

ANNOUNCEMENTS



CHOIR DIRECTOR NEEDED

We are looking for someone interested in taking over the choir here at St. Joseph's. Please see Caryn Bowden after Mass or contact via (910) 297-6655

BAA : YOUR GIFT CAN OPEN A DOOR TO CHRIST'S LOVE

This year, as we participate in the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal, we are called to "**Open Your Heart, Open a Door.**" Your donation will make a tangible difference in the lives of countless people throughout the Diocese of Raleigh - whether it's through educational programs, outreach to the needy, or formation for our seminarians.

Together, we can open doors to a brighter future for our Church and bring Christ's love to all. Please take a moment to prayerfully consider your support for the Appeal and make a gift today. Thank you for helping to open the door to a future full of hope!



LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's meet on the SECOND 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

February 9, 2025

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$ 300.00
Aids to Central & E Europe	\$ 60.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 181.00

1:00PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory	\$ 778.00
BAA Initial Offering	\$ 720.00

Total	\$ 541.00	Total	\$ 1,498.00
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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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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, February 16, 2025

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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 17: 5-8

Psalms 1: 1-2, 3, 4 & 6

"Blessed are they who hope in the Lord."

1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20

Luke 6: 17, 20-26



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

Jesus presents a powerful contrast between those who are blessed and those who are warned. His words challenge the world's perspective, turning our expectations upside down. He declares blessings upon the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and the persecuted, while issuing warnings to the rich, the satisfied, those who laugh now, and those who are praised by the world.

We are called to a life of faith, humility, and dependence on God. The struggles we face today, whether financial difficulties, sorrow, or persecution, are not signs of failure but invitations to draw closer to Him. He promises that those who endure these trials with faith will experience the riches of His kingdom, both now and forever.

At the same time, we must be careful not to become too comfortable in the world's pleasures. If our lives are focused only on success and enjoyment, we may be missing out on the deeper blessings of God. True fulfillment is found not in temporary riches but in a heart that seeks after Him.

If you are going through hardship, take heart. Jesus sees you and calls you blessed. Your hunger, sorrow, and struggles for righteousness are not in vain. God is preparing an eternal reward for those who trust in Him.

If you find yourself in a season of prosperity, remember Jesus' warning. Use your blessings to honor Him, rather than letting them distract you from His kingdom. Seek to live with a heart that is rich in faith, generosity, and love for others.

Jesus' message challenges us, but it also gives us hope. No matter where we are in life, we are invited to choose His kingdom over the fleeting treasures of this world. May we live each day with our hearts set on Him, knowing that the greatest blessing is to belong to Christ.

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PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse	The Butrim Family	Phyllis Kubelka
Nery Fields	Gina Brooks	Stacey Riemer
Bill Barnett	Liz Becker	Darrin Pierres
Marilyn Malberg	The Daniels Family	Michael Kubelka
Jeanette Rivenbark	Geraldine Egner	The unborn
All those incarcerated	United States Leadership	
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.