

# St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



October 6, 2024

*Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives

Psalm 128



October 6, 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 12<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

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 13<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM - Msgr. Walden

10:00 AM - Fr. Abin

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 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 Message from Msgr. Walden...

Living in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, we have the benefit of countless advances in technology, medicine, and science that have given us ways to enhance and benefit us. We can study and read history and try to learn from the advances and even mistakes that have been made in past generations. We can allow ourselves to be bombarded with information with our phones, computers, and TVs. But where is hope? Do we count our blessings? As much as we have so many advances, we live in a very violent, angry, and divided world and nation. To find and live in true peace, we need to find and live in love, mercy, justice, and truth. Without love, mercy, justice, and truth, we are tempted and doomed to regress and repeat the mistakes of past generations.

These past Sundays, we have been hearing Jesus in the Gospels say that He was going to Jerusalem and be rejected, crucified, and rise from the dead. How could this happen to Jesus, the Way, Truth, and Life, God Himself? He became one with us in our humanity so we could become one with Him in His divinity in this life and forever in heaven. In the Gospel for last Sunday's Mass, Jesus speaks about the horror that awaits those who harm "little ones", those who are most innocent and vulnerable among us. Progress only comes for "little ones" and we who are "big ones" when we cherish, respect, protect, and love each other. Where else do "little ones" learn and experience love and concern if not from we who are "big ones".

Everyday we continue to be bombarded in the media with the major political issues. No one who seeks an elected office, or is in one, can lead us to the Promised Land without finding the Way, Truth, and Life. Look at justice system at the time of Jesus. He was arrested right after the Last Supper, tried, scourged, crowned with thorns, condemned to carry His cross through the streets and crucified - all in less than 24 hours, no appeals, no mercy. The crucial issue I have written about before is abortion. How sad in the 21st century where we can save children who are born at even 24 weeks! (I have a grandniece who was born at 24 weeks, spent months in Infant Intensive Care, was 14 ounces and ten inches long and is now an active, joyful first grader.) What has gotten us to the point where we are now in our nation where public opinion and leaders want to allow abortion, killing children in the womb, and make it a legal right in the name of health. There are many reasons, and surely anguished decisions to have an abortion, but making it so easy leads to a life of covering up and trying to justify that an innocent human life was taken. Evil is certainly in our midst causing death of the innocent

and division, anger, and derision among us. As we now experience division in our nation, the only hope is to rise above evil. Ancient people sacrificed their children to placate their gods. Their civilizations are gone. May we not follow in their footsteps.

### I offer Psalm 51 and its prayer for your reflection.

*Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.*

*In your compassion blot out my offense.*

*O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.*

*My offenses truly I know them; my sin is always before me.*

*Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done.*

*That you may be justified when you give sentence and be without reproach when you judge, O see, in guilt I was born, a sinner was I conceived.*

*Indeed you love truth in the heart; then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom. O purify me, then I shall be clean; O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.*

*Make me hear rejoicing and gladness, that the bones you have crushed may revive. From my sins turn away your face and blot out all my guilt.*

*A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.*

*Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit.*

*Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervor sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you.*

*O rescue me, God, my helper, and my tongue shall ring out your goodness.*

*O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise.*

*For in sacrifice you take no delight, burnt offering from me you would refuse, my sacrifice, a contrite spirit, a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.*

*In your goodness, show favor to Zion: rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.*

*Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice, holocausts offered on your altar. Glory...*

**Psalm Prayer:** Father, he who knew no sin was made sin for us, to save us and restore us to your friendship. Look upon our contrite heart and afflicted spirit and heal our troubled conscience, so that in the joy and strength of the Holy Spirit we may proclaim your praise and glory before all the nations.



## Masses for the Week...

Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> Weekday

5:00 PM Jerri Eten

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Marie Minutillo

10:00 AM Arleen and Roy Probeyahn

12:00 Noon Margaret and James Finley

6:00 PM Kristen Bigora

Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of the Rosary

7:00 AM Michael Zingarino

12:00 Noon Linda Sweeney

Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> Weekday

7:00 AM Mary Swicki

12:00 Noon Stefano and Jacomina Riolo

Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> Weekday

7:00 AM Nancy Ann Chleborowicz

12:00 PM Anne Mintel

Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> Weekday

7:00 AM Donna Dowling

12:00 Noon Anthony Profeta

Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> Weekday

7:00 AM Frank Creamer

12:00 Noon Donna Dowling

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> Weekday

8:00 AM Elizabeth Pagano Bamberger

5:00 PM Jeraldine Eten

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 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

## Respect Life Sunday...

Sunday, October 6 is **Respect Life Sunday**, a day dedicated to reflecting on the sanctity and dignity of all human life. Your generosity in the Respect Life envelope collection will support this essential mission.

*We deeply appreciate your prayers and support.*

## Upcoming Collections...

All Soul's Day (collected during the month of October)

- October 20th Parish Social Ministry
- October 20th World Mission Sunday
- October 27th Catholic Ministry Appeal
- October 27th Catholic Education
- November 1st All Saints
- November 10th Parish Social Ministry
- November 17th Human Development/Home Missions
- November 24th Catholic Education

## PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$697,044	39	\$17,873
2023	\$651,501	39	\$16,705

2024  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
& P E A L  
OFFICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Revitalizing our Faith -  
Renewed by the Eucharist*



As of 10/3/2024	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	211	222
Total Pledged to date	\$88,993	\$87,170
Avg. Gift	\$422	\$393
Percent of Goal	77%	75.8%

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!



# A Journey of Faith for Adults...

# OCCIA

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](mailto:rectory@SJEcm.org)





October 6, 2024

# Praying For and With One Another

## Remember

James John Gibson  
Louis and Marie D'Amara

*"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

Beth Schupp + Barbara Lefkowitz  
Ryan deBlasi + Frank Macchia + Annie Albanese  
Kathleen Fontaine + Vincent Diaz  
David Daniel Vigliotta + Barbara Mullholland  
Logan Coyle + Freddy Aleaga + 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](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*

## 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.

*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)*

## 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).

## 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.**

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

# BLOOD DRIVE

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SPONSORED BY THE SAINT JANUARIUS MINISTRY

2 ST. JOHN'S PLACE, CENTER MORICHES

PARISH AUDITORIUM

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00am – 3:00pm



TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- [CLICK HERE](#)
  - SCAN QR CODE
- CONTACT MELISSA AT  
(917)566-8537/ [MGATTO@NYBC.ORG](mailto: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.

For medical eligibility questions, please call 800.688.0900 or visit [nybc/can-i-donate](https://nybc/can-i-donate)



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## **Proposal 1: A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing**

### *A statement of the Catholic Bishops of New York State*

On November 5, faithful citizens throughout the nation will have the opportunity once again to exercise their sacred right to vote. Pope Francis has reminded us that as thoughtful Catholics, we must participate in the public square for the sake of the common good. Every Catholic is called to do the work of properly informing his or her conscience and voting for candidates and policies that will best advance the natural law, the protection of human rights, the dignity of the human person, the sacredness of all life, and the teachings of Christ and His Church. It is a presidential election year, and there are important votes to be cast for Congress and the state Legislature as well. Importantly, in New York, like several other states, there is also a critical referendum on the ballot.

Educating oneself will be especially important in the case of Proposal 1, sometimes referred to as the "Equal Rights Amendment." The title suggests a noble cause, as all children of God should be treated equally under the law. However, this proposed amendment to the state Constitution is broadly written and could have dangerous consequences if enacted, which is why we oppose it and urge you to vote no. The measure would, effectively, permanently legalize abortion without restriction and up until the moment of birth in New York. Aside from being redundant in a state that already has stripped away all abortion limitations, the amendment would render impossible any change to the law if the hearts and minds of New Yorkers were ever to shift toward protecting the child in the womb.

The amendment's sweeping language and inclusion of "age" as a protected class could also lead to parents' rights being stripped away. Courts could decide that parents have no authority over their minor children on important matters and permit children to make destructive and permanent decisions on their own which they could well live to regret, including but not limited to so-called "gender affirming" treatments and surgeries. The relationship between parents and their children is sacred. Parents must be able to support and guide their children in accord with the natural law, without interference from the government or courts, which would be reaching beyond their competency.

Proposal 1 is a wolf in sheep's clothing that could lead to darkness for many New York families. This amendment disregards the lives of unborn and struggling children in the name of political agendas. It could have dangerous consequences for these children and their parents. As they look to make their voices heard in the public square, faithful Catholics should consider these consequences and vote no. Likewise, they should thoughtfully vote their informed conscience up and down the ballot so that we might usher in change for good.

*September 5, 2024*

*Feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta*

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Archdiocese of New York • Diocese of Albany • Diocese of Brooklyn • Diocese of Buffalo  
Diocese of Ogdensburg • Diocese of Rochester • Diocese of Rockville Centre • Diocese of Syracuse



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

# Patriotic Rosary

7:00 PM ~ SJE Convent Chapel  
Followed by Benediction

Wednesday, October 16th  
and  
Monday, November 4th

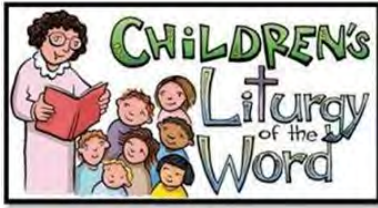
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Please join our parish family as we come together in prayer and song before the Blessed Sacrament, to thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our country, and to honor our brave service men and women all over the world, our veterans, and our 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 Ministry



Once or twice a month you see this logo on the Family Ministry page of the bulletin. It is often accompanied by a description of our Children's Liturgy of the Word program and a few photos that capture the children in action. You may also see a plea for help as our volunteer pool is very small. This week we would like to showcase those amazing adults who are behind the scenes at Children's Liturgy of the Word. Perhaps when you see them at Mass, you could thank them for the wonderful job that they do and maybe even take a moment or two to chat with them about why they love this ministry! Their responsibilities are varied, but none more or less important to the ministry than another. Last Sunday, we finally thanked our beautiful team with a long overdue "Gathering of Gratitude". **They** are the reason that this ministry has been able to continue for the past several years. Though our brunch was terrific, it was *a very small* way to thank them for *the very big commitment* that they have made to our parish children and their families. Let us pray for God's finest blessings on these amazing "spreaders" of the faith. They are definitely putting last week's message from the Letter of St. James into action!

With much gratitude and love,  
*Carolyn Lapham*  
 Coordinator of Family Ministry

Save the Date!  
 Children's Liturgy of the Word  
 Open House 10/20/24  
 after the 10:00 Mass!

## Meet our amazing team





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](mailto:CLAPHAM@SJECDM.ORG)**

# 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 and 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 and 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 Papparatto at [streetministry@sjecm.org](mailto:streetministry@sjecm.org)



## 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.*

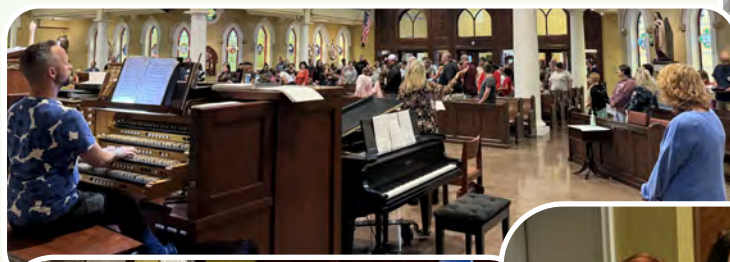
Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon  
First floor meeting room in the Barn.  
REGISTRATION: Contact the Rectory at  
631.878.0009 or via email at [Rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:Rectory@sjecm.org)  
\$10 donation for the workbook.





# Faith Formation

Our "Family of Faith" program kicked off last month as we welcomed our nearly 600 students and their families in Grades 1-6. Msgr. Walden presided at the opening prayer service, where students and families received a special blessing as well as their workbooks for the new academic year.



## 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, October 8<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, October 10<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



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



# 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 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>.*

### 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.



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 throughout the month of November for these intentions for the deceased.

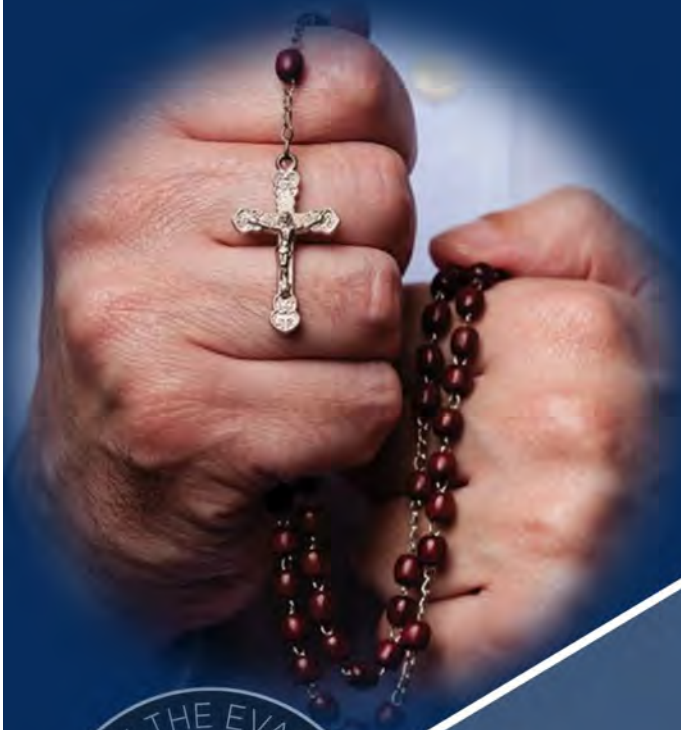


*"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God...say the rosary every day to bring peace to the World"*

-Our Lady of Fatima

# October Rosary Rally

Saturday, October 12th  
12 noon



Please join us in unity with millions of Catholics across the Nation, praying the Rosary in public. The walk begins at the Blessed Mother Statue outside of the Church.



**2024**  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL  
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Revitalizing our Faith –  
Renewed by the Eucharist*



## **October: A Sacred Month for Reflection, Remembrance, and Renewal**

In the secular world, October is a time to celebrate fall. Families and friends may gather to pick apples and pumpkins or take a long drive to see the fall foliage. For some, October primarily focuses on Halloween, emphasizing costumes, candy, decorations, and celebrations.

The history of Halloween serves as a poignant reminder of the holy days that follow, particularly **All Saints' Day** and **All Souls' Day**. Halloween, also known as All Hallows Eve, is rooted in the Celtic festival of Samhain, a time when people honored the spirits of the departed.

For Catholics, October is traditionally dedicated to the Rosary, with the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7<sup>th</sup>**. In a world filled with unrest, the Rosary provides us with a way to bring peace to our hearts and communities. Saint John Paul II called it his "favorite prayer," emphasizing that through it, we can profoundly encounter Christ.

October is also a time to honor several saints who inspire us to live courageously in our walk of faith.

**St. Thérèse of Lisieux**, the "Little Flower," reminds us that small acts of love done with great devotion can transform the world. Her feast day, **October 1<sup>st</sup>**, kicks off the month with a call to live in simplicity and trust in God's care.

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** is the **Feast of the Guardian Angels**, a day dedicated to honoring the heavenly beings assigned by God to protect and guide us throughout our lives.

**On October 4<sup>th</sup>**, we honor **St. Francis of Assisi**. His Feast is celebrated with the blessing of animals in many communities, reminding us to honor and care for all living beings as part of our stewardship of creation.

**We honor St. Faustina on October 5<sup>th</sup>**. She was a Polish nun known for her profound devotion to Divine Mercy. Her teachings encourage the faithful to trust in God's mercy and to extend that mercy to others.

**October 7<sup>th</sup>** is the feast day of **Our Lady of the Rosary**, a celebration that honors the Virgin Mary's role in the promotion of the Rosary as a powerful form of prayer.

**October 15<sup>th</sup>** is the feast day of **Saint Teresa of Avila**. Saint Teresa taught about the importance of deepening one's relationship with God through prayer and reflection. Her feast day invites us to explore her teachings on interior life and to seek a closer connection with God through prayer and devotion.

And lastly, on October 22nd we honor the feast day of Saint Pope John Paul II. Through his papacy, he inspired millions through his message of hope, love, and the importance of faith in everyday life.

As we celebrate the feasts of saints and honor our guardian angels, this time encourages us to deepen our spiritual lives and prepare our souls for the holy days ahead. As we navigate the changing seasons, let us remember the eternal truths of our faith and seek to grow closer to God and one another.



St. John the  
Evangelist  
RCC

## RACHEL ROSARY

Including five Sorrowful Mysteries and one Glorious Mystery, the Rachel Rosary is an intercessory prayer which prays for those who suffer from post-abortion syndrome.

On Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> after the 5 PM Mass, there will be a Candlelight Rosary Walk on Main Street.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!



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](mailto:info@WaverlyAvenueRespectLife.org)

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign:

**[40daysforlife.com/Patchogue](http://40daysforlife.com/Patchogue)**

# Respect Life Month

I CAME SO THAT  
THEY MIGHT HAVE  
**LIFE**



*"Let us remember that life is a gift from God! It is always sacred and inviolable, and we cannot silence the voice of conscience."*

-- Pope Francis

October is Respect Life month. As faithful Catholics we are aware that respecting life is a constant pursuit. May we always consider more deeply that every human life is valuable and reflect on how we can build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

With your support, we can achieve this challenge of keeping the sanctity of life at the forefront of our community and society. Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal provides Respect Life initiatives through prayer services, education, witness and action.

**[CLICK HERE TO VISIT OUR RESPECT LIFE WEBSITE](#)**



# 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](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.

In a world where there is so much noise,  
so much bewilderment, there is a need  
for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in  
the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of  
adoration and teach it to the faithful. It  
is a source of comfort and light,  
particularly to those who are suffering.

— Pope Benedict XVI —

The advertisement features three overlapping bingo cards in green, orange, and red. In front of them are five numbered balls: yellow (15), green (25), red (45), blue (37), and purple (17). The word "BINGO" is written in large, bold, yellow, hand-painted letters at the bottom left.

Knights of Columbus  
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

## FRIDAY NIGHT'S

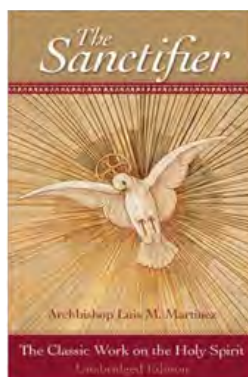
Doors Open at 6:30 PM  
Games Begin at 7:30 PM

## \$3000 IN PRIZES

For more information  
[kofc4126.com](http://kofc4126.com)

## Women's Group...

Our Women's Group has started for 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 7<sup>th</sup> & 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.

## 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](http://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](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!

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](mailto: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 7<sup>th</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 8<sup>th</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 9<sup>th</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 10<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 11<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 12<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 13<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