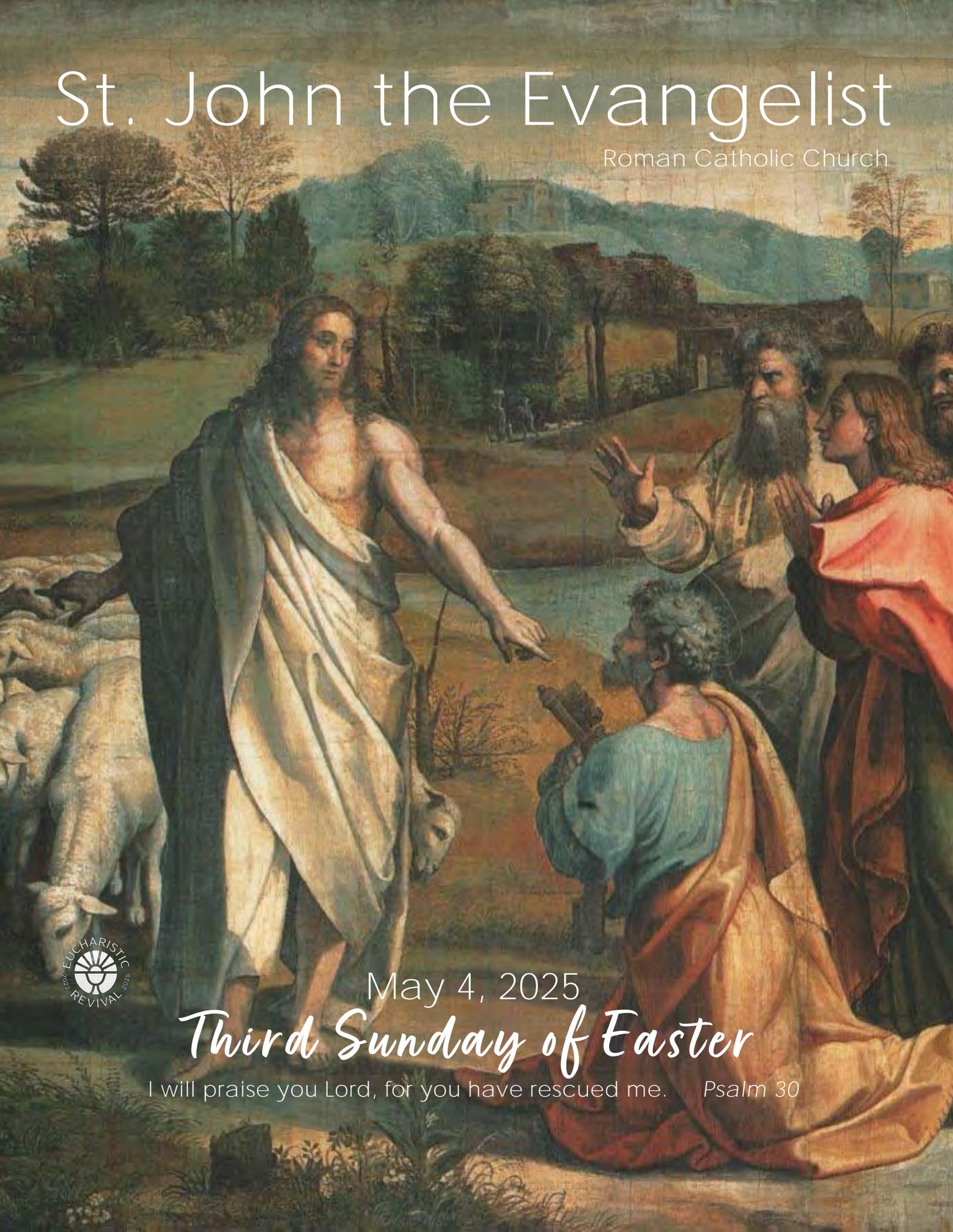


St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me. *Psalm 30*



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OUR PARISH MISSION

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

Church Hours

Monday through Friday 6:30 AM - 2:45 PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Seton Chapel
(Convent) - Monday through Friday
3:00 - 7:00 PM

Next Weekend's Schedule

Saturday, May 10th

5:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

(Saturday Evening 5 PM Mass will be livestreamed. Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Sunday, May 11th

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Fr. Jerry

12 noon - Msgr. Walden

6:00 PM—Fr. Abin

*Presider subject to change. Please call the Rectory or check SJE Social Media for latest updates.

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger
Pastor

Reverend Abin Panicker
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden
Retired, In Residence

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno
Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

John Pettorino
Deacon

Michael Hoonhout
Deacon

Ed Grieb
Deacon

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Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House

Monday - Thursday:
9 AM - 8 PM

Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Friday - Saturday
9 AM - 2 PM

We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

Mass Schedule

Confession Schedule

We celebrate the
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Monday - Friday: After the 7 AM & 12 Noon Masses
Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &
7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM
Confessions will take place in Our Lady's
Chapel in the Church.

A Message from Deacon Michael Hoonhout...

3rd Sunday of Easter



In the Gospel of Mark Jesus says, once before his crucifixion (Mark 14:28) and once after his Resurrection (Mark 16:7), that his disciples are to go to Galilee where they will see the Risen Jesus. The funny thing is that Mark never relates a story of the disciples seeing the Risen Jesus in Galilee. However, in today's Gospel, John describes the memorable encounter the apostles had with the Risen Lord at the Sea of Galilee. Most of the Resurrection appearances occur in or near Jerusalem, where Christ celebrated the Last Supper and died on the cross. This appearance occurs where Jesus did most of his ministry, in Galilee more than 100 miles north of Jerusalem.

This encounter naturally reminds us of when Jesus, on this same shore, first called Peter to follow Him (Luke 5:1-11), for in both scenes there is a miraculous catch of fish. Jesus works a miracle well designed to impress seasoned fishermen: an extraordinary catch of fish after a night in which they had caught nothing. In this Resurrection appearance, after the miracle repeats itself, the beloved disciple recognizes that the man on shore is Jesus through his memory of the first miraculous catch. As He did with the disciples on the road to Emmaus, the Risen Jesus reveals Himself to His disciples by repeating an action they remember He did before, and this recall helps them identify the Risen One as the one they saw crucified. Two thousand years later we too are called to recognize Jesus through memory, for the Eucharist is the memorial sacrifice of Christ's self-giving love for us. In His giving us Himself as the Bread of Life, we remember how He gave His Life for us in dying on the cross and rising from the tomb.

When Peter hears "It is the Lord!" he seems to do something strange. Lightly clad, he first puts on his outer clothes and then jumps into the sea. I always thought this suggested Peter was so discombobulated by the appearance of Jesus that he didn't know what he was doing. But though his actions seem out of sorts, when rightly understood Peter actually becomes a great model for how we should respond to the presence of Jesus in our midst. Peter puts on his clothes out of respect for the Lord; it would not have been appropriate for him to meet the Conqueror of sin

and death dressed only in a cloth tied around his waist. Then he jumps into the sea because by swimming he can get to Jesus as fast as possible. A fisherman by trade, he knows a boat dragging a net full of fish can only move very slowly back to the shore. So the evangelist records this sequence of Peter acting unusually to show Peter's great and burning love for Jesus—that Jesus is now more important to him than even the best catch of fish he has ever had! Peter shows the same eager love for Him when he fulfills Jesus' request to bring over some of the fish they had caught, hauling in the net full of fish all by himself. We too should be quick to do what he asks, rush to be in the presence of our Lord, and love Jesus even more than that which we love most in the world.

This encounter with the Risen Jesus was so memorable that John the Evangelist even records the exact number of large fish caught: 153. (The fish had to be counted so that they could be fairly distributed among the different partners.) In the history of biblical interpretation, there has been a lot of speculation about the meaning of that number. The simplest was offered by St. Jerome who translated the Bible into Latin. He said that 153 represented all the species of fish known at the time, and thus the catch foretells the apostles as fishers of men gathering people from every culture and nation into the Church. The great size of the catch gives us hope that the Gospel proclaimed throughout the world is extremely fruitful and draws a countless host of believers into the Church.

The overall scene is remarkable in its simplicity: the risen Jesus has breakfast with his friends. We easily imagine the Risen Lord enthroned in heaven, but this beautiful story suggests that He wants us to encounter Him here and now in the ordinary tasks and events of our life. Next time you have breakfast, use your faith to recognize Him as present with you. Whenever we think we must wait until heaven before we can be with Him, we have forgotten the deep and powerful truth of His Resurrection: He is always with us.

Masses for the Week...

Saturday, May 3rd *Saints Philip and James, Apostles*

5:00 PM Theresa Pirro

7:30 PM (Spanish) Juan Castro

Sunday, May 4th *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM Luca Cerullo

10:00 AM Salvatore and Grace Rondone

12:00 Noon Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

6:00 PM People of the Parish

Monday, May 5th *Easter Weekday*

7:00 AM Mary Ellen Mitchell

12:00 Noon Mary Henderson

Tuesday, May 6th *Easter Weekday*

7:00 AM Antoinette Oliveri

12:00 PM Donald Feis Jr.

Wednesday, May 7th *Easter Weekday*

7:00 AM Patricia Cuff

12:00 Noon Vincent Fiore

Thursday, May 8th *Easter Weekday*

7:00 AM Timothy Gilmartin

12:00 Noon Joe Martin

Friday, May 9th *Easter Weekday*

7:00 AM Frank P. Macchia

12:00 Noon Madeline and Howard Bowman

Saturday, May 10th *Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM Eric Bennett

5:00 PM Mother's Day Novenas

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, May 11th *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novenas

10:00 AM Mother's Day Novenas

12:00 Noon Mother's Day Novenas

6:00 PM Mother's Day Novenas

Mother's Day Novena...

The Mother's Day Novena is a beautiful and meaningful way for you to include your mother, grandmother, godmother, the mother-to-be you know or any mother you wish to remember in the intentions of the **2025 Novena of Masses for Mother's Day**.

Envelopes are available at the doors of the church. The Mother's Day Novena Masses begin on **Mother's Day, May 11th**. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or dropped at the rectory office by **May 7th**.



Easter Appeal

Please join in supporting our **Annual Easter Appeal**. We rely on your generosity to continue the mission of the Church here at St. John the Evangelist. We as a parish provide many ministries and services to our community including the food pantry and Street Ministry. Have a blessed Easter Season!

EASTER DONATIONS		
Year	Total	As of
2025	\$55,530	to Date
2024	\$60,410	Final

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Average Weekly from January 1, 2025 to present.			
Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2025	\$293,261	17	\$17,251
2024	\$309,631	17	\$18,214

2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal <small>DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE</small> Renewed by the Eucharist Sent on Mission		
As of 4/29/2025	2025	2024
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	132	127
Total Pledged to date	\$62,745	\$58,585
Avg. Gift	\$475	\$461
Percent of Goal	54.5%	51%

Supporting the CMA helps to support SJE! We receive back 20% of whatever is raised below the goal. If we go above the goal, we also receive 80% of all monies that are raised above the goal! Please help us go above the goal!

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS BEHOLD 2025

with Guest Speakers:



Dr. Edward Sri



Father Pierre Toussaint, CFR



Father Jose Diaz



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV



Father Daniel Rivera

**PENTECOST
SUNDAY
JUNE 8**



10AM-5:30PM

Saint Anthony's High School,
South Huntington



Admission is free but registration is required.

All are invited for a day of prayer, catechesis, Adoration, and Holy Mass with Bishop John O. Barres. This congress will deepen devotion and equip attendees to share the graces of the Eucharist through inspiring talks, witness testimonies, worship, fellowship, and the culmination of the Eucharistic Pilgrimage.

For registration, schedule, and more details, visit:

www.drvc.org/congress

Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Revival Nights

A Sacred Journey Across Long Island

Beginning on **May 31st**, the *Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, the Diocese of Rockville Centre will launch two nine-day **Eucharistic Pilgrimages** that will journey across Long Island, culminating in a grand celebration at St. Anthony's High School on Sunday, June 8th.

These pilgrimages will carry the **Holy Eucharist in solemn procession** through a wide array of sacred and public spaces including towns, schools, hospitals, cemeteries, and parishes. Along the way, participants will have the opportunity to engage in **Eucharistic Adoration, the celebration of Mass, Eucharistic Catechesis, Praise and Worship**, and other deeply spiritual experiences. These events aim to unite the faithful in a powerful public witness to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

The People of God are encouraged to **walk with Jesus** in the Blessed Sacrament, to pray within the designated **pilgrim churches**, and to joyfully **proclaim the Gospel** to those who witness the procession as it moves through their communities.

As a part of this spiritual movement, **Revival Nights** will also be held throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties from **Sunday, May 31st through Friday, June 6th**. Each evening will include **Eucharistic Adoration, dynamic preaching and catechesis, Eucharistic processions, and Nocturnal Adoration**, creating an atmosphere of renewal and deepened devotion.

Together, these events form a profound diocesan effort to **rekindle Eucharistic faith and devotion**, inviting all to encounter Christ in a new and transformative way.

DIOCESIS OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

PRAY WITH JESUS. WALK WITH JESUS.

NASSAU
 Saturday, May 31 8:00 pm
 Our Holy Redeemer, Freeport
 Sunday, June 1 7:00 pm
 Maria Regina, Seaford
 Monday, June 2 7:00 pm
 Holy Family, Hicksville
 Tuesday, June 3 7:00 pm
 Our Lady of Loretto, Hicksville

SUFFOLK
 Saturday, May 31 7:00 pm
 Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, Patchogue
 Sunday, June 1 7:00 pm
 St. John the Evangelist, Center Moriches
 Monday, June 2 7:00 pm
 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue

DIOCESIS OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, May 31
 Opening Mass at St. Therese, Montauk 10:00 am
 Procession through Montauk 11:00 am - 12:00 noon
 Opening Mass at St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre 5:00 pm
 Procession to St. Christopher, Baldwin 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
 Procession from Our Lady of Poland to Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, Southampton 6:00 pm

Sunday, June 1
 Mass at St. Isidore, Riverhead 10:30 am
 Procession to St. John, Riverhead 11:30 am
 Mass at Cure of Ars, Merrick 7:30 am
 Procession to St. Barnabas, Bellmore 8:30 am
 Mass at St. Barnabas, Bellmore 10:30 am
 Procession to St. William the Abbot, Seaford 12:00 noon

Monday, June 2
 Mass at St. Raphael, East Meadow 7:30 am
 Procession to Holy Trinity High School, Hicksville 8:30 am

Tuesday, June 3
 Sts. Philip and James, St. James
 Procession to St. Patrick, Smithtown 11:00 am

Wednesday, June 4
 Mass at Corpus Christi, Mineola 7:30 am
 Procession to Chaminade High School, Mineola 8:45 am

Thursday, June 5
 St. John of God, Central Islip
 Procession to St. Anne, Brentwood 6:00 pm

Friday, June 6
 Mass at St. Gertrude, Bayville 8:30 am
 Procession to St. Dominic, Oyster Bay 9:30 am

Saturday, June 7
 Closing Mass at St. Hugh of Lincoln, Huntington Station 8:30 am
 Closing Procession and Benediction St. Patrick, Huntington 11:00 am

Walk with Jesus
 Mark your calendars for days of public witness as we walk with Jesus on the roads of Long Island.

Learn more and see the full schedule at drcv.org/congress

Eucharistic Revival Night



Nocturnal

Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday, June 1st

Join us for an evening of deep spiritual renewal as part of the Diocesan-wide Eucharistic Revival across Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

Eucharistic Revival Night – June 1st at St. John the Evangelist, Center Moriches
We are honored to host this special night of worship and renewal at St. John's as part of the Diocesan Eucharistic Revival across Long Island.

The evening begins with 6 PM Mass, followed by Holy Hour at 7 PM, a short Eucharistic procession around the parish grounds at 8 PM, and Nocturnal Adoration from 9 PM to 6 AM. Experience dynamic preaching, deep prayer, and a renewed encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. Sign-up weekends May 17/18 & 24/25

Whether you're devout, searching, or simply curious—come, adore, and be transformed



Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Francis Tuffy
Virginia Rita Belle-Oudry
Richard Diekroger
Adrian Danielle Gilmore
Norha Marie Bieniewicz

“For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.” -1 Thessalonians 4:14

Pray for the Sick

Andrew Balzano
Brooke-Ashley Reyes and her unborn twins
Joseph Townsend + Todd Skala

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

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.

Our Military

US Marine Corps

LC Michael Abbatiello
CPL Evan Berkemeyer
PFC Sean Brady
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II
SGT Quentin Montemarano
PVT Charles O'Connor
E-1 Christian Raeihle
PFC Kyle Toscanini
2nd LT Christopher Walther

US Army

SGT Sean Casey
PVT Joseph Cestare
SPC Michael Garcia Jr
PVT Anthony Koch
CPL Aidan O'Neill
PFC David Smith
Steven Valentin
PFC Francis J. Amalifitano

US Navy

E43CPO Jason Abbatiello
MMN2 Christopher J Esposito Jr
STGCS Brian Holzmacher
ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr
ETVSN Angel Gabriel Montoya Rivera
ENS Ralph J. Ruggiero
SR Thomas Taylor

US Air Force

SrA Anthony Auciello
SSGT David Giese
SSGT Jason M Hermes
PFC Kyle Kerstiens
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens
SrA Jared T. Rosato
LT Col Salvatore Sferrazza
SSGT William E. McCauley II
1st Lt. Claire McGrath

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

If you wish to place someone on the Military prayer list, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.



Remembering Our Loved Ones

Altar Bread & Wine for the month of May has been donated in memory of:

Emely Alcantara

Mass Intentions

Remembering one who has passed away at Mass is a most noble practice calling us to pray for one who has died at the most powerful prayer we know - the celebration of the Eucharist.

Altar Bread and Wine

Names will be listed in each bulletin during the course of that month.

An offering of \$200 is requested.

Votive Candles/Altar Candles

A number of votive candles enlighten the beautiful statues in our church. You may have a particular devotion to one of these saints. These candles are next to the statues of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Teresa, St. Gerard Majella and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. They bring a certain light to the statues and, hopefully, inspire some deeper times of prayer and reflection. **Altar Candles - \$25.00 per week.**

SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.

To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org



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Spring Basket Auction & Food Extravanza

Thank you to all who came out for our Spring Basket Auction & Food Extravanza! There were tons of prizes and plenty of delicious food. We are especially grateful to all the businesses that donated to this event, as well as those who helped organize and worked at the fundraiser!

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the following businesses:



- 1 North Steakhouse
- 10th Planet Jiu Jitsu Studio
- 1760 Homestead Farm
- 333 Wines
- 365 Athletics
- Adventureland
- Alfredo's
- Allitalia
- All Sportz
- All Star Bowling
- Amber European Spa
- AMC Theatres
- American Dream
- Animal Farm Petting Zoo
- Ann Taylor
- Anthony's Pizza
- Applebee's
- ARC Photography
- Aroogas
- Athena Diner
- Atlantic Seafood
- Avinos
- Aurora Nail Salon
- Baby Moon
- Bagel Boss
- Bahama Breeze
- Bailstone Flower Shoppe
- Bay Gardens
- B-Clean
- Beach Bakery
- Beach Fitness
- Bedell Wines
- Bella Bronze by Kiki
- Bella Notte
- Belle Shears
- Bellport Country club
- Bellport Spa
- Bernie's Family Pizzeria
- Bliss Hair Studio
- Blue Point brewery
- Brave Books
- Breakwater Yacht Club
- Brewology
- Bridgeport/Port Jefferson Ferry
- Brookhaven Bottle Co.
- Brothers Four
- Buckley's
- Buckley's Inn Between
- Cafe Castello
- Cafe Joelle
- Calabro Lodge
- California Diner
- Canoe Place Inn & Cottages
- Carlos Manorville
- Carmelinas
- Caruso's Pizzeria
- Center Moriches Veterinary Hospital
- Centro 336
- Chachama Grill
- Chaminade High School
- Chick fil a
- Children's Museum East End
- CJ's Grill
- CM Performing Arts Center
- Coco and Ro Children Clothing
- Cooperage Inn (OFO Pot Pies)
- Copper Crafts
- Cosmetics Professional of LI
- Country Cottage Diner
- Cousins Paintball
- Crayola Experience
- Crazy Beans
- Cross Sound Ferry
- Crossfit Undertow
- Crumble Cookie
- Cryo
- Cucina 25 Pizzeria
- Cuddys

- Dari-Land Ice Cream
- Del Fuego
- Dominique Delights
- Drago pizza
- Drifters
- Druek's True Value
- Dumrite Appliance
- East Coast Babes Children
- East End Fitness
- East End Screen Printing
- Edgewater
- El Sabor Del Pueblo
- EMN Aviation Services
- Encore Dance
- Esthetically Ever After
- Family Nails
- Farm Country Kitchen
- Fat Boys BBQ
- Firestone Sky Stores
- Flight Adventure Park
- Flynn O'Hara
- Forge River Nursery
- Fort's Wading River Florist
- Frank and Sons Bakery
- Fran's Fancy Feet Dance Studio
- Fratelli pizza
- Gabe's Auto Repair, LLC
- Galloway's Automotive LLC
- Gavin's Treasures
- Giants
- Gold Glass-ALP
- Goldbergs
- Goldfish Swim School
- Good Ground Animal Hospital
- Gourmet Garden
- Greek Bites
- Grillin Villian
- Haiuku
- Hampton Gymnastics
- Hampton Gyro
- Hamptons Skin and Cosmetics
- Helping Makes U Happy
- Heritage Flight Academy
- Hershey's ice cream
- Hotworx
- Ice Cream Cottage
- Irish Crossroads
- Irish Dance
- Irish Roots Gifts and Candy
- Island Asphalt
- Island Empanada
- Island's End Golf Course
- Islip Dental Associates
- J & R Steakhouse
- Jackson Hall
- Jake's 58
- Jardin Cafe
- JC's
- Jerri's Cakery
- Jersey Mikes
- Jets
- Jewelry by Michele
- Jimmi Conway's Pro Shop e Hills
- Jimmy Osborne Music
- Jim's Deli
- Jing Garden
- John W Engeman Theater
- Just Grooming
- Justice Air
- Justin's Chop Shop
- Karver's Grille
- Karyn Ravin Integrated Fitness
- KB Wine & Liquor
- Kendra Scott
- Kidstrong
- King Kullen
- Koening Iron Works



- La Bistro
- La Buena Vida
- La Vespa
- La Volpe
- Lucharito's
- Luna Mesa Day spa
- Mama Lisa
- Maple Family Center
- Martinez Family
- Mary's Pizza
- Mastic Nutrition
- Mastic Seafood
- Mediterranean Kitchen
- Michelangelos
- Mid Island Pizza
- Mikado
- MJ Nails Salon & Spa
- Monti's Barber Shop
- Moriches Field Brewing
- MP Bella Salon
- Mulvihill Lynch
- Nail Love
- New Shirley Nails & Spa
- New York Dart Zone
- New York B Solutions
- Nic Fit
- Nina's Hair Studio
- NY Axe
- Ocean Spa
- Ogeka Family
- Old City Public House
- On The Docks
- One 11 taco
- Orlato Grill
- Pacific Tan
- Painters
- Pazzo Ristorante
- Pennachio's
- Pete's Barber & Hairstyling
- Phil's Restaurant
- Pizza Shop
- Pizza time
- Port Jeff Bowl
- Port Jeff Cinemas
- Porters on Lane
- Privet Consignment
- Publick House
- Pulaski Street Grille
- Raising Cane's
- Ralene's Hair Salon
- Rebecca Dolber
- Relic Clothing
- Republic National Dist Cmpy
- Riverhead Beverage
- Riverhead Building Supply
- Riverhead Raceway
- Robert James Salon
- Rocco's
- Rock Hill Golf Club
- Rocky point beer
- Roller Coasta Coffee
- Rooted Hospitality
- Rossetti Basketball
- RPM Raceway
- Rudi's Bar and Grill
- Ruta Oaxaca Mexican
- Ruth's Chris Steak House
- Saf T Swim
- Safari Adventure
- Sal & Mike's Barber Shop
- Savarona Pizzeria
- Sayville Inn
- Sayville Running Company
- Scott Family
- Sea Cove
- Seasons of China
- Seccafico Land Surveying
- SFA Spa East

- Shake Shack
- Shaolin Self Defense
- Shippy's
- Shirley Feed
- Shirley Mastics Moriches Library
- Sky Zone
- Smith Point Bait & Tackle
- Smoke & Beer
- Smoke Shack
- Sonoma Grill
- Southampton Golf Range
- Spiro's
- Splash Auto Spa
- Spy Coast
- St. Anthony's High School
- St. John the Baptist High School
- Stadium Car Wash
- Standard Rec
- State Farm Insurance Manorville
- Stella trattoria
- Steve & Kate's Camp
- Steve & Patti's Onofrio's
- Stony Brook University
- Strandz Hair Salon
- Strikeforce Sports
- Strongs Marine
- Studio Tan
- Suffolk Beer
- Sunsets at Senix
- Super Sport Cards
- Sweet Hallow Treats
- Tandys Bubbles
- Toast
- Tellers
- The Adventure Park
- The Art Lounge
- The Fish Store
- The Gateway
- The Melting Pot
- The Pilates Space
- The Pizzeria
- The Salt Cave
- The Shed
- The Sports Arena
- The Trainer Page
- Tonino's
- TJS Hero Shop
- Uncle Giuseppe's
- Uncle Wallys
- Union Burger
- Unique Tastes
- Ur Swim
- Urban Air Adventure Park
- Vanderbilt Museum
- Viking Fleet
- Village Idiot Pub
- Vilma Studio
- Vincent's Clam Bar
- Wanda's Workout Room
- West Hampton Brewery
- Wildcat Bagel Deli
- Wm Floyd Diner
- Xplore
- Your Bagel Cafe



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Second Collection Weekend 2025

Segundo Fin de Semana de Colecta 2025



On the weekend of May 3-4, all parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre will hold a second collection in support of Catholic schools. Your generosity helps sustain the vital mission of Catholic education on Long Island. Thank you for supporting the **Catholic School Difference** — where faith, academic excellence, and values come together to shape tomorrow's leaders. For parishes with schools, the funds support their own school; for parishes without schools, the funds provide scholarships through the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation.



El fin de semana del 3 y 4 de mayo, todas las parroquias de la Diócesis de Rockville Centre tendrán una segunda colecta en apoyo a las escuelas católicas. Tu generosidad ayuda a mantener viva la misión fundamental de la educación católica en Long Island. Gracias por apoyar la **Diferencia de las Escuelas Católicas** — donde la fé, la excelencia académica y los valores se unen para formar a los líderes del futuro. En las parroquias que cuentan con escuelas, los fondos recaudados se destinan a su propia escuela; en las parroquias sin escuelas, los fondos se utilizan para otorgar becas a través de la Fundación Esperanza del Mañana (Tomorrow's Hope Foundation).

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Vive la Diferencia de las Escuelas Católicas. ¡Usa el código QR para dar el siguiente paso!

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- ✓ -Special Education Program
- ✓ -Before & After Care
- ✓ -Financial Aid
- ✓ AND MORE...

2025

Parent *Internet* Safety Nights

What Parents Need to Know

Dates & Locations:

7:00PM

Wednesday, May 7
Holy Angels Regional School
1 Division Avenue, Patchogue

Thursday, May 8
Trinity Regional School
1025 Fifth Avenue, East Northport

Thursday, May 15
St. Patrick's School
6 N. Clinton Avenue, Bay Shore

Wednesday, May 28
Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional School
2 St. John's Place, Center Moriches

About

Suffolk County Police will discuss how to respond appropriately to concerning statements about schools posted on social media, along with the potential consequences of making such posts. The session will also address what steps to take if you or your child sees or receives these types of comments online. An overview of the Suffolk County Police Department's investigation procedures will be provided.

Planning and practice keep schools safe. Schools are safe. It is important not to live in fear. We will talk about the difference between lockout and lockdown. It is easy to get the words mixed up especially in the height of a situation. The evening will end with information about the Suffolk County Police response and our roles in schools.

**No registration required
- all are welcome.**





DIocese of Rockville Centre
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

March 2025

Dear Friends:

The future of the Catholic Church's worldwide mission and evangelization depends upon holy vocations to the priesthood and religious life which complement and support the Apostolate of the Laity.

Thank you for all you do to support and encourage these vocations.

Many young people discerning these critical vocations graduate college with substantial student loan debt. In turn, many of the religious communities and dioceses they seek to enter are not able to absorb the growing financial burden of the candidate's educational debt.

The Labouré Society offers an innovative and creative solution for men and women discerning these vocations to raise funds for vocations through a formational process and a proven philanthropic method. I am personally grateful to the Labouré Society for all they have done to assist men and women from Long Island and throughout the Church in the United States to respond to their vocational call in a responsible, mature, just and generous way.

I enthusiastically support the mission of the Labouré Society.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

With
Your Help,
I Will Answer
God's
Call.



LABOURÉ
HELP RESCUE VOCATIONS®

"My name is Tess Austin. I am called to dedicate myself to evangelizing young people through reason, religion and loving kindness as a sister with the Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco."

Dear Parishioners,

It is my joy to share with you all that I have discerned a vocation to be a sister with the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians - Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco. I have been blessed by our St. John the Evangelist Parish family in many ways through the years. I am thankful to have the opportunity to invite you all with me on this journey towards entering the next chapter of my life with Christ.



As a next step towards formation, the Salesians Sisters of St. John Bosco and I have partnered with The Labouré Society, a Catholic non-profit 501(c)(3), to help overcome the obstacle of student loan debt by June 30th. I'm thankful for the support of Fr. Patrick and the parish staff in this work. I humbly ask my parish family here for prayers and support as my Labouré classmates and I work towards entering the next stage of formation.

If you would like to know more about my vocation journey and my work with The Labouré Society, I would love to speak with you individually. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me via email: Tess@rescuevocations.org or by phone: (631) 972-4091.

YOU CAN SUPPORT MY VOCATION VIA:
rescuevocations.org/aspirant/Tess-Austin



2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



Your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal brings hope to so many through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach Programs. THANK YOU!

Our Parish Social Ministry Programs (PSM) work tirelessly to answer God's call of service.

"Working in Parish Social Ministry renews my faith when I witness the volunteers bringing God's love to the clients, who may have lost that love in themselves. We are letting them know that there is hope in the world and God is there for them." – Kerri Ostrow, Director of PSM St. Patrick, Bay Shore

"Thank God for St. Patrick's...they give the homeless and people a place to go, a spiritual release, a safe place to talk to people, to have good conversation, and you don't have to worry about anyone bothering you."

Client, St. Patrick Outreach



Our own Parish Outreach and Social Ministries benefit from the Catholic Ministries Appeal!

May is the Month of Mary

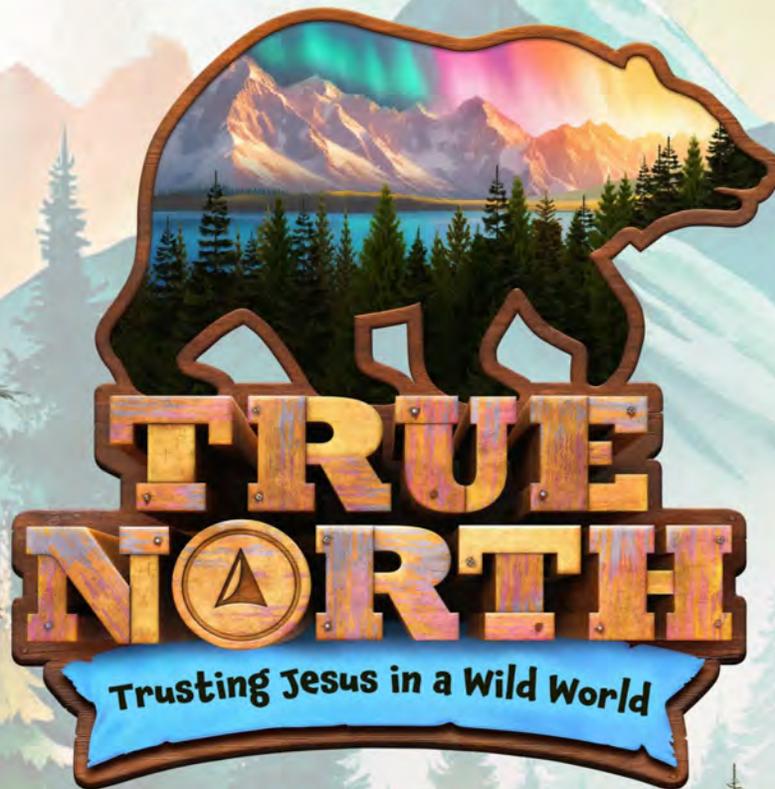


May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SUNDAY, MAY 18th

during the 10:00 AM Mass in the Church

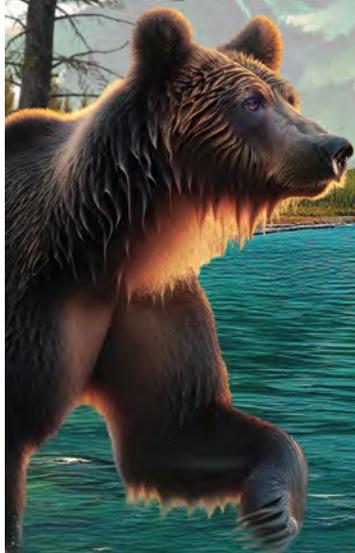
Come embark on an unforgettable Adventure
at St. John the Evangelist 2025
Vacation Bible Camp....



July 14th - July 18th

Registration is open!

Watch the parish website for details



Faith Formation

Faith Formation Website: <https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/>

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

Office Hours: By Appointment Only (Mon-Thu) - BARN, Upstairs

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 CANDIDATES RETREAT:

Participating in crafts, song, video presentations and more, our First Communion candidates and their families learned more about the Eucharist and being the Body of Christ in the world at our retreat on April 26. Special thanks to all our volunteers who made the retreat so special!



OFFERING: For those scheduled to receive First Holy Communion this May (2025), we have posted our First Communion offering (\$75) online. Check your email for more information. You can also scan the QR code here to make the offering.

Questions? Email us at faithformation@sjecm.org

Please also keep in your prayers our First Holy Communion candidates who will be receiving the Eucharist for the first time in the coming weeks! (You may see some of them at our Sunday liturgies!)



2025 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

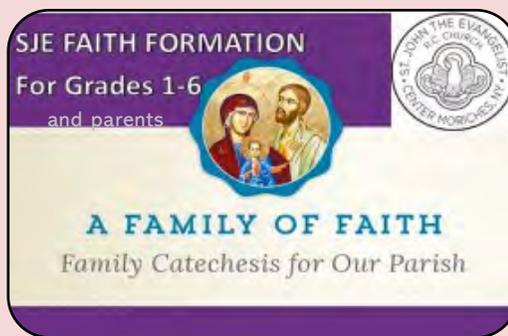
CALENDARS for all our programs are available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website. (sjecm.org, click on "Faith Formation")

LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

Upcoming Event:
Sponsor/Candidate Night
Tuesday, June 3 at 7:00 PM in the Church
***Sponsor forms due at this event!**

LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

Check your email in late May/early June, when we should have our Confirmation date, as well as our "Fearless" Fall Prep Program calendar available!



Closing Prayer Services (Attend One)
Tuesday, May 13 and Thursday, May 15
@ 5 PM in the Church
***Please note there are no 7 PM sessions for the closing prayer services in May.**

A Message from Msgr. Walden...



"Do you love me?" As we hear the Gospel for today's mass (John 21:1-19), we see another Resurrection appearance of Jesus to the apostles as they have gone back to fishing. The apostles joyfully come to recognize Jesus and come ashore to a breakfast that Jesus has already begun preparing. At the end of breakfast Jesus asks Peter three times, "Simon, son of John do you love me?" Each time Peter replies, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Those three acclamations of love on the part of St. Peter parallel his three denials when Jesus was arrested. Peter went from living in the shadow of God's love to fully living in the light of that love.

Pope Benedict XVI said, "It is not power but love that redeems us." It is love that sets us free from fear of the truth and opens our minds and hearts to the only power that can ever bring personal peace and true peace and unity with one another. Jesus left the glory of heaven to share divine love with us so we can share it with one another. We are not competitors with one another but the family of God rejoicing in each other's goodness, forgiving each other's faults, and living and loving together as the Church, the Body of Christ in the world. This is not a part time or half-hearted commitment. Jesus has shown us how far this love can go - He endured the cross and rose above and beyond it, and came back to those who were fearful and embraced them with His love. As a result, here we are with that same Jesus and His love two thousand years later. Sometimes it might seem like we are limping along or it is not realistic to survive with faith in such a loving presence. Embracing Jesus and allowing Him to embrace us leads not only to a truly meaningful life in this world, it culminates in eternal life with Him in heaven. To lose that vision is to be restless, confused, and frustrated.

"Do you love me?" There is not doubt about Jesus' love for us. The question is, "How far do we go everyday to be embraced by that love and allow Him to guide, sustain, inspire, and nourish us?" As much as we seek to be reconciled with Him, we have to find the way to be reconciled and be one with each other. As long as we seek the upper hand and be a winner, we will never find

peace. Jesus refused to be a loser even when the cross seemed like the victory that got rid of Him once and for all. Jesus rose and came back, not as a winner, but as our God who loves us more than we can truly comprehend. The question He asks Peter in today's Gospel is the same He asks each one of us with the same great hope, "Do you love me?" How do we get to the point where Peter's words become our words - "Yes Lord, you know that I love you!" When the bond of love unities us personally and communally with Jesus, truly good things happen because we know the joy and gratitude of each other. How wonderful to get to the point where we experience the joy and gratitude of Jesus where no act of humility is too costly or no gesture of true love and mercy too futile!

I conclude these words with the joyful words of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which all priests pray everyday at evening prayer, the Magnificat.

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.*

*From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.*

*He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.*

*He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.*

*He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.*

*He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.*

*He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.*

Parish Social Ministry

Street Ministry



Ernie's Place Shopping List

Here is a list of items needed for our pantry. These items can be left at the doors of the Church or in the bin outside of Ernie's Place:

- Syrup
- Oatmeal
- Pancake Mix
- Fruit Cocktail
- Canned Chicken
- Cake Mix and Icing
- Bags of Red Beans
- Bags of Black Beans
- Boxed Mashed Potatoes
- Small Bags of White Rice
- _____

Our food pantry welcomes and helps families in need every week on Mondays from 6:30 -7:30 PM and on Thursdays from 3-4 PM. Currently, we need help serving those who come through our door. We see dozens of people in need each time we are open, the hour goes by fast! Ernie's Place is a place of friendship for our volunteers and a place of support and hospitality for the families we serve. Please contact Heather at:

631-878-0009 ext. 120 or via email at

socialministry@sjecm.org

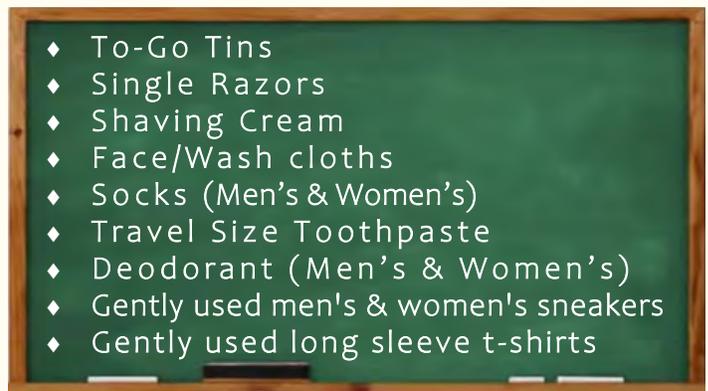
for more information on volunteering at Ernie's Place, we really need the help and would love to have you join us!

Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world.
 – St. Teresa of Avila

Our Street Ministry is an amazing community of volunteers who provide hot meals, clothing and toiletries to individuals and families every Thursday night, many of whom are homeless or unable to receive other supportive services. We need your help! Come use the awesome gifts that God gave you to serve those in need in our local community. All areas on the Street Ministry team need volunteers including - working in our donation room folding and organizing clothes, cooking hot meals at home and dropping them off on Thursday nights (we provide the take-out containers!), making PB&J sandwiches, using your muscles to load our van and participating in our van runs where you can hand out meals and clothing to those in need. The Street Ministry has a place and a job for everyone! To get started, please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120 or for more information, please email socialministry@sjecm.org and once you are ready to start volunteering look for emails from StreetMinistry@sjecm.org to sign up in your area of interest. Thank you for considering this vital opportunity to serve! We hope to hear from you! We are tremendously grateful for all our volunteers and the donations we receive; both allow us to continue to do this work every week.

Street Ministry Shopping List

Below is a list of items that are needed for Street Ministry. Please leave donations in the box by the doors of the Church.



HOLY GROUND GARDEN PROJECT



We Need Your Help with Spring Planting! Spring is here, and we're inviting families, ministries, individuals, and friends to care for a part of our parish grounds by planting and maintaining a small area. Let's keep our parish and school beautiful—together!

If you have a spot from last year, or your looking for a spot this year...Please email Garden@sjecm.org or call the rectory office 631-878-0009



GARDEN MINISTRY

Did you know that St John's has a beautiful garden, Heaven's Harvest, located between the Convent and Rectory? The dedicated volunteers of this ministry work together to produce bushels and bushels of produce which we donate to Ernie's Place and our Street Ministry. We plant, water, weed and harvest now through November. At this time, we need your help; we are looking for volunteers to help us to prepare for the season. The best part about this volunteer opportunity is you can choose a time that works for you. We have raised beds; it doesn't have to be strenuous, and you can work alone or bring a friend. This can be a great family activity, and all ages are most welcome. Great for students who need community service too! To learn more about how you can help get our garden ready for the growing season please reach out to Heather at 631-878-0009, ext. 120 or via email at :

socialministry@sjecm.org

*Lend a hand and be a blessing,
your parish needs you!*



No Bingo on May 9th !

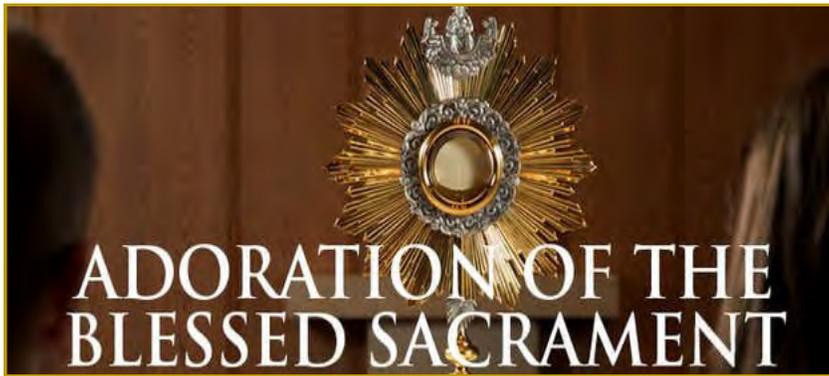
Knights of Columbus
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FRIDAY NIGHTS

**Doors Open at 6:30 PM
Games Begin at 7:30 PM**

\$ 3000 IN PRIZES

For more information
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*A Holy Hour in front of the
Blessed Sacrament is worth
more than 1000 years of
human glory.*

~Saint Padre Pio

Monday - Friday
3:00 - 7:00 PM
Seton Chapel, in the Convent

Please consider offering one hour per week before
the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
If you can be present for a specific hour,
email rectory@sjecm.org
or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

*On Mondays following Adoration, there is a Holy Hour to Pray for Priests from 7 - 8 PM.
All are invited to pray for our Shepherds. Please consider offering one hour per week before the
Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.*

Comunidad Hispano...

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en español los sábados a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oración, todos los viernes a las 7:30 PM en la Capilla del Convento Parroquial. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

BAUTISMO:

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos:

1. Acta de nacimiento del niño o niña.
2. Certificado de registro de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de la charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIO para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Segundo domingo a las 14 horas en la Iglesia.

Las clases de prebautismo son el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

CASAMIENTO:

Las parejas que planean casarse deben concertar una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de la boda. Esto les dará tiempo suficiente para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame a la oficina

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 p.m. los martes. Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to call before you come and visit.

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM

Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero

Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM
auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley
7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para quienes lo necesiten. Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avísanos si puedes ayudar!

Women's Group...

Join us as we read, learn, and share life's experiences in a welcoming, open group. No commitment required - come when you can! You don't have to share or read aloud, and everything is confidential. We respect each other and are here for support. Bring a friend!

This year, we are reading "The Sanctifier" by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez, exploring how the gifts of the Holy Spirit lead us to holiness. Our discussions often provide clarity and comfort, especially as we relate the lessons to our own lives. The book is provided.

We meet every other Monday from 10:00-11:30 AM in the white house between the school and rectory, ending in time for 12:00 Mass if you'd like.

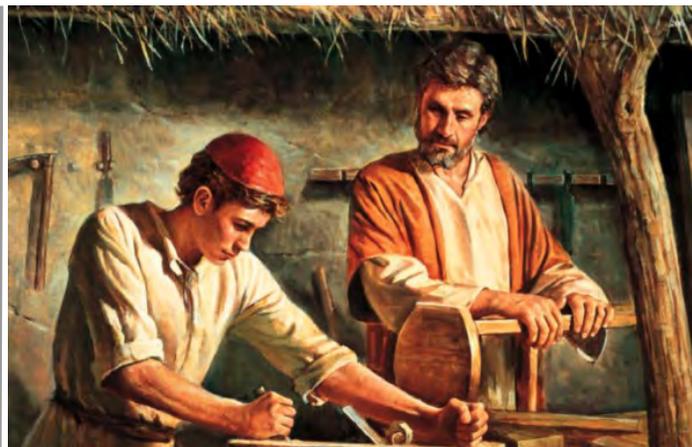
Dates:

April 28, May 12 & 19*,

June 2, 16 & 30.

Carol Ketcham and Anita Luccari, Group Moderators ~
For info: 631-878-0009

Men's Prayer Group...



CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9 AM** in the Convent. Join as us as we learn to follow the example of St. Joseph and grow in our faith, reflect on the Gospel and have coffee. For more information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.



SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

Please take some time look through the back pages of the bulletin! It features many local businesses (and often the work of parishioners) and the good work they do in our community. We have parishioners who do everything from car detailing to car mechanics to lacrosse training to taking care of pets. Take a look and learn more!

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

Also, if your business could use a shot in the arm, consider advertising in the bulletin. Each weekend, the nearly 1,400 people who attend Mass at St. John the Evangelist - most of whom live and shop in the Moriches, Mastic, Shirley, Eastport, Speonk and Remsenberg area - receive or view our bulletin online. It's an easy way to reach thousands of families in the area with information about your business.

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

Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 5th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place

Tuesday, May 6th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 7:00 PM Divine Will

Wednesday, May 7th 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC

Thursday, May 8th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 4:00 PM Legion of Mary - BMR
- 7:30 PM AI-Anon - BMR

Friday, May 9th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus - **NO BINGO TONIGHT**
- 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
- 7:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC

Saturday, May 10th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 10:30 AM Men's Prayer Group - SC
- Bereavement Group - BMR

Sunday, May 11th, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1st Floor Mtg. Room
BUR - Barn Upper Room
SC - Seton Chapel