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.

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.

LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's meet on the **LAST** <u>SATURDAY</u> of each month at <u>10:00 AM</u> 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

September 1, 2024

11:00 AM (English) Mass 1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory \$320.00 Offertory \$ 472.00 Total \$ 472.00 Total \$ 320.00

Thank you for your continued support!

May God Bless you always and in all

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, September 8, 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.

<u>MARRIAGE</u>: 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

Isaiah 35: 4-7a

Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10

"Praise the Lord, my soul!"

James 2: 1-5 Mark 7: 31-37



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

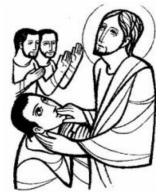
FRUIT OF THE LIPS

Jesus "put His fingers into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue."

- Mark 7:33

Jesus' gestures of inserting his fingers into a deaf-mute man's ears and touching the man's tongue seem foreign to our modern, antiseptic culture (Mk 7:33). Yet if you're baptized, you experienced the touch of Jesus in a similar way. At Baptism, the priest or deacon touched your ears and lips, praying that God would open your ears to hear His Word and your lips to proclaim it.

Before Jesus touched the deaf-mute, "He looked up to heaven and emitted a groan. He said to him, 'Ephphatha!' (that is, 'Be opened!') At once, the man's ears were opened; he was freed from the impediment, and began to speak plainly" (Mk 7:34-35). Jesus is still the same today (Heb 13:8). He's still groaning and praying that our ears and mouths would be open to the Word of God.



Years of listening to loud music results in a gradual loss of hearing. Likewise, years of listening to the noise and voices of the world causes our spiritual hearing to decay. Repent of any spiritual deafness or muteness. Allow Jesus to take you off by yourself, away from the hubbub of the world that crowds around you (Mk 7:33; cf Mt 6:6). Let Him touch you anew and renew your baptismal innocence. "Be opened!" (Mk 7:34)

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PRAYER LIST

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