

St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



Who
do you
say that
I am?

September 15, 2024

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Psalm 116

September 15, 2024

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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, September 21st

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, September 22nd

8:00 AM - Msgr. Walden

10:00 AM - Fr. Jerry

12 noon - Fr. Patrick

6:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

*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.

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

Ed Grieb

Deacon

Carolyn Lapham

Director of Family Ministries

Michelle Pirraglia

Director of Faith Formation

Heather Crayne

Director of Parish Social Ministry

Katie Waller

Director of Operations

Our Lady Queen of Apostles

Regional Catholic School

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Dawn Waller

Principal

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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

Pastoral Team

OLQA

Office Hours

A Message from Our Pastor, Fr. Patrick...

Gospel Reflection ~ Mark 8:27-35

"Who Do You Say That I Am?"

Up to this point in Mark's Gospel, we saw Jesus performing many miracles, while proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. His teachings and miracles have brought awe, amazement, and curiosity among many, even though there were some who met Him with great resistance. **Yet, it is Peter's confession of faith**, here north of Galilee in Caesarea Philippi, that changes everything. In Mark's Gospel, this marks the beginning of the end for Jesus. Up till now the people, for the most part, only envision Jesus as mere manifestation of an important figure from the past (John the Baptist, Elijah or one of the prophets). But when Jesus directs the question to His closest disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" away from Galilee, Peter says, "You are the Christ!"

Peter's confession of faith is the turning point in Mark's Gospel. It is a major breakthrough in salvation history. Up to this point, many just saw Jesus as one of the prophets, not as the Messiah. But it is Peter's confession of faith that brings to light all that was foretold of old. It allows Jesus to change course and move on to Jerusalem where He will suffer greatly and redeem the world of its sins and bring salvation to humanity.

Not everyone understood Jesus' true identity. Not everyone understood that He was the anointed one who would bring all of humanity salvation. Even Peter did not fully understand the role of the Messiah when He professed that He was the Christ. Peter did not fully understand all that the Messiah would have to endure for the world's salvation. Like many, Peter thought that Jesus would be the first king in over six centuries who would lead His army in overthrowing the Roman Empire on horse and chariot and restore Israel of its independence, not by way of the cross and crucifixion. Even though Peter did not fully understand the way in which the Messiah would save God's people, he knew that the Messiah would accomplish all that God has promised for His people.

The truth is, it takes a lifetime to grow in our knowledge, appreciation and understanding of who Jesus is and all that He has done for us. We now know how much He had to endure in bringing us eternity. We know from the scriptures alone how faithful He was in remaining true to Himself. As a result, we can now live forever with God and one another.

Peter's confession of faith at Caesarea Philippi was a source of encouragement for Jesus because

Jesus knew that in order to redeem the world, He would have to continue towards Jerusalem. Peter's belief in Jesus reassured Jesus He that was on the right path towards salvation. What a source of encouragement we are for others, when we grow in our faith and



understanding of who Jesus is. Our faith today in Jesus stems from Peter's confession of faith. We have our faith in Jesus because of people like St. Peter who encountered the Lord regularly.

The more we listen to Jesus and spend time with Jesus as Peter did, the more we will appreciate His blessings and presence within our lives. The more we grow in our faith and understanding of His Lordship and power in our lives, the more we will help others grow. It is Jesus who changes us and leads us on the right path to salvation.

Parish Update

I hope you and your families had a nice summer! One of my favorite things to do in the summer is spend time with my family at the Jersey Shore. I hope you got to enjoy the beautiful weather we have had these past couple of months. By now I hope you got to meet Fr. Abin who is our new associate. Fr. Abin is with us until the end of June. He replaced Fr. Felix this past July. We also welcomed our new deacon, Deacon Ed Grieb. He was recently assigned here by Bishop Barres at the beginning of this month. It is so wonderful to work with my brother priests and deacons in serving you and your families here at St. John's. St. John's is such a beautiful parish community. I thank the Lord every day for my assignment. You are a blessing and a gift to all of us who serve on staff. Thank you again for all that you do in service to our community. And a special thank you for your continued support and generosity! Thank you again for supporting our annual Summer Appeal. It really helps us with our finances. Have a great fall and God's blessings to all!

Masses for the Week...

Saturday, September 14th *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

5:00 PM Crescenzo Vigliotta

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, September 15th *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM John Grammas

10:00 AM Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

12:00 Noon Kristen Bigora

6:00 PM Katy Dyer and her brother Jack Dyer

Monday, September 16th *Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

7:00 AM Elena deFilippis

12:00 Noon Jane Ann Sherry

Tuesday, September 17th *Weekday*

7:00 AM Lidia Trovarella

12:00 Noon Clayton Huey

Wednesday, September 18th *Weekday*

7:00 AM Patricia Cuff

12:00 PM Anne Mintel

Thursday, September 19th *Weekday*

7:00 AM Christopher Bowman

12:00 Noon Clayton Huey

Friday, September 20th *Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs*

7:00 AM Lawrence Citarelli

12:00 Noon Theresa and Patrick Cartolano

Saturday, September 21st *Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist*

8:00 AM Lucilla Eschmann

5:00 PM Kenneth Horbal

7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Sunday, September 22nd *Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Paul John Loguercio Sr.

10:00 AM Glen Probeyahn

12:00 Noon Theresa Clauberg

6:00 PM Carol Hernandez

Annual Summer Appeal...

Thank you for supporting our annual Summer Appeal!

Summer Appeal	
Thank you for your generosity!	
Year	Total
2024 ~ To Date	\$42,467
2023 ~ Final	\$42,286

You can still make a donation by using the QR code below or using the envelopes at the rear of the church.



PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2024 to present.

Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2024	\$648,893	36	\$18,025
2023	\$597,908	36	\$16,609

2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL
OFFICE OF MINISTRIES CENTRE

*Revitalizing our Faith -
Renewed by the Eucharist*



As of 8/20/2024	2024	2023
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	209	220
Total Pledged to date	\$87,723	\$86,645
Avg. Gift	\$420	\$394
Percent of Goal	76.2%	75.3%

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!

2024

**CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL**
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Revitalizing our Faith –
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"Deacons are the guardians of service in the Church."

~ Pope Francis

Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports vocations to the priesthood and diaconate in our Diocese. It ensures that those who are looking to serve their parish and diocese will have resources and the guidance they need to discern their call to provide spiritual nourishment to the people of our diocese.

Ordained in May of 2023, Deacon O'Brien hopes to bring God's message of love, mercy, and hope to others.

"As a Deacon, it is my hope to revitalize the faith of others. I go to nursing homes and the residents hear the Word of God and receive the Eucharist. At wake services, when people have lost a loved one, I hope to revitalize their faith so that people know that they can call on and rely on God to help them through the difficult times. In happy times such as a baptism or a wedding, God is there for them for the rest of their life."



– Deacon O' Brien

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: _____ Parish: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: Home _____ Cell: _____

Signature: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

Thank You!



September 15, 2024

Praying For and With One Another

Remember

Kathleen Irish + John Grammas

"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 + Lou D'Amara
Beth Schupp + Barbara Lefkowitz + Ray Galpin
Ryan deBlasi + Frank Macchia + Kevin Beyer Jr.
Annie Albaneze + Kathleen Fontaine
Carol DeSomma + Vincent Diaz
David Daniel Vigliotta + Jonathon Saccomagno

"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 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 Army

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

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 September has been donated in memory of:

Michael Stachnik Jr.

Mass Intentions

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

Altar Bread and Wine

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

An offering of \$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



"There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist." - Pope St. John Paul II

Dear Friends:

Please accept my deepest thanks for your prayers and continued financial support for our senior priests residing at St. Pius X Residence.

It is through the Eucharist and the priesthood that Jesus shares His love for us. Through the hands of the priest, the very presence of Jesus Christ is mediated to all people. As we offer thanks to God for the gift of the priesthood in our Diocese, and as we pray together for a rich harvest of vocations to the priesthood on Long Island, we have a critical role to play in the life of our priests, including our senior priests.

Many of our senior priests live independently in parishes or their own homes, but there is a group of priests that require assistance with their daily living or a safe place to recover from an injury or illness. For these priests, and with your support, the Diocese of Rockville Centre founded the St Pius X Residence.

St. Pius X Residence cares for our senior priests in a setting that allows them to keep the Eucharist as the center of their lives, while accessing a wide array of medical and social opportunities.

This month you will have the opportunity to express your gratitude to our priests and celebrate their presence among us through your gift to the annual St. Pius X Residence Fund. Your gifts and prayers will ensure that our retired priests are properly cared for today and long into the future.

With my prayers and gratitude,

**This Sunday, September 15th,
the second collection will be
taken for the
St. Pius X Residence fund.**

*Please give generously for the financial
support of our senior priests!*

Sincerely in Christ,

Bishop John O. Barres



Our Lady Queen of Apostles
Regional Catholic School

Contact Us!

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL: SEPTEMBER 2024!

First School Mass & 8th Grade Pinning Ceremony



Our students, faculty and staff were excited to start another school year here at OLQA on Wednesday, September 4!

On Friday, September 6, we celebrated the 8th Grade Pinning Ceremony during our first school Mass! Fr. Patrick, pastor of SJE, presided, assisted by Msgr. Walden & Fr. Abin, who is the new associate priest at SJE. We also welcomed John Pirocato, Assistant Superintendent for Administration for the Diocese of Rockville Center's Department of Education.





God bless America!

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Come Pray the Rosary

Wednesday



September 18 ~ 7 PM

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

EUCCHARISTIC *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.



2024 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



Our 2024 Confirmation Candidates formalized their commitment the weekend of September 7-8 and have begun the final weeks of preparation through our “Fearless” program. Let us continue to keep them and their families in our prayers!

2024 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDARS for all our programs are available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website (sjecm.org, click on “Faith Formation”)

“FAMILY OF FAITH” (GRADES 1-6):

OPENING PRAYER SERVICES/BOOK PICKUP, PARENT/STUDENT EVENT (ATTEND 1)

Tuesday, September 24th @ 5 PM or 7 PM, Church

Thursday September 26th @ 5 PM OR 7 PM, Church

LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

OPENING PRAYER SERVICE/BIBLE DISTRIBUTION

PARENT/STUDENT EVENT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th @ 7:15 PM, CHURCH

LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

OPENING PRAYER SERVICE/BIBLE DISTRIBUTION

PARENT/STUDENT EVENT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd @ 7:15 PM, CHURCH

“FEARLESS” - 9th-Grade Confirmation Prep

**For students who have completed our Level 7 & 8 preparation and will be confirmed this Fall (2024)*

- Sessions: Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 PM in the Church on September 17th & October 1st.
 - Parent/Student Reconciliation Night: October 15th at 7:15 PM in the Church
 - Weekend of November 2nd & 3rd ~ MASS OF SENDING FORTH

The Office of Family Ministry



Today is Sandwich Sunday!

Come make sandwiches for the hungry in our local area. We'll meet in the school cafeteria on **Sunday, September 15th** after the 11 AM Mass. This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours! **All are welcome!**

TAKE A PEAK AT SOME FAMILY MINISTRY GATHERINGS...

A thank you dinner was held for our **Vacation Bible Camp Adult Volunteers**. It was a beautiful evening filled with lots of love, laughter and plenty of good food!



The **Moms on the Journey Ministry** enjoyed a "Say Goodbye to Summer" gathering the week before school began. What a wonderful way for these faith-filled moms to spend some time together, enjoy a wonderful meal and share our hearts and our prayers, before the craziness of another school year begins!

Can't you picture yourself in these photos?



Our next gathering is on **Wednesday, September 25th** at **7:00 PM** in the Barn. All moms are welcome!

Parish Social Ministry

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
- Flour
- Sugar
- Granola Bars
- Pancake Mix
- Pancake Syrup
- Mac & Cheese



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

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 Papparatto at streetministry@sjecm.org



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.

New session begins on Saturday, September 14th.

Grief never ends but it changes. It is a passage, not a place to stay. It is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith. Grief is the price of love.

Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon

First floor meeting room in the Barn.

REGISTRATION: Contact the Rectory at

631.878.0009 or via email at Rectory@sjecm.org

\$10 donation for the workbook.



Breast Cancer Awareness Month

BLOOD DRIVE

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SPONSORED BY THE SAINT JANUARIUS MINISTRY

2 ST. JOHN'S PLACE, CENTER MORICHES

PARISH AUDITORIUM

Saturday, October 12th

9:00am – 3:00pm



TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- [CLICK HERE](#)
 - SCAN QR CODE
- CONTACT MELISSA AT
(917)566-8537/ MGATTO@NYBC.ORG



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A Message from Msgr. Walden...



One of the things we are taught to do as children is to pray. I am uplifted at Masses with children where they joyfully, confidently, and loudly make the responses and join in the prayers. Prayer is a very important part of our lives. It is good to have a routine to follow, and also to be open to speak with God spontaneously: "Thank you, God!", "Help me, God!", "Forgive me, God!" Obviously, the most nourishing times for us when we pray is when we are consciously open to God's presence to us and speak from our hearts to Him. How good it is to have those times when we are renewed, encouraged, and uplifted by our prayer time. This past week I read this excerpt from a book I read from everyday during my prayer time, "Alter Christus, St. Paul Speaks to Priests", which had this quote from Karl Rahner, German Jesuit and Theologian: "So often I consider my prayer just a job, a duty to be performed. I 'get it out of the way' and then relax, glad to have it behind me. When I'm at prayer, I'm at my 'duty', instead of being with You."

In the Gospel for today's Mass (Mark 8:27-35), Jesus asks the question we all have to answer as people of faith: "Who do you say that I am?" Just like we want people to accept us for who we are, not who they want us to be or think we should be, Jesus asks this question not for approval, but to see how well His followers understand who He is. Peter responded, "You are the Christ." That is the correct answer! Following that response to Peter, Jesus goes on to explain He will be rejected and put to death by the religious leaders of His time and rise from the dead three days later. "Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him." Can you imagine rebuking or telling Jesus who He is or what He should do? Jesus replies to Peter: "Get behind me Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human

beings do." If only our prayer time, reading the Bible, and receiving the Sacraments would always strengthen our faith, hope, and love. This Gospel concludes with these words: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

It is truly good to find some time everyday to pray, speaking to God from our hearts and listening to the thoughts that come to our mind from our time with Him. Like any human relationship we have and are nurtured by, there are those four basic building blocks of prayer: Praise, Thanks, Sorrow and Petition. They are exactly the building blocks of every life giving relationship we have in our lives.

May these words from Isaias the Prophet (2:2-5) nurture, inspire, and strength us:

*In days to come,
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest mountain
and raised above the hills.*

*All nations shall stream toward it;
many peoples shall come and say:
"Come, let us climb the Lord's mountain,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
That he may instruct us in his ways,
and we may walk in his paths."*

*For from Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.*

*He shall judge between the nations,
and impose terms on many peoples.
They shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;*

*One nation shall not raise the sword against
another, nor shall they train for war again.*

*O house of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord!*

Knights of Columbus
Queen of All Hearts Council #4126

FRIDAY NIGHT'S

Doors Open at 6:30 PM
Games Begin at 7:30 PM

\$3000 IN PRIZES

For more information
kofc4126.com



Bethlehem...
where Jesus was Born



Little Bethlehem
Christian Group (LBC)

Little Bethlehem Christians is a group that represents over 300 Christian and Catholic families who live in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, the Shepherd's Field, and the Holy Land area, and make their livings as Olive Wood Carvers.



After all masses on the weekend of **September 28 & 29**, the group represented by the Al-Sahouri family will display a collection of hand carved Olive Wood religious items for sale. The profit goes to support the existence of Christianity in the land of Christ. Please take a moment after mass to view this beautiful collection of items.

Meet Al-Sahouri Family

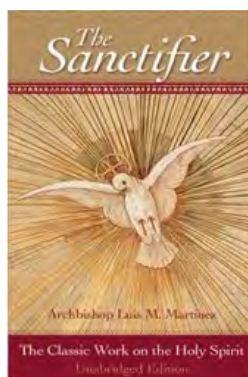


Crafted By Hand



Women's Group...

Our Women's Group will be starting again on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 10:00 AM.



We welcome back our Members & invite New Members to join us as we read together, learn & share our feelings & life's experiences. It's an open group, come when you want or can. You can join throughout the year. There's no commitment. You don't have to share or read out loud, no homework. Everything we share is kept confidential. We respect each other's sharing. No judgement. All you need is desire to draw nearer to Jesus & to have fellowship with like-minded women who know we're not perfect & it's ok. **BRING A FRIEND!!!**

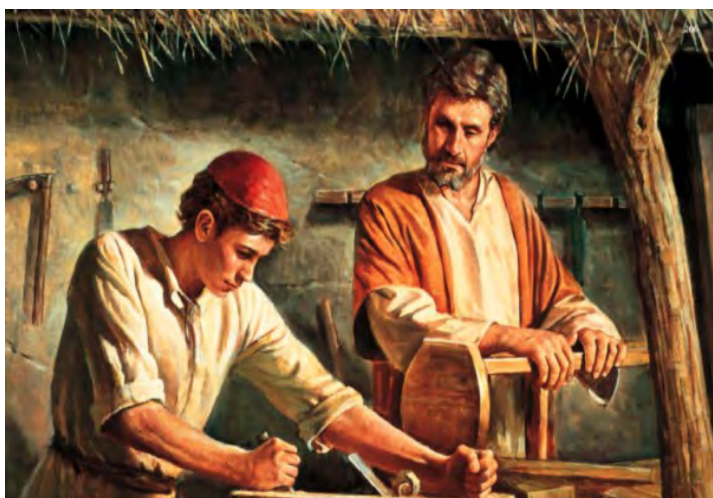
The book we'll read together is "The Sanctifier" by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez, explaining in detail how the workings of the gifts of The Holy Spirit bring us into holiness. It's usually in the sharing part of what we're reading that gives us clearer understanding of the subject especially because it relates to our lives at the present moment. We're

living the lessons which is comforting when we're in pain, we have a lot of laughs too. We're there for each other! The book will be provided, and a free will offering can be made for the book.

We meet in the white house between the school & rectory every other Monday, unless noted with an asterisk *, at 10:00 -11:30 AM, ending in time to go to 12:00 Mass if you want.

Dates: September 23rd, October 7th & 21st, November 4th & 18th, December 2nd & 16th, January 6th & 20th, February 3rd & 17th, March 3rd, 17th, & 31st, April 14th & 28th, May 12th & 19th*, June 2nd, 16th & 30th.

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



Men's Prayer Group...

CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9 AM** in the Convent. Join as us as we learn to follow the example of St. Joseph and grow in our faith, reflect on the Gospel and have coffee. For more information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

Safe Environment...



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.

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!

Join **BISHOP ANDRZEJ** this Fall
for the monthly times of prayer and reflection called

EUCCHARISTIC HORIZONS

exploring the deeper understanding of our mysteries of life
in the light of perpetual gift of grace and real presence of Jesus
in His Sacrament of Love

September 24, 2024

October 29, 2024

November 26, 2024

December 17, 2024

At 7:00 pm

Church of St. Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Rd., Brookville



For further information

Call - 516.744.6850

Email - worship@drvc.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
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at 631-249-4994

Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 16th, 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, September 17th, 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, September 18th, 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, September 19th, 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, September 20th, 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, September 21st, 2024

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

Sunday, September 22nd, 2024

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

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