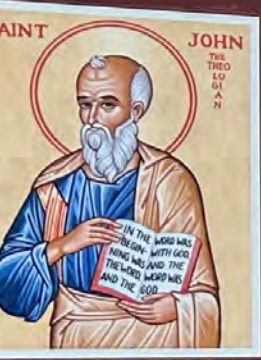


St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

"As I have done, so you should also do" - John 13:15

October 1, 2023

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Those who turn away from sin shall live"

Ezekiel 18:25-28



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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 pm—7:00 pm

Next Weekend's Schedule

Saturday, October 7th

5:00 pm - Fr. Jerry
7:30 pm - (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

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

Sunday, October 8th

8:00 am - Fr. Patrick
10:00 am - Fr. Felix
12 noon - Fr. Patrick
6:00 pm - Fr. Jerry

*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 a.m. + 12 Noon Masses
Saturday: After the 8 a.m. Mass
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. +
7:00—7:15 p.m. (Spanish)
Sunday: 5:30—5:45 p.m.

Confessions will take place in Our Lady's Chapel in the Church.

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger
Pastor

Reverend Felix Akpabio
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno
Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

John Pettorino
Deacon

Michael Hoonhout
Deacon

Carolyn Lapham
Director of Family Ministries

Andrew McKeon
Director of Music Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia
Director of Faith Formation

Katie Spellman
Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller
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Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House
Monday - Thursday:
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Tuesdays -
6-8pm Spanish speaking support.

Friday - Saturday
9 a.m.- 2p.m.
*We ask that you call before
visiting any parish offices.*

Mass Schedule

A message from Fr. Felix...

Our imagination, which is hardly still a minute, makes our task harder, and then of course there is the devil who never tires of trying to distract us and keep us from praying. **Being human, we easily become tired** and slipshod, but the devil makes these difficulties worse when we are praying, especially when saying the rosary. Before we even begin, the evil spirit makes us feel bored, distracted, or exhausted. When we have started praying, he oppresses us from all sides, and when after much difficulty and many distractions, we have finished, he whispers to us:

“What you have just said is worthless. It is useless for you to say the rosary. You had better get on with other things. It is only a waste of time to pray without paying attention to what you are saying: half-an-hour’s meditation or some spiritual reading would be much better. Tomorrow, when you are not feeling so sluggish, you’ll pray better; leave the rest of your rosary till then”. We should always follow Our Lord Jesus Christ. When he was tempted by the devil, He did not give in at all. We should not allow the whispering of the devil to control us while we are praying. By tricks of this kind, the devil gets us to give up the rosary altogether or to say it less often, and we keep putting it off or change to some other devotion.

Dear friends of the Rosary Confraternity, do not listen to the devil; he is a liar. Rather be of good heart even if your imagination has been bothering you throughout your rosary, filling your mind with all kinds of thoughts. Always remember that the best rosary is the one with the most merit, and there is more merit in praying when it is hard than when it is easy. Prayer is all the harder when it is, naturally speaking, distasteful to the soul and is filled with those annoying little ants and flies running about in your imagination, against your will, and scarcely allowing you the time to enjoy a little peace to appreciate the beauty of what you are praying or meditating at the time.

Even if you have to fight distractions all through your whole rosary, be sure to fight well, arms in hand; that is to say, do not stop saying your rosary even if it is difficult to say and you have no sensible devotion. We all know it is a terrible battle, but one that is profitable to the faithful soul. If you put down your arms, that is, if you give up the rosary, you will be admitting defeat and then the devil, having gotten what he wanted, will leave you in peace, and on the day of judgment will taunt you because of your faithlessness and lack of courage. “He who is faithful in little things will also be faithful in those that are greater”. Luke 16:10.

He who is faithful in rejecting the smallest distractions when he says even the smallest prayer, will also be faithful in great things. Nothing is more certain, since the Holy Spirit has told us so. So all of us, servants and handmaids of Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin, be of good heart. Do not let the multitude of distractions make you abandon the company of Jesus and Mary, in whose holy presence you are when saying this month of the rosary. These are some suggestions for diminishing distractions in prayers of any kind.

After you have invoked the Holy Spirit, in order to say your prayer or the rosary well, place yourself for a moment in the presence of God and make the offering of the decades in this way. Before beginning a decade, pause for a moment or two, depending on how much time you have, and contemplate the mystery that you are about to honor in that decade. Always be sure to ask, by this mystery and through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, for one of the virtues that shines forth most in this mystery or one of which you are in particular need.

Most importantly take great care to avoid the two pitfalls that most people fall into during the rosary. The first is the danger of not asking for any graces at all- so that if some good people were asked about their rosary intention they would not know what to say. Whenever you say your rosary, be sure to ask for some special grace of virtue, or strength to overcome some sin. Finally, the second fault commonly committed in saying the rosary is to have no intention other than that of getting it over with as quickly as possible. This is because so many look upon the rosary as a burden, which weighs upon them when it has not been said, especially when we have promised to say it regularly or have been told to say it as a penance more or less against our will.

That being said, let us pray for one another during this month of the rosary asking the Blessed Virgin Mary through her son, Jesus Christ, to grant us protection and grace in life. Remember Our Lady said to the three young shepherds of **Fatima on May 13, 1917**, in each of the six apparitions, **she insisted on the necessity of the daily rosary**. If the mother of God tells us to pray the rosary daily, we should be more than happy to do it.

Preparing for the Week

Saturday, September 30th

5:00 p.m. Katy Dyer
7:30 p.m. *Spanish* Douglas Sanmartin

Sunday, October 1st

8:00 a.m. Robert Sajdak
10:00 a.m. Joan Sebastiano
12:00 p.m. Geraldine Dunn
6:00 p.m. Kristen Bigora

Monday, October 2nd, The Holy Guardian Angels

7:00 a.m. Chase DMuchowsky
12:00 p.m. Thomas Nolan

Tuesday, October 3rd, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Deceased Members-
DeFelippi Family
12 Noon Helen M. Gallagher

Wednesday, October 4th, Saint Francis of Assisi

7:00 a.m. Marie Puorro
12 Noon Anne Mintel

Thursday, October 5th, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Special Intention-Paul Rolleri
12 Noon John Klaus IV

Friday, October 6th, Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mary Luzzi
12 Noon Margaret and James Finley

Saturday, October 7th, Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 a.m. Vivian Cordeiro
5:00 p.m. Linda Schlosberg
7:30 p.m. *Spanish* People of the Parish

Sunday, October 8th Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Kristen Bigora
10:00 a.m. Special Intention-Arleen and
Roy Probeyahn
12 Noon Lilia Serna
6:00 p.m. Katy Dyer



PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Week January 1, 2023 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2023	\$649,279	38	\$17,086
2022	\$572,532	38	\$15,067

2023
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL
OFFICE OF PARISHES & CLERGY

*One Family - Journeying together in
Companionship, Participation and Mission*



	2023	2022
Parish Goal	\$115,100.00	\$115,100.00
Number of Donors	220	268
Total Pledged to date	\$86,645	\$102,055
Avg. Gift	\$394	\$380
Percent of Goal	75%	88%

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
received by 80% of all monies raised above
the goal! Please help us go above goal!



Feast of St. Francis

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Wednesday, October 4th

5:00 p.m. + Convent Lawn

*Exposition will end at 5 p.m. on
this day*

Come bring your entire family – including your four-legged, winged, crawling, and gilled creatures – as we celebrate the feast of St. Francis and our entire parish community!

Each year, in October, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, a saint known for his kindness to animals. Did you know that St. Francis was the first one to use barnyard animals in the Nativity scene? Food and fellowship for all to follow and each pet gets a special treat to take home with them!



Parish Social Ministry...

- **Blood Drive:** Kevin Both
- **Chicken Ministry:** Mike & Lynn Walsh
- **Community Meal:** Aimee Mattiolo
- **Communion to the Homebound:** Kevin Both
- **Garden Ministry:** Rosemary Dean & Maureen Riordan
- **Ministry of Consolation:** Lorraine Hickey
- **Thrift Shop:** Debbie Satriano
- **Ernie's Place /Food Pantry:** Katie Spellman & Antonia Flaherty
- **Street Ministry:** Victoria Papparatto, Carolyn Lapham & Colleen Nizza

If you are interested in learning more about how you can become an active member of any of our Parish Social Ministries, please contact Katie Spellman.

*Love ought to be put more in deeds
than in words...*

-St. Ignatius of Loyola

Ernie's Place

The items listed to the right are items that Ernie's Place is in most need of this week. These items can be left at the doors of the church or at the bin, outside of Ernie's Place.

Pantry Shopping List

- Jelly
- Pancake mix
- Oatmeal
- Pasta
- Corn
- Chili
- Canned black beans
- White rice small bags

WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU!
631.878.0009 AND THEN PRESS #4.
Email: kspellman@sjecm.org

Katie Spellman – Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry
Christian DiConsiglio – Case Manager

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CHARITIES
OF LONG ISLAND**

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

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HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF
OTHERS?**

**WE ARE NOW HIRING
DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS & MEDICAL CARE
COUNSELORS**

OPEN HOUSE JOB FAIRS

Tues., October 10, 2023 from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM
At 147 Schleigel Blvd., Amityville, NY 11701
Call 516.733.7000 to schedule an interview
Walk-ins Welcome!

Catholic Charities of Long Island (CCLI) shares the love of Jesus by offering dignified and compassionate care to poor and vulnerable neighbors of every faith and background. Our work is inspired by the Gospel message that every human

Street Ministry

Street Ministry Needs/Requests

- Men's jeans; sizes 34/36/38
- Woman's sweat/yoga pants, all sizes
- Women's underwear
- Women's hygiene products
- Mens/womens coats and jackets, all sizes
- Blankets
- Toilet Paper

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

BLOOD DRIVE

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SPONSORED BY THE SAINT JANIUS MINISTRY

2 ST. JOHN'S PLACE, CENTER MORICHES
SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

9:00am – 3:00pm

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- SCAN QR CODE
- CALL (917) 566-8537
- EMAIL MELISSA AT MGATTO@NYBC.ORG



Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.
Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.

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OCTOBER 14th

Join us in Unity with Millions of other Catholics across the Nation, praying our rosary in public. **Saturday, October 14th at 12 noon.** We will meet at the Blessed Mother Statue in the front of St. John the Evangelist Church, and we will walk to Montauk Hwy as we pray the rosary.

"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God... Say the rosary every day to bring peace to the world."

-Our Lady of Fatima 1917

Let's honor our Mother by openly living our Faith in our community!

"My daughter, look at My Heart surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce is at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You, at least, try to console me."

Family Ministry...

Family Life Ministry at St. John's is gearing up for an amazing season of fun, faith-building family events and service projects.

To help out with these events please email us at familylife@sjecm.org.

Here's what's coming next:

Blessing of the Animals



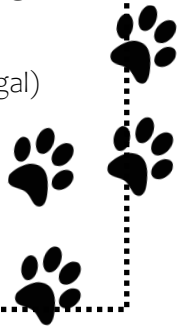
Wednesday, October 4th - 5pm on the convent lawn.
The Feast of St. Francis

Bring your four legged, feathered or scaled family members to St. John's for a special blessing. Family Life Ministry will provide treats for all after the blessing. Keep checking the bulletin for more details.

Collection for Kent Animal Shelter

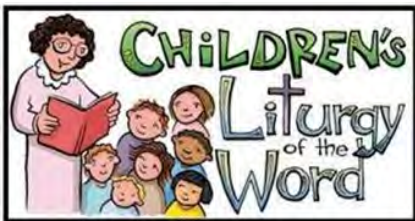
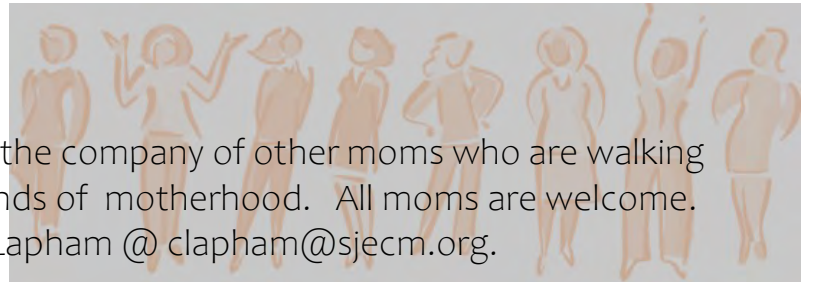
The Family Life Ministry will be collecting donations for the Kent Animal Shelter during the weekend of **October 14-15th**. Donation bins will be set up in the fellowship area of the church. Here's a list of what they need at the animal shelter:

- * Purina cat chow and kitten chow
- * Any type of canned cat food and kitten food
- * Any type of canned dog food
- * Bleach, Clorox wipes, dish detergent, laundry detergent
- * Paper towels, sponges, hand wipes
- * Garbage bags (13 gal and 45 gal)
- * Towels
- * Blankets



Moms on the Journey

Come be renewed and refreshed and enjoy the company of other moms who are walking the journey of faith amidst the hectic demands of motherhood. All moms are welcome. For more information please email Carolyn Lapham @ clapham@sjecm.org.



Children of our parish participated in the living gospel on forgiveness. Under the leadership of Patti Gordon, the kids did an AMAZING job acting out the parable. Take a look!

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew



Faith Formation...

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5
faithformation@sjecm.org mpirraglia@sjecm.org
Office Hours: By Appointment Only

2023 Confirmation Candidates

Our 2023 Confirmation Candidates formalized their commitment the weekend of September 9-10 and have begun the final weeks of preparation through our "Fearless" program. Let us continue to keep them and their families in our prayers!

2023 FAITH FORMATION Opening Prayer Services

Last month, we welcomed nearly 600 students and their parents for our "Family of Faith" opening prayer services for Grades 1-6. Special thanks to Fr. Louis Cona (St. Patrick, Smithtown) and Deacon Michael Hoonhout for celebrating our prayer services.



Family of Faith -Next Sessions

(Parent/Student - Attend One):

Tuesday, October 3rd and

Thursday, October 5th

at 5PM or 7PM in the Church

Level 7: Next date

Monday, October 16 @ 7:15PM, Church

Level 8: Next date

Tuesday, October 17 @ 7:15PM, Church

"FEARLESS" - 9th-Grade Confirmation Prep

*For students who have completed our Level 7 & 8 preparation and will be confirmed this Fall (2023)

- Parent/student Reconciliation Night: 10/2 , 7:15PM, Church
- Weekend of November 4-5—MASS OF SENDING FORTH



October 1, 2023

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28 | Phil 2:1-11 | Mt 21:28-32

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I used to be something of a sugar fiend. So much so that one birthday, my then boyfriend (now husband) decided to forego flowers and bought me a jumbo-sized bag of Smarties candies instead. While I loved sugar, I eventually decided I didn't love how it made me feel. Now older and wiser, I reach for vegetables more often. It's not that I crave carrots, but I feel better eating healthy foods. It's what God intends for my body. Similarly, God intends for our souls to follow the laws he has ordained. But sometimes life gets tough and we suffer terrible wrongs or are grieving, and we feel like the Israelites in today's first reading, calling out, "The Lord's way is not fair!" Well, thank God for that! How lost would we be, if God treated us "fairly." Instead, he treats us with love and mercy; with justice. "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross," *for us*. If there is any encouragement in Christ, as Paul says, and we know there is, then being of the same mind and heart - attitude - of Christ, gets us through those moments of "unfair!" And we can follow Christ's commands, knowing he loves us more than anyone else could love us, and more than we can ever love him.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

It's easy to talk a good game as Christians. We can all agree that it is right to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned and bury the dead, as the Corporal Works of Mercy instruct us. But when it comes to actually doing those things - "humbly regard[ing] others as more important than [ourselves], each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others" - we can find all sorts of reasons not to. Maybe our days are too busy or maybe we feel just the tiniest bit resentful at the idea of sharing something we've worked hard to earn. However, our words don't mean much without action. Jesus says as much in today's Gospel. If we are like the son who says yes but then does not go to work in the vineyard, we are not doing our Father's will. We are like the chief priests who are being bypassed on the way to heaven by "tax collectors and prostitutes" who heard the word of God and believed.

PRAY This week, let us look for ways to live out our faith. Rather than pray only with our words, let us pray with our actions. If you aren't sure where to start, pay special consideration to the verses from the second reading, highlighted above: "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vain-glory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others."

Worldwide Marriage Encounter...

Romans 13:8: *"Brothers and Sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to LOVE one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law."* God can transform your marriage. Want to make your good marriage even better? Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

The dates to sign up are:

October 16-November 6, 2023, Virtual 3RE (M/W evenings)

October 20-22, 2023 in Barre, Vermont (St. Monica/St. Michael)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Kevin & Regina Hickson at 631-486-8607 or <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial

Worldwide Marriage Encounter está patrocinando una variedad de experiencias matrimoniales en persona y virtuales, algunas los fines de semana y otras los siete días de la semana. Las parejas explorarán su relación entre ellos, Dios y la Iglesia. El registro es limitado y se requiere una tarifa de solicitud de \$100. Para más información o para aplicar, llame al Felipe y Rosa Ruano Teléfono 203-979-6109 o renuevatumatrimonio.org.

Women's Group...

We'll continue reading Fr. Timothy Gallagher's book on Discernment of Spirits, An Ignatian Guide for Everyday Living. In Matthew's gospel about Jesus walking on the water what always stands out to me is that Peter was actually using discernment. "Lord, IF it's You," Peter questioned it because Jesus was coming to him in a different way. If Peter who was Jesus' disciple, needed to discern if it was Jesus, so do we.

Ignatius gives us the 14 rules of discernment to help us be more aware & understand the consolations & desolations we feel within us which will deepen, strengthen & enrich our spiritual life.

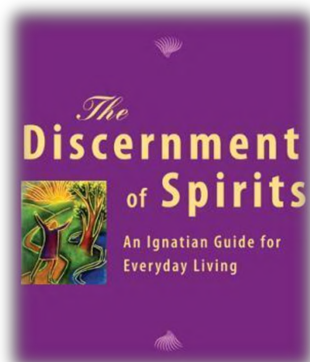
Meetings are open, come when you can, all you need is desire. Is Jesus calling you?

Facilitators: Carol Ketcham and Anita Luccari.

The dates we'll meet are:

10-23, 11-6, 11-20, 12-4, 12-18, 1-8, 1-22, 2-5, 3-4, 3-18, 4-15, 4-29,
5-13, 6-10, 6-24 Last meeting.

For additional information please call the rectory office 631-878-0009



Praying for and With One Another...

We Remember...

Eileen Heslin

"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

We Pray...

Christopher McCormack - Joseph Stillitano
- Michael Lafferty

"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials..."

-1 Peter 1:6

Names will be announced at Mass the first week they are submitted and will remain on this list for approximately four weeks. 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.

Praying for Our Military

US Army

PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David Smith,
SPC Michael Garcia Jr.,
CPL Aidan O'Neill,
SPC Daniel Sisco, SGT. Sean Casey, Steven Valentin

US Air Force

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SSgt Ryan Kerstiens,
SSgt Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens,
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza, SSgt David Giese

US Marine Corps

Pfc Sean Brady, E-1 Christian Raeihle,
2nd Lt Christopher Walther, PVT Charles O'Connor,
SGT Quentin Montemarano,
CPL Evan Berkemeyer, LC Michael Abbatiello

US Navy

STGCS Brian Holzmacher,
ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr.,
MMN2 Christopher J. Esposito Jr.
ETVSN Angel Gabriel Montoya Rivera

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath, Capt. Keith Donohue

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 and wine for the month of October has been donated:

In Memory of Kathryn Bouchard

SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.

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.

For the 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. To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org

Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches, te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en Espanol los Sabados a las 7:30 p.m. en la Iglesia, y los Martes a las 7:30 p.m en La Capilla del Convento.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oracion, todos los Viernes a las 7:30 p.m. en la Capilla del Convento de la Parroquia. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia.
Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

Favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos:

1. Certificado de nacimiento del niño o/de la niña.
2. Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de charla pre-bautismal (OBLIGATORIA para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Matrimonios:

Parejas que planean su matrimonio, deben hacer una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de su boda. De este modo tendrán suficiente tiempo para recibir las instrucciones pre-matrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame al oficina.

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 p.m. los martes! Asegúrese de venir a visitarnos y permítanos servirle! por favor llame a la oficina de la rectoría 631-878-0009 o envíe un correo electrónico al ministerio español a

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays. Be sure to come and visit and allow us to serve you!

Permítanos ayudarlo!

DESPENSA DE COMIDA DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 p.m. a las 7:30 p.m.

Jueves 3 p.m. a las 4 p.m.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Barn

Miércoles de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6 p.m.

Auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE LA CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley

7:15 p.m. (aproximadamente)

Comidas sencillas y ropa disponible.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para aquellos que lo necesiten

Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avísanos si puedes ayudar!



Miércoles 4 de octubre - 5:00 p.m.

en el césped del convento.

La Fiesta de San Francisco

Traiga a los miembros de su familia de cuatro patas, plumas o escamas a St. John's para recibir una bendición especial. El Ministerio de Vida Familiar proporcionará golosinas para todos después de la bendición.





**Every
Friday Night**

Doors open @ 6:30 p.m.
Games begin @ 7:30 p.m.

In the Parish Auditorium

\$3000 IN PRIZES

BINGO

11	35	4	48	
8	23	65	5	13
45	12	7	28	27
39	16	33		

Bereavement Support Group...

Grieving is a natural process each of us goes through after the death of a loved one. While no one can take 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.

WHEN: Saturday mornings, beginning September 30, 2023, through January 6, 2024

TIME: 10:30am to 12 noon

WHERE: First floor meeting room in the Barn.

The Barn is the blue building located in the back of the school parking lot.

FACILITATORS: Maureen Harney and Loretta Gallagher

REGISTRATION: Contact the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or via email at Rectory@sjecm.org

FEES: \$10 donation for the workbook.

*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.*



" You can come to me in Eucharistic Adoration, at any moment, at any time, I want to speak to you, and I desire to grant you grace! (Jesus to Saint Faustina)

Monday - Friday
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Seton Chapel, in the Convent

Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. If you can be present for a specific hour, email rectory@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.



CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9am** 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 call the rectory office. 631-878-0009

Safe Environment Updates...

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.



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>

2023
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Every Gift Counts!

A gift of \$25 may help pay the gas for a Meals-On-Wheels van to deliver food for a day.

A gift of \$50 from an emergency fund may help pay the electric bill in a cold winter month for a family in need.

A gift of \$100 may help care for a new Mom get the guidance she needs through Regina Maternity Management Services.

A gift of \$250 may help subsidize a home for an adult who is developmentally disabled.

A gift of \$1,000 may help support a Seminarian's education.

Because of you, every year we serve more than 600,000 people in our Long Island Community. This support enables our children to continue to receive the gift of spiritual formation, sacramental preparation, and quality education. It allows seminarians and lay leaders to fulfill their calling to serve the community. With your support, Catholic Charities can maintain its services for the poor and disadvantaged, and we can continue to reach out to our young people and others to find the best ways to guide and pass on our faith from generation to generation.

For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit <https://www.drvc.org/donate/cma/> or call 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

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Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish _____ Pledge: \$ _____

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City, State, Zip: _____

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Special Thank you to
Gaspare and Myrna Stabile,
for the donation of the
new St. Joseph candle
stand.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, October 2nd, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 10:00 a.m. | Women's Group— SC
- 3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— SC
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Food Pantry Open—Ernie's Place
- 7:00 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous-Men only- BMR
- 7:30 p.m. | Spanish RCIA—BUR

Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— SC
- 7:30 p.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 7:00 p.m. | Divine Will—Front Mtg Rm-Auditorium

Wednesday, October 4th, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 9:00 a.m.-Noon | Thrift Shop Open-Thrift Shop
- 3-5 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— SC
- 5 p.m. | Blessing of the Animals—Convent Lawn
- 7:00 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous—BMR

Thursday, October 5th, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 3-4 p.m. | Food Pantry Open—Ernie's Place
- 3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— SC
- 4:00 p.m. | Legion of Mary— BMR
- 7:30 p.m. | Al-Anon— BMR

Friday, October 6th, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— SC
- 7:30 p.m. | Knights of Columbus -Bingo Night— Auditorium
- 7:00 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous— BMR
- 7:00 p.m. | Spanish Prayer Group— SC

Saturday, October 7th, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR
- 9:00 a.m. | Men's Prayer Group— SC
- 10:30 a.m. | Bereavement Group—BMR

Sunday, October 8th, 2023

- 6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous— BMR

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

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