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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(in the Blue House)

Monday - Thursday

9:30 a.m. - 12 + 1 - 8 p.m.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

(Un traductor español está disponible los martes por la noche.)

St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church

25 Ocean Avenue,

Center Moriches, New York 11934-3698



Parish Website: www.sjecm.org Facebook: Welcome Home-St. John the Evangelist



"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

Matthew 2:11

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2018

Come to the quiet!

Seton Chapel in the Convent is open most days from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 7 p.m., if not later. Take some time to open your heart to the voice of God.

Come and pray with us!

SUNDAY MASS (Now held in School Auditorium)

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

WEEKDAY MASSES (Now held in Seton Chapel in the Convent)

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 IHM Meeting Room and on Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.; 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. (Spanish) and on Sundays from 4:30 p.m. to 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 and spend some time with the Lord!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Seton Chapel on Mondays from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on

Thursdays immediately after the 12 Noon Mass until 5:00 p.m.

Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of the Apostles

ROSARY: We pray the Rosary every day after Daily Mass in the Seton Chapel in the Convent and on Sundays before the 7:30 a.m. Mass and after the Noon Mass in the Auditorium..

MONDAYS + We pray the Miraculous Medal Novena after the 7 a.m. Mass at 7:30 p.m. in the Seton Chapel in Convent on most Mondays, with the exception of holidays and whenever the parish is closed.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING



When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply, "Amen." The leader greets those present in the following words:

Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace. Blessed be God forever. **R/.** Blessed be God forever.

In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:
The Word became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. It is Christ who enlightens our hearts and homes with his love. May all who enter this home find Christ's light and love.

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example, Luke 19:1-9:

Listen to the words of the holy Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham."

The intercessions are then said:

Leader: The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon him.

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head. We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you had no place to lay your head, but in the spirit of poverty accepted the hospitality of your friends: grant that through our help the homeless may obtain proper housing. We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration: grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory. We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say the Lord's Prayer. The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:

Lord God of heaven and earth, You revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them (us) with the light of Christ, that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:

May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever.

R/. Amen.

Following the blessing, the leader or another family member marks in chalk "20 + C + M + B + 17" or places the card distributed at Mass above the door.

It is preferable to end the celebration with a suitable song, for example, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "We Three Kings."

Send pictures of your Epiphany House Blessing to jsureau@sjecm.org.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

National Migration Week

"What are you?"

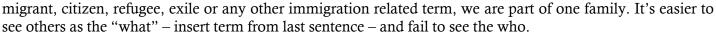
This past Tuesday, I had the privilege of celebrating Mass at the group home where I volunteer. I never fail to be humbled when I celebrate Mass or pray with this community. The Gospel reading that day was about St. John the Baptist. The beginning of the Gospel reads, "When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then?..." (John 1:19-21)

This interaction just struck me. I have heard this Gospel many times. Yet, praying in this midst of this community, I was struck by the transition of the questions - from who are you to what are you. I guess as I looked out I saw I many who were viewed by their "what" – the

criminal, the addict, the mentally ill, the broken. In most cases they themselves lost a sense of "who" they were allowing what they had done to be a basis for identity. Perhaps seeing themselves only by their actions, by their family histories, their faults, their weakness.

It's easier to look at others as a "what" and in doing so fail to see the "who". It's easier to judge someone as part of a group, than an individual. It's easier to hide behind a category or legal determination than to come forward and engage with a person. It's easier to look away from another because they are part of a particular issue or agenda rather than seeing them as a brother or sister, as a child of God.

This week, on the Solemnity of the Epiphany, the Church in the United States celebrates National Migration Week. The theme of this year's week is "Many Journeys, One Family". It reminds us that more than being identified by a status as immigrant,



I know the issue of immigration is a complicated one. Like most things, if there was a simple decision we would have done it already. I do not pretend to offer a significant solution here or even to go down that road. I think before we can do this we have to move past asking the question of many, "What are you?" and desire to ask the question, "Who are you?" When we do, it will force us to look at this issue in a very different way, perhaps to look at it more with the eyes of Christ, than the eyes of agenda or politics or government.

During his Christmas homily, Pope Francis speaking of Mary and Joseph said, "They had to leave their people, their home and their land, This was no comfortable or easy journey for a young couple about to have a child. ... At heart, they were full of hope and expectation because of the child about to be born; yet their steps were weighed down by the uncertainties and dangers that attend those who have to leave their home behind." We can likely say similar things about those who seek to leave countries of violence, poverty and injustice.

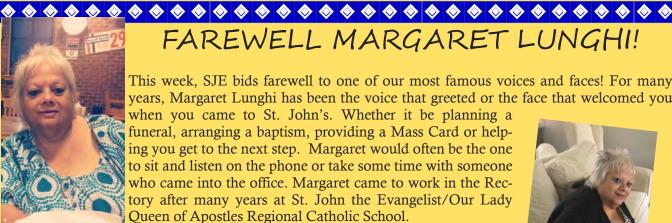
Let us challenge ourselves during this National Migration Week (and every day for that matter) to not fall victim to the "what" without seeking to encounter the "who". Consider the "who" when we hear political rhetoric or read articles about deportation or the charged immigration debate that is taking hold in countries throughout the world or the work of our parish and Church to support and aid those in need.

I left Mass last Tuesday feeling pretty defeated. I can easily stop at the "what" without seeking to know the "who", without even desiring to ask the question, "Who are you?" A few verses later it is John the Baptist who sees the person Jesus coming and calls others to Him. May we do the same, particularly, when it comes to our brothers and sisters — yes, our brothers and sisters—who are immigrants, undocumented, refugees and exiles.

How easy it is for me to stay at the what of those titles. May God have mercy on me and see past the "what" of my life.



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE



FAREWELL MARGARET LUNGHI!

This week, SJE bids farewell to one of our most famous voices and faces! For many years, Margaret Lunghi has been the voice that greeted or the face that welcomed you

when you came to St. John's. Whether it be planning a funeral, arranging a baptism, providing a Mass Card or helping you get to the next step. Margaret would often be the one to sit and listen on the phone or take some time with someone who came into the office. Margaret came to work in the Rectory after many years at St. John the Evangelist/Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School.

Needless to say, her voice, her welcoming face, her great humor and her presence will be sorely missed in the years to come. We wish Margaret well as she heads down south to be with her family.

Let's pray for Margaret in these both challenging and exciting days of transition.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

As you know we recently added weekend hours to the Parish Office (the Blue House). It's been a help for those who need Mass cards and even to arrange funerals. In the past, families would need to wait until Monday to schedule a funeral.

As you noticed above this ad, Margaret Lunghi, our long-time receptionist is retiring and moving to South Carolina to be with her family. With this change in our staffing, we're going to make a change in our regular Rectory Hours. Effective this Monday, January 8th, the Parish Office will be open from

Monday – Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 12 Noon and 1 to 8:00 p.m. Friday – Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Here are some of the reasons we're making these changes:

- Very few parishioners come to the Rectory at 9 a.m. This will give our staff some time to get things in order before opening for business.
- While we get a good number of visitors in the evening after work, very few parishioners come to the Rectory after 8 p.m. So we'll close an hour earlier now.
- Since I have come to SJE, I've been amazed by the dedication of our staff. They don't get a break or a time for lunch. I would like to offer them some time to do this. So beginning this week, all offices in the parish (Parish Social Ministry, Faith Formation, the Parish Office) will close



from 12 Noon to 1:00 p.m. This will give our staff members the chance to have some lunch, attend 12 Noon Mass, catch up on some work, etc. Of course, in case of emergency, there is always someone available.

We will shorten our hours on Fridays as the afternoons are generally very slow. Those who may need to come on Friday afternoon now may be able to come on the weekends.

Truthfully, we did not plan to make these changes so quickly but with Margaret's retirement, it seemed like a good time to make some of these adjustments. We hope these changes will help us to continue our efforts to be more accessible, assist us financially and provide our staff with some encouragement as well!

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

...MUST COME DOWN!!!

CHRISTMAS CLEAN UP Sunday, January 7, 2018

Can you help us for an hour or two on January 7th?

1 p.m. (or after the 12 Noon Mass)

Outside Clean Up (Meet at the Rectory Building)

6:30 p.m. —Auditorium/Chapel Clean up

Meeting in the front of the Auditorium immediately after the 5:30 p.m. Mass!

If you can help, please email Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or call 631.878.0009, x. 105.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Are you an adult interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you are a

baptized Catholic, but have not been fully initiated, we offer a process for those who desire to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

For adults who desire more information, contact Suzan Fitzpatrick at rcia@sjecm.org. For teenagers and their families who desire more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 631-878-0009, ext. 170 or e-mail to faithformation@sjecm.org.

RCIA: Journeying Towards the Fullness of Life

Can you join the journey?

As you can see, new groups are forming for the Christian initiation of adults and children. We are looking for men and women of our parish to accompany those who are seeking to become Catholic and complete their initiation. For more information, contact Suzan Fitzpatrick at rcia@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Sister Ann Berendes, IHM + aberendes@sjecm.org + Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 119)

Alex Finta + afinta@sjecm.org + Associate Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 127)

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Helen Williams—hannah51@optonline.net

Community Meal: Fr. John Sureau—jsureau@sjecm.org

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Homeless Outreach: Alex Finta

Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora—msikora@sjecm.org

We're here to help

Our parish, overall, and our parish social ministry, specifically, are here to serve you in any way we can.

If you are in need, please reach out to us at St. John's.

A great place to start is the Outreach Office coordinated by Sister Ann and our amazing volunteer ministers. Our Outreach Office is located in the Red Barn. Please call to make an appointment so we can connect you to our services here at SJE or link you to other services. **NEVER BE EMBARRASSED to reach out.** We may not be able to address every need. If we

can't, we'll try to connect to someone who can assist you. Please always reach out to us here at SJE!

Office Hours (NOW LOCATED ON 2ND FLOOR OF BARN)

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Monday—Friday (Please call for an appointment.)

Food Pantry

Monday evenings: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m + Thursday afternoons: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Thrift Shop

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

SJE STREET MINISTRY

The Street Ministry is continuously servicing 40-65 people each Thursday night! We are extremely grateful for all donations from St. John's parishioners that have kept us going. During the cold winter months, we are in need of the following items:

Financial donations are most welcome as they allow us to purchase items as they are needed. Sometimes things "come up" and we need to make a quick purchase. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office.

- Jackets
- Long johns L/XL (men's)
- Blankets
- Sweatshirts (Men's, Women's, Children's)
- Socks (New)
- Underwear (New)

- Hats and gloves
- Boots and sneakers
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Peanut Butter/Jelly
- Water
- BACKPACKS



SJE Street Ministry will be having a meeting on Wednesday, January 17th, at 6:30 PM in the Red Barn. All are welcome who are, or want to be, a part of our ministry. If you are interested in joining our Street Ministry but are unable to attend, please contact Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Check it out... New and Improved

SJE Thrift Shop **Open Wednesdays** 9:30—12:00 P.M.



SJE will be looking to create a community garden this Spring! If you have any knowledge, experience and/or interest in being a part of this new ministry, please come down to the Red Barn on Wednesday, January 31st at 7:00 PM. If you are unable to make the meeting but are interested in joining, please contact Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 127.



Ernie's Place

St. John's Food Pantry Ministry Mondays – 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays -1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SHOPPING LIST

Canned vegetables Pork and Beans Pasta sauce (but not pasta) Canned foods and meats Toilet paper



Thank you for your

you go shopping!

Last week, during their Christmas vacation, some of our altar servers and their families got together to assist our Street Ministry. They created the wash-up kits our Street Ministry uses each Thursday night to help those in need. A great way to celebrate the spirit of the Christmas season.





OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES The Catholic School in Center Moriches

2 St. John Place + Center Moriches, NY 11934 631.878.1033 + www.olqany.org

(on the grounds of St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church)

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 28, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

Find out more about OLQA's (Our Lady Queen of Apos-

tles):

☐ Transformational Catholic faith-filled community that recognizes the individual strengths of each

student

- □ Strong academic program from Pre-K3 to 8 that meets and exceeds NYS Standards and seeks to educate the whole child
- □ Safe and secure environment that encourages learning
- ☐ Commitment to character and values formation in the Catholic tradition at every level and throughout the school community
- ☐ Campus Ministry program forming a caring faith filled community in experiences of prayer, service and transformation.
- ☐ Social worker available daily to serve students and their families
- ☐ Enrichment program allowing students to explore their many God-given gifts in unique and exciting ways
- ☐ Before and after care programs for working parents
- ☐ New student activities allowing students to grow in our community and better develop their gifts
- ☐ Special Education programs in place to serve students with special needs
- ☐ Available financial aid and support
- ☐ Affordable tuition for an amazing educational opportunities

Come and learn more by scheduling a tour. Call 631.878.1033 or e-mail to derlanger@olqany.org.

There are a limited number of spaces available in many of our classes.





YOUTH MINISTRY

Michael Clauberg + mclauberg@sjecm.org

Director of Youth Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 205)

Boy Scouts: Pat Hahn TroopPack800@aol.com

Cub Scouts: Michael Hayes + cubscoutpack0800@gmail.com EDGE (Middle School Youth Ministry): youth@sjecm.org

Life Teen (High School Youth Ministry): Michael Clauberg + mclauberg@sjecm.org

SJE Service Corps: Fr. John Sureau + jsureau@sjecm.org

Young Adult Ministry: youth@sjecm.org

Office Hours

Sundays: 12:30 to 9:30 p.m. **Tuesdays:** 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. **Wednesdays:** 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. **Thursdays:** 12:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY Event Schedule January-April

Sunday- Come to our 5:30 PM Youth/Family Mass Wednesday – Youth ministry activities 7:00-8:30

1/17/18- Meet in Gym

1/31/18– Meet in Barn

2/14/18– Ash Wednesday Mass

2/28/18- Meet in Gym

3/14/18- Meet in Gym

4/11-18- Meet in Gym

4/25/18– Meet in Gym

Middle school teenagers are invited and we encourage you to bring your friends!



YOUNG ADUR





Monday: January 8th: Trip to St. James in Setauket to see Father Jerry's Nativity Scene. One of the biggest and most beautiful in the WORLD! Meeting at St. James at 7:30!

If you want more information you can Contact Mike @ mclauberg@sjecm.org.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

Who: FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

What: A FUN

SOCIAL NIGHT (Basketball & Volleyball)

Great people! Great Food! Great Faith!

Where: IN THE OLQA GYM (across the

street from church)

When: YOUTH/FAMILY MASS @ 5:30

P.M. YOUTH MINISTRY MEETS FROM 7:00-

8:30 DOORS OPEN @ 6:30 (IT'S FREE)

Why: WHY NOT?

CONTACT INFORMATION

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E-Mail: Mclauberg@sjecm.org

Instagram: sjecmyouth

Snapchat: SJE CMYOUTH

Mike Clauberg | ST. JOHN YOUTH MINISTRY | 25 OCEAN AVE. | CENTER MORICHES, NY 11934

Serving Justice Excellently YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

Another Component of Youth Ministry at St. John the Evangelist!

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 Life Teen or Middle School 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

e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 170 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 Noon + 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (RED BARN, Upstairs)

LEVEL 7 PARENT MEETING: 1/8 & 1/9

Level 7 Parents: Please be sure to join us for our next parent meeting in January, which will be held during class times. Come to <u>ONE</u> of the following dates:

Monday, January 8 6:15-7:15PM OR 7:45-8:45PM in the Auditorium OR

Tuesday, January 9, 7:45-8:45PM in the Auditorium

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO ...

Thank you to our catechists, priests, volunteers and parish staff who've helped serve the nearly 1,700 students in our Faith Formation program in 2017! We look forward to all that is in store for the New Year!



WHAT'S HAPPENING @SJE

Do you have a treadmill that's collecting dust?

The priests at St. John's are currently looking for a treadmill that is in working order to help stay in shape. If you or someone you know has a treadmill that's become a decorative piece of furniture and could use a new home please give us a call! 631-878-0009.



FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Last week, we celebrated the Feast of St. John the Evangelist on December 27th! It's our parish's feast day. Our Pastoral Team and parish staff gathered at the 12 Noon Mass and for a luncheon in the Rectory. (We also celebrated our November and December staff birthdays.)

So many who work here make great sacrifices for each of us! How grateful to God are we for their service

St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!



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 – 9 PM

Santa Misa: Sábados - 7:30 PM

Confesiones: Sábado - 6:45 PM en la Iglesia Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia y Cuarto Sábado de cada mes durante la

Clases pre-bautismos es el primero martes de cada

mes.

Locación – en el Convento (la casa blanca) 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: Domingo 7:30Pm en la Iglesia.

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

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 January Has been donated: In loving memory of Kenneth G. Horbal



Stewardship

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

• Psalm 116:2

Sunday 12/24/17: \$15,519 (2016: \$13,646)

Collections amounts for Christmas, the Feast of the Holy Family and New Year's Day will be published in next week's bulletin

Telecare Telethon Time!

The Telecare Telethon is the weekend of Saturday, January 13th from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, January 14th from 12PM to 10PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137, Time Warner Channel 471 or Verizon FiOS channel 296 to support our Diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest "stars" including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Additionally, visits from some celebrity chefs, musical groups and New York sports teams will help fuel the enjoyment. Join Msgr. Jim Vlaun for the 25th annual Telecare Telethon and consider making a donation by phone or a secure donation over the internet at www.TelecareTV.org. Look for Fr. John and Fr. Michael during the Telethon too!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: 1 Samuel 3:3B-10, 19

Samuel receives the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13C-15A, 17-

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Our bodies are temples.

Gospel: John 1:35-42

John identifies the Messiah, Peter responds.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Are only "experienced sages" called to do God's work? What about the young boy Samuel? Even if you are not a "sage" or a young boy, what is God asking you to do or be?
- 2. St. Paul asks, "do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you"? Are you always aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit? Give some reasons how you can show reverence for the people in your life.
- 3. Jesus asked the disciples, "What are you looking

for"? How would you answer that question? Then there was a second loaded question: "Where are you staying"? This could be restated, "Where can we spend time with you?" When the disciples took time with Jesus, did they find what they were looking for, even if just by instinct? Will this work for you?





END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENTS

As we approach the end of the calendar year, we are changing our process for end of year tax statements. <u>Tax statements will be provided for those</u> who request them. Simply call the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to bulletin@sjecm.org for your 2017 statement. Statements will be available after January 20, 2017. You can have your form mailed to you, emailed to you or you may pick it up at the Rectory.

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This Week's Music

The readings for today's liturgies are now found in our Breaking Bread Hymnal.

Scheduled Hymns for 1/6 and 1/7

Entrance Hymn: #110, We Three Kings

Preparation Hymn: #109, Angels, From the Realms of Glory

Communion Hymn: #627, Blest Are They

Closing Hymn: #81, Angels We Have Heard on High

Adult Choir: Practice Tuesdays @ 7PM

Children's Choir: Practice Wednesdays @ 6PM

Youth Choir: Practice Sundays @ 4PM



PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

We Remember...

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
-Entrance Antiphon, Funeral Mass

Corrine M. Seymour John A. Deluca Ruth Grammas Margaret Dyer

We Pray...

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

-1 Peter 1:6

Joan Giammalvo

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 ones 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

In your generosity, please pray for our parish family members serving abroad in the military. Family members, please call the rectory to add or update your loved one's status if they have returned.

US Army

Sgt. Justin Sikorski SPC. Daniel Smith

US Air Force

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes

SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens PFC Kyle Kerstien

US Marine Corps

Pfc Sean Brady, Patrick Kimes, Lt. Col. Robert K. Maldonado. L/Cpl. Quentin Montemarano LCL Andrew Schlosberg MAJ Stephen Bartoszak

US Navy

STGCS Brian Holzmacher ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr.

If you would like have someone serving in the military placed on the list above or if a name should be removed, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.



PREPARING FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK		
RBMR—Red Barn—1st Floor Meeting Room/RBUR—Upper Room		
Monday, January 8, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
4:45 p.m.	FF Classes Level 3-6	School School
6:15 p.m.	FF Classes Level 7-8	School
6:15 p.m.	FF Level 7 Parent Meeting	Auditorium
7:15 p.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena	Seton Chapel
7:45 p.m.	FF Classes Level 7-8	School
7:45 p.m.	FF Level 7 Parent Meeting	Auditorium
Tuesday, January 9, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
9:30 a.m.	Scripture Study	RBMR
4:45 p.m.	FF Classes Level 3-6	School School
6:15 p.m.	FF Classes Level 3-6	School
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Room 16
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	Seton Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Young Adult Ministry	RBUR
7:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
7:45 p.m.	FF Classes Level 7-8	School
7:45 p.m.	FF Level 7 Parent Meeting	Auditorium
Wednesday, Jan	nuary 10, 2018	
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop
5:00 p.m.	СУО	Auditorium
6:00 p.m.	Troop 800 Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts	Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Middle School Nights	Auditorium
Thursday, January 11, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RBMR
6:30 p.m.	CYO Game	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Taste of Education Meeting	Faculty Room
Friday, January 12, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
5:00 p.m.	CYO Practice	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	RBMR
Saturday, January 13, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
8:30 a.m.	FF Classes Level 1-2 Heritage	Auditorium
8:30 a.m.	FF Classes Level 1-2	School
10:00 a.m.	FF Classes Level 1-2	School School
1:30 p.m.	EM Prayer Service	Caeteria
Sunday, January 14, 2018		
6:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RBMR
8:00 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Men's)	RBMR
10:00 a.m.	Family Life Sandwich Day	Cafeteria
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	MASS SCHEDULE		
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The Baptism of the Lord			
7:00 a.m.	Special Intentions– Ann and Jim Garvey		
12 Noon	Judith Marie McLaughlin		
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 Weekday			
7:00 a.m.	Special Intentions-Eileen Hammond		
12 Noon	Joe Carsello		
Wednesday, January 10, 2018 Weekday			
7:00 a.m.	Paula Baker		
12 Noon	Jean Kelledy		
Thursday, January 11, 2018 Weekday			
7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Special Intentions- Malachi Fisher		
Friday, January 12, 2018 Weekday			
7:00 a.m.	William Lewis		
12 Noon	C. Thomas DeMasco		
Saturday, January 13, 2018 Weekday			
St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church			
8:00 a.m.	John Donahue		
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Mass of An	ticipation		
5:00 p.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory		
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available		
Sunday			
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish		
9:00 a.m.	Donald Hulse		
10:30 a.m.	Frank Messina		
12:00 p.m.	Saverio Giambaluo		
5:30 p.m.	Anthony Nuzzi		