



St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church

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



Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020

“In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus” -1 Thessalonians 5:18

ADVENT 2020

Advent Lessons and Carols



Come pray further into the Anticipation of Advent as we prepare for Christmas!

SJE will host a service of Advent Lessons and Carols on **December 20th, at 3:30PM** in the Church.

Lead by the Music Ministries of SJE, we will hear readings, sing hymns and songs, and have time to thoroughly enter into the penitential season that is Advent. Please join us in person at church, or online Live through Facebook!"



SAVE THE DATE



Christmas Carol Drive In

Tuesday, December 22nd @ 7PM.



**Led by the SJE
Music Ministry**

**—
Back of the Church**



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Christmas Mass Schedule



Advent 2020

Saturday/Sunday, December 19/20, 2020

4th Sunday of Advent

Confessions—3:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Saturday - 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday -8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon, 6:00 p.m.

Christmas 2020

Thursday/Friday, December 24/25, 2020

Christmas Eve

2:30 p.m. + 4:30 p.m. + 6:30 p.m.

9:30 p.m. + 12 Midnight

(Spanish)

Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. + 10:00 a.m. + 12 Noon

2:00 p.m. (Spanish)

(There are no evening Masses
scheduled for Christmas night.)

All are asked to indicate their Mass attendance by visiting sjecm.org, emailing Christmas@sjecm.org or calling the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

We will be prepared to celebrate Masses in the Church and Auditorium.

Feast of the Holy Family (12/27)

Saturday - 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday -7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon and 5:30 p.m.

Solemnity of Mary (1/1)

Tuesday - 5 p.m., Wednesday -7:00 a.m., 12 Noon and 7:30 p.m.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Christmas Practicals

Dear Parish Family:

I want to take this time to go over some practical details regarding the celebration of Christmas at SJE. Please read these over carefully.

1. As of today, December 9, 2020, we are planning for Christmas Masses at 50% capacity that require appropriate social distancing and continued safe practices (hand sanitizing, mask wearing, etc.).
 - a. If you are not wearing a mask, you are not permitted in any building at SJE.
2. We ask you to give us an indication of when you believe you will be attending Mass. This will help us to plan how many Masses we will need to celebrate.
 - a. This will NOT be a ticket system and it will not be a reservation system.
 - b. Therefore, we will not be checking names at the door.
3. You may indicate which Mass you hope to attend in three ways:
 - a. Visiting the SJE Website – sjecm.org
 - b. Emailing christmas@sjecm.org.
 - c. Calling 631.878.0009

4. Our planned Mass schedule is as follows:

Christmas Eve: 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. (in Spanish), and 12 Midnight

Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon and 2 p.m. (in Spanish)

We will be prepared to offer Masses in the Church and Auditorium for all Masses on both days based on responses.

If one of the spaces is at capacity, you will be directed to other location. We hope to be able to accommodate everyone who wishes to attend.

5. We will live stream the 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass, the 9:30 p.m. Spanish Mass, the 12 Midnight Mass and one Mass on Christmas Day.
6. We hope to have radio transmission on Christmas Eve and Day so parishioners may listen in their cars.
7. All are requested to arrive no later than ten (10) minutes before Mass begins so Masses may begin on time.

Our Cana Care Crew can use many helping hands and hearts on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. To sign up for the Cana Care Crew, email music@sjecm.org or click on <https://forms.gle/RyBgaqqvwJtNUtaD8>.

On another practical level -and you know how much I would prefer not to bring this up – please do all you can to support the 2020 Christmas Collection. We have sent out a mailing to all registered parishioners. The generosity of so many at Christmas allows us to minister and serve all year long. After a difficult few months financially, we are in need of your help this year more than in other years.

Thank you for your patience, understanding, and support!





Do you want to learn more about the incredible season of Advent? Come join us for our new Advent series as we prepare for Jesus's arrival through prayerful reflections on the weekly Scriptural readings from Sunday Mass.

When? Every Tuesday of Advent @ 7:30PM (December 15 + 22)

Where?

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Meeting ID: 842 3958 1644 Passcode: 8780009

Or Join Zoom by Phone: 1-929-205-6099

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We will reflect each week on the liturgical readings and themes for each Sunday of Advent. Each session begin with a prayer and overview of the readings from Fr. John and Seminarian Louis, as well as some weekly highlights of the Advent season, followed by reflections from those who wish to share their thoughts on the readings.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Christmas Dinners

This year, we would like to provide a meal for families in need so they may have a Christmas or Christmas Eve dinner. We ask you and your family to consider sponsoring a family (see form below) or dropping in your regular food donations the makings for a delicious Christmas Meal. Our Christmas volunteers will then organize the baskets.

All Christmas Meals (please make sure you sign up) are due on Sat. 12/18 or Sun. 12/19 between 11AM and 12PM You will receive more specific information after signing up.



St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church

Will host a full course meal just for you!

Community Meal

Monday, December 21, 2020

6 p.m.—7:30 p.m. @ School Auditorium

**Come and join us for a monthly feast! All are welcome!
Bring a friend or family member or come on your own for an
afternoon of good food and fellowship!**

For more information, contact us at 631.878.0009.

KEEPING SAFE IN THESE DAYS!

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

7:30 pm. Misa - Sábado 5 de diciembre de 2020

Querida familia parroquial:

Un feligrés dio positivo en la prueba de COVID-19 que asistió a la misa en español el sábado por la noche el sábado 5 de diciembre de 2020. Por precaución, recomendamos a cualquier persona que haya asistido a esa misa y que experimente síntomas de COVID-19 que se comuniquen con su proveedor de atención médica y hágase la prueba. Si tiene preguntas, llame a su proveedor de atención médica. Continúe orando por todos los que están enfermos, por los que están desarrollando una vacuna y por un rápido fin de la pandemia. Como no sé quién asistió exactamente a las 7:30 p.m. Misa en español el sábado 5 de diciembre de 2020 Estoy llegando a todos.

Recuerde las precauciones y prácticas que tenemos en St. John's para mantenernos a salvo. Primero, y lo más importante, si no se siente bien o se siente incómodo, POR FAVOR NO VENGA A MISA. No hay obligación de asistir a misa en estos días. Recuerda, cuando vengas a misa:

1. Debe usar una máscara que cubra su boca y su nariz.
2. Higienice sus manos cuando ingrese a la iglesia o cualquier edificio en SJE.
3. Haga todo lo posible por mantener la distancia adecuada.

Gracias por su comprensión.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

7:30 p.m. Mass - Saturday, December 5, 2020

Dear Parish Family:

A parishioner has tested positive for COVID-19 who attended the Saturday evening Spanish Mass on Saturday, December 5, 2020. Out of an abundance of caution, we advise anyone who may have attended that Mass and who experiences symptoms of COVID-19 to contact your healthcare provider and get tested. If you have questions, please call your healthcare provider. Please continue to pray for all those who are sick, for those developing a vaccine, and for a swift end to the pandemic. As I cannot know who exactly attended the 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass on Saturday, December 5, 2020 I am reaching out to everyone.

Please remember the precautions and practices we have in place at St. John's that are in place to keep us safe. First, and most important, if you are not feeling well or are uncomfortable, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO MASS. There is no obligation to attend Mass in these days. Remember, when you come to Mass:

1. You must wear a mask that covers your mouth and your nose.
2. Sanitize your hands when you enter the church or any building at SJE.
3. Do your best to keep appropriate distance.

Thank you for your understanding.

FROM THE SEMINARIAN'S DESK

"More, and on a deeper level than before, we really know this time that all of life is Advent." – Fr. Alfred Delp, S.J., December 5, 1944, letter from prison

It is difficult to imagine that Advent is already upon us. Where did the time go? The other day Fr. John shared with me a story from one of his seminary professors who refused to recognize anything related to Christmas before December 25th. The students and staff would poke fun at him and tell him to go prepare his "Advent tree" and "Advent cookies" while listening to "Advent music." While this professor may have been a little too legalistic with his approach to preserving the rhythm of the Church's liturgical year, there is some wisdom to this professor's desire to keep our focus on the Advent season, a season that is too often "crowded out" by Thanksgiving and the commercialization of the Christmas season. Fr. John's recollection of this story prompted me to reflect more deeply upon the meaning and nature of the Advent season. What is Advent all about and why does the Church continue celebrate this season year after year, century after century?



Advent is a season of watchful preparation. In the ancient world the word "advent" or *adventus* was used as a technical term to indicate the arrival of an important official or even the visit of a king to a local region. The early Christians adopted this understanding and transformed it in light of Christ. As Pope Benedict XVI once stated, "Jesus is the King who entered this poor 'province' called 'earth' to pay everyone a visit...the essential meaning of the word *adventus* was: God is here, he has not withdrawn from the world, he has not deserted us." How consoling is this reality of our faith. God has not deserted us! Even amid all the anxiety, confusion, and uncertainty of this unusual year, God has not abandoned us. He is with us and he comes to us in many different avenues each day.

Just as we would prepare for the visit of a dignitary or guest, so too must we prepare for the various ways in which Our Lord visits us. Advent keeps our attention on three concrete ways that Jesus comes to us. The first "coming" of Advent is Jesus's entrance into history all those years ago in Bethlehem. This is the celebration of Christmas in which we learn that God is not a mythical figure or some spirit in the sky. He reveals himself in the vulnerability of a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes. God has a name and comes to make his home among us. The Creator comes to live with his creatures. The second "coming" of Advent is the arrival of Christ at the end of history. Are we ready to meet Jesus at the end of time or at our death? Are we ready for the final judgment in which we must give an account of the interior actions of our heart? Finally, there is a third "coming" that Advent prepares us for and that is the coming of Christ here and now in the present moment. How is Christ arriving into your heart? Where is he alive in and around you? Have we overlooked his presence or ignored his voice? Have we taken for granted his true presence in the sacraments, most especially in the Eucharist?

When we take this "bird's eye" perspective of Advent, we can sympathize with Fr. John's seminary professor. How much are we missing when we skip straight to Christmas! Christmas loses its drama and significance without the interior transformation of our hearts and recognition of the real action of Jesus in our lives and within history.

In light of the current global situation we find ourselves in, the words of the Jesuit priest and martyr, Fr. Alfred Delp, finally "clicked" when re-reading one of his prison letters: *"more, and on a deeper level than before, we really know this time that all of life is Advent."*

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS!

The season of Advent is a wonderful way to prepare our hearts for the Lord! The sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated at SJE on the following days and times:

Monday—Friday after the 7 a.m. and 12 noon Masses (Please wait in one of the seats by the Confessionals)

Saturdays—After the 8 a.m. Mass, 4—4:45 p.m. and 7—7:15 p.m. (Spanish)

Sundays—5 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

We are also adding the following extended times. We hope this will provide enough of an opportunity for everyone while also respecting people's needs for safe distance and their comfort level with crowds. Please note the following:

Saturday, December 19, 2020 —Confessions begin at 3 p.m.

Sunday, December 20, 2020 —Confessions begin at 5 p.m.

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Monday, December 21, 2020 – 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. - Church

Christmas Tree and Parish Lighting

This Sunday, December 13, 2020 @ 5 p.m.



“Come join us this Sunday for our annual Christmas tree lighting at 7pm next to the rectory and parish garden. We will mark this Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) with joyful anticipation of Jesus's birth, the light of the world. All are welcome. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided, but all are welcome to bring cookies or other refreshments as well.”

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Looking to Help?

You're always needed and wanted in these days

Saturday, December 18, 2020 - Christmas Sponsor A Family Set Up 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

-Help set up our auditorium for Christmas Meal Distribution

Sunday, December 19, 2020 – Christmas Meal Set Up 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

-Help us to organize boxes and meals.

Sunday, December 19, 2020 – Christmas Meal Distribution -1:30 and 3 p.m.

-Help to move Christmas meals to cars, direct traffic, welcome guests and more!

Monday, December 20, 2020 – Be a part of our Community Meal! 5:30 -8 p.m.

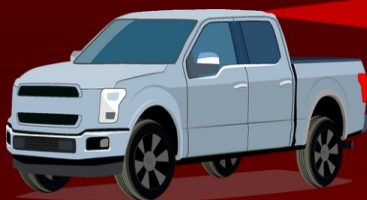
Wednesday, December 22, 2020 – Christmas Church Decoration Set Up 4 – 6 p.m.

-Help set up the Church and Auditorium for Christmas!

DRIVING AND DELIVERIES

SJE DRIVERS

We are finding in these days we can use some help with the picking up donations and/or making deliveries to families in need. If you are able to help with this, please email rectory@sjecm.org or call 631.878.0009. When we are in need, we would contact all drivers and if you are able to help, great! If you can't, no problem. We'll ask you next time!



ERNIE'S PLACE EXPRESS DROP-OFF

Many have asked if they can have their food donations shipped to St. John's for Ernie's Place, SJE's Food Pantry Ministry. The answer is YES! Please have them sent to the Rectory at 25 Ocean Avenue, Center Moriches, NY 11934 and we will get them to Ernie's Place.



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Advent Giving Tree



UPDATE:

HERE ARE SOME ITEMS WE ARE IN NEED OF THIS CHRISTMAS FOR OUR STREET MINISTRY AND FOR SHELTERS WE SUPPORT:

- ANY DEODORANT
- MEN'S UNDERWEAR SIZE 32-34 OR 36-38
- WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR PANT SIZE 4-6
- WINTER GLOVES

Please return the donated items **NEW AND UNWRAPPED**, You can drop them off in the rectory office. We will be running the Advent Giving Tree until the 4th Sunday of Advent. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Parish Social Ministry office at 631-878-0009 ext. 119.

Third Sunday of Advent



Weekly Scripture Reflection

In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." Let us ask for the grace to help others to know the love of the Lord.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

To arrange for a large furniture pick up, click here: <https://www.svdpli.org/get-involved/donate/schedule-pickup/schedule-a-pick-up-suffolk-county/>. **SJE DOES NOT ACCEPT FURNITURE ON CAMPUS.**

SJE is proud to have a St. Vincent de Paul Conference. We are always looking for new members. For more information, call 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org and your information will be shared with the leaders of the conference.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PHONE # 631.878.0009 + RECTORY @SJECM.ORG

Sister Ann Berendes + aberendes@sjecm.org + Director of Senior Ministry

Christian Diconsiglio Case Manager

Ernie's Place—Food Pantry Ministry: Katie Spellman

Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien—eveobrien@optonline.net

Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both

Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

IF YOU ARE IN NEED, PLEASE REACH OUT

If we are unable to assist you directly, we will be more than happy to connect you to resources that can help.

Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

During these days, please call to make an appointment. Our staff is here to serve you but not on campus at all times.

Please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120 to make an appointment.

Alternative office hours can be given upon request of appointment.

Ernie's Place (Food Pantry) - Monday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Thursdays 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Thrift Shop - Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Help out those in need!



Street Ministry — serving the homeless in our area each week.

Donations Needed: Adult Tee shirts + Adult Sweat Shirts + Adult Coats + Blankets
you can put them in a bag—just remember to label it street ministry— and drop off in the green bins. Thank you!

Ernie's Place Food Pantry — serving those in need on Mon. and Thurs.

Ernie's Place, SJE's Food Pantry Ministry, is beginning to manage with regular volunteers. We are looking for men and women age 18 and above to assist on Monday evenings and/or Thursday afternoons. While limited in the number of volunteers we can have in the pantry at one time, we would like have more available volunteers. If you're interested or would like some more information, please call the Parish Office or email to rectory@sjecm.org.

Donations Needed: Canned red kidney beans/black beans + Canned chicken + Canned tunafish + Canned Diced tomatoes + Tomato puree + pasta (Ziti, Rigatoni, Farfale, Elbow)



Chicken Ministry — taking care of God's creatures to provide for the poor!

Chicken Tenders Wanted— We are looking for volunteers to help care for the chickens and their coop. Morning shift is before 8:00 am and evening shift is at dusk. Please contact Lynn and Mike Walsh for details. Lynnwalshlcs@yahoo.com **Note: We are not taking any more egg crates.**



Thrift Shop — provide garments, gems and great items for the local community

Donations may only be left **in the green bins**. Anything left outside is discarded

Donations for all parish social ministries may be left in Fellowship Area of the Church or Rectory.

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Each week, we will try to share some different reflections about vocations. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the priesthood or religious life, please reach out to Fr. John for more information.

From “I Love You” to “I Love You”

“I love you”

Comes to birth, subterranean,
Underneath hardened layers of earth.
Moving tectonic plates patiently
Occasionally erupting spectacularly
Other times shifting ever so slightly, building tension,
Until a massive break
Sends a seismic shock through unsuspecting rock,
Unsettling settled states of thought.

“I love you”

Forms new mountains at which to marvel
And opens deep canyons
Bearing hidden crystal caves.
Laboring,
Out of primal core forces
Bearing new creation.

“I love you”

It just was the most believable utterance of that phrase I’ve ever heard, while sitting in an utterly unremarkable conference room transformed with incense and song into a place open to worship; somehow breaking through the stubborn habits of conventional self-assurance I felt forced to carry.

“I love you”

Carried me to demanding moral commitments
And difficult decisions.
It took over a decade
For me to admit my resentment;
To have the courage to question
whether I could honestly say yes
To where “I love you” had led,

“I love you”

Now felt like a snare
It’s beauty commanding my commitment
But it’s demands bearing dissatisfaction;
The doldrums between
“I love you” and “I love you”

From “I love you” to “I love you”

Is the journey of a vocation.
Our attempt to respond to love

Reveals the truth

That we are not what we ought to be.
We see, eventually,
That we don’t love that which has loved us freely
Or that we don’t love the ways of love
When it has lost its luster.

From “I love you” to “I love you”

Is the journey of faith;
To believe
That if you allow every other love
To stand in submission
That you are not letting everything that matters go
In a deranged act of self-immolation
But are instead selling all
For the pearl of greatest price.

From “I love you” to “I love you”

Requires transformation
Of amorous emotions.
Metanoia
Means more than abandoning sin;
This is only where to begin.
Metanoia
Means mining deep desires;
Ploughing through old pleasures.
And as farmers and miners know
It takes painstaking patience
To turn rough rock
And hard land
To a new life,
True
To its destined end.

From “I love you” to “I love you”

Is a pilgrim’s journey.
But blind
Not knowing
(Even if you think you know!)
What you will find,
What you must leave behind,
Or who you will become.
Persevere through the growing pains,
Because the promise
Is it’s better
than whatever you planned.

-Chris Williams, SJ

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS — Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading I: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16

The Lord speaks to Nathan.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

God strengthens the Gentiles in their understanding of the Gospel.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel visits Mary, who responds willingly to God.



Discussion Questions

1. Isaiah is the first to tell us “to bring glad tidings. ...” Jesus quotes Isaiah next ([Luke 4:18-19](#)) and Pope Francis repeats it again. How important is that message to you? Should the fact that we have “mistakes and infidelities” hinder us? How could those mistakes help us to help others?
2. What is the relationship between the Holy Spirit working in the depths of your spirit and God’s peace, applied to your body, soul, and spirit?
3. The Gospel has John the Baptist saying to the questioners, “There is one among you whom you do not recognize. ...” How about you? Do you recognize Christ in all the different faces and manners he comes to you each day?



Christmas Celebration with Oplatki

Families of Polish, Slovak and Lithuanian background observe this Christmas Eve Tradition. Family members and guests each are handed an oplatek and they each break off a piece from one another and eat it, expressing best wishes and blessings to each other, and asking for forgiveness. This is a tender, touching family celebration of love and forgiveness.



If this is something you would be interested in, please visit the Rectory to pick them up. There is no charge for these. Offering welcome.

Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

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

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

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia. Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes. **Favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.**

Requisitos:

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

Matrimonios:

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

R.I.C.A: Padre Jaime- 1-631.878.0009

Templos del Espiritu Santo (Grupo de Jovenes) cada sabado a las 5PM en el Red Barn

Feligreses de la comunidad Hispana de St. Juan Evangelista en Centro Moriches

*La subscripcion deben hacerla en linea usando la pagina de <http://www.stjohntheevangelist.com>.

*Hacer click en el cuadrito que dice "Baptisms."

*Usted puede ver el video que sigue en la pagina siguiente, o puede ir en la parte superior al texto que dice: "click here to continue with the process".

*Si no estas registrado como parroquiano de San Juan, debes hacer este paso primero, para que obtengas tu numero de parish ID.

*Si ya estas registrado, usa tu numero de Parish ID, para que llenes el registrado con los datos de tu bebe.



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PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

We Remember...

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

**-Entrance Antiphon, Funeral Mass
Laurence Alfano**

We Pray...

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

**Kelly-Jo McCarthy, John Carbone, Joi Nobisso,
Waleria Olivera de Souza, Meg Mihalik,**

Sr Jane Mullen, Theresa Cartolano, Sandy Fabricatore

Names will be announced at Mass the first week they are submitted and will remain on this list for approximately four weeks. If you would like a loved one's name placed under Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org

Praying for Our Military

US Army

Sgt. Justin Sikorski, PVT Bailey Meyer, PVT Sean Casey,
SGT Daniel Smith, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David
Smith, PVT Jack Dyer, SPC Jarrad Saturnino, PVT Mi-
chael Garcia Jr., SPC Daniel Sisco

US Air Force

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

US Marine Corps

Pfc Sean Brady, Patrick Kimes, Lt. Col. Robert K.
Maldonado, CPL Andrew Schlosberg PVT Charles
O'Connor, SGT Quentin Montemarano, Recruit Evan
Berkemeyer

US Navy

STGCS Brian Holzmacher, ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr.,
MMN3 Christopher J. Esposito Jr.

US Coast Guard

SR Brendan J. Bernath, Capt. Keith Donohue

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To reserve a Mass, come to the Parish
office or visit our web site.

**Available Masses in the upcoming
weeks:**

Spanish Evening Masses (7:30 p.m.):
Dec. 22, 26, 29

Christmas/New Years Masses:
Christmas Eve- 9:30PM

Remembering our Loved Ones

Helping our Parish

Altar Bread and Wine—for the month an offering of
\$150 is requested

Altar Candles—\$25.00 per week

*Altar bread and wine for the month of
December has been donated: In
memory of Michael Stachnik Jr*



PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 14, 2020 + Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m.	Patrick Joseph Kooney
12 Noon	Special Intention– Joan Murphy

Tuesday, December 15, 2020 + Advent Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Ethlyn Libardi
12 Noon	William Cantillo
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 + Advent Week-

7:00 a.m.	Joseph Aiello
12 Noon	Harold Clark

Thursday, December 17, 2020 + Advent Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Ellen Keane
12 Noon	Vera Montalbano

Friday, December 18, 2020 + Advent Weekday

7:00 a.m.	St. Mary Seraphine Liskiewicz
12 Noon	Frank & Sarh Fundaro

Saturday, December 19, 2020 + Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.	Philip Storch
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Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass of Anticipation

5:00 p.m.	Maria & Sebastiano Zapparrata
7:30 p.m.	The People of the Parish

Sunday

8:00 a.m.	Linda Savana
10:00 a.m..	Mildred & Leonard Popp
12:00 p.m.	Anna Catanzaro
6:00 p.m.	Maria & Sebastiano Zapparrata

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

RBMR—Red Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/RBUR—Upper Room SC –Seton Chapel

Monday, December 14, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
1:00 p.m.	OLQA Reconciliation Service	Church
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour for Priest Prayer Group	SC
7:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	RCIA (Spanish Community)	RBLR

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	Auditorium

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Baptismal Class	RBMR

Thursday, December 17, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RBMR
7:00 p.m.	Street Ministry	Convent

Friday, December 18, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	SC
7:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	RBMR

Saturday, December 19, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
9:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	SC

Sunday, December 20, 2020

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
10:30 a.m.	RCIA (English)	Cafeteria

Altar of Remembrance Photos

If you left a photo at our Altar of Remembrance, they can be picked up in the parish office.



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS (in the Blue House)

Monday—Thursday:
9 a.m.—8 p.m.

Friday—Saturday
9 a.m.—2 p.m.

*We ask that you call before
visiting any parish offices.*

Come and pray with us!

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Evening

5 p.m. + 7:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)

(Saturday Evening 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Masses
will be livestreamed.)

Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)



Sunday

Church: 8:00 a.m. + 10:00 a.m. + 12 Noon + 6:00 p.m.

Auditorium: 10:00 a.m.

Please call the Rectory or check SJE Social Media for latest updates.

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday—Friday: 7:00 a.m. + 12 Noon

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. (Spanish—Seton Chapel)

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

(The 7 a.m. Daily Mass will be livestreamed.)

Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Come and know God's Mercy!

We celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Monday—Friday: After the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses

Saturday: After the 8 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. + 7:00—7:15 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday: 5:30—5:45 p.m.

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

Come and know God's healing of the sick!

**Please contact the Rectory (631.878.0009, x. 9) for a priest to
celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick with the
seriously ill or those preparing for surgery.**

Give us a call!

A daily spiritual message is recorded each day for you to hear.

Call 631.878.0009, x. 185.

Share this with family members and friends who are homebound.

Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

All are invited to pray the Rosary after Daily Mass in the Church. In addition we pray the Rosary via Zoom each morning at 10 a.m.

Zoom Online Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81729471841?pwd=Y0FhQVNmVVcyaGp3eGxHNTVVSzJXUT09>

Meeting ID: 817 2947 1841

Passcode: 560695

Zoom Phone #: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Extra Rosary beads are available at the doors of the Church and Seton Chapel. Not sure how to pray the Rosary? Click [here](#)— or click here and pray online—https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtJM_V8scoo

Come to know Mary, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

The Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed on Mondays after the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses.

Booklets are provided. We ask that you take the booklet and keep it, bringing it back each Monday. You can also view it online here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zfrp55orahg>.

Come to the quiet!

The church building and Seton Chapel (located in the white convent building) are open from Monday - Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. + Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

All who visit must sign in, wash their hands in the bathroom or use sanitizer before entering the worship space, and keep a safe social distance from others.

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Seton Chapel Mondays —Fridays from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. All are invited to quiet times of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament when the Church and Seton Chapel are open.

Liturgy of the Hours
Pray the prayer for this day, this hour!



coronavirus emergency
www.cfbn.org

Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours!

The communal celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours is postponed until further notice. Those who wish to pray may visit univialis.com or you can click [here](#) for Ibreviary or scan the QR code to the left. You may also download the app for your iphone or android device. Those who wish to pray may pick up a *Christian Prayer* book from the lobby of Seton Chapel to keep in these days.



All are encouraged to stay connected with our local and global church through the Catholic Faith Network (CFN).

CFN is available on
Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296,
and Charter Spectrum channel 162/471
and can be accessed via catholicfaithnetwork.org