



# 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



**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
August 15, 2021

“Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.” -Luke 1:42

## SUMMER

# Sixth Annual Summer Evening Prayer

**Get Ready! Something different!**

**5:30 -Gathering**

...bring a picnic blanket and have dinner on the lawn.

**6:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer**

*(Members of our high school/college community will provide babysitting for kids on the playground and on Turpin Field. If you are able to help or to supervise this, please e-mail [mpirraglia@sjecm.org](mailto:mpirraglia@sjecm.org).)*

**Note: Exposition to end at 5:15 p.m. on these days**

## A Seminarian Summer...

This summer, we welcome back those priests and soon to be deacons who have served as seminarians in our parish!

**NEXT Tuesday— August 24**

**Fr. Joe Catafago**

*We were blessed by Fr. Joe's presence at SJE during 2018 -2019. He now serves at St. Anthony of Padua in East Northport.*



**We invite families with last names beginning with M-Z to bring a dessert for our sharing table!**

**Save the Date....Tuesday, August 31– Seminarian Louis Cona.**

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

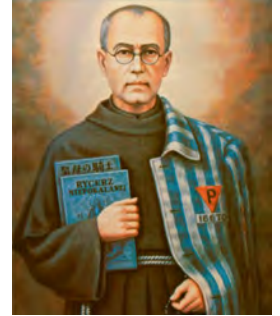
St. Maximilian Kolbe, Mary, and Mission

### TO THE MAX

Dear Parish Family:

St. Maximilian Kolbe, whose feast day is celebrated on August 14<sup>th</sup>, is the patron saint of drug addicts. He is a saint I admire tremendously. Not only do many of the clients I work seek his intercession, he selflessly offered his life for the sake of another.

When a husband was about to be sent to his death by starvation during the Holocaust, then-Father Maximilian willingly took his place. While with the other prisoners being starved to death, Fr. Maximilian endured – praying, standing, kneeling. After two weeks, only he remained alive. Finally, he was given a lethal injection and died. When he was canonized by Pope St. John Paul II the man whose life he saved was present at the celebration.



Long before St. Maximilian was involved in the tragedies of the Holocaust, his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary marked his life as a young boy, man, and priest. As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption, St. Maximilian's devotion to Mary is worthy of prayer and consideration from each one of us. He knew that turning to Mary cannot be a turn only to Mary. Not at all. Rather, we turn to Mary in the hope that we can draw closer to her Son. Someone shared with me this quote attributed to St. Maximilian, "Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did."

It is that utter humility and reliance on God alone that strikes me this weekend. We celebrate a "Return to Mass" weekend as the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is lifted for those who are well enough to do so. We celebrated a beautiful Marian procession reminding us of the many opportunities we have to turn to Mary here at SJE. We celebrate Spirit Day at Night bringing the Body of Christ together following a beautiful bilingual liturgy. What is common is that all of these movements is we are turning away from ourselves and focusing on and consistently renewing our relationship with Christ and His Church.

Isn't that what Mary does in the Sunday's Gospel? (The reading at the Saturday evening Mass is a different reading.) After visiting Elizabeth, couldn't she have just gone into all that had happened to her over the past weeks—the Annunciation, the journey to Elizabeth, Joseph—and so much more? Not at all. She simply utters this incredible hymn of praise. The Magnificat is the Gospel Canticle we pray every night during Evening Prayer. Here we join the Church in rejoicing in God our Savior. Mary's focus is on her relationship with God. He has brought her to this moment. He will bring her where she needs to go. The same is true for you and for me.

In remembering the great things God has done, how can we not attempt to imitate this greatness? How can we not try to have "mercy" lift "up the lowly", scatter "the proud" and live out this great prayer of praise in our own lives. I am in awe of the many ways this happens here at SJE. In quiet and humble ways, Mary's prayer of praise is a good description of much of the work we do. It is a work we do not for our honor or glory, but we do it to "proclaim the greatness of the Lord."

I was working with a young person from the local community this week. I do not know him well. I met him a few weeks ago. He was wearing a medallion of St. Maximilian Kolbe. I asked him to tell me about it. He didn't know much about St. Maximilian, but he knew his patronage. He told me that a friend in recovery gave it to him. He said to he had heard great things about this saint and hoped that this saint would pray for him and keep him on the right path. No doubt he does for this young man as he turns to Mary who turns to her Son for him and for each one of us!

St. Maximilian Kolbe, pray for us!



*Feather*





## The Solemnity Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

AUGUST 15, 2021

### What is the Assumption?

The first name of this solemnity was the Feast of Mary, Mother of God. Later, its name in the East carried over, the Dormition (or Falling Asleep) of Mary. In the West, it became known as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

This solemnity celebrates the fact that Mary's Assumption is "a pledge of the future participation of the members of the mystical Body of Christ in the paschal glory of the Risen Christ." It shows that the Lord "reserves a munificent reward for his humble Servant because of her faithful cooperation with the divine plan, which is a destiny of fullness, happiness, glorification of her immaculate soul, her virginal body, perfect configuration to her Risen Son" (Directory, no. 180). The Mass has a proper vigil, and the solemnity replaces the Mass of the day when it occurs on a Sunday in Ordinary Time.



### What does this all mean?

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which the Church celebrates every year on August 15. Simply put, the dogma of the Assumption states that at the end of her life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken, body and soul, into Heaven.

While this event isn't reflected in Sacred Scripture, it is clearly part of the Church's earliest observance. In the sixth century, St. John Damascene wrote in one of his sermons, "Your sacred and happy soul, as nature will have it, was separated in death from your most blessed and immaculate body, and although the body was duly interred, it did not remain in the state of death, neither was it dissolved by decay; your most pure and sinless body was not left on earth, but you were transferred to your heavenly throne."



## THE SOLEMNITY ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Theologically speaking, death is often understood to be a consequence of original sin. Since Mary was conceived without Original Sin, some theologians have wondered if Mary died or if perhaps she was taken into Heaven without experiencing death. The Catechism of the Catholic Church doesn't answer this question but simply states, "The most blessed Virgin Mary, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven" (no. 974)

The Solemnity of the Assumption reminds us of the unique role that Mary served in the process of our salvation. Although she was without sin, we have the possibility of receiving God's forgiveness for our sins through Christ. Her entry into Heaven prefigures our own hope of experiencing the same eternal life.

Ordinarily, the celebration of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation for Catholics, but when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday, that obligation to attend Mass is lifted.



To sign up for the  
COVID-19 Vaccine, visit  
<https://www.vaccines.gov>



"It's an ethical choice, because you are playing with health, life, but you are also playing with the lives of others...I've signed up..."

*-Pope Francis*

"In the absence of other means to stop or even prevent the epidemic, the common good may recommend vaccination, especially to protect the weakest and most exposed."

*-Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith*

"Receiving one of the COVID-19 vaccines ought to be understood as an act of charity toward the other members of our community. In this way, being vaccinated safely against COVID-19 should be considered an act of love of our neighbor and part of our moral responsibility for the common good."

*-United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*



## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY Sign Up Weekend

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_



I am interested in learning how to get involved in (If you sign up you're not committed – just getting more information!)

☐ **Community Meal**

- Help be part of preparing for and/or serving at our monthly Community Meal.

☐ **Thrift Shop**

- Learn more about helping at our Thrift Shop on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday mornings.

☐ **Street Ministry – Clothes Sorting**

- Help during the week sorting clothes and materials for our Thursday Street Ministry runs.

☐ **Street Ministry – Cooking**

- Help by preparing a meal each week – you can drop them off on Thursdays and work from home.

☐ **Street Ministry – Serving**

- Help by coming out on Thursday nights (when you are able) for our weekly Street Ministry Run

☐ **Ernie's Place – Food Pantry - Sorting**

- Join our sorting crew to help with weekly sorting tasks.

☐ **Ernie's Place – Food Pantry – Serving**

- Assist during pantry hours by greeting and welcoming guests.

☐ **Chicken Ministry**

- Learn more about becoming a Chicken Tender and assist those in need by gathering eggs once a week or every other week.

☐ **Garden Ministry**

- Help us to work in the garden by weeding, harvesting and preparing. All vegetables go to Ernie's Place!

☐ **St. Vincent de Paul**

- Join our local conference that carries out home visits and furniture support (and networks with our other parish social ministries)

☐ **Casework**

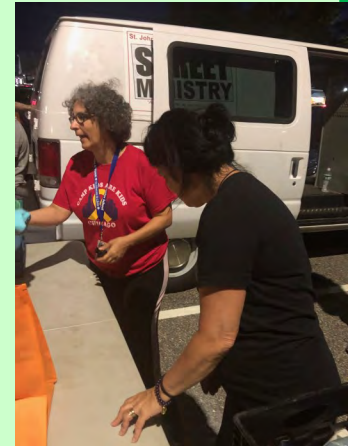
- Perhaps you have background in working with those in need and/or are open to training to assist clients and follow their cases for support.

☐ **Volunteering in office**

- When our office opens more fully, we will need some assistance with answering phones and emails.

☐ **Computer Work**

- When our office opens more fully, we will need some assistance with organization/databasing.



Love ought to be put more in deeds than in words...

-St. Ignatius of Loyola

## 4th Annual SJE SPIRIT DAY + August 14, 2021

### SPIRIT DAY 2021 SPONSORS (as of 8/11/21)

- Angelo and Lillian Rollo
- Center Moriches Veterinary Hospital
- Crossfit Kryptonite
- DunRite Appliance Co., Inc.
- East End Sign Design
- Enes Carnesecca and Jerry Frunzi
- Environmenal Assessment and Remediations
- In Loving Memory of Patrick N. Curtain
- John and Helen May and Family
- John and Meave Perno
- Law Office of Elizabeth Harrington
- Lillian's Hair Studio
- Lund Valve Testing
- Margaret Sureau's Granddogs—Mocha, Mia and Kreider
- Pinto Pools
- Plum Cottage Design—Suzanne McKeon
- Queen of All Hearts K of C
- Rico's Clothing
- Robertaccio Funeral Home, Inc.
- Roy Probeyahn and Sons
- Rubio Premier Motors, Inc.
- Shirley Auto Body
- SJE Ministry of Consolation
- Suzanne and Arthur McKeon
- Swezey Fuel Company
- The Bente Family
- The Church Bulletin Company
- The Flaherty Family
- The Spellman Family
- Twin Ponds Cabinetry

### Family Life Ministry

#### Family Life Ministry- "Sandwich Sundays" - 3rd Sunday of every Month

Next One: August 15, 2021

Drop-Off Times: 9am-11am & 5pm-6pm @  
School Auditorium (Main Entrance)



Please try to make sandwiches as close to Sunday as possible, as they will be delivered to Light House Mission in Bellport on Monday morning. We will also be accepting supply donations, such as, peanut butter, jelly, or bread.

### Church Cleaners Needed



We are looking for parishioners who would be willing to assist with a weekly cleaning of the church building which would include light mopping, sweeping, window cleaning, and checking on hymnals and the like in the pews.

The cleaning takes place after the 12 Noon Mass on Thursdays. We are looking for individuals, couples, friends or even strangers to join our amazing crew of volunteers.

If interested—or know someone who should be interested—contact Fr. John at 631.878.0009 or email to [jsureau@sjecm.org](mailto:jsureau@sjecm.org).







# PRIVATE TOURS

Our Lady Queen of Apostles  
Regional Catholic School

2 St. John's Place, Center Moriches NY  
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*The Catholic School in Center Moriches*

## Learn about our:

- commitment to Catholic values & service
- special education program
- academic intervention services
- small, individualized educational program
- before & after care services
- financial aid
- educational success & seamless transition to remote learning in the midst of COVID-19

...and much more!



Scan the QR Code to schedule a  
tour or visit the link!

<https://forms.gle/DBY1ojxUaaLLrnFu8>



## WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

**-The Knights of Columbus  
Present-**

# BINGO NIGHT

**Friday Evenings  
@OLQA Auditorium**

**Doors open  
at 6:30 p.m.  
(First game  
7:30 p.m.)**

**\$2000 IN PRIZES!**  
\*\*\*MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE IS  
100 PLAYERS\*\*\*

**MASKS ARE  
ENCOURAGED BUT  
NOT REQUIRED**






**OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE  
APOSTLES REGIONAL  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
**The Catholic School in Center  
Moriches**

## LUNCH COORDINATOR AND AIDE NEEDED

OLQA, the Catholic School in Center Moriches, is seeking a Lunch Coordinator and aide (two separate, part-time positions). The Coordinator works to manage orders received, arranges with already established vendors and is present from Monday - Friday from approximately 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. to assist with distribution of lunch. The aide assists the Coordinator and the Principal with limited supervision and organization of lunchroom routines.

For more information,  
contact Mrs. Dawn Waller  
at 631.878.1033 or e-mail  
to [dwaller@sjecm.org](mailto:dwaller@sjecm.org)



## New Ministries

As we continue in these days, there has been some interest in some new ideas for ministries/services in our parish. Before moving forward, we would like to see if there is an interest in any of the following. Details are NOT worked out in any way. We would just like to see what you think.

### Grandparents' Ministry/Support Group

We celebrated the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Many commented that grandparents can feel overwhelmed with many changes in their lives and the lives of their children, grandchildren, and even great grandchildren. We are looking to form a grandparent's ministry/group that would be a place of socializing, fellowship, support, and prayer.



### Mom's Ministry

A few mothers in our parish have expressed an interest of forming a Mom's Group/Ministry of sorts. Geared primarily for moms of younger children but open to moms of all ages, this group can develop into an opportunity for support, encouragement, prayer, and fellowship.



### Scripture Study

We are looking at the possibility of establishing a weekly Scripture Study. Making use of an established program, parishioners would gather at a convenient time to study and gain perspective on the Church's understanding of Sacred Scripture.

If you think you might be in becoming a part of or helping to form any of these groups, please contact the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org).

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### Baptism Help Needed

SJE is looking for individuals, groups of friends, and families to consider helping with the celebration of Baptisms on Saturday afternoons at 12 and Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. Those who work in this ministry – hopefully once a month – will help to welcome families, direct them before the celebration and be available to assist the priest and sacristan as needed. For more information, contact the Rectory at 631.878.0009 or e-mail to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org)



### HELP WANTED! EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday - 3PM - 7PM  
@ Seton Chapel



- Consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
- If you can be present for a specific hour, fill

out this form:

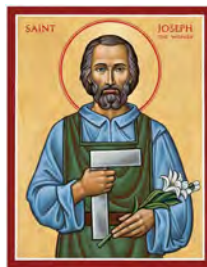
<https://forms.gle/qrC4P6nyDRrJ4xpu5>, email Fr. John at [jsureau@sjecm.org](mailto:jsureau@sjecm.org) or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.

Parishioners are always welcome to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament even if they cannot make the regular hour commitment.

*I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.*

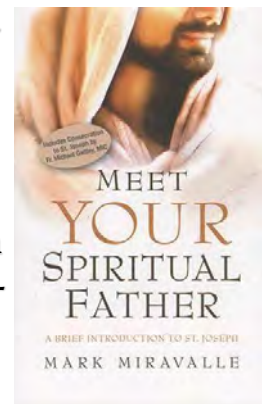
-John 6:51

## Year of Saint Joseph Book Study



Totus Tuus Men's Group is hosting a book study for the parish on "Meet Your Spiritual Father: A Brief Introduction to St. Joseph"

We will be meeting in Seton Chapel at 7:30pm every Wednesday for 5 weeks starting August 18th through September 15th. All are invited. The book will be provided by the parish. If interested, please contact Brian Leavy at 585-474-9625 or [brianleavy84@gmail.com](mailto:brianleavy84@gmail.com)



**Did you know the Church welcomed over 100,000 new Catholics in 2021?!**  
**Now let's see if we can beat that in 2022!**

**Do you want to be Catholic?**

**Do you want to be baptized?**

**Were you baptized into another**

**Christian faith but now want to join the Catholic Church?**

**Then the RCIA is for you!**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the Church's process for adult women and men who want to join the Catholic Church. It involves learning about the Catholic faith, sharing faith with others and participating in the life of the Church.

If you want to learn more, leave a message in the Rectory (631.878.0009) or e-mail to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org). We will be putting together our next RCIA group in the weeks ahead!



## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

PHONE # 631.878.0009 + RECTORY @SJECDM.ORG

Sister Ann Berendes + *Director of Senior Ministry*

Christian Diconsiglio *Case Manager*

Ernie's Place—Food Pantry Ministry: Katie Spellman

Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien

Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both

Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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

If we are unable to assist you directly, we will be more than 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.

Please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120 to make an appointment.

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 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Thrift Shop - Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



### Help out those in need!

**Street Ministry** — serving the homeless in our area each week.

*Donations Needed:* Women's underwear (4-6, 6-8, 10-12, & 20-22) + Men's Underwear (36-38 & 32-34) + Adult t-shirts and sweatshirts (all sizes) + Women's Leggings and sweatpants (M & L) + Men's Jeans and Sweatpants (M & L—waist sizes 30-38) + Chapstick + Baseball hats + Sunblock (travel size) + Sunglasses. You can put them in a bag—just remember to label it street ministry— and drop off in the green bins. Thank you!



### **Ernie's Place Food Pantry** — serving those in need on Mon. and Thurs.

Ernie's Place, SJE's Food Pantry Ministry, is beginning to manage with regular volunteers. We are looking for men and women age 18 and above to assist on Monday evenings and/or Thursday afternoons. While limited in the number of volunteers we can have in the pantry at one time, we would like have more available volunteers. If you're interested or would like some more information, please call the Parish Office or email to rectory@sjecm.org.

*Donations Needed:* **Donations Needed: Bags of dried red beans + Bags of dried black beans + Bags of green dried peas + Small jars Mayo + Small bags of Sugar**

### **Chicken Ministry** — taking care of God's creatures to provide for the poor!

**Chicken Tenders Wanted**— We are looking for volunteers to help care for the chickens and their coop. Morning shift is before 8:00 am and evening shift is at dusk. Please contact Lynn and Mike Walsh for details at rectory@sjecm.org **Note: We are not taking any more egg crates.**



**Thrift Shop** — provide garments, gems and great items for the local community. Donations may only be left **in the green bins**. Anything left outside is discarded. *Donations for all parish social ministries may be left in Fellowship Area of the Church or Rectory.*

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Weekly Scripture Reflection

In today's Gospel, even the child in Elizabeth's womb leaps with

joy at the approach of Mary, the "lowly servant," who by accepting God's plan for her became blessed for all generations.

**With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.**

To arrange for a large furniture pick up, click here: <https://www.svdpli.org/get-involved/donate/schedule-pickup/schedule-a-pick-up-suffolk-county/>. **SJE DOES NOT ACCEPT FURNITURE ON CAMPUS.**

*SJE is proud to have a St. Vincent de Paul Conference. We are always looking for new members.*

*For more information, call 631.878.0009 or e-mail to [rec-tory@sjecm.org](mailto:rec-tory@sjecm.org) and your information will be shared with the leaders of the conference.*

## Help needed



This year, we are asking for donations of backpack and \$10 gift cards to Staples or Target.

We are NOT in need of donations of actual supplies as many were collected last year and not distributed. If you are in need of school supplies, please see below for more information!

Thank you!!

## School Supply Drive

Hi everyone! My name is Liam Costa and I am the Social Work Intern here at St. John the Evangelist in Center Moriches.

We in the Parish Social Ministry department are reaching out to see if you need any school supplies for this upcoming year. If so, please reach out and we will help! We have backpacks, notebooks, pens, and more.

And as always, we are here to help you! Don't hesitate to reach out to either me or Christian, our case worker, at the Red Barn if you need assistance. 631-878-000

Best, Liam

Hola todos! Me llamo Liam Costa y trabajo en el departamento de ministerio social aquí a San Juan Evangelista en Center Moriches.

Nosotros en el departamento de ministerio de social nos gustaría saber si usted necesita los materiales escolares para este otoño. Si es así, contáctenos y le ayudaremos! Tenemos mochilas, cuadernos, bolígrafos y más.

Y como siempre, estamos aquí para ustedes. Por favor contácteme o Christian, nuestro trabajador social, si necesite ayuda. Nuestro numero es 631-878-0009.

Atentamente, Liam



Please visit the following link or scan the QR code to request supplies: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HAVccGIVV1\\_yKEpyk52JXeno0at2CABKiZVa1L7pw6U/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HAVccGIVV1_yKEpyk52JXeno0at2CABKiZVa1L7pw6U/viewform?edit_requested=true)



## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT

#### Reminder:

**ALL VOLUNTEERS AND EMPLOYEES  
MUST BE VIRTUS TRAINED AND UP TO  
DATE ON ONGOING UPDATES.**

Failure to do so will result in removal from ministry.

To complete VIRTUS training, go to [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) and click on first time registrant.

SJE is offering the following class

**Thursday, August 19, 2021**

6:30 p.m.—Via  
Zoom

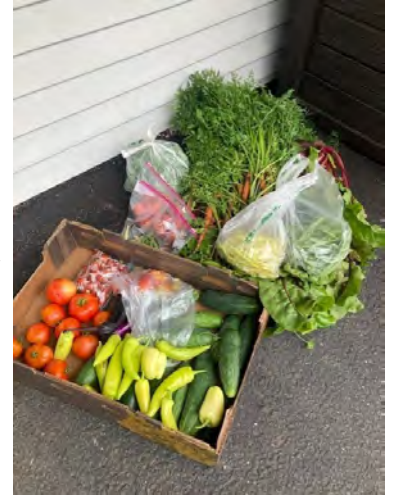
You must register  
through [virtus.org](http://virtus.org)



### Garden Ministry

Thanks to all in our Garden Ministry! This is the harvest from last Thursday. Harvested early on Thursday these vegetables and others were given to clients at Ernie's Place.

To learn more about becoming part of the Garden Ministry contact the rectory at 631.878.0009 or email to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org).



## YOUNG AT HEART (PREVIOUSLY SENIOR MINISTRY)



Recently several people have asked me if we have anything to help with bereavement. We were able to have Bereavement Support twice last year. We discontinued them during the summer since many people like the freedom for family. We will begin our Bereavement Support Group on:

- Wednesdays, September 8, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in the convent IHM meeting room.
- Usually held for 9-10 weeks
- The Group is helped by the use of a book which I will order

Our Sylvia's Circle will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays beginning, on September 9, 2021, in the convent IHM meeting room at 10:30 except for the months of November and December. During these months, we will meet on the 1st and 3rd weeks because of the celebration of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

I realize that there are several small prayer groups that have been active in the parish, but I have been approached by a woman who asked if we could have something similar to the men's group of Totus Tuum who could meet at a time when people who work would be able to attend. If you or someone you know someone who would be interested, please call or e-mail me and I will find a time and place for this. It could even be in The Barn where we have 2 large meeting rooms. When I was in Florida we had a group that grew from 4-5 men and women and became 15-20.

Telephone: 631-878-0009 ext. 129; or [aberendes@sjecm.org](mailto:aberendes@sjecm.org).  
God bless you and I pray that you had a restful summer!

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS — 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I:** Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

*The tribes of Israel choose the Lord above all other gods.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** PS 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5:21-23 or Ephesians 5:2a, 25-32

*Family members in Christ must defer to one another.*

**Gospel:** John 6:60-69

*Many disciples desert Jesus.*



### Discussion Questions

1. Does Christ reside in you and your neighbor? Might you be an ark of the covenant, so to speak? If you keep in mind that God is present in the people you meet, how might this change the manner in which you treat/greet them?
2. Imagine you are a Christian in Paul's time and you're hearing about the resurrection of the dead for the first time. Would this idea move you to make any changes in your life?
3. What in Elizabeth's life helped her understand what had happened to Mary? How is the babe leaping in her womb like a "leap for all humankind"?

## FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5 + Website: [sjecm.org](http://sjecm.org)

+ Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation

Email: [faithformation@sjecm.org](mailto:faithformation@sjecm.org) / [mpir-raglia@sjecm.org](mailto:mpir-raglia@sjecm.org)

Office Hours: Monday-By Appointment Only  
(Monday-Thursday) (RED BARN, Upstairs)

### INCOMING 1ST GRADERS / NEW STUDENTS: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN (ONLINE)



REGISTRATION  
IS OPEN

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. Those entering Grade 1, and children who have not been in religious education for awhile, are welcome to register online via our parish website—[sjecm.org](http://sjecm.org)—thru 8/27.

**Returning Students:** For those who were in grades 1-5 in our "Family of Faith" program, please fill out the "Returning Student" Google Form on the parish website.

### WE WANT YOU! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for "good shepherds" to help witness to our young people through our "Family of Faith" and Confirmation prep programs. For more information, please visit the link below to fill out the new volunteer form:

<https://forms.gle/RGJUR9hqgg6jcwFD6>

(\*Visit [sjecm.org](http://sjecm.org) and click on the bulletin to get a clickable link to this form.)

**You may also contact Michelle at**

**[mpir-raglia@sjecm.org](mailto:mpir-raglia@sjecm.org) or call 631-878-0009, ext. 123 for information on volunteering!**



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WHERE DO WE WANT TO BE IN 2023?



## Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches, te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en Espanol los Sabados a las 7:30 p.m. en la Iglesia, y los Martes a las 7:30 p.m en La Capilla del Convento.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oracion, todos los Viernes a las 7:30 p.m. en la Capilla del Convento de la Parroquia. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

### MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

**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.**

#### Requisitos:

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 pre-bautismal (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:** Padre Jaime- 1-631.878.0009

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

## Feligreses de la comunidad Hispana de St. Juan Evangelista en Centro Moriches

\*La subscripcion deben hacerla en linea usando la pagina de <http://www.stjohntheevangelist.com>.

\*Hacer click en el cuadrado que dice "Baptisms."

\*Usted puede ver el video que sigue en la pagina siguiente, o puede ir en la parte superior al texto que dice: "click here to continue with the process".

\*Si no estas registrado como parroquiano de San Juan, debes hacer este paso primero, para que obtengas tu numero de parish ID.

\*Si ya estas registrado, usa tu numero de Parish ID, para que llenes el registrado con los datos de tu bebe.

### La Oración de la Tarde de Verano

Queremos invitar a todos a la oración de la tarde de verano el 24 y el 31 de agosto, ya que damos la bienvenida al P. Joe Catafago y el seminarista Louis Cona a SJE. Para que todos puedan participar en la oración de la tarde, la misa en español del martes por la noche NO se celebrará el martes 24 de agosto y el martes 31 de agosto. Vengan a la oración de la tarde!

### Permítanos ayudarlo!

#### DESPENSA DE COMIDA DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 p.m. a las 7:30 p.m.  
Jueves 3 p.m. a las 4 p.m.

#### TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Red Barn  
Miércoles de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.

#### MINISTERIO DE LA CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley  
7:15 p.m. (aproximadamente)  
Comidas sencillas y ropa disponible.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para aquellos que lo necesiten

## 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  
William Niebergall, Nicholas Miceli

### We Pray

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

Regina D'Alessandro, George Domino, James Corbin,  
Stephen Quail, Jeanette LaRock, Hugh Hogan,  
Neil Iacono, Ted Henn, Claire Brockmiller,  
Alice Clavin, Carson Montemarano

*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](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org)*

### Praying for Our Military

#### US Army

Sgt. Justin Sikorski, PVT Bailey Meyer, PVT Sean Casey,  
SGT Daniel Smith, PVT Joseph Cestare, PFC David  
Smith, PFC Jack Dyer, PVT Michael Garcia Jr.,  
SPC Daniel Sisco

#### US Air Force

SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SSgt Ryan Kerstiens,  
SSgt Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens,  
MAJ Salvatore Sferrazza, CMS James Nizza

#### 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

#### US Navy

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

#### US Coast Guard

SR Brendan J. Bernath, Capt. Keith Donohue

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

### Remembering our Loved Ones Helping our Parish

**Altar Bread and Wine**—for the month an offering of \$150 is requested  
**Altar Candles**—\$25.00 per week



*Altar bread and wine for the month of August has been donated: In memory of Gerald DiPierro  
This week, the Blessed Mother Candle has been lit in thanksgiving for grandson Alex by Diana Guercio.*



## PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 16, 2021 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. Barbara McDevitt

12 Noon Philip Kennedy

Tuesday, August 17, 2021 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. John Salvatore

12 Noon Rose Ann McCarthy

7:30 p.m. Intention Still Available

Wednesday, August 18, 2021 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. William J. Kasten

12 Noon Frank & Angela Cantanno

Thursday, August 19, 2021 + Weekday

7:00 a.m. William Thomas Spellman

12 Noon Christopher Bowman

Friday, August 20, 2021 + St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m. Georgette Hobbs

12 Noon Russell & Gregory Hammond

Saturday, August 21, 2021 + St. Pius X, Pope

8:00 a.m. Alice Muscara

### 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Mass of Anticipation

5:00 p.m. Kenneth Horbal Jr.

7:30 p.m. Intention Still Available

#### Sunday

8:00 a.m. Michael DeLuca

10:00 a.m.. Katy Dyer

10:15 a.m. Intention Still Available

12:00 p.m. Frank Infranca

6:00 p.m. Kevin G. Harney

## Weekly Calendar

RBMR—Red Barn—1st Floor Mtg. Room/  
RBUR—Upper Room SC –Seton Chapel

Monday, August 16, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament– SC

7:00 p.m. | Holy Hour for Priests–SC

7:25 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous—Cafeteria

7:30 p.m. | Spanish RCIA—RBMR

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament– SC

7:00 p.m. | Divine Will Prayer Group– Auditorium

7:30 p.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

9:00 a.m. | Thrift Shop Open-Thrift Shop

3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament– SC

6:00 p.m. | CYO Open Gym Girls Grades 4-6– Auditorium

7:00 p.m. | CYO Open Gym Girls Grade 7– Auditorium

7:00 p.m. | Spanish Baptismal Class—RBMR

7:30 p.m. | Book Study—Seton Chapel

Thursday, August 19, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament– SC

4:00 p.m. | Legion of Mary– RBMR

7:00 p.m. | Street Ministry– Convent

6:00 p.m. | CYO Open Gym Boys Grades 4-6– Auditorium

7:00 p.m. | CYO Open Gym Boys Grade 7– Auditorium

7:30 p.m. | Alanon– RBMR

Friday, August 20, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

3-7 p.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament– SC

7:00 p.m. | Spanish Prayer Group– SC

7:00 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous– RBMR

Saturday, August 21, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

9:00 a.m. | Men's Prayer Group– SC

7:00 p.m. | Narcotics Anonymous– RBMR

Sunday, August 22, 2021

6:45 a.m. | Alcoholics Anonymous– RBMR

10:00 a.m. | RCIA– Cafeteria

### Did you receive a Summer Appeal Mailing?

*If so, please consider supporting the ongoing work of SJE! Return your envelope or make your offering at [www.sjecm.org](http://www.sjecm.org). If you did not receive a mailing, please let us know.*





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## Office Hours

**In the Blue House**

**Monday – Thursday:**

**9 a.m. – 8 p.m.**

**Friday – Saturday**

**9 a.m. – 2p.m.**

*We ask that you call before  
visiting any parish offices.*

## Mass Schedule

**Come and pray with us!**

### Saturday Evening

**5 p.m. + 7:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)**

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

### Sunday

**Church: 8:00 a.m. + 10:00 a.m.**

**+ 10:15 a.m. (porch)**

**+ 12 Noon + 6:00 p.m.**

Please call the Rectory or check SJE Social Media for latest  
updates.

### Weekday Mass

**Monday—Friday: 7:00 a.m. + 12 Noon**

**Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. (Spanish—Seton Chapel)**

**Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.**

*(The 7 a.m. Daily Mass will be livestreamed.*

*Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)*

## The Sacraments

### **Come and know God's Mercy!**

We celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**Monday—Friday:** After the 7 a.m. + 12 Noon Masses

**Saturday:** After the 8 a.m. Mass

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. + 7:00—7:15 p.m.  
(Spanish)

**Sunday:** 5:30—5:45 p.m.

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

### **Come and know God's healing of the sick!**

Please contact the Rectory (631.878.0009, x. 9) for a  
priest to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of  
the Sick with the seriously ill or those preparing for  
surgery.