

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



Fifth Sunday of Lent March 21, 2021

"Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat;" -John 12:24

Holy Week 2021

PALM SUNDAY (3/28)

- Saturday (Church): 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.- Spanish
- Saturday (Auditorium or Convent Porch/Lawn): 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.- Spanish
- Sunday (Church): 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon, and 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday (Auditorium or Convent Porch/Lawn): 10:00 a.m. and 12 Noon
- Confessions Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. + 7:00—7:15 p.m. (Spanish) and Sunday 5:00—5:45 p.m.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

- Daily Mass at 7:00 a.m. and 12 Noon. (Private OLQA School Mass Wednesday at 12 Noon)
- Tuesday Evening Spanish Mass 7:30 p.m. in Seton Chapel
- Exposition from 12:45 p.m.—9:00 p.m. in Church (Monday) and from 3:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. in Seton Chapel (Tuesday—Wednesday)
- Confessions following 7 a.m. and 12Noon Masses, and between 12:45 –9 p.m. Monday

HOLY THURSDAY (4/1)

- Morning Prayer (Church): 9:00 a.m.
- Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church): 7:30 p.m.
- Night Prayer (Church): 11:45 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY (4/2)

- Morning Prayer (Church): 9:00 a.m.
- Children's Prayer Service (Church): 12 Noon
- Stations of the Cross (Church): 1:00 p.m.
- Solemn Liturgy— 3:00 p.m.
- Confessions 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Outdoor Stations of the Cross (Church): 6:00 p.m.
- Prayer Service (Church and Auditorium): 7:30 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY (4/3)

- Morning Prayer (Church): 9:00 p.m.
- Confessions 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
- Easter Vigil (Church and Auditorium): 8:00 p.m.

There will be no 5:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. Masses on Holy Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY (4/4)

- Sunday (Church): 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon, and 2:00 p.m.- Spanish
- Saturday (Auditorium): 11:15 a.m.- Spanish
- Sunday (Auditorium or Convent Porch/Lawn): 5:30 a.m. Sunrise Mass, 10:00 a.m. and 12 Noon

There will be no 6:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Sacrament of the Present Moment...One Day

Seeing Jesus

Dear Parish Family:

I didn't begin yesterday in the best spirit. I looked at a calendar that was quickly filling up and an uncertainty of how the day ahead was going to go. Sometimes, you can probably relate, it winds up being a race to the end of the day. Where is God in the midst of the run? In the midst of the moment? They wanted to see Jesus in the Gospel. I was struggling even though I know to find God in all things.

Let me share....and this is not about me! I just hope it makes your reflect and even smile....and maybe even consider priesthood and vocation in the life of the Church.

I begin my day early (very early) but even waking up was slow. It usually isn't.

It started with a phone call from Mariana (not her real name) the day before. She is a guest at one of our parish social ministry events (Community Meal, Street Ministry, etc.). I'm not even sure how she had my cell phone number but she got it. She called yesterday afternoon to tell me (well, order me) I had to go to the hospital and anoint her friend from the shelter who was dying. I had just gotten back from the hospital as I got her call. She told me I had until tomorrow. She called ten



times-on multiple lines. Everyone in the parish knew I was to go to the hospital even before I did. She was persistent.

I began my day with the celebration of the eucharist in the Church. Praying each day with those at Daily Mass is a grace even if, admittedly, I can be overwhelmed by the day ahead. Then off to the hospital to pray in masks (2), gown, eye shield, and gloves alone with a woman I immediately recognized even if she was not able to recognize me in all my gear.

I returned to the parish to have a run of meetings regarding resources and planning for another "different though better than last year" Holy Week discerning what's doable and best for our community. How are we going to make this work?

I ran over to the school to handle some social work office challenges that involved the difficulties of being a middle school student these days...oh and cafeteria duty! ("Really, is trying to make a basket in the garbage can with that open yogurt our best decision, my friend?"). What am I doing here?

Then to the parish to help a staff member who isn't feeling well and oh yeah the booklets for the Penance service we're having for OLQA. Then the beautiful moments that always take place in the sacrament—I speak as a confessor and penitent. I hope the kid with the yogurt issue fessed up!

Back to the parish. We have been blessed by an incredible benefactor who provided us financial support



to specifically purchase a van for our Street Ministry. Wait—to the bank! Need a bank check. What about the insurance cards? OK, we're ready. Off to the car dealer in Smithtown (I'm really doing this?) with Seminarian Louis and another parishioner to be sure we're getting the best deal. It was not a good day for the car salesman but we promised to offer a prayer for him. I'm expecting to see the other parishioner in confession soon. We got the van.

Returning to St. John's to clean up from Reconciliation and a few minutes of quiet in Exposition and maybe even a little rest...the Lord understands. Sister Ann is

here. What a blessing she is to our parish and to me! She's free and coming to dinner. It's a pre-St. Patrick's Day Dinner! Perfect.

Now to the bulletin after dinner. How do we make this schedule work and maybe we don't need all these pages. And "Fr. John, Don't forget your letter." Only to be interrupted by a young person who I have come to know and love and care for and look out for over the past six or seven years. A quiet, resistant, hurt and shallow young man is revealing incredible insight and depth and ready for the next steps in his life. "Oh and Fr. John, you're feeding me dinner, right?" Thank goodness for the microwave. His hunger was satisfied and so was my heart as he's on the right path, I hope.

And sitting quietly in our Chapel and trying to put all this together after talking to a priest friend with whom I share a deep friendship and seek his support.

March 21, 2021

I did see Jesus or Jesus found me—in a phone call from a passionate client to gather with people of faith in the early morning to the nurse who helped me with the gown to the staff here so patient with a broken leader to planning a schedule for praise and worship to moments of consolation and tears for a hurting middle schooler to care for an ailing staff member to the grace of the sacraments and the joy of the deal to the quiet of the clean up and peace of prayer to a joyous meal to a confidence that when it comes to someone I care about it's going to be ok.

I easily lose sight. So busy, so determined, so quick to check off the list and even, at times, frustrated. With the pace of things, so uncertain this is what God wants of me. Or exactly where God needs me to be.

I am working through a book entitled, *The Sacrament of the Present Moment*. Written by Fr. Jean-Pierre DeCaussade, it calls one to see the presence of the divine in the midst of it all. He writes, "Everything that has to be endured here below at the hand of God, the divine workman, who is love, only draws them to him. The faithful, knowing God's secret, remain in perfect peace and all that happens instead of terrifying, reassures them." As I look back on just one day in this incredible journey, I am reassured that in many ways and spaces, I was able to see Jesus in the many present moments (John 12:21).

In this last week of Lent, let's pay attention, particularly as we can find ourselves with so many things to do and manage, to the presence of God in the present moment.

Please say a prayer for me!

PALM SUNDAY @ SJE

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Sunday, March 28, 2021

"Palm Sunday tells us that ... it is the cross that is the true tree of life." -Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

* Palm will be distributed at Masses at the entrance way and blessed at the beginning of Masses.

*There will be no processions this year as has been our tradition in the past.

*Worship aids will be distributed with the Palm Sunday Gospel, music, etc.

Confessions

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Masses-

Saturday (Church):

5:00 p.m. (Fr. Felix) 7:30 p.m. (Spanish; Fr. Jaime)

(Auditorium/Convent Porch):

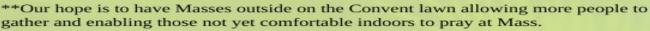
5:00 p.m. (Fr. John) 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday (Church):

8:00 a.m. (Fr. John) 10:00 a.m. (Fr. Felix) 12 Noon (Fr. Jaime) 6:00 p.m. (Fr. John)

(Auditorium/Convent Porch):

10:00 a.m. (Fr. John), Noon. (Fr. John)



Please park in the SCHOOL PARKING LOT (between the school and convent). Based on weather conditions, Mass will be celebrated on the Convent Porch OR the Auditorium.

We ask you to bring your own chairs though additional chairs will be available by the Convent Porch.

If we celebrate Mass in the Auditorium, it is filled with individual chairs that can be moved for your comfort and safety.

For Masses at the Convent, social distancing must be maintained and masks must still be worn.



MAKE THIS HOLY WEEK YOUR HOLY WEEK!

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Masses at 7 a.m. and 12 noon in Church

Exposition 12:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (In church today only)

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Masses at 7 a.m. and 12 noon (Church) and 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass (Seton Chapel)

Exposition 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Seton Chapel)

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Masses at 7 a.m. and 12 noon in Church and 10:30 a.m. (OLQA School Mass – Closed to the public)

Exposition 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Seton Chapel)

Reconciliation Monday

Today, the Sacrament of Penance will be available between the hours of 12:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the church, as part of a diocese wide opportunity to receive the sacrament of confession, Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this opportunity to go to confession, especially anyone who has been away from the sacraments, is most welcome on this Diocesan Day of Reconciliation.

HOLY THURSDAY

Morning Prayer

9 a.m. —Church + Presider: Fr. John

The Church comes together on this morning to seek God's blessing and to give praise to the Lord! Come and pray as we prepare to enter the Triduum together. A member of our parish community will offer a reflection at Morning Prayer.

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper Mass

7:30 p.m. — Church + Presider: Bishop William Murphy

This Mass recalls for us the institution of the Sacraments of Eucharist and Holy Orders. It is a wonderful way to begin the Triduum together. The Washing of the Feet, the Mandatum, is a

reminder that each of us - clergy, religious and lay people, young and old – is called to be a servant to one another.

Night Prayer

11:45 p.m. —Church + Presider: Seminarian Louis

Visits to the repository will take place after Mass until 11:45 p.m. Night Prayer.

GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer 9 a.m.—Church—Presider: Seminarian Louis

On this holy and solemn morning, we come together to hear God's Word, chant the psalms and unite as we prepare to recall the death of Jesus this day. A member of our community will offer a reflection at this liturgy.

Children's Good Friday Prayer Service- 12 Noon—Church

Presider: Fr. Felix

Once again, the children of our parish lead us in prayer as we recall Jesus' death and are reminded of his great love for us! During this service, we'll listen to the story of the Passion as witnessed to by our young people.



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GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross-1 p.m.—Church

Presider: Sr. Ann

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion-3 p.m.—Church – Presider: Fr. John

This solemn service brings us to the Passion of Jesus through the Word. We'll listen to some of the most profound readings of the Church year. We will behold the cross on which hung the salvation of the world. We will gather around the Table to receive the Eucharist. Following the Liturgy, all are invited to remain before the holy cross in silence.

Confessions- 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.—Church—Fr. John

Outdoor Stations of the Cross - 6:00 p.m.

Led by our Spanish community, we will journey throughout the local streets remembering Jesus' walk to Calvary. We will begin and end at the church entrance. Please see next week's bulletin for more information.

Prayer Service-7:30 p.m.—Church

As the Stations of the Cross concludes we will end the day in prayer in the Church in this bilingual prayer service.

Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer + 9 a.m. —Church

On this holy and solemn morning, we come together to hear God's Word, chant the psalms and unite as we wait at the empty tomb. The Blessing of Easter Foods will take place at the end of Morning Prayer.

Confessions + 4 p.m. —Church

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night + 8:00 p.m. —Church / Auditorium

This year, because of the significant number of the Elect and the necessary precautions that need to be taken to keep everyone as safe as possible, we will celebrate the Easter Vigil in the Church and the Auditorium. We will begin with the solemn fire on St. John Place and then move to the Church (English) and the Auditorium (Spanish). One celebration will be in English and one celebration will be in Spanish. More information will be available next week. PLEASE NOTE: This is only happening because of the specific situation of this year. There should be only one Vigil but we have been granted permission for this exceptional change.

On this night, we will be led by the light of the Paschal candle (the symbol of the Risen Christ) into the darkened Church and Auditorium spreading among us the Light of Christ. The Easter Vigil is one of the most beautiful services of the entire liturgical year. During the Vigil, we celebrate the Paschal Mystery – Jesus Christ has gone through death to new life – in a most prayerful and spirit-filled way! The Easter Vigil is much more than just "Easter Mass" – it is the heart of who we are as the people of God. We are renewed because we hear God's Word, renew our Baptismal vows, celebrate the Easter sacraments with the Elect of our parish and share in the gift of the Eucharist.

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Easter Sunday

(Please note adjusted Mass times)
5:30 a.m. Sunrise Mass —
Auditorium/Convent Porch/Lawn (Fr. John)

Church

8:00 a.m. (Fr. John); 10:00 a.m. (Fr. Felix); 12 Noon (Fr. John); 2:00 p.m. (in Spanish—Fr. Jaime)

Auditorium

11:15 a.m. (Spanish; Fr. Jaime)

Convent Porch/Lawn or Auditorium

10:00 a.m. (Fr. John) - 12 Noon (Fr. Felix)

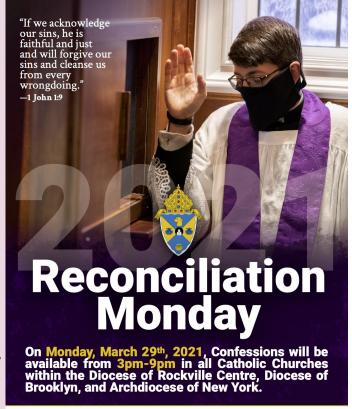
Come and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation! Regular Confession Schedule

- 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 5:30 p.m.

Additional Holy Week Confessions

- Diocesan Day of Reconciliation:
 Monday, March 29, 2021 12:45 p.m.
 to 9 p.m. (see ad to right– begins
 12:45 at this parish)
- <u>Good Friday, April 2, 2021</u>—5 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.



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Our parish is so generous and so good during the times of Christmas and Thanksgiving. How can we not reach out to our sisters and brothers in need during the greatest feast of the year.

Here is how it works!

We ask you and your family to consider sponsoring a family for an Easter meal as well as a family Easter basket. We will have family information coming in over the next few weeks (including number of children). Please also include a prayer or some other Easter religious/prayer article.

For Easter, consider what you might like to have for an Easter dinner and prepare that for a family in need. We ask that you drop off your donations in reuseable shopping bags. (If you don't have them, please place your items in any type of bag or box and we will take care of it from there.)

More specific information will be emailed to you in the weeks ahead

To prepare baskets, we will need help the following dates/times:

Saturday, March 26, 2021 - 10 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 27, 2021 - 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Monday, March 28, 2021 - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

(YOU MUST FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW OR EMAIL TO easter@sjecm.org. We are limited in the amount of volunteers we can have at each time. Send in forms no later than March 22nd.)

Name
Best Phone #
Best Email@
YES! We can help to sponsor a family of (circle one) 2 3 4 5 More than 5 For Easter!
YES! I can help with set up on Saturday, March 27, 2021 - 10 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
YES! I can help with distribution on Sunday, March 28, 2021 – 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
YES! I can help with distribution on Monday, March 29, 2021 – 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
cannot help on campus or by shopping this year, please accept the following donation. (Please

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attach a check or make your donation by going to www.sjecm.org and clicking on Giving.)

LENT 2021

LENTEN MISSION—33 Days to Greater Glory

This week, we are going to read through the final section of 33 Days to Greater Glory. Use this as a time to review what we have prayed together and make some considerations for the future.

Sunday, March 21, 2021 – Opening Characters (pg. 147-150)

How much zeal do you have to transmit God's humility and mercy?

Monday, March 22, 2021 – The Seven Signs (pg. 150-152)

How is God tender and caring with you? How can you more caring and tender with others? With yourself?

<u>Tuesday, March 23, 2021</u> – The Upper Room (pg. 152-154)

Pray today with Chapters 13-17 of the Gospel of John. Let Jesus speak to your heart!

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 – Greater Glory (pg. 154–157)

Take time before the cross. What are have you done for Christ? What are you doing for Christ? What should you be doing for Christ?

Thursday, March 25, 2021 - Look Up (pg. 157-162)

Make some time for yourself today—Look up and in! Allow God's love to touch your heart.

Come and pray with us at Mass tonight—7:00 p.m. + Church

Friday—Saturday, March 26 and 27

What does it mean to you to say, "Abba Father"....how can this change your Holy Week?

- 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:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84983352526?pwd=YnR2Nk90czhDdktHWTIycXF4M1pRdz09

Meeting ID: 849 8335 2526 / Passcode: 6318780009 / To call in by phone, call: 1 929 205 6099

If you were not able to get a book, copies are available at the doors of the church and in the parish office.



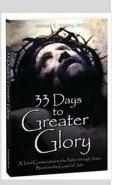
THIS THURSDAY

Solemnity of the Annunciation

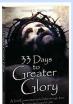
Thursday, March 25, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.— Celebration of the Eucharist

We continue the Lenten journey with 33 Days to Greater Glory as we reflect on the role of the Blessed Mother in the Gospel of John. Seminarian Louis will offer a reflection at the liturgy.





LENT 2021



Save the Date + A Night of Sacred Music

Wednesday, March 31, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Join members of our Music Ministry in a night of sacred prayer and music with hymns and compositions inspired by the Gospel of John.

MASKS: Signs of Transformation From Sin....to Salvation

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. So let's use the image of the mask - which for many of us is not a positive image right now - to reveal a deeper transformation?



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. This journey began the first weekend in Lent and will end before Palm Sunday. Thank you for being part of our Parish Lenten Journey!

STATUE COVER UP!

This weekend, we will observe the custom of covering crosses and images throughout the church, a practice permitted starting the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Crosses will remain covered until the end of the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday and statues remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil. (see *Roman Missal*, 5th Sunday of Lent)

This change in our environment should hopefully bring about a change within our own hearts and we prepare to enter Holy Week and the days of Triduum.

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.



On Friday, March 26th, the 1 p.m. and the 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in Seton Chapel.

"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

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.

PASCHAL CANDLE

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.



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

DESK AND DECK HELP (sort of!) NEEDED!

We are working on some projects and some updating in the parish.

PATIO/PORCH SET

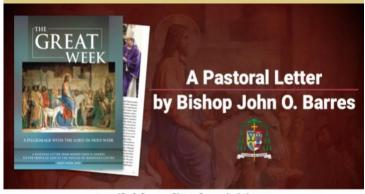
If you're buying an outdoor tables and chairs set for your patio, what about buying one for SJE? Just kidding...but seriously if you have an extra patio set in

good condition that you might be able to donate to one of the buildings here, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.009 or e-mail rectory@sjecm.org.



DESKS

We are looking for one to two nice desks for use in the parish. One will be used as a display sort of area for our parish Thrift Shop. A second one will be used in one of our Parish Social Ministry offices. If you have a nice desk and are willing to donate contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email rectory@sjecm.org.



Available online by visiting:

www.thegreatweek.com

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PHONE # 631.878.0009 + RECTORY @SJECM.ORG

Sister Ann Berendes + Director of Senior Ministry
Christian Diconsiglio Case Manger
Ernie's Place—Food Pantry Ministry: Katie Spellman
Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien
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 then 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 (180z.) + 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. Lynnwalshlcsw@yahoo.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 <u>in the green bins</u>. 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

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist has a conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? **Guess what...IT NEEDS YOU!**



We need parishioners who are interested in serving the poor and vulnerable. Specifically, the Society assists members of our community by visiting their homes to conduct "home visits" to determine needs and provide support for

those in need. Home visits are presently conducted via Zoom. In person visits, when they resume, take place with two Vincentian volunteers who are trained.

In addition, members of the society assist parishioners in need by linking to local resources for furniture.

Members of the conference meet monthly to discuss their progress and to engage in a time of prayerful and spiritual reflection.

To learn more, contact rectory@sjecm.org or call 631.878.0009.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Weekly Scripture Reflection In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, servant of the poor.



As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.

St. John the Evangelist

Community Meal

March Madness- let the Pasta & Potato battle begin! I'm Irish, my husband is Italian. I'll be honest, I thought March was owned by the Irish. He's put up with a lot, not the least was my short-lived attempt at learning bagpipes until they mysteriously disappeared. Quietly, he fought for his Italian heritage as Irish soda bread appeared next to St. Joseph's pastry, potatoes served on "Sunday Sauce" day (although there was a debacle over mashed potatoes with sauce), and red wine became Guinness (which is probably not considered a miracle). Michael prayed for April with a fervent matched only by Saints.

Which brings us to this month's Community Meal Celebration on March 29. We're going to celebrate "Pasta and Potatoes", to honor 2 Saints. The first is St. Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland who spread Christianity to Ireland, and is known for the use of the shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity. The second is St. Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus. He is the patron saint of unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants, and a happy death. Our celebration invites you to bring something of Irish or Italian heritage. We give a theme but welcome any contribution you wish to make. If you would like to contribute, sign up at https://docs.google.com/document/ d/1 1uYZTLrsrJGF38zCdcSSegzLXgr0tNoJkvw kBYTS s/edit or email healthful4ever@gmail.com and I'll add your item.

So please accept this personal invitation to join us on March 29. And I promise, I won't play the bagpipes!

Happy St. Patrick's Day & St. Joseph's Day!



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! All are welcome to attend!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Prison Families Anonymous

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." Matthew 25:35-36



Prison Families Anonymous welcomes anyone who now has, or ever had, a loved one involved in the juvenile or criminal justice system. At meetings, we share our experience, strength and hope. Here we offer information and assistance in navigating the criminal justice system. We encourage members to exchange phone numbers and when possible to carpool to upstate prisons.

The Prison Families Anonymous Support Group, in these times of working to keep everyone safe by meeting on line. Email— Pfa.longisland@gmail.com for more meeting information.

Meals on Wheels

Anyone over 60 years of age who is unable is to prepare their meals at home due to: illness, recent hospitalization, is disabled and cannot shop for themselves due to COVID-19, or any other reason, is eligible to apply for meals. We deliver to your home usually around 11am thru 12:00 noon, 5 days per week. Monday -Friday. The meals are overseen by a Registered Dietitian, from Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

Please contact our office at Moriches Meals on Wheels for more details, at 631-874-3856. We will be happy to help.

PSM RESOURCES

Each week, we will work to share referrals and information in the parish bulletin (and eventually on the parish website). Please consider sharing this information with someone else you know who may be in need.

Breast Cancer Screenings



The Mobile Mammography Van for breast cancer screenings is coming to this area.

Screenings will be provided at University Associates Ob/Gyn, located at 4875 Sunrise Hwy, Bohemia, on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m. Must be female, over 40, have had no mammograms in the past year, not be pregnant or breastfeeding, no implants or breast issues, and never diagnosed with breast cancer. You must have had an office visit with a gynecologist, primary care physician, or internist

in the past year who is willing to accept the results of these screenings. Bring photo ID and insurance on the day of appointment. Do not wear any deodorant, perfume, powder, lotions, or creams around the breast area. Individuals without health insurance will be processed through the Cancer Services Program of New York, if eligible,.

To schedule an appointment, call 631-638-4135.

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"Let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them." - Pope Francis

Almsgiving in Lent

Lent is a perfect time for us to pray for those in need - whether it is for their material, emotional or spiritual needs. And when you practice

fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those of our neighbors who are hungry, and consider sharing your gifts with them.

One way to do this is by making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, which supports programs

that help to feed people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs.

Have you thought about "fasting" from a regular purchase of something – i.e., a hand-crafted beverage? Over a 10 month period, this simple "fast" can serve many people need!

\$6.25 a week for one month is \$25 -- over 10 months it is \$250

To make a donation, you can also visit https://www.drvc.org/CMA

"....hagámonos prójimos de nuestros hermanos y hermanas que pasan dificultades, compartiendo con ellos nuestros bienes espirituales y materiales "_Papa Francisco

Limosna durante la Cuaresma

La Cuaresma es tiempo propicio para orar por nuestros hermanos más necesitados, por su bienestar material, emocional o espiritual. Durante estos cuarenta días, cuando usted haga ayuno y abstinencia. por favor recuerde a aquel que no tiene algo que comer, y considere compartir sus bienes con el hambriento.

Una forma de hacerlo, es mediante un donativo a la **Campaña de los Ministerios Católicos** -la cual a través de Caridades Católicas y las oficinas de Alcance Social de nuestras Parroquias- cada año apoya programas que ofrecen alimentos para los más necesitadas de nuestra comunidad.

¿Ha pensado en "ayunar" renunciando a comprar ese café especial o esa bebida 'gourmet'? ¡En un lapso de 10 meses, ese simple "ayuno" podría ayudar a muchas personas necesitadas!

Ello representa \$ 6.25 a la semana, esto es \$25 al mes. Y en 10 meses \$250.

SJE Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal
\$107,300

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donation options listed above. Make Checks Payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

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/grC4P6nyDRrJ4xpu5, email Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009. We can use some additional prayers on Fridays at all hours, especially from 4-5 p.m.



- 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).

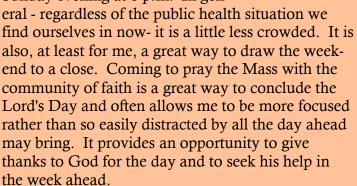
Silence is God's first language. - St. John of the Cross

Sunday Night Mass

Come to The Six!

As you may have noticed, our Sunday morning Masses are beginning to fill up. This is good news!

I want to ask those who may be accustomed to coming on Sunday morning to consider coming on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. In gen-



Consider coming to Mass on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. Hope to see you there! (NOTE: There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday.)



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!

FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org

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



FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION DATES!

Attention parents with children in their second year of preparation for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Communion: Check your email! A letter was emailed to you on March 4 with details on how we will celebrate both Sacraments, as well as your child's dates. Please check your spam/junk folder if you did not see it. If you have questions, please email us at faithformation@sjecm.org

FIRST RECONCILIATION: ONLINE PREP DUE 3/25

Lesson on our Faith Formation Website: All students preparing to receive First Reconciliation this Spring are asked to complete the online preparation lesson that is available on our website. Go to the link below and be sure to fill out the Google Form:

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https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/p/1st-reconciliation-prep-2021.html



"FAMILY OF FAITH" (GRADES 1-6)

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

CONFIRMATION PREP (GRADES 7/8 & UP) NEXT SESSIONS:

Level 7

SPECIAL NIGHT OF PRAYER—EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday, March 23 @ 7:15PM

Attend in-person or via Facebook Live Stream:

https://www.facebook.com/WelcomeHomeStJohn

LET US KNOW HOW YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: https://forms.gle/VEPpQofSDpSvpN8U6



Level 8

Google Classroom Session: Monday, March 22 @ 7:15PM

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WHERE DO WE WANT TO BE IN 2023?

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Gospel I: Mark 1:1-10 or John 12:12-16

Reading I: Isaiah 50:4-7

Despite rejection, Isaiah does not abandon his call.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 *Jesus made himself lowly and was exalted.*

Gospel II: Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion



Discussion Questions

- 1. "The God of their fathers (sent) his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people." Does God send messengers "early and often" now? What about to you personally? What can you do to "open your door wider" so that the messengers can get in?
- 2. In *Diary of a Country Priest,* the writer, George Bernanos, makes this statement: "Grace is everywhere." Can this be true? Discuss.
- 3. "For God so love the world that he sent his only Son ..." So what is your job? Who is going to tell the world about this love? Name some ways (other than preaching) that you can do such a thing. Might you run into difficulties at times? When this happens can you remember that you are not alone and that you will always receive the grace you need?



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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 Espanol 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 prebautismal (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

Feligreses de la comunidad Hispana de St. Juan Evangelista

*La subscripcion deben haceria 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, deves 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.



Las evaluaciones estan a cargo de tecnicos en radiologia matriculados en el Estado de Nueva York especializadoes en mamografias. La unidad movil cuenta con una comoda area de espera, un vesuario privado y una sala de examenes completa,

El Departamento de Radiologia de Stony Brook Medicine esta acreditado por el Colegio Americano de Radiologia y la Administracion de Alimentos y Medicamentos de los EE. UU. Los radiologos matriculados de Stony Brook se Encargan de analizar las mamografas.

Lugar: University Associates Ob/Gyn 4875 Sunrise Hwy Bohemia, NY 11716

Horario: Tercer Miercoles de cada mes 8:30am - 4pm

Para programar una cita, llame al (631) 638-4135

El dia de la cita, recuerde lo siguiente:

- -No use desodorante, perfume, talcos, lociones ni cremas en el area de los senos
- -Traiga una identificatcion con foto y la tarjeta del seguro, si cuenta con seguro.

Requsitos:

-Ser mujer y tener 40 anos o mas.

- -No haberse relizado mamografias en el ultimo ano. -No estar embarizada ni en periodo de lactancia.
- -No tener implantes ni problemas en los senos, como bultos o secrecion en los perzones.
- -No haber recibido un diagnostico de cander de seno.
 -Haber acudido en el ultimo ano a una consulta con un ginecologo, medico de atencion primaria o internista y que tal profesinal este dispuesto a aceptar los resultados del examen.

NOTA: Aquellas personas que no cuentan con seguro de salud se procesaran a traves del Programa de Servicios Oncologicos (Cancer Services Program) de Nueva York, en caso de reunir los requstos.

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 Louis DeRiggi, Edwina Wanser, Mary Anne Kiewra, Ruth Pettorino, Agnese Borg

We Pray...

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

Roseann McCarthy, Thomas Taylor,

Rose Beinert, Martin Laferty, Nicholas Giovanni Polini

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, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David Smith, PFC Jack Dyer, SPC Jarrad Satornino, PVT Michael 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

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 March has been donated: In memory of William P. LaVallee



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PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 22, 2021 + Lenten Weekday							
7:00 a.m.	Carrie LeBrun						
12 Noon	Diogenes Garcia Arauco						
Tuesday, March 23, 2021 + Lenten Weekday							
7:00 a.m.	Lorraine Bonanno						
12 Noon	Rev. John J. Denniston						
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available						
Wednesday,	, March 24, 2021 + Lenten Weekday						
7:00 a.m.	Alexander Nagy						
12 Noon	Thomas & Carmela Kinney						
Thursday, March 25, 2021 + The Annunciation of the Lord							
7:00 a.m.	Alfred Micucci						
12 Noon	Irene Miller						
7:00 p.m.	Annunciation Mass						
Friday, Marc	h 26, 2021 + Lenten Weekday						
7:00 a.m.	Arismendis Cuevas						
12 Noon	Remo Andreis						
Saturday, Ma	arch 27, 2021 + Lenten Weekday						
8:00 a.m.	Connie & Joseph Change						
Palm Su	nday of the Passion of the Lord						
Mass of Ant	icipation						
5:00 p.m.	Gerald DiPierro						
5:00 p.m.	Intention Still Available (Auditorium or Convent Lawn)						
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available						
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available (Auditorium or Convent Lawn)						
Sunday							
8:00 a.m.	Michael C. Deems						
10:00 a.m	Kary Dyer						
10:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available (Auditorium or Convent Lawn)						
12:00 p.m.	Frank Kollmann						
12:00 p.m.	Intention Still Available (Auditorium or Convent Lawn)						
6:00 p.m.	Special Intention– Maryanne Liberto						

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK						
	ed Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/RBU -Seton Chapel	R—Upper				
Monday,	March 22, 2021					
6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB				
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC				
7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour for Priest Prayer Group	SC				
7:25 p.m.	25 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous					
Tuesday, March 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				
Wednesda	ny, March 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				
Thursday,	March 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, M	arch 26, 2021					
6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB				
1:00 p.m.	OLQA Stations of the Cross	Church				
1:00 p.m.	SJE Stations	Seton Chapel				
3—7 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	SC				
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	SC				
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Convent				
7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	RBMR				
8:00 p.m.	Spanish Stations of the Cross	Church				
Saturday, March 27, 2021						
6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous RB					
9:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	SC				
7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Cafeteria				
Sunday, March 28, 2021						
6:45 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	RB				



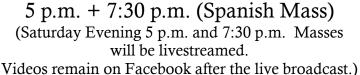








Saturday Evening



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**:

<u>Monday—Friday</u>: After the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses

<u>Saturday</u>: After the 8 a.m. Mass

<u>Saturday</u>: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. + 7:00—7:15 p.m. (Spanish)

<u>Sunday</u>: 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.

PASTORAL TEAM

Reverend John Sureau Pastor + jsureau@sjecm.org

Reverend Felix Akpabio
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Jaime Calderon-Hernandez Parochial Vicar

John Pettorino *Deacon*

Sr. Ann Berendes, IHM *Director of Senior Ministry*

Louis ConaPastoral Year Seminarian

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Director of Faith Formation

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Principal dwaller@olqany.org (ext. 201)

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.