

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Lent Communal Reconciliation Services

**Thursday, February 15:** St. Brendon the Navigator, Shallotte at 11:00 am

**Tuesday, February 20:** UNC-W, Wilmington at 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, February 21:** St. Mark, Wilmington at 7:00 pm

**Thursday, February 22:** St. Mark, Wilmington at 11:00 am

St. Therese, Whitesville Beach at 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, February 28:** All Saints, Hampstead at 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, March 5: St. Stanislaus, Castle Hayne at 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday, March 6:** Basilica of St. Mary, Wilmington at 11:00 am

**Tuesday, March 12:** Basilica of St. Mary, Wilmington at 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, March 13:** Sacred Heart, Southport at 11:00 am

Immaculate Conception, Wilmington at 7:00 pm

**Thursday, March 14 (Spanish):** Basilica of St. Mary, Wilmington at 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, March 19: St. Joseph, Burgaw at 7:00 pm**

### HELP WITH BULLETIN NEEDED

Looking for a volunteer to help out with the bulletin! Must have access to internet and Microsoft Word. I am happy to share the bulletin template and continue printing it! Please contact Agnes Fields at agnesfields@gmail.com or text (910) 431-0326 ☺

### LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will continue to meet on the **2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### Stewardship of Treasure

February 11 2024

#### 11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory \$ 491.00  
Aid to Central & E Europe \$ 26.00  
Black & Indian Missions \$ 50.00  
Holy Days \$ 5.00

**Total \$ 572.00**

#### 1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory \$ 609.00  
Special Collection \$ 133.00  
BAA Initial Offering \$ 35.00

**Total \$ 777.00**

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

## St. Joseph Catholic Church



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1<sup>st</sup>  
Sunday  
of  
Lent

**February 18, 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!

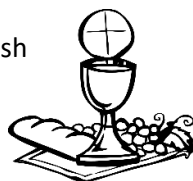
Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church. We are glad you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey home. If you live in this area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

## 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

Genesis 9: 8-15

Psalms 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

*"Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant."*

1 Peter 3: 18-22

Mark 1: 12-15



## 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

### LENT ON TRIAL

**"He stayed in the wasteland forty days, put to the test there by Satan." - Mark 1:13**

Lent is a time of special testing. The Lord lets us be tested by Satan so that we will grow in holiness. Then we will have a strong faith by which we can renew our baptismal promises this Easter time and receive the glory of the risen Christ. "There is cause for rejoicing here. You may for a time have to suffer the distress of many trials; but this is so that your faith, which is more precious than the passing splendor of fire-tried gold, may by its genuineness lead to praise, glory, and honor when Jesus Christ appears" (1 Pt 1:6-7).

We often have "many trials" throughout our lives. However, there's something unique about Lenten trials. There may be more trials in Lent than at other times, or the combination of trials may be more challenging. Possibly the timing of our Lenten trials may seem exceptionally bad or even mysterious.

If we pray more than ever through these trials and fast as Jesus did in the desert, trials will bring out the best in us. If we repent and do penance, trials will not warp, twist, poison, confuse, or weaken us. Rather, God will use these trials to greatly strengthen our trust in His providential, faithful, and perfect love for us. However, if we endure trials without praying, fasting, and



repenting, we can become lifelong slaves because of the fear of death (Heb 2:15); or bitter, unforgiving, resentful shadows of our former selves. If we mix sin and trials, we will become slaves of compulsions, self-deception, and self-hatred.

Thank the Lord for trials. Be holy and become holier.

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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
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](mailto: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.

