# **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

LENT Communal Reconciliation Services

Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 PM at *St. Stanislaus* Wednesday, March 19 at 7:00 PM at *St. Joseph* 



Please read the included insert regarding Wilmington's new Catholic High School. It will be called "**Father Thomas F. Price Catholic High School**" and will be located at the Basilica of St. Mary's. Classes begin in the fall of 2025.

### LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's meet on the <u>SECOND SATURDAY of</u> each month at **10:00 AM** in the Parish Hall. All are welcome <u>to</u> join our parish fellowship! Contact *Ellen Whitman* at (910) 620-6458 for more information.

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11:00 AM (English) Mass		1:00PM (Spanish) Mass	
\$490.00	Offertory	\$ 687.00	
\$ 10.00			
\$ 500.00	Total	\$ 687.00	
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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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Feast of the Presentation of the Lord **Sunday, February 2, 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

#### **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**

Malachi 3: 1-4 Psalm 24: 7, 8, 9, 10 "Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!"

Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2: 22-40

#### 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

"My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the *peoples.*" — *Luke* 2:30-31

The Church Fathers pictured Adam and Eve as viewing through the persons of Simeon and Anna the undoing of their earlier rebellion. Adam and Eve could thus say with Simeon, "Now we can die in peace; we have seen God's salvation" (see Lk 2:29ff). They finally saw the fulfillment of God's promise of victory over evil in the Infant Jesus (see Gn 3:15). God let Simeon and Anna see the promise, just as He let Moses see the Promised Land and feast his eyes upon it (see Dt 34:4). They "did not obtain what had been promised but saw and saluted it from afar" (Heb 11:13).

God lets us glimpse the heavenly future in today's feast of the Presentation of Jesus. We may not live to see all our hopes come to pass, but God in His mercy lets us "feast our eyes" upon the promise and get a glimpse. We are privileged to see Jesus in Word, Eucharist, and Sacrament. We too can see the Light to the Nations and the Glory of Israel (see Lk 2:32).



Moses, Simeon, Anna, and the holy heroes of faith were the best of faithful Israel. Likewise, God lets us see a Light of revelation, a sign that will be for our "rise," the rise of many (Lk 2:34). In seeing the Eucharist, reading the New Testament, and living in the Church, the Body of Christ, we not only fulfill Simeon and Anna's hope, but far exceed it. Let us rejoice in all the Lord allows us to see. © Presentation Ministries

# PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse **Nery Fields Bill Barnett** Marilyn Malberg Jeanette Rivenbark Geraldine Egner All those incarcerated All those who suffer from addiction

The Butrim Family Gina Brooks Liz Becker The Daniels Family **United States Leadership** 

Phyllis Kubelka **Stacey Riemer Darrin Pierres** Michael Kubelka The unborn



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.