

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



January 26, 2025

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Your Words, O Lord, are Spirit and Life
Psalm 19





January 26, 2025

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OUR PARISH MISSION

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

-Mission Statement

Church Hours

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

Next Weekend's Schedule

Saturday, February 1st

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, February 2nd

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Fr. Abin

12 noon - Msgr. Walden

6:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

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

We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday - Friday: After the 7 AM & 12 Noon Masses

Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &

7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM

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

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger
Pastor

Reverend Abin Panicker
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden
Retired, In Residence

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno
Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

John Pettorino
Deacon

Michael Hoonhout
Deacon

Ed Grieb
Deacon

Carolyn Lapham
Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia
Director of Faith Formation

Heather Crayne
Director of Parish Social Ministry

Angela Werner
Director of Music Ministry

Mass Schedule

OLQA

Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School
(on the campus of SJE)

2 St. John Place
Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033
www.olqany.org

Dawn Waller
Principal
dwaller@olqany.org (ext. 201)

Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House

Monday - Thursday:
9 AM - 8 PM

Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Friday - Saturday
9 AM - 2 PM

We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

Confession Schedule

Masses for the Week...



Collection this weekend for Church in Need

A mission to support Christians in Need



Founded in 1947 as a Catholic aid organization for war refugees and recognized as a Pontifical Foundation since 2011, Aid to the Church in Need is dedicated to the service of Christians around the world, through information, prayer and action, wherever they are persecuted or oppressed or suffering material need. Every year, ACN supports an average of 6,000 projects in close to 150 countries, thanks to private donations, as the foundation receives no public funding.

Your generosity is humbly appreciated.

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2025 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2025	\$60,934	3	\$20,311
2024	\$74,719	3	\$24,906

2024

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

OFFICE OF ROCKVILLE CENTER

*Revitalizing our Faith -
Renewed by the Eucharist*



As of 1/6/2025	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	272	311
Total Pledged to date	\$117,306	\$116,993
Avg. Gift	\$434	\$376
Percent of Goal	101.9%	101.7%

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

Please help us go above the goal!

Saturday, January 25th Weekday

5:00 PM Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

7:30 PM (Spanish) Rosa E. Portillo

Sunday, January 26th Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Frank and Joan Marie Tricarico

10:00 AM Elizabeth MacDonald

12:00 Noon Jack Dyer and his sister Katy Dyer

6:00 PM People of the Parish

Monday, January 27th Weekday

7:00 AM Kevin O'Brien Jr.

12:00 Noon Thomas Needles

Tuesday, January 28th Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM John Cudahy

12:00 PM Frank and Joan Marie Tricarico

Wednesday, January 29th Weekday

7:00 AM Emilia Billeci

12:00 Noon Natalie Buro

Thursday, January 30th Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph Quezon

12:00 PM Christopher Bowman

Friday, January 31st Saint John Bosco, Priest

7:00 AM Salvatore and Giovanna "Alasia" DiNicola

12:00 Noon Raymond Annicelli

Saturday, February 1st Weekday

8:00 AM Kristen Bigora

5:00 PM Kathleen Irish

7:30 PM (Spanish) Orlando Narvaez

Sunday, February 2nd The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 AM Diane Lillibridge

10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Kudmac Family

12:00 Noon Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

6:00 PM Anthony and Billie Sue Zuzierlla

A Message from the Principal of Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Dawn Waller...



Dear SJE Parish Family:

My name is Dawn Waller (I'm in the picture above with Fr. Patrick, Msgr. Walden, and the Class of 2025!) I hope you know how honored I am, as a fellow parishioner, to be the principal of the Catholic School in Center Moriches, right here on our campus. I have been part of the OLQA and SJE communities over 20 years. What a gift! How blessed is our school from the support of this great parish. I hope we are a blessing for the parish too!

This week begins Catholic Schools Week at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School. While we try to keep you up to date each week about what is happening here, Catholic Schools Week is a great time to let you know about our school community to ask you to spread the good news! So here goes! This might be a little lengthy but it's only because I want you to know about the many wonderful things happening here.



Prayer. Everything we do at OLQA is based in and surrounded by prayer. Every morning the school community meets in the auditorium and we begin our day with prayers. Each day one of our 8th graders leads us in praying the Angelus before lunch and we end our day praying a Hail Mary together. We attend Mass every month as a school community, and classes attend weekly Mass; maybe you have seen us there. Many of our students have been reading and altar serving at the daily Mass they participate in with

their class. Students in our Mission - the middle school academy at OLQA - attend religious retreats and will be going back out more into the community to do some Mission work now that we can.

Academics. God gave one of many gifts and talents and it is our job to help our young people know these gifts in their lives. Students are helped to a high standard academically while, at the same time, meeting the needs of various learners. All of our teachers follow and exceed New York State standards in the core academic subjects. In this area, too, our faith grounds what we do in the classroom. Our second graders are prepared for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion here in school. We have a full-time Campus Minister who is the primary theology teacher for students in grades 4-8 and guides our school community in all Masses, prayer services, and Mission retreats and projects. Students in the Mission take Spanish daily and complete two high schools Regents level courses (Algebra 1 and Living Environment) during their 8th grade year. In many cases, students graduate from OLQA with three high school course already completed, providing them with an opportunity to advance further in high school. opportunity. Our 7th and 8th graders participate in project REACH, an intensive research program that integrates student desire, research methods - both action and resource, Catholic identity, and the opportunity to present their findings in written, verbal, and visual form. You can learn more about our superior academic standards as well as the significant academic support offered by visiting our **Open House on Sunday, January 26th** and talking with our



outstanding teachers or by contacting us at 631.878.1033 or via email at dwaller@olqany.org.

It's more than class! A Catholic community is formed not only by our prayer and academic rigor, but also by the many opportunities to come together outside of the classroom. We are part of the Catholic Middle School Sports Association and students in The Mission participate in basketball and volleyball. Students can compete with other Catholic Schools from the diocese in these sports. Our younger students participate in intramurals throughout the year. We have a chess club, core team, and drama club (stay tuned for Finding Nemo Jr. tickets on sale soon!) and much, much, more. All of our students in grades 4-8 participate in band (led by Jimmy Osborne music), chorus, or both.

The Family of Families. We call ourselves the "Family of Families", for good reason. Without the support and engagement of parents and families, we fail in our mission as a Catholic School. That is because we know how vital is to build a connection between home and school. We have the "FUN" Group (Family Unity Network) here at OLQA that consists of parents who help in needed areas like the Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Social, Open Houses, etc. We invite parents into the building to help with our Santa and Bunny breakfast and our Thanksgiving Feast. It is our hope that when you walk into the building you as parents feel part of the family.

An Invitation. Please visit sometime today, January 26, 2025 from 11 AM to 1 PM, during our Open House. Whether you have a school-aged child or grandchild or not, come and see the difference a Catholic school can and does make and how you can become an even greater part of the Catholic School in Center Moriches.

Thank you for all of your support!
Our Lady Queen of Apostles, pray for us!
St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!





DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

January 26, 2025
Catholic Schools Week

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Each year, the Church across the United States joyfully celebrates the gift of Catholic Education during Catholic Schools Week, which begins today and concludes on February 1, 2025. The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2025 is, *United in Faith and Community*. As Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, I am profoundly proud of how our Catholic Schools on Long Island continue to evangelize our young Catholics with dedication and love.

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis highlights that “Catholic schools, which always strive to join their work of education with the explicit proclamation of the Gospel, are a most valuable resource for the evangelization of culture” (§134). This mission-driven approach is particularly timely in our Diocese. This year, as the capstone to our local Eucharistic Revival efforts, we are preparing for our significant Eucharistic Congress on June 8, 2025, accompanied by Eucharistic Pilgrimages that will traverse across Long Island, leading up to this transformative event. The mission of these initiatives is woven into the very fabric of Catholic Education, aiming to deepen our students' love for Jesus through the transformative power of the Eucharist and to empower them to evangelize their families and communities.

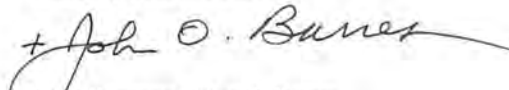
As our schools celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2025 with Masses, open houses, and various activities, we give thanks to the Lord for all who make Catholic Education possible. To our dedicated administrators, teachers, and staff members: thank you for tirelessly advancing the Church's mission by sharing your love for Christ and nurturing His presence in the lives of His children. To the parents and guardians who generously contribute your time and talents: your love for Christ and His Church is inspiring, and your dedication is deeply appreciated.

To all our faithful parishioners, I warmly invite you to visit our schools during this special week. Attend an open house, meet our educators, and witness firsthand the vibrant communities of faith and learning that thrive within our Catholic Schools. Your support and presence affirm the vital role of Catholic Education in forming future generations rooted in faith.

St. John Bosco, a patron saint of school children, captured the essence of Catholic Education when he said, “If we want to have a good society, we must concentrate all our forces on the Christian education of the young.” The incredible work being accomplished in our Catholic Schools fills me with great hope for the future of our society on Long Island—a future bright with young Catholics who are on fire for Jesus Christ and His Church.

Through the intercession of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, the patron saint of Catholic Education, Saint John Bosco, and Mary, Star of Evangelization, may the Lord continue to bless our Catholic Schools and all those involved in Catholic Education on Long Island, especially our students!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



Our Lady Queen
of Apostles
Regional
Catholic
School

Pre-K -8th Grade

Open House
Sunday,
January 26
11AM-1PM



Come
&
See!

**Schedule a
Tour Today!**
Scan QR Code



About Us

- ✓ -Grounded in our Catholic Faith & Service
- ✓ -Small, Individualized Educational Program
- ✓ -Special Education Program
- ✓ -Before & After Care
- ✓ -Financial Aid
- ✓ AND MORE...

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Center Moriches, NY 11934



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Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Myrna Stabile + Gary Cunningham
William Dittmer Jr. + Marie Cali

“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

John Fitzpatrick + Baby Lucas Gryciak
Patricia Barry + James Green + Barbara
Wheeler + Ed Wheeler + Samantha Ramsay
Marilyn Tennant + Mary and Norman Auger
Anthony Luciano

“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 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
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II

US Army

SGT Sean Casey
PVT Joseph Cestare
SPC Michael Garcia Jr
PVT Anthony Koch
CPL Aidan O'Neill
PFC David Smith
Steven Valentin
PFC Francis J. Amalifitano

US Navy

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

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

US Air Force

SrA Anthony Auciello
SSGT David Giese
SSGT Jason M Hermes
PFC Kyle Kerstiens
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens
SrA Jared T. Rosato
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza
SSGT William E. McCauley II
1st Lt. Claire McGrath

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 honor of:

Susan Kagel

Mass Intentions

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

Altar Bread and Wine

Names will be listed in each bulletin during the course of that month.
An offering of \$150 is requested.

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.**

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



Knights of Columbus

Silver Rose

Prayer Service

Saturday, February 1st
4:00 PM in the church



Each year, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils beginning in Canada, through the United States, and arriving at their destination at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico.

Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout its pilgrimage is a rosary centered occasion for our fellow parishioners and community members to pray for to end the Culture of Death that grips our society, pray for respect for life, and for the spiritual renewal for each nation. As we think of 'One Life, One Rose', it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Saint Juan Diego

The Office of Family Ministry

Family Life Ministry at St. John’s is gearing up for an amazing season of fun, faith-building family events and service projects. Come to our next planning meeting **Wednesday, February 5, 2025** at 7:00 PM in the Upper Room in the Barn.

To help out with these events, please email us at clapham@sjecm.org.

See what’s coming up in our parish in the days and weeks ahead...

St. John’s Parish Mardi Gras



Sunday, March 2, 2025 from 1-3 PM in the Auditorium.

Enjoy food, fellowship and fun as we feast before we fast!

There are plenty of ways to help. We need chefs and bakers! Whether traditional Mardi Gras fare or a family favorite, add your culinary masterpiece to the table of plenty.

Don’t cook? Don’t bake? Don’t worry!

We need people to set up, people to serve and people to clean up!

To volunteer, email Clapham@sjecm.org or call the Office of Family Ministry at 631-878-0009 x-124

Lenten Soup Suppers



Mark your calendars!! Our Family Life Ministry will be sponsoring two Soup Suppers during Lent. The Soup Suppers will be held on **Friday 3/21** and **Friday 4/4** at **6:00 PM** in the school cafeteria, followed by the Stations of the Cross @ **7:00 PM**. Additional information will be listed in the bulletin in the weeks ahead!

Sandwich Sunday

Come make sandwiches to support Lighthouse Mission’s efforts to feed the hungry in our local area! So many sandwiches...so much fun! Our next Sandwich Sunday will be **February 9, 2025!** Join us after the 10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria!



Family Holy Week Prayer Services

Our Family Holy Week Prayer Services will be held on **Holy Thursday, 4/17** at 4:30 PM, **Good Friday, 4/18** at 12 noon, and **Holy Saturday, 4/19** (time TBD). Our parish Egg Hunt will be held on Holy Saturday this year! If you would like to volunteer to help, please email Clapham@scjecm.org or call the Family Ministry Office at 631-878-0009 x-124.



Faith Formation

Our Level 7 students learned about the saints in our last session, discussing their own saint name choices before reading about a specific saint in their small group. Students then presented to the larger group what they discovered about their group's saint.



2025 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

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

(sjecm.org, click on "Faith Formation")

LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

Next Session:

Tuesday, January 28th at 7:15 PM in the Church
Don't forget to bring your Breakthrough Bibles!

LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

Next Session:

Monday, January 27th at 7:15 PM in the Church
Don't forget to bring your Breakthrough Bibles!

"FAMILY OF FAITH" - Parent/Student Events (GRADES 1-6):

Next Sessions: Tuesday, February 4 and Thursday, February 6 @ 5 PM & 7 PM in the Church.

Parish Social Ministry



Street Ministry

Join Our Street Ministry Team!

Are you a talented cook? A social butterfly who loves engaging with others? Or do you prefer working behind the scenes? If you enjoy folding clothes and organizing, we would love for you to use the wonderful gifts God has given you to serve those in need in our local community!

Our Street Ministry is a vibrant community of volunteers dedicated to providing hot meals and clothing to individuals and families every Thursday night, many of whom are homeless or unable to access other support services. Whether you're interested in working in our donation room, cooking hot meals, preparing PB&J sandwiches, or joining our van runs, there's a place and a role for everyone!

If you're ready to get started, are 18 or over and would like more information, please contact:

socialministry@sjecm.org

Ernie's Place Shopping List

Here is a list of items needed for our pantry. These items can be left at the doors of the church or at the bin, outside of Ernie's Place.

- Jelly
- Pancake Mix
- Tomato Sauce
- Pancake Syrup
- Mac & Cheese
- Dry Red Beans
- Dry Black Beans
- Raman Noodles
- Shelf-stable Milk

Wednesdays 9 AM - 12 Noon Thrift Shop

When you visit our Shop, you'll see lots of new and gently used clothes, pocketbooks, shoes, jewelry, housewares, and lots of great toys, all at great prices. The proceeds from the weekly sales at the shop are returned to our Parish Outreach programs and used to assist our neighbors in need in our parish and the local community. The success of our Thrift Shop relies on the generous donations from our community.

Please place your donations in the green bins in the school parking lot, located in front of the thrift shop. The best times to donate are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings between 9 AM-10:30 AM.

If you are looking for a great way to give back to our Parish community, consider donating your new or gently used clothes, or those toys your children have outgrown.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ON THURSDAY NIGHTS...
We urgently need your help on Thursday nights for the **Street Ministry Van Runs!** Volunteers meet at the convent at **6:30 PM** and go out into the community to provide hot meals and clothing to those in desperate need. If you can spare just one hour each week, your assistance would make a tremendous difference. Every bit of help counts! **Interested in Helping?** Please call the Parish Social Ministry office at **631-878-0009 x120**.
Thank you for considering this vital opportunity to serve!

Street Ministry Shopping List

Below is a list of items that are needed for Street Ministry. These items can be left at the doors of the church.

- ◆ Blankets
- ◆ Toilet Paper
- ◆ Feminine Products
- ◆ Men's & Women's Socks
- ◆ Men's & Women's Coats S, M, L, XL
- ◆ Men's & Women's T-Shirts Sizes S, M, L
- ◆ Men's Jeans All Sizes
- ◆ Men's & Women's Sweatshirts S, M, L, XL
- ◆ Travel Size Shaving Cream & Razors
- ◆ Travel Size Shampoo & Conditioner
- ◆ Men's & Women's Underwear (new) All Sizes

A Message from Msgr. Walden...



While all we have is the present moment, we do look to the future and look back at the past. Hopefully as individuals, and as a human family, we learn from the past so we can avoid the same mistakes in the future and build on what worked in the past. Everyday we have the opportunity to truly embrace the present moment in our routines which include our meals together, people we live and work with, and the contacts we have with others in public. One of the most important routines is to spend time in prayer every day. That means so much more than just acknowledging God exists. As with any relationship we have that is truly life-giving, it means looking forward to our time with Him and turning all our gadgets off and doing the best we can with our words to Him and our attention to Him. Any relationship that is truly life-giving picks us up and fills us with joy, hope, gratitude, and security.

We learned at an early age to “say our prayers”. What does that mean? As with any relationship that nourishes us, we need to look forward to our time with God and do the best we can to be aware of His presence to us as well as our presence to Him. We carry the people we love in our hearts. They are always there - sometimes right in front of us, at other times just part of who we are. How can we come to trust God that God is always there? Like any life-giving relationship, with the passage of time His presence becomes a hopeful, inspiring, encouraging source of life and strength. We need those truly joyful moments to guide and sustain us. Is that not why God created us? It is His joy to welcome us into His presence and to fill us with His life-giving Spirit as His children. In the Gospel for today’s Mass (Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21), we hear these powerful words which are actually a quote from the prophet Isaiah: “The Spirit of

the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.”

How great it is to feel the Spirit of the Lord within us. In the routines and busyness of everyday, it is all too easy to put off time to pray for later. It does not have to be in the morning or night time. The best time to pray, and spend quality time with God, is when we are truly awake and able to focus. It is all too easy to put time with Him off but so rewarding when we find and give him our time with open hearts and minds.

I conclude with a prayer I pray everyday from evening prayer in the breviary, the beautiful prayer of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Magnificat.

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has
looked with favor on his lowly servant.*

*From this day all generations will call me
blessed: the Almighty has done great
things for me, and holy is his Name.*

*He has mercy on those who fear him in every
generation. He has shown the strength of his
arm, he has scattered the proud in their
conceit. He has cast down the mighty from
their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.*

*He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

January 26, 2025

The Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America Dr. Calabro Lodge #3011, appreciate any support that you can provide. 100% of all funds raised will benefit the Dr. Calabro Lodge's Scholarship fund.

The Order Sons and Daughters of Italy is based on the principles of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity, since its inception in 1905. Our lodge strives to empower communities through charitable donations, fundraising, and educational scholarships.

In 2023, The Dr. Calabro Lodge created the "Anthony Stinson Memorial Scholarship." Anthony was a 13-year old boy from the Shirley, NY community who succumbed to his injuries on September 11, 2023, after a tragic car accident while riding his bicycle. In an effort to continue Anthony's legacy and memory, the "Anthony Stinson Memorial Scholarship" will be awarded yearly to a graduating 8th grader from Our Lady Queen of Apostles in Center Moriches, NY who will be pursuing his/her education at a Catholic High School and a graduating senior from the William Floyd School District who will be attending college. Thanks to our fundraising events and to our generous donators, The Dr. Calabro Lodge was able to award the "Anthony Stinson Memorial Scholarship" to six students. Our goal is to surpass that amount in 2025 and to create more scholarships that could encompass a variety of student interests, skills, and be made available to communities across our Long Island region.

Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America Dr. Calabro Lodge #3011



***INVITES YOU TO JOIN US IN HONORING
SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATOR JAMES MAZZARELLA AND
BROOKHAVEN TOWN SUPERVISOR DAN PANICO***

***at our First Annual Scholarship Gala
"A Celebration of Life and Learning"***

February 2, 2025 - 2pm - 7pm

\$125.00 Per Person

***Includes Cocktail Hour, Dinner, Dancing, Open Bar
There will be Basket Raffles & a Silent Auction***

***Sunset Harbour
90 Colonial Drive, East Patchogue, NY 11772***

For More Information: Call/Text 631-395-8747

January 26, 2025



Queen of All Hearts
Knights of Columbus

VALENTINE'S

Dinner

Buffet dinner, dessert and soft drinks included.

FEB 15th

7:00 PM

313 Frowein Road
Center Moriches

\$30

per person.
You may bring your
own adult beverage.

DJ Dancing & Door Prizes

For Tickets Contact Jim @ 631.838.0271

TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.



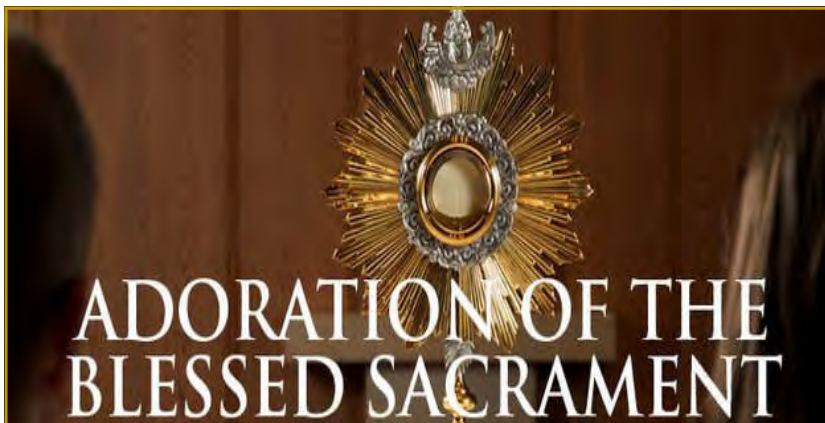
Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

FRIDAY NIGHTS

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

\$ 3000 IN PRIZES

For more information
kofc4126.com



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than 1000 years of human glory.

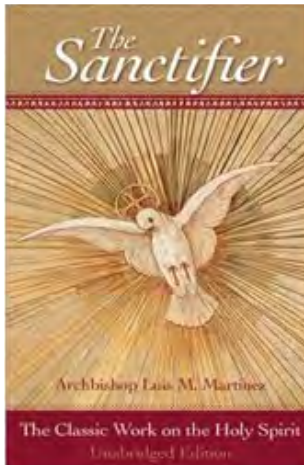
~Saint Padre Pio

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. Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Women's Group...



We welcome back our Members & invite New Members to join us as we read together, learn & share our feelings & life's experiences. It's an open group, come when you want or can. You can join throughout the year. There's no commitment. You don't have to share or read out loud, no homework. Everything we share is kept confidential. We respect each other's sharing. No judgement. All you need is desire to draw nearer to Jesus & to have fellowship with like-minded women who know we're not perfect & it's ok. **BRING A FRIEND!!!**

The book we'll read together is **"The Sanctifier"** by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez, explaining in detail how the workings of the gifts of The Holy Spirit bring us into holiness. It's usually in the sharing part of what we're reading that gives us clearer understanding of the subject especially because it relates to our lives at the present moment. We're living the lessons which is comforting when we're in pain, we have a lot of laughs too. We're there for each other! The book will be provided, and a free will offering can be made for the book.

We meet in the white house between the school & rectory every other Monday, unless noted with an asterisk *, at 10:00 -11:30 AM, ending in time to go to 12:00 Mass if you want.

**Dates: February 3rd & 17th,
March 3rd, 17th, & 31st, April 14th & 28th,
May 12th & 19th*, June 2nd, 16th & 30th.**

Carol Ketcham and Anita Luccari, Group Moderators ~ For info: 631-878-0009

Men's Prayer Group...



CALLING ALL MEN!

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

Bereavement Support ...

Grieving is a natural process each of us goes through after the death of a loved one. While no one can take away our sadness, others can help by listening and caring. Sharing our feelings with others who have experienced the death of a loved one help many people begin the healing process.

Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon

First floor meeting room in the Barn.

REGISTRATION: Contact the **Rectory** at

631.878.0009 or via email at Rectory@sjecm.org

\$10 donation for the workbook.

Grief never ends but it changes. It is a passage, not a place to stay. It is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith. Grief is the price of love.



The Diocese of Rockville Centre
**GOLDEN WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who celebrated Fifty Years of Marriage in 2025 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue

Celebrant: Most Reverend Luis M. Romero

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 16, 2025

Sunday, June 1, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre

Celebrant: Most Reverend John O. Barres

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 30, 2025

Register online at drvc-faith.org

For questions, please contact Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at (516)678-5800 ext. 200 or via email at lrobustelli@drvc.org



Pilgrimage to Poland:
In the Footsteps of St. John Paul II, St. Faustina & St. Maximilian Kolbe





August 27 – September 4, 2025
\$5,133 per person
from Newark (EWR), New York (JFK), or Portland (PDX)
All prices based on double occupancy. Pricing available from any airport. www.206tours.com/airports

Spiritual Director:
Fr. Peter Dugandzic

Group Leader:
Sandra Koceja



Optional Post-Tour to Medjugorje
September 4 – 12, 2025 | \$2,276 per person
Accommodations at Ivan Dragicevic's Family Home

Book Now: www.206tours.com/koceja/poland
Booking Code: SK082725

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June 1– 9, 2025
Rome & Assisi

Spiritual Director:
Fr. Francis Pizzarelli

Contact: cara@206tours.com dominic@206tours.com
silvia@206tours.com (800) 206-8687


WORD OF GOD SUNDAY
Sunday, January 26, 2025

"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Lk 24:45).

Come celebrate with Bishop Andrzej.
Holy Hour and Reflection
Sunday, January 26, 2025, at 3 pm

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

All are welcome!



Safe Environment...

All volunteers and employees at SJE are **required** to participate in a VIRTUS training course and to go through a background check. You can sign up for the VIRTUS classes by visiting www.dvcc.org or clicking here: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm?>



All SJE volunteers must wear their SJE badge while serving in ministry. Please also check your email regularly to complete monthly bulletin 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 dvcc.org.

Eucharistic Congress

Diocese of Rockville Centre Eucharistic Pilgrimage

During those days, Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to the town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

Luke 1: 39-40

Beginning on May 31, 2025, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, two nine-day Eucharistic Pilgrimages will embark across Long Island, both culminating at St. Anthony's High School on Sunday June 8, 2025, for the celebration of our local Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. The Western Route will journey from St. Agnes Cathedral (Rockville Centre) through Nassau County, while the Eastern Route will journey from the Parish of Saint Therese of Lisieux (Montauk) through Suffolk County.

The Holy Eucharist will be carried in procession across the Diocese through many of our towns, schools, hospitals, cemeteries, and parishes. During this pilgrimage, there will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, the celebration of Mass, Eucharistic Catechesis, Praise and Worship, public processions, and other Eucharistic celebrations. The People of God will be invited to walk with Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, pray in the pilgrim churches, and proclaim the Gospel to bystanders as Jesus passes through their towns.

—————> Perpetual Pilgrims <————

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is inviting a dedicated group of young adults, ages 18 to 29, to apply to be *Perpetual Pilgrims*. These Perpetual Pilgrims will make the entire nine-day journey with the Lord in the Eucharist across the Diocese from May 31 - June 7, 2025, along with priest chaplains and an official pilgrimage team.

These pilgrims will represent the many young people from across Long Island who are on fire with Eucharistic love and missionary fervor. Applicants should be in good physical condition, capable of walking long distances, and committed to Christ, the teachings of his Church, and ongoing intellectual and spiritual formation.

Applications for Perpetual Pilgrims are now open and will close on February 2, 2025.

Please visit www.drvc.org/congress for more information or to apply.

Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

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

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

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

BAUTISMO:

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos:

1. Acta de nacimiento del niño o niña.
2. Certificado de registro de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de la charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIO para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Segundo domingo a las 14 horas en la Iglesia. Las clases de prebautismo son el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

CASAMIENTO:

Las parejas que planean casarse deben concertar una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de la boda. Esto les dará tiempo suficiente para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame a la oficina

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 p.m. los martes.

Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to call before you come and visit.

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM

Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero

Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM

auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley

7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

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

Ambiente seguro...

Todos los voluntarios y empleados de SJE deben participar en un curso de capacitación VIRTUS y pasar por una verificación de antecedentes. Puede inscribirse en las clases VIRTUS visitando www.drvc.org o haciendo clic aquí:

<https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm?>

RECORDATORIOS PARA VOLUNTARIOS

Todos los voluntarios de SJE deben usar su insignia de SJE mientras sirven en el ministerio. También revise su correo electrónico periódicamente para completar las actualizaciones mensuales. (Asegúrese de revisar su carpeta de "spam" o "basura").

EQUIPO DE INTERVENCIÓN PASTORAL

La línea telefónica exclusiva para denuncias de abuso sexual (516-694-9063) continúa disponible. Si la persona que llama no se comunica con alguien directamente, los mensajes se pueden dejar en un contestador automático conectado al teléfono. Esos mensajes serán recuperados por un miembro del Equipo de Intervención y devueltos lo antes posible. Se tomarán todas las medidas apropiadas para proteger la reputación y la privacidad de los involucrados. Para obtener más información sobre la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes, visite drvc.org.



Sunday's Word 2025...



Sunday's Word is for use in conjunction with a hymnal and service book or other music resource, and is intended for those who wish to pre-read the scriptures of the day as a preparation for the celebration, who have difficulty hearing, or who feel the need to read the text as it is proclaimed for full comprehension. The Eucharistic Prayers are also included. It contains the assembly's responsorial psalm refrain for each Sunday and major feast. *Sunday's Word* also contains the Order of Mass.

The weekday section includes the entrance antiphon, Psalm response, gospel verse, and communion antiphon for all feasts, memorials, and weekdays of the year. In addition, the Order of Mass texts (including both the Nicene Creed and the Apostle's Creed) are printed on the inside front cover for convenience.

**A donation of \$5.00
is requested but not required.**

They can be picked up at the rectory office.

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

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

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

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

For more information on how to
advertise in our bulletin, call
The Church Bulletin Company
at 631-249-4994

Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 27th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 7 PM Narcotics Anonymous (Men only) - BMR

Tuesday, January 28th, 2025

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

Wednesday, January 29th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC

Thursday, January 30th, 2025

- 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 31st, 2025

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

Saturday, February 1st, 2025

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

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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