ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary

St. Joseph

Monday, January 1

Mass at 10:00 AM (bi-lingual) by Fr. Gaston

St. Stanislaus

Monday, January 1

Mass at 10:00 AM by Fr. Roger



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

There will be <u>NO DAILY MASS</u> on Wednesday & Thursday this week

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. Our next meeting will be Saturday, January 13, 2024. All are welcome to join our parish fellowship. Contact *Ellen Whitman* at (910) 620-6458 for more information

Stewardship of Treasure

December 24, 2023

11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass	
Offertory (4thAdvent)	\$ 372.00	Offertory (4thAdvent)	\$ 415.00
Offertory (Christmas Eve)	\$ 136.00	Offertory (Christmas Eve)	\$ 353.70
Holy Days	\$ 20.00	Offertory (Christmas Day)	\$ 193.00
Donations	\$ 50.00		
Mass Intentions	\$ 45.00	Total	\$ 961.70
Christmas	\$ 255.00		
Total	\$ 878.00	Thank you for your continued support! May God Bless you always and in all ways!	

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Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Sunday, December 31, 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

NO DAILY MASS THIS WEEK

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

Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14 or Genesis 15: 1-6. 21: 1-3

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

"Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways."

Colossians 3: 12-21 or 3: 12-17

Luke 2: 22-40

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

FAMILY FEUD

"The Child's father and mother were marveling." — Luke 2:33

The holy families of today are walking through a mine field.

One false step, and the family is blown up. Christian parents must be Josephs who know exactly when to leave and where to go. Parents must be divinely inspired and guided because today even more Herods are searching for their children to destroy them (see Mt 2:13). Parents must know and live the Bible and the teachings of the Church or they will be hopelessly confused, and their families will suffer. Family prayer has never been more necessary. Wives must be submissive and husbands must sacrificially love their wives (Col 3:18-19). Now more than ever, children must obey their parents "in everything as the acceptable way in the Lord" (Col 3:20).

Today's holy families need order, guidance, prayer, power, and protection. Families need God, His amazing grace, and daily, if not hourly, miracles. Holy families, don't be discouraged! The Lord promises: "Those who oppose you I will oppose, and your sons [and daughters] I will save" (Is 49:25). "All your sons [and daughters] shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children" (Is 54:13). This Christmas, let these words become flesh in your family (Jn 1:14).

Prayer: Father, may parents be hopeful and confident about their families' future and eternity because of Your saving love and almighty power.

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PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse The Butrim Family Phyllis Kubelka
Marilyn Malberg Gina Brooks Stacey Riemer
George Spisak Bill Barnett Liz Becker
The Harris Family Denise Fields Jane Polera
The Vandall Family 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.

