

# St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church

**For the Son of Man did not come to  
be served but to serve and to give  
his life as a ransom for many."**

**Mark 10:45**



October 20, 2024

*Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Psalms 33



October 20, 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 26<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM - Msgr. Walden

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 27<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Fr. Jerry

12 noon - Fr. Abin

6:00 PM - Fr. Abin

\*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](http://www.olqany.org)

**Dawn Waller**

Principal

[dwaller@olqany.org](mailto: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

## A Reflection on the Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

*"To sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared."*

**James and John** (along with Peter) had become the 'inner core' of Jesus' group of disciples. They were the ones in the room when Jesus raised a little girl from the dead; and they were the ones who (on Mount Tabor) witnessed the Transfiguration. James and John had such a close relationship with Jesus that they weren't afraid to ask to be where all souls long to be: as close to Jesus in Heaven as possible. Which one of us wouldn't want to be at Jesus' right, or at His left? In a way, James' and John's request had a childlike innocence to it.

**As little children**, the closer we were to our parents, the safer we felt, because we knew they loved us beyond measure. It's only natural for us to seek that kind of closeness to Jesus.

**Jesus said**, "Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant."

**Who is the greatest person** in a child's life? The child would likely say that person is his or her parent; and who on Earth serves a child more than that child's mother and father? A good portion of a parent's love for his or her child is portrayed in the act of service;

and the love of a parent is only a glimpse of the type of love God has for each of us. God, who is the greatest of all, came Himself not to be served "but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many."

In this gospel, Jesus is trying to help the Apostles (and all of us) understand that everyone is connected through the love of God; and through Jesus we have all become brothers and sisters.



**A very wise man** once told me that those who seek to serve never struggle to find a job. This is because there is always someone in need; and at any point, any one of us could become that someone. To serve is more than an opportunity; it is a privilege. Service brings people closer to one another

and, in turn, closer to God. The closest we can get to Jesus (outside of receiving the Eucharist) is to actually 'become His hands and feet' in service to others.

**As far as our placement in Heaven**, even if we were to see God from the furthest corner, our joy would be indescribable.

**Jesus says to each one of us**, "I have prepared a place for you." Every step we take in humble service on Earth is an upward step we take toward our place in Heaven.

~Angela Werner

## Masses for the Week...

**Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>** *Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues,  
Priests, and Companions, Martyrs*

5:00 PM Edna Dugan

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>** *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

**Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** *Weekday*

7:00 AM Victoria Raymond

12:00 Noon Armond Stanzoni

**Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>** *Weekday*

7:00 AM William Hunt

12:00 Noon Jamie Keane

**Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** *Weekday*

7:00 AM Jason Leddy

12:00 PM Thomas Dimino

**Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** *Weekday*

7:00 AM Mary Swickicki

12:00 Noon Roy DelRosario

**Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>** *Weekday*

7:00 AM Frank Creamer

12:00 Noon Loretta Murphy

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>** *Weekday*

8:00 AM Michael R. Strong

5:00 PM Robert Salomone

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish


**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Rosemary Conn

10:00 AM Robert Sajdak

12:00 Noon Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer


6:00 PM Anthony Ricci



### 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.



### World Mission Sunday...

**This Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> is World Mission Sunday.**

Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in this week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.			
Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$732,635	41	\$17,869
2023	\$674,009	41	\$16,439

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.




As of 10/15/2024	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	214	223
Total Pledged to date	\$92,071	\$88,070
Avg. Gift	\$430	\$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!

**2024**  
**CATHOLIC**  
**MINISTRIES**  
**APPEAL**  
DIocese of Rockville Centre

*Revitalizing our Faith –  
Renewed by the Eucharist*



*Pope Francis tells us, "For me this word is very important. Encounter with others. Why? Because faith is an encounter with Jesus, and we must do what Jesus does: encounter others." 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal, touching each of our 133 parishes and more than 600,000 people each year. Through Communion, we worship together and share in the love and unity of the Trinity. We Participate by serving one another in our Mission to evangelize and share the love of our Faith with others.*

### CMA Frequently Asked Questions

#### **WHAT ARE SOME OF THE WAYS MY GIFT MAY BE USED?**

Gifts are used to live and share our faith, care for God's people and help to build God's Kingdom.

For example, a gift of:

- \$25 helps pay the gas for a Meals-On-Wheels van to deliver food for a day.
- \$50 helps pay for evangelizing and teaching materials for a Campus Ministry participant.
- \$100 helps a low-income pregnant and parenting mother seek job training and life skills to support her family provided by Catholic Charities Regina Maternity Case Management Program.
- \$250 helps subsidize housing for a senior citizen or a developmentally disabled adult.
- \$1,000 helps support the formation of our Seminarians and Deacons.

#### **HOW IS OUR PARISH GOAL SET?**

An advisory committee of Pastors recommends the CMA goal formula by which parish goals are set. The formula for each parish is based on recent average offertory figures and the Consumer Price Index.

#### **WHY SHOULD I GIVE TO THE APPEAL?**

There are many important ministries and services that are beyond the resources of any one parish. It would be impossible for an individual parish to duplicate the scope of ministries and services provided by the Diocese. In the same way as our own households require steady income, our Diocese needs funds to keep vital programs open and operating and to create new ministries and services. Essential to our Church and diocese is the education and formation of our priests and deacons. The Catholic Ministries Appeal funds programs that support and expand vocations to the priesthood and diaconate. Respect Life initiatives have been strengthened through prayer, education, witness and support services, which are essential in our culture.

Many families in our community are in need because of the lack of equitable wages, high cost of housing and the surge in food and energy costs. These conditions do not allow them to be economically self-sufficient and many families do not qualify for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. Programs supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal are valuable resources to these families and individuals. Every gift counts no matter the amount!

#### **HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?**

Every gift, no matter the size, helps make a difference. Only you can decide your gift size. Prayerfully consider an amount that you can afford to give each month. Pledging allows you to make a larger-sized gift without stretching your monthly budget. Whatever your gift, we appreciate your contribution. In 2021 the average gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal was \$330.

#### **I'D RATHER GIVE DIRECTLY TO MY PARISH OR PASTOR THAN TO THE CMA.**

Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, all parishes unite and become the instruments of God's love as we support and sustain the essential programs and services which educate the young, care for our seniors, feed the hungry, and strengthen our Catholic faith in our homes, parishes and communities within our wider Long Island community.

Additionally, the CMA gives back a share of the donated funds to individual parishes. Parishes that meet their Appeal goals receive rebates that can be used at their discretion. Some parishes use the rebate for general operating expenses; others make special purchases, such as improving technology, altar linens, or capital improvements, such as doors, lighting and or making parish centers more accessible for people with disabilities. Last year parishes received back more than \$1.5 million in rebates. When giving to the Appeal, donors are simultaneously giving to their parish and to others in need in our shared faith community.

#### **CAN I MAKE A GIFT OF STOCK OR SECURITIES?**

Appreciated securities can help donors make larger gifts to the Appeal. These gifts are most welcome and can provide significant tax advantages to the donor. Contact the Appeal Office at (516) 678-5800 Ext. 296 for written instructions or call your CMA representative directly.

#### **CAN I MAKE THE DIOCESE OR MY PARISH A BENEFICIARY IN MY WILL?**

Yes. This type of gift is deeply appreciated. To explore specific options, please call (516) 678-5800 ext. 296 for more information.

#### **CAN I USE A CREDIT CARD TO MAKE PAYMENTS?**

Yes. Make your credit card payment via our secure, online donation page at [CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org](https://CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org) or call the CMA office (516) 678-5800 Ext. 296. Credit card payments can be made monthly, quarterly, or semi-annually.

#### **CAN I PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER?**

If you are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift and your IRA is a traditional or Roth, you can transfer up to \$100,000 per year from your IRA to charity – without incurring income taxes today or estate tax in the future. Call (516) 678-5800 Ext. 257 for more information.



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# Praying For and With One Another

## Remember

Rosemarie Washeim + Julliette Chaskin  
Eileen Mary Quimby

*"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

Tom Taylor + Mary Ann Green  
Joanne Maiello + Patricia Barry  
Christopher Peck

*"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](mailto: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  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org).



# Remembering Our Loved Ones

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

*Harry & Ann Holland*

This week, the Blessed Mother Candle will be lit in memory of:

*Louise Acciaccarelli*

### 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](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org)*

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

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM**

St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church

25 Ocean Avenue Center Moriches, New York 11934

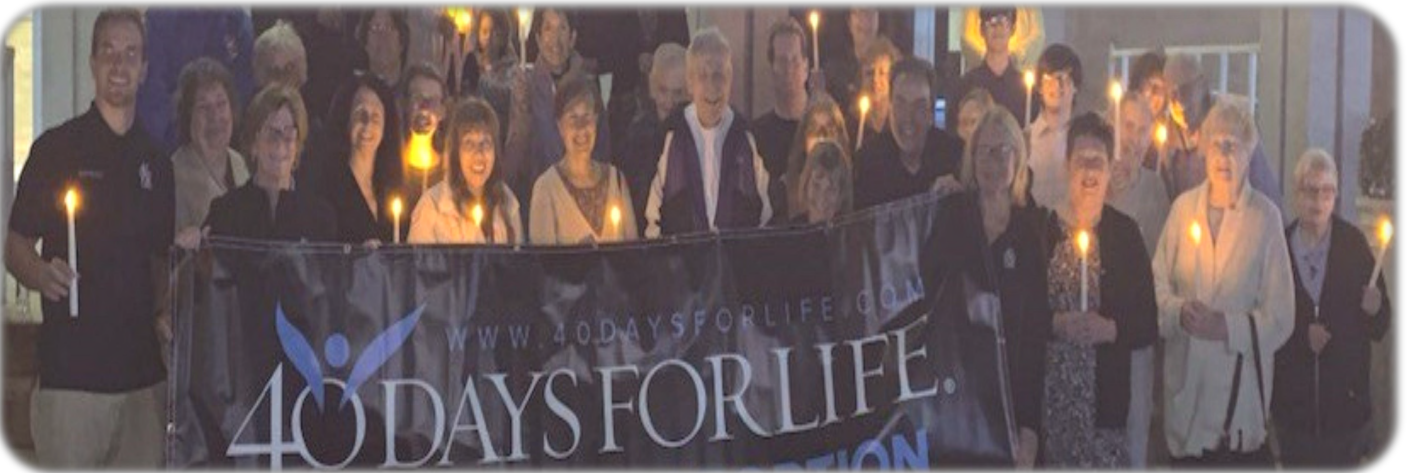


**PRO-LIFE CANDLELIGHT ROSARY**

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](http://2363.ORG)



**WAVERLY AVE  
RESPECT  
LIFE**

*from conception to  
natural death*

# Month of Remembrance...

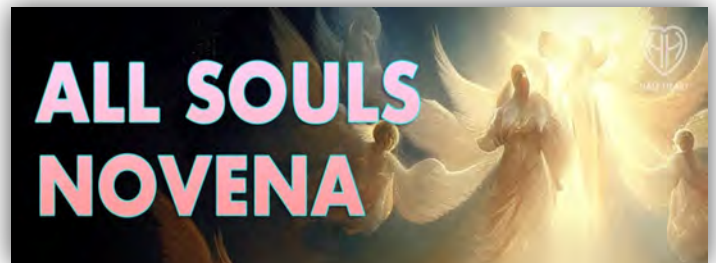
## Special All Souls Parish Mass of Remembrance 12:00 Noon Mass ~ Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

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 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 27<sup>th</sup>.*



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 1<sup>st</sup>, 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.

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# Parishes Praying for Priests

## UNITED IN ADORATION

*Please Join Us...*

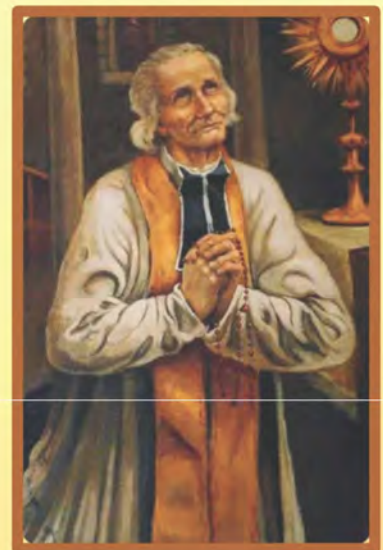
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29 TH**

**3PM - 7PM**

Answering Our Lady's call to pray for our  
Priests and for the increase of Vocations.

Without our priests we have  
NO Eucharist and NO Sacraments

**SETON CHAPEL**  
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CONVENT



Please offer any amount of time during these  
hours to be in unified prayer within our Diocese.

SJE Parish Social Ministry



# THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

## Need:

Canned Cranberry sauce	Turkey Gravy
Boxed Mashed potatoes	Onion straws
Canned sweet potatoes	Canned Fruit
Cream of mushroom soup	Cake mix
Canned carrots	Cake icing
Canned peas	Apple juice
Mini-Marshmallows	Rice
Boxed Corn Bread	Beans
	Pasta

## Requests:

\$25 Gift Cards to the Local Supermarkets  
are also a tremendous help

\* Stop & Shop \* Lidl \* King Kullen \*

## Drop-off Locations:

Non-perishable food can be left at  
Ernie's Place in the bin, or in  
Fellowship Hall in the Church.

**By Sunday, November 17th**

Questions, please call...  
631.878.0009 ext 120. or  
Email: [Thanksgiving@sjecm.org](mailto:Thanksgiving@sjecm.org)

SJE Parish Social Ministry

# Christmas Gift Card Collection

Once again, to better empower  
parents, and offer them more time to  
shop, we will be providing Gift  
Cards with the THANKSGIVING  
MEAL for those families that are in  
need.

We are requesting  
\$25. Gift Cards to  
Kohl's, Walmart,  
TJ Maxx, Marshall's  
or Target.



Christmas Gift Cards can be put  
in the basket at church or dropped  
at the Rectory office, on or before  
November 15th

SJE Parish Social Ministry

# THANKSGIVING Meal Program



## Ways to Help...

### Sponsor a Family

Provide a complete Holiday Meal for a neighbor. Have your family help a family.  
EMAIL [Thanksgiving@sjecm.org](mailto:Thanksgiving@sjecm.org) or call 631.878.0009 ext 120 for more details.

### Donate Food or Gift Cards

Leave non-perishable food in the bins at Ernie's Place or in Fellowship Hall in the Church, or pick a \$25 Gift Card to the Local Supermarkets, which can put in the collection basket at Mass.

### Help put it all together

We will need lots of help with sorting and the distribution of the meal to our Families on Saturday, November 23rd

Please complete the form below and let us know how you can help! It can be dropped in the basket at church, dropped at the rectory office or emailed to [thanksgiving@SJECm.org](mailto:thanksgiving@SJECm.org) **NO LATER than Friday, November 15th**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # : \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Yes!** We/I can help sponsor a Family for Thanksgiving

☐ Family of 4

☐ Family of 6

☐ Family of 8

☐ **Yes!** We/I can help contact families via phone to schedule pick up times. This would be done on your own time the week of November 18th.

☐ **Yes!** We are in need of Spanish speakers to assist with calling our families the week of November 18th

☐ **Yes!** We/I can help with Thanksgiving basket distribution on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd between 8:30 AM and 1 PM



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 631-878-0009 ext 120



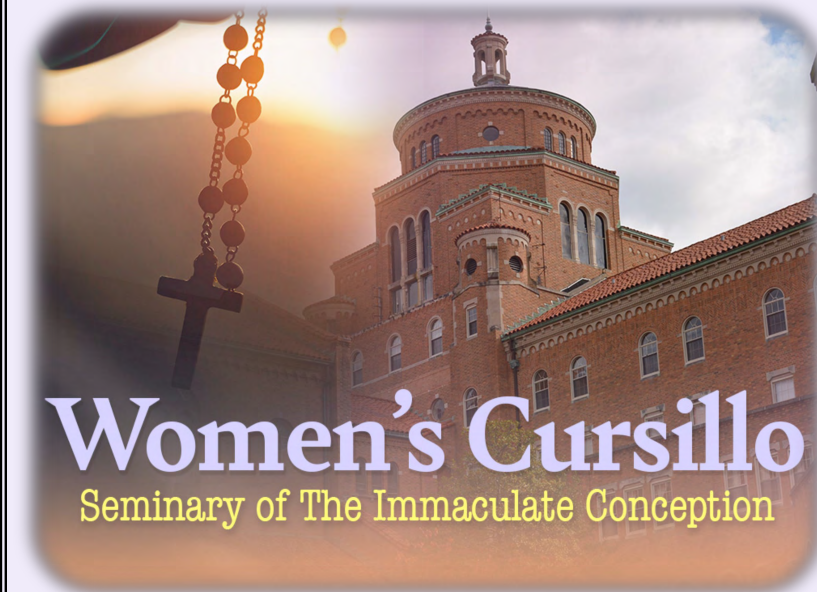
The Ministry of St. Januarius held our Blood Drive last Saturday on October 12, 2024, and we would like to extend to all the donors who graciously and generously donated their time, and much needed Blood, a heartfelt thanks! As you all know the devastation that has hit the South, it is in much need of Blood, and due your selfless donations, know that you will helping those who are so desperately in need of Blood.

We are happy to write that our goal for this Blood Drive was a total of 70 units; and we achieved 75! That's 228 lives that will be saved by those who donated this past week!

Yes! it was close, but we surpassed our goal, and know we could not have done that without the staff of the St. Januarius Ministry who worked tirelessly in helping me get this Drive off the ground. Unfortunately, I cannot name each and every one of you, but you know who you are, and please know that your participation in this Drive was instrumental in its success, and I could not have done any of this without YOU! So, please accept my sincere THANKS! Oh, lest I forget the Knights of Columbus for their co-operation and help in this Blood Drive. So, thank you!

And may God Bless You ALL!

*Joy O'Brien*



## Calling all Women of the Parish – Ages 25-100+

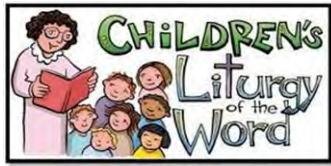
Women's Cursillo Weekend November 7-10, 2024 at the Seminary in Huntington.

Here is a chance to strengthen your faith and your relationship with God. This is a wonderful gift that each of you deserve! The Cursillo is a structured weekend. It consists of a series of talks and discussions. It offers you the

opportunity to work at getting to know yourself, discover your strengths, figure out what place God plays in your life, and get closer to Him. The weekend offers you the guidance to blend your love of God with your environment when you reenter your everyday world.

*For more info, please contact Ann Marie Dodd at 516-236-0586*

# The Office of Family Life Ministry



**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!



**Today is Sandwich Sunday!**

**Join us 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. Want to come and don't have any supplies? JUST COME! We always have extra PB & J. Students can earn volunteer service hours!

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

## *Moms on the Journey*



Come and experience the love of God with your sisters in faith. A low-key ministry geared to meet the needs of busy moms who want to grow in their faith and share this amazing journey with other moms. Our next gathering will be on Wednesday, October 23rd @ 7:00 pm in the Upper Room of the Barn. All moms are welcome. Grab a friend and come enjoy an evening of faith, fun and fellowship. For more information please email [clapham@sjecm.org](mailto:clapham@sjecm.org).



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 2<sup>nd</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup>! A great way to honor our veterans by supporting those currently serving our country.



Our Lady Queen of Apostles  
Regional Catholic School

**Contact Us!**

631-878-1033

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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](http://sjecm.org), click on "Faith Formation")

### LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

Next Session:

Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM or 7:00 PM in the Church

### "FEARLESS" - 9<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM in the Church
- Weekend of November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 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



## 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](mailto:streetministry@sjecm.org)

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



## Bereavement Support ...

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..

*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](mailto:Rectory@sjecm.org)  
631.878.0009 or via email at [Rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:Rectory@sjecm.org)  
\$10 donation for the workbook.



Matinecock 39th Annual

## *Excellence in Education & Good Deeds Award Dinner...*

Please join us for a fun-filled dinner party celebrating

*Rev. Joseph Catafago*

with our Good Deeds Award for his commitment to

His communities and his unwavering support of Suffolk County Council, Scouting America.

Wednesday, November 20th 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Watermill Caters 711 Smithtown Bypass, Smithtown, NY

Dinner, Dessert, Music, Dancing, Beer and Wine Open Bar

Contact Taliesin Powell with questions at 631-924-7000 ext. 131 or by email [Taliesin.powell@scouting.org](mailto:Taliesin.powell@scouting.org)

All proceeds will help fund At-Risk youth membership fees, uniforms, books, recruitment programs, and recruitment supplies.

Please use the link below to purchase tickets or to help sponsor the event.

**\$135**

STANDARD TICKET  
(\$62 tax deductible)

**Scouting America**  
Suffolk County Council

<https://www.sccbsa.org/matEEGD>

**\$150**

"BE PREPARED" TICKET  
(\$77 tax deductible portion)  
Includes 10 raffle tickets  
upon check-in!



# ★ Patriotic Rosary ★

7:00 PM ~ SJE Convent Chapel  
Followed by Benediction

## 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

## A Message from Msgr. Walden...



It is wonderful to feel good and look good. Many things make us look good but what really brings us joy? We see two of Jesus' Apostles, James and John, in today's Gospel (Mark 10:35-45) seeking to have places of honor in Jesus' Kingdom by sitting on His right and left in the Kingdom. At this point, they do not have the complete picture of who Jesus is and what His kingdom is all about. The description we hear of the Messiah, who Jesus obviously is, in the first reading today (Isaiah 53:10-11), is not one anyone would want to be associated with at first glance: "The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity. If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear." Pain, suffering, and injustice are hard enough to deal with when we are inflicted with them, but to willingly embrace them for the good of others and with others is what Jesus' Kingdom is about. It is not that we get up each day and think, "How can I suffer today?", but how we embrace and deal with difficulties, problems, and suffering when we are confronted with them.

The older we get the more we see how good, inspiring, and courageous it is when we act humbly, graciously, generously, and mercifully. When we sincerely act in any of these ways in our lives we know the power, determination, and unconditional love of Jesus. When Jesus was dying on the cross, the thought of those who crucified Him was, "We win, you lose!" What was Jesus response? "Father, forgive them they know not what they do!" (Luke 23:34). As we reflect on today's Gospel it is quite clear that James and John had no idea that love, forgiveness, humility, and sacrifice are what the Kingdom of God is all about. It is not that God commands us to be humble, forgiving, and willingly to sacrifice. He invites us, as Jesus did to James and John in today's Gospel, to be a real and life

giving part of God's Kingdom. The more we who are believers accept that challenge the more present God's Kingdom is in our world. It is not that we look to be honored and thanked, but that we are honored and thankful for all those opportunities that come our way everyday in small and big ways. How blessed we are as our family, friends, and acquaintances bless us with their presence and love, and offer us opportunities to do the same for them everyday. In an atmosphere where God is pushed into the background and not wanted, it is very challenging, a privilege and an honor to be part of His life, to encounter Him in the Sacraments, to open our hearts to Him in prayer everyday, and to know, experience, share and be His love.

*Again I offer these encouraging and nourishing words from Psalm 63:*

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.



# Adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament  
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](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org) or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

*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](http://kofc4126.com)

## Women's Group...

Our Women's Group has started for 2024-25 year.



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 21<sup>st</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, January 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>,

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

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.

## Ambiente seguro...



Todos los voluntarios y empleados de SJE deben participar en un curso de capacitación VIRTUS y pasar por una verificación de antecedentes. Puede inscribirse en

las clases VIRTUS visitando [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org) o haciendo clic aquí:

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

### RECORDATORIOS PARA VOLUNTARIOS

Todos los voluntarios de SJE deben usar su insignia de SJE mientras sirven en el ministerio. También revise su correo electrónico periódicamente para completar las actualizaciones mensuales. (Asegúrese de revisar su carpeta de "spam" o "basura").

### EQUIPO DE INTERVENCIÓN PASTORAL

La línea telefónica exclusiva para denuncias de abuso sexual (516-694-9063) continúa disponible. Si la persona que llama no se comunica con alguien directamente, los mensajes se pueden dejar en un contestador automático conectado al teléfono. Esos mensajes serán recuperados por un miembro del Equipo de Intervención y devueltos lo antes posible. Se tomarán todas las medidas apropiadas para proteger la reputación y la privacidad de los involucrados. Para obtener más información sobre la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes, visite [drvc.org](http://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](mailto: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!

## Safe Environment Training...

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](http://www.drvc.org) or clicking here:

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



Upcoming Classes at St. John's  
**November 7th @ 1:30 PM - In the Barn Meeting Room**

All SJE **volunteers must** wear their SJE badge while serving in ministry. Please also check your email regularly to complete monthly bulletin 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](http://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 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

- 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 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 25<sup>th</sup>, 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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

## Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Mtg. Room  
BUR - Barn Upper Room  
SC - Seton Chapel