

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastoral and Finance council meeting
TODAY, November 5 at 2:15 pm**

LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The *Ladies of St. Joseph's* will meet on the 2nd 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



THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE 2023

Thursday, November 23th – Thanksgiving Day Mass
9:00 AM at St. Joseph (bi-lingual)
10:30 AM at St. Stanislaus (English)

Stewardship of Treasure

October 29, 2023

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$ 616.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 45.00
Holy Days	\$ 20.00
All Soul's Day	\$ 50.00
Pew Donation	\$ 825.00

Total \$ 1,556.00

1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory	\$ 488.00
Holy Days	\$ 271.61

Total \$ 515.61

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

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St. Joseph Catholic Church



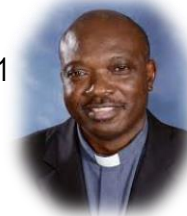
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**Thirty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Sunday, November 5, 2023**

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!

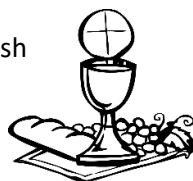
Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church. We are glad you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey home. If you live in this area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

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

BAPTISM: 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.

1ST PENANCE, 1ST HOLY COMMUNION, & CONFIRMATION:
Contact Father Roger for information.

Today's Readings

Malachi 1: 14b-2:2b, 8-10

Psalm 131: 1, 2, 3

"In you, Lord, I have found my peace."

1 Thessalonians 2: 7b-9, 13

Matthew 23: 1-12

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

The gospel reading above is a reprimand or rebuke against people, most especially leaders, with excessive self-importance. These kind of people based their worth on their title or position in society. They find happiness in the recognition and salutation that others give them. They have a constant need for attention and they feel good when they dominate others. To some extent, they become angry and even murderous when they are dominated. It means they always want to be above others in everything. Moreover, they can't learn from others because their attitude is "Don't dare to teach me. I've been there; I've done that." The Pharisees and other religious leaders exhibited some or all of these behaviors so Jesus has harsh words for them. He strongly scolded them several times by saying "woe to you Pharisees and scribes..." (Matthew 23:13-39).



On the other hand, Jesus gives the assurance that people who are humble will be exalted. Humble people are happy because they accept themselves for who they are – children of God. They are willing to learn and willing to serve. Are we these people or are we the modern Pharisees?

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PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse
Pam Saphara
George Spezak
Stacey Riemer
The Vandall Family
United States Leadership
All those incarcerated

Joshua Butrim
Gina Brooks
Marilyn Malberg
The Harris Family
The Daniels Family
The unborn
All those who suffer from addiction



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