



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



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 30, 2020

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me.” - Matthew 16:24

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

What about you?



Undoubtedly, we each have had to make some adjustments in these days to what we are able to do in the life of our parish. Many of us are looking for ways to continue to grow in the life of the parish! Here are some ways:

- **Good with a computer?** Our Ministry of Consolation is looking for a booklet maker or two. Must know how or open to learning how to use Microsoft Publisher.
- **Love clothes?** Help our Thrift Shop! We are especially looking for help late on Sundays (on your own time) or early Mondays to empty the clothing bins.
- **Design on a Dime?** How about helping us with some paint projects, including restoring our ceilings in the school?
- **Love to talk?** How about becoming a reader? Presently we are seeking readers for our Daily Masses (7 and 12, Monday – Friday). This may be a good way to begin in this important ministry.
- **Cleaning....Love it!** Our Cana Care Crew (the people in the orange shirts) need some help! We need volunteers to assist with cleaning after Masses...and, yes, you'll get a cool T-shirt too!
- **Good at being present?** Our Ministry of Consolation is in need of some greeters, readers and companions.
- **Good at being present to the Lord?** How about taking an hour at Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. See page 10 for more information. You do not need to sign up. Just come and pray in Seton Chapel.

For more information about any of these possibilities, please contact Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org and he will forward your information to correct ministry leaders.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

Summer Evening Prayer

Summer School

THIS MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2020

7:00 p.m. + Church Parking Lot

Homilist: Fr. Jaime



And be part of the

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY DRIVES

Supporting Street Ministry, Parish Outreach, and Ernie's Place

Because of other events on parish grounds, we ask all to bring Parish Social Ministry donations. There will be bins in the Church parking lot to drop off donations in on Monday night. There will not be a drive-thru. All are asked to enter via St. John's Place.

Some scenes from this past Tuesday's Summer Evening Prayer:



FROM THE DESK OF SEMINARIAN LOUIS CONA

Summertime Reflection

LEARNING HOW TO SEE IN A DISTRACTED WORLD



In recent months I have reconnected with a few old college friends through a weekly reading group. Each week, on a rotating basis, one of us selects an essay, poem, or chapter of a book that serves as the basis for our discussion and which also serves as a point of reflection throughout the week leading up to our meeting. This past week we read a brilliant essay by the late Josef Pieper titled, “Learning How to See Again.” In this essay, Pieper reflects upon the many ways that “visual noise” diminishes our capacity to see the extraordinary reality that surrounds us. Although Pieper wrote this insightful essay nearly fifty years ago, it remains ever more insightful today as the “visual noise” of cellphones, video games, text messages, GPS

screens, email, and so forth, continue to diminish our ability to see the gift of the present moment.

To illustrate his thematic insight, Pieper laments how on a voyage across the Atlantic passengers remarked that there was “nothing to see” out on the ocean at night. Could there truly be *nothing* to see across this vast ocean, Pieper wondered? How about the stars, the moon, the waves crashing against the ship, the various sea creatures that make their way through the waters? Could there really be nothing to see? Pieper’s insight reminds us that too often we overlook the ordinary, or rather, we miss the extraordinariness of our ordinary lives. But if we pause to reflect upon the reality that surrounds, Pieper observes, then we will recognize the *superabundance* of our lives, the incredible reality of life itself that does not “need” to exist, and yet, it does.

Perhaps during these days of summer we can remain more alert to the extraordinary and superabundant nature that surrounds us. On a recent walk down Ocean Avenue, I looked out onto Moriches Bay. At first, I was going to turn around and walk away as I must have seen this same location at least a dozen times, but then I stopped and remembered Pieper’s essay. I tried to look more intently at the reality in front and around me. I observed for the first time the wonder of the sunlight bay, the storm brewing in the distance, the families together on sailboats, the sounds of the seagulls, the fish swimming in the sea, the sound of an ice cream truck in the background - how extraordinary this symphony of nature! Should it not strike us as odd that there is something rather than nothing out there, light instead of darkness, order instead of chaos? That I am not alone in this world? That joy still exists amid a world of turmoil? And what, or rather, *Who* is the source of this great reality? Perhaps all of us this summer can practice limiting our “visual noise” and immerse ourselves in the superabundant joy and reality that surrounds us. I promise that one who truly has the “eyes to see” what is out there will never see life as merely “ordinary” ever again. Have a great week!



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

SJE/OLQA PAINT CLUB RETURNS!

Do you like to look up at the sky? Well, good news! We have some ceilings that need some careful painting! If you're able to help us out, please email to Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009



OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL VIRTUAL TOUR



TO VIEW THE TOUR VISIT
OLQANY.ORG

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HELP WANTED

OLQA, the Catholic School in Center Moriches, is seeking a part-time maintenance/cleaning staff member to assist on a daily basis for 2-3 hours each day. Details to be provided.



Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Dawn Waller, Principal at dwaller@olqany.org or call 631.878.1033.

Our Lady Queen of Apostles Catholic School **EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM**



Call today!

631-878-1033
olqany.org
2 St. John's Place
Center Moriches



Half-day/Full-day Nursery & Pre-K 4
Enriched Education w/ Spanish, Phys Ed & Music
Before/After Care Program Available

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

BECOMING CATHOLIC

**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 Fr. Jaime at jcalderon@sjecm.org

We will be putting together our next RCIA group in the weeks ahead!



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Mass Card Intentions

As a way to offer comfort and solace during this time, 2020 Mass Intentions are available. To request a Mass Intention, please contact the rectory with the following information: **(ALL MASS CARDS WILL BE MAILED):**



Your Name: _____

Your Phone number: _____

Your Email: _____

Name for whom the mass is offered: _____

*please notate living or deceased

Mass stipend Announced: \$20 (check or cash)

Date requested: _____

The address where you would like the Mass card mailed:

Name: _____

Street: _____ Town: _____

You can reserve your Mass intention electronically by clicking [here](https://forms.gle/yawMSuwgKwLY858U6)—

Or copying and pasting :
<https://forms.gle/yawMSuwgKwLY858U6>

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Friday: 3PM - 7PM

- Beginning as of Monday, August 3rd, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament has returned to Seton Chapel.

- We are in need of help at the following hours:

If you can be present for any of these hours, please e-mail Fr. John at jsureau@sjecm.org.

___ Wednesday 4–5

___ Thursdays 6–7

___ Fridays 6–7

___ Thursdays 4–5

___ Fridays 4–5

___ Thursdays 5–6

___ Fridays 5–6

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



Did you receive our Summer Appeal Mailing?

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

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Change in Confession Schedule

The new schedule will be

Saturdays—after the 8 a.m. Mass

Saturdays—from 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.—CHANGE IN TIME

Saturdays—from 7 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Sundays—from 5:30 to 5:45 p.m. —CHANGE IN TIME

Confessions will continue to be held after Daily Mass each day in Our Lady's Chapel.

FAITH FORMATION

Phone: 631-878-0009, ext. 5 + Website: sjecm.org + Facebook: StJohn FaithFormation

Email: faithformation@sjecm.org / mpirraglia@sjecm.org

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



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS!

Throughout July & August, nearly 200 students received First Holy Communion! SJE Faith Formation volunteers and staff created videos to help families prepare for the big day.



BEING THE BODY OF CHRIST

Now that they have received the Body of Christ, we are asking families to send us pictures of their First Holy Communion children BEING the Body of Christ! Whether it's helping an elderly neighbor, sibling or someone else in need or doing an act of kindness or service, we want to see our First Holy Communion children being the Body of Christ to others!

All photos can be sent to: socialmedia@sjecm.org

Attached is a picture of Sadie and Hannah Poach showing the spirit of Christ by writing letters to our sponsor children. Our sponsor children are from Zambia, Africa. Once a month we exchange letters and donate to their village.



ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN! INCOMING 1ST GRADERS + NEW STUDENTS:

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. This year, we are launching online registration for all new, incoming first graders. Registration will only be done online this year. Visit sjecm.org and click on "Faith Formation" for the NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM.

RETURNING STUDENTS—GRADES 2-6

We are launching our new "Family of Faith" program for Grades 1-6. Please visit sjecm.org and click on "Faith Formation" for the registration form (for RETURNING students), information about this new approach and link to our Virtual Classroom!

CONFIRMATIONS FALL 2020: CHECK YOUR EMAIL!

Fall 2020 Candidates: Check your email for your child's Confirmation date & rehearsal, as well as preparation info. We are asking our 2020 Confirmation Candidates to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on their own, either during our regular Confession times (see the bulletin) or at another parish before their Confirmation date. Thank you for your patience—you are in our prayers.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

IF YOU ARE IN NEED, PLEASE REACH OUT

If we are unable to assist you directly, we will be more 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 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

It is our hope to open Ernie's Place at our regular times.

Thrift Shop - Closed until further notice.

Self Help Support Groups

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

SJE STREET MINISTRY

Street Ministry: We are continuing to serve the most in need at the Mastic Train Station on Thursday evenings. We are still not yet to the point of bringing out clothes but we are still giving warm dinners and hygiene items to the 20-25 individuals who would otherwise go without. We are tremendously grateful for all of the donations that continue to allow us to do this work. We are in need of the following:



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

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

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

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Ernie's Place

St. John's Food Pantry Ministry
Mondays – 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Thursdays – 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Donations can be left in Fellowship Area of Church, Rectory or Bin outside of Pantry.

SHOPPING LIST

+ Peanut Butter & Jelly
+ White Rice
+ Jarred Tomato Sauce
+ Pasta
+ Snacks/Cookies
+ Condiments

+ Oatmeal
+ Cereal
+ Cup of Noodles
+ Spam
+ Boxed Mashed Potatoes

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!

SJE Parish Social Ministry is beginning its Annual School Supply Drive

While we might not know if students will be back in person or virtually, items such as notebooks, pens, pencils, folders, etc. will still be needed! We ask that donations are brought to the entrance of the church. We will be holding future "drive-by" opportunities for parishioners to donate items at the end of August as well. We are asking for the following:

- Notebooks (marble and ring)
- Binders
- Folders
- Pens
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Colored Pencils
- Markers



Gift cards to Walmart, Dollar Tree and Staples will also be appreciated!

We also anticipate a need – but are uncertain at this time - to provide resources for young people and families who may be in need of laptops or Chromebooks or internet connection. If you are able to make a larger donation please contact Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or cdiconsiglio@sjecm.org.

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

Elena Gallo, Connie Change

June O'Neill, Ralph J. Leone, Ana Paredes

We Pray...

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

**Anna Catanzaro, David Raynor, Helen Moore
Beatrice Elefante, John Madigan, Vincent Ferrara
Barbara Hunt, Thomas Taylor, Salvatore Iannone
Keith Reyes, Angela Sala**

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

Praying for Our Military

US Army

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

US Air Force

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

US Marine Corps

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

US Navy

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

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 Eileen and Ken McConnell.



**Looking for
daily inspiration?**

**Call extension 185
(631-878-0009)**



**Join St John the Evangelist
email list!**

**Just send your email address
by text message:**

Text

SJE

to 22828 to get started.



Message and data rates may apply.

PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

ALL EVENTS AND MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 31, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Joan Huey
12 Noon	Special Intention– Servants of the Lamb Prayer Group

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m.	John Lynch
12 Noon	Surindra Wati

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Vineeta Harkin
12 Noon	Maureen Bach

Thursday, September 3, 2020 + Memorial of St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m.	Grace S. Halversen
12 Noon	Richard Schaeffer

Friday, September 4, 2020 + Weekday

7:00 a.m.	Catherine and Donald Lake
12 Noon	Kenneth Horbal

Saturday, September 5, 2020 + Weekday

8:00 a.m.	Joseph Tusa
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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass of Anticipation

5:00 p.m.	The People of the Parish
7:30 p.m.	Intention Still Available

Sunday

8:00 a.m.	Marissa Factora
10:00 a.m..	Ray Probeyahn Jr.
12:00 p.m.	Joseph Taggart
6:00 p.m.	Brian Hickey

Comunidad Hispano de San Juan Evangelista, Center Moriches

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Dirección de la Oficina: 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934

Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009

Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia. Clases pre-bautismos es el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

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

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.

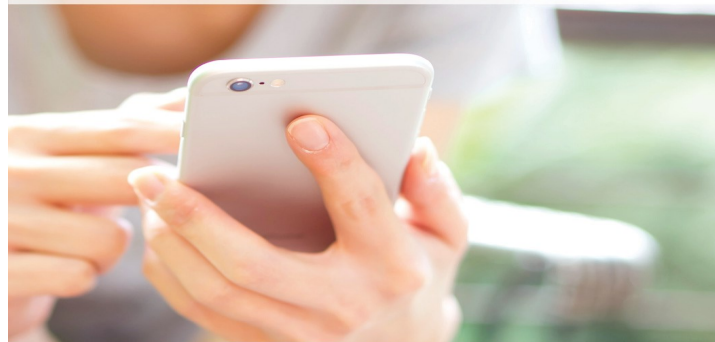
Matrimonios:

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 (Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos): Padre Michael 1-631.878.0009

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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(in the Blue House)

Monday—Thursday:

9 a.m.—8 p.m.

Friday—Saturday

9 a.m.—2 p.m.

We ask that you call before visiting any parish offices.

Come and pray with us!

SUNDAY MASS

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

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

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

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

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

Videos remain on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

Come and know God's Mercy!

We celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Monday—Friday: After the 7 a.m. and 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.

Give us a call!

A daily spiritual message is recorded each day for you to hear.

Call 631.878.0009, x. 185.

Share this with family members and friends who are homebound.

August 30, 2020

Come to know Mary, Our Lady Queen of Apostles

All are invited to pray the Rosary after Daily Mass in the Church. In addition we pray the Rosary via Zoom each morning at 9:30 a.m.

Zoom Online Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81729471841>

Meeting ID: 817 2947 1841

Zoom Phone #: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 817 2947 1841

Extra Rosary beads are available at the doors of the Church and Seton Chapel. Not sure how to pray the Rosary? Click [here](#)— or click here and pray online—https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtJM_V8scoo

Come to the quiet!

The church building and Seton Chapel (located in the white convent building) are open from
Monday - Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. + Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

All who visit must sign in, wash their hands in the bathroom or use sanitizer before entering the worship space, and keep a safe social distance from others.

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Seton Chapel Mondays —Fridays from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. All are invited to quiet times of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament when the Church and Seton Chapel are open.

Come pray the Liturgy of the Hours!

Liturgy of the Hours
Pray the prayer for this day, this hour!



coronavirus emergency
www.ibrevariary.com

The communal celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours is postponed until further notice. Those who wish to pray may visit univiersalis.com or you can click [here](#) for Ibreviary or scan the QR code to the left. You may also download the app for your iphone or android device. Those wish to pray may pick up a *Christian Prayer* book from the lobby of Seton Chapel to keep in these days.



All are encouraged to stay connected with our local and global church through the Catholic Faith Network (CFN).

CFN is available on
Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296,
and Charter Spectrum channel 162/471
and can be accessed via catholicfaithnetwork.org