

**PARISH NEWS / NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA**  
**February 2, 2025 / 2 de Febrero, 2025**

**“Food for Thought” from the Respect Life Committee:**  
 “A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.”  
 Pope Francis, Message for the 29 th World Day of the Sick 2021  
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**Pick of the Week on FORMED! This week on FORMED WATCH: St. Josephine Bakhita: A Story of God’s Rescue** Join Sister Imelda as she shares the amazing story of St. Josephine Bakhita, who, after being taken captive and made a slave, finds freedom by giving her life to God. **WATCH: The Presentation-Episode 5-Mysteries of the Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries** The Presentation is already foreshadowing the Cross. The offering Mary makes at the Presentation in the Temple becomes manifested and reaches its fulfillment at Calvary. Finally, **WATCH: Bakhita: From Slave to Saint** Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

**Courage International:** *A Catholic apostolate for men and women who experience same-sex attractions and for the family members and loved ones of those who identify as LGBTQ+.* Whether you experience same-sex attractions and are committed to following the Church’s teaching on chastity (Courage), or you have a family member or loved one who identifies as LGBTQ+ (EnCourage), you are not alone. Join the Courage and EnCourage family and discover an apostolate that provides confidential support for living chastity, growing in holiness, and keeping family bonds intact. To learn more, visit Courage International at [Couragerc.org](http://Couragerc.org). Inquire about our new local Courage chapter at [courage@rcdoc.org](mailto:courage@rcdoc.org) and our local EnCourage chapter at [encourage@rcdoc.org](mailto:encourage@rcdoc.org).

**Devotions & Crafts:** All parishioners are welcome to join us for devotions and crafts on Monday mornings from 10:30am-12:00pm in the conference room by the church office. We are now working on prayer blankets for foster children in Catawba County. Questions? Contact Janice at [lexingtonjanice@icloud.com](mailto:lexingtonjanice@icloud.com).



**“Para la Reflexion” Del Comité de Respeto a la Vida:**  
 “Una sociedad es tanto más humana cuanto más sabe cuidar a sus miembros frágiles y que más sufren, y sabe hacerlo con eficiencia animada por el amor fraterno. Caminemos hacia esta meta, procurando que nadie se quede solo, que nadie se sienta excluido ni abandonado.”  
 Papa Francisco, Mensaje por la XXIX Jornada del Enfermo 2021 © 2020 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Se utiliza con permiso. Se reservan todos los derechos.

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS**  
**LAS LECTURAS DE ESTA SEMANA**

<b>Monday / Lunes</b>	<b>Heb 11: 32-40 / Mk 5: 1-20</b>
<b>Tuesday / Martes</b>	<b>Heb 12: 1-4 / Mk 5: 21-43</b>
<b>Wednesday / Miércoles</b>	<b>Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15 / Mk 6: 1-6</b>
<b>Thursday / Jueves</b>	<b>Heb 12: 18-19, 21-24 / Mk 6: 7-13</b>
<b>Friday / Viernes</b>	<b>Heb 13: 1-8 / Mk 6: 14-29</b>
<b>Saturday / Sábado</b>	<b>Heb 13: 15-17, 20-21 / Mk 6: 30-34</b>
<b>Sunday / Domingo</b>	<b>Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8 / 1 Cor 15: 1-11 / Lk 5: 1-11</b>

**BULLETIN ON THE WEB SITE:** *Please remember that any time you are away or do not receive a bulletin after Mass, you can access church information and see the weekly bulletin on the church web site at [www.stjosephrcc.org](http://www.stjosephrcc.org).*  
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**BOLETÍN en EL SITIO WEB:** *Por favor, recuerde que cada vez que está lejos o no reciben un boletín después de la Misa, puede acceder a la información de iglesia y ver el boletín semanal en el sitio web iglesia [www.stjosephrcc.org](http://www.stjosephrcc.org).*

**Our Parish Has A FORMED Subscription**  
 To sign up for FORMED, visit: [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and enter our parish zip code, 28658 and your email address and that’s it! If you have questions, contact the church office.

**Purgatorial Society**  
 Enroll your deceased loved ones in our parish’s purgatory society. Every 1st Tuesday of the month a Mass will be said for all the names on the list. Submit the names of your deceased loved ones to [stjosephpurgatorialsociety@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephpurgatorialsociety@gmail.com) or write them on a paper labeled “Purgatory Society” and place in the collection basket.



**St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
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**Iglesia Católica San Jose**  
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 E-Mail address: [stjosephrcc78@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephrcc78@gmail.com)  
 Rev. James M. Collins, Pastor/Parroco  
 Rev. Mr. Scott D. Gilfillan, Deacon/Diacono

**Our Mission Statement**  
*We, the Catholic Community of St. Joseph’s, embrace Jesus Christ as Lord, Savior, and center of our lives. We commit to fostering belief through education, faith, through action, and fellowship through love and reconciliation. In the spirit of unity, we shall proclaim and bring to all, Jesus, the Light of the world*

**Declaración de Intenciones**  
*Nosotros, la comunidad católica de San José, aceptamos a Jesus Cristo como nuestro Señor, Salvador y centro de nuestras vidas. Nos dedicamos a promover la creencia através de la educación, fe, acción, compañerismo através de amor y reconciliación. En el espíritu de unidad, debemos proclamar y llevar a todos, Jesus, la Luz del mundo.*

**Mass Schedule/Horarios de Misa**

<b>Saturday/Sábado</b>	<b>5:00 p.m. Mass</b>
<b>Sunday/Domingo</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. Mass</b> <b>11:45 a.m. Misa en Español</b>

**Weekdays/Días de Semana**

<b>Monday-Wednesday-Friday</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>
<b>Lunes-Miércoles-Viernes</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday-Thursday</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Martes-Jueves</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>

**Holy Days as Announced/Días de Santo Cuando Anunciado**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/Sacramento de Reconciliación:**  
 Saturday **3:30 to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment**  
 Sábado **3:30 to 4:30 p.m. o por cita**

**Baptism/Bautismos:**  
 By appointment following instruction  
 Clases 2 do Domingo de cada mes—@ 3:30 en el Salón Familiar

**Marriage/Matrimonios:**  
 Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance

**PARISH OFFICE**  
 Kara Antonio - Admin. Assistant - 828-464-9207  
**10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday**

**HORARIOS DE OFICINA**  
 De Martes, Miércoles, y Viernes 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS -**  
**MINISTERIOS PARROQUIALES Y ORGANIZACIONES**

Faith Formation Director ..... Kara Antonio – 464-9207  
 Faith Formation Coordinator ..... Gustavo Rojo - 464-9207  
 Minister of Music..... Eileen Crider & Mariah Richardson  
 Ministry to Sick & Homebound ..... Donna Sharman – 459-2605  
 Coord. Del Ministerio Hispano.....Marcelino Lopez – 514-3039  
 Bautismos ..... Alejo & Wendy Diaz – 291-6462  
 Matrimonios ...Maria Dosamante & Hugo Dominguez – 962-9035  
 Ministerio de Liturgia..... Pedro & Carmen – 469-8562  
 St. Joseph Workmen Group..... Richard Timmons Sr - 781-4887  
 Co-Leader..... Jonathan Corona - 994-1397  
 Annulments..... Selina Diaz - 464-9207  
 Grounds Maintenance..... Ransom Graham - 464-9207  
 Spanish Charismatics.....Jesus Ruiz - 980-241-0031  
 Spiritual Direction..... Deacon Scott Gilfillan – 828-261-6375



**WEEKLY SCHEDULE / PROGRAMACIÓN SEMANAL**

Sunday / Domingo - February 2  
9:00 AM - Mass / Misa  
11:45 AM - Misa en Español

Monday / Lunes - February 3  
12:10 PM - Mass / Misa

Tuesday / Martes - February 4  
8:30 AM - Mass / Misa

Wednesday / Miércoles - February 5  
12:10 PM - Mass / Misa

Thursday / Jueves - February 6  
8:30 AM - Mass / Misa

Friday / Viernes - February 7  
12:10 PM - Mass / Misa

Saturday / Sábado - February 8  
5:00 PM - Mass / Misa

Sunday / Domingo - February 9  
9:00 AM - Mass / Misa  
11:45 AM - Misa en Español

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK / INTENCIONES DE LA MISA DE SEMANA**

Saturday / Sábado - February 1  
5:00 PM - People of the Parish

Sunday / Domingo - February 2  
9:00 AM - † Marcario Macias Melendes  
11:45 AM - Gonzalo Dosamante

Monday / Lunes - February 3  
12:10 PM - Emily Rybak Bennes

Tuesday / Martes - February 4  
8:30 AM - Emily Oswald

Wednesday / Miércoles - February 5  
12:10 PM - Matt Stewart  
7:30 PM - Charismatic Group

Friday / Viernes - February 7  
12:10 PM - † Karen Miller

Saturday / Sábado - February 8  
7:00 AM - Veronica Lopez Sanchez  
5:00 PM - People of the Parish

Sunday / Domingo - February 9  
9:00 AM - † Frank Kulka  
11:45 AM - † Julia Salis  
† Liborio Ruiz

**FEAST DAYS / DIAS de FIESTA**

Sunday, February 2 / Domingo, 2 de Febrero  
The Presentation of the Lord / La Presentación del Señor

Monday, February 3 / Lunes, 3 de Febrero  
Sts. Blaise & Ansgar / San Blas y San Oscar

Wednesday, February 5 / Miércoles, 5 de Febrero  
St. Agatha / Santa Agueda

Thursday, February 6 / Jueves, 6 de Febrero  
St. Paul Miki & Companions / Santos Pablo Miki y Compañeros

Saturday, February 8 / Sábado, 8 de Febrero  
St. Josephine Bakhita & St. Jerome Emiliani / Santa Josefina Bakhita y San Jerónimo Emiliani

Sunday, February 9 / Domingo, 9 de Febrero  
The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS / POR FAVOR RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES**

Toni Harris, Kevin Hines, Marjorie Hines, Kathryn Phillips, Jada Halle, Barbara Lyman, Meghan Fannin, Jennifer Baker, Max Jonathas, Linwood & Patricia Morris, Kim Ramos, Carol Bowes, Luz Estrella Martinez Hernandez, Claudia Poe, Donna Earnhardt, Louis Holden, Rev. James Collins, Jo Wagoner, Corwin Revis, Michael Adamson, Steve McDaniel, Don Nackley, Chris Halle, David Stevens, Gonzalo Dosamante S., Maria Elena Gallegos, Maria de los Angeles Torres Vazquez, Jose Mateo Dominguez Cepeda, Jerry Malone, Ralph Vanderlught, Diane Canipe, Angie Ruffy, Jim Boydstone, Idalia & Waldo Cervantes, Pat Simpson, Dan & Fran Dixon, Mary Anne & Richard Shoener, Normand Dessert, Jeannine Dessert, Lanie Grimm, Theresa Lynn Goonan, Vicki Yokum, Rosalia Rios, Jessica Dominguez, Sally Ann McGill, Peggy Templeton, Barbara Harvey, Monica Noemi Delgado, Thomas Martin, Janet Blondo, Patricia Caldwell, Steve Caldwell, Kathleen Wanamaker, Rodger Chaffee, Johnny Schmitt, Ronald Merkall, Rick Schwartz, Diana Dominguez, Karla P. Dominguez, Enriqueta Dosamantes Perez, Ashley Bowman, Mary Plunkett, Luis A. Dosamantes F., Teresa Fannin, Richard Harzucuk, Nancy Paulos, Sharon Gayer, Rita Wergowske, Madeleine Futrelle, Rick Wilkenson, Vivian Horn-Mannix, Artie Sue

*Please remember in your prayers those serving our country in the military: Captain Chris Chrislip, Shawn Mulligan, Matt DiRisio, Patrick Hayes, and Joseph Hayes.*

Names on the prayer list will remain on the list for one month. At the end of each month, names will be removed from the prayer list unless the office is contacted and a request made for the name to remain. We appreciate your cooperation. Los nombres en las lista de oración se mantendrán en la lista por un mes. Al comienzo de cada mes la lista será nueva, a menos que la oficina sea notificada de su deseo de mantener un nombre en la lista por otro mes. Apreciamos su cooperación.

**OUR STEWARDSHIP / NUESTRA ADMINISTRACION**

Last Week's Regular Offertory / Ofertorio Regular de la Semana Pasada  
01/26/2025 \$5,334.85

2024 DSA Report as of 1/23/2025  
Families/Households Contributing  
102 of 264 = 38%

Goal	Pledged	Over/Under
\$30,996	\$34,462	\$3,466.00
On Goal	Total Paid	On Pledges
100%	\$31,362	90%

*Thank you for your generosity!  
Note: Only Registered Parishioners will receive a tax statement at the end of the year.*

**PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE SERVICES:**

Pregnancy Care Center of Catawba County 322-4272  
Website: [www.pchickory.com](http://www.pchickory.com)

**SERVICIOS DE ASISTENCIA DE EMBARAZO:**

Centro de Cuidado de Embarazo del Condado Catawba 322-4272 Sitio Web: [www.pchickory.com](http://www.pchickory.com)

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** If you know of anyone who would like someone to bring them communion or to visit them, please contact Donna Sharman at 459-2605.

**LOST AND FOUND:** If you believe you have left something in the Church, please visit out Lost and Found Box located in the office. If you find an item please also turn it into the office, so others may find.

**PERDIDO Y ENCONTRADO:** Si usted cree que le queda algo en la iglesia, por favor visite cabo perdidos ubicado en la oficina. Si usted encuentra un articulo por favor también convertirlo en la oficina, por lo que otros pueden encontrar.

**Help protect all of God's children**

Everyone has a role to play in protecting children. North Carolina law requires all adults to immediately report suspected child abuse by anyone to law enforcement agencies. If you know or suspect that a minor (person under 18) has been abused, please call 9-1-1 or contact local law enforcement.

Also, if you have information about possible sexual abuse or misconduct by any clergy, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Charlotte, report concerns securely and anonymously 24/7 over the phone or online: 1-888-630-5929 or [www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC](http://www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC).

**Safe Environment training**

Did you know that every Church worker must go through abuse prevention and education training?

Find more information about the Diocese of Charlotte's Safe Environment program, sign up for Protecting God's Children training and more: <https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources/safe-environment>.

**Ayuda a proteger a todos los niños de Dios**

Todo el mundo tiene un papel que desempeñar en la protección de los niños. La ley de Carolina del Norte requiere que todos los adultos informen inmediatamente a las autoridades correspondientes si sospechan abuso infantil por parte de cualquier persona. Si sabe o sospecha que un menor (persona menor de 18 años) ha sido abusado, por favor comuníquese con el 9-1-1 o con la policía local.

Además, si tiene información sobre un posible abuso sexual o mala conducta por parte de cualquier miembro del clero, empleado o voluntario de la Diócesis de Charlotte, por favor reportar sus inquietudes de forma segura y anónima las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana por teléfono o en línea: 1-888-630-5929 o [www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC](http://www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC).

**Entrenamiento de medioambiente seguro**

¿Sabe usted que todos los trabajadores de la Iglesia deben de tomar el entrenamiento de prevención de abuso y ser capacitados en este tema? Encuentre más información sobre el programa de medioambiente seguro de la Diócesis de Charlotte, regístrese en el programa Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios y más en <https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources/safe-environment>.

**Secular Franciscans:** Don't Say "No" Before You Say "Yes" Come and see us, the Secular Franciscans. Get to Know Us and Ask Yourself "Is God calling me? We meet the second Saturday of each month normally at 1 pm in Holy Family Hall at St Joseph Catholic Church, Newton, NC. If you'd like to visit please contact us by phone or email to confirm our gathering location. Lynn Oeser at (919) 815-5301, [matcat01@hotmail.com](mailto:matcat01@hotmail.com), or Esther Kelly at (919)302-4798, [emarielkelly@yahoo.com](mailto:emarielkelly@yahoo.com), or Xiomara Palma at (828) 461-3755.



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**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:**

After labouring in the temple for his entire life, Simeon was rewarded with the gift of beholding Christ with his own eyes. The reward of Simeon is the reward awaiting all of Christ's faithful stewards. So when the commitment to our life of stewardship becomes difficult and we're tempted to despair, let us remember the reward that awaits us of beholding Him with utter joy and peace in Heaven.

**Pray for Our Parish Families of the Week**—We are asking all members of our church to pray for five church families. Each week we identify a different group of five families. The families for this week are:  
The Callahan Family                      The Callejas Family  
The Campbell Family                      The Campos Family  
The Canella Family

**2025 Diocesan Support Appeal:** Our new DSA Goal for the year 2025 is **\$32,272**. You will receive a mailing in the upcoming weeks about the DSA and our goal as a parish. Thanks to your generosity in 2024 we were able to exceed our goal last year.

**Catholic Leadership Institute Survey:** Bishop Martin has partnered with CLI and in March he will send out a survey for parishioners to take part in. Here is his opening video explaining more about this initiative: <https://youtu.be/ksngJh3xILU>

**First Friday:** This Friday, February 7th and there will be Eucharistic Adoration following the 12:10pm until 7am Saturday morning. There will be a Mass at 7am on Saturday morning, February 8th. Come spend an hour in the presence of the Lord.

ST JOSEPHS SPANISH MARRIAGE PREP GROUP INVITES YOU TO

*St. Valentine Dinner & Dance*

15 FEBRUARY 2025

CHECK IN STARTS AT 5:30PM | DINNER AT 7PM  
HOLY FAMILY HALL  
BEST DRESS ATTIRE

**\$45 PER COUPLE**

LIVE DJ RAFFLES	GAMES CHEF DINNNER
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Purchase your tickets any day after mass.  
Call the Church Office for more information

**PENSAMIENTO DE CO-RESPONSABILIDAD:**

Después de trabajar en el templo durante toda su vida, Simeón fue recompensado con el don de contemplar a Cristo con sus propios ojos. La recompensa de Simeón es la recompensa que espera a todos los fieles mayordomos de Cristo. Entonces, cuando el compromiso con nuestra vida de mayordomía se vuelve difícil y nos sentimos tentados a desesperarnos, recordemos la recompensa que nos espera al contemplarlo con total gozo y paz en el Cielo.

**Llamamiento de apoyo diocesano para 2025:** Nuestra nueva meta de DSA para el año 2025 es \$32,272. Recibirá un correo en las próximas semanas sobre DSA y nuestra meta como parroquia. Gracias a su generosidad en 2024 pudimos superar nuestra meta el año pasado.

EL MINISTERIO PREMATRIMONIAL DE SAN JOSE LES HACE LA CORDIAL INVITACION A

*San Valentine Cena & Baile*

15 FEBRERO 2025

REGISTRACIONES COMENZARÁN A PARTIR DE LAS 5:30PM  
CENA A LAS 7PM  
SALÓN DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA  
VESTIMENTA FORMAL

**\$45 POR PAREJA**

DJ EN VIVO RIFAS	JUEGOS CENA DE CHEF
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Previa registracion es necesaria para apartar su lugar. Registraciones disponibles día después de misa. Llame a la Oficina para más información.