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** on Thursday, January 25, Wednesday, January 31, and Thursday, February 1

LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

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



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

Stewardship of Treasure

January 14, 2024

Total	\$ 893.00	Total	\$ 630.00
Offertory Church in Latin America Priest Welfare & Retire.	\$ 843.00 \$ 25.00 \$ 25.00	Offertory	\$ 630.00
11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass	

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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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 21, 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

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Psalm 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 "Teach me your ways, O Lord." 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Mark 1: 14-20

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

LIKE A FISH OUT OF WATER

"They immediately abandoned their nets and became His followers." —Mark 1:18

When a fish is caught and taken out of the water, it will die. Its former watery way of life "is passing away" (1 Cor 7:31). Similarly, everything changes when we enter into the kingdom of God. Living in God's kingdom is as different from our pre-Christian life as is life for that fish trying to live on land. Lifestyles that worked underwater no longer work in fresh air. In order for the fish to live on land, that fish would need to receive a new nature.

So it is with us human beings. To live in the kingdom of God, we die to our old nature in Baptism; we then become "sharers of the divine nature" (2 Pt 1:4) when we rise from the waters of Baptism. Now our old lifestyle won't work. Once we begin living the new, baptized life in Christ, we can no longer live the lifestyle we had before Christ. We must discard those things we used to do before we gave ourselves to Jesus (see Eph 4:22-24). We can no longer live as do the nonbelievers (1 Pt 4:2-3). We die to ourselves, pick up our cross each day, follow Jesus (Lk 9:23), and live the new lifestyle that befits a member of the household of God (1 Tm 3:15).

Are you struggling to live a godly life? Are you having a hard time breathing the risen air? Maybe you're not dead yet. Beg Jesus to crucify your old nature

(Gal 5:24) and raise you up to life to the full (Jn 10:10).

Prayer: Father, I want everything You have for me. I want it all. Take everything that keeps me from You. Give me Your risen life.

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PRAYER LIST

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The Daniels Family United States Leadership

All those who suffer from addiction
All those incarcerated

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.