### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Monday, December 9 at 6 PM Mass at St. Stanislaus

This 1st Sunday of Advent is also the beginning of the **new** liturgical year when we transition into a new liturgical cycle. On the first Sunday of Advent in 2024, we'll transition from cycle B to cycle C.



St. Stanislaus will have a Communal Reconciliation Service at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

Here at St. Joseph, we will have our Communal Reconciliation Service at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### St. Stanislaus Frozen Food Sale

St. Stanislaus in Castle Hayne is having their frozen Pierogi and Kielbasa sale on Saturday, December 7, 2024 in the Parish Hall from 9 AM - 12 PM.

The **pierogis** are imported from their supplier in PA and are available in **Potato &** Cheese, Jalapeno & Cheese, Sauerkraut, Farmer's Cheese, Cabbage, Cheddar & Bacon, Spinach & Feta, and Prune flavors. The Kielbasa is from a supplier in New Jersey. - For dessert there will be Nut Rolls and Poppy Seed Rolls for sale. They will also have the Oplatki Polish Christmas Wafer set.

For more information, please call Rebecca at the St. Stanislaus Parish office at 910.675.2336

#### **Stewardship of Treasure** November 24, 2024

| 11:00 AM (English) Mass                  |                  | 1:00 PM (Spanish) Mass                   |                  |
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| Offertory<br>Priest Welfare & Retirement | \$ TBA<br>\$ TBA | Offertory<br>Priest Welfare & Retirement | \$ TBA<br>\$ TBA |
| Total                                    | \$ TBA           | Total                                    | \$ TBA           |
| Thank you for your continued support     |                  |  |                  |

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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### First Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 1, 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

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Please come spend some time with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration begins at **3:00 pm every Wednesday** and ends at 7:00 pm.



### **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

Jeremiah 33: 14-16 Psalm 25: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 "To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."

1 Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2 Luke 21: 25-28, 34-26

#### 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

### HAPPY NEW YEAR?

"Men will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud with great power and glory." - Luke 21:27

Happy New Year! Today is the first day of Advent and of the Church year. The Church's new year not only begins earlier than that of the world, but is also ushered in differently. The world's new year is inaugurated with New Year's Eve parties, much drinking, and self-indulgence. The Church begins its new year with the warning: "Be on guard lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence and drunkenness and worldly cares" (Lk 21:34).

Another difference between our new year and the world's is that our new year actually is new. The only new thing about the world's so-called new year is new numbers on a calendar. The world's new year is nothing but a rerun of a rerun — just more selfishness, escapism, compulsive behavior, confusion, and sin (see Eccl 1:9-10). Conversely, the Church's new year is truly new. It is



centered as always on Jesus and begins with His Christmas coming (Rv 21:5-6). Moreover, Jesus is infinite; with Him we always have more, always something new (2 Cor 5:17). When Jesus comes into our hearts during Christmas, we will experience His love in a new way.

One other difference between the Church's new year and the world's is that ours really is happy because it is Christ-centered. Happy new year!

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### PRAYER LIST

#### Nick Hesse **Nery Fields** George Spisak Marilyn Malberg Jeanette Rivenbark The unborn All those incarcerated

The Butrim Family Gina Brooks **Bill Barnett** The Daniels Family **Geraldine Egner** 

Phyllis Kubelka **Stacey Riemer** Liz Becker Michael Kubelka **Darrin Pierres** 



All those who suffer from addiction United States Leadership

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.