## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Wishing all Mothers (past, present, and soon-to-be) a Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!

May the Lord fill your heart with love, peace, laughter, and joy this day and always.

#### LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall (until further notice).

All are welcome to join our parish fellowship! Contact *Ellen Whitman* at *(910) 620-6458* for more information.

Please come and join us to pray the Rosary every Sunday starting at 10:30 am. We would also love to share this time with anyone that would like to participate as a leader.



#### **Stewardship of Treasure**

May 5, 2024

Total	\$ 759.00	Total	\$ 838.00
Ascension Priesat Welfare & Retire	\$ 85.00 \$ 90.00	Church in Africa Priesat Welfare & Retire	\$ 97.00 \$ 100.00
Offertory	\$ 584.00	Offertory	\$ 641.00
11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass	

Thank you for your continued support! May God Bless you always and in all

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# St. Joseph Catholic Church



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The Ascension of the Lord Sunday, May 12, 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

Acts 1: 1-11

Psalm 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9

"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord."

Ephesians 1: 17–23 Mark 1~6: 15–20

# 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

#### LOOK UP AND GO OUT

"No sooner had He said this than He was lifted up before their eyes in a cloud which took Him from their sight." — Acts 1:9

The apostles asked Jesus: "Lord, are You going to restore the rule to Israel now?" (Acts 1:6) They were interested in knowing the time Jesus would restore the kingdom. Jesus responded: "The exact time it is not yours to know" (Acts 1:7). Then Jesus proceeded to bring up what He was interested in — not so much the time but the persons responsible for restoring the kingdom. The apostles had assumed Jesus would do the

restoring. Jesus shocked them by asserting that they were to do the job. Before the apostles could try to shift the responsibility back onto Jesus, He ascended, leaving the apostles "holding the bag," that is, having the responsibility of making disciples of all the nations (see Mt 28:19). However, Jesus did not leave His Church powerless. He promised us the Spirit's power (Acts 1:8) and His presence "always, until the end of the world!" (Mt 28:20)

Jesus' Ascension means that we, the members of the Church, take up where Jesus has left off. The responsibility for evangelizing the world is ours; the power of the Holy Spirit is ours; and the privilege of living and dying for His kingdom is ours. Because He has gone up, we must go out. Go now.

# 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.

