I would be lost. I would not always have God's voice with me. He guides me!"*

Your support helps us continue to teach and pass on our faith to our young people!

Thank you most sincerely for your consideration of this special request to make a gift to the 2024 *Catholic Ministries Appeal*. No gift is ever too small, and all gifts make a difference in the lives of our young people – the future leaders of our church and the wider community.

Our Parish Outreach programs provide essential food programs that nourish families in need, and it is a great place for our young people to volunteer.



Sincerely yours in Christ,

John O. Barres
Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



October 13, 2024

Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Yvette Saar + Debbie Moscello
Josephine Schepps

*"For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,
even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him
those who have died."* -1 Thessalonians 4:14

Pray for the Sick

Carol DeSomma + Vassula Rydon
Tom Taylor + Mary Ann Green
Joanne Maiello + Patricia Barry

*"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while
you may have to suffer through various trials..."*
-1 Peter 1:6

If you would like a loved one's name placed under
Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at
631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

Our Military

US Marine Corps

LC Michael Abbatiello
CPL Evan Berkemeyer
PFC Sean Brady
SGT Quentin Montemarano
PVT Charles O'Connor
E-1 Christian Raeihle
2nd LT Christopher Walther
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II

US Army

SGT Sean Casey
PVT Joseph Cestare
SPC Michael Garcia Jr
PVT Anthony Koch
CPL Aidan O'Neill
PFC David Smith
Steven Valentin

US Navy

E43CPO Jason Abbatiello
STGCS Brian Holzmacher
MMN2 Christopher J Esposito Jr
ETVSN Angel Gabriel Montoya Rivera
ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr
ENS Ralph J. Ruggiero

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

US Air Force

SrA Anthony Auciello
SSGT David Giese
SSGT Jason M Hermes
PFC Kyle Kerstiens
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens
A1C Jared T. Rosato
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza

If you wish to place someone on the Military prayer list,
please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or
e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.



Remembering Our Loved Ones

Altar Bread & Wine for the month of October has been
donated in memory of:

Harry & Ann Holland

Mass Intentions

Remembering one who has passed away at Mass is a
most noble practice calling us to pray for one who
has died at the most powerful prayer we know -
the celebration of the Eucharist.

Altar Bread and Wine

Names will be listed in each bulletin during the
course of that month.
An offering of \$150 is requested.

Votive Candles/Altar Candles

A number of votive candles enlighten the beautiful
statues in our church. You may have a particular
devotion to one of these saints. These candles are
next to the statues of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph,
St. Teresa, St. Gerard Majella and the Sacred Heart of
Jesus. They bring a certain light to the statues and,
hopefully, inspire some deeper times of prayer and
reflection. **Altar Candles - \$25.00 per week.**

*SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.
To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org*

A Journey of Faith for Adults...

O C I A

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
(Formerly RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming catholic?
Do you need to complete the Sacraments of
Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) ?

To learn more about the classes that will
begin this month, please contact the Parish office
at 631-878-0009 or email rectory@SJEcm.org

JOIN US for the 40 DAYS for LIFE Closing Mass
and Candlelight Rosary

Saturday, October 26th at 5 PM

St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church

25 Ocean Avenue Center Moriches, New York 11934

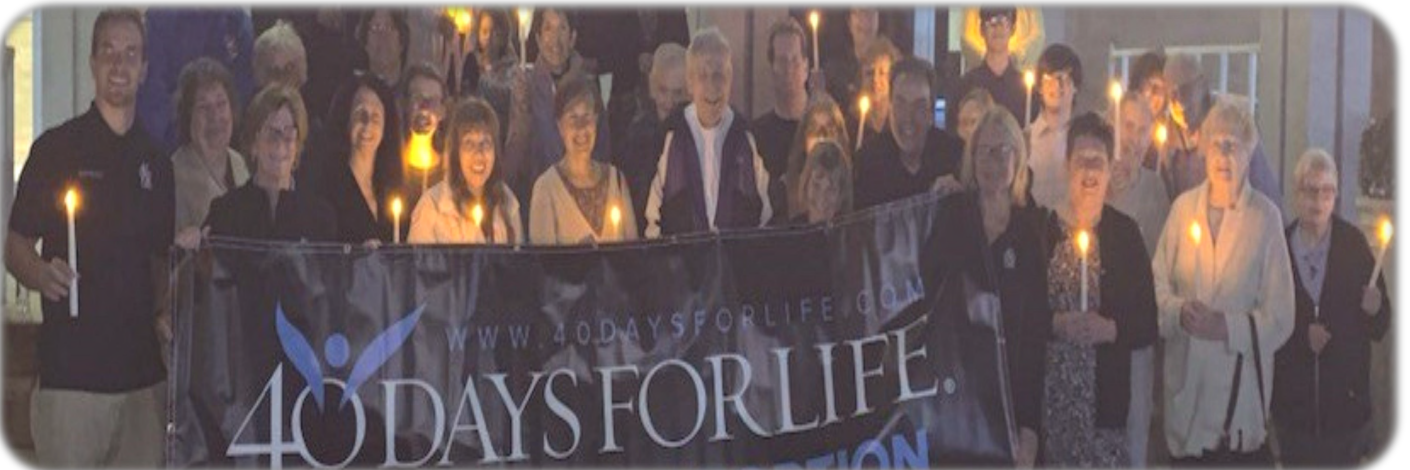


PRO-LIFE CANDLELIGHT ROSARY

will follow after the Mass
outside the Church

*Funds for the Blessed Candles
were donated by Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council 4126
(James O'Connor - Grand Knight)*

In Remembrance of the **2363 Unborn
Babies** that go to Jesus every day in the US



**Where are
our children?**

FIND OUT AT 2363.ORG



**WAVERLY AVE
RESPECT
LIFE**

*from conception to
natural death*

An American flag is draped across the left side of the poster. In the top right corner, a patriotic rosary with red, white, and blue beads is displayed, featuring a large silver cross, a medallion with an eagle, and a small American flag. The background is a solid blue color.

Patriotic Rosary

7:00 PM ~ SJE Convent Chapel
Followed by Benediction

Wednesday, October 16th
and
Monday, November 4th

Please join our parish family as we come together in prayer and song before the Blessed Sacrament, to thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our country, and to honor our brave service men and women all over the world, our veterans, and our first responders at home. We also join together to pray that the rights and protection of all Americans, especially the unborn, be restored, and for the safety, security, and future of our United States of America.

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus - Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

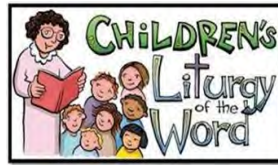
The Office of Family Life Ministry



Our next
Sandwich Sunday:
Sunday, October 20th
after the 10:00 Mass,
in the school cafeteria.

Grab a loaf of bread, some peanut butter and jelly or cold cuts and your family and friends and come have some fun while helping to feed the hungry in our area. Students can earn volunteer service hours! ALL are welcome!

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Come to our
**OPEN
HOUSE!**

**Sunday, October 20 after
the 10:00 Mass.**

Come over to the auditorium after mass to learn about our Children's Liturgy of the Word Program. See what we do, talk to our volunteers and to the children who come and enjoy some light refreshments!



Thanks to all who came on Friday, 10/4 for the Blessing of the Animals. It was a wonderful way to remember the Feast of St. Francis. A special thanks to the members of the Family Life Ministry for providing refreshments for all (including our 4-legged, furry, scaled and winged friends!). Thank you Fr. Abin and Deacon Ed for blessing our pets!

And thanks to all who donated to Kent animal shelter! Our parish is truly amazing!



Keep an eye on the bulletin for our next service project: A collection to support our deployed military men and women through the [Blue Star Moms Project](#), November 2nd through 11th! A great way to honor our veterans by supporting those currently serving our country.

SJE Family Life Ministry

PRESENTS

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY

October 19th 6:30PM

Parish Auditorium,
Doors open at 6:15 PM

FREE
*ADMISSION
*POPCORN
*WATER



Come watch a great family movie! NO pre-registration needed... just come, have fun, enjoy some treats and maybe even a few tricks at our Halloween themed evening! Bring a blanket, a beanbag chair or a pillow to sit on...or you can use one of our carpet squares or folding chairs! You are welcome to bring your own snacks too! Come in your pajamas if you want to be cozy!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL CLAPHAM@SJECDM.ORG

Month of Remembrance...

Special All Souls Parish Mass of Remembrance 12:00 Noon Mass ~ Saturday, November 2nd

We will celebrate a special All Souls Parish Mass of Remembrance on All Souls Day, **Saturday, November 2 at 12:00 PM**. At this Mass we will pray by name for all who have died in our parish community over the past year. All families who have celebrated a funeral Mass at SJE in the past year are being specially invited, and all parishioners, whether or not they have experienced a loss, are invited to come and join in prayer. Following the Mass, all are welcome for hospitality. Please consider participating in this Mass to join together in prayerful solidarity with our brothers and sisters who have lost a loved one in the past year.

Altar of Remembrance

During the month of November, we remember in a special way our loved ones who have died. This year, we will be preparing a special Altar of Remembrance in the Seton Chapel. *Beginning November 1st, you are invited to place a picture on the altar so that we may remember your loved ones and pray for each other.* Please limit the size of your photo (perhaps no larger than 4 x 6) so that there is room for everyone who wishes to participate. You may place the picture in a small frame. Please remember to write your name and phone number on the back of the picture. Pictures may be dropped off at the rectory or at the sacristy.

We ask that you pick up your picture no later than Wednesday, November 27th.



All Souls Day Novena envelopes are now available. These envelopes are a meaningful way for you to have your deceased loved ones prayed for in the Novena of Masses for All Souls Day. Please take an envelope, fill out the name of the deceased, and return the envelope with your donation. Envelopes may be returned either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Special Masses will be offered for nine (9) days and throughout the month of November for these intentions for the deceased.

Book of the Names of the Dead



Beginning November 1st, a special book will be placed inside Our Lady's Chapel for members of our parish community to write down the names of loved ones who have died. The names in this book will be remembered at our Masses throughout the month of November.



Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School

Contact Us!

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See What We've Been Up To!



- **MISSION RETREAT!** The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island welcomed our students in "The Mission" for a retreat day! Students in grades 6, 7 & 8 participated in games (including a Bible relay race), an outdoor Mass and reflection on their faith to kick off the new school year.
- **PRIEST VISIT:** Msgr. Walden visited our classes last month! We are incredibly grateful for the priests who serve our school!
- **FLAG TRAINING:** Mr. McCann and two members of the American Legion came this week to teach our 8th graders how to raise, lower and care for the American flag. This is one of the responsibilities 8th graders have at OLQA.
- **GOODBYE TO SUMMER:** We bid farewell to summer while showing our school spirit! We are proud to be a part of the Family of Families at the Catholic School in Center Moriches.

Faith Formation

Our Level 7 students received their "Breakthrough" Youth Bibles at our Level 7 parent/student opening prayer service last month, with Fr. Patrick presiding and blessing the Bibles!



2024 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDARS for all our programs are available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website (sjecm.org, click on "Faith Formation")

LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

Next Session:

Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:15 PM in the Church

**Small Group Numbers to be emailed to families in October.*

LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

Next Session:

Monday, October 21st at 7:15 PM in the Church

**Same small groups as last year (check your email if you need your child's number)*

"FAMILY OF FAITH" - Parent/Student Events (GRADES 1-6):

Tuesday, November 12th or Thursday, November 14th at 5:00 PM or 7:00 PM in the Church

"FEARLESS" - 9th Grade Confirmation Prep

**For students who have completed our Level 7 & 8 preparation and will be confirmed this Fall (2024)*

- Parent/Student Reconciliation Night: October 15th at 7:15 PM in the Church
- Weekend of November 2nd & 3rd ~ MASS OF SENDING FORTH

Parish Social Ministry

Ernie's Place

Here is a list of items needed for our pantry. These items can be left at the doors of the church or at the bin, outside of Ernie's Place.

- Soup
- Sugar
- Cereal
- Red Beans
- Pancake Mix
- Pancake Syrup
- Mac & Cheese
- Shelf-stable Milk



We need your help in the street ministry sorting room! Our space is overflowing with bags of donations that require sorting, folding, and organizing. If you can spare an hour or two once a week, your assistance would make a tremendous difference. Every bit of help counts! Please call the Parish Social Ministry office to get involved. 631-878-0009 x120

Street Ministry Shopping List

- ◆ Blankets
- ◆ Toilet Paper
- ◆ Feminine Products
- ◆ Men's & Women's Socks
- ◆ Men's & Women's Coats S, M, L, XL
- ◆ Men's & Women's T-Shirts Sizes S, M, L
- ◆ **DESPERATELY NEED Men's Jeans All Sizes** ———>
- ◆ Men's & Women's Sweatshirts S, M, L, XL
- ◆ Travel Size Shaving Cream & Razors
- ◆ Travel Size Shampoo & Conditioner
- ◆ Men's & Women's Underwear (new) Sizes S, M, L, XL

Street Ministry

Are you a great cook? Or perhaps a social butterfly who enjoys engaging with others in the community?

Maybe you prefer to work behind the scenes? Do you love to fold clothes and organize things? ***Come use the awesome gifts that God gave you to serve those in need in our local community!***



Our Street Ministry is an amazing community of volunteers who provide hot meals and clothing to individuals and families every Thursday night, many of whom are homeless or unable to receive other supporting services. Whether you are interested in working in our donation room, cooking hot meals, making PB&J sandwiches, or participating in our van runs, Street Ministry has a place and a job for everyone! To get started or for more information contact Victoria Papatatto at streetministry@sjecm.org



Bereavement Support ...

away our sadness, others can help by listening and caring. Sharing our feelings with others who have experienced the death of a loved one help many people begin the healing process..

Grief never ends but it changes. It is a passage, not a place to stay. It is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith. Grief is the price of love.

Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon

First floor meeting room in the Barn.

REGISTRATION: Contact the Rectory at Rectory@sjecm.org
631.878.0009 or via email at Rectory@sjecm.org
\$10 donation for the workbook.



World Mission Sunday...

Next Sunday,
October 20 is
World Mission
Sunday.



Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.



September 25 - November 3
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

HELP SAVE LIVES IN PATCHOGUE

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

Here's how to take part:

- **Vigil location:** On the Public Sidewalk outside of 450 Waverly Avenue (Park in Rear of 7/11 Lot)
- **Vigil hours:** Supervised Hours Mon-Wed-Sat 10 to 12 Rosary at 11 Wed 3-5 (Signs will be provided)
- **Local contact:** Bob Williams call/text 631-615-1735
Email: info@WaverlyAvenueRespectLife.org

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign:

40daysforlife.com/Patchogue



Father Patrick joins with members of the Legion of Mary to celebrate Geraldine Pirozzi (behind the statue of Our Lady) receiving her active membership promise.

Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School

Fall Dinner Dance

OCTOBER 26, 2024
6-9 PM

Buffet Style Dinner Catered by
LaVolpe of Center Moriches

\$30.00 per person

FOOD • DJ/DANCING • MUSIC • RAFFLES

BEER/WINE (CASH ONLY)

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

21 AND OVER ONLY

Call 631-878-1033 to purchase your tickets by
October 11th

Pre-purchased tickets required



2 St. John's Place Center Moriches
School Auditorium

A Message from Msgr. Walden...

There are many questions and issues that catch our attention everyday. How would you answer this question: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" That is the question we hear Jesus being asked in today's Gospel by a young man who seems to think he has it all together because he has kept all the commandments. They are very basic and straightforward as Jesus starts to make His response: "You know the commandments: You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother." Other than the last commandment cited by Jesus, the others all speak about what we should not do, the evil that is to be avoided. But getting to heaven is much more than just avoiding obvious evil, it is about sharing our treasure, and that treasure much more than material: it is the time, attention, love, and concern that is ever present in our hearts.

In a meditation book I am reading from every morning, I was struck by a thought expressed by the author who began a reflection on heaven with this thought from St. Paul, Philippians 3:20: "But our citizenship is in heaven, and from there we also await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ!" This is the thought: "There was a delightful Baptist minister in Newark who would say, "Yes, my true home is in heaven. But right now I am not homesick." Yes all too often we lose our focus on who we are, where we are going, and how we are going to get there. How do we get a taste of the kingdom of heaven? Who or what is foundation of that hope? We do not go through our lives focused on how we are going to get to heaven, but everyday presents us with opportunities to stay on the path as well as temptations to go off on our own. Disappointments, anger, confusion, and spite all too often cloud our mental vision. When we are hard hearted, spiteful, and vengeful, there is no real peace. We have all experienced them as the victim and conveyer of those thoughts and ensuing actions. One of clearest examples of not being derailed or consumed with anger in such situations are these words of Jesus on the cross: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34) While His enemies were

gloating, He was praying for their eternal salvation and oneness with Him.

God does not give us answers step by step everyday. He is the answer that leads us from protecting ourselves and winning to giving of ourselves without the cost. He is the way to reconciliation and union with Him and only through, with, and in Him to reconciliation, peace, and unity with one another. We will probably not be "homesick for heaven" but we can certainly make our journey through life a gift to God, ourselves, and one another, by living in the very image and likeness in which we have been created, the image and likeness of God Himself: "God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and God said to them: Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.* Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that crawl on the earth." (Genesis 1:27-28)

From the Breviary, Psalm 63:2-9

A Soul Thirsting For God

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. Glory...

Psalm Prayer: Father, creator of unfailing light,
give that same light to those who call to you.
May our lips praise you; our lives proclaim your
goodness; our work give you honor, and our
voices celebrate you for ever.



EUCCHARISTIC Adoration

at St. John the Evangelist

Monday - Friday from 3:00 - 7:00 PM
in Seton Chapel, in the Convent

If you can be present for a specific hour,
email rectory@sjecm.org or
call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

*The Eucharist is the
secret of my day. It gives
strength and meaning to
all my activities of
service to the Church and
to the whole world.*

~St. Pope John Paul II

On Mondays following Adoration, there is a Holy Hour to Pray for Priests from
7 - 8 PM. All are invited to pray for our Shepherds. Please consider offering
one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

FRIDAY NIGHT'S

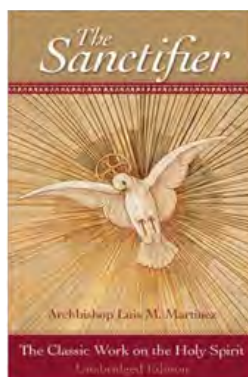
Doors Open at 6:30 PM
Games Begin at 7:30 PM

\$3000 IN PRIZES

For more information
kofc4126.com

Women's Group...

Our Women's Group has started for 2025-25.



We welcome back our Members & invite New Members to join us as we read together, learn & share our feelings & life's experiences. It's an open group, come when you want or can. You can join throughout the year. There's no commitment. You don't have to share or read out loud, no homework. Everything we share is kept confidential. We respect each other's sharing. No judgement. All you need is desire to draw nearer to Jesus & to have fellowship with like-minded women who know we're not perfect & it's ok. **BRING A FRIEND!!!**

The book we'll read together is **"The Sanctifier"** by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez, explaining in detail how the workings of the gifts of The Holy Spirit bring us into holiness. It's usually in the sharing part of what we're reading that gives us clearer understanding

of the subject especially because it relates to our lives at the present moment. We're living the lessons which is comforting when we're in pain, we have a lot of laughs too. We're there for each other! The book will be provided, and a free will offering can be made for the book.

We meet in the white house between the school & rectory every other Monday, unless noted with an asterisk *, at 10:00 -11:30 AM, ending in time to go to 12:00 Mass if you want.

Dates: October 21st, November 4th & 18th, December 2nd & 16th, January 6th & 20th,

February 3rd & 17th, March 3rd, 17th, & 31st, April 14th & 28th, May 12th & 19th*, June 2nd, 16th & 30th.

Carol Ketcham and Anita Luccari, Group Moderators ~ For info: 631-878-0009



Men's Prayer Group...

CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9 AM** in the Convent. Join as us as we learn to follow the example of St. Joseph and grow in our faith, reflect on the Gospel and have coffee. For more information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

Safe Environment...



All **volunteers** and employees at SJE are **required** to participate in a VIRTUS training course and to go through a background check. You can sign up for

the VIRTUS classes by visiting www.drvc.org or clicking here:

<https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm?>

REMINDERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

All SJE employees and volunteers must wear their SJE badge while serving in ministry. Please also check your email regularly to complete monthly updates. (Be sure to check your "spam" or "Junk" folder.)

PASTORAL INTERVENTION TEAM

The dedicated telephone line for reporting allegations of sexual abuse (516-694-9063) continues to be available. If the caller does not reach someone directly, messages can be left on an answering machine connected to the phone. Those messages will be retrieved by a member of the Intervention Team and returned as soon as possible. All appropriate steps will be taken to protect the reputation and privacy of those involved. For more information on the Charter for the Protection of Children / Young People, please visit drvc.org.

Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en español los sábados a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oración, todos los viernes a las 7:30 PM en la Capilla del Convento Parroquial. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

BAUTISMO:

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos:

1. Acta de nacimiento del niño o niña.
2. Certificado de registro de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de la charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIO para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Segundo domingo a las 14 horas en la Iglesia. Las clases de prebautismo son el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

CASAMIENTO:

Las parejas que planean casarse deben concertar una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de la boda. Esto les dará tiempo suficiente para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame a la oficina

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 p.m. los martes.

Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to call before you come and visit.

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM

Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero

Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM

auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley

7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para quienes lo necesiten. Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avísanos si puedes ayudar!

Join **BISHOP ANDRZEJ** this Fall
for the monthly times of prayer and reflection called

EUCCHARISTIC HORIZONS

exploring the deeper understanding of our mysteries of life
in the light of perpetual gift of grace and real presence of Jesus
in His Sacrament of Love

Please join us!!

October 29, 2024

November 26, 2024

December 17, 2024

At 7:00 pm

Church of St. Paul the Apostle

2534 Cedar Swamp Rd., Brookville



For further information

Call - 516.744.6850

Email - worship@drvc.org



Important DRVC Information...

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page:

<https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

Please take some time look through the back pages of the bulletin! It features many local businesses (and often the work of parishioners) and the good work they do in our community. We have parishioners who do everything from car detailing to car mechanics to lacrosse training to taking care of pets. Take a look and learn more!

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

Also, if your business could use a shot in the arm, consider advertising in the bulletin. Each weekend, the nearly 1,400 people who attend Mass at St. John the Evangelist - most of whom live and shop in the Moriches, Mastic, Shirley, Eastport, Speonk and Remsenberg area - receive or view our bulletin online. It's an easy way to reach thousands of families in the area with information about your business.

For more information on how to
advertise in our bulletin, call
The Church Bulletin Company
at 631-249-4994

Weekly Calendar

Monday, October 14th, 2024 (Parish Offices Closed)

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous (Men only) - BMR

Tuesday, October 15th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
7 PM Divine Will

Wednesday, October 16th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC

Thursday, October 17th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
4 PM Legion of Mary - BMR
7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

Friday, October 18th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
7:30 PM Knights of Columbus - Bingo - Auditorium
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
7 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC

Saturday, October 19th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
9 AM Men's Prayer Group - SC
10:30 AM Bereavement Group - BMR

Sunday, October 20th, 2024

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1st Floor Mtg. Room
BUR - Barn Upper Room
SC - Seton Chapel