

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

Father Michael Plona A Reason for our Hope!



FAREWELL, FR. MICHAEL PLONA Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2020

A LETTER FROM FR. MICHAEL

"How can I repay the LORD for all the great good done for me? I will raise the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD." -Psalm 116:12-13



It seems like just yesterday I moved into St. John's to begin my first priestly assignment and introduced myself to the parish. I now find myself just over three years later saying farewell. There is so much I would like to say here, but I do not believe that words are sufficient.

When I arrived and celebrated my first Parish Mass at St. John's on July 1, 2017 at 5pm in the auditorium, I was greeted by a basketball court full of strangers and instead of seeing anything normally associated with a church building, I saw only a basketball hoop above my head and a scoreboard opposite me. Needless to say, as a newly ordained priest, I had scarcely known what I had gotten myself into. Since that first Mass here, so many that were in that auditorium full of strangers have told me that I have become "like a part of their family" and they have become an intimate part of my own life.

Since my arrival at St. John's, I have watched our church building be rebuilt and our community come together in solidarity. I have greeted you after Mass and enjoyed your company. I have been privileged to hear your confessions and be an instrument of Divine Mercy. I have celebrated your children's baptisms and First Holy Communions. I have been invited into the joys, crises and tragedies of your lives. I have anointed your loved ones and prepared them to go home to God at the end of their lives. I have witnessed your marriages on behalf of the Church as you founded a family of your own. I have prayed with you over the tragic death of Thomas Valva and shared with you the anxieties and heartaches of the Coronavirus Pandemic. I have buried your husbands and wives, mothers and fathers, grandparents and friends. Like St. Paul, I feel I can say to some extent, "I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it" (1 Cor. 9:22-23). I have been privileged to a true sharing of life with you and your families as a priest of Jesus Christ and for this I give thanks.

A priest-mentor of mine once reminded me how a priest, since he belongs to Christ in a special way,

carries the people he encounters throughout his life in his heart forever. I know that this is certainly the case with you. The seminary taught me many things about the priesthood, but this parish has taught me how to be a priest. For that and for all the love, encouragement, generosity and kindness you have shown to me, I give thanks to Almighty God. I am also grateful to Fr. John Sureau, our pastor, who welcomed me like a brother and has shown me so much kindness and patience. I will hold you all in my heart forever and lift you up at the Holy Eucharist. It is there that we are always closest to God and one another, it is there that we are truly one. So this isn't really farewell, but see you in the Eucharist.



In Jesus and Mary, Father Michael

FR. MICHAEL TAILGATE TRANSITION PARTY

Thanks to all who planned, carried and celebrated with Fr. Michael and our parish this past Monday!



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SJE

CANA CARE CREW UPDATE

Thank you for your great spirit of cooperation and generosity in these days. For the upcoming weeks, we ask the following:

Updates on Seating:

• We ask those who are being seated as individuals (1 person) or a group of two to please sit in the fronts rows of each section of the Church or in the chairs on the perimeter of the Church.

- There are pieces of blue tape on the rows. I ask that you sit on the blue tape. This will give us enough distance.

• Some have asked, "If I bring my husband, do I have to sit with him?" No! We can get you individual seats!

• Those who come to Church in groups of three or more are asked to seat behind those single sections.

• Members of the Cana Care Crew will assist you, of course!

More Help Needed!

• We are looking for more volunteers to assist with the Cana Care Crew, particularly after Masses with the wipe down of the pews. If you and/or your family are willing to help, please see one of the volunteers in the orange shirts. We provide the gloves, t-shirt, towels and cleaning solution. You provide the arm strength and the positive spirit!

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







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The New <u>WWW.SJECM.ORG</u>

If you're reading this online, you noticed we have a new website! As you may or may not know, this takes an ENORMOUS amount of work to do. Thank you for Fr. Michael, Andrew McKeon, Michelle Pirraglia, and Katie Waller from Pastoral Team for taking the lead and providing an incredible amount of time, effort, and information.

Our parish is blessed by the generosity of Mr. Keith Redo, who has done an enormous amount of work putting this all together. (As you can imagine, everyone has great ideas, which can be a lot.) Keith's example is a good one for each of us to consider. Keith has a gift for this technology and shares his gifts generously and with no expectation to our parish. Thank you, Keith!

You'll notice some new things on our website. With the new <u>www.sjecm.org</u>, parish registrations and baptism registrations will all take place via the website, which will be a huge help, particularly in these times.



ELIMINATING ENVELOPES

We are in the process of doing some updating to our data systems which involves some work with our envelope system. Did you know the printing and mailing of envelopes is a pretty significant expense to the parish? One of the benefits of moving to online giving is that it reduces the expenses related to this. If you're using WeShare and are willing to move to it, please email <u>rectory@sjecm.org</u> so we can remove you from our envelope distribution list. This would be a financial savings for the parish and environmental help too (less paper, printings, etc.). You will still receive parish mailings, information, phone calls, etc. This change, if you are willing to make it, would

only impact the mailing to you of weekly envelopes.

Where your		My Offering
treasure is, there will	Name:	
your heart be also. Mat. 6:21	Address: . Amount: _	

Daily Rosary with Sr. Ann - 9:30 AM

Sr. Ann will be praying the Rosary daily at 9:30 AM via Zoom online. There also is a phone call-in option. All information is below. If you can, please pray with us.

Zoom Online Link:

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



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Mass Card In As a way to offer comfort and solace during th available. To request a Mass Intention, please following information: (ALL MASS CARDS	his time, 2020 Mass Intentions are contact the rectory with the
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 c	ard mailed:
Name:	
Street:	Town:
Looking for	THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY Holy Day; Not Obligatory Masses
daily inspiration?	Saturday August 15, 2020
Call extension 185 (631-878-0009)	8 a.m.
	12 Noon

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.

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PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Alex Finta + afinta@sjecm.org +Director of Parish Social Ministry (631-878-0009 ext. 119) Sister Ann Berendes + aberendes@sjecm.org + Director of Senior Ministry (631.878.0009, x. 127) Christian Diconsiglio + cdiconsiglio@sjecm.org + Case Manger (631-878-0009 ext. 119) Ministry of Consolation: Eve O'Brien—eveobrien@optonline.net .net Communion to the Homebound: Kevin Both - counts2n2@aol.com Respect Life Group: Maria Sikora—msikora@sjecm.org Society of St. Vincent de Paul - x. 173 - svdp@sjecm.org

IF YOU ARE IN NEED, PLEASE REACH OUT

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

Our office hours in the Red Barn are:

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

Ernie's Place (Food Pantry) - Monday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Thursdays 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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

<u>**Thrift Shop -**</u> 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.

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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

- + Cereal + Tomato Sauce + Chicken in Can + Peanut Butter & Jelly + White Rice Bags + Cup a Noodle Soup
- + Beef Ramen + Mashed Potatoes (boxed) + Condiments + Snacks for Kids + Juice
- + Flour + Sugar + Cooking Oil + Toilet Paper +Paper Towels

Thank you for your continued generosity. *Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!*



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Thrift Shop Muscle!

The Thrift Shop is getting ready to re-open but we need some muscle! We are in need of volunteers who can assist in "emptying the bins" on Mondays and or Tuesdays. It takes about an hour or so...

and of course you can get involved with other parts of the Thrift Shop Ministry as well!



To sign up or to learn more, contact Alex Finta at afinta@sjecm.org or call 631.878.0009, and then press 4.



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)

1ST GRADERS/NEW STUDENTS: ONLINE REGISTRATION TO BEGIN SOON!

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 will be launching online registration for all new, incoming first graders. Registration will only be done online this year. Look on our social media and the bulletin for updates in the near future!

As of now, we are planning to begin classes as normal for the Fall. If anything changes, we will let you know. Those students who are already enrolled will receive an email in the near future—if you need to update your email with us, please email us at: faithformation@sjecm.org.

CONFIRMATIONS-FALL 2020

There is no word yet regarding when we will be able to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. As soon as we receive directives from the diocese. we will contact you. Thank you for your patience —you continue to be in our prayers!

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Monday - Thursday: 3PM - 7PM

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



 We would like to have Exposition from 3 - 7 p.m. on Fridays in August. We

cannot offer this until we have more volunteers to come to the Chapel. Therefore, all are invited to

quiet adoration in Seton Chapel on Fridays, at this time.

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

Wednesday 4 –5	Fridays 4– 5
Thursdays 4-5	Fridays 5 –6
Thursdays 5-6	Fridays 6-7
Thursdays 6-7	·

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

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

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 Margaret Peters, June A. Tufano, Joan B. Huey, Lubomir "Louis" Kocjanzyj

We Pray...

"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials..." -1 Peter 1:6 Don Lyon, Diana Guercio, Jim Kowalski, Ronald Casey, Melody Gerakaris, Katherine Stephani, Anna Catanzaro, David Raynor

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.

<u>US Air Force</u> SSgt. Jason M. Hermes, SRA Ryan Kerstiens, SRA Timothy Kerstiens, PFC Kyle Kerstiens

<u>US Marine Corps</u> Pfc Sean Brady, Patrick Kimes, Lt. Col. Robert K. Maldonado, CPL Andrew Schlosberg PVT Charles O'Connor, SGT Quentin Montemarano, Recruit Evan Berkemeyer

<u>US Navy</u>

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

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.





JULY 10TH -AUGUST 28TH

SUMMER MOVIE & CONCERT NIGHTS EVERY FRIDAY

at St John the Evangelist Parking Lot 25 OCEAN AVENUE, CENTER MORICHES

July 10th Grease July 17th Field of Dreams July 24th Beethoven July 31st CONCERT by Chain Reaction August 7th Mamma Mia August 14th Elf August 21st Back to the Future August 28th CONCERT by High Tide

DONATIONS WELCOME FOR ST. JOHNS FOOD PANTRY

Need More Info?

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PREPARING FOR THE WEEK

ALL EVENTS AND MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 10, 2020 + Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

7:00 a.m.	Anne Minelli		
12 Noon	Lubomir Kochanskyj		
Tuesday, Au Virgin	ugust 11, 2020 + Memorial of St. Clare,		
7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Ben Mauro		
Wednesday	y, August 12, 2020 + Weekday		
7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Intention Still Available		
Thursday, August 13, 2020 + Weekday			
7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Cecilia Trentmann		
	ust 14, 2020 + Memorial of St. Kolbe, Priest and Martyr		
7:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Margaret Peters		
	ugust 15, 2020 + Solemnity of the of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
8:00 a.m.	Intention Still Available		
12 Noon	Msgr. James M. McDonald		
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Mass of An	ticipation		
5:00 p.m.	Philomena & Ernest Vigliotta		
7:30 p.m.	People of the Parish		
Sunday			
8:00 a.m.	Joan Huey		
10:00 a.m	Roy Rogers		
12:00 p.m.	Leo Strebel		

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Comunidad Hispano de San Juan

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Dirección de la Oficina: 25 Ocean Ave. Center Moriches, NY 11934 Teléfono: 1-631.878.0009 Bautismos: Segundo Domingo a las 2p.m. en la Iglesia.

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

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

Certificado de nacimiento del niño o/de la niña.
Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)

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

Matrimonios:

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

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

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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS (in the Blue House)

Monday – Thursday: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday – Saturday 9a.m. – 2p.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**: <u>Monday—Friday:</u> After the 7 a.m. and 12 Noon Masses <u>Saturday:</u> After the 8 a.m. Mass <u>Saturday:</u> 3:30 –4:30 p.m. + 7:00—7:15 p.m. (Spanish) <u>Sunday:</u> 5:00—5:30 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.

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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: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81729471841</u> 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 <u>here</u>— or click here and pray online—<u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> <u>watch?v=VtJM_V8scoo</u>

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 —Thursday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. We hope to expand to Fridays in the coming weeks.

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!



The communal celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours is postponed until further notice. Those who wish to pray may visit unviersalis.com or you can click <u>here</u> for Ibreviary or scan the QR code to the left. You may also download the app for your iphone or android device. Those 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

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