# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Thanksgiving Mass Schedule: Thursday, November 23rd

- Bi-lingual Mass at 9:00 AM at St. Joseph
- English Mass at 10:30 AM at St. Stanislaus



**St. Stanislau**s will have their Communal Reconciliation Service at **7:00 PM** on **Tuesday, December 5th**.

Here at **St. Joseph**, we will have our Communal Reconciliation Service at **7:00 PM** on **Tuesday**, **December 12th**.

#### St. Stanislaus Frozen Food Sale

St. Stanislaus in Castle Hayne is having their frozen Pierogi and Kielbasa sale on Saturday, December 2, 2023 in the Parish Hall from 9 AM – 12 PM. The pierogis are imported from their supplier in PA and are available in Potato & Cheese, Jalapeno & Cheese, Sauerkraut, Farmer's Cheese, Cabbage, Cheddar & Bacon, Spinach & Feta, and Prune flavors. Each package sells for \$12.00. - Kielbasa sells for \$15.00 per 1.5 pound package. There will be Nut Rolls and Poppy Seed Rolls for \$20.00 each. They will also have the Oplatki Polish Christmas Wafer set. For more information, please call Rebecca at the St. Stanislaus Parish office at 910.675.2336

#### **Stewardship of Treasure**

November 12, 2023

11:00 AM (English) Mass 1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory \$ 569.80 Offertory \$ 494.00

Total \$ 569.80 Total \$ 494.00

Thank you for your continued support! May God Bless you always and in all ways!

For bulletin announcements and/or changes contact **Agnes Fields** via e-mail at **agnesfields@gmail.com** (Subject: Bulletin) or text to **(910) 431-0326** by 6pm Thursday

# St. Joseph Catholic Church



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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, November 19, 2023

#### **Share in the Apostolic Mission of the Church**

We, the parishioners of St. Joseph Catholic Church, a community of faith, being spirit-filled and empowered by our baptism, are called to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. United by our worship, our continued commitment to faith formation and our love for one another, we dedicate our time, talents, and treasure to the enrichment of our community and the greater glory of God.

#### We welcome all visitors!

Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church. We are glad you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey home. If you live in this area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

#### **Mass Schedule**

**Sunday Mass:** 11:00 am in English and 1:00 pm in Spanish

**Daily Mass:** Wednesdays at 8:30 am

Thursdays at 8:30 am



#### **Sacraments**

<u>BAPTISM</u>: Parents must attend a preparation class prior to having their child baptized. Please schedule an appointment with Father Roger to discuss the procedure.

**RECONCILIATION:** Immediately following Mass and by appointment.

MARRIAGE: The marriage preparation program for the Diocese of Raleigh takes 6 months. Please contact Father Roger for an appointment.

<u>1ST PENANCE, 1ST HOLY COMMUNION, & CONFIRMATION:</u> Contact Father Roger for information.

#### Today's Readings

Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5

"Blessed are those who fear the Lord."

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25: 14-30 For **Daily Mass Readings** go **online** to:

http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings

http://www.ewtn.com/daily-readings
(Includes Daily Mass video)



# Today's Meditation

"I went off and buried your talent in the ground." - Matthew 25:25

In the ancient world, a "talent" was a large sum of money. Our Lord plainly says that He expects much from those who have been given much (Lk 12:48). We servants of the Lord are branches connected to the vine, and because of that connection, we will bear fruit (Jn 15:5). In today's Gospel parable, the money can be compared to spiritual gifts and graces that God has given to each servant (Mt 25:14ff). God expects much in



return because of such great need in suffering, sinful humanity.

If, by our inaction, we do nothing with the gifts and graces He has given us, we become dormant, petrified, and fossilized (Jn 15:6). We stifle the Spirit (1 Thes 5:19) and bear no fruit.

So, if you have buried your "talent," go and dig it up. Stir into flame the gift of the Holy Spirit the Lord bestowed in your Baptism and Confirmation (2 Tm 1:6-7). "Receive the Holy Spirit" anew (Jn 20:22).

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#### LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested to join the fellowship, please contact *Ellen Whitman* at (910) 620-6458 or e-mail *ellenpwhitman@yahoo.com* 

# PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse Joshua Butrim
Pam Saphara Gina Brooks
George Spezak Stacey Riemer
The Harris Family Bill Barnett

The Vandall Family Liz Becker Denise Fields

The Daniels Family The unborn Marilyn Malberg

United States Leadership All those incarcerated

All those who suffer from addiction

Please e-mail agnesfields@gmail.com to have a loved one placed on our prayer list. If you have placed a loved one on our list and you feel they no longer need to be on it, please e-mail so that we may update our list.