

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wishing all Mothers
(past, present, and soon-to-be) a
Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!
May the Lord fill your heart with
love, peace, laughter, and joy
this day and always.

HABEMUS PAPAM! – A Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church. (Mat. 16:18)

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably upon your servant, Leo XIV, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The Ladies of St. Joseph's will continue to meet on the **2nd 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

April 27, 2025

11:00 AM (English) Mass

Offertory	\$ 661.00
Cath. Home Missions	\$ 50.00
BAA Initial Offering	\$ 20.00

1:00PM (Spanish) Mass

Offertory	\$ 444.00
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Total	\$ 731.00	Total	\$ 444.00
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**"My sheep hear My voice,
and I know them,
and they follow Me."**

John 10:27



**Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 11, 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

Acts 13: 14, 43-52

Psalms 100: 1-2, 3, 5

"We are his people, the sheep of his flock."

Revelation 7: 9, 14b-17

John 10: 27-30



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

THE MYSTERY OF THE SHEPHERD

"My sheep hear My voice. I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." —John 10:27-28

Today is traditionally called "Good Shepherd Sunday." The image of God as a Shepherd is ancient and powerful. People of almost every culture have been and are profoundly inspired and consoled by the image of the Good Shepherd. Millions of people have prayed with all their hearts: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want" (Ps 23:1).

Nevertheless, some cultures look down on shepherds (see Gn 46:34). In fact, the traditional conflict between shepherds and farmers is the context for the first murder in history (see Gn 4:2ff). Even Jesus' apostles, who heard Jesus' revelation of Himself as the Good Shepherd, had difficulties relating to this image (Jn 10:6).

The image of God as the Good Shepherd should neither be thoughtlessly accepted nor carelessly dismissed. Let's delve into this major revelation from the Gospel of John about the dynamics of our relationship with the Lord: the image of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.



Hardly ever do we give homework in this book. Today, however, your homework is to read John 10 and Ezekiel 34. Look up the cross references. Pray for the Holy Spirit to teach about the truth and the mystery of the image of the Good Shepherd.

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PRAYER LIST

Nick Hesse

Nery Fields

Bill Barnett

Marilyn Malberg

Jeanette Rivenbark

All those incarcerated

All those who suffer from addiction

The Butrim Family

Gina Brooks

Liz Becker

The Daniels Family

Geraldine Egner

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

