



# St. John the Evangelist

## Roman Catholic Church

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

—Mission Statement



**First Sunday of Lent**

February 21, 2021

“He remained in the desert for forty days,  
tempted by Satan ” -Mark 1:13

February 21, 2021

# THIS SATURDAY

# BLOOD DRIVE

St. John the Evangelist RC Church

Saturday, February 27, 2021

9:00am – 3:00pm

School Auditorium

25 South Ocean Avenue – Center Moriches-11934

**APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED!**

Walk-ins allowed if capacity permits

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LENT 2021 + Parish Lenten Mission

## LENTEN MISSION

### *33 Days to Greater Glory*

We hope you are enjoying the beginnings of reading *33 Days to Greater Glory*. This week, we are going to begin reading Week One: Opening Characters (pp. 31-56). While there is no official rule, try not to go too far ahead and don't panic if you fall behind. Trust that God has you where you need to be. Use your Bible and pray with the Gospel of John as you read each day's reflection in the book.

We are providing a reflection question for each day this week. If it is helpful, please use it. If not, skip it.

**Sunday, February 21, 2021** – A Prophet Like Moses (pp. 31-34)

Is there an image of Jesus you are drawn to that allows you to more powerfully see the face of God?

**Monday, February 22, 2021** – John the Baptist (pp. 34-37)

What does humility mean to you?

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021** – The First Disciples (pp. 37-40)

As you read John 1:35-51, is there a particular disciple you are drawn to?

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021** – The Jews (pp. 41-44)

Pray with the questions on the bottom of page 42.

**Thursday, February 25, 2021** – Nicodemus (pp. 44-47)

Re-read John 3:1-21. Nicodemus comes at night....does he leave enlightened?

**Friday, February 26, 2021** – Woman at the Well (pp. 47-51)

What draws you into the character of the “woman at the well”? What do you identify with/relate to?

**Saturday, February 27, 2021** – The Woman Caught in Adultery (pp. 51-54)

Think about the gestures of Jesus. What does this reveal to you about humility?

Here is how we can participate:

- The Daily Spiritual Message (x. 185) will feature some reflection on the book during most days of Lent
- We will be hosting a weekly Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. Here is the link:

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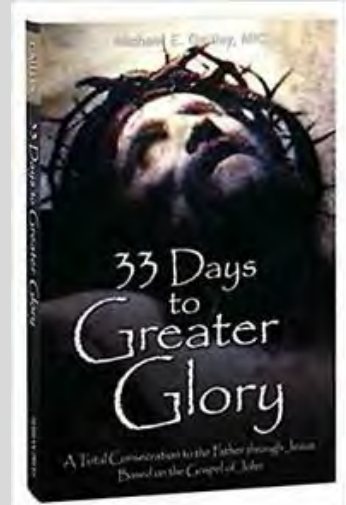
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To call in by phone, call: 1 929 205 6099

- SJE Social Media will have a video reflection from our parish staff.
- Our parish staff will gather on Mondays to pray with the book as a team.
- SJE Music Ministry will feature a night of sacred music based in the Gospel of John – Date TBA
- We will gather on March 25th for Solemn Evening Prayer for the Solemnity of the Annunciation.

*Don't worry – it's not too late. If you were not able to get a book, copies are available at the doors of the church and in the parish office. So whether you are able to come to the church or chapel, go online or not, are home-bound or hoping to get out, there is guaranteed to be a parish mission you're not likely to forget*



## LENT 2021

### ABSTINENCE AND FASTING

All Catholics who have reached their fourteenth (14th) year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

All Catholics between the ages of eighteen (18) and fifty-nine (59) inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse. A more serious reason is required to excuse oneself from the Ash Wednesday and Good Friday fast and abstinence.

**The Art and Environment Ministry** invites all SJE parishioners to join us on a very special **Lenten Journey**.



**LENT** is a season where we reflect on our sins and how they “mask” us from truly being close to God. During this Lenten journey, we would like to uncover our sins, be forgiven and “unmask” ourselves. Located on the table outside Our Lady’s Chapel, you will find a frame and a basket with fabric strips. We invite you to take a strip of fabric (representing your mask of sin) and tie it onto the frame as you reflect on your relationship with God. We will begin this journey the first weekend in Lent (February 20/21) and end before Palm Sunday.



Thank you for being part of our Parish Lenten Journey!

### SINNERS WELCOME and WANTED!

**Come and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation!**

Daily after 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and *in Our Lady’s Chapel in the Church*.

Saturdays after 8 a.m. Mass and from 4 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. (Spanish)

Sundays from 5:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

#### Diocesan Day of Reconciliation:

Monday, March 29, 2021 - 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2, 2021 —4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021—4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Of course, you may call the Parish Office and make an appointment with one of our priests.*

### Stations of the Cross



This Lent, we will celebrate the **Stations of the Cross at**

**-1 p.m.,**

**-7 p.m.**

**-8 p.m. (Spanish)**

**Fridays in the Church.**

“This contemplation of the sufferings of Jesus is very fruitful. I am convinced that outside the Sacraments and liturgical acts, there is no practice more useful for our souls than the Way of the Cross made with devotion. It is of sovereign super-natural efficacy.”

*-Blessed Columba Marmion*

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## LENT 2021

### PASCHAL CANDLE

The Paschal Candle we have now has served as an incredible reminder of the light that shines through the darkness. At the Easter Vigil this year, we will prepare a new Paschal Candle. Because of our increased use of Seton Chapel we also purchase a smaller Paschal Candle for this space. Both candles will burn throughout the Easter season and for all baptisms and funerals. It is a sign of the "Light of Christ" that shatters the darkness of our world. Our new candles are handmade from beeswax and will be a beautiful sign of Easter light and hope. Because it is beeswax and handmade, it is expensive.



A nice tradition has developed over the years at SJE. Members of the parish who had lost family members in the past year made an offering in memory of their loved one to assist with the costs related to the candles. **If you and/or your family would like to do that, we would be most grateful and appreciative. You can send a donation to the Parish Office. Please note clearly that it is for the new Paschal Candles and list the name of who you wish to remember.**

### LENTEN BAG CHALLENGE - **BAGS STILL AVAILABLE!!**

Our Parish Social Ministry needs your help this Lent! Make it a fast acceptable to the Lord by caring for the poor and vulnerable in our midst. On Ash Wednesday, we asked you to take two purple bags. You keep one and use it for your own shopping experiences...and maybe encourage others to join you at SJE. We ask that you return the second bag at some point during Lent supporting our Street Ministry and Ernie's Place, SJE's Food Pantry Ministry. A list will be placed inside of each of bag. (Of course you can return both bags!)



When emptied, the returned bags will be used by our guests at the Street Ministry and at Ernie's Place – SJE's Food Pantry Ministry.

### "God, forever and ever..."

There is a slight change in our liturgical prayers that began on Ash Wednesday. The Congregation for the Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments called for a change in the Collects we use at Mass. The Collect, maybe more familiar to us as the Opening Prayer, set our prayer on its course as it takes place immediately before the Liturgy of the Word. The Congregation writes,

"In May of 2020 the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments wrote to the English-speaking Conferences of Bishops regarding the concluding doxology of the Collects in the *Roman Missal* (which also appear in other liturgical books).

Specifically, the Congregation pointed out that the current translation - which concludes '[...] in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever' - is incorrect. There is no mention of "one" in the Latin, and "Deus" in the Latin text refers to Christ. Therefore, the correct translation, which is already reflected in the Missal in other languages (including our own USCCB *Misal Romano*) is simply: '[...] in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.' The Cardinal Prefect has pointed out the importance of affirming the Christological truth amid the religious pluralism of today's world."

This is a small change that speaks to a deeper reality of our faith. Be patient as we – especially the priest-presiders – adjust to this change.



**Our Lady Queen of Apostles'**

# **WINTER RAFFLES**

**\$25/ticket**

## **HOW DO I GET A TICKET?**

**1. Select the drawing(s) you wish to enter - \$25/ticket:**

- \* 65" Visio Smart TV
- \* \$500 gift card to PC Richard's
- \* Playstation 5
- \* Concord Mountain Bike

**2. Send in the bottom form & money using one of these options:**

- \* mail/drop off a check made out to OLQA or CASH (2 St. John's Place, Center Moriches NY 11934)
- \* online via [olqany.org](http://olqany.org) (Parent Tab - Raffle)
- \* place in St. John's Church Collection (in a labeled envelope)



**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Best Contact Number:** (\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

**Which raffle(s) are you entering & how many tickets?**

\_\_ Smart TV                      \_\_ Playstation 5  
\_\_ \$500 Gift Card              \_\_ Mountain Bike

**\*Raffle Drawing on March 2nd. Last day to pay by credit card is February 25th.**

**All prizes must be picked up from OLQA School.**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE



### **FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY— SANDWICH SUNDAY IS BACK!**

**February 28th, 2021**

(After February, this will take place on the 3rd Sunday of each month)

**Drop Off times: 9am-11am & 5pm-6pm**



Sandwich Sunday will look a little different, as are most things these days. We are asking that families make the sandwiches at home. Although, we miss everyone very much, we want everyone to stay safe as we continue our Ministry. And what a testament to our family of families giving to others?!

Bring sandwiches to Auditorium on the third Sunday of each month. We will have two different drop off times for your convenience. The first will be between the 9am-11am. If you can't make it in the morning, the second drop off time will be 5pm-6pm. We will be collecting and boxing the sandwiches outside of the Auditorium of the school (main entrance).

**Covid Protocols:** We ask that everyone please wash or sanitize hands, wear a mask, and wear gloves while preparing sandwiches. Each sandwich should be placed in its own baggie. Peanut butter and Jelly are the easiest to make. Please keep in mind one loaf of bread makes 10 sandwiches. We will also accept cold cut sandwiches, we just ask that you label them.

If you need supplies, we will be leaving baggies and gloves with the Parish Office starting the Monday before Sandwich Sunday. Please try to make sandwiches as close to Sunday as possible, as they will be delivered to Light House Mission in Bellport on Monday morning. We will also be accepting supply donations, such as, peanut butter, jelly, or bread. There is a quick instruction video on Facebook and Youtube. We miss you all and look forward to seeing you all soon.

### *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* **Elected**

This weekend, we celebrate the Rite of Election at St. John the Evangelist. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults tells us, "The celebration of the rite of election, which usually coincides with the opening of Lent, also marks the beginning of the period of final, more intense preparation for the sacraments of initiation, during which the elect will be encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity" (118).

Most year, the catechumens and members of the parish travel to a central location to join with other catechumens from throughout the church and the bishop of the diocese. This year, in an effort to keep everyone as safe as possible, each parish will hold the Rite of Election and each pastor is delegated to be the presider at the Rite of Election.

Now our catechumens

- Jonathan Amaya
  - Jamie Gabino
  - Jesselyn Gabino
  - Sara Rebeca Garcia Noriega
  - Gladis Elubia Garcia Noriega
  - Fidelia Isabel Garcia Noriega
  - Blanca Esther Orrego Garcia
  - Nilza Alicia Ortiz
  - Jose Sican Patzan
  - Sean Luis Rodriguez
  - Luis Alberio Ruiz Cruz
  - Steven Anthony Sandolo
  - Mia Puma Sinchi
  - Jose Enrique Umansor
  - Marvin Enrique Umansor
- are the Elect of the Church.



Let us now pray for those who seek to be enlightened and enlighten us by their presence and witness.

**SJE+125**

**WHERE DO WE WANT TO BE IN 2023?**

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PHONE # 631.878.0009 + RECTORY @SJECM.ORG

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

Christian Diconsiglio Case Manger

Ernie's Place—Food Pantry Ministry: Katie Spellman

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

Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both

Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

### IF YOU ARE IN NEED, PLEASE REACH OUT

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

#### Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

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

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

Alternative office hours can be given upon request of appointment.

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

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

## Help out those in need!



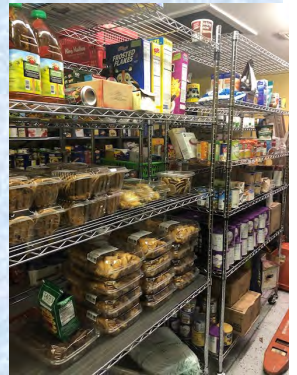
**Street Ministry** — serving the homeless in our area each week.

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

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

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

**Donations Needed:** Linguini pasta + Angel hair pasta + Pancake mix + Oatmeal (18oz.) + Maple syrup + Juice boxes + Toilet paper + Small rice bags (1-2 lb.)



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

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



**Thrift Shop** — provide garments, gems and great items for the local community  
Donations may only be left **in the green bins**. Anything left outside is discarded  
Donations for all parish social ministries may be left in Fellowship Area of the Church or Rectory.



## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



### First Sunday of Lent

#### *Weekly Scripture Reflection*

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families, providing food, utility, rent and other bills. God Bless You!

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

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

### MONDAY MUSCLE

The Thrift Shop is in need of some Monday morning muscle – even Sunday afternoon muscle. Can you help our volunteers by coming to “empty the bins”? For more details email [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org) or call the Parish Office.



### WONDERFUL WOODWORKER NEEDED



The Thrift Shop is in need of some new shelves for our housewares department! Do you have some nice display shelves we can use? Even better, are you good at building things like this and need an “at home” project?

*St. John the Evangelist*

## Community Meal

**Join us Monday, February 22, 2021 in the School Auditorium at St. John the Evangelist Church in Center Moriches.**

The Meal will consist of a home-made dinner from **6:00PM-7:30PM.** If you are in need of toiletries or clothes, please let a volunteer know!



### ERNIE'S PLACE Volunteers Needed!



Ernie's Place—SJE's Food Pantry Ministry—re-opened with volunteers this past Fall.

The need to support the hungry is only greater in these days.

For more information about offering your time on Monday evening, Thursday afternoons, or with sorting at Ernie's Place, please contact the Rectory at [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org) or call 631.878.0009.

# KEEPING SAFE IN THESE DAYS!

## LITURGICAL PRACTICES, GOOD HEALTH AND COMMON SENSE!

*Since 2017, we have published updates regarding good health, particularly in the winter months. My former Pastor, Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, a former professor of liturgy at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, prepared a brief article for my former parish's bulletin. As we are approaching the winter season in a time of pandemic, there are some good things to consider in our celebration of the Eucharist and some things we have been encouraging for many years!*

As we come to celebrate Mass together each week during these winter days, it's a good time to review some common-sense liturgical practices and issues, to help everyone stay healthy and to care for one another.

- **Not feeling great, STAY HOME!** Please do not take any chances for your sake or anyone else's! Join us via social media or watch Mass on the Catholic Faith Network. The risks are too great for you and for others in these days. There is no obligation to attend Mass in this time; it is not a sin to miss Mass for this reason. (Also, there is no need to go to Confession if you miss Mass because you are sick.)
- **Entering the Church:** You must enter through the main fellowship doors with your mask on. NO MASK = NO ENTRANCE into the Church. Sanitize your hands, take a worship aid and enter the church. For Masses in the Auditorium, you may enter through the north or south entrances. Specific doors are marked for entrance and exit.
- **Seating:** Please sit as close to the front as possible. It works best for groups of one and two can sit closer to the front and/or fill the seats along the perimeter of the church. This allows us to make the maximum, safe use of our available seating. Please keep a safe distance from those on either side of you and/or your family.
- **Holy Communion:** Priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion wash and sanitize their hands before Mass begins and immediately before distribution of Holy Communion. When Extraordinary Ministers go to their station, they place the vessel on the small table near that station and sanitize their hands before distributing Holy Communion.
- **Communion from the Chalice:** The distribution of the Precious Blood is suspended at this time.
- **Reception of Holy Communion:** Remember to bow as the person before you receives Holy Communion (this is not new). While you do this, please take down your mask. Please hold your hands out as flat as possible to receive Holy Communion. After placing the host in your mouth, put your mask back up and return to your seat.
- **Greeting of Peace:** The greeting of peace by shaking hands is suspended at this time.
- **Help!:** We are always looking for more volunteers to assist with the Cana Care Crew, particularly after Masses with the wipe down of the pews. If you and/or your family are willing to help, please see one of the volunteers in the orange shirts. We provide the gloves, t-shirt, towels and cleaning solution. You provide the arm strength and the positive spirit!

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATES



This is an important reminder for SJE employees and volunteers. You must stay up to date on your VIRTUS update bulletins, even if your ministry is not presently as active as it normally is in these times. If you have any questions about your VIRTUS account or how to complete the bulletins, please contact our safe environment coordinators – Michael Walsh or Elizabeth Dellaratta - at 631.878.0009 or email to [mwalsh@sjecm.org](mailto:mwalsh@sjecm.org) or [edellaratta@sjecm.org](mailto:edellaratta@sjecm.org).



## FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5 + Website: [sjecm.org](http://sjecm.org) + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation

Email: [faithformation@sjecm.org](mailto:faithformation@sjecm.org) / [mpirraglia@sjecm.org](mailto:mpirraglia@sjecm.org)

Office Hours: Monday-By Appointment Only (Monday-Thursday) (RED BARN, Upstairs)

### "FAMILY OF FAITH" (GRADES 1-6)

**Lent Family Resources:** For activities, video and other materials to engage your children at home this Lent, visit our Faith Formation Website—<https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/>

**February Session:** Our February parent meeting video, handout and Google Form are all up on our Faith Formation website! Our volunteer catechists are also working hard to provide grade-level material—click the menu for a sidebar with our grade-level outlines!

**Google Forms:** Don't forget to complete the monthly Google Forms letting us know how you and your child have been participating! See our website for the links to the Google Forms, as well as grade-level content, monthly outlines, parent meeting videos and handouts, and more!

### CONFIRMATION PREP (GRADES 7/8 & UP)

The session calendars are available on our Faith Formation website, along with the November and December video sessions:

<https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/>



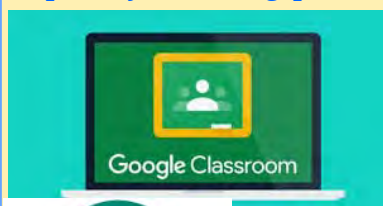
#### We are meeting via Google Classroom/Meet!

If you have any questions, please email us at

[faithformation@sjecm.org](mailto:faithformation@sjecm.org)

Video Tutorials on how to log in and how our sessions work can be found by visiting the link below:

<https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/2021/01/google-tutorial-for-level-7-8-families.html>



#### NEXT SESSIONS:

Level 7—Google Classroom Session: Tuesday, February 23 @ 7:15PM

Level 8—Google Classroom Session: Monday, February 22 @ 7:15PM

### FAITH FORMATION WEBSITE:

[sjecmff.blogspot.com](https://sjecmff.blogspot.com)



Check out our website for Ash Wednesday and Lent Resources for the whole family!



## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### Remembering Loved Ones

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

### Altar Bread and Wine

Offerings for bread and wine are \$150 per month. Names will be listed in each bulletin during the course of that month.

### Votive Candles/Altar Candles

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



Votive candles, including sanctuary lamps, are \$15 per week. The altar candles are \$25 per week. Names will be listed in the bulletin the weekend the candle is lit.

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

### Shrine of St. Joseph

Pope Francis has declared this year the Year of St. Joseph as we recall the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his declaration of Patron of Universal Church. Our incredible Art and Environment Ministry has enhanced the shrine area of St.

Joseph. When visiting, please consider:

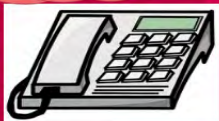
- Leaving a prayer intention under the Sleeping St. Joseph. As you place your intentions, consider using the words of Pope Francis: "When I have a problem, a difficulty, I write a little note and I put it underneath Saint Joseph, so that he can dream about it! In other words I tell him: pray for this problem!"
- Take a St. Joseph prayer card designed by our Director of Music Ministries, Andrew McKeon.



**St. Joseph,  
pray for us!**

### St. Genesius Guild

Are you interested in working in an office environment? Meeting and helping your fellow parishioners? Then the St. Genesius Guild would be a great fit! We are a volunteer ministry where we help out with office work in the rectory. No experience is necessary. We provide all training. We help out at the rectory Monday-Thursday from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., in two shifts. Due to the pandemic, at present, we are only working on Saturdays. Some of our duties are to answer the rectory phone, direct callers to the proper ministries, assist the priests with appointments, help with mass cards, general office work, etc. Please e-mail Rosanne Giese at [dmr99@optonline.net](mailto:dmr99@optonline.net) for more information. Please reference St. Genesius Guild in the subject line.



### Looking for daily inspiration?

Call extension 185  
(631-878-0009)

Call each day for a prayer, spiritual reflection, or Scripture reading from Fr. John or Seminarian Louis.

Share it with those who might need a lift – anyone can call from anywhere!





## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### HELP WANTED!

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday - 3PM - 7PM

@ Seton Chapel



- As we begin a new year, consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
- If you can be present for a specific hour, fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/qrC4P6nyDRrJ4xpu5>, email Fr. John at [jsureau@sjecm.org](mailto:jsureau@sjecm.org) or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009. We can use some additional offerers during most hours at this time.
- Parishioners are always welcome to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament even if they cannot make the regular hour commitment.
- Remember, when you enter Seton Chapel you must:
  - wear a mask
  - sanitize your hands
  - sign in the Exposition Sign In Book
  - keep distance (remember Seton Chapel has two rooms to assist with this).

**Silence is God's first language.** - St. John of the Cross

## Mass Card Intentions

As a way to offer comfort and solace during this time, 2021 Mass Intentions are available. To request a Mass Intention, please contact the rectory with the following information: **(ALL MASS CARDS WILL BE MAILED)**:

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name for whom the mass is offered: \_\_\_\_\_

\*please notate living or deceased

Mass stipend Announced: \$20 (check or cash)

Date requested: \_\_\_\_\_

The address where you would like the Mass card mailed:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

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## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – The Second Sunday of Lent

**Reading I:** Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

*God puts Abraham to the test.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** PS 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:31b-34

*God, sacrificing even his son for us, will grant us victory.*

**Gospel:** Mark 9:2-10

*Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.*



### Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think God chose a rainbow to be a sign of this covenant? Was it a sign for future generations, us included, as well as Noah's family?
- 2 Compare Noah with Christ-----: Noah brings people out of the flood into a new creation; Christ to a new life or transformative experience through the waters of baptism.
3. "The Spirit drove Jesus into the desert and he remained in the desert for forty days." Pope Francis calls the forty days of Lent an invitation to conversion. Do you need some kind of conversion? Is there something new within or around you waiting to be created?

### LISTENING DEVICES AVAILABLE

For some, the sound and the acoustics in the Church make it hard to hear. For others of us, it's just hard to hear! We have small listening devices that are available for parishioner use. They work if you have hearing aids and if you do not.

See one of our sacristans -usually wearing a Cana Care Crew shirt- and they will get you set up. If you do not see the sacristan when setting up for Mass, please go to the sacristy located behind the sanctuary.



### Are you registered at SJE? Are you getting calls and emails from SJE?



If you're not being contacted by the parish, it may indicate you are not formally registered with the parish. If not, please visit our website today (Click on "Join St. John's") or call the parish office.

Also - when you receive calls from SJE it usually begins, "This is a call from your child's school...". Know that this is a call from the parish and not from your child's school. We are able to use this service thanks to the support of the Education Department of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.



## Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

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

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

### MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

**Bautismos:** Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia. Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

**Favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.**

#### Requisitos:

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

#### Matrimonios:

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

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

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

### EL MINISTERIO DE CONSOLACIÓN TE NECESITA

El Ministerio de Consolación actualmente no tiene miembros que hablen español. Nos vemos seriamente obstaculizados en nuestros esfuerzos por ayudar a la comunidad hispana a planificar los funerales de sus seres queridos. Las familias aprecian nuestra ayuda y nos esforzamos por ofrecer a TODOS nuestro mejor servicio con comprensión y compasión. En este ministerio, trabajaría con nuestros compañeros como traductor y / o ayudaría usted mismo como acompañante. Se necesita mucho apoyo y un verdadero jugador de equipo! (También no es necesario unirse al ministerio a tiempo completo, sino ayudar según sea necesario!)

Si es bilingüe y está dispuesto a considerar unirse a nosotros, comuníquese con nosotros comunicándose con la Rectoría en [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org) o 631.878.0009. Nos encantaría tenerle.

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Permítanos ayudarlo!

### DESPENSA DE COMIDA DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 p.m. a las 7:30 p.m.  
Jueves 1 p.m. a las 2 p.m.

### TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Red Barn  
Miércoles de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.

### MINISTERIO DE LA CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley  
7:15 p.m. (aproximadamente)  
Comidas sencillas y ropa disponible.

### COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6 p.m.  
Auditorio de la escuela  
DICIEMBRE - 21 de diciembre de 2020

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para aquellos que lo necesitan

## 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

Robert Peter Repetti, Mary Ann Ciano, Helen Capetta,  
Antoinette Woronka, Vingenzina "Jennie" Mignone,  
Cathleen B. Haskins

### We Pray...

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

Prutta Hahn, Rita Kirsch, James Dineen,  
Patricia Sullivan, Steven Iglia, Robert Kerstiens,  
Marilyn Tennant, Barbara Sapanaro,  
Roseann McCarthy

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

### Praying for Our Military

#### US Army

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

#### US Air Force

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

#### US Marine Corps

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

#### US Navy

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

#### US Coast Guard

SR Brendan J. Bernath, Capt. Keith Donohue

## STEWARDSHIP

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### CFN Annual Telethon

Join Catholic Faith Network for the 2021 Telethon on Saturday, February 27th from 2-10pm and Sunday, February 28th from 12-10pm. This exciting weekend will feature guests from around the world, thrilling performances and inspirational interviews. CFN is available on your local cable providers as well as on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android and the free CFN app. The Catholic Faith Network continues to be there for you during these challenging times and we ask that you help us continue in our mission. If you have capacity to give this year, please do. Consider making a donation by phone or by visiting [www.CFNtv.org](http://www.CFNtv.org).



### 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 February has been donated: In honor of Barbara Bartell Kremer*



## PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, February 22, 2021 + The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**

7:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

12 Noon Maria Gucciardo

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021 + Lenten Weekday**

7:00 a.m. Intention Still Available

12 Noon Christopher Bowman

7:30 p.m. Intention Still Available

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021 + Lenten Weekday**

7:00 a.m. Liberate Romano

12 Noon Philip Kennedy

**Thursday, February 25, 2021 + Lenten Weekday**

7:00 a.m. David Hotzworth

12 Noon John Fay

**Friday, February 26, 2021 + Lenten Weekday**

7:00 a.m. William Nast

12 Noon Angela & Frank Cantanno

**Saturday, February 27, 2021 + Lenten Weekday**

8:00 a.m. Doreen Jablonski

### Second Sunday of Lent

#### Mass of Anticipation

5:00 p.m. Ferdinand DeFelippi

7:30 p.m. Intention Still Available

#### Sunday

8:00 a.m. Rev. Joseph Coschignano

10:00 a.m.. William P. LaVallee

12:00 p.m. Stephanie O'Neill

6:00 p.m. Special Intention– Carl & Antoinette Woronka

## MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

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

**Monday, February 22, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
6:30 p.m.	Community Meal	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour for Priest Prayer Group	SC
7:15 p.m.	Level 8 Faith Formation	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Spanish RCIA	RBMR

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	Faculty Rm.
7:15 p.m.	Level 7 Faith Formation	Cafeteria

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Imagine NA	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Baptism Prep	RBUR
7:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	RBMR

**Thursday, February 25, 2021**

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

**Friday, February 26, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
1PM,7PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	SC
7:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	RBMR
8:00 p.m.	Spanish Stations of the Cross	Church

**Saturday, February 27, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
9:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	SC
9:00 a.m.	Blood Drive	Auditorium
7:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Cafeteria

**Sunday, February 28, 2021**

6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB
10:00 a.m.	FLM Sandwich Sunday	Cafeteria



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Parochial Vicar

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Parochial Vicar

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Deacon

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**Andrew McKeon**  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(in the Blue House)

**Monday—Thursday:**

9 a.m.—8 p.m.

**Friday—Saturday**

9 a.m.—2p.m.

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

## Come and pray with us!

### SUNDAY MASS

#### **Saturday Evening**

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

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

Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)



#### **Sunday**

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

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

### WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday—Friday:** 7:00 a.m. + 12 Noon

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

**Saturday Morning:** 8:00 a.m.

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

Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

## Come and know God's Mercy!

We celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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

**Saturday:** After the 8 a.m. Mass

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

**Sunday:** 5:30—5:45 p.m.

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

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

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

## Give us a call!

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

Call 631.878.0009, x. 185.

Share this with family members and friends who are homebound.