

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Psalms 34



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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, August 24th

5:00 PM - Fr. Abin

7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

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

Sunday, August 25th

8:00 AM - Fr. Abin

10:00 AM - Msgr. Walden

12 noon - Fr. Jerry

6:00 PM - Fr. Jose

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

We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &

7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM

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

Pastoral Team

Reverend Patrick M. Riegger

Pastor

Reverend Abin Panicker

Parochial Vicar

Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden

Retired, In Residence

Reverend Jerry DiSpigno

Parish Assistant

Reverend Peter D'Abele

Parish Assistant

John Pettorino

Deacon

Michael Hoonhout

Deacon

Carolyn Lapham

Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia

Director of Faith Formation

Katie Spellman

Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller

Director of Operations

OLQA

Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School

(on the campus of SJE)

2 St. John Place

Center Moriches, NY 631.878.1033

www.olqany.org

Dawn Waller

Principal

dwaller@olqany.org (ext. 201)

Office Hours

Parish Office - Blue House

Monday - Thursday:

9 AM - 8 PM

Tuesdays: 6-8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

Friday - Saturday

9 AM - 2 PM

We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

Mass Schedule

Confession Schedule

A Message from Deacon Michael Hoonhout...

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As the month of August unfolds, our Sunday Gospel continues to be taken from the Bread of Life discourse from the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. And we continue to reflect on Jesus' words in this year of Eucharistic Renewal. Let us recap what has happened so far. The chapter began with Jesus feeding a great crowd of thousands from five loaves and two fish, and there was more left over than with what He had started. The next day, the crowd came looking for Jesus because he satisfied their hunger, but Jesus told them to desire the food that gives eternal life. He then begins to teach them about this food by saying that He is the true bread come down from heaven, the Bread that the Father gives, which gives life to the world. The crowd, murmuring about this claim, questioned how Jesus, a true man, could have come down from heaven. Jesus not only repeats the claim but greatly adds to it: "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."

In this Sunday's Gospel, the Jews progress from murmuring to quarrelling by objecting: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" It is a reasonable question, for what Jesus says seems scandalous. Before looking at how he responds, let us appreciate the wisdom of the evangelist in describing the buildup in the reaction of the crowd from murmuring to quarreling. For unless one stops murmuring about Jesus' first claim and believes that Jesus has come down from heaven, one will never be able to accept the second claim that the bread that Jesus gives is his own flesh. He gives the true heavenly bread that gives eternal life because He is the eternal Son of the Father sent from heaven to give life to the world.

How Jesus responds to the quarrelsome objection of the Jews is worth pondering. First of all, in this whole discourse Jesus never does answer their exact question about how he will give his flesh. The answer to "how" is given at the Last Supper, when Jesus takes the unleavened bread of the Passover, declares it to be His Body given for us, and as it retains the appearance of bread, gives it to his disciples to eat. Instead of explaining how, Jesus only focuses on making it absolutely clear what he is saying.

He knows that what he is saying does seem objectionable, so he seeks to remove all doubt about what he is saying.

In his actual response to the Jews, Jesus repeats three times, "eat my flesh and drink my blood."

Secondly, Jesus never pacifies the objecting crowd by softening what he is saying or explaining that he is speaking only symbolically (as he does at other times in the Gospel – cf. John 3:6; 4:13-14; 11:11-14). Instead of using a term that can be interpreted symbolically, soma (Greek for "body"), he uses a graphic word with a clear literal meaning: sarx (Greek for "flesh"). For the verb "to eat," he switches from the more general and possibly symbolic word phagō to the more graphic and literal tragon, meaning "to chew" or "gnaw". To remove all doubt, Jesus speaks clearly and plainly: "For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink." And as we shall hear in next week's Gospel, when many of his own disciples could not accept that Jesus was commanding them to eat his flesh and drink his blood, Jesus allowed them to leave him rather than change, water down, or explain away his teaching.

While there ought to be no doubt about what Jesus is teaching, still it is helpful to grasp how He gives us his flesh to eat and his blood to drink. But we will save that for next week, the final installment from John 6. What Jesus does at the end of this Gospel is to explain why He wants to give us His Body and Blood as our true food and drink. The bread that He gives is his flesh because only such food can: 1) raise one from the dead on the last day; 2) cause one to live forever; 3) give eternal life. Ask yourself, can bread that is "Jesus" only in a symbolic sense do all that? But the bread that is Jesus' true flesh can do all that because: 1) Jesus rose from the dead in that very flesh; 2) Jesus lives forever in that very flesh; 3) Jesus is the co-eternal Son of the Father. When one believes Jesus and receives the Eucharist knowing that it is truly His flesh and blood, then "one who feeds on me will have life because of me." No symbolic bread can do this, for only Jesus Himself can truthfully say, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."



Masses for the Week...

Saturday, August 17th Weekday

5:00 PM Frank Scaturro

7:30 PM (Spanish) Emely Mariana Alcantara

Sunday, August 18th Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Jared McGuinness

10:00 AM Larry Brittan

12:00 Noon Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

6:00 PM People of the Parish

Monday, August 19th Weekday

7:00 AM People of the Parish

12:00 Noon Christopher Bowman

Tuesday, August 20th St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Myrna Koolman

12:00 Noon William Hunt

Wednesday, August 21st Saint Pius X, Pope

7:00 AM Alfred Augustus Mitchell

12:00 PM Anne Mintel

Thursday, August 22nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM Michael Sr. and Michael Jr. Capozzola

12:00 Noon Carol Mazza

Friday, August 23rd Weekday

7:00 AM Shannon Miller

12:00 Noon Marie Telesca

Saturday, August 24th St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 AM Virginia O'Connell

5:00 PM Kenneth Horbal

7:30 PM (Spanish) Emely Mariana Alcantara

Sunday, August 25th Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Jack Haugh

10:00 AM Glenn Probeyahn

12:00 Noon Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

6:00 PM Special Intention-Joan Murphy

Annual Summer Appeal...

Please support our annual
Summer Appeal!



PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$579,355	32	\$18,105
2023	\$535,879	32	\$16,746

2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL
OFFICE OF MINISTRIES CENTRE

*Revitalizing our Faith -
Renewed by the Eucharist*



<i>As of 8/13/2024</i>	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	204	218
Total Pledged to date	\$84,670	\$86,575
Avg. Gift	\$415	\$395
Percent of Goal	74%	75.2%

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!

SJE Parish Social Ministry...

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

COLLECTION

During the month of August we will be collecting schools supplies.
Please leave your donation's in the fellowship area of the church.

Items needed...

Notebooks

Marble & Spiral

File folders

Pens & Pencils

Colored Pencils

Markers

Glue Sticks

Backpacks





August 18, 2024

Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Martina Beyel, Francis V. Schimmoller,
Susanne Neppell, Mary Sears, Gregory Christ,
and Margaret Oliver

*"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

Carmine Alfonso + Ana Perez
Beth Schupp + Barbara Lefkowitz
Ryan deBlasi + Frank Macchia
Annie Albaneze + Kathleen Fontaine
Vincent Diaz + David Daniel Vigliotta

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

If you would like a loved one's name placed under
Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at
631.878.0009 or e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.

Our Military

US Marine Corps

LC Michael Abbatiello
CPL Evan Berkemeyer
PFC Sean Brady
SGT Quentin Montemarano
PVT Charles O'Connor
E-1 Christian Raeihle
2nd LT Christopher Walther
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II

US Army

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

US Navy

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

US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath
CPT Keith Donohue

US Air Force

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

If you wish to place someone on the Military prayer list,
please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or
e-mail to rectory@sjecm.org.



Remembering Our Loved Ones

Altar Bread & Wine for the month of August has been donated in memory of:

John Nicholas Abazis

This week: The Altar Candles will be lit in memory of:

Petrina and Francis Sciacchitano

Mass Intentions

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

Altar Bread and Wine

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

An offering of \$150 is requested.

Votive Candles/Altar Candles

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

Altar Candles - \$25.00 per week.

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



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





God bless America!

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PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Come Pray the Rosary

Wednesday

September 18 ~ 7 PM

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SJE Convent Chapel
FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

HOSTED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
QUEEN OF ALL HEARTS COUNCIL #4126



Once a month, we will pray the rosary for our country and sing patriotic hymns before the Blessed Sacrament. Please see the next date for each month leading up to Election Day... Please mark your calendar and join our parish family as we pray together for the future of our country.

Next Dates:

⇒ Wednesday, October 16

⇒ Monday, November 4



EUCHARISTIC
Adoration
at St. John the Evangelist

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

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

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.

HOW DO YOU PRAY THE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

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

Steps to pray:

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

Faith Formation

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5 ~ Office Hours: By Appointment Only
Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org

Online Registration NOW Open!

Incoming 1st Graders / New Students & Returning Students:



St. John the Evangelist's Faith Formation program serves our parish youth and their families, beginning in First Grade, 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 8/23.

Registration instructions for all students, scan the QR Code:

**NOTE:* If your child is a NEW STUDENT, please also complete the [New Student Registration](#) form on our website. If your child was not baptized at SJE, after completing the online registration, please email a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to: faithformation@sjecm.org



Incoming Level 7 Students: Confirmation Application

If you have a child entering 7th grade in the Fall, or an older student who has not begun in our program, please contact us before August 23 to enroll your student in our Level 7 program. Students and parents need to complete the Confirmation Application to be enrolled in the first year of our prep program. If your child has not already done so, please email us for the link to the online application at: faithformation@sjecm.org.



Prayer for Unity, to Overcome Division

Christ Jesus, who gave yourself for the good of all, we come before you as brothers and sisters but we are divided and at times, even hostile-- tearing one another down. We approach the altar unworthily and ask for your forgiveness.

Move us, instead, towards Encounter - listening - dialogue - reconciliation, and a commitment to build Your kingdom for the good of all. Heal us, restore us, unite your divided family, Lord. Through the power of the Eucharist, overcome our divisions. Give us sincere hearts that make us open, not closed, and willing to encounter, ready to listen.

In your broken body, given for all, may we find unity and peace in you. Amen.

*Inspired by the reflections of Pope Benedict XVI in Sacramentum Caritatis
(The Sacrament of Charity), no. 89.*

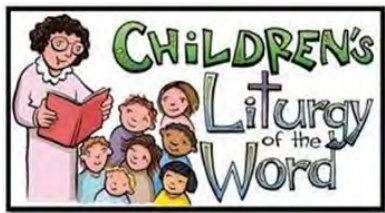
The Office of Family Ministry

Moms on the Journey



This month at Moms on the Journey, we continued our exploration of women in the Holy Scriptures. Delving into a heartfelt discussion about the woman who was hemorrhaging, we did a bit of soul searching about what we hold back from the Lord and what we really need to reach out in faith for...to be healed and to have our burdens lifted. Join us later this month for more faith, fellowship and fun. Our next gathering is Wednesday, August 28th at 7:00 PM in the Upper Room of the Barn. All moms are welcome!

WE NEED HELP!

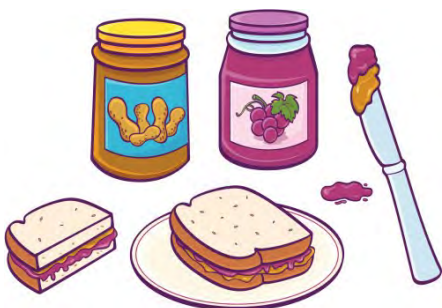


Every Sunday at the 10:00 Mass, we offer the Children's Liturgy of the Word Program for our parish children. This program allows the children to experience the scriptures in an interactive way. The readings, gospel and universal prayer are presented in simple language and the children always have an opportunity to actively participate in the session. We have a very small group of dedicated volunteers who make this program possible each week. Would YOU consider joining us? There are so many easy ways to help...you can even stay in the church for the 10:00 mass and be a part of our team! Schedules are flexible...you sign up when you're available. For more information, please email clapham@sjecm.org.

Family Life Ministry

We hope that everyone has had an opportunity to relax, renew and refresh during these summer months. Quality family time is certainly a gift to be enjoyed and treasured. The Family Life Ministry at St. John's is gearing up for a wonderful schedule of fun, faith-building family events and service projects beginning in September. From Sandwich Sundays to Movie Nights, to the Blessing of our Animals, to Collections for our military men and women, the Fall of 2024 is the perfect time for parish families to come together in a spirit of Christian service. Keep your eye on the bulletin for our schedule. Consider joining the leadership team or signing up to help with a particular event that works with your family's schedule. Many hands make light work and many hearts create beautiful opportunities for parish families to come together to grow in faith.

Our next monthly planning meeting is Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00 in the Upper Meeting Room of the Barn. For more information email us at familylife@sjecm.org



Coming in September... Sandwich Sundays are back!

Come make sandwiches for those in need.

Sunday, September 15th after the 10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria. All are welcome!

Parish Social Ministry

SJE Thrift Shop

Wednesdays 9 AM - 12 Noon

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

The success of our Thrift Shop relies on the generous donations from our community that are left in the *green bins in the school parking lot.

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

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

Ernie's Place

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

- Instant or can potatoes
- Cereal
- Jelly
- Granola Bars
- Mac & Cheese
- Pancake Mix
- Pancake Syrup
- Ramen Noodles



Street Ministry

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

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

Street Ministry Shopping List

- ♦ Men's & Women's Shorts Sizes S, M, L
- ♦ Men's & Women's T-Shirts Sizes S, M, L
- ♦ Men's Jeans Sizes 32, 34, 36
- ♦ Blankets
- ♦ White Socks
- ♦ Toilet Paper
- ♦ Feminine products
- ♦ Travel Size Shaving Cream and Razors
- ♦ Men's & Women's Underwear (new) Sizes S, M, L, XL

Bereavement Support ...

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

FEES: \$10 donation for the workbook.





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- ✓ Smaller Classes
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- ✓ Financial Aid

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To set up a tour:
Scan the QR Code



A Message from Msgr. Walden...



"Brothers and sisters: watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord." These words were written over 2000 years ago by St. Paul from to the Ephesians, part of the second reading at Mass today. We can sum up these words and see how relevant they are today as the day they were written by humbly and joyfully allowing Jesus to love us and bring us into His life with the Father and Holy Spirit. Love is never earned, it is a pure gift to receive and a pure gift to give. Joy comes when we are grateful to be loved and love others in return. Jesus did not come to set us straight but joyfully, courageously, and vulnerably give Himself to us and invite us into His life here and now, and to bring us to share eternity with Him. Through Him, we come to see that we enrich, enliven, and fill each other with joy and gratitude through, with, and in Him. Yes, there are challenges, fear, hesitancy, anger, and misunderstandings at times. Jesus never gave up living and loving with hope that we would accept and be enriched His love, mercy, wisdom, and presence. How beautiful the opening words from today's Gospel (John 6:51-58): "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."

To let others into the depths of our being is to be enriched, challenged, and open to who they are. Jesus was not readily accepted by the world He lived in. Yet He remained faithful to who He is and what He came to do. To love is to take the risk of opening who we are in the depths of our being to others. At times there is disappointment, misunderstanding, and the temptation of get defensive and protective as we turn in on ourselves. In the love Jesus has for us as we open our hearts in gratitude and we see true wisdom, goodness, and holiness. The opposite of wisdom is falsehood and foolishness. The opposite of goodness is evil. The opposite of holiness is sinfulness.

Living in the light of faith with Jesus as our bread of life does not prevent challenges or guarantee peace and mutual respect and acceptance. But a strong faith, founded on Jesus the Bread of Life, enables us to be all God has created us to be and to live through, with, and in Him. It is a leap of faith to allow Jesus to give life to us and, even more, to

believe He gets life and love from our presence in His life. Without Him, there is always someone more than something missing. We cannot exhaust His love and mercy. Jesus is ever hopeful, welcoming, open, and available to us. The result of the leap of faith is that we become one with Him and through us His love, light, mercy, and wisdom brightens the lives of all He entrusts to our care.

I offer Psalm 84 that I prayed from the breviary last Monday. It is about God's temple and our presence in His life and His presence in our lives.

How lovely is your dwelling place,
Lord, God of hosts.

My soul is longing and yearning,
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my soul ring out their joy
to God, the living God.

The sparrow herself finds a home
and the swallow a nest for her brood;
she lays her young by your altars,
Lord of hosts, my king and my God.
They are happy, who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.
They are happy, whose strength is in you,
in whose hearts are the roads to Zion.

As they go through the Bitter Valley
they make it a place of springs
(the autumn rain covers it with blessings).
They walk with ever growing strength,
they will see the God of gods in Zion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer,
give ear, O God of Jacob.

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield,
look on the face of your anointed.

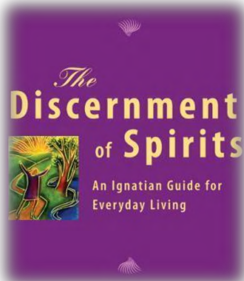
One day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

The threshold of the house of God
I prefer to the dwellings of the wicked.
For the Lord God is a rampart, a shield;
he will give us his favor and glory.
The Lord will not refuse any good
to those who walk without blame.

Lord, God of hosts, happy the man
who trusts in you! Glory...

Psalm Prayer: Bless your people, Lord. You have given us the law that we may walk from strength to strength and raise our minds to you from this valley of tears. May we receive the gifts you have gained for us.

Women's Group...



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

We are on Summer Break!
We will return in the Fall!

Facilitators:

Carol Ketcham, Anita Luccari

For additional information, please call the rectory office at 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.

Safe Environment Updates...

UPCOMING TRAINING....

Wednesday, September 5th BMR

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

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

REMINDERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

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

PASTORAL INTERVENTION TEAM

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





Lobster Fest

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Corn of the cob, Salads, Clams on the half shell ⚓ Soda, Water, Cookies & Watermelon

Saturday, August 24th ⚓ 3 pm

You may bring your own adult beverage

Tickets

Lobster \$50 pp
Chicken \$35 pp

Grab & Go available

Tickets MUST be purchased in Advance.

Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.

For Tickets call:

George 631.786.1459

Bill 516.458.6448

313 Frowein Rd, Center Moriches



Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

FRIDAY NIGHT'S

Doors Open at 6:30 PM
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~ Pro-Life and Catholic ~
Insights for Catholic Youth

 Presented by
Jozef Zalot, PhD, MEd
Director of Education and ethicist with
National Catholic Bioethics Center

Saturday, October 12, 2024
1:00pm - 3:30pm
St. Christopher, Baldwin
11 Gale Avenue (off Merrick Rd.)

Bring your

Inviting Catholic Teens and Young Adults
Dr. Zalot will help us navigate ethical decision-making
on current pro-life issues.


Pre-Med / Nursing
students welcome

Light refreshments
FREE ADMISSION
Bring your friends!

For Information contact: fortyDFLLI@gmail.com (Celeste)
RSVP requested (not required but helpful for planning purposes)

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2025 Mass Intentions



We are now taking Mass Intentions for next year!

Comunidad Hispano De San Juan Evangelista

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en español los sábados a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oración, todos los viernes a las 7:30 PM en la Capilla del Convento Parroquial. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

BAUTISMO:

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos:

1. Acta de nacimiento del niño o niña.
2. Certificado de registro de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de la charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIO para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Segundo domingo a las 14 horas en la Iglesia. Las clases de prebautismo son el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

CASAMIENTO:

Las parejas que planean casarse deben concertar una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de la boda. Esto les dará tiempo suficiente para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame a la oficina

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 p.m. los martes.

Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.

espanol@sjecm.org

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to call before you come and visit.

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM

Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero

Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM

auditorio de la escuela

MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley

7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para quienes lo necesiten. Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avísanos si puedes ayudar!

El programa de Formación de Fe de San Juan Evangelista...

sirve a los jóvenes de nuestra parroquia y sus familias, comenzando en el primer grado, a medida que crecen en la fe y se preparan para los Sacramentos. Aquellos que ingresan al primer grado, los niños que no han recibido educación religiosa por un tiempo y los estudiantes que regresan pueden registrarse en línea a través de nuestro sitio web parroquial, sjecm.org, hasta el 23 de agosto.



Instrucciones de inscripción para todos los estudiantes, escanea el código QR:

*NOTA: Si su hijo es un ESTUDIANTE NUEVO, complete también el formulario de Registro de estudiantes nuevos en nuestro sitio web. Si su hijo no fue bautizado en SJE, después de completar el registro en línea, envíe una copia del certificado de bautismo de su hijo por correo electrónico a: Faihfformation@sjecm.org



Important DRVC Information...

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

<https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

Please take some time look through the back pages of the bulletin! It features many local businesses (and often the work of parishioners) and the good work they do in our community. We have parishioners who do everything from car detailing to car mechanics to lacrosse training to taking care of pets. Take a look and learn more!

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? Not only that, our parish receives a part of the advertising commission. So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

Also, if your business could use a shot in the arm, consider advertising in the bulletin. Each weekend, the nearly 1,400 people who attend Mass at St. John the Evangelist - most of whom live and shop in the Moriches, Mastic, Shirley, Eastport, Speonk and Remsenberg area - receive or view our bulletin online. It's an easy way to reach thousands of families in the area with information about your business.

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

Weekly Calendar

Monday, August 19th, 2024

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

Tuesday, August 20th, 2024

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

Wednesday, August 21st 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC

Thursday, August 22nd, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 4 PM Legion of Mary - BMR
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

Friday, August 23rd 2024

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

Saturday, August 24th 2024

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

Sunday, August 25th, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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