St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church

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Welcome to our Parish Family!

We joyfully welcome all who have joined our community for worship and praise to God. We are grateful to our faithful parishioners who pray with us every week and ask you to consider officially registering to be a part of the parish as well. You, our neighbors and guests are always welcome; and, we hope you find a peaceful home here with us when visiting the area.

Parish Staff:
Pastor: Fr. Larry Duncklee,
In Residence: Bishop Emil A. Wcela
Visiting Assistant: Rev. Msgr. John Cervini

Deacons:
Peter Schultz Dan Waloski William Austin

Parish Office: 631-727-2030
Fran Johnson and Teresa Bermudez
Office hours: Monday – Thursday: 9AM – 4PM
Friday: 9am to 2pm
Office is closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 PM

Religious Formation: 631-727-6774
Rita Dlug, DRE and Liz Perez Cardenas
Email: stjohnrelformation@gmail.com
Mon. 10am-5pm Tue. & Wed. 12-8pm

Social Ministry & North Fork Spanish Apostolate
Sr. Margaret Smyth OP, 631-369-4601
Monday – Friday 10am-4pm

Music Ministry/Social Media: Renée Stakey
Social Media: *sjpsocialmedia@aol.com*

Cemetery Office:
Managed by the Diocese of RVC
(631) 732-3460 / Email: info@CCDRVCinc.org

First Sunday of Lent
March 1, 2020
"The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."
— *Matthew 4:10*

MASS SCHEDULE - EUCHARIST
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00AM;
7:00PM in Spanish
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 8:00 AM
Tuesday & Friday 12:10 PM
Holy Days of Obligation: Please check bulletin

DEVOTIONAL LIFE
Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday: 12:30 - 1:30 PM
Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday, 8:30AM
Rosary: Saturday 8:30 AM in the Church
Spanish Charismatic Service: Thursday at 7:30 PM

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The parish rejoices with you in the birth of your child! Baptisms are celebrated on scheduled Sundays at 12:30 PM. Parents planning to have their child baptized are asked to contact the rectory to arrange an interview.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturdays at 4:00 PM and Tuesdays at 12:45 PM. *Anytime by appointment.*

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations! Please make arrangements at the parish approximately one year before the desired date so we can work with you to prepare for your marriage.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Every Second Friday of the month after the 12:10 PM Mass. *Anytime in an emergency, by calling the rectory.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:
Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic or completing the Sacraments of Initiation, please call the Rectory Office.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS:
March 2 – March 8, 2020

Monday: 8:00am – Andre Como
Tuesday: 12:10pm – Agnes Volpe
Wednesday: 8:00am – Mary Elizabeth Antanaitis
Thursday: 8:00am – Priest's Intention
Friday: 12:10pm – Rachel Accluche

Saturday: (March 7th)
5:00pm – Kathleen & Leroy Taylor

Sunday: (March 8th)
7:00am – People of St. Johns
9:00am – Edward J. Bosch, Jr.; Ellen Saunders
11:00am – Rachel Accluche
7:00pm - Spanish Language Mass

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

The Bread and Wine for the week is offered in memory of:

Dorothy Johnson

Donated by: The Darcy Family

We ask your prayers for those of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life and also those they have left behind:

Ellen Saunders and Laurence Judd

We ask your prayers for the health and wholeness of all the sick and all who give them care, especially: Reilly Butler, Joe Gandiello, Sally Napoli, Elizabeth Hamilton, Josephine Garvey, Gladys Miller, Eugenia Fioretti, Emily Eastwood, Christian Lavoie and Margaret Noone

We also ask you to continue praying for peace in the world and for those serving in our uniformed services throughout the country and the world.

We wish to welcome into our midst all who have joined the family of God through the waters of baptism during the past month and ask your prayers for them and their families: ***Brayan Alexander Lopez Gomez; Nayeli Lopez Gomez; Aurora Margarita Garcia Monroy; Josue Daniel Garcia Monroy***; and ***Audri Patricia Groneman***

Stewardship
A Way of Life

Stewardship Thought for the Week:

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

Living Stewardship:

We thank God for his providential care and express our gratitude to you for your support for the work of the parish last week in the amount of $8,819.00
Mass Attendance: 1,478

Remember, next weekend turn your clocks ahead…..

CONSIDER THIS!

What One Can Do? One person can do a lot of damage. As we begin Lent we remember the story of Adam and the origins of human sin. But we all know how much damage any one person can do, because we have experienced it in our own sinful lives. One person can say and do things that hurt. Such things hurt another person, but they also hurt the very person who commits the offense. In addition, one person's offense may tarnish others—the family, the profession, or the church. One person can do a lot of damage.

At the beginning of Lent it is tempting to wallow in sin. This season will indeed turn our attention to our offenses. This is a perfect time of year to make a good examination of conscience and to bring our sin to the sacrament of reconciliation. But there is more to Lent than sin. **There is grace.**

St. Paul told the Romans that death came into the world through one person's transgression, but "how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ."

One person can do a lot of good. The kindness we perform for another person can bring unexpected joy. And by the death and rising of Christ, sinners are made righteous.

Yes, reflect on this sin, but remember also the grace. Jesus brings life to the world, and to you.

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WHAT'S UP!

RESPECT LIFE …

"The primary moral judgment on candidates and their positions is to be made in the light of their concern for protecting human life from conception to natural death." *Cardinal Francis George*

The Bread and Wine for the week ($30) and/or Flowers for the main altar ($60) may be donated in memory of a deceased family member or in honor of an anniversary. Please visit or call the rectory to make arrangements for this.

Altar Servers… Anyone from grade 3 to adult who wishes to become an altar server, please call Mrs. June Cybulski at 631-727-8523 for training or further information.

Catholic Website called FORMED.Org
Like Netflix or You Tube for Catholics

Our parish has just joined FORMED. As a parishioner, you may go online and register to view books and videos or simply listen to audio presentations. How do you do this?

1) Go to: saintjohnriverhead.formed.org
2) Click on Register
3) Fill out information, name, email, etc.

Screen will say Welcome and Start now. Scroll and enter any area to read, watch or listen.

If you have any problems registering for FORMED, you may contact Theresa Piekut, our rep., at 631-848-7612 or *tpiekut@me.com*.

Are You Sick?

If you are sick, feverish, etc., ***please, "stay home."*** It is wiser to stay home and get better than to come and spread your sickness to others. Please ***do not drink from the cup*** if sick. We have hand sanitizer units at the entrances to church. **Just as we have done for the past two years, we will stop offering the precious blood beginning January 1, 2020 and resume after the FLU season is over – most likely in March. Once again, if you are sick, especially with a fever, please stay home.**

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE – Wednesday at 7:00 PM, Feb. 26th – 1st Congregational Church, Rev. Stan Knavel, March 4th – Old Steeple Church, Rev. Lorraine DeArmitt

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

HOURS
Monday 10:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday & Wed. 12:00pm – 8:30pm
Thursday* 9:00am – 1:00pm*
** The office may sometimes be closed on Thursdays.* Friday - Closed
You may schedule an appointment at any time, 631-727-6774.

WEEK OF MARCH 1st Classes as usual

FAMILY BREAKFAST AND WORKSHOP
TODAY - Sunday, March 1st–Levels 3, 4, 5
Our last Levels 3, 4, & 5 Family Workshop for this year is at 10:15am in the cafeteria after the 9am Mass. Breakfast will be served.
We invite parishioners to join us for breakfast and for our workshop.

WEEKLY FAMILY WORKSHOPS
(for those who do not attend on Sunday)
Tuesday, March 3rd 4:45pm & 6:45pm
Wednesday, March 4th 6:45pm

FAMILY REFLECTION
Lent – it's not just about giving up something…it's about growing up spiritually. Do you remember observing Lent as a child? Maybe you compared with friends what you "gave up"? Was it ice cream? Chocolate? Snacks? Then you would look forward to Sunday when, as some of us were told, we could then enjoy what we gave up.
Well, now as adults, it's not about giving up something to then say that is our commitment. The purpose of fasting is to replace doing too much of something that prevents us from growing spiritually. For example, eating is a necessity but do you find yourself eating when anxious, bored or overeating? If we commit to eating less, the time not spent eating is to be "filled" with prayer or service. Placing the needs of others, serving others and praying more often open us to growth in our relationship with God and others. We need to move past our childhood practices of Lent and look for ways to have a deeper relationship with God. That may require fasting, or more prayer like saying the Rosary each week or attending Mass during the week. We can also look for opportunities to help others in our families or neighborhood.

SOMETHING(S) TO CONSIDER THIS WEEK
As you begin this first full week of Lent, how will you "grow up" as a Catholic? Spiritual reading? Fasting and substituting the time with prayer or service or being more present to family members? Seeking a service opportunity at a nursing home or other facility that helps the less advantaged? What is God saying to you?

YOUTH NIGHT
Next Youth Night is **Friday, March 13th**. We will be helping with the parish Soup Supper at 7:00pm, and then having some time together.

WHAT, WHEN, AND WHERE

Scripture and You

Scripture and You: ***Tuesday, March 10,*** at 10:30 AM, in Room 1. All are welcome to join Deacon Bill and his wife Barbara, as we discover the subtle and amazing ways God's Word is active in our lives. There are no obligations or commitments required. Please come and join us.

Holy Thursday ~ *Foot Washing Ceremony*

Each year, at the Holy Thursday celebration, we wash the feet of twelve parishioners as a symbolic act reminding us of the call to service by Christ. If you have not yet had your feet washed in previous years perhaps you are interested in doing this. Please call Fran at the rectory office (631-727-2030 ext. 12) to indicate your willingness to be a part of this years' service. Remember, no one is worthy – only God makes us so through His son, Jesus Christ.

Liturgical Ministry Training Spring 2020
Are you interested in serving our Parish as an EMHC or Lector?

The Diocese offers Training for all those who would like to minister as a Minister of Holy Communion or as a Lector. There is also training for the homebound, hospital or nursing homes. If you are interested, please contact our Director of EMHC and Lectors, **Cathie Riola**, for more information at ***tellher615@optonline.net.***

A Parish Bereavement Support Group.. Anyone over the age of 18 who may be having difficulty dealing with the loss of a loved one.
When: 2nd Wednesday of the month
Time: 7:15pm
Next Date: March 11th **Where:** The Rectory Office Living Room. No fee and no requirements. Please RSVP so we can have sufficient material and refreshment available. RSVP to: ***rachel.lohr@yahoo.com*** or call 631-284-9909 to leave a message

St. John Paul II Regional School

Pre K 3 & 4 Now Enrolling for the Fall of 2020. Dramatically reduced prices! Less than $100 per week for FULL DAY! Come see our new innovative programs and updated classrooms. Please Call 631-727-1650. Limited spaces available!

A TASTE OF EDUCATION

A food and wine tasting event to benefit the students of St. John Paul II Regional School on
Thursday, March 12th, 6:30 to 9:00pm, Price: $20.00 Per Person (18 and older please) 631-727-1650
*Free Babysitting offered in Pre-K Building
*Tickets must be purchased by March 10th

40 Days for Life (40DFL) is an international campaign conducted during Lent with the aim of ending abortion. More information is on the bulletin board in church and the side entrance windows.

Healing after Abortion: A Day of Prayer & Healing for Women on Saturday, March 7th

Please register by Monday, March 2nd.

Contact Project Rachel: 1-888-456- HOPE (4673); 1-516-766-2538 or visit: projectrachel@drvc.org.
All information will remain confidential.

Lenten Soup Supper on ***Friday nights,*** March 13th and 27th. This may help us in experiencing a sense of 'fasting' for the poor. Bring the whole family.
Time: 7:15 pm in the Cafeteria.
Cost: $1 donation (or more) for parish outreach. Please return this form so we can plan an adequate amount of soup.

Name: _____

Number of people with me _____

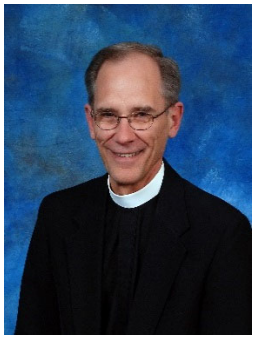
Phone Number:

Parish SOCK DRIVE

Do you know that socks are the #1 requested, and least donated, clothing item to those in need? Our Parish has teamed up with ***THREADED CROSS SOCK MINISTRY*** to host a SOCK DRIVE. All socks received through the drive will be given to our ***Parish Social Ministry***. *There are two ways for you to participate in the sock drive.* You can purchase socks and place them in the drop box that will be located at the entrance to the church or you can go online to ***threadedcross.com***, click on the tab "sock drives" and click on "St. John's Sock Drive". When you donate online, you are donating $1 for a pair of white socks made in the USA. **Show you care for $1 a pair. Purchase as many as you can.** The socks purchased on-line also will be donated to our parish. If you have any questions about the parish sock drive, please contact Tricia Shackel at: tshack0285@aol.com or 516.205.3755
https://threadedcross.com/product/st-johns-sock-drive.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

HOME is more than a building; it is a place in the heart. HOME is that place where you feel safe, where you can be yourself, where you feel at ease. There are times in our lives when we need to come HOME to that place in our heart where God dwells and where we are loved by God and others. This mission will take us on a journey, a "HOMECOMING," bringing us closer to ourselves, to our God and to our Church.



OFFERED BY
MSGR. JERRY RINGENBACK

Retired pastor of Good Shepherd Parish, Holbrook
Former Spiritual Director at the
Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington.

EACH DAY: 8:00 A.M. Morning Mass with extended homily on theme of the day.
7:00 P.M. Prayer Service and Talk with opportunity for Confession

MONDAY, MARCH 2 - "*COMING HOME TO ONESELF*"

- a reflection on how we see ourselves before God-our successes and failures.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3 - "*COMING HOME TO GOD*"

– a reflection on where and when we experience God's presence or absence.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 - "*COMING HOME TO THE CHURCH*"

LENTEN SERIES
THE PASSION, DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS

WHAT QUESTIONS ABOUT OURSELVES DO THE CHARACTERS IN THE PASSION STORIES RAISE?
THE GOSPELS AND ANTI-SEMITISM
WHY THE CROSS?

DATES	**WEDNESDAYS MARCH 11 - 18 - 25, APRIL 1**
PLACE	**ROOM 6, ST. JOHN'S PARISH CENTER**
PRESENTER	**BISHOP WCELA**
TIME	**8:30—10AM WITH COFFEE AND. . .**
	7:00— 8:30PM