

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



June 2, 2024

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord"

Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18



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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, June 8th

5:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

(Saturday Evening 5 PM and 7:30 PM Masses will be livestreamed. Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Sunday, June 9th

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Msgr. Walden

12 noon - Fr. Felix

6:00 PM - Fr. Jerry

*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.

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger

Pastor

Reverend Felix Akpabio

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

Carolyn Lapham

Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia

Director of Faith Formation

Katie Spellman

Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller

Director of Operations

OLQA

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

(on the campus of SJE)

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Dawn Waller

Principal

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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

A Message from Our Pastor, Fr. Patrick...

The Feast of Corpus Christi

Today's feast, the Feast of Corpus Christi (the precious Body and Blood of Christ), is a special feast indeed because it reminds us of how generous and how near Jesus is to us. If Jesus is not present in the Eucharist, then there is no life in the Church; Jesus is not risen, and He is not alive in our world today. However, because He is alive and risen, He is truly present to us through the celebration of the Eucharist, the source and summit of our lives. The Eucharist is everything. It is the cornerstone of our faith. It is God's greatest gift to humanity. It is the reason why we go to church, to receive Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament! It is the heartbeat of the Church since its institution. To think that the Eucharist is being celebrated around the world at any given time is truly miraculous and encouraging. It reminds us how ever-present Jesus is to all. It signifies the reality behind this sacrament that Jesus is alive and risen in all corners of the world. Talk about the richness and power behind our faith!

Since the Last Supper, the New Passover in the Upper Room on that first Holy Thursday, we as a Church have been celebrating this sacrament for nearly 2000 years. Each time the priest becomes another Christ during the words of consecration, he breathes life into the hosts and chalice with the grace that comes from the Holy Spirit! Even though the appearance of bread and wine remain the same, in substance it becomes the true Body and Blood of Christ through the words of consecration. This celebration brings life into our hearts and our world. Life with Christ!

As the Second Vatican Council taught, "Really partaking of the body of the Lord in the breaking of the Eucharistic bread, we are taken up into communion with Him and with one another." (Lumen Gentium 7) "Communion—with Christ! And that communion received in faith and founded on grace changes us. It fills us with divine love and divine grace. It transforms us so that we can become more like Jesus" (Word Among Us, June 2, 2024). Venerable Fulton Sheen says when speaking of the Eucharist: "the greatest love story of all time is found in a tiny white host."

In truth, it is not Disneyland - a land of make-believe - when we attend mass. Instead, what takes place each time we come to sacred liturgy is a great encounter

with God! We encounter the Lord of History and Redemption. We encounter the Risen Lord! In reality, we encounter Jesus in mind, body, soul, and divinity. We recognize the Lord in the breaking of the bread. Since the institution of the Eucharist in the Upper Room on that first Holy Thursday, the world can rejoice in the Lord. We can share in the fullness of God's life found in Jesus. It is the Eucharist that unites us as one and keeps us close and connected to the Lord. It is our lifeline. It is our faith and participation in the Eucharist that saves us and reassures us of God's great love for us. It is what gives us meaning and purpose in life. Without the Eucharist, the Church is dead and there is no eternal life. Our faith in Christ is in vain. Yet because God was faithful to His promise, we now have life eternal with Christ. We have true food for the journey.

All that Jesus wanted for us is that we share in His life, death and resurrection; that we remain one with God as He and the Father are one (JN 17); that we remain in His love and stay connected to one another through this precious gift that brings us eternal life. It is the Eucharist that brings us joy in the Lord and strengthens our hope. Pope Benedict XVI once said that bread that is broken signifies our Lord's great desire to be one with us. Through the bread that is broken, we can now share and participate in God's life when we receive the Lord in faith. We are healed and strengthened by our hope. We are made new and whole again. During this great solemnity, let us be renewed and strengthened in our faith, knowing that Jesus is the fulfillment of all our hopes and longings, and that through the Eucharist, we can experience new life with Christ!

As many of you already know, Fr. Felix's tenure here will end on June 26th. In the short time that I have known Fr. Felix, I have witnessed His love for the Eucharist and the Church. He is a very spiritual and dedicated priest who is connected to Jesus and is always praying for us. He has served here at St. John the Evangelist for 14 years. Please join us next Sunday, June 9th at the Noon Mass to thank him for his faithful service and love for our parish community, and to wish him well on his new assignment. Let us fill the church with our love and gratitude for Him. A reception will follow immediately after mass in our parish auditorium. Hope to see you there! God's blessings!



Masses for the Week...

Saturday, June 1st Saint Justin, Martyr

5:00 PM Rosemary Both

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

**Sunday, June 2nd The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)**

8:00 AM John Henry Kelly Jr.

10:00 AM Jack Dyer and his sister Katy Dyer

12:00 Noon Catherine Lake

6:00 PM Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

Monday, June 3rd St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM Rosemary Curtin

12:00 Noon James and Joseph Finley

Tuesday, June 4th Weekday

7:00 AM Stanley Feldman

12:00 Noon Thomas C. Riordan

Wednesday, June 5th St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

7:00 AM Madeline and Howard Bowman

12:00 PM Mary Ryan

Thursday, June 6th Weekday

7:00 AM Arthur Mischia

12:00 Noon Susan Rothaug

Friday, June 7th The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 AM Dolores O'Brien

12:00 Noon Gilbert Domino

**Saturday, June 8th The Immaculate Heart of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 AM Kristen Bigora

5:00 PM Francis and Rosemary Both

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, June 9th Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

10:00 AM George Norton

12:00 Noon Jack Dyer and his sister Katy Dyer

6:00 PM Sandy Fabricatore

Father's Day Novena...

Enroll your loved ones in our **2024
Father's Day Novena of Masses**



Envelopes will be available at the doors of the church. Those names that are included on the envelopes will be remembered during the Father's Day Novena Masses that begin on

Father's Day, June 16th. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or dropped at the rectory office by **June 12th.**

PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$380,732	21	\$18,130
2023	\$346,922	21	\$16,520

**2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL**

*Revitalizing our Faith -
Renewed by the Eucharist*



<i>As of 5/7/2024</i>	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	143	180
Total Pledged to date	\$64,325	\$66,740
Avg. Gift	\$450	\$371
Percent of Goal	56%	58%

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!

Let's come together to celebrate

Fr. Felix



June 9, 2024 + 12 noon Mass

...followed by an awesome SJE party!

Please join us as we celebrate with our parish community to bid farewell to **Fr. Felix**. We will wish him Godspeed as he moves on to his next priestly service.

If you would like to help with the celebration or bake a handheld dessert please contact the rectory office 631.878.0009 or by email: rectory@sjecm.org



Praying For and With One Another

Remember

The Deceased of the Parish

*"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

Roy Cloughen,
Margaret Henning, Luca Cerullo,
Barbara Lefkowitz, Florence Tubiolo, Kath-
leen Fontaine, Frank Macchia, Christopher
DeStefano

*"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
SGT Quentin Montemarano
PVT Charles O'Connor
E-1 Christian Raeihle
2nd LT Christopher Walther
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II

US Army

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

US Navy

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

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

US Air Force

SrA Anthony Auciello
SSGT David Giese
SSGT Jason M Hermes
PFC Kyle Kerstiens
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens
A1C Jared T. Rosato
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza

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 honor of:

James Harold Meinken

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 \$150 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

Eucharistic Procession

on the Feast of

Corpus Christi



Sunday, June 2, 2024
after the noon Mass
St. John the
Evangelist Church

- All members of St. John the Evangelist are invited to join in the Eucharistic Procession immediately after the noon Mass on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, June 2nd. This is a wonderful opportunity to show our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in this Year of the Eucharistic Revival.
- The procession, with the priest carrying the Blessed Sacrament in a monstrance under a canopy, will involve prayer and song as we visit three altar shrines on the parish grounds.
- The children of the Parish, especially the First Communicants, will have a special place as an honor guard in the procession. Please wear those special First Communion suits and dresses and show your love for Jesus in the Eucharist!

Parish Social Ministry

Street Ministry

Are you a great cook? Or perhaps a social butterfly who enjoys engaging with others in the community? Maybe you prefer to work behind the scenes? Do you love to fold clothes and organize things? ***Come use the awesome gifts that God gave you to serve those in need in our local community!***

Our Street Ministry is an amazing community of volunteers who provide hot meals and clothing to individuals and families every Thursday night, many of whom are homeless or unable to receive other supporting services. Whether you are interested in working in our donation room, cooking hot meals, making PB&J sandwiches, or participating in our van runs, Street Ministry has a place and a job for everyone! To get started or for more information contact Victoria Papatatto at streetministry@sjecm.org

Street Ministry Shopping List

- ♦ Men's/Women's light weight coats, medium, large and extra large
- ♦ Men's/Women's t- shirts, all sizes
- ♦ Men's/Women's sweatshirts, medium, large and extra large
- ♦ Men's/Women's sweatpants, small, medium and extra large.
- ♦ Men's Jeans size 32, 34 and 36.



Ernie's Place

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

Pantry Shopping List

- Pancake Mix
- Pancake Syrup
- Jar Tomato Sauce
- Pasta
- Flour
- Mayo
- Mustard
- Ketchup



SJE Thrift Shop

Wednesdays
9 AM - 12 Noon

When you visit our Shop, you'll see lots of new and gently used clothes, pocketbooks, shoes, jewelry, housewares, and lots of great 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 that are left in the *green bins in the school parking lot.

If you are looking for a great way to give back to our Parish community, consider donating your new or gently used clothes, or those toys your children have outgrown.

*We strongly encourage donations be dropped at the Thrift Shop Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday Mornings between 9 AM and 11:30 AM when volunteers are present.

Fatima comes to St. John the Evangelist



Our Lady of *Fatima* Wednesday June 19th

12:00 PM HOLY MASS - STATUE PROCESSION
12:45 PM PRESENTATION AND MESSAGE OF FATIMA
1:15 PM ROSARY
1:45 PM VENERATION AND BLESSING OF SACRAMENTALS
3:00 PM EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
3:45 PM PRESENTATION AND MESSAGE OF FATIMA
4:00 PM VENERATION AND BLESSING OF SACRAMENTALS
6:30 PM ROSARY
7:00 PM HOLY MASS
7:45 PM PRESENTATION AND MESSAGE OF FATIMA
8:45 PM CLOSING CEREMONY
LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

»»» The world-famous INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be on tour throughout our Diocese during the month of June 2024. On June 19th, The World Apostolate of Fatima-USA will bring the statue to our parish. This historic statue began its travels from Fatima, Portugal, on October 13, 1947, and has been around the world many times. Sculpted by Jose' Thedim, based on the description of Sister Lucia, one of the three seers, it was blessed by the Bishop of Fatima and commissioned to serve the Pilgrim Virgin, who would carry the blessings of Fatima throughout the world. The Bishop prayed that Mary herself accompany the statue wherever it goes. The statue has visited more than 100 countries bringing Mary's powerful message of salvation and hope to millions of people. Countless favors and graces have been reported wherever the Virgin Statue has traveled. This is a special opportunity to pray with Our Lady, learn Our Lady's messages and requests at Fatima, and present any special intentions you may have for yourself or others. <<<

The Office of Family Ministry

Family Life Ministry



Children's Liturgy

Thank You Lord for the gift of Your
Most Holy Spirit. Your Spirit
empowers us to
love and to
serve...
all for Your
glory!



Faith Formation

REGISTRATION... Begins In JUNE

First Graders & New Students

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 2024-25 academic year will begin in mid-June. Those who are entering Grade 1, as well as those with children who may not have been in religious education for awhile, are welcome to register this June. A new online registration form for the 2024-25 Academic Year will be posted. Keep an eye on the bulletin and our Social Media for exact dates!

CONFIRMATION PREP

NEXT LEVEL 7 SESSION:
Sponsor/Candidate Night
Monday, June 3 @ 7 PM, Church

NEXT LEVEL 8 SESSION:
FALL 2024 - "FEARLESS" PROGRAM
(TBA)

Questions? Contact us at faithformation@sjecm.org or call 631-878-0009, ext. 5

SJE Family Life Ministry Presesnts...

VACATION BIBLE Camp

July 15th - 19th, 2024

9 AM - 12 noon

Children Grades K-5

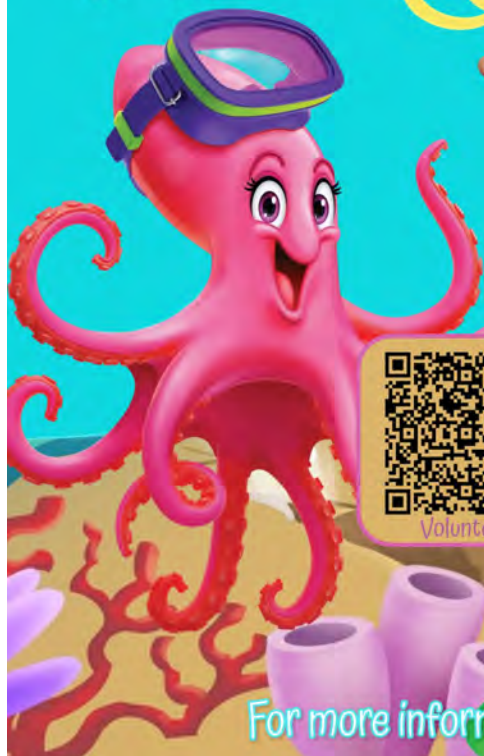
(in September 2024)

VBC is an awesome way to dive deeper into your faith, make new friends and have an unbelievably fun-filled week!

Just go to the parish website and click on VBC and complete the Camper registration form, or use the QR Code!



Camper QR Code



Volunteer



We are in **DESPERATE** need of adult volunteers! Please consider climbing aboard!

Youth volunteers are also needed. Students in 6th grade and older are most welcome to join the VBC crew.

All volunteers can register via the parish website. Just click on VBC and complete the volunteer registration form. or use the QR Code!

For more information please email Clapham@sjecm.org

BLOOD DRIVE

Help aplastic
anemia patients
like Kyle.

**DONATIONS
SAVE LIVES**



St. John the Evangelist

2 ST. JOHN'S PLACE, CENTER MORICHES
SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

SATURDAY – JUNE 22, 2024

9:00AM – 3:00PM



WALK-INS ARE WELCOME!

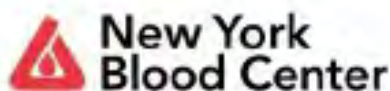
TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- SCAN QR CODE
- CONTACT MELISSA AT MGATTO@NYBC.ORG



For medical eligibility questions, please call 800.688.0900 or visit [nybc/can-i-donate](https://nybc.org/can-i-donate)

*Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.
Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.*



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A Message from Msgr. Walden...



Public opinion is very much fostered and sought after by many different groups who seek to make changes or what they see as improvements in their lives, in our communities, and in our country. The media floods us with opinions and criticisms of countless issues. History has shown us how much good and how much evil public opinion can foster and inspire. During the last century we saw how public opinion in Germany under the leadership of Hitler led to the death of millions of Jews and other “undesirable” people in the late 1930s into the 1940s. The Nazi’s controlled the media and sent the message only they wanted broadcast.

The most insidious example of how public opinion can attack pure goodness is seen in these verses from Matthew’s Gospel 24:20-26: “The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The governor said to them in reply, “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” They answered, “Barabbas!” Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus called Messiah?” They all said, “Let him be crucified!” But he said, “Why? What evil has he done?” They only shouted the louder, “Let him be crucified!” When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. Look to it yourselves.” And the whole people said in reply, “His blood be upon us and upon our children.” Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged,* he handed him over to be crucified.”

Today’s feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ shows us the power of God’s love, mercy, and desire to endure whatever is done to Him all the while knowing that only in union with Him will we ever find true peace, hope, meaning, and purpose in our lives. He knows us better than we know ourselves. After all He is our creator and even more became one with us so we could clearly become one with

Him. All we have to do is take the time to be with Him in prayer. The challenges we face we carry in our pockets and have in our homes with our TVs, phones and computers. Our phones have programs that tell us how much screen time we spend on them. How much “screen time” do we give God each day. Just 2% of 24 hours is only 28 minutes. The key is to put the phone down or turn it off and find a quiet place to pray slowly and speak to God from our hearts. We literally take the Body of Christ into our very bodies and being every time we receive Jesus in Holy Communion. We can come to church to pray in His presence. We are blessed with the chapel in the convent in our parish where Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar Monday through Friday from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Time spent with those who love us is so life giving. Give just 2% (28 minutes) or more of your day to quiet prayer, reading the Bible or a spiritual book and you will find peace, hope, purpose, and joy far beyond the noise of public opinion and constant texts and sites on our electronic devices. You will come to know the One who is truly our Way, Truth, and Life.

I share the Renew 2000 prayer with you that I use everyday in my prayers:

Gracious God, we are your people embraced by your love. We thank you for your presence with us throughout all time. Create us anew, liberate us from that which keeps us from you. Enable us to recreate our world and restore justice. Heal us from every form of sin and violence. Transform us to live your Word more profoundly. Reconcile us so enemies become friends. Awaken us to the sacred; nurture our relationships; enliven our parishes; reunite our families. Fill us with joy to celebrate the fullness of life. Empower us to be a community of love growing in your likeness. Amen.

Baby Bottles...

Many thanks for all the support given to our Baby Bottle campaign!! This year, our parish raised **over \$13,000!**



This generosity allows the Life Center to continue to flourish and provide the services needed by so many each year, including those from our community. Thank you for bringing hope, healing, and new life to those mothers and fathers in the midst of an unexpected pregnancy.

In the past two years, the Life Center has saved **109** babies and distributed the equivalent of over **1.2 million dollars** of essential baby needs such as diapers, wipes, formula, clothing, car seats etc. We are supporting these families with free material aid until their children reach two years of age thanks to the generosity of our parishioners.



Special Collection...

There will be a Special Collection after communion during all masses on the weekend of **June 22nd & 23rd**

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!



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.

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

FEES: \$10 donation for the workbook.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC Adoration

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

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.

WWII, Korean War Hero...

★ Finally Laid to Rest ★

On May 31, 2024, Army Sargent George Moje Jr will be laid to rest at Calverton National Cemetery after 58 years of waiting. Sgt Moje served in both WWII and the Korean War with the 3rd Infantry Division and was awarded the Bronze Star, combat infantry badge, WWII Victory Medal.

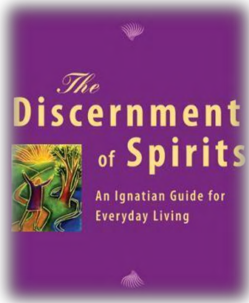
Born May 12, 1929, Sgt. Moje enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1946, at the age of 17, completed basic training and advance individual training, and was sent to Japan, which was still occupied by Allied Forces. Sgt. Moje was honorably discharged in 1952. He returned from war and struggled for years with medical complications because of combat injuries, until he succumbed to illness on April 15, 1965. Distraught over his untimely death, his family could never accept finality and as a result, Sgt. Moje's cremated remains were never received after the funeral service. To honor him, his brother William carried the poem "Just for Today" with him in his wallet until his own death in 2019.

After William's death his daughter Diane came across paperwork from the funeral home that handled Sgt. Moje's services in 1965. Knowing that his remains were never received, she contacted the Queens funeral home hoping she could learn of her uncle's final disposition. To her surprise, the funeral home had kept her uncles cremated remains for 58 years and was able to return them to the family.

On May 31st, Sgt. Moje will finally receive the honor he so rightly deserves.

A Catholic Mass was held at 10:45 a.m. at St. John The Evangelist R.C. Church, 25 Ocean Avenue, Center Moriches with interment following at 12:30 pm at Calverton National Cemetery. The family requested assistance in honoring Sgt. Moje and asked all veteran organizations and motorcycle clubs (in recognition honor of his love of motorcycles) to join in the funeral procession from the church to Calverton National Cemetery.

Women's Group...



We meet **every other Monday** from 10:00 - 11:30 AM in the IHM room, white house (convent) between school & rectory.

Dates:

June 10, 24 (summer break).

Facilitators:

Carol Ketcham, Anita Luccari.

For additional information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

Or... just show up!

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, call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

The graphic features three bingo cards in green, orange, and red, each with a grid of numbers. In front of the cards are five colorful bingo balls with numbers 15, 25, 45, 37, and 17. The word 'BINGO' is written in large, bold, yellow letters at the bottom. The background is dark purple.

Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

FRIDAY NIGHT'S

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

\$3000 IN PRIZES

For more information
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Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

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!

Proyecto Jardín de Tierra Santa

¡Necesitamos usted y su ayuda para plantar! Al entrar en la temporada de primavera, ¿puede ayudarnos a cuidar un área de la enorme propiedad de nuestra parroquia?

Una vez más, pedimos a cada uno familia, ministerio, individuo o grupo de amigos para comenzar a cuidar una parte de nuestros terrenos plantando y manteniendo esa área para nuestra parroquia y escuela.

Si tiene un lugar del año pasado o está buscando un lugar este año... envíe un correo electrónico a Garden@sjecm.org o llame a la rectoría. Oficina 631-878-0009



¿Estás enfrentando un embarazo difícil?

Di "Si" al

FIAT

Que se cumpla

Asistencia para el Embarazo



Aquí hay esperanza.

Si usted o alguien que conoce necesita ayuda con un embarazo inesperado o difícil, hay ayuda disponible:

Llame al 631-476-LOVE (5683)
Cualquier día, en cualquier momento (24/7).

Todas las conversaciones son confidenciales.



Important DRVC Information...

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

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? Not only that, our parish receives a part of the advertising commission. 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, June 3rd, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 7 PM Narcotics Anonymous (Men only) - BMR

Tuesday, June 4th, 2024

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

Wednesday, June 5th 2024

- 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 6th, 2024

- 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 PM Legion of Mary - BMR
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

Friday, June 7th, 2024

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

Saturday, June 8th, 2024

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

Sunday, June 9th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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