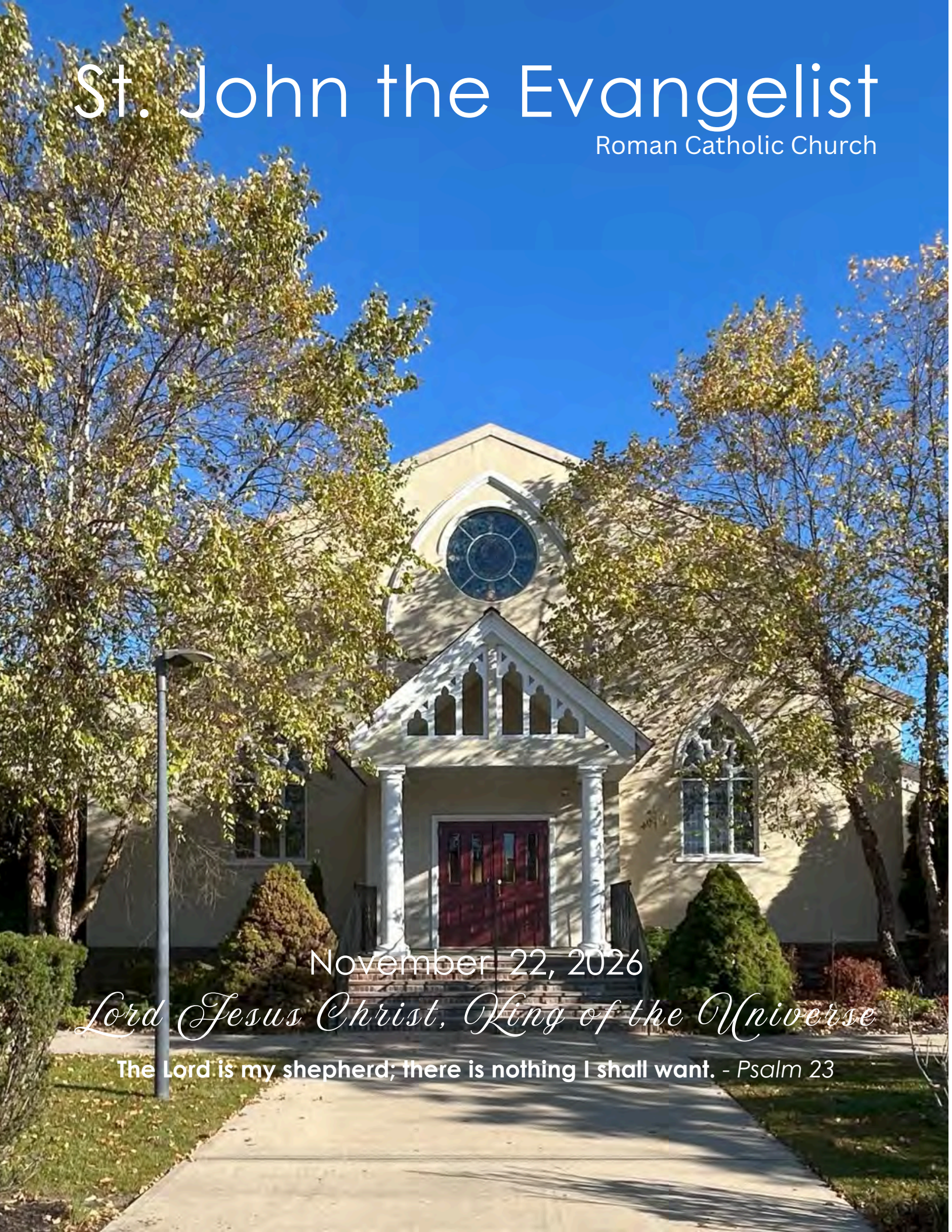


St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church

November 22, 2026

Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. - *Psalm 23*

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Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden
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Reverend Francis Lasrado
Retired, In Residence

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Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

John Pettorino
Deacon

Michael Hoonhout
Deacon

Ed Grieb
Deacon

Katie Waller
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Director of Parish Social Ministry

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Principal

Office Hours

Office Hours

Monday: 9 AM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM
6 - 8 PM Spanish-speaking support.
Wednesday: 9 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM
Friday: 9 AM - 2 PM
Saturday: 9 AM - 2 PM

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

Mass Schedule

Next Weekend's Schedule

Saturday, November 28th
5:00 PM - Fr. Francis
7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Charlince
(Saturday Evening 5 PM Mass will be livestreamed.)

Sunday, November 29th
8:00 AM - Fr. Jerry
10:00 AM - Fr. Patrick
12 noon - Fr. Patrick
6:00 PM - Fr. Charlince

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

Confession Schedule

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.

November 22, 2026

A Message from our Pastor, Fr. Patrick...



Feast of Christ the King (Matthew 25:31-46)

The Importance and Relevance of Today's Feast

As we grow in our understanding of the universe and the depth and magnitude of it, today's Feast of Christ the King reminds us of one fundamental theological truth. It is clear from the Church's teaching and from the scriptures that Jesus is our Sovereign King. He is and will always remain the King of the entire Universe.

It is Jesus, and Jesus alone, who holds all of creation together. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end of all time, who lives and reigns in all of us. His Kingship surpasses all other kingships. His Kingdom, centered around peace and justice, is fully illustrated in today's Gospel. It is life-giving and transformative. It is a Kingdom that will endure forever, unlike any earthly kingdoms that rise and fall over time.

Today's Gospel reminds us how essential it is to serve the Lord and one another, especially the least among us who are often neglected in our society. We will one day stand before the Throne of God, the King of Glory and give a full account of our lives, and we will be judged accordingly for how well we responded to Jesus' mandate to love one another.

For us to fully understand the importance and the significance of today's feast, one has to understand the origins of today's feast, which was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925. With the rise of dictatorships and monarchs all around the world and with an increase of worldly power and agendas, Pope Pius saw the urgency and the necessity of instituting this glorious Feast of Christ the King at the end of the liturgical year. He wanted the world to redirect their attention to the end-times, the Day of Judgment. He wanted to redirect the world's attention back to Christ, our Sovereign King and Ruler.

During the early part of the 20th century, so many people were turning elsewhere for truth and understanding. The world as a whole was losing its way. There was a disregard for human life and Christian values. People were more focused on worldly assets and worldly power than they were in seeking Christ in their lives. Many were placing their trust in people and things that only gave them a false sense of hope and belonging in the end.

Today marks the 101st anniversary of this glorious feast. And yet, after a hundred-plus years, we still see the need and relevance behind today's feast of Christ the King because it is so easy for us as a world and as individuals to lose our way. There is more technology at our disposal than there was a hundred years ago. We have cars, televisions, computers, cell phones and so much more that can easily pull our attention away from the Lord. Just the increase in technology, violence and lack of respect for humanity and for one's faith and religion are enough to wake us up.

We see today's feast as an important reminder of turning our attention back to the Lord, who alone is all truthful and powerful. Today's feast is as relevant for us today as it was one hundred years ago because the world is always finding new ways to draw our attention away from the Lord. There is so much going on in our world and lives today that makes it difficult for us to stay connected to Jesus. It is never easy to enter more deeply into the mysteries of God with so much noise and chaos in our world today. There is a hunger for truth and holiness, yet at the same time, there is so much division that separates us and that distracts us from doing what is right and just before God. It is so hard to stay focused and connected to the Lord in prayer and reflection.

Today's feast invites us to a change of heart. It invites us to grow in our appreciation and understanding of who Jesus is. Today's feast invites us to redirect our attention back to the Lord who is the fulfillment of all of our hopes and longings. It reminds us that Jesus is the one who is in command. It reminds us that Jesus is Lord and Ruler of the Universe who is in total control and who is all powerful. Jesus shows us in today's gospel that it is love and mercy that has the power to transform hearts. It is mercy and kindness that brings us and others closer to God, not wealth or worldly power, but the Lord Himself. It is the Lord who can lead us into paradise, not society with all of its riches and powers. It is only Jesus Himself who can heal our broken hearts.

Today's feast reminds us that our allegiance should be to Christ and to Christ alone, not towards some worldly figure or politician because we all belong to Christ at baptism. We are now part of God's family. Today's feast reminds us how important it is to stay connected to Jesus who has the words of everlasting life. We are reminded once again that it is Jesus who frees us and restores us back to wholeness. It is Jesus who loves us and who shows us the way to paradise. It is the power behind His Kingship and Kingdom that redeems us and sets us free. It is the power of His Word that is spoken from the cross that draws humanity closer to God and deeper into the mysteries of life.

Since today's feast marks the conclusion of another liturgical year, what a perfect time for us to examine our lives! How close are we to Jesus? Where do we invest most of our time and energy as we go about our daily lives? How connected are we to Jesus today? Do we spend more time listening to worldly figures and politicians than we do listening to the Lord? There is no question that we have so much to attend to each day. But how much time do we spend with Jesus in service to one another? If we believe that He is the King of the Universe and Ruler of the World who will judge us accordingly on the last day, then how come we spend more time pleasing others instead of God? Why do we focus so much time and energy on worldly events and agendas when, in the end, it all comes down to Jesus who can heal us and save us?

Next weekend, we begin a new Season of Advent. A season of restored hope. It is a new season filled with new hope and new joy in the Lord. It is a time to recall God's great promise for humanity. Advent reminds us of a better future with God. It reminds us that we are pilgrims on a journey searching for truth and understanding in our world. Advent marks a new beginning in our lives. It is the beginning of a new liturgical year that invites us to look to Christ more often knowing of our great treasure in heaven, life without end!

Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

Masses for the Week…

Saturday, November 21st *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 AM Richie & Victoria O'Neill
5:00 PM Paul Mussi
7:30 PM *Spanish* Orlando Narvaez

Sunday, November 22nd *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Antoinetta Stabile
12:00 Noon Ferdinand and Evelyn Giese
6:00 PM Antonia Zappia

Monday, November 23rd Weekday

7:00 AM James Cahill
12:00 Noon Michael Campanello

Tuesday, November 24th *St. Andrew Dung Lac & companions*

7:00 AM Patricia Cuff
12:00 Noon Michael O'Brien

Wednesday, November 25th *St. Catherine of Alexandria*

7:00 AM James Rapezyk
12:00 Noon Vincent Lello

Thursday, November 26th *Weekday (Thanksgiving)*

9:00 AM People of the Parish *(Blessing of the Food)*

Friday, November 27th *Weekday*

7:00 AM Joan and James O'Connor
12:00 Noon Jack Dyer and his sister Katy Dyer

Saturday, November 28th *Weekday*

8:00 AM Liz DellaRatta
5:00 PM Christopher Scheu
7:30 PM *Spanish* People of the Parish

Sunday, November 29th *First Sunday of Advent*

8:00 AM Michael O'Brien
10:00 AM Special Intention-Fr. Patrick Riegger
12:00 Noon Charles Larken
6:00 PM Alexander Turpin Sr.



PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2026 to present

Year	Total	# of weeks	Average Weekly
2026	$853,961	46	$18,564
2025	$831,015	46	$18,066



As of 11/17/26	2026	2025
Parish Goal	$120,855	$115,100
# of Donors	255	246
Total Pledged to date	$106,648	$94,054
% of Goal	88%	82%

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


As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, we invite our parish family to come together in gratitude for the many blessings God has given us.
THANKSGIVING
Mass
9:00AM THURSDAY*
NOVEMBER 26th
Parishioners are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for Ernie's Place or our Street Ministry as a way of sharing those blessings with others in our community.
We will also ask God's blessing upon the food that will be shared around our Thanksgiving tables with family and friends.
Let us give thanks, share our blessings, and remember those in need this Thanksgiving.
*Please note: This will be the only Mass celebrated on Thanksgiving

MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE...

Altar of Remembrance

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

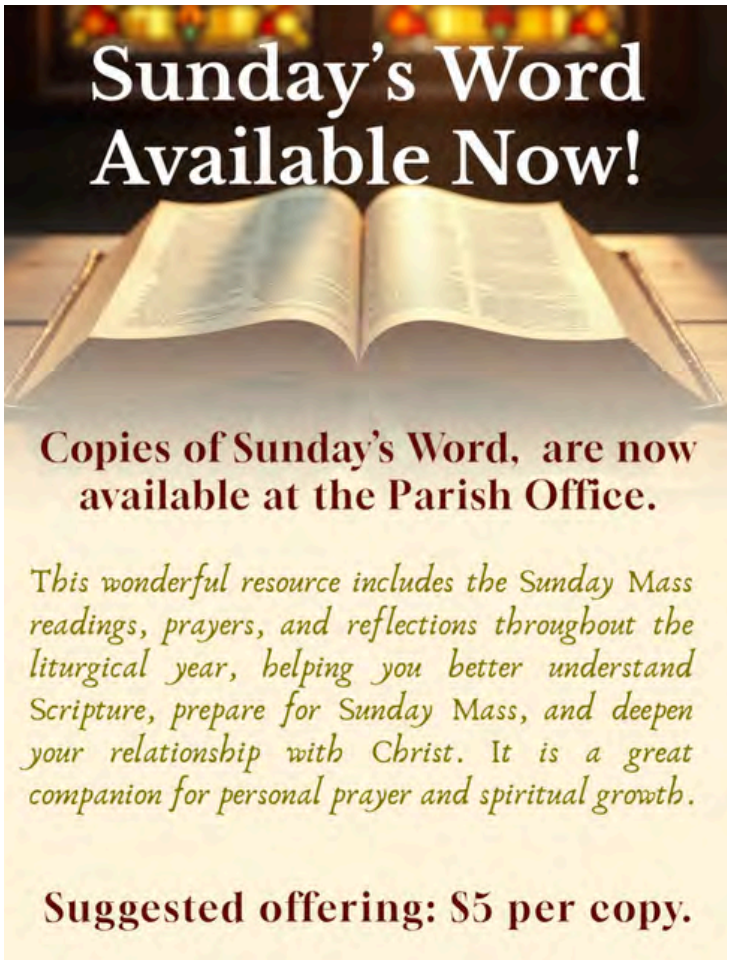
We ask that you pick up your picture no later than Wednesday, November 25th.

Book of the Names of the Dead



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





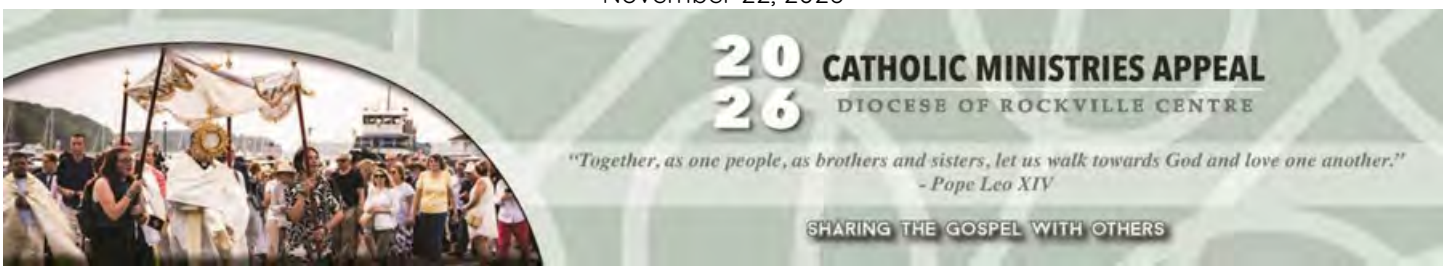
Parish Offertory Envelopes....

Important Update

By now, parishioners should have received their new offertory envelope packets in the mail. You may notice that the envelopes look a little different! This is because our offertory envelopes are now being mailed through OSV (Our Sunday Visitor), our new envelope provider. Please note that envelope packets will now be mailed monthly rather than bi-monthly.

If you have not received your envelopes, or if you are not currently receiving them and would like to, please contact the Parish Office so we can assist you.

Thank you for your continued generosity, support, and patience as we make this transition!



Please help us reach our goal!



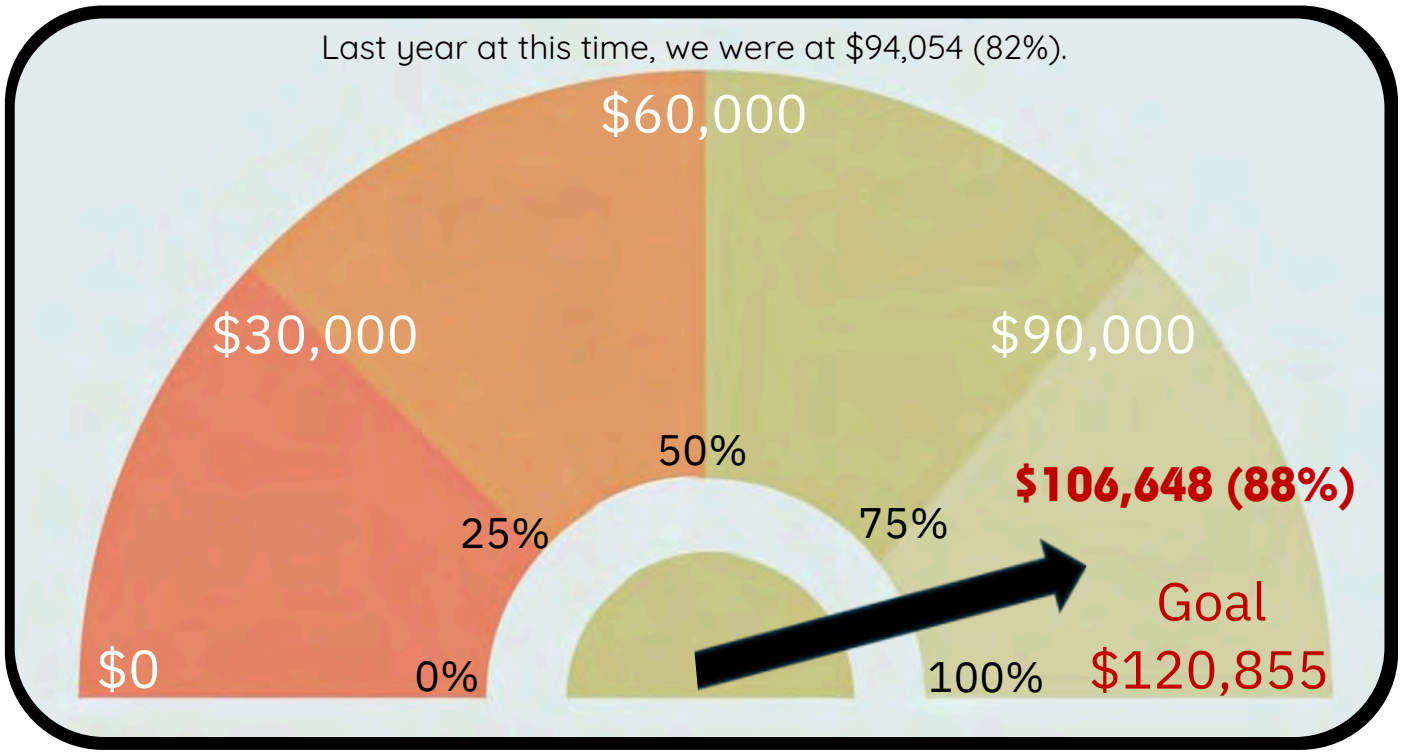
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We are almost there! Only 12% to go!!

Many thanks to those who have made their pledge to the CMA! If you haven't made your pledge yet, please prayerfully consider how your generosity can make a world of difference!

We will have a collection for the CMA this weekend, November 21 & 22!





We pray for our Service Members

We honor and remember the following men and women for their service, dedication, and sacrifice. Lord, hold our troops in Your loving care. Protect and bless them and their families for their selfless service. We give thanks for all veterans and pray for those currently serving at home and abroad .

United States Army

Monaghan, Justin — Private Second Class
O'Neill, Aidan — Second Lieutenant
Smith, David — Private First Class
Valentin, Steven — Private First Class
Williams, Cara — Private First Class
Bahnke, Hunter-First Lieutenant

United States Marine Corps

Abbatiello, Michael — Lance Corporal
Berkemeyer, Evan — Lance Corporal
Brady, Sean — Private First Class
Casey, Sean — Sergeant
Cestare, Joseph — Sergeant
Deshler II, Kevin W. — Corporal
Montemarano, Quentin — Sergeant
Pastore, Thomas — Major
Toscanini, Kyle — Private First Class
Walther, Christopher — Second Lieutenant

United States Navy

Casey, Andrew R. — Engineman Third Class
Esposito Jr., Christopher J. — Machinist's Mate Nuclear First Class Montoya Rivera, Angel Gabriel — Electronics Technician Seaman Nolan Jr., Jeremiah — Electronics Technician Second Class Paduana, Michael — Seaman
Pisano, Benedict-Seaman
Raeihle, Christian — Seaman
Ruggiero, Ralph J. — Lieutenant
Taylor III, Thomas — Seaman
Walsh, Jack Patrick — Seaman
Racioppi, Dominick—Seabee EO-2

United States Air Force

Auciello, Anthony — Staff Sergeant
Casey, Andrew R. — Technical Sergeant
Giese, David — Technical Sergeant
Hayes, Brenden M. — Airman First Class
Hermes, Jason — Technical Sergeant
Hermes, Sabrina — Technical Sergeant
Kerstiens, Claudia — Staff Sergeant
Kerstiens, Joseph—Airman First Class
Kerstiens, Kyle — Staff Sergeant
Kerstiens, Ryan — Staff Sergeant
Kerstiens, Timothy — Technical Sergeant
McCauley II, William E. — Staff Sergeant
McGrath, Claire — First Lieutenant
Pfister, James — Airman First Class
Rosato, Jared T. — Senior Airman
Traina, Peter A. — Airman First Class

United States Coast Guard

Bernath, Brendan J. — Boatswain's Mate Third Class
Donohue, Keith — Captain



If you would like a loved one to be remembered in our Military Prayer List, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or email rectory@sjecm.org. We will lift their intentions to God, asking for protection, strength, and peace for all who serve and their families.

Heavenly Father,
We come before You with grateful hearts, thanking You for the many blessings bestowed upon our nation. Guide our country in truth, justice, freedom, and peace.
We entrust to Your loving care all who serve in our Armed Forces. Protect and strengthen them, grant them courage and wisdom, and bring them safely home to their loved ones.
We remember with gratitude those who have given their lives in service to our country. Welcome them into Your eternal Kingdom and comfort their families with the hope of the Resurrection.
Help us to cherish our freedoms, uphold the dignity of every person, and serve one another with faith and charity.
Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace and Patroness of the United States, bless our nation with unity, wisdom, and lasting peace. Guide our leaders and strengthen our trust in You.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

We Pray for the Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Rose Ciaravino & Joan Mercy

We Pray for the Sick

May the Lord grant them comfort, strength, and healing.

Mark Havens
James Patrick Lapham
Bill Hasper
Frank Paterno
Carole DeSomma
Karen Stokes

Babu Madeline Riefler

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.

Altar Bread & Wine Intentions

For the month of November, the altar bread and wine are offered for the repose of the soul of:

Pasqualino Procopio

The Scared Heart Candle

This week, the Sacred Heart Candle will be lit for:

Michael M. Singer

Prayer and Remembrance

At SJE, we offer parishioners many ways to remember loved ones or honor someone living through the offering of votive and altar candles, as well as altar bread and wine. These offerings create a visible sign of prayer and devotion while supporting the life of our parish.

Votive candles illuminate the beautiful statues throughout our church, including the **Blessed Mother**, **St. Joseph**, **St. Teresa**, **St. Gerard Majella**, and the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. As these candles burn, they bring light to our sacred space and invite quiet reflection, inspiring deeper moments of prayer and trust in God. Both votive candles and altar candles may be offered for $25 per week. Altar bread and wine may be offered for $250 per month. The names of those remembered or honored through these offerings will be listed in the parish bulletin during the month.

To make an offering, please visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email rectory@sjecm.org. May these candles be a sign of hope, remembrance, and prayer for all who gather in our church.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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







At our November "Family of Faith" Sessions, students learned about rightly forming their conscience and understanding sin and God's Mercy as they journey on the Road to Heaven. One of the skits included the Parable of the Lost Sheep, reminding families that Jesus is our Good Shepherd who always is seeking to bring us back to Himself even when we turn away from Him. Many thanks to all our volunteers who presented, as well as our families who participated!

2026-27 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDARS for all our programs are available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website.

LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

NEXT SESSION
Tuesday, December 15 @ 7:15 PM
Advent Family Prayer Service
(Parent/Student Event)

LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

NEXT SESSION
Monday, December 14 @ 7:15 PM
Advent Family Prayer Service
(Parent/Student Event)



"FAMILY OF FAITH"

(Grades 1-6)
NEXT SESSIONS
Parent/Student Event

Attend ONE of the following sessions with your child/children:
Tuesday, 12/1 OR Thursday, 12/3
at 5 PM or 7 PM in the Church

**On Tuesday, Dec. 1, join us for our parish Tree lighting at 6:15 PM on the lawn between the convent and rectory!*


Queen of All Hearts Council 4126
BLACK FRIDAY FOOTBALL FUNDRAISER
Supporting James Patrick "JP" Lapham
NOVEMBER 27TH
$20 Admission - Doors Open at 2pm
Half time buffet - snacks - soft drinks included- BYOB.
*Admission ticket includes a chance to win Big Screen TV
Join us for a day of football, fellowship, and fundraising as we come together to support JP Lapham, the son of a fellow Knight of Columbus, as he continues his recovery from a motorcycle accident.
Come cheer on your favorite team while helping support JP and his family!
Football Pool
50/50 Drawing
Raffles
FOR TICKETS AND INFORMATION
CALL FRANK 516-639-6245
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MORICHES COMMUNITY CENTER
313 FROWEIN ROAD, CENTER MORICHES

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PSM Office 631.878.0009 ext. 120
Email: socialministry@SJEcm.org

THRIFT SHOP



Open to the public on Wednesdays from 9 AM—12 PM. Proceeds from our sales support St. John's outreach programs. Please visit the shop to support our efforts and pick up a gift or something special for yourself! Are you looking to donate jewelry? If so, donations are greatly appreciated and can be brought directly into the shop on Monday or Tuesday mornings. Costume jewelry is most welcome too!

ERNIE'S PLACE

St. John's food pantry is open to serve those who are food insecure every Monday night and Thursday afternoon. We are grateful for your donations, please place them in the wagon inside Church by the main entrance or in the brown bin outside of Ernie's Place. Non-perishable donations only. Call the PSM office if you wish to donate anything needing refrigeration. We appreciate your generosity!

Ernie's shopping list:

- Pasta
- Ramen
- Jarred sauce
- Canned chicken
- Pancake mix and syrup

Christmas food wish list to help families in need:

- Christmas cookies
- Cake mix and icing
- Grocery store gift cards- $25 gift cards to Lidl and Stop & Shop are preferred

STREET MINISTRY



Every Thursday our Street Ministry van goes out, serving the poor in our community with a hot meal, basic essentials and more.

Volunteers also gather on Wednesday mornings to organize all the clothing, shoes and toiletry donations that are given out with the food.

Donation request, spotlight item of the month:

Gently Used Sweatshirts

Currently, we only have size small sweatshirts in our Street Ministry sorting closet. As the fall evenings grow colder, we give out many sweatshirts on Thursday evenings. We are in need of sizes medium, large, and extra-large for men and women. Please place any donations in the bin located in Fellowship Hall inside the main entrance in Church. Thank you for the many new sock donations we have been receiving! We are grateful as we continue to help those in need with food and clothing.



Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world.
-St.Teresa of Avila

SJE Parish Social Ministry

STUFF A STOCKING!

This year, Ernie ' s Place is once again providing complete Christmas meals to those in need. To make the holiday extra special for the families we serve, outreach at parish social ministry would like your help with a new treat :

Stuff a Christmas stocking for a family!

It's easy to get involved and a great activity for the whole family during the Advent Season!

How to Help

- Purchase a Christmas stocking
- Stuff it with whatever treats and useful items you ' d like.
- Drop it off at the parish auditorium on Thursday, 12/110 between 5 : 00 PM and 6 : 00 PM



Stocking Stuffer Ideas

Christmas Candy
Deck of playing cards
Snacks
Pack of tissues
Crayons
Small games
Be as creative as you wish!



Thank you for helping us bring extra cheer to families this Christmas!

SJE Parish Social Ministry

CHRISTMAS Giving



Please fill out the form below and let us know how you can help! It can be dropped in the basket at Church, brought to the rectory office or emailed to Christmas@SJEcm.org
NO LATER than SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th.

This form is needed by that date so we can make sure we have enough stockings for each family and to prepare for our outreach event by the following week.

Name : .....

Phone : .....

Email : .....

- ○ YES! We/I can stuff a stocking for Christmas!
- ○ YES! We/I can help contact families via phone with pick up times. This would be done on your own time the week of December 7th.
- ○ YES! We are in need of Spanish speakers to assist with calling our families the week of December 7th.



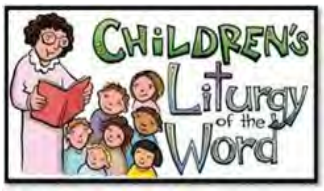
If you have any questions, please call the social ministry office at 631-878-0009 ext 120 or email Christmas@SJEcm.org

Thank you so much for all of your support this Christmas in giving to those in need!

OFFICE OF FAMILY MINISTRY

Our Family Ministries are looking for enthusiastic adult volunteers who would like to share their gifts and help build a vibrant parish community. Whether you enjoy working with children, planning events, or simp- ly lending a helping hand, there is a place for you!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

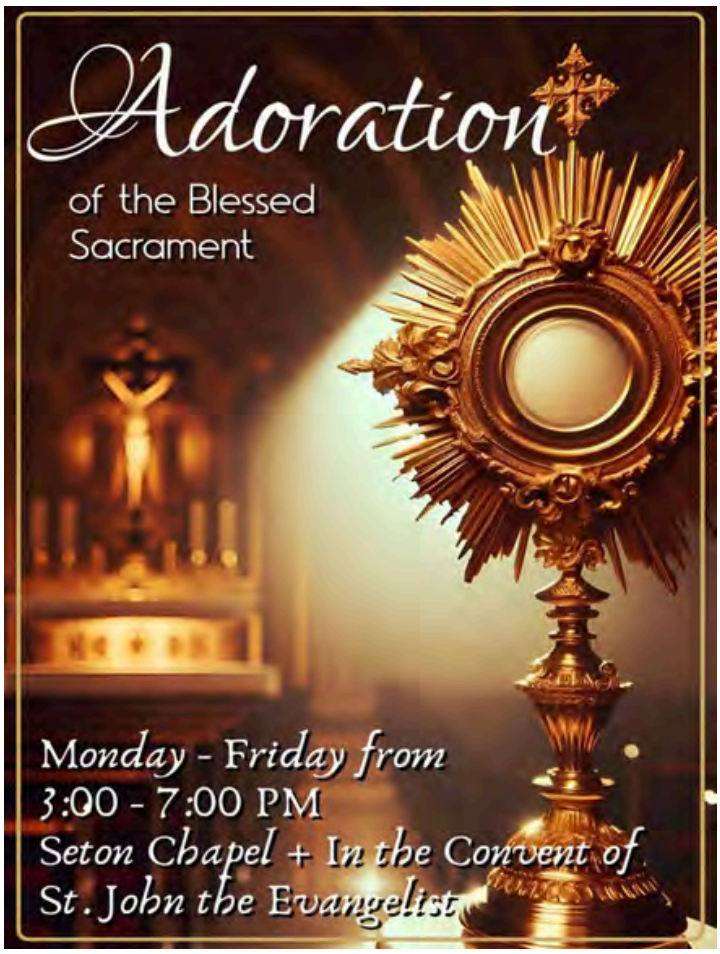


Help our youngest parishioners grow in their faith during the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass. Volunteers are needed as Readers, Homilists, Shepherds, and Heralds. If you're curious about the ministry, come visit a session and see what it's all about!

Family Life Ministry

If you enjoy bringing people together, this is the ministry for you! From seasonal celebrations to family activities and special parish events, our Family Life Ministry helps create meaningful experiences for all ages. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, and there's always room for new ideas and helping hands. If you would like more information or are ready to get involved, please email **familylife@SJEcm.org**. We'd love to welcome you to the team!





Queen of All Hearts Council 4126



Christmas Wreath Sale



$30 each

Wreaths will be available for purchase outside the church after all Masses on the weekend of November 28th and 29th.

www.kofc4126.org

November 22, 2026

Leave Your Mark on 100 Years of Faith, Education & Tradition!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Centennial Legacy Garden

Celebrate a century of Catholic education by becoming part of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Centennial Legacy Garden! Whether you're an alumnus, parent, grandparent, parishioner, or friend of OLQA, a personalized commemorative brick is a meaningful way to honor a loved one, celebrate your family's connection to our school, remember a favorite teacher, or leave your own lasting legacy.
Be part of our history and help pave the way for future generations!
The garden will be dedicated during our Centennial Year in 2027!

A Lasting Tribute. A Special Memory. A Legacy Forever.

For a donation of $200, personalize a 6" x 9" Legacy Brick to honor a loved one, celebrate a graduating class, recognize a beloved Sister of Charity, priest, teacher, or staff member, or commemorate your family's connection to our school. Your brick will become a permanent part of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Centennial Legacy Garden, preserving special memories and leaving a lasting legacy for generations to come!

Personalize Your Legacy Brick!

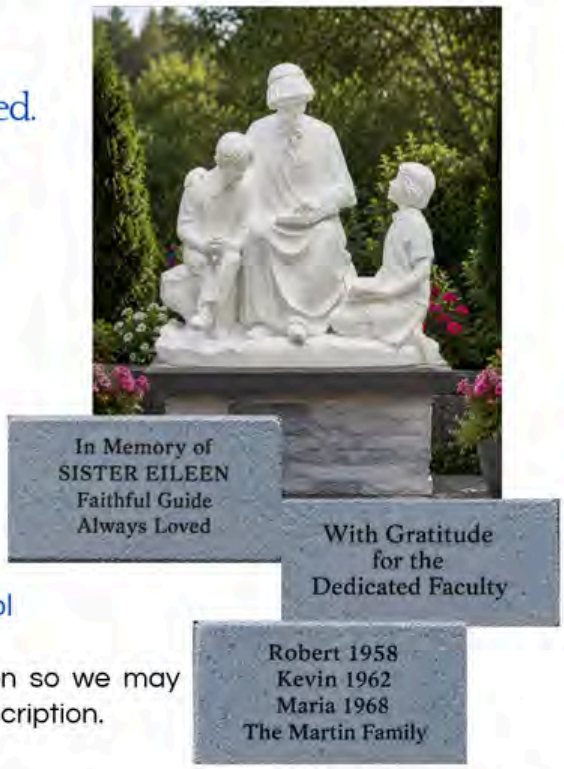
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Maximum 4 lines · 15 characters (including spaces) per line

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Line 2: _____

Line 3: _____

Line 4: _____



PAYMENT INFORMATION

Please make checks payable to: Our Lady Queen of Apostles School

Please include a contact name and phone number with your submission so we may reach you if we have any questions regarding your Legacy Brick order or inscription.

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

COMPLETE YOUR BRICK ENGRAVING ONLINE

For your convenience, you may complete your commemorative brick engraving form and payment online. Simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera to submit your brick inscription and payment.

Thank you for becoming a lasting part of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Centennial Legacy Garden.

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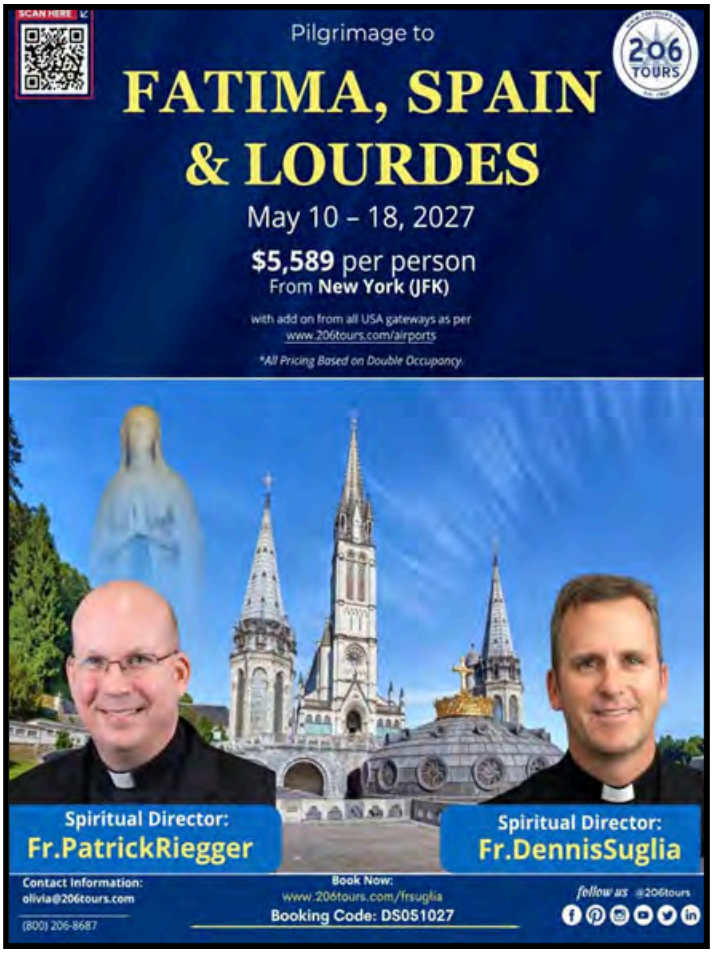
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A Message from Monsignor Walden...



Almost three weeks ago we had election day in our nation. We have a say in who will guide our nation in leadership positions. How blessed we are to live in a democracy! With the blessing goes the responsibility of choosing who we think will be good for our nation. While it is good to have differences of opinion on what should be done, it is only being faithful to the truth of who we are that will bring about a nation that has citizens who live in the light of pure wisdom, love and truth. As we read the Gospels, we see that Jesus preached pure Good News. Not only was He concerned about delivering His message with words, He also was keenly aware of the physical needs of the people who were listening to Him. All four Gospels recount the preaching of Jesus to five thousand people and then feeding them by miraculously multiplying five loaves and two fish, with twelve baskets of fragments left over. On another occasion, Jesus got into Peter's boat to preach to the crowd on the shore (Luke 5:1-11) and he ended and then told Peter and the others in the boat to go out cast their nets for more fish: "After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.' Simon said in reply, 'Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets.' When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking."

Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church year. The Gospel is from Matthew 25:31-46 where Jesus speaks of the Last Judgement. All are put into one of two groups, the sheep and the goats. This will be the same Jesus who preached the Good News, gave His life on the cross for us, and promised to come back at the end of time to bring all who are ready into His heavenly kingdom. Being ready does not mean we have paid our dues but that we have accepted His invitation to come into His heart, and He has accepted the invitation to come into our hearts. How awesome that will be! We do not accept and look forward to the invitation because we have earned it, but because we have humbly and joyfully experienced His love and goodness, and become part of His love and goodness in our world. The wonder of divine patience, mercy, and unconditional love opens our minds and hearts to true hope. Cardinal Sarah, in his book "The Day Is Now Far Spent", says that "contemporary man refuses to adore, to admire, so as not to find his deepest joy in someone other than himself." In continuation of the amazement of the large catch of fish cited above, St. Peter is filled with the awe of its pure blessing: "When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, 'Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.' For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.' When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything* and followed him."

What a wonder it is to see all the technology and conveniences we have in the 21st century, but it all pales and fades at the wonder of what we celebrate today, the Feast of Christ the King! It is His that are pure patience, mercy, and love of God. The sooner we are able to open our minds and hearts to this absolute wonder, the joy of these of words of St. Augustine ring true: "You have made us for yourself, and our *heart* is restless until it rests in you."

I offer Psalm 16 for your prayerful reflection:

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to you Lord "You are my God.
My happiness lies in you alone."
You have put into my heart a marvelous love
for the faithful ones who dwell in your land.
Those who choose other gods increase their sorrows.
Never will I offer their offerings of blood.
Never will I take their name upon my lips.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup,
it is you yourself who are my prize.
The lot marked out for me is my delight,
welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me!
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.
And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay.
You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. Glory...



Men's Prayer Group...

CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join theTotus 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.

Women's Group...

Our Women's Group meets every other Monday from 10:00–11:30 AM, September through June, in the Convent on Ocean Avenue.

Newcomers are always welcome at any time. All that is needed is a desire to grow in our faith and enjoy fellowship with one another.

Our books for this year are:

- Beautiful Holiness by Kathleen Beckmann
- Back to Virtue by Peter Kreeft

These books complement each other, helping us recognize the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the importance of praying for virtue.

A suggested offering of $25 is appreciated to help offset the cost of the books. However, no one should ever feel unable to participate because of the offering. Sharing is always optional—we're simply happy you've chosen to be with us.

2026 Meeting Dates
November 23, December 7, 21
God bless you, Carol & Anita (Moderators)
For more information, please call 631-878-0009.

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.

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Comunidad Hispano...

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra parroquia los invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en español todos los sábados a las 7:30 p. m. en la iglesia.
Los invitamos también a participar en nuestro Grupo de Oración todos los viernes a las 7:30 p. m. en la capilla del convento parroquial, para compartir la Palabra de Dios y crecer en la fe a través de la oración.

Ministerio de Bautismo: Acogiendo a las familias y creciendo en la fe

El Ministerio de Bautismo de nuestra parroquia acoge y acompaña a las familias mientras se preparan para que sus hijos reciban el Sacramento del Bautismo. Deseamos que cada familia se sienta como en casa en San Juan Evangelista y plenamente preparada para este sacramento lleno de alegría que transforma la vida.
Nuestro programa de preparación ofrece un acompañamiento personal que ayuda a los padres a comprender el significado del Bautismo, experimentar el amor transformador de Dios en los sacramentos y asumir su responsabilidad de cultivar la fe de sus hijos.
Cómo comenzar
Visite el sitio web de la parroquia, haga clic en el ícono de Bautismo y complete el formulario de consulta en línea. Un miembro del Ministerio de Bautismo se comunicará con usted para darle la bienvenida a su familia y explicarle el proceso de preparación, que incluye:

- Asistir a una clase presencial de preparación para el Bautismo.
- Completar un breve curso de videos en línea.
- Entregar la documentación requerida.

Durante la clase presencial se proporcionarán los detalles sobre el curso en línea y la documentación necesaria. **No se podrá programar una fecha para el Bautismo hasta que se haya entregado toda la documentación requerida y se hayan cumplido todos los requisitos de preparación.**

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 PM los martes. Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.
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Monday, November 23rd, 2026

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
7-8 PM Hour to Pray for Priests - SC

Tuesday, November 24th, 2026

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

Wednesday, November 25th, 2026

Parish Offices Closed at Noon today

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous – BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacramen - SC

Thursday, November 26th, 2026



Happy Thanksgiving

Parish Offices Closed

Friday, November 27th, 2026

Parish Offices Closed

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
7 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
7 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC
7 PM NO BINGO TONIGHT

Saturday, November 28th, 2026

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

Sunday, November 29th, 2026

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1st Floor Mtg. Room
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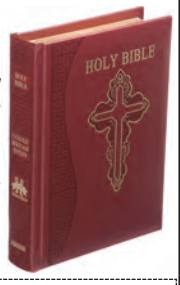
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