

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



July 13, 2025

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live. ~Psalm 69



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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, July 19th

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, July 20th

8:00 AM - Fr. Patrick

10:00 AM - Fr. Charlinec

12 noon - Msgr. Walden

6:00 PM - Fr. Jerry

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

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger
Pastor

Reverend Charlinec Vendredy
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden
Retired, In Residence

Reverend Francis Lasrado
Retired, In Residence

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno
Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele
Parish Assistant

John Pettorino
Deacon

Michael Hoonhout
Deacon

Ed Grieb
Deacon

Carolyn Lapham
Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia
Director of Faith Formation

Heather Crayne
Director of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller
Director of Operations

Angela Werner
Director of Music Ministry

Mass Schedule

OLQA

Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School
(on the campus of SJE)

2 St. John Place
Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033
www.olqany.org

Dawn Waller, Principal
dwall@olqany.org (ext. 201)

Office Hours

Summer Office Hours

Monday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM

Tuesday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM

6 - 8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Wednesday: 9 AM - 4:00 PM

Thursday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM

Friday: 9 AM - 2 PM

Saturday: 9 AM - 2 PM

Please call before visiting any parish offices.

Confession Schedule

We celebrate the
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday - Friday: After the 7 AM & 12 Noon Masses

Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &

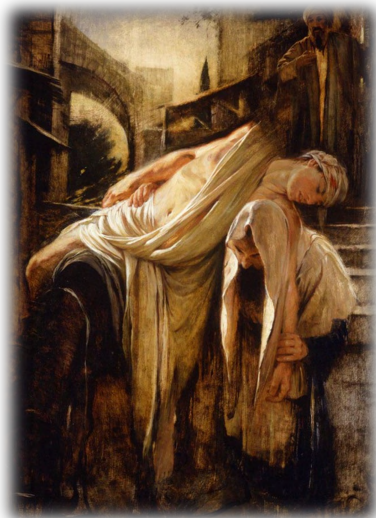
7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM

Confessions will take place in Our Lady's
Chapel in the Church.

A Reflection from the Director of Faith Formation...

When he saw him, he had compassion..." ~Luke 10:33



“Porto. Portas. Portat.
Portámus. Portátis.
Portant.”

These Latin conjugations are still stuck in my brain thanks to the lively and enthusiastic teaching style of Msgr. James McDonald, one of our former pastors here at St. John’s (may he rest in peace). When I attended OLQA, Msgr. McDonald taught a Latin class for all the 7th and 8th

graders, and this is a word he always came back to - “PORTARE” - TO CARRY. As I reflected on the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan, I was struck by this memory of Msgr. McDonald and how it relates to today’s Gospel.

Since the beginning of his pontificate, Pope Leo XIV has focused his Wednesday audiences on the Parables of Christ, as he states, *“The lack of hope, at times, is due to the fact that we fixate on a certain rigid and closed way of seeing things, and the parables help us to look at them from another point of view.”*

In his May 28 audience, Pope Leo offered a reflection on the Parable of the Good Samaritan, reminding us of one of the uncomfortable truths of this story - *“the practice of worship does not automatically lead to being compassionate.”*

The word compassion comes from another Latin word - “compassio”, which means “to suffer with.” The parable of the Good Samaritan reminds us that we are called to help carry each other’s burdens as best we can, to “suffer with,” even when it’s inconvenient or uncomfortable. Obviously, this is easier said than done, but Pope Leo reminds us:

“... [A] Samaritan approaches, because if you want to help someone, you cannot think of keeping your distance, you have to get involved, get dirty, perhaps be contaminated; he binds the wounds after cleaning them with oil and wine; he loads him onto his horse,

taking on the burden, because one who truly helps if one is willing to feel the weight of the other’s pain...”

What can prevent us from being a “Good Samaritan?” Pope Leo notes, *“We can imagine that, after staying a long time in Jerusalem, that priest and that Levite are in a hurry to return home. It is indeed haste, so present in our lives, that very often prevents us from feeling compassion.”*

So what can we do to slow down, to be like that Good Samaritan who carried the injured man to safety and cared for him? Pope Leo offers, *“When we understand that the wounded man in the street represents each one of us. And then the memory of all the times that Jesus stopped to take care of us will make us more capable of compassion.”*

“I carry. You carry. He/She carries. We carry. You all carry. They carry.” These translations of the Latin word “PORTARE” hold a deeper meaning for me now when I think of them in light of this parable. The Good Samaritan carries and cares for a stranger he didn’t even know. Perhaps it was because the Samaritan experienced rejection himself, since Samaritans were considered *“a despised people,”* as Pope Leo points out. This Good Samaritan recognized the injured man as his neighbor - which, Pope Leo reminds us, *“literally means he who is near.”* May this be a reminder for us to look past the labels and prejudices present today and help carry our neighbor in their time of need.

In the Office of Faith Formation, registration for the 2025-26 academic year is underway! Please visit our website at sjecm.org and click on the “Faith Formation” tab to register your new and/or returning students by August 22! Questions? Email us at faithformation@sjecm.org.

As I write this, we are also preparing for Vacation Bible Camp, which kicks off this Sunday, July 13! As we help our campers deepen their faith through Scripture, music, art, games and more, we ask for your prayers that our volunteers, staff, campers and their families will grow in their relationship with God and their neighbors!

~Michelle Pirraglia

Masses for the Week...

Saturday, July 12th Weekday

5:00 PM Special Intention - Matt Stevens

7:30 PM (Spanish) Cecillia Lopez Reynoso

Sunday, July 13th Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Joan O'Sullivan

10:00 AM Ben and Carmen Pirraglia

12:00 Noon Special Intention - Matthew Stevens

6:00 PM People of the Parish

Monday, July 14th St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

7:00 AM Deceased Members of the DeFillipi Family

12:00 Noon Sandy K. Fabricatore

Tuesday, July 15th St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Manuel and Helen Cordeiro

12:00 PM Louis D'Amara

Wednesday, July 16th Weekday

7:00 AM Brian Mannix

12:00 Noon Josephine Giambalvo

Thursday, July 17th Weekday

7:00 AM Mary Jane Creamer

12:00 Noon Christopher Bowman

Friday, July 18th Weekday

7:00 AM Sharon Palagonia

12:00 Noon Paul Donahue

Saturday, July 19th Weekday

8:00 AM Sr. Eileen Martin

5:00 PM Gerald DiPierro Sr.

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, July 20th Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Anthony Read

10:00 AM Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

12:00 Noon Jack Dyer and his sister Katy Dyer

6:00 PM John Fitzpatrick

Annual Summer Appeal

**Please
support
our annual
summer
appeal!**

**You can make a donation by using the
QR code below. Thank you for your
generous support!**



PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2025 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2025	\$477,713	27	\$17,693
2024	\$492,544	27	\$18,242

2025 Please help us reach our goal!

Catholic Ministries Appeal
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



As of 7/8/2025	2025	2024
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	168	184
Total Pledged to date	\$75,475	\$75,485
Avg. Gift	\$449	\$410
Percent of Goal	66%	66%

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!

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SJE Parish Social Ministry...



Christmas in July

Each Christmas, we provide holiday meals and gift cards to local families in need, helping them purchase gifts for their children. The families are always so grateful.

We're collecting gift cards now to help us plan ahead — and maybe help you get a head start on your own Christmas shopping! We are asking for **\$25** gift cards to Kohl's, Walmart, Target, TJMaxx, HomeGoods, or Marshalls.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of St. John's, nearly 100 families were helped last year!

Donations will be accepted throughout July. Please place gift cards in the collection basket at Mass or drop them off at the Rectory during business hours.

Thank you for your continued support of our SJE Parish Social Ministries holiday programs. If you would like additional information please contact Heather Crayne at socialministry@sjecm.org or via phone at 631.878.0009, ext. 120





Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Our Military

James Scott Watson + Roy Trendel
Joseph A. Menna Jr. + Robert Kobus
Winifred Mary Carlsen

"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

Carol Theisen + Eileen DeRicco
Herb McIntyre + Nick Cardaci
Baby Isabelle Reyes + Debra Falco

"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
EM3 Andrew R. Casey

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 July has been
donated in memory of:

Joseph Stassi Jr.

Mass Intentions

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

Altar Bread and Wine

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

An offering of \$200 is requested.

Votive Candles/Altar Candles

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

SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.
To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to rectory@sjecm.org



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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
2 ST. JOHN'S PL.
CENTER MORICHES, NY 11934



Dear Friends:

As we give thanks to Almighty God for the gift of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, let us pray that his evangelizing pastoral charity and wisdom will guide the mission of the Church which he now serves as Supreme Pontiff.

How beautiful it is that our Holy Father began his Pontificate from St. Peter's Basilica by focusing on the mission of the Church and on the Risen Christ. He said: *"We must seek together how to be a missionary Church, a Church that builds bridges, dialogue, always open to receive, like this square, with open arms. Everyone, everyone who needs our charity, our presence, dialogue, and love."*

One way to support the mission of the Church is by making a commitment to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). The CMA supports ministries that reach out with the hands and heart of Christ to the aged, the sick, and the imprisoned. It ensures that we can help struggling families to find their way through economic hardship and back to stability.

The CMA helps to fund the crucial work of Catholic Charities and ministries that nurture children and teenagers in the Catholic faith, teaching values that they will carry into adulthood. It helps us to create paths of evangelization through the formation of our priests, deacons and lay leaders, and supports programs that promote the sanctity of life at all stages.

You can be a source of hope for your community, for the next generation, and for the Church. Each of us is called to respond at the deepest level to the Risen Christ and to our baptismal call to heroic *"holiness and mission."* Please faithfully support this appeal. Your gift, whatever the size, will be carefully stewarded to support the vital mission of the Church.

Thank you for your support and prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School

Contact Us!

631-878-1033

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



OFFICE OF FAMILY MINISTRY

...at St. John's focuses on engaging parish families in fun activities, service projects and prayerful experiences. With the purpose of deepening faith, strengthening good Catholic family practices and building our parish family, our office works in conjunction with Faith Formation and Parish Social Ministry to meet the varied needs of our parish families. Here are some of our ministries!

Moms on the Journey

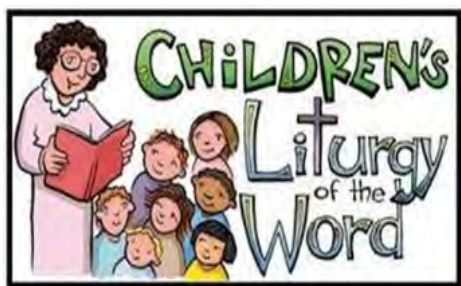
Our moms' group is growing! How wonderful that some of the moms of our newly baptized babies are interested in growing in their faith as they raise up another little member of our parish family! The Moms on the Journey group meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month from 7:00-8:30 PM in the upper meeting room of the Barn. A casual, fun-filled, Spirit lead

group, "Moms on the Journey" provides an opportunity for busy mothers to be pampered...to grow in their faith... and to share the joys and challenges of Christian motherhood with other moms. This ministry has been a true blessing for all those who come. If you're a mom who wants to go deeper and enjoy the company of other Christian moms, please consider joining this amazing group of women.

And YES! We will be meeting over the summer. Perhaps more than ever, moms need to recharge their batteries during the summer months. Our summer monthly gatherings will be **Wednesday, July 23rd** and **Wednesday, August 27th**. Bring a friend and come on down. All moms are welcome!



Children's Liturgy of the Word



WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS! High school students, college students and adults of any age are invited to join our Children's Liturgy of the Word ministry.

This program meets during the **10:00 Mass every Sunday**. Our children leave Mass after the Collect (Opening Prayer) and return in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. While at CLTW, the children enjoy the readings, responsorial psalm and gospel presented in language that is easy for them to understand. An interactive homily and prayer of the faithful allow the children to participate more fully in the Liturgy of the Word. All children ages 4 and up are welcome. No registration is necessary, the children who come to the

10:00 Mass can join the group when the priest invites the children to come up. This program is a joy-filled blessing for all! Please consider volunteering. You can volunteer once a month or every week...it's totally up to you! There are many ways to help. For more info, email Carolyn Lapham at clapham@sjecm.org.

Family Life Ministry

Our Family Life Ministry provides varied opportunities for families of all ages to come together to pray, to serve others and to share in some good clean family fun. We meet every month on the first Wednesday of the month, at 7:00 PM in the upper meeting room of the barn. We pray, brainstorm, share ideas and plan family activities, events and service projects. We will be taking a little break for the summer so we can renew, refresh and regroup for all of our wonderful programs and events. We will resume in September for our monthly planning meetings. Keep an eye out for the date of our kick-off meeting, tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September, 10th! All are welcome to join this fun-filled, faith-filled, family-oriented ministry! Hope you'll consider joining Family Life Ministry!

PILGRIMS OF HOPE



2025 is the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The concept of "Jubilee" has its origins in the Book of Leviticus (chapter 25) as a special year of reconciliation, pilgrimage, and coming home. Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into
tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen



Godparents

Do you know the requirements for Godparents ?

To be a godparent (or a sponsor for someone who is receiving Confirmation) a Catholic must meet the following requirements. These are not "guidelines" here at St. John's. These are the requirements of the universal Catholic Church and are the same all over the world. Different parishes may choose to document these requirements differently. The role of sponsor is an important one! The godparent (sponsor) must be a fully initiated Catholic who supports the person receiving the sacrament through their own example of Catholic living and a desire to help the person learn more about the Catholic faith through prayer, discussion and instruction. The Catholic Church has the following requirements for godparents/sponsors:

- The sponsor must be a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church which means he or she has received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist (Communion) and Confirmation.
- The godparent/sponsor must be at least 16 years of age (a person younger than 16 must be fully initiated in the Catholic Church)
- The godparent/sponsor must have an active life of faith in the Catholic Church and provide good example of Catholic Living.
- If the godparent/sponsor is married, he/she must be married in the Catholic Church
- The godparent/sponsor cannot be either parent of the person being Baptized or Confirmed.

Now that you know a little more about Baptism... spread the word! We have a wonderful parish at St. John's and we are growing every day !

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5
 Website: <https://sjecmff.blogspot.com/>
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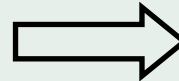
Online Registration OPEN Now Thru 8/22!

Incoming 1st Graders / New Students & Returning Students (Levels 1-8):

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. Those entering Grade 1, children who have not been in religious education for awhile, and returning students can **register online** via our parish website - sjecm.org - thru 8/22.



SCAN THE QR
CODE TO
REGISTER



***NOTE:** New students must also fill out the New Student Registration Form on our website.



REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Scan the QR code above or visit the Faith Formation page on our parish website and follow the instructions for New and Returning Students:

<http://www.stjohntheevangelistcm.com/sjecm/faith-formation>

*NEW STUDENTS:

If you have a 1st grader/new student, you must also fill out the New Student Registration Form:

<http://www.stjohntheevangelistcm.com/FamilyAndEnrollStudentForm.html>

If your child is a new student and was not baptized at SJE, please email a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to: faithformation@sjecm.org



INCOMING LEVEL 7 Students

Confirmation Application EXTENDED DEADLINE: JULY 18 !

To parents/guardians of students enrolled in our Level 6 program this past year who will be entering 7th grade in the Fall, please check your email for instructions on how to apply for our Confirmation program! (An email was sent to all Level 6 students on May 1). If you have a child who is in 7th grade or older but has not started the Confirmation program, please email us at faithformation@sjecm.org



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PSM Office 631.878.0009 ext 120
EMAIL: socialministry@SJEcm.org

- **We are always in need of volunteers, please consider helping.**
- Thank you for your continued donations to our street ministry and food pantry during the summer months!
- Our food pantry is in need of volunteers, please consider helping. ALL volunteers are required to have an SJE issued ID badge. Please contact Cathy Mussi at ext. 126 if you need to obtain one.



Ernie's Place

Ernie's Place Food Pantry is open to serve those in need in our community on Monday's from 6:30-7:30pm and Thursday's from 3:00-4:00pm. We are in great need of volunteers to help when we're open and to help re-stock our shelves which takes place one or two days a week in the mornings. Please call to join us!



Pantry Shopping List:

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



- ◆ Single Razors
- ◆ Shaving Cream
- ◆ Face/Wash cloths
- ◆ Gently used t-shirts
- ◆ Women's **new** Underwear (S, M)
- ◆ Men's **new** Underwear & Socks (S, M, L, XL)
- ◆ Gently used men's & women's sneakers
- ◆ Gently used men's jeans (all sizes)

Thrift Shop

Our Thrift Shop is open every Wednesday from 9am-12pm. All are welcome to shop! The proceeds from the weekly sales at the shop are returned to our Parish outreach programs to help those in need in our local community. Donations are greatly appreciated in the green bins in the school parking lot in front of our shop anytime but especially on Monday and Tuesday mornings between 9am-11am!

Street Ministry

Our Street Ministry team provides food and clothes to those in need every Thursday night. There are lots of opportunities to get involved whether you like to cook, serve, help load our van or fold clothes. Please reach out for more information!

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

- St. Teresa of Avila

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.



Knights of Columbus

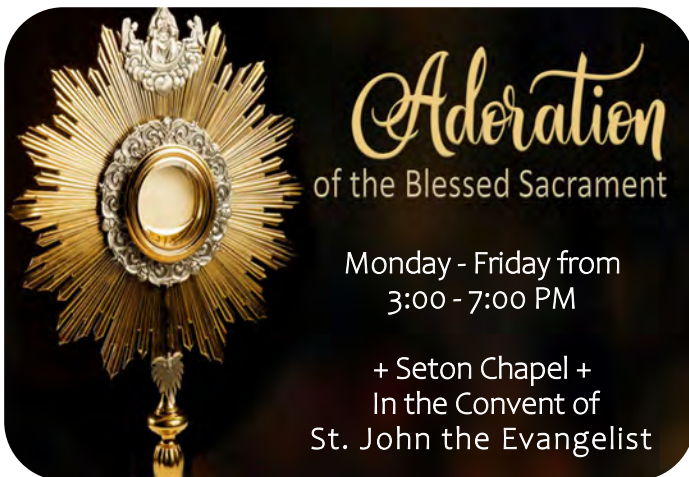
BINGO

Night

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

\$3000 IN PRIZES

SJE Parish Auditorium



Aderation
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.



Entering Canaan
A Woman's Retreat Day of Prayer & Healing

Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 9-5pm on Long Island

For those suffering from a past abortion
Come begin your healing journey!
His mercy and peace are waiting for you!

For confidential reservations call
Lorraine
c: 516-798-9100
Email: LGariboldi@LifeCenterLI.org
or
Deacon Fred Ferrara
c: 201-481-0800

Led by the Life Center of Long Island
Lorraine Gariboldi, Director of Post Abortion & Pregnancy Loss Ministry
Theresa Bonapartis, Co-developer of Entering Canaan & Director of Lumina/Hope & Healing after Abortion

A Message from Msgr. Walden...



We are created in the image and likeness of God, but we are not God. That is not meant to make us feel fearful or powerless but to lead us to the fullness of life personally, communally, and with God. The Ten Commandments are very basic and simple and at the same time profound, enlightening, and encouraging. Combined with the Beatitudes and Sermon on the Mount in chapters five through seven in St. Matthew's Gospel, Jesus put all moral laws, rules, and teachings in perspective. The Sermon on the Mount is one of the most powerful sermons ever given and puts our daily lives, motives, actions, and life with one another in perspective. For example in Matthew 5:21-22 Jesus says, "You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, 'You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.' But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment, and whoever says to his brother, 'Raqa,' will be answerable to the Sanhedrin, and whoever says, 'You fool,' will be liable to fiery Gehenna." Jesus opens our minds and hearts to see how our words and attitudes can drain life out of others and put us in opposition to one another. The only fool we speak of is ourselves. Jesus endured the foolish, hateful, angry words and actions directed against Him and remained the light of truth, goodness, mercy, reconciliation, and love.

After speaking about how He is the Bread of Life in chapter six of St. John's Gospel, we have these words in verses 67-68: "Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'" In another encounter with Jesus in Matthew 18:21-22, we have these words, "Then Peter approaching asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'" From Jesus' perspective, as we do more and say more in the image in which we are created, we become more and more fully alive, hopeful,

and joyful.

The Gospel for today's Mass continues to expand the perspective through which we see and encounter one another, God and our world with the parable of the Good Samaritan. (Luke 10:25-37). While most of the time we readily respond with goodness, love, and practical concern for those who are part of our life, there are those times when someone in need right in front of us is seen as an inconvenience because of a lack of time, energy, or resources. But when we do take the time to focus on them rather than our negative feelings and hesitation, we experience the joy of giving them hope, relief, and love. That is exactly what Jesus did up to His very last breath on the cross. He certainly had much to challenge Him the last three hours of His life on that cross, but His concern and words only expressed love, forgiveness, faith, and hope. How powerful, encouraging, and life giving these words are. He is the purest of Good Samaritans and enables us to trust and do the same.

The seven last words of Jesus on the cross are expressions of pure faith, hope, and love. I invite you to think about how these words inspire your thoughts, words, and actions.

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

"Today you will be with me in Paradise,"

"Woman, behold your son, Son, behold your mother."

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?,"

"I thirst."

"It is finished."

"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

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 PM los martes. Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.

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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.

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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 past year, we read "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.

Enjoy your Summer ! See you in the Fall !

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

Men's Prayer Group...



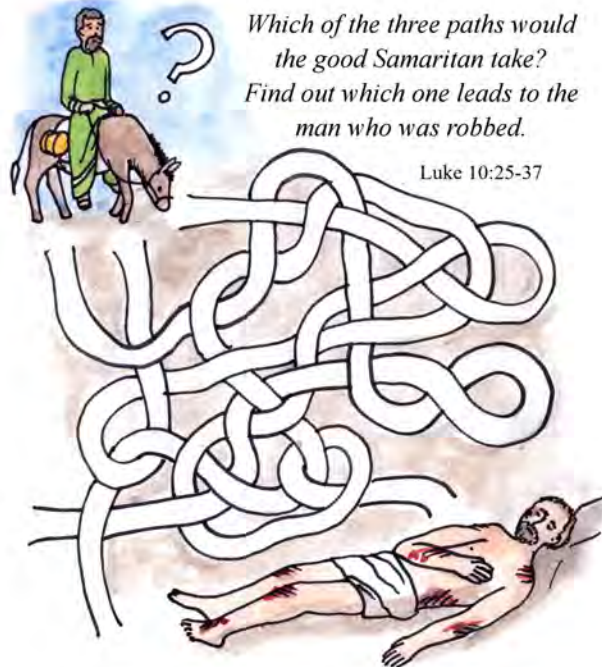
CALLING ALL MEN!

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.

The Gospel for Kids

The Kids' Bulletin

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 13th, 2025



*Which of the three paths would the good Samaritan take?
Find out which one leads to the man who was robbed.*

Luke 10:25-37

Jesus told the Parable of the Good Samaritan to show the people what it means to love your neighbour after someone asked Him "Who is my neighbour?"

Loving God and Our Neighbour

In today's Gospel reading we learn that the greatest commandment is to love God with all our heart and soul and strength, and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

The most important thing you do in your life is loving God. If you really love God then you will do what is right and love other people as well. The Samaritan in the story loved God even though he didn't worship Him in the proper way like the Jews did. But because he loved God he wanted to please Him by being kind to his enemy.

If you don't love God then you will not be able to make good decisions about other things either. You can't even love other people properly if you don't love God the most. The priest and Levite in the parable probably cared more about themselves than about God. That is why when they saw their own countryman injured and lying by the roadside they just walked past.

Is God the most important person in your life? Talk to Him every day and you will grow to love Him. You can be a good neighbour to everyone by being a good friend of God.



Answers to True or False: 1. false 2. true 3. true 4. false 5. true 6. false 7. true

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True or False?

The Story of the Good Samaritan

Jesus told the people a parable to show them how to be a good neighbour. At that time the Samaritans were enemies of the Jews.

How well do you know the story?

See if you can figure out which of these are true and which are false.

1. In the parable, a man was walking from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he came across a group of people who had been robbed. True or False?
2. The robbers beat the man and took all he had. True or False?
3. A priest walked past the man and ignored him. True or False?

4. A Levite saw the man and left him some money. True or False?

5. A Samaritan saw the man, bandaged his wounds, and took him to an inn. True or False?

6. The Samaritan told the innkeeper that he had done his job and he didn't care what happened to the man. True or False?

7. In the parable, the Samaritan, who was normally the man's enemy, was his best neighbour. True or False?





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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!

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, July 14th, 2025

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

Tuesday, July 15th, 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 - AMR

Wednesday, July 16th, 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, July 17th, 2025

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

Friday, July 18th, 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, July 19th, 2025

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
9:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - SC
10:30 AM Bereavement Group - BMR

Sunday, July 20th, 2025

6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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