

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



The Presentation of the Lord

Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way. - Hebrews 2:17



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(in the Blue House) Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 12 + 1 – 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Un traductor español está disponible Come and pray with us!

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

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

Come and know God's mercy!

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

Come to the quiet!

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

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

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

Come and know God's healing of the sick!

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

Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours

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

Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

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

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

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Senior Ministry

OLD PEOPLE

Dear Parish Family:

I remember when my grandmother lived by herself in New York City we encouraged her to consider attending a local senior center or community center. She refused saying "Those things are for "old people, not for me". My grandmother was 87.

I think of her today as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. We see the encounter of two "old people" - Simeon and Anna. They remain in the temple all day, waiting and praying, longing and desiring for the coming of the Lord. It is Simeon and Anna who recognize the presence of God in their midst. How come? I like to think it has to do a great deal with their wisdom and experience, their perspective and status.

I always ask myself if I give enough honor and respect to the elderly in my life. I think sometimes I take people for granted. It is not intentionally disrespectful. It is just sort of one of those "they'll always be there, right?" things. My dad's passing sort of shook me from that. I probably was not shaken up enough.

Pope Francis in reflecting on a passage from the Letter to the Hebrews writes: "The remembrance of our ancestors leads us to imitate their faith. It is true that old age is at times unpleasant, because of the illnesses it brings. But the wisdom of our grandparents is the inheritance we ought to receive. A people that does not care for its grandparents, that does not respect its grandparents, has no future since it has lost its memory."

We try hard to respect our wisdom figures here at SJE. First, we are in their debt. So many of our ministries are coordinated, "staffed" and led by seniors. They bring that wisdom and experience, that perspective and status to so many things in our parish life. I worry some times that we are not grateful enough. Honestly, I worry that sometimes as Church we take the elderly for granted.

In a formal way, we attempted to address this a few years ago. Sister Ann came forward to develop a ministry to seniors in our community. (Please note: It's not for old people! :)) How can you not be amazed at all that has happened here in the past few years with the people of wisdom of our parish. From opportunities for prayer, weekly scripture reflection, bereavement groups (not just for seniors), visits to the sick, retreats, field trips and more, the variety of opportunities for seniors is significant and it is growing. Sister Ann doesn't stop...and I do what she tells me!

Second, we work to care for the elderly particularly through our outreach ministries. We bring communion to many who have become homebound, we make efforts to minister in hospitals and nursing homes and we provide for their needs in the midst of ever increasing costs. It is never enough but it is another effort.

We do have a challenge with the variety of senior ministries. They are not being utilized enough. Sister Ann can be working much harder (I'm only teasing!). We have so many opportunities for our wisdom figures to grow more deeply engaged in the life of this community. For them to share with our community, while I hope we can share with them.

Can you help us find some "Simeons" and "Annas" in our midst? What about a parent or a grandparent, a neighbor or a fellow parishioner? More than finding them, can you bring them and even accompany them to an opportunity that is offered here in our parish?

The journey of Simeon and Anna is one of fulfillment. They come to know the presence of God in their midst. They are at peace. I hope for those who come to pray with and minister to us in any of the ministries in our parish, particularly through our senior ministries, come to know the presence of God as well.

Let us pray for the ongoing work of our senior ministry! If you can, please say a prayer for me.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SJE!

Whether you are young or not so young, you'll have a great time at our annual...

SJE Mardi Gras!

(The great feast before the Lenten fast begins!)

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Want to help plan Mardi Gras? E-mail Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org

jsureau@sjecth.org For information about our first planning meeting! 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. School Auditorium Immediately following the 12 Noon Mass



THE WORD OF GOD

"So clearly is the Book of the Gospels a sign of Christ present in the liturgy, that it is revered with the same holy kiss given to the altar."

As part of our parish's response to the Sunday of the Word of God, we will begin to use the *Book of the Gospels* at Sunday Mass and major solemnities. This is another visible sign of the importance of the Word of God at the celebration of Sunday Mass and in our own lives.

You will notice each week that one of our readers (lectors) will process in with the *Book of the Gospels*. He/she will enter the sanctuary (without any reverence to the altar) and place it on top of the altar. He/she will reverence the altar as they return to their seat.

During the Gospel acclamation, the deacon or presider will pick up the *Book of the Gospels* and process to the ambo. He may pause to show the *Book of the Gospels* to the assembly. He will place it on ambo and proclaim the Gospel from this book. After the reading the Gospel, the Book is placed on the shelf of the ambo or in another place. The *Book of the Gospels* is not carried out in the procession at the end of Mass.

May the *Book of the Gospels* inspire us to more reverently read and reflect the Gospel in our every day lives.



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WE LOVE BABIES AND BAPTISMS! BELONGING MINISTRY

Preparing Families for Baptism.

A few weeks ago, members of our Belonging Ministry spoke about the possibility of getting even more involved in preparing our parents and young families for the Sacrament of Baptism. Here is the sign up form. Cut it out from the bulletin or email to shirleyautobody@aol.com or to mplona@sjecm.org.

Name	
Phone #	
Email_	

So you want to help with Baptism Prep? Please check the areas that you are interested in!

_Lead or help lead a Belonging Class.

This includes having the TV set up and playing the different segments on the Belonging DVD as well as ensuring the coffee machine is all set up. Bringing some snacks is always a plus too! This position requires a warm, friendly personality and an ability to make our couples and their children feel welcome here at St. John's!

_Help with Baptism Rehearsals

Baptism rehearsals are held on the first Monday of the month in the church at 7PM. This is a great way for our couples to get to know and see you. They can't say



they don't know anyone here anymore because of you! You will also help them to know what to expect at their Baptism by sharing some experiences of having your children baptized in the Church. Again, big smiles and warm attitudes go a long way here!

_Help at Baptisms

Okay, we've made it to the big day and the couples now get to share the joy of having their children baptized with you! You can help our couples in simple ways by helping move them around during the Baptism, help lead them in the response to the prayers and being a warm presence to them. Baptisms are held at SJE on most Sundays at 2pm.

_Phone Calls

Don't like getting up in front of people? Not sure if you're the warm, welcoming type, but still want to help? Great news! We need people to call up our couples after the Baptism itself to see how everything is going now because Baptism is not one isolated event, but the beginning of a relationship with Jesus and His Church. This position requires volunteers to "follow-up" with our couples, listen to positive experiences and also concerns so we can do better, and always letting people know that their place of belonging is in our parish.

If you would like to know more, please call or text Anthony Posanti at 631-384-5272 or e-mail to shirleyautobody@aol.com or mplona@sjecm.org.





PRAYER AND WORSHIP

LITURGICAL PRACTICES, GOOD HEALTH AND COMMON SENSE!

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 that runs during the winter months. With his permission, I have reprinted it here. As we are in the midst of the winter season, there are some good things to consider in our celebration of the Eucharist.

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.

- <u>Holy Communion:</u> Priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are especially encouraged to wash and sanitize their hands before Mass begins. If Communion ministers need to clean their hands during Mass, it must be done discreetly. The best way for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to clean their hands during Mass is to use a sanitizing liquid in the pew before coming into the sanctuary (sanitizing liquids have no place on the altar or among the Communion vessels and other sacred items on the credence table).
- <u>Communion from the Chalice</u>: The faithful should refrain from drinking from the chalice when one has a cold or is fearful of being infected.
- <u>Receiving on the Tongue:</u> Faithful who normally receive Holy Communion on the tongue should refrain from receiving on the tongue and instead receive in the hand when one has a cold or is otherwise contagious. Do not spread your saliva to the hand of the Communion minister if you are sick; receive Communion in the hand instead.
- <u>Greeting of Peace:</u> Use your own discretion and best judgment when invited to exchange the greeting of peace during the liturgy; limit physical contact with others if necessary. If a handshake is not advisable, a simple bow of the head is acceptable. Do not be insulted if someone prefers to avoid shaking your hand.
- <u>Mass Attendance</u>: MOST IMPORTANTLY, IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO MASS! There is no obligation to attend Mass if you are sick; 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.) Personal prayer and reflection on the Sunday Scripture readings is encouraged; many people also enjoy viewing the Mass on television.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Family Life Ministry

<u>Mercy Sunday– February 23rd</u>

Stony Brook Children's Hospital Goody Bags



Meet in the auditorium after the 9am mass (approximately 10 am) to help make Goody Bags for the children at Stony Brook. Please donate as many items as you can by dropping off at the Parish Office in a box clearly labeled Family Life Ministry. (Donations Requested):

Crayons + colored pencils + coloring books + adult coloring books sketch/drawing pads + playing cards + game cards (old maid..uno...go fish)

All items need to be brand new, NOT stored items (kept in a closet since September) due to the hazard it may pose to the children in the hospital.

Feel free to contact <u>Mplona@sjecm.org</u> or <u>Lindalos3@optonline.net</u> for more information.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Family Life Ministry presents Sandwich Sundays



Join us on the second Sunday of the month after the 9AM Mass in the cafeteria of OLQA to make sandwiches for those in need. All are welcome! For more information, call the parish office at 631-878-0009.

BE A PART OF HELPING TAKE CARE OF OUR NEW CHICKEN COOP. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT FR. MICHAEL AT MPLONA@SJECM.ORG OR 631-878-0009.



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FAITH FORMATION

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

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Prior to receiving their 1st Reconciliation, students and their families participated in a prayer service, where they recalled their Baptism and the importance of that first Sacrament in bringing them into God's family.

Our grade-level reconciliation services have begun as well! Students and family members in Level 3 came together last month for a prayer service and, afterwards, had the opportunity to go to confession. Thank you to all who made these liturgies so beautiful, and to the priests who came out to hear confessions for our students and their families!



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Lent 2020 - Novena of Grace

March 4—12, 2020 Get ready to grow deeper in God's love!

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PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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Ministry of Consolation:

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – x. 173 – svdp@sjecm.org



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

Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

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

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

Ernie's Place (Food Pantry) - Monday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Thursdays 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Thrift Shop - Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous- Offered daily @ 6:45 AM & Tuesdays, 7:00 PM– Red Barn Meeting Room

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





SJE STREET MINISTRY

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

Women's/Men's Socks + Diapers/Wipes Quart & Gallon Ziplock Bags + Women's Underwear

Financial donations are most welcome as they allow us to purchase items as they are needed. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office. We would also be most grateful for gift cards to places such as the Dollar Store or Walmart so we can obtain these items. Donations may be dropped off to the Parish Office (Blue House) during normal business hours or Parish Social Ministry Office (Red Barn) Monday-Thursday

10:00AM-12:00PM or 1:00PM-3:00PM.

Chefs/volunteers needed. Every Thursday night. Set up begins at 6:15 p.m. at the convent. At 7:15 p.m. vans leave SJE and return around 8:30. We are now making two stops so we need more volunteers! If you're interested in cooking a tray of food or going out with the van please contact Alex Finta (afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 119.)

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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 Tuna fish, Chicken in a can Rice, Instant potatoes Small jelly (grape), Small mayonnaise Boxed mashed potatoes, Cooking oil Toilet Paper, Soup Ramen Noodles, Cereal



Thank you for yourContinued generosity.Cut out this list and bring itNeedswith you when you goshopping!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

One way to approach the Beatitudes is in terms of their being descriptions of identity rather than moral demands. The Beatitudes embody a radically alternative vision of our Society. This is how the kingdom of



heaven is at hand: that we appreciate that we in ourselves are blessed. Blessed is who we are in Christ. God indeed calls us to blessedness. (Living Liturgy, p.54)

For assistance email depaul@sjecm.org or contact Alex Finta in the parish Social Ministry Office.

Join the Catholic Action Network



The Catholic Action Network, the official voice of the Catholic Church in our state, was formed by the Catholic Bishops of New York. The Catholic Action Network website is a powerful tool that is designed to educate and inform us on issues concerning important topics

such as Religious Freedom, Respect Life issues, Marriage and Family, Human Services, Criminal Services and Healthcare.

All parishioners should visit this website and sign up to receive important alerts and reminders about writing letters and sending information to local legislative leaders. It is very simple.

- 1. Go to <u>www.nyscatholic.org</u>.
- 2. Click on the "take action" tab at the top.
- 3. Then, click on "Join the Catholic Action
- Network" and follow the prompts from there.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

This ministry reaches out in a variety of ways to those who have recently faced the death of someone they love. The wonderful women and men who offer their time in this ministry—as well as our office staff—do a wonderful job in ministering to those in need. We are in need of more help as we seek to grow the Ministry of Consolation. We are in need of parishioners to come forward as:

Liturgical Ministers (Greeters, Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and Readers)

Cakebakers (willing to make a small dessert for a family who has suffered a loss),

Worship Aid Makers (able to update our Mass program for each funeral, involves light computer and possibly copier use),

Organizers (able to assign tasks to those who have offered their time), and

Companions (meeting with a family who has suffered a loss to assist with choosing readings, hymns, etc. and being present on the day of the funeral).

If you're able to help or want to find out more information, contact Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP



THE DIVINE OFFICE

The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office or the Work of God (*Opus Dei*), is the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day

and sanctifying the day with prayer. The Hours are a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer. At times the dialogue is between the Church or individual soul and God; at times it is a dialogue among the members of the Church; and at times it is even between the Church and the world.....In the Hours, the royal priesthood of the baptized is exercised, and this sacrifice of praise is thus connected to the sacrifice of the Eucharist, both preparing for and flowing from the Mass. *-Taken from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops -www.usccb.org*

We pray the Liturgy of the Hours

Sunday – Evening Prayer—after the 5:30 p.m. Mass – Our Lady's Chapel

Monday – Daytime Prayer– 3 p.m.–Seton Chapel Monday – Night Prayer– 8:45 p.m.–Seton Chapel Thursday– Daytime Prayer– 1 p.m.–Seton Chapel Thursday– Evening Prayer– 4:45 p.m.–Seton Chapel Saturday–Evening Prayer–after the 5:00 p.m.

Mass—Our Lady's Chapel

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

On First Friday—including this upcoming Friday:

- We will pray Prayers and the Litany to the Sacred Heart after the 7:00 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and at 6:30 p.m.
- The opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation will continue to be offered after the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and around the East End Holy Hour.

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

Comunidad Hispano de San Juan

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Dirección de la Oficina: 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934 Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009

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

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

Confesiones: Sábado - 7 PM en la Iglesia

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

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

Requisitos:

1. Certificado de nacimiento del niño o/de la niña.

2. Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)

3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de charla pre-bautismal (OBLIGATORIA para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Matrimonios:

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

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

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

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

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



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

MUSIC MINISTRIES @ SJE

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

Hymns for this week: #968 - Long-Awaited Holy One #967 - In His Temple Now Behold Him #1029 - I Am the Bread of Life #611 - I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

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

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

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

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

SJE FRIENDS OF MUSIC 2019-2020

I wish to support the Friends of Music by making a donation of \$ (please make checks payable to St John The Evangelist)				
Name:				
Address:				
E-mail:				
Phone#:				
This donation is:				
In memory of				
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PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Remembering our Loved Ones

Helping our Parish

Altar Bread and Wine—for the month an offering of \$150 is requested Altar Candles—\$25.00 per week

Altar bread and wine for the month of February has been donated: In honor of Jeanette Kopstain.



Stewardship

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

• Psalm 116:2

Sunday 1/26/20: \$12,929 (2019: \$15,832)

Each week, we provide envelopes for specific areas of parish life. This allows us to focus our stewardship in certain areas. Ideally, we would love to have a strong regular collection which would make these envelopes unnecessary. Next week, please make use of the Parish Improvements envelopes and/or place your offering in the regular collection.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Isaiah 58:7-10

Share with those in need and you will be rewarded. Responsorial Psalm: Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Faith is a gift from God. Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16 Salt of the earth, light of the world.

Discussion Questions

1. "Share your bread. ... Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer ... here I am." Is God there when you are "satisfying the afflicted"? Is God there when you ask for help, and even when you don't? Can you give examples?

2. Can you understand, using human wisdom alone, how crucifixion can triumph over sin and death? If not, then what allows you to see beyond human appearances? Did Paul want our faith to rest on the power of God instead of complicated arguments?

3. Jesus asked us to be like light and salt. What determines your degree of saltiness or brightness?



Annual Telethon

The Catholic Faith Network Telethon is the weekend of Saturday, February 8th from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, February 9th from 12PM to 10PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137, Time Warner Channel 471 or

CATHOLIC FAITH NETWORK 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 celebrity chefs and musical groups will help fuel the enjoyment. Join Msgr. Jim Vlaun for the Catholic Faith Network Telethon and consider making a donation by phone or a secure donation over the internet at www.cfntv.org.

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PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

We Believe

Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. -Rite of Baptism, 2 Our Newly Baptized: Collan James Heslin, Cole Martin Johnson Noah Everett Teich, Gavin Ogeka, Lucas Ogeka

We Celebrate

"The sacrament (of Matrimony) is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses, since "their mutual belonging is a real representation, through the sacramental sign, of the same relationship between Christ and the Church." —Pope Francis, The Joy of Love, 55

I. Darwin Castro and Carlotta Maria

We Remember ...

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

We Pray...

"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials..." -1 Peter 1:6 Nicholas Sarubbi, Susan Ruffini, Barbara Parent, Senja Mazzola, Michael Randazzo Patricia Foley, Joan Huey, Thomas Taylor, Elizabeth Soto, Tony & Janice Pruzzi Michael Nostitz, George Martin, Dominc Pironti, John O'Leary, Juliana Gales

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

Praying for our Military

US Army

Sgt. Justin Sikorski, PVT Bailey Meyer, PVT Sean Casey SGT Daniel Smith, SPC Olivia Cordero, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David Smith, PVT Jack Dyer

US Air Force

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens <u>US Marine Corps</u>

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

US Navy

STGCS Brian Holzmacher, ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr., MMN3 Christopher J. Esposito Jr Please pray for our parish family members serving abroad in the military. Family members, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org to add or update your loved one's status if they have returned.

ELECTRONIC GIVING @ SJE

Giving Greener

Are you trying to cut down on the paper you use? Is the check you write to our parish one of the few checks that you write



anymore? You can give greener by using our Online Giving Program. Simply go to our parish website at **SJEcm.org.** You can set up the amount that you would like to give on a schedule that meets your needs and you never have to worry about writing another check, forgetting your envelope, or having cash in your wallet. Our parish greatly appreciates all those who choose to give in this manner as it helps us maintain a consistent cash flow and pay all of our bills in a timely manner.

Frequently Asked Questions

MAKING THINGS OFFICIAL

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Our parish wants to pray for and with those who are seriously ill or facing surgery, as well as those in danger of death, should receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Parish Office and ask for one of our priests. To include you or your loved one's name on our sick list, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org. In addition, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring communion to the homebound—both those temporarily unable to attend Mass and those who more permanently cannot attend Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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

ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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

St. John the Evangelist

www.sjecm.org

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MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

RBMR—Red Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/RBUR—Upper Room				
Monday, February 3, 2020				
7:00 p.m.	Baptism Rehearsal	Church		
7:15 p.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena	Seton Chapel		
Tuesday, February 4, 2020				
9:30 a.m.	Bible Study	RBMR		
4:30 p.m.	FF Classes	School		
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Church		
6:30,8PM	СҮО	Auditorium		
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Church		
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	RBUR		
7:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	Faculty Rm.		
Wednesday, February 5, 2020				
9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop		
5PM,7PM	СҮО	Auditorium		
6:00 p.m.	Scouts 1227	Cafeteria		
Thursday, February 6, 2020				
4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RBMR		
7:00 p.m.	Level 8 Reconciliation	Church		
8:00 p.m.	СҮО	Auditorium		
Friday, February 7, 2020				
6:30 p.m.	K of C Bingo	Auditorium		
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Seton Chapel		
Saturday, February 8, 2020				
8:30 a.m.	FF Classes	School		
9:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	Seton Chapel		
9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary Curia Meeting	RBMR		
5:45 p.m.	Spanish Youth Group	RBMR		
Sunday, February 9, 2020				
10:00 a.m.	Family Life Ministry	Cafeteria		
10:00 a.m.	Belonging Baptismal Class	RBMR		
1:00 p.m.	CYO Game	Auditorium		
4:00 p.m.	Mass Band Rehearsal	Church		
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PREPARING FOR THE WEEK AHEAD MASS SCHEDULE Monday, February 3, 2020 Weekday St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop Thomas Valva 7:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the DeFilippi Family 12 Noon Tuesday, February 4, 2020 Weekday 7:00 a.m. Vivian Cordeiro 12 Noon Jane McNulty 7:30 p.m. Intention Still Available Wednesday, February 5, 2020 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 7:00 a.m. Special Intention-Peggy and Pete Formisano 12 Noon Joseph Catousco Thursday, February 6, 2020 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Philomena and Ernest Vigliotta 7:00 a.m. 12 Noon Rose Scafetta Friday, February 7, 2020 Weekday 7:00 a.m. **Richard Norton** 12 Noon Ronald J. Matzuga Saturday, February 8, 2020 Weekday St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin James Sikora 8:00 a.m. Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time **Mass of Anticipation** 5:00 p.m. Helen Scheu 7:30 p.m. Ginette Bouchard Sunday 7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Johnston