

## St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church

Inspired by our Patron, St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Center Moriches seeks to bring the light of Christ to a world in need, so that as Christ has done, we may also do. From the celebration of the Eucharist, we are sent forth to serve God and neighbor through ministries of formation, education and outreach. —Mission Statement



## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you." -2 Corintians 13:13



## **SIGNS OF EASTER HOPE!**

### When will it end?

## **IT TOOK A RIOT**

I almost missed it. I heard the story of the death of an African American man involving a police officer. I heard something. I didn't stick with it for too long. I sort of shrugged my shoulders and said to myself, "Oh, again...there was a story a few weeks ago about a guy in Georgia, right?"

Then I heard about protests in cities throughout the country, even here in our region. I saw the images of violence and destructive and defeating crime in response. I saw anger in the stories of those who were outraged at this killing. I saw the sadness in those who were seeing their communities torn apart and now another person who looks like them killed.

#### Shame on me. I missed it.

#### It took a riot to get my attention.

You see I am part of the problem. I have become numb to a lot of things, even the life ending impact of violence and racism doesn't initially shake me. We are so saturated these days by scandal and violence and evil and death that we have become numb. Some of the actions, statements, and events that would have caused shock a few years ago barely raise an eyebrow. So distracted I forgot about the value of a life. I know I have. I have forgotten the value of life regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, economic status and, even history. I almost gave the whole thing a pass.

I need to look within. From where I live and what I do, I am not the "other", the "them", part of the "you people". I can quickly point out those individuals. I have to look within. I must try and see where and how the bias and prejudice shows itself even if I can be pretty good at not showing it. I must pray for the Holy Spirit to purify me from it.

I can convince myself that is enough. I'll work on me. I'll get better. Good for me! It's a start. It's just not Catholic.

I have a responsibility and a mission to look beyond, a responsibility and a mission to see beyond myself and work to bring about the transformation of the world. I cannot only look at the death of an African American man as a single incident. I have to look deeper. How has this developed? How is it gotten this far? Why is it still going on? I must face some of the tough questions like why certain races suffer more economically or from diseases like COVID-19? I have to



face those questions because I am failing to be part of the building of the Kingdom of God if I don't. I need to look at law and housing and crime and jails and health care and insurance and privilege and all of those things that make me – not the other – uncomfortable and even afraid. In writing about systemic racism, Archbishop Blaise Cupich of Chicago writes, "I know there is a way to fix it. And the fix begins when we stop talking about the proportionality of 'their' response and

start talking about the proportionality of 'ours.' Surely a nation that could put a man in space, his safety assured by the brilliance of black women, can create a fair legal system, equitable education and employment opportunities and ready access to health care. Laws do not solve problems, but they create a system where racism in all its forms is punished and playing fields are leveled." That change is probably going to make me uncomfortable. I guess if the Gospel doesn't make me I'm just not reading. Time to break open my Bible.

I spoke to the brother of a student in our school today. I reached out to this student's

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family and a few others after the death of George Floyd in Minnesota and the protests and violence since. I did not know what to say and didn't have anything planned. I just listened. He spoke about living on Long Island. He said, "You know, Fr. John, we are pretty sheltered here. I feel like we live in a bubble. Something like this shakes you up." He spoke about going to protests and thanking the cops who were there. He voice quivered as he spoke. "Fr. John, I had to talk to my little brother today about all of this. What if it were him? What if it were me?"

I can't relate and maybe I don't want to relate. It is easy to shrug my shoulders and say,

"Oh, yeah, it happened again...what are you going to do?

I needed a riot to wake me up. What will it be for you?

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Message and data rates may apply.

#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

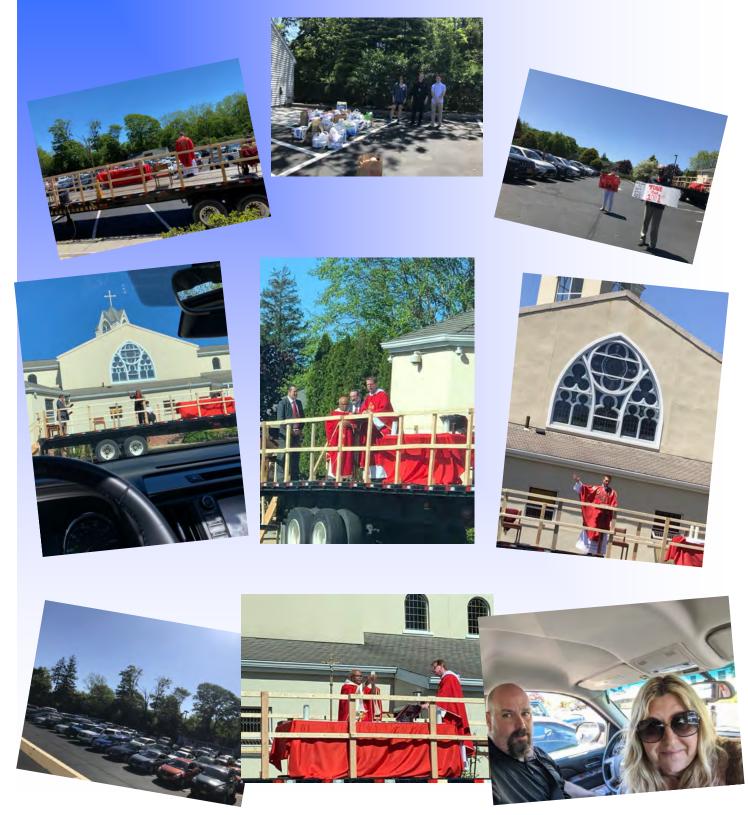


All are encouraged to stay connected with our local and global church through the Catholic Faith Network (CFN). CFN is available on Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, and Charter Spectrum channel 162/471 and can be accessed via catholicfaithnetwork.org

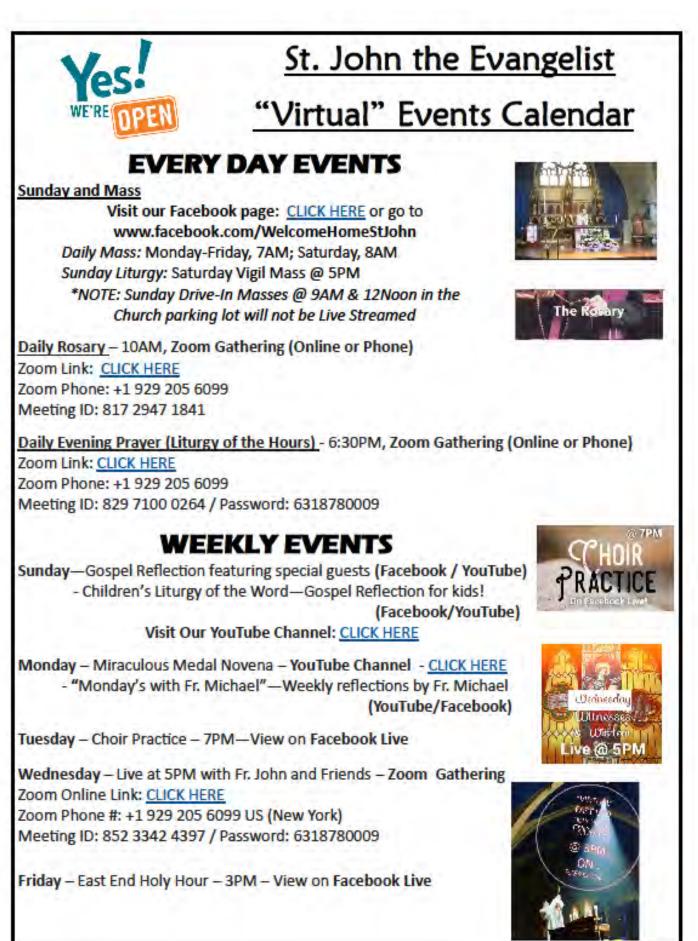
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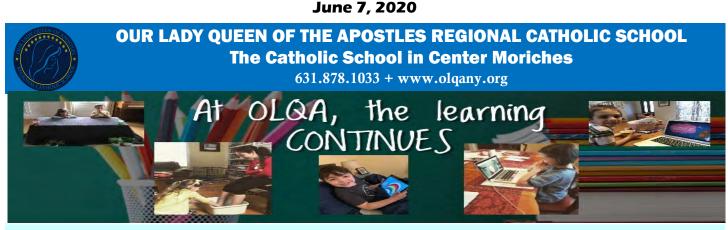
### **DRIVE IN MASS**

SJE celebrated Pentecost in a driving fashion – a "drive in" fashion actually! Thank you to all who worked so hard to make this happen. We will continue to celebrate "Drive In" Masses on Sundays at 9 a.m. and 12 Noon. Please check SJE Social Media regularly as information is updated regularly – even from day to day!



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The "family of families" connects extraordinarily well in these days. Last Friday, students and families gathered for that famous Catholic tradition – BINGO! Students and families played Bingo virtually. It proved to be a night of great fun – and competition!

For more information about OLQA, the Catholic School in Center Moriches, contact Fr. John at jsureau@olqany.org or call 631.878.1033.





The "Family of Families" continues to learn and grow.



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## **CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS**

### **Planning Baptisms**

We are once again beginning the process of scheduling and planning baptisms. If you had a baptism scheduled, you will be (or have been contacted) to re-schedule your baptism. If you would like to have your child baptized, please call 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org. At this time, the number of people who may attend a baptism is limited. We will offer more times for baptism (in addition to Sundays at 2) in the weeks ahead. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

### **Celebrating Weddings**

If you would like to arrange a wedding, please call the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@Sjecm.org to make an initial planning appointment. Weddings scheduled for March, April, May and June are being re-scheduled.

### **Funerals**

If a loved one dies, we are able to celebrate a Funeral Mass or a Funeral Liturgy Outside of Mass in the Church. We have been working with the local funeral homes so they are aware of this. If you have any specific questions, please contact us at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

# **GIVE YOUR GIFTS ONLINE.**



COLLECTION TOTALS Total May 2019: \$66,476.24

Mail Collection 2020: \$52,171.05 We Share 2020: \$19,456.90 Total May 2020:

#### IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

Support St. John today using your debit, credit cards, checking, or savings accounts.



TEXT **SJECM** TO **555888** or visit **stjohntheevangelistcm.com** and click **Give Online.** 

Select the collection of your choice.

Choose a payment option and customize your donation.



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Mass Book 2020

Many of you have reached out about Mass intentions. I want to let you know a few things:

1)The requested offering for a Mass Intention is \$20.00.

#### 2)We offer two Masses a day here as a parish.

a) The first Mass is offered at 8 a.m. via Livestream.

b) The second Mass, at the present time, is offered by one of the priests private-

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c) In general, priests celebrate Mass each day. If not, they usually concelebrate at a Mass.

#### 3)We have added a Sunday evening Mass. Our Weekend Mass schedule is Saturday evening 5 p.m., Sunday morning 8 a.m. and Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m.

a) Existing Mass intentions will be assigned between the Saturday evening, Sunday morning and Sunday evening Masses.

b) If you have requested an intention to pray for at Mass, you have been or will be contacted.

#### 4)We will now "Open the Mass Book" for the rest of 2020.

a) Sunday Mass Intentions: After July 1st intentions will be taken for six Sunday (including Saturday evening) Masses. (2 on Saturday evening; 3 on Sunday morning; 1 on Sunday evening)

i. PLEASE NOTE: We will NOT be able to give exact times for the Sunday morning Masses at this time. Again, because of precautions related to distance, cleaning, etc. it is likely we will need to have more time in between Masses. It is just not clear at this time how that will look.

ii. We will also need to account for baptisms as well as some weddings.

b) Daily Mass Intentions will continue to be offered Monday – Friday. For now, the first Mass will be at 8 a.m. and the second one privately.

Mass Card Intentions: As a way to offer comfort and solace during this time, 2021 mass intentions are available. To request a Mass Intention, please contact the rectory with the following information: (ALL MASS CARDS WILL BE MAILED):

Your Name:\_\_\_\_

Your Phone number:

Your Email:\_\_\_\_\_

Name for whom the mass is offered:

\*please notate living or deceased

Mass stipend Announced: \$20 (check or cash)	/ Mass stipend Un-announced \$15	(check or cash)
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The address where you would like the Mass card mailed:

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Street:\_\_\_\_\_

Town:



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### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Alex Finta + afinta@sjecm.org +Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 119) Sister Ann Berendes + aberendes@sjecm.org + Director of Senior Ministry (631.878.0009, x. 127) Christian Diconsiglio + cdisconsiglo@sjecm.org +Case Manger (631-878-0009 ext. 119)

Joseph Conklin + jconklin@sjecm.org + Social Work Intern (631-878-0009 ext. 119)

**Ministry of Consolation:** 

Eve O'Brien—eveobrien@optonline.net + Helen Williams—hannah51@optonline.net + Jeri Eten—jeten@optonline.net Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both - counts2n2@aol.com

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - x. 173 - svdp@sjecm.org

### IF YOU ARE IN NEED, PLEASE REACH OUT

If we are unable to assist you directly, we will be more then happy to connect you to resources that can help.

#### Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

During these days, please call to make an appointment. Our staff is here to serve you but not on campus at all times. <u>Please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120 to make an appointment.</u> Alternative office hours can be given upon request of appointment.

**Ernie's Place (Food Pantry)** -Monday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Thursdays 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. It is our hope to open Ernie's Place at our regular times.

**Thrift Shop** - Closed until further notice.

## Self Help Support Groups

Please refer to NA and AA literature to determine the status of meetings here at St. John the Evangelist and elsewhere in these days.

### **SJE STREET MINISTRY**

As of May 27, 2020, the Street Ministry will attempt to serve those in need. We are consistently in need of donations. These donations can be left in the lobby of Seton Chapel and the Main Entrance of the Church.

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



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

Financial donations or gift cards to places such as the Dollar Store or Walmart are most welcome too. Checks may be made payable to St. John the Evangelist and donations can be left in the Parish Office.

## Thank you for your support of Parish Social Ministry, especially in these days.

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### **PSM UPDATES**

- Just a friendly reminder that our **Thrift Shop** is closed. we are unable to accept any clothing donations at this time.
- At present, Ernie's Place is stocked beyond capacity! Thank you! If you wish to support our work, please consider making a financial donation to Parish Social Ministry.
- Chicken Ministry– As of this time, egg crates are no longer needed. As the need arises, we will publish that in future bulletins.



## SJE SHOPPING SERVICE

In an effort to better serve the members of our parish who are uncertain or unable to go out to shopping for basic essentials (food, pharmacy, etc.), SJE Parish Social Ministry has a crew of volunteers ready to assist with shopping.

All you need to do is go to our website... Or use this link:

<u>https://forms.gle/bVsfiuAyjEaR6ZyQ7</u> if you are viewing the bulletin online.

If you're not able to fill out the form online, call our PSM office by dialing 631.878.0009 and press 4.

Parishioners and friends who are customers at Ernie's Place and those who are not are eligible for this service.



If you are able to help by shopping for others, please email Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org.

### **GARDEN MINISTRY**

The Garden Ministry needs help! We are all planted and ready for our garden to grow. We do need help watering the plants though. This is a great opportunity to be outside and to get some exercise since you have to pull the hose about 40 ft. You will not have to interact with anyone to ensure that the correct social distancing requirements are followed.

Please email Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or call 631-878-0009 ext. 119 if you are interested!





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### **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

### **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

What Does Adoration Mean to me: In a world cluttered with noise and filled with the busy-ness of life, Adoration is the time when God speaks to me. And I am available to listen. And it is a time for me to speak with God. It is the time I need to be truly grateful, truly repentant; a time to explore with him my needs and dreams.



### Monday - Thursday: 3PM - 7PM

### Friday: East End Holy Hour- 3PM\*

At this time, the East End Holy Hour is not open to the public.

### **PRAYING FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER**

### We Remember...

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

Marie E. Gordon, Nicholas Sarubbi, Katherine Fleischer, George Hayes and Michael Botta

### We Pray...

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

### Nancy Fariello, Martin Massimino, Chris Brenan, Armando Schulwitz and

Don Lyon

Names will be announced at Mass the first week they are submitted and will remain on this list for approximately four weeks. If you would like a loved one's name placed under Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org

### **Praying for Our Military**

<u>US Army</u>

Sgt. Justin Sikorski, PVT Bailey Meyer, PVT Sean Casey, SGT Daniel Smith, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David Smith, PVT Jack Dyer, SPC Jarrad Satornino

**US Air Force** 

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

Pfc Sean Brady, Patrick Kimes, Lt. Col. Robert K. Maldonado, CPL Andrew Schlosberg PVT Charles O'Connor, SGT Quentin Montemarano, Recruit Evan Berkemeyer

<u>US Navy</u>

STGCS Brian Holzmacher, ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr., MMN3 Christopher J. Esposito Jr.

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

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### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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#### Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic

School (on the campus of SJE) 2 St. John Place Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033 www.olgany.org



#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

(in the Blue House) All appointments and office visits are by appointment only at this time.

### Come and pray with us!

SUNDAY MASS

Livestreamed via Facebook Live: Saturday Evening—5 p.m. (Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.) Sunday: 9 a.m. and 12 Noon This is tentative. Please call the Rectory or check SJE Social Media for latest updates.



#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Livestreamed via Facebook Live: 7 a.m. Monday—Sunday (Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

While we will not have a Sunday collection, we rely on your generosity in these days. Please visit www.sjecm.org and click "Give Online" or mail your envelopes to the office. Thank you to those who are already doing this so we can continue to pray and serve in these days.

You may also text SJECM to 555-888 to make your offering.

All parishioners are asked to make an Act of Spiritual Communion each day they cannot attend the Mass, even when watching online.

### Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours!

The in person communal celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours is postponed until further notice. All are invited to pray via Zoom each evening at 6:30 p.m. (See page 4 for more information.) Those who wish to pray may visit

unviersalis.com or you can click <u>here</u> for Ibreviary or scan the QR code to the left. You may also download the app for your iphone or android device. Those who wish to pray may pick up a *Christian Prayer* book from the lobby of Seton Chapel to keep in these days.

### Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

The communal praying of the Rosary is postponed until further notice. Each person who reads this is asked to pray the Rosary daily. Consider praying with us via Zoom each morning at 10:00 a.m. (See page 4 for more information.) Extra Rosary beads are available at the doors of the Church and Seton Chapel. Not sure how to pray the Rosary? Click <u>here</u>— or click here and pray online—<u>https://</u> www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtJM\_V8scoo

### PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

#### **MEETINGS OF THE WEEK**

ALL EVENTS AND MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED. ALL PUBLIC LITURGIES ARE CANCELLED.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Masses are celebrated privately and can be viewed beginning at the times listed below and are available for viewing all day along. For more information contact Maria Sikora at msikora@sjecm.org.

#### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

- Vigil PM People of the Parish
- 9:00 a.m. Anthony & Irene Braco Michael Vetttek
  12 Noon Laurenziana Paglia Frank & Lillian Dunn

#### Monday, June 8, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. Billy Herro

12 Noon Eileen Stanzoni

Tuesday, June 9, 2020 + Weekda

7:00 a.m. Fr. Paul Dahm

12 Noon George Norton

**Wednesday, السالہ, June 10 2020 +** Weekda

7:00 a.m. Patrick J. McGaw

12 Noon Intention Still Available (Private)

Thursday, June 11, 2020 +

7:00 a.m. Fr. Ted Howard12 Noon Intention Still Available (private)

Friday, June 12, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. Leokadia & Stanley Zurawski

12 Noon Mary & James Dineen

Saturday, June 13, 2020 + Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m.	Helen Scheu	
Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)		
Vigil 5PM:	Intention Still Available	
9:00 A.M.	Anthony V. Ponzio Thomas Nolan	
12 Noon	Margaret Scanlon Vincent Fiore Louis Capersino	

### Comunidad Hispano de San Juan

#### **MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS**

Dirección de la Oficina: 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934 Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009

**Bautismos:** Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia.

Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

#### Favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo. Reguisitos:

1. Certificado de nacimiento del niño o/de la niña.

2. Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)

3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIA para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

#### Matrimonios:

Parejas que planean su matrimonio, deben hacer una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de su boda. De este modo tendrán suficiente tiempo para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame al oficina.

**R.I.C.A (Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos):** Padre Michael 1-631.878.0009

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



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