ANNOUNCEMENTS

Father Roger on Vacation

Father Roger is on vacation until September 21, 2024. During that time we will have various priests from St. Brendan the Navigator in Shallotte, NC covering the weekend Masses and celebrating daily Mass at St. Stanislaus each Friday at 8:30 am.

THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASSES ON WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2024. THE REGULAR DAILY MASS SCHEDULE WILL RESUME ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024.

If, during that time, you have an emergency that requires a Priest, contact *Rebecca Clements*, parish secretary at St. Stanislaus, to make the necessary arrangements, **910.675.2336**.

LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will now meet on the LAST 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

FAITH FORMATION

Registration forms for our Faith Formation classes are located at the front of the church and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you!



ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY - MILITARY FAMILY MEMBERS

We are asking anyone with a military family member in the St. Joseph cemetery to please contact Beth Butrim (910) 470-1633, as we would like to organize a special recognition for them.

Ste		o f Treasure 18, 2024	
11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass	
Offertory	\$ 691.00	Offertory	\$ 659.00
Assumption	\$ 253.00		
Priest Welfare & Retire	\$ 20.00	Total	\$ 659.00
Catholic University of America	a \$10.00		
Faith Formation Donation	1, 750.00	Thank you for your continued support! Mav God Bless vou alwavs and in all	
Total	\$ 2,724.00		

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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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 25, 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.

Sunday Mass:

11:00 am in English 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

Jos 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b Psalm 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

Ephesians 5: 21-32 John 6: 60-69



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

"Jesus was fully aware that His disciples were murmuring in protest at what He had said. 'Does it shake your faith?' He asked them." - John 6:61

Jesus challenges us to believe His mysterious statement: "The bread I will give is My flesh, for the life of the world" (Jn 6:51). A typical reaction to this challenge is to ask the question: "How can He give us His flesh to eat?" (Jn 6:52) Jesus does not directly answer this question. Rather, He extends an even more puzzling challenge by repeatedly insisting that we eat His Flesh and drink His Blood (Jn 6:53-58). If we do this, He will raise us from the dead (Jn 6:53-54), live in us and we in Him (Jn 6:56), and give us life forever (Jn 6:58). If we do not eat His Body and drink His Blood, we "have no life in" us (Jn 6:53).

Then "many of His disciples remarked, 'This sort of talk is hard to endure! How can anyone take it seriously?' " (Jn 6:60) "From this time on, many of His disciples broke away and would not remain in His company any longer" (Jn 6:66). Nevertheless, Jesus continues to insist that we believe in and receive His Body and Blood.



Joshua challenged the people: "Decide today whom you will serve" (Jos 24:15). Jesus, the new Joshua (Jeshua), also challenges us to decide today about living to receive His Body and Blood. Will we receive Him in repentance, joy, and love? Will we receive Holy Communion as often as possible and center our lives on the Eucharist? Jesus is challenging us. Our actions will speak louder than our words. Will we accept Jesus' challenge? © Presentation Ministries

PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse **Jane Polera** George Spisak Marilyn Malberg Jeanette Rivenbark All those who suffer from addiction The unborn

The Butrim Family Gina Brooks Bill Barnett The Daniels Family Geraldine Egner United States Leadership All those incarcerated

Phyllis Kubelka Stacey Riemer Liz Becker Michael Kubelka Nery Fields



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 prayer list, and you feel they no longer need to be on it, please e-mail so that we may update it.