

# St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church

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"For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the feast" 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 The Resurrection of the Lord April 1, 2018

#### **Come to the quiet!**

**Seton Chapel** in the Convent is open most days from 6:30 a.m. to approximately 7 p.m., if not later. Take some time to open your heart to the voice of God.

#### **Come and pray with us!**

#### SUNDAY MASS (Now held in School Auditorium)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. + 7:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass) Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (Children), 10:30 a.m., 12 Noon, 5:30p.m. (Life Teen) <u>WEEKDAY MASSES (Now held in Seton Chapel in the Convent)</u> Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. and 12 Noon + Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. (Spanish) 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 IHM Meeting Room and 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 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on

Thursdays immediately after the 12 Noon Mass until 5:00 p.m. Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of the Apostles

**ROSARY:** We pray the Rosary every day after Daily Mass in the Seton Chapel in the Convent and on Sundays before the 7:30 a.m. Mass and after the Noon Mass in the Auditorium..

MONDAYS + We pray the Miraculous Medal Novena after the 7 a.m. Mass and at 7:30 p.m. in the Seton Chapel in the Convent on most Mondays, with the exception of holidays and whenever the parish is closed

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

**Reverend John Sureau** Pastor jsureau@sjecm.org (ext. 105)

**Reverend Felix Akpabio** *Parochial Vicar fakpabio@sjecm.org (ext. 108)* 

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS** (in the Blue House)

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.)





# **Discover the OLQA Difference!**

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OLQA offers classes from Pre-K3 to 8th grade with before school and after care programs available. To learn more about our school, to schedule a tour or to arrange for a Buddy Day, visit www.olqany.org or call 631.878.1033.

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# **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Ash Wednesday to Easter

# **Of Lovers and Fools**

Dear Parish Family:

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You might remember that we began this Lenten journey—Ash Wednesday– on February 14th. We gather today for the culmination of the Lenten journey and the mysteries of the Triduum on April Fools Day, April 1st. There are connections to be made on both ends.

The Lenten journey is a journey of love—a journey of recognizing God's profound love for us that the sent us His only Son to save us (John 3:16). I hope and pray that Lenten days, perhaps

with help and activities of the parish here, have helped you to better recognize the passionate -even foolish love God has for you and me and our need to be ambassadors of that love to all meet.

Some might look at us and our celebrations of Easter and say we are fools. To believe that someone could rise from the dead? To believe that because of the dying and rising of Christ we can move through the many deaths of our lives? To believe that the empty tomb is a symbol of a new beginning?

Maybe they're right? St. Paul writes about it in his first Letter to the Corinthians. He says, "We are fools for Christ...when reviled, we bless; when persecuted we endure; when slandered we speak kindly" (4:10, 12). Why do we bless? Endure? Speak kindly? Because we know Christ!



You know, we act pretty foolish sometimes, even here at SJE! It's what disciples do! I'm not speaking about jokes or teasing around (we do a lot of that too!). Flip through the bulletin and see...

- We're fools to work incredibly hard to support a **vital Catholic school** on our campus and in our community. It's a place that maximizes students' academic potential while transmitting the faith and values so important to us. Others look and say "Why bother?"
- We're fools to desire to instill the **faith in the young people of our community**—even when others says religion is dying. Crazy to try things like Bible Camp, Youth Ministry, Faith Formation. Others might say, "It's too late. Kids are too distracted to serve and learn in Church."
- We're fools to create **many opportunities to pray** when maybe many may not participate. From the celebration of the Eucharist, to daily Confessions, to Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Men's Prayer Group, Divine Mercy Novena, East End Holy Hour and much more. Others might say, "We're too busy to pray at Church or even at all."
- We're fools to pour out our time, talent and resources to **serve the poor and vulnerable** among us through Parish Social Ministry, Ernie's Place, the Thrift Shop, Street Ministry, Community Meal and so much more. Others might say, "Save that money and time. Things will never change."

Yes, we are fools! In the eyes of the "world" and to many who do not understand, it just doesn't make sense. They're right. It takes a risk to believe. It takes a risk to teach. It takes a risk to serve. It takes a risk to respond. It's a risk well worth it!

So have people called you a fool or something like it? Good news! You have a place here. Even better news! We're looking for more fools to join our parish family by actively responding to all that the Resurrection calls us to do. We'll never do it without you.

So what are you waiting for, fellow fool? You might just fall in love again.

# EASTEND HOLY HOUR

"It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness." ~ Pope St. John Paul II ~

Friday, April 13th Doors open at 7:00pm St. John the Evangelist - Auditorium 2 St. John's Place Center Moriches, NY

Adoration - Music - Confessions - Community

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# **FROM OUR BISHOP — John Barres**



Dear Friends:

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP Truly the Lord is risen! He is risen indeed!

Today we speak these words which echo back to the first days of Christ's resurrection. After walking with Christ on the road to Calvary, we now joyfully go forth as the disciples did on the road to Emmaus with hearts burning within us. We celebrate the moment when Christ

conquered death and gave us all hope of new life.

Even after nearly 2,000 years, that moment of the Resurrection has not lost any of its power. While myths and stories eventually fade, we celebrate a historical fact, a living Person who left behind lasting evidence of his wonders, evidence that the world still seeks to understand.

This is especially true today, as we find ourselves in an historic moment—archeologists have uncovered the site of Jesus' resurrection for the first time in nearly 500 years. Within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, scholars have restored and conducted research on the tomb of Jesus, also known as the Aedicule. Preliminary findings confirm that the heart of the structure is the same tomb that Roman Christians discovered and venerated as early as 326AD....



Easter 2018

To read more, please visit us online at www.sjecm.org.

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

One of my favorite devotions that helps me enter more deeply into the celebration of Holy Week and Divine Mercy Sunday is the Divine Mercy Novena, which began on Good Friday. Pope Saint John Paul the Great said, *"There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy ...which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights of the holiness of God."* 

In her Diary, Jesus told St. Faustina, "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that from there they may draw strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209). While the Chaplet can be

said anytime, the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena, promising that **"By this Novena (of Chaplets), I will grant every possible grace to souls" (**Diary 796).

Pamphlets will be made available to those who are interested in praying the Divine Mercy Novena. Our special activity schedule for Divine Mercy Sunday – April 8th is as follows:

-12PM Parish Mass with the Solemn Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy

-Eucharistic Procession to Seton Chapel immediately following 12PM Mass

**-Solemn Exposition** of the Blessed Sacrament in Seton Chapel from 1-4PM with Confessions available. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited at 3PM, the Hour of Mercy. *For more information please email me at mplona@sjecm.org or call the rectory at 631-878-0009 ext. 111.* 

Looking forward to praying with you! In Christ, Father Michael







# **REBUILD + REPAIR + RESTORE**

Your people shall rebuild the ancient ruins; the foundations from ages past you shall raise up; "Repairer of the breach," they shall call you, "Restorer of ruined dwellings." -Isaiah 58:11-12

The restoration of our Church building continues—even if we have hit a few bumps. We are pushing hard for a June completion date but cannot at this point commit to a certain date. Once the restoration is complete and we pass inspections, we will celebrate a liturgy to re-consecrate the Church building with Bishop Barres.

Here's what happening this week....

- All of the ceilings and walls are in place in the main body of the Church.
- Construction work is beginning on the new set of cabinets for the organ speakers. (Because of their size, the speakers will need to be in the back of the church.)
- This week, we started the process of finalizing colors for the main body of the Church.
- Our new polished concrete floor is complete. This new floor makes uses of the existing concrete (no more tiles!) and is beautiful. It will now be partially covered so the remainder of the work in the body of the church can be completed. It will be much easier to maintain than our previous flooring.

Please pray for all those involved in our restoration efforts!





### RCIA

#### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

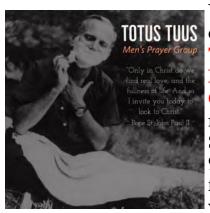


Are you an adult interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you are a baptized Catholic, but have not been fully initiated, we

*Confirmation* offer a process for those who desire to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

For adults who desire more information, contact Suzan Fitzpatrick at <u>rcia@sjecm.org</u>. For teenagers and their families who desire more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 631 -878-0009, ext. 170 or e-mail to <u>faithformation@sjecm.org</u>.

# **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**



You're invited to come to the **Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group,** which meets every Saturday at 9AM in the first floor of the Convent (White

House). Join us for coffee, lively discussion and

applying our faith to real life. For more information, please contact Fr. Michael at mplona@sjecm.org. See you there!

# **SOMETHING NEW @ SJE!**

# **SJE Vacation Bible Camp**

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#### Don't be SHIPWRECKED this summer, come spend a week at SJE and BE RESCUED BY JESUS! Enjoy a week of fun, faith, friends & family. Monday, July 23 – Friday, July 27, 2018 9 A.M. to 12 Noon

# **CAMPER REGISTRATION FORM**

(Camp is for Entering Kindergarten — through Entering Grade 5) Return form to Parish Office with a check for \$65 per child Please make checks payable to St. John the Evangelist. (Two children: only \$120; Three children: \$165)

| Child's First Name Last Name<br>Date of Birth Age Grade Level (in September 2018)<br>Full Names of Parents/Guardians<br>Family Address (Street, Town, Zip): |  |
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| Home E-mail@  |  |
| Phone # Cell #  |  |
| Parish (if not SJE)<br>T-Shirt Size XS S M L XL   | RETURN TO RECTORY, IN<br>THE COLLECTION BASKET<br>OR IN THE FAITH<br>FORMATION OFFICE. |
| Emergency Contact Person  |  |
| Name Phone # Please indicate any health problems, food allergies and special situations to camp staff to know about your child:                             | hat might be helpful for the   |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE:<br>July 1, 2018  | Office Use Only         Date Received         Amount Received:                         |
| You will receive an email with additional information prior to the first day of VI  | <i>Ck</i> #  |

#### **VBC UPDATES...**

Get ready for an amazing summer adventure that includes times of great faith, fun and friendship!

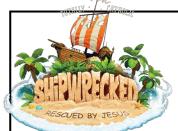
Right now, we are in the planning phases and need help in planning and organizing VBC! We are need people who are good at arts and crafts, food, games, organizing, leading a skit and the like! There's something for everyone!

For more information, contact Michelle Pirraglia at mpirraglia@sjecm.org, Michael Clauberg at mclauberg@sjecm.org or Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org. Our first planning meeting is happening soon!

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# **SOMETHING NEW @ SJE!**



# SJE Vacation Bible Camp **VOLUNTEER SIGN UP FORM**

We need volunteers all ages – from middle school to high school to young adult to adult to very adult – to make our RESCUE MISSION even more productive! Volunteers are needed to lead groups, welcome campers, work "behind the scenes" and much, much more!

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| Name    |  |
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| Address |  |
| Phone   |  |
| E-mail  |  |

**For Youth Offerers:** 

Grade in school (Sept. 2018) \_\_\_\_\_ Are you VIRTUS TRAINED? Name of school

*T-shirt size:* Youth OR Adult S M L XL

Youth offerers must attend each day of camp (July 23-27). There is a **<u>\$15 fee</u>** for all youth offerers/camp counselors to cover the cost of supplies!

# For Adult Offerers:

YES NO

*T-shirt size*: S M L XL

What areas can you specifically help us in?

> *I'll do whatever is needed* Arts and Crafts Fun and Games Hospitality First Aid Set Up/Decorating (Would take place prior to camp *beginning*)

# **OFFERER APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 1, 2018**



**RESCUE WORKERS**, i.e. **YOU**!, ARE NEEDED and WANTED this Summer!

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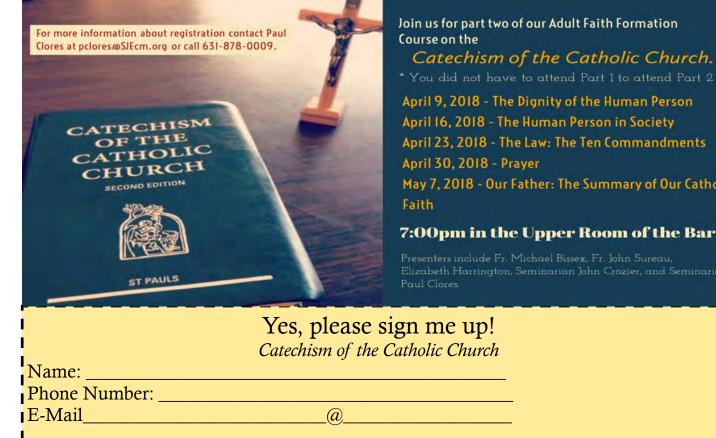
#### **OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL** The Catholic School in Center Moriches Mr. David Erlanger + derlanger@olqany.org

Last week, the middle school students of OLQA completed a mission trip to visit the Sisters of St. Benedict in Huntington. The purpose of the mission trip was to visit the sick, which is inspired by the Corporal Works of Mercy works of mercy. OLQA's Lenten theme has been "Hands of Mercy" and has inspired the young people in our parish community to put their faith into action.

To learn more about the Catholic School in Center Moriches and how your family can become part of ours, visit olgany.org or call 631.878.-1033 to schedule a tour.



### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**



A \$20 free will offering is requested of all who attend the class.

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May 7, 2018 - Our Father: The Summary of Our Catholic Faith 7:00pm in the Upper Room of the Barn

Catechism of the Catholic Church.

April 9, 2018 - The Dignity of the Human Person April 16, 2018 - The Human Person in Society

April 23, 2018 - The Law: The Ten Commandments

April 30, 2018 - Prayer

### 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)

# **HAPPY EASTER!**

Our Faith Formation staff wish you a blessed Easter! Thank you to everyone who has been so instrumental in encouraging and guiding our young people in the faith!



# INCOMING 1ST GRADERS / NEW STUDENTS: REGISTRATION BEGINS THIS JUNE!



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 this year.

Those who are entering Grade 1, as well as those with children who may not have been in religious education for a while, are welcome to register this June. *Please note that formation for all Level 1 & 2 students is done in-parish in a classroom setting (no home study).* 

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). Please also be sure that you are a registered member with our parish. If you aren't already, please contact the rectory at 631-878-0009.

# HELP WANTED: CAN YOU GIVE BACK?

Are you looking for a way to serve our community? Serving nearly 1,700 students, we are always in need of parishioners to teach our young people the faith. You don't have to be a theologian-simply have a desire to share the faith and relate it to our youth.

Can't make a weekly commitment? Perhaps you can be part of our substitute catechist group! If you are interested, please contact Michelle at 631-878-0009, ext. 5 or via email: mpirraglia@sjecm.org.





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# **YOUTH MINISTRY**

#### Michael Clauberg + mclauberg@sjecm.org

Director of Youth Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 205) Boy Scouts: Pat Hahn TroopPack800@aol.com Cub Scouts: Michael Hayes + cubscoutpack0800@gmail.com EDGE (Middle School Youth Ministry): youth@sjecm.org Life Teen (High School Youth Ministry): Michael Clauberg + mclauberg@sjecm.org SJE Service Corps: Fr. John Sureau + jsureau@sjecm.org Young Adult Ministry: youth@sjecm.org

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY Event Schedule March

Sunday- Come to our 5:30 PM Youth/Family Mass Wednesday– Youth ministry activities 7:00-8:30

4/11/18–Easter Celebration

#### LIFE TEEN HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Sundays: 5:30 Teen Mass followed by planned youth ministry activities from 7:00—8:30. (Doors open @ 6:30)

April 1st: Off/Easter Sunday

Summer Retreat: Steubenville, New York Conference: July 20-22, 2018

#### Young Adult Ministry

Come be a part of the young adults in our area and across the Diocese!

<u>4/10</u> – Reflection on the Resurrection <u>5/8</u> – Talk and Social <u>5/33</u> – BBQ @ Convent <u>6/12</u> – Talk and Social <u>6/26</u> –Talk and Social

Contact Mike @ <u>Mclau-</u> <u>berg@sjecm.org</u> for more information.



#### **Office Hours**

Sundays: By appointment only Monday: 4 to 6 / 7:30 to 9:00 Tuesdays: 4:30 to 8:30 Wednesdays: By appointment only

# Serving Justice Excellently YOUTH SERVICE CORPS



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 e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.



#### <u>CALLING ALL</u> <u>SOPOMORES AND JUNIORS</u> <u>IN HIGHSCHOOL...</u> <u>DEADLINE IS APRIL 15th!</u>

Faith and Service in the City connects high school students to Catholic and Vincentian traditions in New York City. Explore theology, experience NYC, and grow in faith and leadership!

You have 3 weeks to choose from: Cost is only \$100 dollars for the whole week

#### July 8th to July 14th July 22nd to July 28th August 5th to August 11th

For more information contact Mike at MClauberg@sjecm.org.

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### **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**

Sister Ann Berendes, IHM + aberendes@sjecm.org + Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 119) Alex Finta + afinta@sjecm.org + Associate Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 127) Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien—eveobrien@optonline.net Helen Williams—hannah51@optonline.net Communion to the Homebound: Paul Clores - pclores@sjecm.org Community Meal: Alex Finta SJE Street Ministry : Alex Finta Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora—msikora@sjecm.org



Our parish, overall, and our parish social ministry, specifically, are here to serve you in any way we can. **If you are in need, please reach out to us at St. John's.** 

A great place to start is the Outreach Office coordinated by Sister Ann and our amazing volunteer ministers. Our Outreach Office is located in the Red Barn. Please call to make an appointment so we can connect you to our services here at SJE or link you to other services. **NEVER BE EMBARRASSED to reach out.** We may not be able to address every need. If we can't, we'll try to connect to someone who can assist you. Please always reach out to us here at SJE!

#### Office Hours (NOW LOCATED ON 2ND FLOOR OF BARN)

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Monday—Friday (Please call for an appointment.)

**Food Pantry** 

Monday evenings: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m + Thursday afternoons: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**<u>Thrift Shop</u>** 

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

# **SJE STREET MINISTRY**

The Street Ministry is continuously servicing 40-65 people each Thursday night! We are extremely grateful for all donations from St. John's parishioners that have kept us going. During the cold winter months, we are in need of the following items:

- Kotex
- Panty Liners
- Diapers Size 2/3/4
- Body Wash
- Gently Used Men's Jeans
- Gently used 2x/3x
   Clothes (Men's/Woman's)
- Gently Used Work Boots
- Gently Used Sweatpants
- (Larger Sizes Preferred)

- Gently Used Sneakers
- (Men's/Women's) • BACKPACKS
- Bug Spray
- Sun Tan Lotion
- Hats



Financial donations are most welcome as they allow us to purchase items as they are needed. Sometimes things "come up" and we need to make a quick purchase. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office.

The Street Ministry is in need of chefs! As the temperature has dropped, we have been running out of hot meals to give out. If you are interested in cooking a tray of food for us to bring out on Thursday nights, please contact Corinne Bernath at bernath52194@optonline.net or Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or 631-878-0009 ext. 127.

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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 (but not pasta) Canned foods and meats Toilet paper

Thank you for your continued generosity.



Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!

#### **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 sys-

tem. 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.

Prison Families Anonymous (PFA) The Prison Families Anonymous Support Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 7:30 P.M. at the Community Presbyterian Church 1843 Deer Park Avenue Deer Park, NY 11729

#### Words of Wisdom

Due to our unusual "Spring" weather, several meetings had to be cancelled. Let me bring you up to date on what we are offering:

1.Our **"Sophia's Circle**" (previously known as "Senior Wisdom") meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings in the IHM meeting room of the Convent. It is open to all who are willing to share the wisdom of their years! Our next meeting will be April 12th. Hope to see many of you there!

2. We will begin a **Bereavement Support Group** on Wednesday, April 4th, at 4:00 pm in the IHM meeting room and continue all through April and May. From my previous experience both in Florida and here, this program is very successful for all who participate. You never have to speak unless you feel that you would like to. Please call Sister Ann at 631-874-3617, ext 119, and leave your name so that I can be prepared with the necessary materials.

**3**. We are attempting to start a **Ministry of Friendliness** for people who would just like to call or stop in to see a person who is lonely and homebound. I ask that all who are interested meet with me on Friday, April 6th at 10:00am in **The Barn** to set up some guidelines for this new endeavor. Most important, if you know of someone who might appreciate a call or a brief, occasioanl visit, please call and leave this information with me. I have already had two requests so that I know there are people who would appreciate our efforts.

#### Parish Social Ministry Memorial Cards NOW AVAILABLE

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, Street Ministry, Community Meal, 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 Sister Ann in the Parish Social Ministry Office.

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# SJE COMMUNITY MEAL Returns!

Last Monday, SJE's Community Meal Ministry returned to serve nearly 40 guests in the Red Barn Meeting Room. Guests were treated to a delicious meal, some needed materials and a warm welcome to our parish.

Check back here for more information about April's Community Meal!







# THRIFT SHOP Open Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Our Thrift Shop Ministry is a vital part of Parish Social Ministry at St. John's. Open to the public on Wednesdays, the men and women who offer their time and talent provide clothing and items for those in need as well as having many wonderful items that everyone can enjoy. Be sure to visit them on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING OUT-SIDE OF THE THRIFT SHOP. Place it in the bins or drop it off on Monday or Wednesday mornings!

Thank you for your help and support!

#### 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: Mai

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

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

**Confesiones:** Sábado - 6:45 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:

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Certificado de nacimiento del niño o/de la niña.
 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



¿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 pchavez@hotmail.com para el próximo paso a seguir. Gracias.

# **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

### **SETON CHAPEL**

In August, we formally opened our newly renovated Seton Chapel. Because of the damage from the fire on May 19<sup>th</sup>, the convent became the place for Daily Mass. This summer, we did some extensive renovations in the convent that created a new meeting room and a large space for prayer. Daily Mass and confessions take place in Seton Chapel as does Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and our daily rosaries. Seton Chapel opens at 6:30 a.m. and closes at approximately 7 p.m. In the early morning and at night, you may park in the school parking lot. During the day we ask that you park on St. John Place. Come and say a prayer in this beautiful space.



# SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

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For more information on how to advertise in our bulletin, call The Church Bulletin Company at 631-249-4994.

# 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 near Seton Chapel. (*Please wait in the lobby of the convent build-ing*)

Confessions are also heard in the Auditorium on 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.

#### 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 April Has been donated: In loving memory of Kenneth G. Horbal



# EXPOSTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

#### Mondays

*(returning April 9, 2018)* 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. During this time, we will pray the Miraculous Medal Novena, offer times of prayer for priests and pray Night Prayer at 8:45 p.m.

### **Thursdays**

12 Noon to 5:00 p.m.



# **SPIRIT DAY**

This past September, SJE hosted its first ever Spirit Day! It was a great day for our parish and local community! Plans for Spirit Day 2018—September 15, 2018—are already underway. Our first committee meeting is next week. If you would like to get even more involved, contact Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

#### **Thanks to our Spirit Day 2017 Sponsors!**

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"As I have done you should also do."

- John 1:15

# **SJE WEAR**

We have SJE T-shirts (\$10.00) and sweatshirts (\$25.00) available for sale. You can pick one up at the Rectory during regular office hours.

St. John the Evangelist





Email\_\_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Donor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Place in weekly collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office. Make Checks Payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal.

# **PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER**

#### 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. Christopher Bancroft and Raquel Gaita

#### We Remember...

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. -Entrance Antiphon, Funeral Mass Patrick Flynn Angelina "Jean" E. Piccolo

#### We Pray...

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

-1 Peter 1:6

Miriam Gillis Barbara Marie Weber-Walton Marie Gordon

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**

Date

In your generosity, please pray for our parish family members serving abroad in the military. Family members, please call the rectory to add or update your loved one's status if they have returned.

US Army Sgt. Justin Sikorski SPC. Daniel Smith PVT Bailey Meyer **US Air Force** SSgt. Jason M. Hermes SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens PFC Kyle Kerstien **US Marine Corps** Pfc Sean Brady, Patrick Kimes, Lt. Col. Robert K. Maldonado. L/Cpl. Quentin Montemarano LCL Andrew Schlosberg MAJ Stephen Bartoszak PVT Charles O'Connor US Navy STGCS Brian Holzmacher ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr.

If you would like have someone serving in the military placed on the list above or if a name should be removed, please contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

# PREPARING FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

**MEETINGS OF THE WEEK** 

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

| Monday, April 2, 2018                    |                                 |              |  |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 7:15 p.m.                                | Miraculous Medal Novena         | Seton Chapel |  |
| Tuesday, April 3, 2018                   |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 9:30 a.m.                                | Scripture Study                 | RBMR         |  |
| 7:00 p.m.                                | Adult Choir                     | Auditorium   |  |
| 7:00 p.m.                                | Divine Will                     | Faculty Rm.  |  |
| 7:30 p.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| Wednesday, April 4, 2018                 |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 9:00 a.m.                                | Thrift Shop Open                | Thrift Shop  |  |
| 6:00 p.m.                                | CYO Girls Open Gym              | Auditorium   |  |
| 6:00 p.m.                                | Troop 800 Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts | Cafeteria    |  |
| 7:00 p.m.                                | Parish Baptismal Class          | Seton Chapel |  |
| Thursday, April 5, 2018                  |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 4:00 p.m.                                | Legion of Mary                  | RBMR         |  |
| 5:00 p.m.                                | Street Ministry                 | Seton Chapel |  |
| 7:00 p.m.                                | Adult Confirmation              | RBMR         |  |
| 9:00 p.m.                                | Street Ministry                 | Seton Chapel |  |
| Friday, April 6, 2018                    |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 7:00 p.m.                                | Spanish Prayer Group            | RBMR         |  |
| Saturday, April 7, 2018                  |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 8:00 a.m.                                | First Saturday Devotions        | Cafeteria    |  |
| 9:00 a.m.                                | Men's Prayer Group              | Seton Chapel |  |
| Sunday, April 8, 2018                    |                                 |              |  |
| 6:30 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous            | RBMR         |  |
| 8:00 a.m.                                | Alcoholics Anonymous (Men's)    | RBMR         |  |
| The Parish Office will be closed on Mon- |                                 |              |  |

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 2, 2018. All parish activities and regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

| <b>Monday, April 2, 2018</b><br>Monday within the Octave of Easter     |  |  |
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| 7:00 a.m.  | Stanley Zurawski   |  |
| 12 Noon  | Kevin O'Brien  |  |
| <b>Tuesday, April 3, 2018</b><br>Tuesday within the Octave of Easter   |  |  |
| 7:00 a.m.  | Agnes Bertolino  |  |
| 12 Noon  | Philomena Vigliotta                                      |  |
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|  | <b>/, April 4, 2018</b><br>/ within the Octave of Easter |  |
| 7:00 a.m.  | Vivian Cordeiro  |  |
| 12 Noon  | Brenden Neary  |  |
| <b>Thursday, April 5, 2018</b><br>Thursday within the Octave of Easter |  |  |
| 7:00 a.m.  | Ernie and Philomena Vigliotta                            |  |
| 12 Noon  | Grace Gimbel   |  |
| <b>Friday, April 6, 2018</b><br>Friday within the Octave of Easter     |  |  |
| 7:00 a.m.  | Ruth Grammas   |  |
| 12 Noon  | John DeLuca  |  |
| Saturday, A  |  |  |
| Saturday w   | ithin the Octave of Easter                               |  |
| 8:00 a.m.  | Frank Janice Suarino                                     |  |
| Second Sunday of Easter<br>(Sunday of Divine Mercy)                    |  |  |
| Mass of Anticipation   |  |  |
| 5:00 p.m.  | Peter and Margaret Corcoran                              |  |
| 7:30 p.m.  | Intention Still Available                                |  |
| Sunday   |  |  |
| 7:30 a.m.  | Special Living Intention–<br>Joan and Alexander Turpin   |  |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Philip Storch  |  |
| 10:30 a.m.   | Maryann T. Larsen  |  |
| 12:00 p.m.   | People of the Parish                                     |  |
| 5:30 p.m.  | Special Living Intention-                                |  |
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