

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please help us congratulate

*Sebastian Michael Borders
Caroline Christiane Borders
Claire Marie Bierstedt*



on receiving their *First Holy Communion*
today, April 14, 2024!

Keep them in your prayers as they continue to grow
in their faith!



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.

Stewardship of Treasure

April 7, 2024

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$ 834.00
Holy Land	\$ 20.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 22.00

1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory	\$ 604.00
BAA Offering	\$ 528.00
Offertory (<i>Wedding 4-6-24</i>)	\$ 365.00

Total	\$ 879.00	Total	\$ 1,497.00
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Thank you for your continued support!
May God Bless you always and in all

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Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 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!

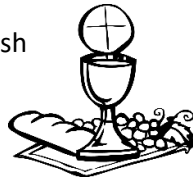
Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church. We are glad you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey home. If you live in this area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

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

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19

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

"Lord, let your face shine on us."

1 John 2: 1-5a

Luke 24: 35-48

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 reading, we encounter the disciples in a moment of profound transformation. This passage recounts the appearance of the resurrected Jesus to His followers, an event that bridges doubt with faith and despair with hope.

The disciples were gathered, sharing their stories of encountering Jesus on the road to Emmaus when suddenly, Jesus Himself stood among them. Startled and frightened, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But Jesus showed them His hands and feet—the scars that spoke of His suffering and His triumph over death—and encouraged them to touch Him, to see that He was indeed real. "A ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have," He said.

With these words, Jesus was not merely calming their fears but was also teaching them a crucial lesson about the nature of resurrection and the reality of God's promises. He even asked for something to eat, further proving His real, resurrected body, and in this simple act, He demonstrated that the divine can indeed touch the mundane.

Jesus then opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, connecting His suffering, resurrection, and the proclamation of repentance for the forgiveness of sins to all nations, starting from Jerusalem. He was appointing them as witnesses to these truths, empowering them to carry His message to the world.



Let this passage inspire us today. Like the disciples, we may face moments of doubt and fear, but the presence of the Lord is a reassurance of His reality and His victory over all that can dismay us. We are called to be a witness to this hope, to spread the good news that in Jesus, despair can turn into joy, and fear into mission.

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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	John Haynie
United States Leadership	All those incarcerated	
All those who suffer from addiction	The unborn	

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.

