

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church

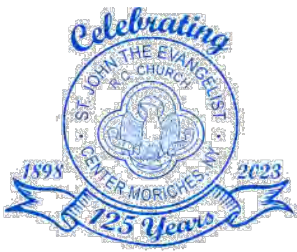


January 14, 2024

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Here am I, Lord; here am I, Lord; I come to do your will”

Psalm 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9,10



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OLQA

- Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School**
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Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033
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Office Hours

- Parish Office - Blue House**
- Monday - Thursday:**
9 AM - 8 PM
Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.
- Friday - Saturday**
9 AM - 2 PM
We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

OUR PARISH MISSION

Inspired by our Patron, St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Center Moriches seeks to bring the light of Christ to a world in need, so that as Christ has done, we may also do. From the celebration of the Eucharist, we are sent forth to serve God and neighbor through ministries of formation, education and outreach.

-Mission Statement

Church Hours

Monday through Friday 6:30 AM - 2:45 PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Seton Chapel (Convent) - Monday through Friday
3:00 - 7:00 PM

Next Weekend’s Schedule

Saturday, January 20th

5:00 PM - Fr. Jerry
7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter
(Saturday Evening 5 PM and 7:30 PM Masses will be livestreamed. Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Sunday, January 21st

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick
10:00 AM - Fr. Patrick
12 noon - Fr. Felix
6:00 PM - Msgr. Walden

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

Mass Schedule

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.

A Message from Deacon Michael...



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

I suppose most people when given the choice would prefer the extraordinary over the ordinary. After the wonders of the Christmas Season, we are back in “ordinary time,” and it can feel somewhat of a let-down. Yet in this life, no one can sustain a heightened sense of exhilaration and spectacle for very long. Emotionally we need to come back to earth and return to the everyday and commonplace, since life here and now is but the journey to our true home, not the final destination. Plus, a run of ordinary days gives us the opportunity to reset and prepare for the next celebration!

While the Christmas truth of God becoming genuinely human is a most extraordinary, still it is an event in time that changes all time. In this way, “ordinary time” in the Christian liturgical year is still rather special, since the extraordinary figure of Jesus Christ remains our focus, and His incarnate presence in our world and in our lives has not ceased. Emmanuel - God with us - continues to be true each and every day, especially in the Eucharist. Indeed, the Eucharist, the Real Presence of Jesus Christ who fills our churches and dwells in our souls every time we receive Him, is both extraordinary and ordinary. The Eucharist is the extraordinary in the ordinary.

The Eucharist is so extraordinary that many sincere believers in Jesus Christ do not believe Jesus truly meant eight simple words: “This is my body. This is my blood.” Somehow they think that Jesus, the best of teachers, misspoke because he said “is” when he should have said “symbolizes.” To believe that Jesus changes ordinary bread and wine into his very Body and Blood precisely so that we may consume Him is an extraordinary truth. Yet not to believe it is to prefer the not-Jesus over Jesus, as if it is somehow better to have a symbol of Jesus than to receive Jesus Himself.

And yet what is equally wonderful about the Eucharist is that it is also so very ordinary. The Eucharist is given as the simplest and most common of foods - bread, the one form of food that most people eat every day. Even though an extraordinary transformation takes place unseen in the consecration (a one-of-a-kind change described by a one-of-a-kind term: *transubstantiation*), yet no apparent change takes place. Our senses detect no difference - it looks and tastes like bread before and after.

Because Hollywood movies have made us expect special effects to dramatize extraordinary moments, we might feel short-changed that the changing of bread and wine into Christ’s very Body and Blood is not accompanied by sensible signs. But we should appreciate the divine wisdom in the way Christ has chosen to give us His Body and Blood under the appearance of bread and wine, for two reasons. First, if the change of the bread and wine meant that they also began to look like human flesh and blood, would you need faith to accept it? To accept the change of the reality - bread into Body, wine into Blood - without the change in appearance (still looks like bread and wine), requires trusting Jesus’ words over what your senses tell you. This is not unlike what the apostles had to do, for by their senses they only saw that Jesus was a man, but by faith in what Jesus told them they knew Him to be true God. Remember, God rewards faith in the unseen. Be thankful, then, that the Eucharist retains the appearance of bread and wine, because by believing it to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, your faith will save you.

Second, if the change of substance also included a corresponding change in appearance, how willing would you be to obey Jesus’ command to take and eat and take and drink? I assure you; it would not be easy. Be thankful then that the Eucharist still appears as something ordinary, for under the simple sign of bread and wine Jesus is the true food for our souls.

Next Saturday and Sunday, January 20 & 21, we will have the extraordinary opportunity to ponder these matters by visiting the exhibit on Eucharistic Miracles of the World in the school auditorium (see the full page ad on page 5 for details). The exhibit chronicles the work of an extraordinary young man of our time, Blessed Carlos Acutis who, in his great devotion and love for the Eucharist, established a website on the many historical Eucharistic miracles that have occurred in our Catholic Tradition. A Eucharistic miracle is when God permits the Eucharist to change its appearance into the underlying reality, so that it then looks like the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. This is when the Eucharist, extraordinary Reality in ordinary appearance, becomes completely extraordinary. Please take the time to visit the exhibit, and after praising God for these miracles, praise Him also that the Eucharist given as our food still appears in such a simple, ordinary way.

Preparing for the Week

Saturday, January 13th Weekday

5:00 PM Charles Dorchak
 7:30 PM *Spanish* Goncalo Rego

Sunday, January 14th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Rose Olsen
 10:00 AM People of the Parish
 12:00 Noon Joan O'Connor
 6:00 PM Sandy Fabricatore

Monday, January 15th Weekday

7:00 AM Edward Tesoriero
 12:00 Noon Giovanni Minauro

Tuesday, January 16th Weekday

7:00 AM Philip Kennedy
 12:00 Noon Anton Trentmann

Wednesday, January 17th Saint Anthony, Abbot

7:00 AM Special Intention - Rosemarie Guagenti
 12:00 Noon Mary Lebold

Thursday, January 18th Weekday

7:00 AM Christopher Bowman
 12:00 Noon Louise Lettieri

Friday, January 19th Weekday

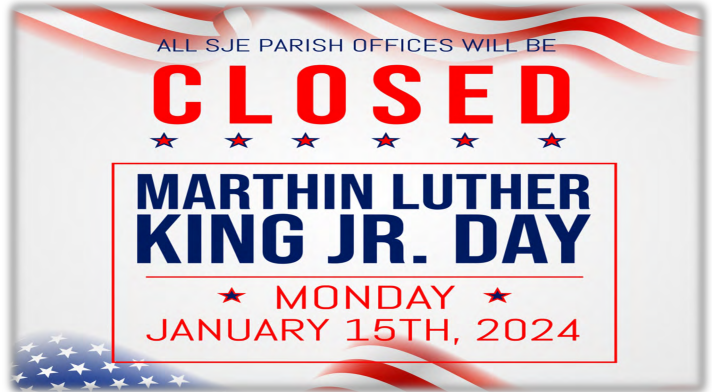
7:00 AM Joseph Esposito
 12:00 Noon George Domino

Saturday, January 20th Weekday

8:00 AM Goncalo Rego
 5:00 PM Al Chandanais
 7:30 PM *Spanish* Henriqueta Stoffel

Sunday, January 21st Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Phyllis Masiello
 10:00 AM Canonization of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney
 12:00 Noon People of the Parish
 6:00 PM Mary Jane Cramer



We thank you for your generous Christmas Appeal Offering!!

CHRISTMAS APPEAL	TOTAL GIVING
2023 as of 1/10/24	\$67,476
2022 year end final total	\$84,377




Christmas 2023
We Share QR Code

It's still not too late to make your donation! Please scan this QR code to make your donation today!

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Average Weekly from January 1, 2023 to present.			
Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2023	\$888,814	52	\$17,093
2022	\$782,165	52	\$15,042



One Family - Journeying together in Communion, Participation, and Mission



	2023	2022
Parish Goal	\$115,100.00	\$115,100.00
Number of Donors	308	300
Total Pledged to date	\$117,868	\$115,673
Avg. Gift	\$383	\$386
Percent of Goal	102.5%	100%

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 goal!

Eucharistic Miracles of the World



Carlos and his incorrupt body

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## Some of the Eucharistic Miracles

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Santarem



Santa Maria
Egipcia



Batania

St. John the Evangelist RCC

invites parishioners and friends to an exhibit of

THE EUCHARIST MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

developed by The Servant of God,

Blessed Carlos Acutis



Saturday, January 20, 2024 from 10 AM - 7 PM

Sunday, January 21, 2024 from 9 AM - 3 PM

LOCATION:

St. John the Evangelist RCC (in the Auditorium)

25 Ocean Avenue, Center Moriches NY

(631) 878-0009

www.SJEcm.com

Come and learn about the extraordinary life of our newest beatified teen and his devotion to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, based on the website he created with his own talents. *Read more here:* carloacutis-en.org

Exhibit sponsored by Legion of Mary

Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Loria Ann Armor
Jeraldine Eten
Patricia Cuff
Sylvia Foley

"For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died."
-1 Thessalonians 4:14

Pray for the Sick

Jessica Capone, John Fitzpatrick

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

If you would like a loved one's name placed under Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

Our Military

US Army

SGT Sean Casey
PVT Joseph Cestare
SPC Michael Garcia Jr
PVT Anthony Koch
CPL Aidan O'Neill
SPC Daniel Sisco
PFC David Smith
Steven Valentin

US Navy

E43CPO Jason Abbatiello
STGCS Brian Holzmacher
MMN2 Christopher J Esposito Jr
ETVSN Angel Gabriel Montoya Rivera
ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

US Marine Corps

LC Michael Abbatiello
CPL Evan Berkemeyer
PFC Sean Brady
SGT Quentin Montemarano
PVT Charles O'Connor
E-1 Christian Raeihle
2nd LT Christopher Walther

US Air Force

SSGT David Giese
SSGT Jason M Hermes
PFC Kyle Kerstiens
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens
A1C Jared T. Rosato
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza

If you wish to place someone on the Military prayer list, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

Remembering Our Loved Ones

Altar Bread & Wine for the month of January has been donated:

In Memory of Rosemary Johnson

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp Candle will be lit:

In Memory of Jack Dyer

SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.

To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org

Mass Intentions

Remembering one who has passed away at Mass is a most noble practice calling us to pray for one who has died at the most powerful prayer we know - the celebration of the Eucharist.

Altar Bread and Wine

Names will be listed in each bulletin during the course of that month.

For the month, an offering of \$150 is requested.

Votive Candles/Altar Candles

A number of votive candles enlighten the beautiful statues in our church. You may have a particular devotion to one of these saints. These candles are next to the statues of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Teresa, St. Gerard Majella and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. They bring a certain light to the statues and, hopefully, inspire some deeper times of prayer and reflection.

Altar Candles - \$25.00 per week.



At noon mass last Sunday, Fr. Patrick blessed the new hand painted image of the Holy Spirit for our church! Local artist and parishioner, John Melillo painted this image. John is an East End Artist and a disable Vietnam Veteran.

Our beautiful Nativity Scene on the Feast of the Epiphany



From the Desk of Msgr. Walden

Many years ago, I was at an interfaith service during Lent where the clergyman preaching spoke about the difference between ordinary and extraordinary people from an enlightening point of view. The point he made was that it is an insult to think of one another as just ordinary people. In his view, we are all extraordinary people. What makes us extraordinary is our innate and natural ability to love and be loved. In a reading from St. Basil the Great, as he was giving guidelines to his monks, he said, "Since we received a command to love God, we possess from the first moment of our existence an innate power and ability to love." But the reality is that we are born defenseless and needing constant care and attention. That in itself brings out the best in our parents and nurtures the ability to love in our innocent, childlike hearts.

We are all here because of the creative, redeeming, unconditional, and ever present love of God. In the Gospel for today's Mass (John 1:35-42), we see two disciples of John the Baptist following Jesus. When Jesus notices them following Him he asks, "What are you looking for?" They respond, "Where are you staying?" His response was, "Come and you will see." As those two accepted Jesus' invitation, they had the joy of spending the afternoon in His presence. That encounter was so life-giving that they could not keep it to themselves. One of the two was Andrew, the brother of St. Peter, who left and found him, saying, "We have found the Messiah," and he brought Peter to Jesus.

That ritual has happened countless times since that day. Most of us are part of the Church today, the Body of Christ, in the world and our own particular parish of St. John the Evangelist in Center Moriches because our parents had us baptized and nurtured the seed of faith planted on that day. Are we at the point of St. Andrew in today's Gospel, where we are so enthused

that we spend time in Jesus' presence through our daily prayers and celebrating the Eucharist? Have we become so full of wonder and joy that we share our faith in word and action in such a way that it is as St. Paul says, "Yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me."? That is exactly what makes us far more than ordinary, it makes us extraordinary. Humbly trusting and accepting Jesus and His love enables us to be all we have been created to be in the best sense possible.



What seems so ordinary is so life giving, profound, and extraordinary as we live these words proclaimed two weeks ago on the Feast of the Holy Family from Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:12-17:

*“Brothers and sisters:
Put on, as God’s chosen ones, holy
and beloved, heartfelt compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness, and
patience, bearing with one another and
forgiving one another,
if one has a grievance against another; as
the Lord has forgiven you, so must you
also do. And over all these put on
love, that is, the bond of perfection. And
let the peace of Christ control your
hearts, the peace into which you were
also called in one body. And be thankful.
Let the word of Christ dwell in you
richly, as in all wisdom you teach and
admonish one another, singing psalms,
hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude
in your hearts to God. And whatever you
do, in word or in deed, do everything in
the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks
to God the Father through him.*”



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School



OPEN HOUSE



Sunday, Jan. 28 @ 11AM-1PM

following the Catholic Schools Week Mass @ 10AM

at St. John the Evangelist in Center Moriches

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 - Small, Individualized Educational Program
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 - Financial Aid
- AND MORE...**



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Faith Formation

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5
faithformation@sjecm.org mpiraglia@sjecm.org
Office Hours: By Appointment Only

Family of Faith (Grades 1-6)

If you missed the January session, please visit sjecmff.blogspot.com for our January resources and more!

Next Sessions

(Parent/Student - Attend One):

Tuesday, February 6th and

Thursday, February 8th

at 5PM or 7PM in the Church



Confirmation Prep

Special thanks to Msgr. Walden & Fr. Patrick for leading us in prayer during our Level 7 and Level 8 Advent Family Prayer Services last month!



Level 7: Next Session:

Monday, January 22 @ 7:15PM, Church

Level 8: Next Session

Tuesday, January 23 @ 7:15PM, Church

Family Ministry

Our parish children are continuing on the journey of faith as we take the message of the Epiphany to heart & live each day remembering that...

“The Wise still seek Him!”

Come be a part of Children’s Liturgy of the Word...



Family Life Ministry...
Moms on the Journey...
Youth Service Corps...
or Vacation Bible Camp...

We seek Jesus with families, joy, service and fun!

Email Clapham@sjecm.org for more information.

Knights of Columbus

Queen of All Hearts Council #4126



Knights of Columbus
Queen of Hearts Council
#4126

Will be hosting a fraternal benefits night!
Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 PM
at the Moriches Community Center
313 Frowien Road, Center Moriches

Come learn about the benefits
available to the Knights and
their families.

KofC4126.org



Parish Social Ministry

SJE Thrift Shop
OPEN
Wednesdays
9 AM to 12 Noon



Donations can be
left in
Fellowship Hall of
the Church.

Thank you for
your support of
our Outreach
Ministry!



Closet Cleanout!

St. John's Street Ministry
is in need of:

- Men's Winter Coats
- Men's Sweatshirts
- Men's Jeans
- Blankets

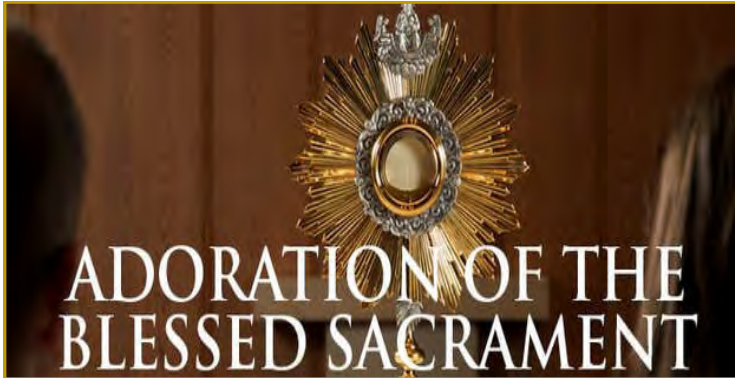
Ernie's Place

The items listed here are items that Ernie's Place is in most need of this week. These items can be left at the doors of the church or at the bin, outside of Ernie's Place.

Pantry Shopping List

- Cereal
- Canned Tuna
- Small bags of white rice
- Black Beans (cans or bags)
- Red Beans (cans or bags)
- Canned Chicken
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Peanut butter
- Cereal
- Tomato sauce
- Canned tomatoes
- Spaghetti
- Jelly





ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

You may be sure that of all the moments in your life, the time you spend before, the divine Sacrament will be that which will give you strength during life and more consolation at the hour of your death, and during eternity.
(Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

Monday - Friday
3:00 - 7:00 PM
Seton Chapel, in the Convent

Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. If you can be present for a specific hour, email rectory@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

On Mondays following Adoration, there is a Holy Hour to Pray for Priests from 7 - 8 PM. All are invited to pray for our Shepherds.



HOLY HOURS

FOR VOCATIONS | 2023-2024 DATES

~~9.15 // 10.20 // 12.15~~ // 1.19 // 2.23 // 3.15 // 4.19

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VALENTINE'S

Dinner

FEB 10th

Buffet dinner, dessert
and soft drinks included.

\$30

per person.
You may bring your
own adult beverage.

DJ Dancing & Door Prizes

For Tickets
Contact George 631.786.1459 or Bill 516.458.6448

Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches, te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en Español los Sabados a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia.

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

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2 PM 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.

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 PM los martes! Asegúrese de venir a visitarnos y permítanos servirle! por favor llame a la oficina de la rectoría 631-878-0009 o envíe un correo electrónico al ministerio español a

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to come and visit and allow us to serve you!

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM
Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero
Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM
auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley
7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para quienes lo necesiten. Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avisanos si puedes ayudar!

Safe Environment Updates...

All volunteers and employees at SJE are **required** to participate in a VIRTUS training course and to go through a background check. You can sign up for the VIRTUS classes by visiting www.drvc.org or clicking here:

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

REMINDERS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

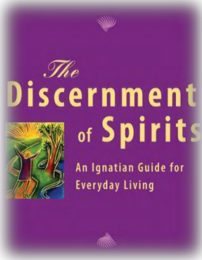
All SJE employees and volunteers must wear their SJE badge while serving in ministry. Please also check your email regularly to complete monthly updates. (Be sure to check your "spam" or "Junk" folder.)

PASTORAL INTERVENTION TEAM

The dedicated telephone line for reporting allegations of sexual abuse (516-694-9063) continues to be available. If the caller does not reach someone directly, messages can be left on an answering machine connected to the phone. Those messages will be retrieved by a member of the Intervention Team and returned as soon as possible. All appropriate steps will be taken to protect the reputation and privacy of those involved. For more information on the Charter for the Protection of Children / Young People, please visit drvc.org.

Women's Group...

Fr. Timothy Gallagher's book on The Discernment of Spirits, lists St. Ignatius' 14 rules for discernment, then goes through each rule a chapter at a time, describing how to apply it in our lives. In the ups & downs, consolations and desolations of our spiritual life, we go through times of pure joy to "Where are You Jesus?"



St. Ignatius (1491-1556), recuperating from war wounds was given reading material on the life of Christ & the saints. As he thought about what he read, he became aware of his thought patterns, how the thoughts affected his feelings, and how the good feelings remained with him. When he had worldly thoughts, although he felt good while thinking them, he noticed that afterward the feelings left him empty. He continued reading spiritual books, growing in wisdom. God was leading him, fulfilling His Plan for him to be a great saint & to teach us. God's plan for us is the same, the *process is slow*.

As women who love Jesus, we need & want to learn to recognize Jesus' voice & grow closer to Him. At times we feel inadequate, wondering is this Jesus speaking, me or the enemy? In our group we begin to see we're all equal, with the same problems, emotions, weaknesses, confusion, strengths, desires, fears, doing the best we can, we don't have to be perfect. Jesus consoles us through our love for each other. If you feel desire to come but are fearful, we understand because we've been there & at times still are, so just come as you are, no rules or requirements, you don't have to read or share. We respect the privacy of others, sharing is *anonymous*!

We meet **every other Monday** from 10:00 - 11:30 AM in the IHM room, white house (convent) between school & rectory.

Dates: January 22, February 5, 26*,

March 4, 18, April 8*, 15, 29,

May 13, 20*, June 24 (summer break).

*Dates with * are makeup dates.*

Facilitators: Carol Ketcham, Anita Luccari.

For additional information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009 . Or... **just show up!**

Men's Prayer Group...



CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9 AM** in the Convent. Join as us as we learn to follow the example of St. Joseph and grow in our faith, reflect on the Gospel and have coffee. For more information, call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!

JANUARY 16-24, 2024



9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text message here:

<https://www.usccb.org/resources/9-days-life-novena>



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101**

*With Every Woman,
For Every Child.*

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A registration banner with a dark red background. On the left is the logo for the Diocese of Rockville Centre Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics. In the center, a white box contains the text 'Register: www.marchforlife.org/marching-101'. On the right is a QR code. At the bottom, there is a small disclaimer in white text.

Register:
www.marchforlife.org/marching-101

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Word of God Sunday

January 21st

“He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (Lk 24:45)

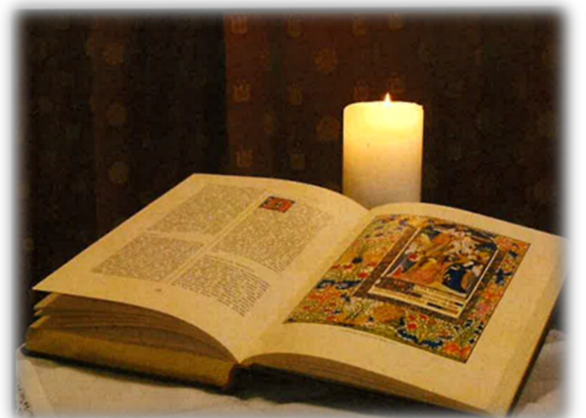
Come celebrate with Bishop Andrejz.

Holy Hour and Reflection
Sunday, January 21st at 3 p.m.

Church of St. Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, NY 11545

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All are welcome!



The 2024 Sunday's Word books have arrived ...
A donation of \$5.00
is requested but not required.

Sunday's Word 2024



These books contain all of the Sunday readings as well as the psalm and antiphons for Daily Mass. They can be picked up at the rectory office.

Important DRVC Information...

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page:

<https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

Please take some time look through the back pages of the bulletin! It features many local businesses (and often the work of parishioners) and the good work they do in our community. We have parishioners who do everything from car detailing to car mechanics to lacrosse training to taking care of pets. Take a look and learn more!

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? Not only that, our parish receives a part of the advertising commission. So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

Also, if your business could use a shot in the arm, consider advertising in the bulletin. Each weekend, the nearly 1,400 people who attend Mass at St. John the Evangelist - most of whom live and shop in the Moriches, Mastic, Shirley, Eastport, Speonk and Remsenberg area - receive or view our bulletin online. It's an easy way to reach thousands of families in the area with information about your business.

For more information on how to advertise in our bulletin, call
The Church Bulletin Company
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Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 15th, 2024 **Parish Offices Closed**

- 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
- 7:00-8:00 PM Holy Hour to Pray for Priests - SC
- 7 PM Narcotics Anonymous-Men only - BMR

Tuesday, January 16th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 7 PM Divine Will - Front Mtg Rm - Auditorium

Wednesday, January 17th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
- 3-5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC

Thursday, January 18th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 4 PM Legion of Mary - BMR
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

Friday, January 19th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus - Bingo Night - Auditorium
- 7 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
- 7 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC

Saturday, January 20th, 2024

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

Sunday, January 21st, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1st Floor Mtg. Room
BUR - Barn Upper Room
SC - Seton Chapel