ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be **no Daily Mass** on Wednesday, January 31 and Thursday, February 1

Sunday, February 4: Combine meeting for Pastoral and Finance Council at 2:30 pm in the parish hall.

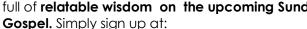
If you would like a **2023 year end contribution statement** for tax purposes, please call Andrew Geppert: 910.663.4302

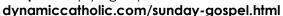
LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

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

"Feed Your Soul" Gospel Refelctions

Feed Your Soul Gospel Reflections is a FREE weekly podcast presented by **Dynamic Catholic**. Each Thursday it provides a fresh, new perspective, full of relatable wisdom on the upcoming Sunday







Stewardship of Treasure

January 21, 2024

11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass	
Offertory	\$ 219.00	Offertory	\$ 436.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 55.00		

Total \$ 274.00 Total \$ 436.00

> 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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January 28, 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.

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

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 18: 15–20 Psalm 95: 1–2, 6–7, 7–9 "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

Mark 1: 21-28

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, we witness the profound authority and compassion of Jesus as He confronts and casts out an unclean spirit from a man in the synagogue. This powerful moment is not only a testament to Jesus' divine authority but also a beacon of hope and guidance for us in our own spiritual journey.

In today's world, 'unclean spirits' can be understood as the negative influences or dark forces that misguide us away from a life of virtue and purpose. They are the voices that sow doubt, fear, and despair. They are the temptations that lead us astray and the habits that entangle us in a web of negativity and sin.

To avoid these unclean spirits, we must first anchor ourselves in faith and truth. Just as Jesus taught in the synagogue with authority, we too should immerse ourselves in the wisdom and teachings of the Scriptures. In these holy texts, we find the strength and guidance to discern right from wrong, and the courage to resist the lures of negativity.

Prayer and meditation are also vital tools in this battle. They connect us with the divine, fortify our spirits, and provide us with the clarity and peace necessary to navigate life's challenges.



May we avoid unclean spirits through a steadfast commitment to faith, regular prayer and meditation, fostering positive relationships, and living a life characterized by love, kindness, and forgiveness. In doing so, we not only protect ourselves from negative influences but also become beacons of light and hope in a world that desperately needs it.

PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse The Butrim Family Phyllis Kubelka
Jane Polera Gina Brooks Stacey Riemer
George Spisak Bill Barnett Liz Becker
Marilyn Malberg The Daniels Family The unborn

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.