



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



Second Sunday of Lent

*Bear your share of hardship for the gospel
with the strength that comes from God. - 2 Timothy 1:8*



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(in the Blue House)

Monday – Thursday

9:30 a.m. – 12 + 1 – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday

9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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

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, 5:30p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

Come and know God's mercy!

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

Come to the quiet!

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

Take some time to open your heart to the voice of God.

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

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

Come and know God's healing of the sick!

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

Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours

We pray the Liturgy of the Hours.

Mondays at 3 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. in Seton Chapel.

Thursdays at 1 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. in Seton Chapel.

Saturdays and Sundays after Evening Mass in Our Lady's Chapel in the Church.

Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

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

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Overlay Stoles—Volume 2

DOWN THE MOUNTAIN

Dear Parish Family:

On the Second Sunday of Lent, we read the story of the Transfiguration from one of the Gospels. The mountain is an image used so often in Scripture. It is here that so many encounter God. It is above the “everyday”, it is removed from the “in and out” of everyday life, it is a place that appears to be moved from so many distractions.

As I write this second column about our prayer at the liturgy, I think there are some great comparisons to be made between how we pray at Mass and in the various liturgies we celebrate and the story of Jesus, Peter, James and John (and Moses and Elijah!) in today's Gospel. They are intensely focused in this moment. They do not, if you will, take their eyes off of what is happening.

Isn't that the posture we should have at Mass, the Liturgy of the Hours, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (and even our times of quiet and individual prayer)? We should be so focused, so intensely focused on what is happening that we do not miss a thing. This is especially true of our participation at the Celebration of the Eucharist. Do you and I pay attention to what is happening?

When the Church speaks of full and active participation in the liturgy it has much less to do with “doing something” and much more about being “present” to the moment. What can help you to be less distracted? What about trying to come a few minutes earlier and getting yourself into a “place of peace”? This is why we have a few minutes of silence before Mass most Sundays. What about removing what might distract you during Mass (for example if you're reading this right now during Mass this is a good distraction to think about getting rid of!)? Maybe consider turning your phone off or not bringing anything that might distract you into the church?

I have been trying to leave my cell phone in my office in the rectory on weekends. I realize how easily it can be a distraction. Not only when I am using it but when I have to process what I read or who I spoke to, etc. Leaving it back home frees my mind. It is a help.

It is also good to pray not to be distracted by Mass. Let me explain. Sometimes we may not like a hymn or the way a certain presider speaks or how a reader reads and so on. We can get caught on that or distracted by it. Let God speak to you even in those moments to bring you calm and maybe even see His presence in that moment.

Now what happens with Jesus, Peter, James, and John? They have to come down the mountain! They cannot remain at the mountain. They must go back into the “real world” and face the everyday life of discipleship. So do we.

What's the difference? If we were paying attention, if we really entered into the moment, then we had better be different! If we really have encountered the risen and glorified Christ in the Word and the Eucharist (at the mountaintop, if you will), how can we come down the mountain the same? We must be changed. How can we pray the prayers of the Church and remain the same when we pray Evening Prayer or Morning Prayer? How can our encounter with the Lord in our devotions (Exposition, Rosary, Chaplet, etc.) not transform us? Even moments like the Novena of Grace should draw us in so we can go out. Here are some things to consider. Are we kinder? Are we more open to the presence of God? Are we filled with more desire to care for the poor? Are we offering forgiveness or more actively seeking to become more humble? If we're not, we're probably not paying attention. We might be distracted. We might be too caught up in ourselves! We're missing it!

On Day Four of the Novena of Grace, we prayed, “*Lord, before I ever came into being you knew me and loved me. You have knit me together the way I am, and given me life and laughter, friends and the faces of kind strangers, and a world of wonder and new discovery. Grant me the freedom and the courage to discover you anew each day in the people I meet, in the places I go, in the sounds I hear and the things I see.*” May this be true most especially in our liturgical and communal prayer.



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VIRUS PRECAUTIONS

Dear Parish Family:

We are all a little on edge with the recent reports of the coronavirus, flu, etc. The news of it all is at times confusing and overwhelming. As the bulletin was going to press, we received a notification from Sister Maryann Fitzgerald, S.C., the Chancellor of the Diocese of Rockville Centre about precautions all parishes are required to take effective immediately—March 4, 2020.

The good news—if you have been reading the bulletin each week you have seen the health precautions included by Msgr. DeGrocco from my last parish. If we keep following those we are in good shape!

The two changes that are temporarily in place—and different for us—are as follows:

A. We will temporarily suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood (“the chalice”) at daily Mass, at the Saturday evening Spanish Mass and at funerals. We will resume this practice when we are given permission to do so. There are some parishioners who can only receive from the chalice. If that is the case, please see the priest or the sacristan before Mass. This practice may continue.

B. We will not exchange the sign of peace by shaking hands for the time being. This might be a little jarring at first but we’ll get used to it. So this part of the liturgy will sound like this:

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **People:** Amen

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People:** And with your spirit.

Sing or say: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, etc....

So the priest (or deacon) will not say “Let us offer each other the sign of peace.” As with the chalice, once we are given permission to resume this practice we will do so.

Thank you for your understanding with all of these things. (You can read the rest of the practices below.)

LITURGICAL PRACTICES, GOOD HEALTH AND COMMON SENSE!

My former Pastor, Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, a former professor of liturgy at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, prepared a brief article for my former parish’s bulletin that runs during the winter months. With his permission, I have reprinted it here. As we are in the midst of the winter season, there are some good things to consider in our celebration of the Eucharist.

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

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

March 8, 2020

LENT 2020

CM PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

presents... **JOURNEY
CROSS & CRUCIFIXION**

Presented at **St. John the Evangelist**
in **Center Moriches**

on **Monday, March 9, 2020 @ 7:30 PM**



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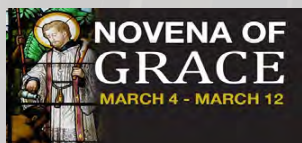
Please Note:

Benediction will take place at 6:45 p.m. on Monday, March 9th so that all may participate in the Creative Ministries' Presentation of the Journey, Cross and Crucifixion.

East End Holy Hour THIS THURSDAY, March 12, 2020 7:00 p.m. + Church

Preacher:

Fr. James Donovan, S.J.



We conclude the Novena of Grace with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and prayer. All are welcome to come and pray regardless of whether you have participated in the Novena of Grace.

Hospitality will follow after the Holy Hour. Please email rectory@sjecm.org if you are able to bring a dessert.

Fr. James T. Donovan, S.J., Pastor, was appointed Pastor of St. Anthony's in June, 2018. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, and grew up in Malverne, Long Island. Fr. Donovan's Catholic education dates back to grammar school at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Malverne. He is an alumnus of Maria Regina Diocesan High School in Uniondale. After a career in teaching, Fr. Donovan entered the Society of Jesus. Following the novitiate, Fr. Donovan was missioned for philosophy and theology studies at Fordham University, where he also worked part-time in hospital ministry at Calvary Hospital in the Bronx and tutored at Cristo Rey High School in Harlem. For regency, Fr. Donovan taught chemistry and theology at Regis High School in Manhattan. During his years of formation, Fr. Donovan also directed retreats at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos, California, and completed intensive training in spiritual direction.

Ordained a deacon in 2012, he has served at St. Leo's Church in Oakland, California, and San Quentin State Prison while earning his Master of Divinity degree at the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University in Berkeley, California. Fr. Donovan was ordained in 2013 and his first assignment after ordination was at St. Anthony's Parish in Oceanside, N.Y. After a year at St. Anthony's he taught science at Xavier High School for two years and then spent a year at the Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown, N.J. directing retreats.

LENT 2020

St. John the Evangelist "3 vs. 3" Basketball Tournament

Wednesday, March 11th @ 6:00PM

OLQA Gym/SJE Auditorium



FAQ

- \$15 per team (all money donated will go to the Street Ministry)
- **Maximum of 4 players to each team.**
- Teams can consist of both boys and girls (Grades 4th—8th).
- Depending on the amount of teams that register for each specific age group, at least two brackets will be made to separate the age differences.
- Games will be to 5 points or 5 minutes. All baskets will be worth 1 point. Take backs on everything.
- **All teams must have a name.**
- Double elimination for each team.



Please contact Alex Finta at afinta@olqany.org if you'd like to register a team!



Stations of the Cross

This Lent, we will
celebrate the
**Stations of the Cross at
7 p.m. Fridays in the
Church
(11 a.m. for Seniors
in Seton Chapel)**



LENTEN BACKPACK CHALLENGE

This year, on Ash Wednesday, we gave all who came to SJE a String Backpack! So you can have one but you need to take two! Bring one back filled with the items needed for our Street Ministry...and keep one for yourself... OR....bring two back for our Street Ministry. Not only will these backpacks be a great way to return your donations, they are a huge help to those we minister to on Thursday nights.



Each backpack will need to come back with some or all of the following:

Woman's underwear, Woman's socks, Disposable razors, Small shaving cream, Quart ziploc bags\Gallon Ziploc bags, Dollar store feminine hygiene pads, Deodorant, Toilet paper

Leave these filled backpacks in the vestibules of the Church throughout the season of Lent.

LENT 2020

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 6, 2020 - 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10, 2020—5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 11, 2020—4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Of course, you may call the Parish Office and make an

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 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 Good Friday fast and abstinence.

The Art & Environment Ministry invites parishioners to take part in a very special Lenten Journey.

We are looking to reflect, pray, and create our own personal action or commitment during the weeks of Lent. After reflecting on how we would like to grow with Christ, we would like to write those thoughts, commitments and actions on paper and place in the jars located on the sanctuary steps. These reflection slips will then be put together as a paper chain, connecting us as a community on a Lenten Journey towards Christ. Please feel free to write as many reflections as you'd like.

Paper for this community project can be found in baskets at the entrances of the church. This project will last for the duration of Lent. Thank you for being part of our parish Lenten Journey!



HOLY WEEK

The Triduum is the pinnacle of the Church's liturgical year as we celebrate the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday), the Celebration of our Lord's Passion and Death (Good Friday) and the Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday night).

Would you be interested in being part of a small committee that pulls together all of the details of these days? Are you interested in the organizing and carrying out some of the details related to our Church's most sacred celebrations? If so, contact Fr. John at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to jsureau@sjecm.org.

EASTER SUNRISE MASS

We are in the midst of planning for another early morning sunrise Mass somewhere in the area. Of course, we would need a committee of people to make this happen! What about you and your family? If you're interested, please call Fr. John at 631.878.0009 or email to jsureau@sjecm.org.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday – Thursday 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

What Does Adoration Mean to Me:

Spending quiet time away from the distractions of life where my focus is only on having a personal conversation with Jesus who is before me on the altar. It is a time for me to thank Him for the many blessings He has given me; share with Him my most private thoughts and struggles and ask for the graces to deal with them; express sorrow for my sins and thank Him for His patience and forgiveness; and then to sit back and be open to what He is trying to tell me!!

I always close with a prayer of sincere gratitude and leave feeling renewed, reconnected and with a true sense of peace in my life

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We hope, after the Novena of Grace, to offer additional times for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3 – 7 p.m. Mondays – Thursdays here in Seton Chapel beginning Monday, March 16th. This will be a great blessing for our parish and will require a weekly commitment from many.



The 3:00 p.m. hour will begin with Exposition and the Liturgy of the Hours then continue with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Three O'Clock Prayer. The hours from 4 – 6:30 p.m. will be silent. Evening Prayer will begin at 6:30 p.m. and conclude with Benediction.

Please consider signing up today! We can also use someone who is good at organization to serve as a coordinator (which can mostly be done from home).

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Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____ @ _____

Please check which hours you can be available for on a weekly basis.

Mondays ___ 3-4 p.m. ___ 4-5 p.m. ___ 5-6 p.m. ___ 6-7 p.m.

Tuesdays ___ 3-4 p.m. ___ 4-5 p.m. ___ 5-6 p.m. ___ 6-7 p.m.

Wednesdays ___ 3-4 p.m. ___ 4-5 p.m. ___ 5-6 p.m. ___ 6-7 p.m.

Thursdays ___ 3-4 p.m. ___ 4-5 p.m. ___ 5-6 p.m. ___ 6-7 p.m.

“Pray”ers are needed most at the following times:

Wednesdays 3-4

Wednesdays 5-6

Wednesdays 6-7

Thursday 5-6

Thursdays 6-7

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

WE NEED YOU! WE WANT YOU!



**SJE IS RECRUITING NEW READERS and
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

“In every celebration of the Eucharist, there should be a sufficient number of ministers of Holy Communion so that it may be distributed in a reverent and orderly manner.”

General Instruction of the Roman Missal 162

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priest and deacon at Mass. At St. John’s Extraordinary Ministers serve at Sunday liturgies and, when possible, daily liturgy. For Sunday liturgies, ministers are scheduled according to their availability and the needs of the parish.

How Do I Become an Extraordinary Minister?

1. You must send a letter to Fr. John at the Parish Office or e-mail to jsureau@sjecm.org
2. You must meet with Fr. John for a brief meeting.
3. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions. If you wish to also bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, you must attend a separate “Part B” training session.



“When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel.”

General Instruction of the Roman Missal 29



Readers proclaim God’s Word at Sunday Masses, and if they are able at daily Mass and other parish prayer services and events. For Sunday liturgies, ministers are scheduled according to their availability and the needs of the parish.

How Do I Become a Reader?

1. You must contact Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or by phone at 631.878.0009
2. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions.

DIOCESAN TRAININGS

Wednesday, May 13, 2020
7:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.
St. Elizabeth, Melville

Saturday, May 16, 2020
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays

2020 CMA Goal — \$103,600

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**You are Invited to Our Lady Queen of Apostles
First Ever Living Wax Museum:**

On Wednesday, March 11th, all parishioners are welcome to walk over to the school after the 12:00 Mass to experience a Living Wax Museum from 12:30-1:45. OLQA's 3rd- 5th grade have been working hard researching and recreating their favorite historical figures and have recreated their own version of Madame Tussauds Wax Museum. Please come to visit and see all of the great things happening at OLQA!

The Catholic School in Center Moriches, supported by our parish is located at 2 St. John Place. Please park in the parking lot of St. John's Church and walk over to the Main Entrance of the School.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The following high school students from our parish have received academic honors this past semester.

Summa Cum Laude Honors

Olivia Dench
Robert Dewitt *
Benjamin Dench

Magna Cum Laude Honors

Natalie Martusciello
Katelyn Bremer *
Elisa Dewitt *
Catherine McCann *
Lauren Pellegrino

Cum Laude Honors

Hailey O'Donoghue *
Alexandra DiMaria *
Kyle O'Donoghue*
Gabrielle Jean
Taylor Morales *

** Alumni of Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School.*

**Congratulations to the CYO
6th Grade Boys! They made it
to round 2 of the playoffs.**



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both - counts2n2@aol.com

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – x. 173 – svdp@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 can 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 @ 6:45 AM & Tuesdays, 7:00 PM– Red Barn Meeting Room

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

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

12 Step Meetings

SJE STREET MINISTRY

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



**Jelly + Blankets + Disposable razors + Women's underwear/socks
Quart zip lock bags + Toilet paper + (Dollar store) feminine hygiene pads**



Financial donations or gift cards to places such as the Dollar Store or Walmart are most welcome too. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office. Donations may be dropped off to the Parish Office (Blue House) during normal business hours or Parish Social Ministry Office (Red Barn)

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

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



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Everyone counts- Census 2020

In mid-March, homes across the country will begin receiving invitations to

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complete the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail. Households that don't respond by the end of April will be visited by a census taker to collect the information in person. Census workers you may encounter now are verifying addresses, not collecting actual census information. For more info, visit 2020census.gov

YOUNG AT HEART MINISTRY

Sister Ann Berendes, IHM—

aberendes@sjecm.org + 631.878.0009, x. 127



Stations For Seniors

Fridays @ 11:00 AM

Seton Chapel

Stations last approximately ½ hour. It is a good way to do “that something extra” during Lent and maybe also attend Noon Mass.

If you need a ride to or from stations, please call Sister Ann at 631-878-0009 ext 127 or 129. Please try to call the day before so that we are sure to be there for you on time. **Please leave your full name, address, and phone number.**

If you would like to attend any other activity, please call and let me know. I will try my best to arrange rides for you.

Suffolk County Senior Celebration

May 13, 2020 at Villa Lombardi's

How about getting a group to attend this event? Reservations can only be accepted upon receipt of your check. Due to limited seating, applications will be processed in the order they are received. Tables will accommodate 12 people. Please let me know if you are interested in this event. Reservations must be in before April 20, 2020. Tickets are \$30 each. It would be fun if we could fill at least one table. The doors open at 10:30 and last approximately until 3:00-3:30. For additional information, please call Sr. Ann.

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



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

FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext 5 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation

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

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

RCIC: PREPARING FOR FULL INITIATION

Each year, our program serves students who are seeking the Sacrament of Baptism through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC). This year, our program has eight candidates for Baptism. In addition to attending our weekly classes, these students meet as a small group once a month to grow deeper in their faith and gain understanding of the Sacraments they are about to receive at the Easter Vigil. Our RCIC program is coordinated by Mike & Lynn Walsh, who work with our students during these sessions. Last weekend, these students participated in the Rite of Election at St. Ann's in Brentwood with Bishop Barres. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers:



RCIC Candidates 2020:

Giovanni Aranda, Pricilla Aranda, Jamie Gabino, Jesselyn Gabino, Jayden Marciano, Michael Marciano, Steffon Marciano & Dylan Torres.



LEVEL 8 CONFIRMATION RETREATS

All Confirmation Retreats are held from 2PM-5:30PM Mass (Mass is part of the retreat). Sign-In: Main Lobby of the School.

Date:

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Sunday, April 19, 2020

Sunday, April 26, 2020

Class:

8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

8F, 8G, 8H, 8J

8S (Home Study), 8P (Catholic School)

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Hospitality Ministry

"Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way."



This Lent, we are really going to form our Hospitality Ministry...and we need you! (If you signed up in the Fall there is no need to sign up again now.) This ministry will coordinate, be present at or even run all of our hospitality events and make sure we have enough supplies, volunteers, etc. for hospitality events in the parish!

Think you might be interested? Have that great organizing spirit? Love for things to look "just right"? Then this is the ministry for you!

Reach out to Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or leave a message at 631.878.0009.



Family Life Ministry

Calling All Kids!!

We need children to participate in our Children's Services for Holy Week. Not a large time commitment. 2-3 practices max. Holy Thursday & Good Friday. Children can read from a script and all costumes are on hand. Please contact Linda Filosa at Lindalos3@optonline.net



Upcoming Events:

PARISH BREAKFAST MERCY SUNDAY-MARCH 22, 2020 after 9 am mass in the auditorium. (Approximately 10 am) We will have activities for the children. Come meet other SJE families. Find how you can be a part of our Mercy Sundays.

Holy Week Children's Services: Holy Thursday, April 9th, Washing of the Feet, 4pm at the Church. Good Friday, April 10th 12pm at the Church

2nd Sunday of April Sandwich Sunday has been re-scheduled for April 26th, 2020.

9AM RUN/WALK @ the Shrine to Support Mary's Meals JUNE 13th, 2020

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Totus Tuus Men's Group Presents:



Join us to watch *Metanoia: A Journey with Christ into Conversion*.

When: March 18th @ 7PM
Where: Convent (White Building)



-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!



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Remembering our Loved Ones *Helping our Parish*

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

Altar Candles—\$25.00 per week

Altar bread and wine for the month of March has been donated: In memory of Anita Baldari.



Stewardship

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

- Psalm 116:2

Sunday 3/1/20: \$15,332 (2019: \$15,944.03)

Ash Wednesday: \$6,220 (2019: \$5,830)

Church in Need: \$1,462 (2019: \$1,614)

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

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Third Sunday of Lent

Reading I: Exodus 17:3-7

The Israelites complain to Moses in the desert.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Christ laid down his life for us.

Gospel: John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well.

Discussion Questions

1. In the desert, filled with the panic of thirst, the Israelites moaned that God was not with them. Moses was afraid for his life, but what did he do? Can you relate to this in some way? What helps you?
2. Everything has been done for us, this Reading says. Christ died for us, made us deserving, and gave us his Spirit to pour God's love into our hearts. What is our part?
3. "Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans," the Gospel says. The woman at the well was a Samaritan. How did Jesus handle this barrier, and also the gender issue as well? Can you think of the only other time Jesus moans from his thirst?



ALTAR SOCIETY



Are you good with an iron?
Do you love to do wash and dry? Love a can of starch?
Want to work for the glory and praise of God?

We are always looking for volunteers to assist with our Altar Society. The Altar Society at SJE washes, dries and prepares the linens that are used at Sunday and Daily Mass. Volunteers work off a schedule – usually once or twice a month – and you can work on your own time.

Want some more information? Contact the Rectory Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org so we can get you connected.

BRINGING UP THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE

St. John's invites family members of those for whom the Mass is being offered to bring up the gifts of bread and wine at that Mass. (On the weekend, please inform any of the ushers 10 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass).

MUSIC MINISTRIES @ SJE

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

Hymns for this week:

#560 - Hear Us, Almighty Lord

No Preparation Hymn

#1035 - Take and Eat

#570 - The Glory of These Forty Days

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

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

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

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

SJE FRIENDS OF MUSIC 2019-2020

I wish to support the *Friends of Music* by making a donation of \$_____

(please make checks payable to St John The Evangelist)

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone#: _____

This donation is:

☐ In memory of _____

☐ In honor of _____

☐ Anonymous

PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

We Believe

Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. -Rite of Baptism, 2

Our Newly Baptized: Alexander James Galluzzi, Erin Patricia Kissane, Nicholas Michael Troise

We Celebrate

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

The Joy of Love, 55

III. Jerry Gasowski and Denise Rodriguez

I. Andolfo Dubon and Midia Herrera Figueroa

We Remember ...

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

Jordan Hubbard

We Pray...

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

Valerie Caldero, Jennifer Lynn Peck, Nicholas Sarubbi, Paul Healy, Thomas Taylor

Palma D'Amara, Diana Guercio, Barbara Parent, Kathleen Both, Doreen Berrias

Patricia McGowren, Anna Lambert, John Skarrathy, Blanche Laskee, Mary Bruno

Philip McEntee, Anna Paredes-Sanchez, Justin Pacheco, Peter Messina

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 here, 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, PVT Jack Dyer, SPC Jarrad Satornino

US Air Force

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens

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

Please pray for our parish family members serving abroad in the military. Family members, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org to add or update your loved one's status if they have returned.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Giving Greener

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



Frequently Asked Questions

MAKING THINGS OFFICIAL

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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

ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Allyson Boyle, *Secretary*
Angela Werner, *Vice Chair*
Joseph McDonald
Matthew McCarthy
Matthew Pomara, *Chair*
Patti LeBlanc
Peter Leuthardt
Renee Mintel
Trudi Norton

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Enes Carnesecca
Brian Leavey, *Secretary*
John Leuthardt
Angelo Rollo, *Chair*
Fr. John Sureau
Tom Tebbens II
Katie Waller, *Business Manager*

PARISH TRUSTEES

Elizabeth Harrington
Angelo Rollo

PREPARING FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

RBMR—Red Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/**RBUR**—Upper Room

Monday, March 9, 2020

4:30 p.m.	FF Classes	School
7:15 p.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena	Seton Chapel

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study	RBMR
4:30 p.m.	FF Classes	School
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Church
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Church
7:00 p.m.	Divine Will Prayer Group	RBUR
7:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	Faculty Rm.

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

9:00 a.m.	Thrift Shop Open	Thrift Shop
6:00 p.m.	Scouts 1227	Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.	SJE Basketball Tournament	Auditorium
6:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	RBMR

Thursday, March 12, 2020

4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RBMR
5:30 p.m.	CYO	Auditorium

Friday, March 13, 2020

6:30 p.m.	K of C Bingo	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Seton Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Church

Saturday, March 14, 2020

8:30 a.m.	FF Classes	School
9:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	Seton Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary Curia Meeting	RBMR
11:30 a.m.	Level 5 Reconciliation	Church
5:45 p.m.	Spanish Youth Group	RBMR

Sunday, March 15, 2020

4:00 p.m.	Mass Band Rehearsal	Church
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SJE+125

WHERE DO WE WANT TO BE IN 2023?

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, March 9, 2020
Lenten Weekday
St. Frances of Rome, Religious

7:00 a.m.	Katherine Thompson
12 Noon	James Lovelace

Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Khalil Elmaraghy
12 Noon	Leokadia Zurawski
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available

Wednesday, March 11, 2020
Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Kathleen Kessler
12 Noon	Diane Albano

Thursday, March 12, 2020
Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available
12 Noon	Anne O'Dwyer

Friday, March 13, 2020
Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available
12 Noon	Graziano DeFelippi

Saturday, March 14, 2020
Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m.	Lorraine Hickey
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Third Sunday of Lent

Mass of Anticipation

5:00 p.m.	Michael Clancy
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available

Sunday

7:30 a.m.	Jenni and Anthony Ponzio
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Joanne Gatto
12:00 p.m.	Louis Padovano
5:30 p.m.	Pat Townsend