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Office Hours (horarios del oficina)

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Monday (Lunes): CLOSED

**Tuesday (Martes): 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

Wednesday (Miércoles): TEMPORARILY CLOSED

**Thursday (Jueves): 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

Friday (Viernes): 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

MASS TIMES (HORARIOS DE MISA)

**Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (miércoles, jueves
y viernes): 12:00 PM**

Saturday (sábado): 5:00 PM [English]

**Sunday (domingo): 9:30 AM [English]
7:30 AM y 11:30 AM [Español]**

**Please call the office for Sacraments & Social Hall
Rentals, as they are by appointment ONLY.
Llame a la oficina de Sacramentos & Social Hall
Rentals, ya que son SOLO con cita previa.**

CONFESION (CONFESIÓN)

Confession is every **Saturday from 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM,**
or by appointment with the Priest.

**La confesión es todos los sábados de 3:00 PM a 4:30
PM, o con cita previa con el sacerdote.**

Sunday's Reflection

The prophet Isaiah chose the imagery of a sumptuous banquet provided by the Lord as a way to offer hope to the Israelites during their period of exile in Babylon. There will come a day when the God whom they look for to save them will come among them and bring them back to the holy mountain, Jerusalem. There he will provide a sumptuous feast for them. The veil that has separated them from him will be lifted and death will be destroyed. God himself will wipe their tears from their eyes and they will see him face to face.

Jesus uses the same banquet image in the Gospels when he speaks about the kingdom of God. All are invited to share in the banquet of the kingdom. Sadly, some will choose not to attend, and a few will even abuse and kill those sent to invite them. Jesus came among us with the invitation to share in his Father's banquet, and some in their foolishness put him to death.

The Eucharist we share in today is the banquet of the Lord, and a sign of the eternal banquet to come. Jesus is the shepherd leading his flock to the holy mountain. He is also the host of the banquet, and most amazing of all, he is the Food we are given to eat at the banquet. His Body and Blood are certainly the richest of food and the choicest of wines.

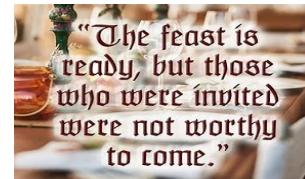
Knowing the magnificent riches of this Eucharistic feast made it possible for St. Paul to learn to cope with the times of plenty and the times of little that he experiences on his earthly journey. The God who feeds him is the source of his strength to face anything that comes his way. God is also the basis for his gratitude for the gifts that the Philippians have sent him while he's in prison. Paul reminds them, as Isaiah did long ago: God will supply their needs fully, in a way worthy of his magnificent riches in Jesus.

Today's readings give us more than a little food for thought:

- God is providing a banquet that will fulfill our needs, both here and hereafter.
- We must be wise and choose to share in the banquet he is providing.
- The banquet of Eucharist gives us the nourishment we will need to handle anything that comes our way in this life.
- When God is the only source of our strength, then we will be generous in sharing all that we have.

May Jesus, our shepherd, our host, and our banquet food, give us the courage to live each day with the strength he provides.

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Reflexión Semanal

En el Evangelio de hoy escuchamos a Jesús decírnos que quienes responden a la abundante gracia de Dios podrán entrar en Su reino. San Francisco de Sales nos habla un poco más acerca de esa respuesta que se espera de nosotros:

La bondad suprema de Dios ha vertido abundantes bendiciones sobre toda la familia humana. La voluntad de Dios es que todos logremos la salvación por medio del conocimiento de la verdad que nuestro Salvador vino a entregarnos- el fuego del amor sagrado- y desea que éste permanezca encendido en nuestros corazones.

¡Con qué fervor Dios desea nuestro amor! EL nos demuestra ese deseo colmándonos de amor divino. Dios, el sol de la justicia, nos envía numerosos rayos de inspiración, calienta nuestros corazones con bendiciones, y toca a cada uno de nosotros con el encanto del amor divino. La inspiración de Dios es la fuerza que da aliento a nuestra voluntad; la ayuda, la refuerza, y la mueve con tan suma gentileza que ésta acaba deseando volar

libremente en busca del bien que encuentra en la inspiración de Dios.

Dios depositó en sus corazones las inspiraciones sagradas y ustedes las recibieron; cooperaron con ellas al consentirlas. Su voluntad comenzó a moverse libremente al unísono de la gracia celestial. Dios continuó fortaleciendo sus corazones a través de varios movimientos; hasta que finalmente llegó el momento en que EL inculcó en ustedes el amor sagrado, y ese amor se convirtió en fuente de vida y salud perfecta. No obstante, en todo momento ustedes tuvieron la libertad para aceptar o rechazar la divina bondad.

Solía decirse que un pequeño pez poseía el poder para detener a un buque navegando en alta mar. Sin embargo, ese pez no tenía el poder para hacer que el barco zarpara. Igual sucede con nuestro libre albedrio. Cuando el viento favorable de la gracia de Dios llena nuestra alma, todos tenemos plena libertad de escoger si lo recibimos, o lo rechazamos. Pero cuando nuestro espíritu zarpa, y se encamina una prospera travesía, no somos nosotros quienes hacemos que los vientos de la inspiración nos lleguen. Es Dios quien mueve el barco, que es nuestro corazón. Nosotros simplemente recibimos y consentimos ese viento proveniente del cielo. ¡Bienaventurados son aquellos que responden a la palabra de Jesús desde el fondo de sus corazones, porque el Reino de Dios les pertenece!

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PARISH FINANCIAL RECORD:

*XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time
(October 14/15, 2023)*

1st Collection: \$ 3936.35

2nd Collection: \$ 818.00

Total: \$ 4754.35

[Last Year \$ 5998.36]

We thank you all for your contributions. Please, remember to send your offertory envelope weekly or monthly or give online. Les agradecemos a todos por sus contribuciones. Por favor, recuerde enviar su sobre de ofertorio semanal o mensualmente o dar en línea

<http://www.stfrancisdesalescatholic.org/online-giving.html>



Social Ministry

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SOCIAL MINISTRY

TEAM

We are a proud supporter of our local foodbank – Lumberton's Christian Care Center. We help to feed our brothers and sisters in need, and your monthly donations are always greatly appreciated. However, this month we have collected only ONE CAN of food. We have mentioned before that if every family were to contribute just one small can or item of non-perishable goods, we would have WELL over 100 pounds. Please, if you are

able, remember those less fortunate, right here in our community, and donate when you can. Thank you.

UN MENSAJE DE NUESTRO EQUIPO DE MINISTERIO SOCIAL

Somos un orgulloso partidario de nuestro banco de alimentos local: el Christian Care Center de Lumberton. Ayudamos a alimentar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas necesitados y sus donaciones mensuales siempre son muy apreciadas. Sin embargo, este mes hemos recolectado solo UNA LATA de comida. Hemos mencionado antes que si cada familia contribuyera con solo una lata pequeña o un artículo de productos no perecederos, tendríamos MUCHO más de 100 libras. Por favor, si puede, recuerde a los menos afortunados, integrela en nuestra comunidad y done cuando pueda. Gracias.

SPANISH LESSONS

There are only 3 classes remaining to learn Spanish. The class meets on Monday from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. The remaining classes are Oct 23, 30, and Nov 6.

(No Class this Monday - Oct 16). SFDS continues to thank and be appreciative to Dr. Cecilia Lara & UNCP for providing this free opportunity to our parish through the UNCP Serve Program!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, 2023. If you have any ideas, concerns, or questions, simply contact the Parish Office and we will direct your inquiry to the proper ministry to be addressed. / La próxima reunión del Consejo Parroquial está programada para el miércoles 18 de octubre de 2023. Si tiene alguna idea, inquietud o pregunta, simplemente comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial y dirigiremos su consulta al ministerio correspondiente.

REMINDER:

There will be **NO** Mass, meetings, trainings, OR activities on our Parish Campus Saturday, October 21, 2023. This is at the recommendation of Bishop Zarama in hopes that **EVERYONE** attends the Eucharistic Congress in Raleigh.



RECORDATORIO:

NO habrá Misa, reuniones, capacitaciones O actividades en nuestro campus parroquial el sábado, 21 de octubre de 2023. Esto es por recomendación del obispo Zarama con la esperanza de que TODOS asistan al Congreso Eucarístico en Raleigh.

DISPENSATION OF MASS

In consultation with Bishop Luis, he has decided to grant a **dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass** at a Saturday evening anticipatory Mass for Saturday, October 21.

This is with the understanding that not all of the faithful can be present at the Eucharistic Congress on October 21 where it is expected most pastors will be in attendance in lieu of presiding over their typically scheduled Saturday Masses. For those of the faithful of the diocese for whom attendance at a Saturday evening Mass is a normal practice and that switching to a Sunday morning or evening Mass may present undue hardship, Bishop Luis has granted this dispensation.

The dispensation **applies only to Saturday evening Masses for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time** and does not apply to Sunday Masses.

DISPENSACIÓN DE MISA

En consulta con el obispo Luis, ha decidido conceder una dispensa de la obligación de asistir a la misa dominical en una misa anticipada el sábado por la tarde para el sábado 21 de octubre.

Esto es en el entendimiento de que no todos los fieles pueden estar presentes en el Congreso Eucarístico el 21 de octubre, donde se espera que asistan la mayoría de los pastores en lugar de presidir sus Misas de los sábados normalmente programadas. Para aquellos fieles de la diócesis para quienes asistir a la misa del sábado por la tarde es una práctica normal y que cambiar a una misa el domingo por la mañana o por la tarde puede presentar dificultades indebidas, el obispo Luis ha concedido esta dispensa.

La dispensa se aplica únicamente a las Misas del sábado por la noche para el domingo 29 del Tiempo Ordinario y no se aplica a las Misas dominicales.

MEET THE TEAM / CONOCER AL EQUIPO ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. We begin with dinner and fellowship from 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm, and class from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Join us whenever you can!

La Formación de Fe para Adultos se reúne cada segundo y cuarto miércoles del mes. Comenzamos con cena y compañerismo de 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm, y clase de 7:00 – 8:00 pm. ¡Únete a nosotros siempre que puedas!

Winston Arokiasamy – Winston Arokiasamy has been a parishioner of SFDS since 1992. He is originally from Malaysia and is the third of six children. Winston desired to join the Franciscan Capuchins. After 10 years of Bible Study, Theology, and Philosophy he did not make it to the priesthood. When he first started attending Mass here, he was just a "regular Sunday Catholic". Overtime he was inspired Catholics like Jason Malinsky and Melissa Edwards, and converts like Joe Walters and April Pittman, and began becoming more active in our parish.

Winston Arokiasamy es feligrés de SFDS desde 1992. Es originario de Malasia y es el tercero de seis hermanos. Winston deseaba unirse a los franciscanos capuchinos. Después de 10 años de estudio bíblico, teología y filosofía, no logró el sacerdocio. Cuando empezó a asistir a misa aquí, era simplemente un "católico dominical normal". Con el tiempo, inspiró a católicos como Jason Malinsky y Melissa Edwards, y a conversos como Joe Walters y April Pittman, y comenzó a ser más activo en nuestra parroquia.

Joseph Walters – Joseph has been a parishioner since 2018 since converting to the Catholic Faith, from Pentecostalism. Joseph is a very boring fellow that enjoys theology, philosophy, history, and wood working. He can often be found smoking his pipe and enjoying reading a good book (nerd alert!). He works as a mechanic and sees his greatest calling as being a husband and father. Joseph es feligrés desde 2018 desde que se convirtió a la fe católica, del pentecostalismo. Joseph es un tipo muy aburrido que disfruta de la teología, la filosofía, la historia y el trabajo con madera. A menudo se le puede encontrar fumando su pipa y disfrutando leyendo un buen libro (¡alerta nerd!). Trabaja como mecánico y considera que su mayor vocación es la de marido y padre.

Veronica Rich - Veronica has been a parishioner of SFDS since 1993 when her family moved here from Germany. She has been a Certified Catechist at our parish for about 4 years and is a BIG animal and Saint enthusiast (Catholic kind, but New Orleans is great too!) Introducing the Rosary Rally to our parish 4 years ago led her to praying it daily during her dog walks. She has been taking care of her 101-year-old grandmother for 11 years and works part time as one of the secretaries in our Parish Office.

Verónica ha sido feligresa de SFDS desde 1993, cuando su familia se mudó aquí desde Alemania. Ella ha sido catequista certificada en nuestra parroquia durante aproximadamente 4 años y es una GRAN entusiasta de los animales y los santos (¡de tipo católico, pero Nueva Orleans también es genial!). La introducción del Rosario en nuestra parroquia hace 4 años la llevó a rezarlo diariamente durante su perro pasea. Lleva 11 años cuidando a su abuela de 101 años y trabaja a tiempo parcial como una de las secretarias de nuestra oficina parroquial.

STEWARSHIP & ENGAGEMENT



Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor. We are looking for someone to help lead this new Ministry. Increasing parishioner engagement, providing Stewardship resources, Special Collections and Parish Grants all fall under this ministry. All resources (and help) will be at the disposal of this new team. Reach out to the church office (office@stfrancisdesalescatholic.org) if you are interested

in learning more and becoming part of this very important ministry!

La mayordomía es la respuesta agradecida de un discípulo cristiano que reconoce y recibe los dones de Dios y los comparte en el amor a Dios y al prójimo. Estamos buscando a alguien que ayude a liderar este nuevo Ministerio. Este ministerio incluye aumentar la participación de los feligreses, proporcionar recursos de administración, colectas especiales y subvenciones parroquiales. Todos los recursos (y ayuda) estarán a disposición de este nuevo equipo. Comuníquese con la oficina de la iglesia (office@stfrancisdesalescatholic.org) si está interesado en obtener más información y ser parte de este ministerio tan importante.



**to everyone celebrating their birthday this week!
(¡Feliz cumpleaños a todos ustedes que celebran
sus cumpleaños esta semana!)**

October 15 - 21, 2023

**David Galloway, Guadalupe Casarrubias Elzaid,
Randy Cinto-Santos, Ariadne S. Flores, Ferman
Reyes-Lucas, Rafael Castro Velasquez, Herandy
Blatazar, Carlos Flores**



**Your prayers are requested for the following
parishioners (Se solicitan sus oraciones para la
siguiente lista de feligreses):**

Tony Blackwell, David & Rhonda Martin, Sandra Rodríguez, Noelia Powell, Dr. Jerry Devine, Renete Cortez, Lupita Flores Castellano, Fabien, Janet Hester, Mitchell Pittman, Joseph & Shelby Young, The Brown Family (Erin, Adam, Marion, Delano), Cathy Cartrette, Doris Schneider, Antonio Lorenzo, Gloria Luente, Family of Juanita Chavis, Doris Warwick, Carol Walters, Carolyn Wilkerson, Fred Dana, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, the Cáceres family, Antonio, Michelle White, Joan Van Huesen Jean Johnson, Family of Jim & Marie Davis (Anne Brunet, Amber Lewis), Eileen Sampson, Carey Hunt,

Sick and Homebound: Victor & Claire Dorais, Robert Barnhill, Robin Barnhill, Richard Geibert, Lydia Yarborough, Carolyn & Richard Onorato, Howard & Nellie Canady, Josette Terry, Gladys Ortiz, Peggy Malinsky, Lorraine Sinclair, Tom Jacoby, Jan Henderson, Cara Hunt

Nursing Homes: Mary Hammonds, Therese Morel and Judy Whritenour at Wesley Pines



Gospel Music Workshop Diocese of Raleigh Gospel Music Workshop, Saturday, November 4, 2023, 10:00 AM - 02:00 PM

Location: St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Conference Center Gallery, 830 High House Road, Cary, NC 27513

Mr. Harry Taylor, Spiritual Choir Director at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, will facilitate a workshop that will focus on vocal techniques, performance and musical techniques in the Gospel / Spiritual tradition. Mr. Dessaline Ford, Choir Director for St. Augustine University Choir, will also be a facilitator.

The workshop is open to anyone, teens-seniors, who is interested in learning more about Gospel music for the Catholic liturgy, especially choir members, music directors, cantors, and clergy. Come hone your skills and enjoy the fellowship with parishioners from around the diocese!

Workshop is FREE / Reservations are REQUIRED!
Register: <https://form.jotform.com/232715086529158>

Mysteries of the Rosary Joy is attractive, magnetic, & contagious! We live in a time of great crisis. So many in our world are tormented with desolation and despair. Yet the Gospel is exploding with joy! Our world is desperately in need of a joyful Christian witness. The new evangelization will be marked by Christian joy! Everyone wants pleasure. More deeply, everyone wants happiness. Most deeply, everyone desires joy! To fully appreciate the Joyful Mysteries, we must enter into the longing and waiting of Israel and try to imagine a world without a Savior. Let our hearts grow in anticipation for the coming of Christ. The Word became flesh and exceeded our wildest expectations!

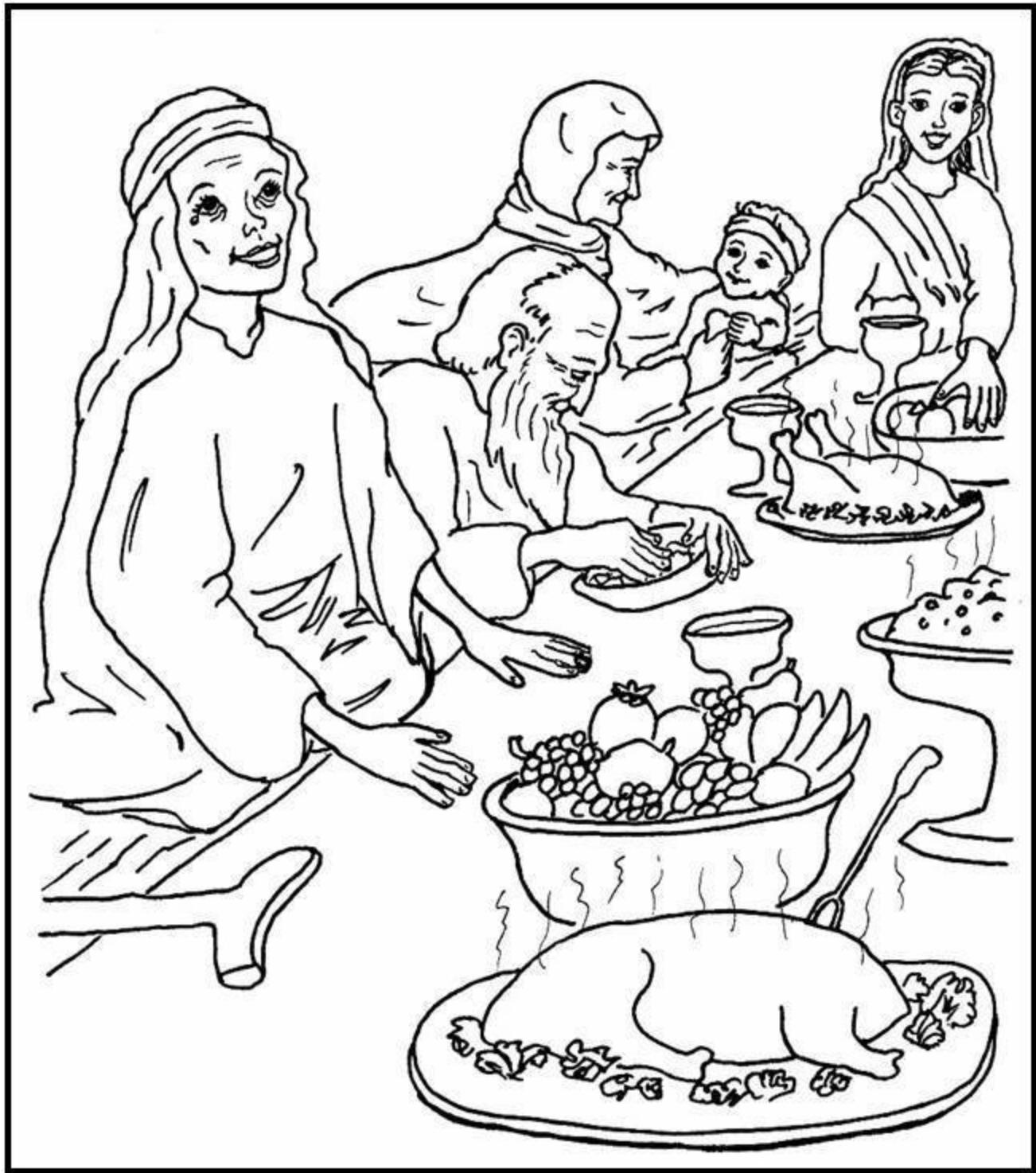
Join us for the launch of The Mysteries of the Rosary Program – Joyful Mysteries at the Fallon Center on Friday, October 27, 2023, at 7:30 PM. Light refreshments will be served. After the program launch, we will meet as small groups for the next 6 weeks. Use this link to register: <https://ourladyoflourdes.org/joyful>.

Rosary for healing and end to domestic violence

St. Rita Ministry welcomes you to join us in praying the rosary together for healing and an end to domestic violence. We will meet every Tuesday from 2:00-2:30 p.m. on Zoom beginning October 3, 2023. Email us for the link at strita@stmcary.org.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Parable of the Wedding Banquet"



"Many are invited, but few are chosen." Matthew 22:1-14