

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Season of Lent is coming up!

Ash Wednesday is February 14. Additional details and Lenten schedule will be posted soon!

There will be no daily Mass Thursday, January 25

If you would like a 2023 year end contribution statement for tax purposes, please call Andrew Geppert: 910.663.4302

LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will continue to meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month at **10:00 AM** in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to join our parish fellowship. Contact **Ellen Whitman** at (910) 620-6458 for more information.

Stewardship of Treasure

December 31, 2023

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$700.00
Outreach/Aid for Poor	\$ 5.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00
Holy Days	\$ 66.00

Total \$ 791.00

1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory (12/31/23)	\$ 294.00
Offertory (01/01/24)	\$ 247.00
Holy Days	\$ 317.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$ 400.00

Total \$ 1,258.00

Stewardship of Treasure

January 7, 2024

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$666.00
Priest Welfare & Retire	\$ 95.00
Holy Days	50.00

Total \$ 811.00

1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory	\$ 708.00
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Total \$ 708.00

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

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 14, 2024

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!

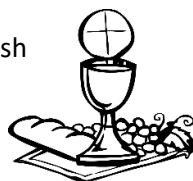
Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church. We are glad you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey home. If you live in this area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

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

1 Samuel 3: 3b-10, 19

Psalms 40: 2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

"Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will."

1 Corinthians 6: 13c-15a, 17-20

John 1: 35-42

For Daily Mass Readings

go online to:

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

<http://www.ewtn.com/daily-readings>

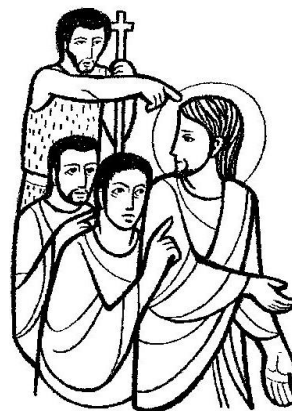
(Includes Daily Mass video)



Today's Meditation

In today's gospel passage, John the Baptist recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God." This identification is symbolic, linking Jesus to the sacrificial lambs used in Jewish rituals, particularly the Passover. In the Passover, a lamb was sacrificed as a sign of God's deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt, and its blood was a symbol of protection against the Angel of Death. By calling Jesus the "Lamb of God," John the Baptist is foreshadowing Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross, indicating that Jesus is the ultimate sacrifice for the sins of humanity.

Furthermore, this passage marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the gathering of His first disciples. When John's own disciples hear him refer to Jesus as the "Lamb of God," they follow Jesus, signifying a shift from the old to the new, from the prophet John to the Messiah, Jesus. This moment underscores the recognition of Jesus not only as a teacher or prophet but as the Savior.



May we continue to reflect on the reason why Jesus was sent to us and His ultimate sacrifice on the cross. May we also accept Him as our personal savior and share His message of love to others.

Prayer:

Father God, We come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. Thank You for the ultimate sacrifice He made, shedding His pure and innocent blood for our salvation. Help us to deeply understand and appreciate this profound act of love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse	The Butrim Family	Phyllis Kubelka
Jane Polera	Gina Brooks	Stacey Riemer
George Spisak	Bill Barnett	Liz Becker
The Harris Family	The Fields Family	Marilyn Malberg
The Daniels Family	United States Leadership	The unborn
All those who suffer from addiction	All those incarcerated	



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