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LENT 2019

ASH WEDNESDAY

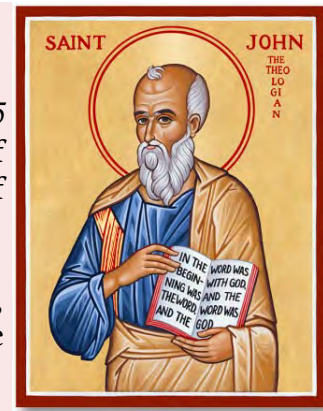
"I call you friends...."

John 15:15

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist welcomes you to today's celebration of Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent. It is a special time of the year—a time of grace and mercy.

We extend a special welcome to those who are returning to the Church today, and perhaps, returning to our parish today. We are honored by your presence and hope you will worship with us again.

May all who come to this place find a place of friendship and love.



Come to the quiet!

The church building is open from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 7 p.m., if not later, each night. 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 pray with us!

SUNDAY MASS

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, 5:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

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

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 and know God's healing of the sick!

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

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Seton Chapel on

Mondays from 3:00 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Thursdays from 1:00 pm. until 5:00 p.m

Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

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 the 7 a.m. Mass in the church building and at 7:30 p.m. in Seton Chapel in the Convent on most Mondays, with the exception of holidays and whenever the parish is closed.

Come and let us serve you!

The Parish Office is located at 25 Ocean Avenue (the blue house!). Our Office hours are presently as follows:

Monday – Thursday + 9:30 a.m. – 12 + 1 – 8 p.m.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday + 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A Call to Prayer...

WHAT AM I DOING HERE?

What am I doing here? If you're reading this column you might be asking yourself that question. Well, welcome then to the journey of Lent! We are so blessed that you are beginning it here with us at St. John the Evangelist.

Thousands will come to our parish today. Some will come just to "get ashes". Others come because they pray all the time in the life of the church. Hopefully, most of us—especially you—are here today because something is stirring in you, a stirring that is calling you to draw closer to the life of the Church. Some will be brave enough to ask the question that headlines this column.



If you're wounded, filled with brokenness, hurt, let down, disappointed in yourself, unsure of the next steps, good news. You're in the right place. If you have paid attention to anything about the Catholic Church lately those feelings describe some of the same feelings we have about ourselves. It's been a rough few months and, if we're honest, a longer time than that with those feelings. We have been turned off, insulted and infuriated about the brokenness of the Church. No question about it.

Yet, we are here. There is a relationship, a connection that transcends even the effects of our humanity. **This relationship is with Christ.** These days of Lent invite us to grow deeper and deeper in that relationship. We do this always in the context of our relationship with the Church. And as we grow stronger in that relationship with Jesus Christ our Church becomes stronger too.

This Lent, we are calling on every member of our parish and those visiting us today to draw deeper and deeper into that relationship. How do we do it? Pretty simple—Pray. Pray always. Pray without ceasing as the Scriptures tell us (1 Thessalonians 5:17). This special Ash Wednesday bulletin is filled with tons of great prayer ideas, including:

- Perhaps coming to pray more regularly at **Mass** on Sundays and even perhaps during the week
- Using *The Little Black Book* (see page 7) and/or committing to a quiet time and place each day
- Coming to pray with us during times of **Exposition** (see page 12)
- Committing to pray some of the **Liturgy of the Hours** in Seton Chapel (see pages 8 and 11)
- **Breaking out the Bible** and starting to more prayerfully read the Scriptures (see Bishop Barres' letter for Lent)
- Blocking out time for our **Lenten Mission** (page 12)
- Taking **some time in the quiet** of the Church building or in Seton Chapel
- Returning or making more regular use of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (page 7)
- Taking up the devotion of the **Stations of the Cross** (see page 8) and much more!

I can make a million excuses not to pray. (Actually, I'm putting it off right now to finish this letter to you at 5:15 a.m. in the morning.) Some are good ones. Most are not. When I fail to make the time and create the space, I often feel lost and overwhelmed asking myself questions like the one that appears on the top of this page. I'm blessed—and so are you—that God looks for us, particularly when we are unsure of what we are doing or where we are going. No question about it.

Featherman

Read Bishop John Barres Lenten Letter about Scripture and prayer!

Visit www.sjecm.org or go directly to www.drvc.org.



ASH WEDNESDAY

At St. John's, we begin our prayer in silence. When you are called to quiet, please put down the bulletin and hymnal and take a moment for some quiet prayer and reflection. Allow God to touch your heart.

All of the music for today's liturgies are found in these pages.

Entrance Hymn

Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days



1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days For
2. As you with Sa - tan did con - tend And
3. As you did hun - ger and did thirst, So
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
5. A - bide with us that, when this life Of



us did fast and pray, Teach us to o - ver -
did the vic - t'ry win, O give us strength in -
teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self, and
through your Pas - sion - tide, For ev - er - more, in
suf - fer - ing is past, An East - er of un -



come our sins, And close by you to stay.
you to fight, In you to con - quer sin.
on - ly live By your most ho - ly word.
life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide,
end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

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Collect

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD +

Reading I

Isaiah 2:12-18

Render your hearts, not your garments.



Be mer-ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Psalm 51

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Reading II

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

Be reconciled to God. Behold now is the acceptable time.



Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, king of end-less glo-ry!

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Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

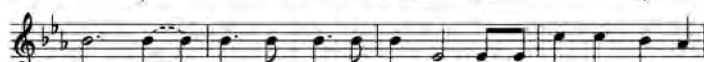
Homily



1. We rise a - gain from ash - es, from the good we've failed to
2. We of - fer you our fail - ures, we of - fer you at -
3. Then rise a - gain from ash - es, let heal - ing come to
4. ‡ Thanks be to the Fa - ther, who made us like him -



1. do. We rise a - gain from ash - es, to cre - ate our - selves a -
2. tempts, the gifts not ful - ly giv - en, the dreams not ful - ly
3. pain, though spring has turned to win - ter, and sun - shine turned to
4. self. ‡ Thanks be to his Son, who saved us by his



1. new. If all our world is ash - es, then must our lives be
2. dreamt. Give our stum - bl - ings di - rec - tion, give our vi - sions wid - er
3. rain. The rain we'll use for grow - ing, and cre - ate the world a -
4. death. ‡ Thanks be to the Spir - it who cre - ates the world a -



1. true, an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
2. view, an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
3. new from an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
4. new from an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.

Blessing and Distribution of Ashes

On Ash Wednesday, we take up a collection for the Parish Social Ministry work of our parish. This includes the work our Parish Outreach, Ernie's Place—our Food Pantry, the Thrift Shop, the Street Ministry and much more. Thank you for helping the least fortunate among us.

At our prayer services, we will take up a collection after the Homily. During Mass, the collection will be taken up at the regular time.



Ashes...Conroy

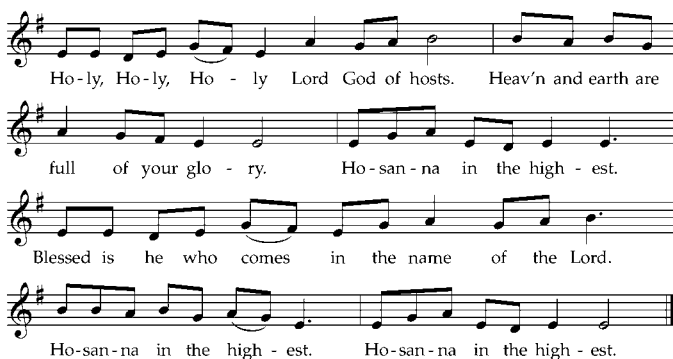
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Universal Prayer

Response: Lord, have mercy.

+ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST +


Preparation of the Altar and Presentation of the Gifts



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Holy, Holy, Holy

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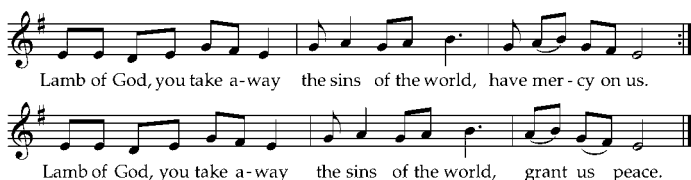
Save us, Sa - vior of the world, for by your Cross and
Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

Memorial Acclamation

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COMMUNION RITE

Our Father



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

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And I will raise you up, and I will
raise you up, and I will raise you
up on the last day.

Communion Hymn

I Am the Bread of Life

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1. A - bide with me! fast falls the e - ven - tide;
2. I need your pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
3. I fear no foe with you at hand to bless;
4. Hold then your cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;
1. The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide;
2. What but your grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
3. Ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
4. Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies!
1. When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
2. Who like your - self my guide and strength can be?
3. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, your vic - to - ry?
4. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks and earth's vain shad - ows flee;
1. Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me!
2. Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me!
3. I tri - umph still, if you a - bide with me!
4. In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

Recessional Hymn

Abide with Me

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*Please take this bulletin home with you
today as you leave Church!*

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Something new for Children and Families!!!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Beginning **THIS SUNDAY March 10, 2019**
at the 9 a.m. mass

St. John's new program **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will begin Sunday March 10th at the 9:00am Mass. The program is structured to help children hear God's message in a way that is more understandable for them.

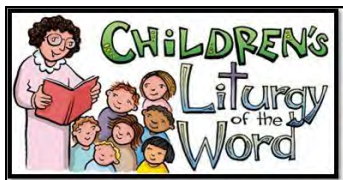
Here's how it works:

- At the 9:00am mass, after the Collect (opening prayer of the Mass), children in Kindergarten – 5th Grade are invited to come forward and sent forth so they can hear God's Word in a special way. (Children do NOT have to participate. That's up to their parents and family members. We hope everyone will.)
- At the Children's Liturgy of the Word, we will use the *Lectionary for Mass with Children*. These are the same readings everyone else is hearing but in a slightly different translation that is easier for them to understand. A special homily is also given—by a homilist—to better help them understand the readings.
- The children will then return back to Mass with our Shepherds (guides) to participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist with their family.



The purpose is not to offer a babysitting service or to isolate the children. Rather, it is a chance for them to participate in Sunday's readings on their level with our *dedicated and trained* volunteers. The program will run every Sunday until Mid-June. Don't worry we will be back in September!

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is a great opportunity to encourage young children to participate more fully in Mass and can help open up conversation between parents and children on what they heard in the readings. Let's help them know how much Jesus loves them!



If you have any questions or would like to assist with this new ministry, please contact Deana Ditta at cltw@sjecm.org or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

LENT 2019

LENTEN LITURGICAL NOTES



• The Gloria (Glory to God) is not said or sung during Lent, except on the Solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19th) and the Solemnity of the Annunciation (March 25th). We will sing the

Gloria again at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper and then again at the Easter Vigil.

• The Alleluia is omitted from all hymns and as the Gospel Acclamation during Masses.

• We will use the Apostles' Creed instead of the Nicene Creed. The Roman Missal (#19) clearly encourage the use of the Apostles' Creed during the seasons of Lent and Easter. It is a good practice to get used to. We will try to have these on those cards.

• We will use simpler Mass settings during the season of Lent.

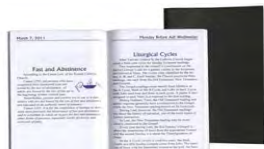
• During the time when the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward and the altar prepared, there will be no music—instrumental or otherwise. (We'll make an exception for Laetare Sunday, the 4th Sunday of Lent.) It is our hope this will help us to reflect more on what has been proclaimed and preached during the Liturgy of the Word and enter more fully into the sense of the Lenten season.

• During Weekday (Daily Mass), we will not sing an Entrance Hymn or a Closing Hymn as is our custom here.

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK IS HERE!

This Lent, St. John's is once again offering everyone a little black book. This book contains brief reflections for each day of the Lenten season based on Scripture and Lenten traditions.

You can carry it with you, leave it in your car or keep it in a place at home where you will see it every day. It's a nice, simple way to bring the spirit of the season to each day of your Lenten journey. The books are free of charge. If you'd like to make a donation, please place it in the Poor Box to support the work of Parish Social Ministry and St. Vincent de Paul.



SINNERS WELCOME and WANTED!

Come and celebrate the
Sacrament of Reconciliation!

Daily after the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses and after the 8 a.m. Mass on Saturday (*Please wait in the lobby of the convent building*)

Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

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

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

Diocesan Day of Reconciliation

Monday, April 15, 2019 - 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Good Friday, April 19, 2019 — 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 20, 2019—4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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

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.

PARKING ON OCEAN AVENUE

Please do NOT park on Ocean Avenue when attending Mass at SJE. It has become a traffic hazard and, I'm sure, a bother to our neighbors.

St. John's has plenty of parking – on the north side of the Church, behind the Church, on St. John's Place (in marked spots only please) and the school parking lot. Please make use of those spaces.



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

O God, come to our assistance...

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

The purpose of the liturgy of the hours is to sanctify the day and the whole range of human activity. Therefore its structure has been revised in such a way as to make each hour once more correspond as nearly as possible to natural time and to take account of the circumstances of life today. Hence, "that the day may be truly sanctified and the hours themselves recited with spiritual advantage, it is best that each of them be prayed at a time most closely corresponding to the true time of each canonical hour."

-From the *General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours*, 11

Beginning this Lent, we will begin to pray the Liturgy of the Hours more frequently at SJE. You may have noticed this in some of our literature about Seton Chapel. We pray the Liturgy of the Hours to unite our prayer with the Church that seeks God at all times.

There is a certain ritual to the Liturgy of the Hours that involves our posture (sitting and standing), our voices (in praying the psalms), our listening (to the Word of God).

Some of us pray the Liturgy of the Hours regularly. This is wonderful. I hope you can help us in establishing this rhythm of prayer at SJE.

We will pray the Liturgy of the Hours in the Church on **Saturday at approximately 6:15 p.m. and on Sunday at approximately 6:45 p.m.** in Our Lady's Chapel. Booklets will be provided for you.

During the week, we will pray the Liturgy of the Hours in Seton Chapel beginning and ending our times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday—3 p.m.—Daytime Prayer

Monday—8:45 p.m.—Night Prayer

Thursday—1 p.m.—Daytime Prayer

Thursday—4:45 p.m.—Evening Prayer

Friday—8 a.m.—Morning Prayer

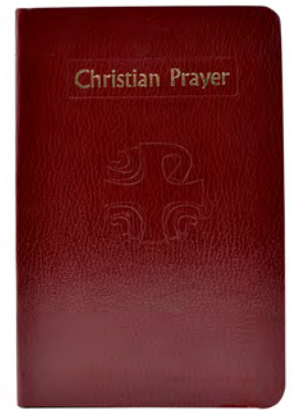
Friday—11:30 a.m.—Daytime Prayer

For these times, we will use books of the Liturgy of the Hours that will be provided for you. (NOTE: It will take us each a little time to get used to these—so always have patience!!!!)

You do not need to come to each of these times of prayer—come when you can!

You can pray the Liturgy of the Hours also by using the ibreviary app or visiting universalis.com.

...O Lord, make haste to help us.



Stations of the Cross

This Lent, we will celebrate the
**Stations of the Cross at
10 a.m. Thursdays
(Seton Chapel)
and 7 p.m. Fridays (Church)**



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

We're here to help

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

Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

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

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous- Offered daily @ 6:30 AM & Tuesdays, 7:30 PM—
Red Barn Meeting Room

ALANON— Thursdays, @ 7PM— Red Barn Meeting Room

AL-A-TEEN— Mondays @7PM— Red Barn Upper Room

AA Men's— Sundays @ 8AM— Red Barn Meeting Room

12 Step Meetings

SJE STREET MINISTRY



The Street Ministry is continuously serving 60-90 individuals and families every Thursday night, many of which 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:

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 Dollar Store or Walmart so we can obtain these items.

- Small size toothpaste
- Shaving Cream
- Razors
- **Women's socks**

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.

The Street Ministry is also in need of cooks! If you'd like to prepare a meal (usually a tray) of the food that is chosen that week, please reach out to Corinne Bernath bernath52194@optonline.net or 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

Canned vegetables
Pork and Beans
Pasta sauce and pasta
Canned foods and meats
Toilet paper
Jelly



Thank you for your continued generosity.
Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

REPEAL THE ABORTION EXPANSION ACT

This week please visit www.drvc.org or nyscatholic.org and sign the petition to repeal the Abortion Expansion Act. Express your firm opposition to New York's new abortion law by the signing the petition to Governor Andrew Cuomo. Urge him and the legislature to repeal the radical new law in its entirety.



Sign it today and share it with your friends.

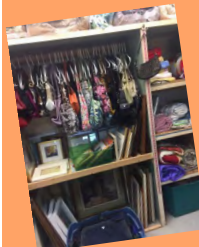
Giving Garden

The Garden Ministry that works in Heaven's Harvest Garden was built this past fall by an Eagle Scout troop. We are currently in the process of creating a program for the garden. The goal is to teach the students of OLQA and parishioners about gardening, sustainability and the dignity of work. Any fruits/vegetables that are harvested will be donated at Ernie's Place or the Street Ministry. If you are interested and would like to get involved, please reach out to Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org 631-878-0009 ext. 119



THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is open every Wednesday from 9:00AM-12:00PM where customers can receive clothing and household items that are in good condition for an inexpensive price. Most of the preparation for the Thrift Shop is done by volunteers on Mondays from 9:00AM-12:00PM. If you'd like to get involved, please reach out to Alex



Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 119

St. John the Evangelist Community Meal

The Community Meal offers a sit-down, home cooked meal to those who would otherwise eat alone or without on the last Monday of each month. **The next meal will**

take place on Monday, March 25th, from 6:00PM-8:00PM.

If you'd like to cook a meal or volunteer, please reach out to Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-



Parish Social Ministry Memorial Cards

This is one way to honor one who has passed away. These cards allow you to express your sympathy while also benefitting the less fortunate in our local community. Each month we will celebrate Mass for all those remembered via the Memorial Cards. The names of those remembered will be periodically included in the bulletin. The memorial offering made will benefit Parish Outreach, our Homeless Initiative, Food Pantry and Thrift Shop and the many works of Parish Social Ministry at SJE.

To obtain a parish social ministry memorial card, visit the Rectory Office during regular hours or Parish Outreach from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, contact the Parish Social Ministry Office.

SENIOR MINISTRY

Sister Ann Berendes, IHM—aberendes@sjecm.org + 631.878.0009, x. 127

Senior Ministry Activities

We hold the following incentives for the senior members and/or their families:

- Weekly T'ai Chi Cha gentle movement—Tuesday at 11:00—IHM room in Convent
- Bi-weekly book discussion *The Gift of Aging*—2nd and 4th Thursdays—10:00—IHM room in Convent
- Bereavement Support—Wednesday at 10:00—IHM room in Convent
- Information and ticket arrangement for plays at St. Joseph's College
- Trips to Mohegan Sun and/or Foxwoods—several times during the year; next, this Spring
- Special Stations of the Cross for Seniors—10:00 a.m. —Thursdays in Lent—Seton Chapel
- Arrangement for rides to any event or doctor visits (reasonable distance)
- Social visits to homebound or non-driving seniors
- Meeting for anyone interested in coming for suggestions and/or assistance for seniors—Monday, March 4th, at 10:00 in Sister Ann's Office in The Barn Upper room. We are open to other suggestions that will enhance the lives of our Wisdom People. Socialization is necessary at all stages of life! I hope to hear from many of you. Call: 631878-0009, Ext. 127.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Family Life Ministry



Upcoming Mercy Sunday Events:

March 10– Spring Fellowship Breakfast

All are invited to have breakfast with us after 9 am mass (approx. 10 am). You are invited to come, visit, eat, and if you like, add food to our communal table.

What is the Family Life Ministry? How Can I Join?

The Family Life Ministry at St. John the Evangelist seeks to connect families within our parish through fun, thoughtful service opportunities. Calling to mind that we can do no great things, only small things with great love, we hope to find the joy in serving others through coming together. Through our service we seek to strengthen our sense of belonging to our parish, helping us to come to know those around us by name. We believe in the great power of our families and we call to mind the words of Pope Francis that, "Families transform the world and history." **We are looking for some members to help make our mission statement a reality.** If you have skills in creating costumes for children, or can help organize a run/walk. We need you. Please contact: Linda Filosa email: Lindalos3@optonline.net or cell: 631-559-7227

-The Knights of Columbus
Present-

BINGO NIGHT Every Friday



Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
(First game 7:30 p.m.)

\$2000 IN PRIZES!



Seton Chapel

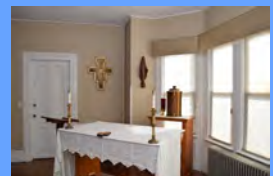
(located in the Convent building – The White House)

Seton Chapel is open each day from 7 a.m. to the early evening.



**We gather in Seton Chapel for
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Mondays – 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursdays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Fridays (beginning 3/8/19) – 8 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.



Mass – in Spanish – Tuesdays 7:30 p.m.

Liturgy of the Hours (beginning in Lent 2019)

Mondays – Midday Prayer – 3 p.m.
Night Prayer – 8:45 p.m.

Thursdays – Midday Prayer – 1 p.m.
Evening Prayer – 4:45 p.m.

Fridays – Morning Prayer – 8 a.m.
Midday Prayer – 11:30 a.m.

You're invited to the Men's Group, which meets every Saturday at 9 AM at the Convent (White House). For more information please contact Fr. Michael.



TOTUS TUUS MEN'S GROUP
Be a man. Be a Saint.

LENT 2019

"Pray"-ers Needed!

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays—3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

+ Thursdays—1 pm to 5 pm

Lent 2019—Fridays 8 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Seton Chapel + Convent Building

SJE is privileged to have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday evenings and Thursday afternoons in Seton Chapel. (Seton Chapel is located in the Convent Building, the white house south of the school building.) Over twenty five parishioners have committed to an hour and many more are making time to pray on Monday evenings and Thursday afternoons.



WE ARE IN PARTICULAR NEED ON MONDAY AFTERNOONS from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Would you be willing to give an hour of your Monday evening (particularly) or Thursday afternoon to sit in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament? If so, can you please contact Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or call at 631.878.0009.

Name _____ Phone # _____

E-mail _____@_____

Mondays (which hour?) _____ Thursdays (which hour?) _____

Fridays (beginning 3/7/19) __8—9 a.m. __9 a.m. to 10 a.m. __10 a.m. to 11 a.m. __11 a.m. to 11:30/11:45 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Mission

March 25th-28th

12:45pm & 7pm

In the Church

Fr. Richard Veras was ordained to a priest for the Archdiocese of New York in 1996. Father Veras currently serves as the Director of Pastoral Formation at St. Joseph's Seminary and the New York Chaplain for the Lay Ecclesial Movement Communion and Liberation. He is the author of three books and is a regular contributor to Magnificat magazine.

March 6, 2019



OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Catholic School in Center Moriches

631.878.1033 + www.olqany.org

Come and see what makes us the “family of families”....

OPEN HOUSE 2019

Thursday, March 14, 2019

5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The admissions process has started for the 2019-20 school year! Save your place at the Catholic School in Center Moriches today!

Learn more about our:

- **Commitment to Catholic values, ideals and teachings** evidenced in prayer, learning, and service.
- **Service based Middle School Academy**—*The Mission*—where students are challenged academically, prepared for college (with the help of St. Joseph’s College) and formed to be servant leaders. This is a safe, secure and rigorous opportunity for students in Grades 6, 7 and 8 to discover their gifts and talents and change the world.
- **Early Childhood Program**—soon beginning at age 2—which provides full day and half day options (from 8:30—3:30 p.m.).
- **Expanding Student Activities and Athletics programs** helping students to make OLQA a “home away from home”.
- **Special Education Program** options for students who learn differently.
- **Academic Intervention Services** including our Math Lab coordinated by St. Joseph’s College and the Academic Learning Center.
- **Small, individualized educational program** that both forms and challenges the mind, heart and soul.
- **Before Care and After Care services** beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. (available for students in our Early Childhood program as well).
- ...and much, much more! Come and see how you can be part of the “Family of Families” at the Catholic School in Center Moriches.



March 6, 2019

FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 170 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation

Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11:00AM-12Noon, 1:00PM-4:30PM (RED BARN, Upstairs)



Need to Register Your Child for the 2019-20 Academic Year?

Registration Begins June 2019

St. John the Evangelist's Religious Education program serves our parish youth, **beginning in First Grade**, and their families as they grow in faith and prepare for the Sacraments. Registration for the 2018-19 academic year will begin in

June. Those who are entering Grade 1 in the Fall of 2019 as well as those with children who may not have been in religious education for awhile, are welcome to register this June. To register in our Faith Formation program, please bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate (or a copy of their birth certificate if they were not baptized). If you aren't already a registered member of the parish, please contact the rectory at 631-878-0009.



What We've Been Up To (And What Is On The Horizon...)



At SJE Faith Formation, we're committed to providing engaging experiences and solid catechesis to our students and their families with the hope of growing closer together as a community of faith. Be on the lookout for our upcoming 2019 activities, including retreats for our students in Levels 2 & 8, Grade-Level Reconciliation services, class Masses, guest speakers, and more. **Also, mark your calendars for our next Vacation Bible Camp (July 22– 26)!**

Help Wanted: Can You Give Back?

Are you looking for a way to serve our community? We are always looking for parishioners to help teach our young people about the faith. You don't have to be a theologian —simply have a desire to share the faith and be willing to relate it to our youth. Can't make a weekly commitment? Perhaps you can be a part of our substitute catechist group! Or, if you enjoy working with our Confirmation Candidates, but have a limited schedule, we are always in need of facilitators for our 5-week Confirmation 1:8 Program, which takes place in the Fall.

If you find teaching in a classroom setting a bit intimidating, or if you are looking for a new challenge and would like to get involved in our Confirmation Prep, we have a spot for you! In the Fall, we will be launching a new program for our Level 7 students that is based on a small-group model and we need your help! Keep an eye on the bulletin for more info!

If you are interested, please contact Michelle at 631-878-0009, ext. 5 or via email at mpirraglia@sjecm.org.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY

The Religious Imagination of CS Lewis: A Walk Through The Great Divorce

Join the SJE community on an epic journey from Hell to Heaven in The Great Divorce by CS Lewis. There will be a suggested free will offering of \$15 to cover the cost of the materials for the course.

When: 11am on March 9th, and 16th

Where: The Red Barn @St John the Evangelist

Please contact Seminararian Joe Catafago for more information at jcatafago@sjecm.org or (631)878-0009x113 if you would like to attend.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSE

"Lord, Teach us to Pray!"

**March 13th, 20th,
April 3rd and 10th**

**Where: Seton
Chapel
When: 7pm**

Coving the topics of Liturgy, Sacraments, Scripture, Devotion, and the Saints, this class will aim to help making prayer practical and easy – even for the busiest among us! There will be a free will offering taken up. The suggested donation is \$10.

RCIA

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR ADULTS



Are you an adult interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? For many reasons, present adults may not have received the Sacrament of Confirmation as young people. If you have not been confirmed, please let us help you!!!

If you are a baptized Catholic, but have not been fully initiated, we offer a process for those who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. For adults who desire more information, contact Father John at jsureau@sjecm.org or leave a message at 631.878.0009.

Meeting will begin during Lent and continue to the celebration of Pentecost in June!

Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Dirección de la Oficina: 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934

Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009

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

Santa Misa: Sábados - 7:30 PM, Martes - 7:30PM 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 Espíritu Santo (Grupo de Jovenes) cada sábado a las 5PM en el Red Barn



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Use access code: **P7BPM6** if needed.



YOUTH MINISTRY



The Diocese of Rockville Centre Office of Youth Ministry presents:

LONG ISLAND

CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY

MARCH 30, 2019

Please contact Fr. Michael for more information.

St. Anthony's HS (Huntington)

For teens in grades 8-12

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Most Rev. John O. Barres,
Bishop of Rockville Centre



Guest Speaker,
Mari Pablo



Guest Speaker, Fr. Pierre
Toussaint Guiteau, C.F.R.



(Doors open @ 6:30)

Serving Justice Excellently YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

ATTENTION:
TEENS AND
PARENTS!

There is such a great need for service in the life of our parish and often a huge number of young people who want to help those in need. This new Service Corps is one way to make this connection.

Here's how it works:

1. **ANY** middle school, high school and college aged students send their contact information to Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org (You do not need to already be a part of Life Teen or Middle School Youth Ministry to be part of the Service Corps.)
2. As requests for help come from or come into our parish, you'll be contacted to see if you can help.
3. If you can help with a particular project, great! If not, no problem. You'll be contacted for the next one!

It really is that easy!!! SIGN UP TODAY by
completing the form below or e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

YES!!! Sign me up for the Youth Service Corps at SJE

Name _____ Home Phone # _____

Cell Phone # _____ E-mail _____ @ _____

As of September 2018, I am in (list grade)

____ Middle School ____ High School ____ College

FAQs ABOUT SJE!

How do I register?

So many people who come to St. John's often wonder why it's important to register. By registering in a parish:

- You make a formal commitment to this community of faith....basically saying, "I want to belong..."
- This parish makes a formal commitment to you, basically saying, "We want to be here for you!"
- You will be better informed about all that is happening here at SJE, basically saying, "Get involved...we need you!!!"

*Please note: As of the 2017 year, we will only be able to produce tax forms for those who are formally registered and use envelopes (or, eventually, electronic giving).

To register, contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org to make an appointment with a member of our Pastoral Team. You will no longer be able to register by coming into the office without making an appointment.

We're getting married!

We love to celebrate weddings at SJE! If you have plans to get married, contact St. John's ASAP to meet with one of our priests. At this meeting, you can

- Select a date
- Learn about Marriage Preparation, i.e. Pre-Cana
- Find out why marriage makes a difference and much more!

To make an appointment, contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org. If you would like a particular priest to preside at your wedding, it might best to contact him using the e-mail addresses on the front cover of the bulletin.



I want to get my child baptized!!!

How great is this!!! What a wonderful celebration for our parish when parents bring their child to Church to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism.

First, contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or via e-mail at rectory@sjecm.org to meet with one of our parish priests or deacon. Both parents will need to attend this meeting.

Second, you will attend our Belonging Program led by an amazing team of parishioners. You will sign up for this program at the meeting with one of our parish's priests or deacon.

Third, Baptisms are generally celebrated in English on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays and in Spanish on the 2nd Sunday of each month. You will select this date at your initial meeting.

Now about my funeral.....

Well we're not looking to plan that any time soon, but we can always use help with our 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.