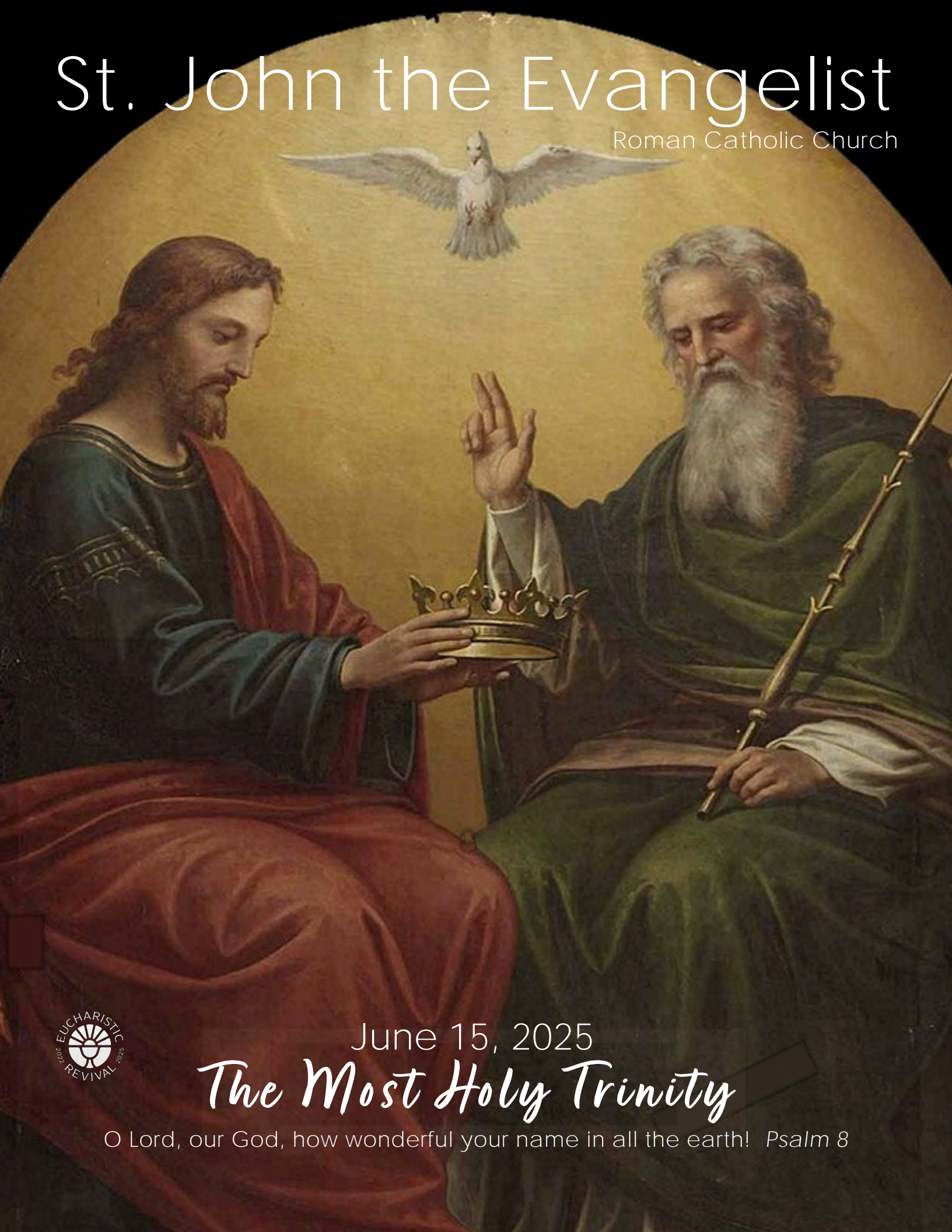


St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



June 15, 2025

The Most Holy Trinity

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth! *Psalms 8*



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Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

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Deacon

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Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House
631.878.0009

Monday - Thursday:
9 AM - 8 PM
Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Friday - Saturday, 9 AM - 2 PM
Please call before visiting any parish offices.

Mass Schedule

Confession Schedule

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, June 21st

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, June 15th

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Msgr. Walden

12 noon - Fr. Jerry

6:00 PM - Fr. Abin

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

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 Reflection from our Pastor, Fr. Patrick...

The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

Last weekend when we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives, we were reminded how we share in God's life through this precious gift. It is only through the Spirit of God that we can enter into an intimate relationship with Him. It is through baptism that we first enter into this precious everlasting relationship. Through this sacrament, we are baptized and incorporated into a great community of love that exists between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. It is through these words that we find new life in God – "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." These words make all the difference in our lives. It is a permanent relationship that we enter with God at our baptism. And each day we are called to deepen our personal relationship with God through our prayers and the sacraments of the Church.

How reassuring these words are from our Lord, found in today's gospel, during this glorious feast of the Most Blessed Trinity: "Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason, I told you that He will take from what is mine and declare it to you." (JN 16:15) It is clear in today's gospel that God wants us to live a full life with Him. Jesus reminds us that God wants to share His entire life with us, filled with hope and joy...a life that is fulfilling and everlasting! What a message of hope—a message clearly defining God's all-embracing love for us! Everything that is His is now ours because of our mutual belonging. Through baptism, we now belong to God and to God alone!

Moreover, Jesus' Universal Prayer found in all of John's gospel chapter 17 reassures us of this great promise. It basically sums up the true meaning and understanding of today's feast. Jesus' prayer expresses His vision and hope for all of humanity for all ages. He prays that we may be one as He and the Father are one! He prays that we may live and remain in their love. And when we do, we live and remain with them. We are one with God in our love for one another. "In the One, we are one." (JN 17:21) We too share in the gift of

everlasting life because of God's desire from the beginning of time to be one with us.

St. Augustine sums it up the best when speaking about the inner life of the Most Blessed Trinity that exists between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. He says that the love that the Father has for the Son and the love that the Son has for the Father is the Holy Spirit—that great love that co-exists between the Father and the Son creates the Holy Spirit which draws us into full communion with God. It is through the grace of baptism that allows us to participate in the very life and inner workings of the Most Blessed Trinity. Baptism opens the doors to Christ so we can meet God through the Spirit.

It is up to us now to keep the love of God and the Spirit of God alive in our world today! We are called to make God's love visible in our lives and the lives of one another. The second part of our Lord's Universal Prayer reminds us how important it is for us to join the Lord in glorifying God. This concept of universal glorification applies to all disciples of all ages. Because of the Holy Spirit, we can now participate in the life of the Most Blessed Trinity whenever we open our hearts to God! We can make visible in concrete ways what is often abstract and not so visible in our world. St. Augustine says, "that God loves us so much, as if there was just one of us in the world." Maybe we cannot change the world, but we do not have to let the world change us. Is this not the mission of the Church but to do the work of the Holy Spirit—to make God's love known to all?

It is up to us to keep the mission of the Church alive in our world today—in doing the work of the Holy Spirit. How wonderful it is to know that we have the power and authority by the grace of God to continue the work of redemption! We make God's presence felt and visible in our world today by the way in which we obey His commandments, by loving always, by loving one another as He has loved us! You see, the more we remain and abide in God's love within our lives, the more others will be inspired to do the same. For Jesus, this is what gives credence to our faith when we live and remain in God's everlasting love!



Masses for the Week...

Saturday, June 14th Weekday

5:00 PM Vincent Fiore
7:30 PM (Spanish) Special Intention-Adelaide Rego

Sunday, June 15th The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
10:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 Noon Father's Day Novenas
6:00 PM Father's Day Novenas

Monday, June 16th Weekday

7:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 Noon Philip Kennedy

Tuesday, June 17th Weekday

7:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 PM William Reilly

Wednesday, June 18th Weekday

7:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 Noon Liz DellaRatta

Thursday, June 19th Weekday

7:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 Noon Special Intention-Joan Murphy

Friday, June 20th Weekday

7:00 AM Father's Day Novenas
12:00 Noon Kaelin Tyler Appleby

Saturday, June 21st Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:00 AM Special Intention - Rui Rego
5:00 PM John Robert Klaus IV
7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, June 22nd Corpus Christi

8:00 AM Marge and Charles Peters
10:00 AM Alfred Augustus Mitchell
12:00 Noon Trudy Norton
6:00 PM Patrick Johnson



*Have a Blessed and
Happy Father's Day!*

*~The Pastoral Staff at
St. John the Evangelist*

Father's Day envelopes are still available at the doors of the church for the 9-day Novena of Masses that begins on June 15th. Please return your envelope to the rectory office by Monday, June 16th.

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2025 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2025	\$408,658	23	\$17,768
2024	\$417,892	23	\$18,169

2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



As of 6/10/2025	2025	2024
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	159	158
Total Pledged to date	\$69,395	\$67,700
Avg. Gift	\$436	\$428
Percent of Goal	61%	59%

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!

PARISH UPDATE

I just want to thank you all so much for your continued support and generosity towards our parish. St. John's is a vibrant community filled with the Spirit and the love of the Lord! It is a joy to be here in service to you and your families. I am so grateful to work alongside my pastoral staff. I am so grateful to have been assigned here by Bishop Barres three years ago.

As you may be aware already, Fr. Abin Panicker, who joined us at the end of July last summer, is moving on to our Lady of Mercy at the end of this month to join with his religious community in serving the people of Hicksville. Fr. Abin has been a pleasure to serve with during this past year. It is always wonderful to hear from so many of you what a kind, loving and prayerful priest Fr. Abin is.

I was informed by the Bishop's Office, that Fr. Charline Vendredy will be coming here to replace Fr. Abin at the end of June. Msgr. Walden and I briefly met with Fr. Charline a few weeks ago. It was so nice to meet him. He looks forward to joining us in the next couple of weeks, and will write a brief biography about himself in next weekend's bulletin.

In addition, Fr. Francis Lasrado, my former associate from Infant Jesus in Port Jefferson, will be retiring at the end of June. He will also be joining us at the end of this month. He will live in residence here at St. John's and is excited to become a big part of our parish family. Fr. Francis will take some time off this summer shortly after his arrival on June 25th and will become very active in our parish life beginning in mid-August. Please join me and the entire pastoral team in wishing Fr. Abin well in his new assignment, and welcoming Fr. Charline and Fr. Francis to St. John the Evangelist.

Finally, in the next week or so we will be mailing out our Annual Summer Appeal letters. Along with our CMA (Catholic Ministries Appeal), this is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year! I ask that you please join me in supporting this Annual Summer Appeal. Because of your generosity, we can continue to maintain our church and campus properly while offering the many services and ministries that we have here at St. John the Evangelist.

I wish you and your families a very happy and blessed Father's Day!



A heartfelt farewell to Marianne & Piet van der Zanden as they make their move to the Netherlands! They have been parishioners here for 16 years and we are filled with gratitude for their volunteerism each week in our choir and in our thrift shop. We will miss them and wish them all the best!

2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

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Happy Father's Day

“Every family needs a father — a father who shares in his family’s joy and pain, hands down wisdom to his children, and offers them firm guidance and love.”

– Pope Francis

Thanks to your
support we are
able to help dads
in need!

Every day, people in our community are helped because of support from funds raised through the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Today, consider a dad like Paul. Paul saw information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal at his local parish, and he knew he had to turn to the Church for help since he had nowhere else to go. Paul had been gainfully employed for more than 10 years when he began to fall ill. Soon his medical issues made it impossible for him to keep working and he was forced to go out on disability.

After paying the co-pays on his medications, his family's rent and utilities bills, Paul had very little left to purchase food and other necessities for his family.

It was hard for him to ask for help, but with nowhere else to turn, he did. Catholic Charities found him a specialist who assessed the family's needs and directed them to appropriate resources in their community. He went to his Parish Outreach, where his family received food that allowed them to make it through the month. Paul and his family received the help they so desperately needed.

Today, Paul is back to work and the family is doing well. *"I am so thankful that I know there is somewhere I can turn, where there are people that care, people I can talk to, if I am ever in such a situation again,"* shared Paul.



Corpus Christi Procession



Saturday, June 21st
after the 5 PM mass

*An event like this brings blessings
to our church and community!!!*





June 15, 2025

Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Our Military

Vincent Ferrara + Jackie Graham

“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

Sandy Paterno + William Hope

Michael Redmond

Ray Galpin + Patricia Barry

Pat Procopio

Brooke-Ashley Reyes and her twins

“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.

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 Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

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 III
SR Jack Patrick Walsh
SR Michael Paduana

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

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 June has been donated in memory of:

The Deceased Members of the Norton Family

This week, the St. Gerard Majella candle will be lit in honor of:

The Epstein Family

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

Blood Emergency



**Milestone
blood drive**

Celebrating
5000
Donations!!!

St. John the Evangelist

2 ST. JOHN'S PLACE, CENTER MORICHES

SPONSORED BY THE SAINT JANUARIUS MINISTRY

Saturday, June 21st

9:00am – 3:00pm

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- [CLICK HERE](#)
- SCAN QR CODE
- CONTACT MELISSA AT:
(917) 566-8537 / MGATTO@NYBC.ORG



Prepare to donate



Eat well
and hydrate



Bring a
photo ID



Feel good and
symptom free



Must be 17+ or
16 with parental
consent form



Meet minimum
weight requirements

For full eligibility requirements
and COVID-19 information, visit
nybc.org/eligibility.

Walk-ins are welcome! Appointments help reduce waiting.



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Early Childhood Pre-K Program (Ages 3 & 4) Full-Day & Half-Day Classes Available!

Registration Is Open!

SCHEDULE A TOUR:
SCAN THE QR CODE

BELOW OR CALL
631-878-1033



VISIT OUR
WEBSITE:

OLQANY.ORG



WE OFFER...

- FAITH & VALUES
- SMALL CLASS SIZE
- MATH/SCIENCE READINESS
- LANGUAGE/READING SKILLS
- SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT



OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES
REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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CENTER MORICHES, NY 11934

June 15, 2025

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

July 14th - July 18th



To register Scan the QR code or visit
the parish website SJEcm.org

Camper Registration



Volunteer Registration



OFFICE OF FAMILY MINISTRY



This Sunday (6/15) is Sandwich Sunday!
Join us after the 10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria.

Grab a loaf of bread, some peanut butter and jelly or cold cuts and your family and friends and come have some fun while helping to feed the hungry in our area. Want to come and don't have any supplies? **JUST COME!** We always have extra PB & J. Students can earn volunteer service hours! **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Moms on the Journey



Last week our Moms on the Journey ministry partnered with our Parish Social Ministry Office to put together "Going Off to College" gift packs for local graduates who are part of the Butterfly Project. The [Butterfly Effect Project](#) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to "create safe spaces for girls to dream and succeed." Not only did these amazing moms put together beautiful gifts for the girls, but they also wrote the girls personal letters of encouragement and made the committed to pray for that girl for the next year! Check out these Moms as Mentors!

Our next Moms on the Journey gathering will be held on **Wednesday, June 25th at 7:00 PM** in the Upper Room of the Barn. All moms are invited to grow in faith, fellowship and fun!



Our Family Life Ministry participated in the [SJE Holy Grounds Project](#) by weeding, planting and adding mulch to the gardens around the Parish Office. These awesome ladies not only have beautiful hearts, they also have green thumbs and they used both to help care for our parish grounds. Check out their joy-filled handiwork!

Special Collection...

The will be a Special Collection after communion during all masses on the weekend of **June 28th & 29th** to support Hope House Ministries.

The Mission of Hope House Ministries is founded in the spirit of St. Louis de Montfort, who had a commitment to the poor and the courage to do what no one else had the courage to do.

Thank you for your generous support!



Did you know that our new Baptism Program is up and running?

Here at St. John's we redesigned our Baptism Preparation program in January 2025. We wanted our program to be warm and welcoming, so we have included more interpersonal communication and multiple opportunities for families to come to St. John's prior to the day of Baptism. Our mission is to make St. John's every family's home away from home, where we come together to worship our Almighty God, to learn about our amazing Catholic faith, to dive deeper in our personal relationship with Jesus and grow together as a parish family accepting, loving, supporting and serving each other, our local community and beyond. Our Baptism preparation program now includes the following components:

- * Registration into the parish as a family
- * Complete the online Baptism registration for the child who is to be Baptized
- * Attend an in-person Baptism Preparation class
- * Complete the online Baptism Belonging video course
- * Submit all required paperwork

When all requirements have been met, meet with a member of the Baptism Ministry to schedule a date for Baptism

Bereavement Support...

Grieving is a natural process each of us goes through after the death of a loved one. While no one can take away our sadness, others can help by listening and caring. Sharing our feelings with others who have experienced the death of a loved one help many people begin the healing process.

*Grief never ends but it changes.
It is a passage,
not a place to stay.
It is not a sign of weakness,
nor a lack of faith.
Grief is the price of love.*

Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon

First floor meeting room in the Barn.

REGISTRATION: Contact the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or via email at

Rectory@sjecm.org

\$10 donation for the workbook.

PARISH SOCIAL 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:

- ☐ Mayo
- ☐ Syrup
- ☐ Ketchup
- ☐ Mustard
- ☐ Oatmeal
- ☐ Hot Sauce
- ☐ Pancake Mix
- ☐ Canned Chicken
- ☐ Cake Mix and Icing
- ☐ Bags of Red Beans
- ☐ Bags of Black Beans
- ☐ Small Bags of White Rice
- ☐ Small bottles of Cooking Oil

THRIFT SHOP

Open Wednesdays from 9 AM - 12 Noon

Please visit our shop! You'll see new and lots of gently used clothes, shoes, pocketbooks, jewelry, housewares and many toys all at great prices! The proceeds from the weekly sales at the shop are returned to our Parish Outreach programs and used to assist our neighbors in need in our parish and the local community.

The success of our Thrift Shop relies on the generous donations from our community which can be left in the green bins in the school parking lot, in front of our shop. *We gently urge you to donate on Monday and Tuesday mornings between 9 - 11 AM.*

Thank you! It's a great way to organize your home and give back to our Parish community at the same time!

Street Ministry

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, 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.

- ◆ Gently used Rubbermaid or "To-Go" containers
- ◆ Single Razors
- ◆ Shaving Cream
- ◆ Face/Wash cloths
- ◆ Socks (Men's & Women's)
- ◆ Gently used men's & women's sneakers
- ◆ Gently used t-shirts





Adult Confirmations

On Saturday, June 7th, the Feast of Pentecost, 28 adults of our parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 5 PM Mass; celebrated by Fr. Patrick Riegger, with Deacons Ed and Michael assisting. Strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, they took this important step in their journey of faith. We celebrate and pray for each of them as they continue to grow in Christ—a beautiful and blessed moment, united in grace and the love of God.



CHECK OUT OUR FAITH FORMATION WEBSITE!

sjecmff.blogspot.com

Registration Begins June 2025!

Fast Facts:

- St. John the Evangelist's Faith Formation program serves our parish youth, **beginning in**
- **FIRST GRADE**, and their families as they grow in faith and prepare for the Sacraments.
- Information on our registration process & programs will be available on our website in June!
- If your child was not baptized here at SJE, we will need a copy of the child's baptismal certificate (or a copy of their birth certificate if they were not baptized).



Help Wanted: Can You Give Back?

*Interested? Contact Michelle at
631-878-0009, ext. 123 or via email
at mpirraglia@sjecm.org*

Are you looking for a way to serve our community? We are always looking for parishioners to help teach our young people about the faith.

♦ Family of Faith (Grades 1-6)

Would you like to help with our Family Catechesis program for Grades 1-6? Parents and students meet together once a month. We would love to add you to our Family of Faith Team of volunteers who help organize, plan and present at our sessions!

♦ Confirmation Prep! Small Group Leaders: Gr. 7 & 8

Are you looking for a new challenge and would like to get involved in our Confirmation Prep - we have a spot for you! Our Confirmation prep program is based on a small-group model and we need your help! Students meet twice a month, with sessions featuring large-group, interactive presentations and small group discussion. We are particularly looking for Level 7 leaders for the incoming Level 7 class in Fall 2025!



A photograph of a garden scene. In the foreground, a shovel with a wooden handle and a metal blade is stuck in the soil. To the right, there are several potted plants, including a tall green plant in a black pot, a purple pansy in a grey pot, and a cluster of purple and yellow pansies. A small terracotta pot is tipped over, spilling small white and yellow seeds. The background is a soft-focus garden with green foliage.

Join SJE Holy
Grounds Ministry

There's still room for more helping hands

Thank you to those who have already reached out—we're so grateful for your willingness to help care for our parish grounds!

We're still looking for more families, ministries, and individuals to join this joyful effort. Whether you're an experienced gardener or just looking for a meaningful way to serve, there's a spot waiting for you!

- If you cared for a spot last year and would like to keep it, you must contact us to confirm before beginning any planting.
- If you're new or would like to take over a garden area, we'd love to hear from you.
- All volunteers must contact the parish office or email garden@sjecm.org before doing any planting.

This helps us assign areas properly and ensure the whole parish is beautifully cared for.

Let's grow something beautiful together — in faith, in service, and in love for our parish home.

HOW DO YOU PRAY THE
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION?

The Eucharistic Adoration is a prayer (it normally lasts an hour, called Holy Hour) that is made **before** the Blessed Sacrament.

Steps to pray:

- 1. REALIZE WHO IS PRESENT**
Place yourself in the presence of Christ.
- 2. GIVE THANKS**
Be thankful for this moment of prayer and for all the blessings the Lord has given you.
- 3. ASK**
Present Him all your intentions and the intentions of those around you.
- 4. MEDITATE**
In a moment of silence, try to listen to the voice of God.
- 5. ASK FOR FORGIVENESS**
Express your sorrow for the world's sins and your own.

How to pray? 10 ways of praying

CatholicLink



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday - Friday from
3:00 - 7:00 PM

+ Seton Chapel +
In the Convent of
St. John the Evangelist

Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. *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.

If you can be present for a specific hour, email rectory@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

Safe Environment...

All **volunteers** and employees at SJE are **required** to participate in a VIRTUS training course and to go through a background check. You can sign up for the VIRTUS classes by visiting www.drvc.org or clicking here:

<https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm?>



All **SJE volunteers must** wear their SJE badge while serving in ministry. Please also check your email regularly to complete monthly bulletin updates. (Be sure to check your “spam” or “Junk” folder.)

PASTORAL INTERVENTION TEAM

The dedicated telephone line for reporting allegations of sexual abuse (516-694-9063) continues to be available. If the caller does not reach someone directly, messages can be left on an answering machine connected to the phone. Those messages will be retrieved by a member of the Intervention Team and returned as soon as possible. All appropriate steps will be taken to protect the reputation and privacy of those involved. For more information on the Charter for the Protection of Children / Young People, please visit drvc.org.

A Message from Msgr. Walden...



As smart, clever, and ingenious as we can be as individuals, there is always that innate hunger to be at peace with one another. Peace is far more than the absence of conflict and disagreements. True peace is found in our willingness to humbly, lovingly, honestly, hopefully, and joyfully seek to grow in our love, respect, and concern for one another. Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. There is no greater example of unity than that of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Their mutual love is so powerful and pure that it has resulted in the creation of the world we live in and the creation of the human race of which we are blessed to be part. Through the gift and vision of faith, we come to see and experience the power of God's creative, redeeming, and eternal life-giving presence and love. Even more than being part of the created world, we are the high point of creation, blessed to be created in the image of God Himself. Living in God's image, we seek to become one with Him and one with each other. We cannot become one with each other in the best sense of that phrase unless we are becoming more and more one with God. And at the same time, we cannot become more and more one with God unless we are sincerely seeking to be one with each other.

As we read the Gospels, we see that many times Jesus went to out of the way places to be one in prayer with the Father. That unity is so clear in His prayer in the Garden as His crucifixion was imminent. In Matthew 26:36-45, Jesus prayed three times that this cup of suffering would pass, each time knowing there will be no escape. In less than twenty-four hours after that prayer, He suffered death by crucifixion in the face of what seemed to be abandonment

and absolute injustice. But what we see here is how far God is willing to go to welcome us into His life in this world and into eternal life in heaven when we die. How can this not seem to be too good to be true?

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are completely one in their love for each other and one in their love for us. There is no greater picture and example of unconditional love, forgiveness, and gratitude to suffer for us than Jesus embracing the Father's way for us. Jesus did not seek to make us one with Him through fear and angry threats of damnation, but with words of pure, unconditional love: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34) That verse is completed with these words: "They divided his garments by casting lots."

We all deal with difficult moments of division and tension. True peace comes not by seeking to win and have the upper hand. Reconciliation is found only when there is humility, truth, and mutual love and desires for reconciliation. It not always easy to take the first step. It is only with humble prayer as we see Jesus prayed in the Garden that the light of peace, hope, unity, and joy begins to dawn.

May we pray the prayer Jesus taught His disciples when they asked Him how to pray, especially in times of disunity, anger, and injustice.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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:

June 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.

A Father's Day Message from our Grand Knight...



St. Pope John Paul II credits the prayerful devotion of his father Karol Wojtyla Sr. for his own inspiration to practice the faith as he grew up. The elder Wojtyla believed it is the primary duty of a father to get himself, his wife and his children to heaven.

The fatherly witness of prayer, participation at church and actively teaching children the faith has a huge impact on our children. This fact is borne out by several studies. One often quoted is from Switzerland which came out in 2000. The study reports:

- If Mother and Father both attend Mass regularly = 74% of their children will attend Church as adults. (33% Regularly and 41% irregularly)
- If Mother attends regularly and Father attends irregularly only 3% of children will attend regularly; 38 % will no longer attend.
- If Mom is regular and father doesn't go at all, 2% of children will attend regularly as adults; 60 percent of their children will not attend at all!

In short, if a father does not go to church- no matter how faithful his wife's devotions - only **one child in 50** will become a regular worshipper. If a father does go regularly, regardless of the practice of the mother, between two-thirds and three-quarters of their children will become churchgoers (regular and irregular).

If we Dads takes our faith in God seriously, then the message to our children is that God should be taken seriously. Nothing will be more impactful on a child's faith that our witness as fathers.

We make a commitment to our children at baptism to develop and strengthen their faith as they grow. A more recent statistic from the Pew research center shows that only 22-25% of men attend Mass regularly. We have a duty to give our children a path to successfully developing their relationship with Jesus., Regularly attending Mass will give your children a great example to follow in their own faith journeys.

The Knights of Columbus are committed to encouraging one another to grow in the faith. Many of us discovered the richness of our own Catholicism after joining. The power of the Rosary, the peace and unity with Christ we find in Eucharistic Adoration, and the richness of scripture as the Word of God are things many of us didn't explore until we became Knights. Our faith has increased, many of us attend Mass more often than we did before joining.

Let us help deepen your faith to become the kind of witness to your family that Karol Wojtyla Sr. was to his son. There is no guarantee your son will one day be Pope, but with the election of Pope Leo XIV, our first US born Holy Father, you never know.

Happy Father's Day!

Jim O'Connor, Grand Knight

Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength. Take to heart these words which I command you today.

Keep repeating them to your children. Recite them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you get up. (Dt 6: 5-7)

Think about joining the
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126
www.kofc.org/joinus

Knights of Columbus

BINGO

Night

Every Friday
Doors Open at 6:30 P.M.
Games Begin at 7:30 P.M.

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SJE Parish Auditorium



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
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The Church Bulletin Company
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Weekly Calendar

Monday, June 16th, 2025

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

Tuesday, June 17th, 2025

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

Wednesday, June 18th, 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, June 19th, 2025 (ALL Parish Offices Closed)

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

Friday, June 20th, 2025

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
7:30 PM Knights of Columbus - BINGO
7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
7:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC

Saturday, June 21st, 2025

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

Sunday, June 22nd, 2025

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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