

# 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



# **First Sunday of Advent** Let us walk in the light of the Lord! - Isaiah 2:5



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### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

(in the Blue House) Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12 + 1 - 8 p.m.Friday and Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Un traductor español está disponible los martes por la noche.)

Come and pray with us! SUNDAY MASS

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Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. + 7:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass) Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon, 5:30p.m. WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. and 12 Noon, Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

### Come and know God's mercy!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated every day after Daily Mass in the church. The sacrament is also celebrated in the church on Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and from 7:00 to 7:15 p.m. (Spanish). Confessions are also heard on Sundays from 5:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

### Come to the quiet!

The church building is open from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 7 p.m., if not later, daily. Seton Chapel, in the white convent building, is open around 8 a.m. and also remains open to approximately 7 p.m. Take some time to open your heart to the voice of God.

### Come and spend some time with the Lord!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Seton Chapel on Mondays from 3:00 p.m. - 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### Come and know God's healing of the sick!

Please contact the Rectory (631.878.0009) for a priest to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick with the seriously ill or those preparing for surgery. Please also let us know if a loved one is sick so we can pray for them at Mass and list their name in the bulletin.

### Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours

We pray the Liturgy of the Hours. Mondays at 3 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. in Seton Chapel. Thursdays at 1 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. in Seton Chapel. Saturdays and Sundays after Evening Mass in Our Lady's Chapel in the Church.

### Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

**ROSARY:** We pray the Rosary every day after Daily Mass in Our Lady's Chapel in the church building.

**MONDAYS** + We pray the Miraculous Medal Novena after 7 a.m. Mass in the church building and at 7:30 p.m. in Seton Chapel in the Convent.

# **ADVENT AND THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR**

Our new liturgical year begins this weekend with the celebration of the First Sunday of Advent. Here are some things for your consideration!

• As we have done in the past, each week we will offer a different blessing of Church for you (and/or your family to pray. Please make use of these blessings.



• We have available editions of *Sunday's Word 2020*. You can pick them up and take them with you. A free will offering of \$5.00 is requested but not required. You can place your offering in one of the Poor Boxes. These books contain all of the Sunday readings as well as the psalm and antiphons for Daily Mass. They can picked up in the Vestry or in the Parish Office. (If we are out of them as you read this, more are on the way.) Ideally, please read the Scriptures before coming to Mass and open your ears and hearts while at Mass to hear God's Word.

• During the Sunday Masses of Advent, we will use the Entrance Antiphon from the *Roman Missal*. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* encourages the use of the antiphon each week. It's purpose - and that of the Entrance Hymmis to "open the celebration, foster the unity of those gathered, introduce their thoughts to the mystery of the liturgical time or festivity and accompany the procession of the Priest and ministers" (47). We hope to continue this practice in other seasons as well.



- We will use a new music setting for Advent and Christmas—Mass of Our Lady. It will be familiar to you. Pay attention the ways our music changes in this liturgical season. You'll hear some different sounds, some quieter ones, as we prepare for the joyous season of Christmas!
- During the season of Advent (and the season of Lent), the Gloria is not said or sung. It creates a sense of anticipation. Store up your fervor for the Vigil of Christmas or Christmas Day.
- Look for some opportunities to grow deeper in the dark and quiet times of Advent. Take some quiet time in the Church or Seton Chapel, attend Handel's Messiah, pray for those we will serve in these holidays, come early to Mass or praying quietly in Our Lady's Chapel after Mass or join a ministry or prayer group and so much more. Do not do these things to "do" things. Rather, enter them hoping to create a deeper space for Christ to dwell.
- Advent Reconciliation. This year, because of the day Christmas falls, we will not have one extended ed period of Reconciliation on the Monday before Christmas. Rather, we will offer extended times on the following dates:

Saturday, December 21—Confessions begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, December 22—Confessions begin at 4 p.m. Monday, December 23—Confession end at 2 p.m.

(or later, if necessary) after the 12 Noon Mass.

Of course you can always contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with one of our priests. Please do your best to receive the Sacrament in the Church during one of our regular times or the extended times noted above.

# **ADVENT 2018**

# **Blessing of the Advent Wreath**

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord. **Response (R/.)** Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, <u>Isaiah 9:</u> (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or <u>Isaiah 63</u> (lines 16-17 & 19) or <u>Isaiah 64</u> (lines 2-7) is read: **Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **R/.** Thanks be to God.

### With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.  $\mathbf{R}$ . Amen.

#### The blessing may conclude with a verse from

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel": O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind; bid ev'ry sad division cease and be thyself our Prince of peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

—From *Catholic Household Blessings-"http://store.usccb.org/catholic-household-blessings-and-prayers-p/5-645.htm" Then, a member of the family lights the first Advent candle. Another member of the family says following prayer:* 

All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever. ~AMEN.

# Christmas Spiritual Bouquet Cards

Join in the Mass intentions for the Masses of Christmas by using the Christmas Spiritual Bouquet cards which are now available throughout the church. These cards are a wonderful and meaningful way for you to remember your loved ones at Christmas and to have them prayed for at Masses during the Christmas season. Return the envelope with your donation in the collection basket or bring it to the rectory, and keep the card to send your Christmas Spiritual Bouquet.



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### **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**

SJE PRESENTS

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Last year we handed out gifts to over 100 children in our community and this year we could use all of the help we can possibly get!

We ask that any donation such as toys and clothing is unwrapped. We are one of the few parishes who still collects gifts and allows parents of the children to pick the toys out themselves.

Our distribution of gifts is December 14th so we ask that all donations are made prior!

Gifts can be dropped off in the main entrance of the church or the Red Barn (Monday - Thursday 10AM - 12PM or 1PM-3PM):

> FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ALEX FINTA AT 631-878-0009

### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

# advent Giving Tree

In addition to our Christmas Toy Drive, Parish Social Ministry is also running an "Advent Giving Tree" that will benefit our Street Ministry in addition to a number of other local organizations that help the less fortunate. One of which is Penantes, who runs a large women 's shelter in our area.

In the main entrance of the church, there will be a Christmas tree that will have paper ornaments with an item needed. Please take one, or as many as you'd like, and then return the item by placing it in the box next to the Christmas free the next time you come to mass. If you need to drop it off at a different time, please drop it off in the Parish Office (Blue House) during normal hours.

Please return the donated items UNWRAPPED. We will be running the Advent Giving Tree until the 4th Sunday of Advent. If you have any questions, please reach out to Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 119

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# THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN CENTER MORICHES Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School

### **PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION DAY**

On Thursday, November 21, OLQA showered Fr John with love via confetti and letters to show our appreciation for him on Principal Appreciation Day (even though he tried to remove it from the calendar :). Each student in the school wrote a letter of gratitude to Fr. John and presented him with them. OLQA is so grateful for the great gift of who Fr. John is and for the many ways he goes above and beyond in serving all of us here at the Catholic School in Center Moriches. We love you!! If you have a moment, join us in our gratitude by offering up a small prayer to God for Fr. John.



### **GETTING READY FOR COLLEGE**



Student in the Mission work on a two-year research project entitled PROJECT REACH (Resarch + Excellence + Academics + Catholicism + Hope). They choose of topic of interest to them, are assigned mentors who are experts or practitioners in their field of study and work at St. Joseph's College. They receive access to the SJC Library and online access to database and research engines. Students now are writing their introduction and gathering the source for their review of the literature. Project REACH is co-coordinated by Mrs. Gina DePaola and Mrs. Antonia Flaherty.

For more information about the Catholic School in Center Moriches, contact us at 631.878.0009 or e-mail jsureau@olqany.org.



You're Invited! to become part of the "Family of Families" Early Childhood Program at the Catholic School in Center Moriches ACCEPTING ADMISSIONS FOR: ~NURSERY & PRE-K - JAN 2020 ~K-8 FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR 2 St. John's Place, Center Moriches 631-878-1033 + olqany.org

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

# Welcome Back, Deacon Raf!

This past summer we lived, worked and prayed with Seminarian Rafal Borowiejski in the Summer of 2019. On Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, Raf was ordained a deacon by Timothy Cardinal Dolan of the Archdiocese of New York. Deacon Raf lives at St. Mary's in Roslyn while attending classes at St. Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoodie.

Deacon Raf will return to SJE and serve and preach

# NEXT SUNDAY – December 8, 2019

### 12 Noon Mass

Please come and pray with us!



# COMMISSIONING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

On Sunday, November 24, 2019, we prayed for and commissioned some of our parish's newest Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These men and women attended training in the Spring of 2019. They serve at our daily and Sunday Masses and bring communion to the sick and the homebound. Please pray for:

> Kathleen Andresen Perrilynn Baldelli Kelly Boogertman Kevin Both Pasquale Cozza Lorraine Hickey Judy Iannone Shannon Luongo Colleen Nizza Laura Oettinger



Do you want to learn more about this ministry? Diocesan training takes place in Spring 2020. For more information, contact Fr. John at <u>jsureau@sjecm.org</u> or leave a message in the Rectory at 631.878.0009.

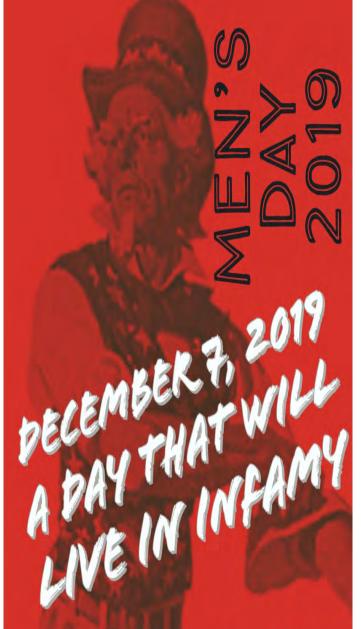


# **Altar of Remembrance**

Thank you to each person and family who gave us the honor and privilege of praying with you for your loved ones throughout the month of remembrance in November. Any remaining pictures and prayers can be found in the Vestry – on the right side of the Fellowship Area as you enter the main entrance of the Church. Ask one of our sacristans or ushers for some help if needed.

All holy men and women, pray for us!

# WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE



# FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, CONFESSIONS, AND MASS IN THAT ORDER. A DAY OF Encouragement for catholic men.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST R.C. CHURCH 25 OCEAN AVE. CENTER MORICHES, NY 11934 PHONE: 631-878-0009 Sp Adobe Spark

# CHRISTMAS

# LIGHTING PROJECT

Thanks to our parishioners who have started to take the "lead" in decorating our buildings for Christmas!

Our set up date is December 7th at 8:30 a.m.

We'll meet at the Convent Deck and begin working from there.







Can you help us out? If so, come on down! If possible, let us know you're coming – even better! Email Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

See you on December 7<sup>th</sup>!



# WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

# THE CHORAL SOCIETY OF THE MORICHES

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### DECEMBER 1, 2019 3:00PM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF RIVERHEAD 108 NORTHVILLE TURNPIKE RIVERHEAD, NY 11901

# DECEMBER 13, 2019 7:30рм

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST RC CHURCH 25 OCEAN AVENUE CENTER MORICHES, NY 11934

IN COLLABORATION WITH

THE NEW INLET CHAMBER ORCHESTRA DR. RICHARD WRIGHT, CONDUCTOR

TICKETS ARE \$20 AND MAY BE PURCHASED AT WWW.MORICHESCHORAL.ORG OR AT THE DOOR.

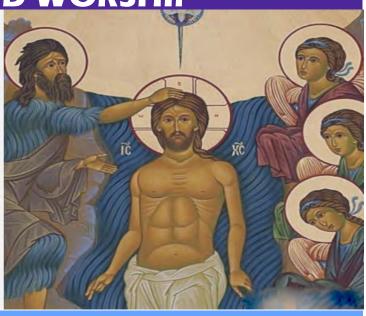


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# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

# BELONGING BAPTISM TEAM MEMBERS WANTED!

ARE YOU LOOKING TO HELP YOUR PARISH IN A BIG WAY, BUT DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME? IF SO, THE BAPTISM TEAM MAY BE THE PLACE FOR YOU! WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FEW, FRIENDLY VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUR YOUNG FAMILIES KNOW THEY BELONG HERE AT SJE! FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT FR. MICHAEL AT MPLONA@SJECM.ORG OR 631-878-0009



**Seton Chapel** (located in the Convent building – The White House)

Seton Chapel is open each day from 7 a.m. to the early evening. **We gather in Seton Chapel for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Mondays – 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. / Thursdays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. **Mass – in Spanish** – Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. **Liturgy of the Hours** Mondays – Midday Prayer – 3 p.m. / Night Prayer – 8:45 p.m. Thursdays – Midday Prayer – 12 Noon / Evening Prayer – 4:45 p.m.





### **CHICKEN MINISTRY**

SJE's Chicken Ministry is off and running! We are happy to welcome Dorothy, Blanche, Rose and Sophia to our beautiful chicken coop. The ladies are settling in nicely to their new home. If you would like to be a part of the Chicken Ministry, please contact Fr. Michael at mplona@sjecm.or call at 631.878.0009.



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### **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**

Alex Finta + afinta@sjecm.org +Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 119) Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien—eveobrien@optonline.net + Helen Williams—hannah51@optonline.net + Jeri Eten—jeten@optonline.net Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both - counts2n2@aol.com Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora—msikora@sjecm.org



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

Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

Monday-Thursday: 10:00AM-12:00PM, 1:00PM-3:00PM.

<u>Please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120 to make an appointment. Alternative office hours can be given</u> 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.

> Alcoholics Anonymous- Offered daily @ 6:30 AM & Tuesdays, 7:30 PM– Red Barn Meeting Room



ALANON– Thursdays, @ 7PM– Red Barn Meeting Room AA Men's– Sundays @ 8AM– Red Barn Meeting Room



# SJE STREET MINISTRY

The Street Ministry is continuously serving 60-90 individuals and families every Thursday night, many of whom are homeless. We are tremendously grateful for all of the donations that continue to allow us to do this work. We are in need of the following:

### Winter Coats + Travel Shampoo + Shaving Cream + Women's Socks + Men's Socks + Women's Deodorant

Financial donations are most welcome as they allow us to purchase items as they are needed. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office. We would also be most grateful for gift cards to places such as the Dollar Store or Walmart so we can obtain these items.

Donations may be dropped off to the Parish Office (Blue House) during normal business hours or Parish Social Ministry Office (Red Barn) Monday-Thursday 10:00AM-12:00PM or 1:00PM-3:00PM.

### Chefs/volunteers needed. Every Thursday night.

Set up begins at 5:45 p.m. at the convent. At 6:45 p.m. vans leave SJE and return around 8:45. We are now making two stops so we need more volunteers! If you're interested in cooking a tray of food or going out with the van please contact Alex Finta (afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 119.)

### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF



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Health Services HEALTHY SUNDAYS

of Long Island At the heart of health

# Next Sunday, December 8, 2019 10:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. **(a)** SJE

### We provide:

- Flu vaccinations for those 18 and older
  - Blood pressure screenings
  - Health education material
  - Resources for those without insurance
    - Children's activities
      - Refreshments

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### Food Drive– Free Oil Change

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." St Mother Theresa.

We try to approach every day with this thought in mind. How can we strive to lead by example? This is our second year writing to you, our fellow parishioners. This is an exciting time for everyone as we enter the season of advent. As the excitement builds for Christmas, we are thankful for our friends, family and customers that enabled us to donate 80 turkeys to Ernie's Place at St John the Evangelist this year. Now, as we continue into the holiday season, we are taking up our annual food drive. This will be our 9th year collecting food for families in need. From November 30th to the December 21st when you bring in \$20 of non-perishable food you will receive a free engine oil

and filter change along with a tire rotation. We ask that you please check all expiration dates, as expired items will not be eligible. As always, we appreciate your continued support. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe Happy New Year.





Leuthardt's **Christmas Tree Farm** This December, all aboard the Candy Apple Express!

### 607 Montauk Highway, East Moriches 631-878-1387

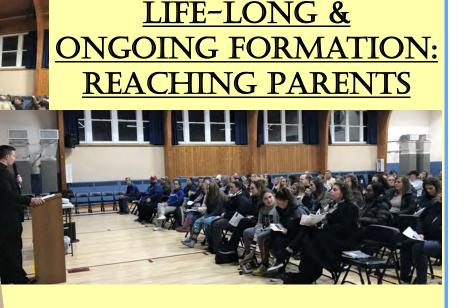
For a fun and interactive ride, please come and join the Leuthardt Family Farm where the experience is priceless.

The Candy Apple Express is a wagon tour of the nursery, it will run from the weekends of November 30th & December 1st, 7th & 8th and 14th & 15th.

Christmas caroling, arts and crafts, hot chocolate, baked goods and a gift shop. Harry Leuthardt Nurseries has chosen to give four charities 10% of every purchase made from LEUTHARDT'S CHRISTMAS TREE FARM. These charities are: DRVC Catholic Charities, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Hope House Ministries and Camp Paquatuck.

# FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext 5 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11AM-12Noon; 1PM-4:30PM (RED BARN, Upstairs)



Last month, we held our first parent meetings for Levels 1, 2, 7 & 8. Fr. John and Fr. Michael presented on topics ranging from deepening prayer and relationship with God to social justice and the common good. These gatherings are an opportunity for parents to grow in their faith and gain the tools they need to pass the faith on to their children in engaging ways.

# SAFETY ASSEMBLY

Our students in Levels 1 & 2 and Levels 3 & 4 came together for a safety training session through the *Child Lures: Think First, Stay Safe* program. Students were reminded that they are created in the image and likeness of God and should treat one another with kindness and respect. These interactive lessons help teach children how healthy family and social relation-

ships should look, act and feel, as well provide students with knowledge of what to do if they find themselves in an unsafe situation.



# **YOUTH MINISTRY**

Serving Justice Excellently **YOUTH SERVICE CORPS** 

There is such a great need for service in the life of our parish and often a huge number of young people who want to help those in need. This new Service Corps is one way to make this connection.



### Here's how it works:

- 1. **ANY** middle school, high school and college aged students send their contact information to Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org (You do not need to already be a part of Youth Ministry to be part of the Service Corps.)
- 2. As requests for help come from or come into our parish, you'll be contacted to see if you can help.
- 3. If you can help with a particular project, great! If not, no problem. You'll be contacted for the next one!

### It really is that easy!!! SIGN UP TODAY by

completing the form below or e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

#### YES!!! Sign me up for the Youth Service Corps at SJE Name

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Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail\_\_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_

As of September 2019, I am in (list grade)

\_\_\_Middle School \_\_\_\_High School

### Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

### **MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS**

**Dirección de la Oficina:** 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934

Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009

Horas especiales para asistencia en español: Martes- 7 PM – 8 PM

Santa Misa: Sábados - 7:30 PM, Martes - 7:30 PM en el Convent (La Casa Blanca)

Confesiones: Sábado - 7 PM en la Iglesia

**Bautismos:** Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia. Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes. Locación – en el granero (la casa roja) a las 7 PM.

# 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.

**Exposición del Santísimo (adoración):** Jueves, 12:00PM - 8:00PM

**Renovación Carismática:** Viernes 7:00 pm en el granero (la casa roja).

**R.I.C.A (Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos):** Padre Michael 1-631.878.0009

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



¿Usted o alguien que usted conoce tiene más de 7 años y necesita los Sacramentos del Bautismo, la Comunión o la Confirmación? Por favor, póngase en contacto con Gregorio Chavez en p-chavez@hotmail.com para el próximo paso a seguir. Gracias.

St. John the Evangelist

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# PRAYER AND WORSHIP COME JOIN OUR LADY'S ARMY FIRST FRI THE LEGION OF MARY On First Friday

One of the wonderful ways to become more involved in parish life here at St. John the Evangelist is through The Legion of Mary. The Legion meets regularly and welcomes you to join in praying the rosary, spiritual readings, and discussing service to our neighbors in need.



Membership is open to men and women of all ages. The Legion is a great opportunity to join a community of faith-in-action, grow closer to Jesus and Mary, and support our Pastor and our church. Active Member activities include evangelization work, visits to the sick and aged, outreach to our neighbors, religious education, prison and hospital ministry, and escorting the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima to homes in the parish. We also lead our parish's First Saturday Program, sponsor St. John's annual May Crowning of our Lady, and promote special events, pilgrimages, and retreats with other Legions on Long Island.

The Legion of Mary meets every Thursday at 4:00 PM in our Red Barn. Individuals unable to commit to active membership can support us in prayer through auxiliary membership. Please call Judy Paulsen at 631-878-5872 or Christine Cappiello at 631-757-9834 for more information. Come spread the love of Jesus with our Lady's help.



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# **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS**

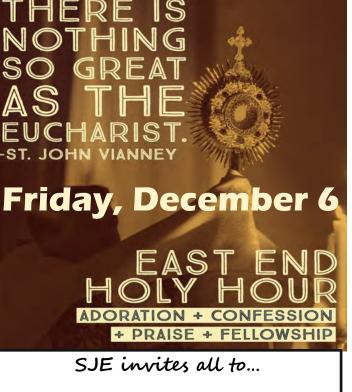
On First Friday—including this upcoming Friday:

• We will pray Prayers and the Litany to the Sacred Heart after the 7:00 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and at 6:30 p.m.

• The East End Holy Hour will be held.

• The opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation will continue to be offered after the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and around the East End Holy Hour.

Let's pray that for those who are able and so desire, this devotion may inspire a deeper conversion to the ways of the Lord.



# First Saturday Devotions

December 7, 2019 7:30 a.m. Rosary and Confession 8:00 a.m. Mass followed by breakfast in the Cafeteria



# **MUSIC MINISTRIES** @ SJE

Andrew McKeon, Director of Music Ministies—music@sjecm.org. Stephanie Llengyel— Children's Choir Director—sllengyel@gmail.com Tess Austin—5:30 Mass Band Director—tessaustin1624@gmail.com

#### Dear SJE Family:

On November 22nd, the Church celebrated the Feast of St. Cecilia. As we reflect on this feast day, I invite you to be part of an opportunity to strengthen and enhance our music ministry at SJE!

I would like to begin the *Friends of Music* here at St. John the Evangelist beginning this Fall. We are already busy preparing for a year of music and another wonderful season here at St. John the Evangelist. I am continually amazed at the dedication and talent of so many people from our parish who come together to make beautiful music for the praise and glory of God; we are indeed richly blessed. With the generosity of our patrons in the *Friends of Music*, we will be able to offer even more beautiful music for our liturgies, concerts, and special programs throughout the year.

Contributions will be used to directly support the music program at St. John the Evangelist including Advent Lessons and Carols, concerts, additional brass, woodwind, and string instruments for special liturgies for Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost. Acknowledgments will be made in programs for our concerts and special musical offerings throughout the year as well is in our parish bulletin. Contributions can be given at any of the following levels:

- ◆ St. Cecilia (\$350 or more)
- Schola Cantorum (\$200 to \$349)
- Cantor's Circle (\$100 to \$199)
- Psalmist's Platform (\$50 to \$99)
- Chorister's Guild (\$25 to \$49)
- Angelic Chorus (up to \$24)

To contribute, please mail or bring complete form below and a check made payable to St John the Evangelist in an envelope to the Parish Office: Attn Andrew McKeon. In addition, you may make your donation online by visiting www.sjecm.org. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at 631-878-0009 or Music@sjecm.org

Please consider being a part of our music history at SJE! God bless you in advance for your generosity, and support.

- Andrew McKeon

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# **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

### **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 loving memory of Helen Langone.



This week, the Blessed Mother candle has been lit in memory of Kathleen Igoe.

# Stewardship

How can I repay the LORD for all the great good done for me?

• Psalm 116:2

### Due to early submission deadlines, collection information for 11/24 will be published in a future bulletin.

"The nuns let lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

# **SJE WEAR**

We have a limited number of SJE T-shirts and other items remaining.

T-shirts- \$10 Hoodies- \$25 Hats-\$15 Water bottles- \$4 Car magnets- \$3



You can pick one up at the Rectory during regular office hours.

Great Christmas gifts for early shoppers!

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Second Sunday of Advent

### Reading I: Isaiah 11:1-10

*A* shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse. Peace and justice will triumph.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

### Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9

*Live in harmony with one another.* 

**Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12 John the Baptist begins to preach in the desert.



The Sanctifier

### WOMEN'S GROUP-COME HOLY SPIRIT FALL AFRESH ON US!

Our Women's group is continuing to meet every other Mon., at 10:00am to 11:30am, in the convent.

We will be reading The

Sanctifier, by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez. Come and join us as we learn how The Holy Spirit Leads us to Holiness, Directs us, Inspires us, Teaches how to use the gifts we have been given, what our gifts are, etc. This book is a treasure chest of knowledge that will empower us to live a more fruitful and spiritual life. We will also share how The Holy Spirit is working in our lives. **Meetings**:12-2, 12-16, 12-30.

Facilitators: Anita Luccari, Carol Ketcham. Call 631-878-0009 to register.

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# **PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER**

### **We Believe**

Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. -Rite of Baptism, 2 Our Newly Baptized: Stella Rae Goldstein

### We Celebrate

"The sacrament (of Matrimony) is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses, since "their mutual belonging is a real representation, through the sacramental sign, of the same relationship between Christ and the Church." —Pope Francis,

The Joy of Love, 55

III. Sean Davis and Heather Watson

### We Pray...

"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials..." -1 Peter 1:6 Christopher Correll, Juliana Gales, Marilyn Stein, Allison Colombi-Candelore

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, SPC Justin Daisy, SPC Olivia Cordero, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David Smith, PVT Jack Dyer

**US Air Force** 

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens, SMSgt James Nizza 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

Please pray for our parish family members serving abroad in the military. Family members, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org to add or update your loved one's status if they have returned.

### Light the Way of the Saints

You may have noticed that the candles have been re-installed 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.

We can use some support in keeping those candles lit. We invite parishioners to make an offering for a candle, perhaps near a particular saint of significance for you. Reference of the offering will be included in the bulletin where we acknowledge offerings of bread and wine

To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office.



# **MUSIC MINISTRY** 1st Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019 Advent Entrance Antiphon #511 - Lift Up Your Heads #1031 - Taste and See #501 - People, Look East

# 2nd Sunday of Advent

**December 8, 2019** Advent Entrance Antiphon #504 -The King Shall Come #1033 - Eat This Bread #503 - On Jordan's Bank

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# **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **MAKING THINGS OFFICIAL**

We ask that all individuals and families who participate in the parish life of SJE register in the parish. It's pretty simple! Just contact the Parish Office and one of the members of our Pastoral Team will meet and greet you and maybe even show you around the place. Please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail rectory@sjecm.org.

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We love to welcome new people into Catholic faith! Baptism ceremonies are held every Sunday at 2 p.m. Parents wishing to have a child baptized must meet with one of our parish priests or deacon and be part of our Belonging preparation process before the Baptism. Contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org for more information!

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Our parish wants to pray for and with those who are seriously ill or facing surgery, as well as those in danger of death, should receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Parish Office and ask for one of our priests. To include you or your loved one's name on our sick list, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org. In addition, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring communion to the homebound—both those tempo-

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

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Elizabeth Harrington Angelo Rollo

rarily unable to attend Mass and those who more permanently cannot attend Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

Do you want to become Catholic? We want you to become Catholic too! Adults who wish to be baptized, or who have been baptized in another Christian faith and wish to become Catholic, or who have been baptized Catholic and wish to be confirmed and receive Holy Communion, are invited to join the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rcia@sjecm.org.

### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Adults who have been baptized Catholic and who have received Holy Communion but who desire the Sacrament of Confirmation should enroll in our Adult Confirmation process. This process begins during Lent each year and concludes on the Vigil of Pentecost. Please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rcia@sjecm.org.

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Catholics planning to be married should receive the Sacrament of Matrimony. Please contact the Parish Office at least SIX MONTHS before the desired date of your wedding. To begin this process, you will meet with one of our parish's priests. You can do this by contacting the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

Are you married civilly and want to have your marriage recognized by the Catholic Church? We are happy to help! Please contact the Parish Office and we will walk with you through this simple and engaging process.

	PREPARIN	<b>IG FOR</b>		
MEETINGS OF THE WEEK				
RBMR—Red	l Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/ <b>RBUR</b> –	–Upper Room		
Monday, December 2, 2019				
4:30 p.m.	FF Classes	School		
5:00 p.m.	СҮО	Auditorium		
7:00 p.m.	Baptism Rehearsal	Church		
7:15 p.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena	Seton Chapel		
Tuesday, De	cember 3, 2019			
9:30 a.m.	Bible Study	RBMR		
4:30 p.m.	FF Classes	School		
6,7,8 p.m.	СҮО	Auditorium		
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Church		
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Church		
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	RBUR		
7:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	Faculty Rm.		
Wednesday,	December 4, 2019			
9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop		
6,8 p.m.	СҮО	Auditorium		
6:00 p.m.	Scouts 1227	Cafeteria		
Thursday, D	ecember 5, 2019			
4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RBMR		
5:30,7,8 PM	СҮО	Auditorium		
Friday, December 6, 2019				
6:30 p.m.	K of C Bingo	Auditorium		
7:00 p.m.	East End Holy Hour	Church		
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Seton Chapel		
Saturday, December 7, 2019				
7:30 a.m.	First Saturday Devotions	Cafeteria		
8:30 a.m.	FF Classes	School		
11:00 a.m.	Men's Day	Auditorium		
5:45 p.m.	Spanish Youth Group	RBMR		
Sunday, December 8, 2019				
4:00 p.m.	Mass Band Rehearsal	Church		
9:30 a.m.	CHS Healthy Sunday	Auditorium		
10:00 a.m.	Family Life Ministry	Cafeteria		

### BRINGING UP THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE

St. John's invites family members of those for whom the Mass is being offered to bring up the gifts of bread and wine at that Mass. (On the weekend, please inform any of the ushers 10 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass).

HE WEEK AHEAD				
	MASS SCHEDULE			
<b>Monday, December 2, 2019</b> Advent Weekday				
7:00 a.m.	Erin Norton			
12 Noon	William Thoma			
Tuesday, December 3, 2019 St. Francis Xavier, Priest				
7:00 a.m.	Alana Michelle Davidson			
12 Noon	Harold Nagle			
7:30 p.m.	Antoinette Riccardi			
Advent We	mascene, Priest and Doctor of the			
7:00 a.m.	Fr. Michael Carroll			
12 Noon	Kathryn Wykle			
<b>Thursday, E</b> Advent We	December 5, 2019 ekday			
7:00 a.m.	Vivian Cordeiro			
12 Noon	Robert A. Bruno			
Friday, December 6, 2019 Advent Weekday St. Nicholas, Bishop				
7:00 a.m.	Diana Monaco			
12 Noon	Ashley DeLuca			
Saturday, December 7, 2019 St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church				
8:00 a.m. Joseph Dusenberry				
Second Sunday of Advent				
Mass of An	ticipation			
5:00 p.m.	Beatrice Cromarty Liebenow			
7:30 p.m.	Fr. Martin Klein			
Sunday				
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish			
9:00 a.m.	Christine Lisa			
10:30 a.m.	Kathleen and Eugene Schultz			
12:00 p.m.	Ruth and Myron Ramus			
5:30 p.m.	Special Intention- Alexander and Joan Turpin			