St. Stanislaus Catholic Parish of Castle Hayne

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Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2024



We Welcome all Visitors!

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Parish. We are happy you chose to be with us today. If you are traveling, we pray for your safe journey. If you live in the Wilmington area, we hope you will return soon to worship with us.

Mass Schedule

Monday 6:00 PM

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday 8:30 AM Saturday 5:00 PM Thursday 12:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM

Friday 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 3:45 p.m. After the 8:30 a.m. daily Masses, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the office six months or more prior to the proposed date of your wedding.

Parochial Administrator

Rev. Roger Malonda Nyimi

Deacon

Deacon John Charron

Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor

Rebecca Clements ststans4@ec.rr.com

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8 a.m. — 12 p.m.

READINGS FOR TODAY

First Reading — Bar 5:1-9

Psalm — Ps 126:1-6

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading — Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel — Lk 3:1-6

MEDITATION FOR TODAY

All these names—Pontius Pilate, Herod, Annas, and Caiaphas—belong in the Passion of Christ. So then why do we hear them now before his birth? To remind us why the Lord was born: "Jesus Christ was born to die on the cross" (Saint Leo the Great). The winding road that Christ makes straight is the way to Calvary. With Christ we want to "advance secure in the glory of God, with his mercy and justice for company." We do that this Advent by asking God to complete the work he has begun in us. The "affection of Christ Jesus" moves us to embrace every sacrifice that prepares in us the way of the cross, confident that "God is leading us in joy by the light of his glory, with his mercy and justice for company.

Magnificat December 2024

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26 **Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;

Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;

Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19 **Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16,

18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;

Lk 3:10-18

Our Mission Statement

In recognition of God's love and presence in every human being, the members of Saint Stanislaus Parish embrace the challenge to serve God and all His people. In fellowship with one another, we nurture our Catholic Faith through the celebration of the sacraments and reflection on the word of God. As a welcoming and culturally diverse Faith Community, we strive to proclaim and live the good News of Jesus Christ while providing for the spiritual and physical needs of those less fortunate.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 12/8 9:00 a.m.

For the Intentions of our parishioners

Monday 12/9 6:00 p.m. † Gene McLaughlin by Don & Rebecca Clements 8:30 a.m. Tuesday 12/10 † David Pete by Charlene Pete & family **Thursday** 12/12 12:00 p.m. † William Davis by Barry & Eileen Jezercak Friday 12/13 8:30 a.m. Health Blessings for "Mary Kelly" by Denise Hoores Saturday 12/14 5:00 p.m. † Mattie Johnston by Carol & Don Wittschiebe

12/15

9:00 a.m.

For the Intentions of our parishioners

Sunday

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Ť	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Monday December 9 6:00 PM	Third Sunday of Advent Saturday December 14 5:00 PM	Third Sunday of Advent Sunday December 15 9:00 AM
Sacristan	Ann Wells	Marty Yakimovich Kathy Yakimovich	Kathy Roberts
Reader 1 Reader 2	Ellen Graskoski Ed Pearsall	Pam Rose Ed Pearsall	Rhonda Olson Julie Russell
Altar Servers	Alex Keith Volunteer	Alex Keith Bennet Wallen	Maura Olson Quinn Halbrooks
EM-C EM-H EM-C	Ludi Lipari Elaine Howard Rose Bickert Julie Russell Bill Lilly	Dennis Thompson Rose Bickert Doug Harper Volunteer Volunteer	Marsha Byrum Elaine Howard Lisa Bixby Charlene Pete Frankie Hall
Ushers	Dave Bickert Mick Bianco Volunteer Volunteer	Dave Bickert Mick Bianco Volunteer Volunteer	Mark Byrum Mike Zygadlo Bill Jayne Dennis Kalnas

Parish Planner					
Sun.	Dec. 8	10:15 AM	Faith Formation Class		
Mon.	Dec. 9	6:00 PM	Immaculate Conception Mass		
Tues.	Dec. 10	6:00 PM	OCIA Class		
Wed.	Dec. 11	4:30 PM	St. Stanislaus MMP– Cenacle Please call Joyce Lemon at 910-262-2131		
Sat.	Dec. 14		Meals on Wheels (Ladies)		
Sun.	Dec. 15	10:15 AM	Faith Formation Class/ Youth Choir Stations of the Cross / Via Crucis Garden		

Stewardship of Treasure

November 24, 2024

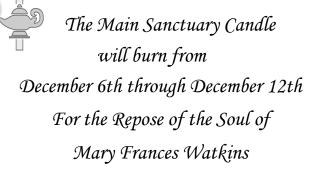
All Saints \$20.00 **Building Fund** \$20.00 For the Poor \$469.00 General Seasonal Flowers \$980.00 Priest's Welfare & Ret. \$10.00 Sunday Offertory 11-24-2024 \$4,116.00 \$<u>5,615.00</u> TOTAL



December Second Collections

December 8th Retired Religious December 8th Immaculate Conception December 25th Christmas

Thank You for your Continued Support May God Bless You Always, And in All Ways!



Cape Fear Deanery 2024 **Advent Communal Reconciliation Services**

Date	Time	Location
Dec.10	11:00 AM	Basilica of St. Mary, Wilmington
Dec.10	7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception Wilmington
Dec.11	7:00 PM	Basilica of St. Mary, Wilmington
Dec. 17	7:00 PM	St. Stanislaus, Castle Hayne
Dec. 18	7:00 PM	St. Joseph's, Burgaw
Dec. 18	7:00 PM	St. Mark, Wilmington

Pray for our Sick



Please contact the office at 910-675-2336 to have a loved one placed on our prayer list.

St. Stanislaus has a Ministry of Visitation and Prayer. This is a team of parishioners who can visit the sick and some can also bring Holy Communion to them.

If you know of someone who is need of a visit please call Julie Russell at 703-581-5875 or Ann Wells at 910-376-0500.

If you have placed a loved one on our list, and you feel they no longer need to be on it, please call so that we may update our list.

Thomas Kelley
Virginia Kistler
Sammy Kosh
Betty LaFaze
Cathy Lanunziata
Katie Lemaire
Kathleen Lenahan
Stephen Likens
Sonny Long
Kira Lorek
Gloria Luyon
Mia Marchesie
Josephine McCoy
Patricia McEnroe
Jerry Mieyal
Debbie Muno
Patricia Must
Dallas Neville
Lorraine Oswald
Melissa Peirsall
DonnaMaria Peppin
Jimmy Pete
Patrick Reed
Gil Riveria
Rosa Marie Santos
Robert Scheriff
Larry Schmidt
Mona Smalley
Pat Strickland
Gerritt Swart
Steve Swart
Jack Theus
Polly Thompkins
Brian Ullrich
Kevin Vernon
Mike Vorderburg
Jean Vorderburg
Armmanda Wilson
Arynne Wilson
Diane Young
Mike Young

Evangelization

Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2024

On this second Sunday of Advent, today's Gospel by St. Luke records for us the history of St. John's proclamation of getting the world ready for the coming of the Messiah. The long preparation for Jesus' coming culminates in this last prophet fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy word for word "Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low". It means clearing away obstacles for a road...for a way which is the road to heaven and the way of salvation, the way that is a person, Jesus Christ, who said, "I am the way". No other great religious founder ever rose from the dead, claimed to be the one true God, performed hundreds of miracles, or fulfilled as many prophecies (300) as Jesus. As we continue our Advent journey, let us remember that the God of history still meets us in our specific time and place.



Social Ministries Giving Tree

Our **Social Ministries** Giving Tree is now set up in the Gathering Area. We ask that you take a tag and fulfill the wishes of a child in need (boys and girls ages 1-12). We are requesting that all gifts **NOT BE WRAPPED** but be put in **Christmas gift bags**, along with the gift tag. This year especially we need to help those less fortunate to have a joyful and peaceful Christmas.

Please return your gifts to the Giving Tree **by Saturday**, **December 15th** so that we may distribute them well before Christmas.

Many thanks, as always.

Bunco Buzzz

Our November BUNCO was a cozy group of 20 players. Joan Bernacki was the 50/50 raffle winner! Bunco prize winners were Diane Reck, Cindy Givens, Josie Bonanno, Bill Bernacki, and Sissy Keith. Two players graciously donated winnings—thank you. Rose Bickert won the Goofy Gift of the evening. In addition to cash donations, 55 nonperishable food items were collected for our Helping Hands ministry.

Our next BUNCO is scheduled for January 31, 2025.



Join Us!
The St. Stans' Choir presents
A Prelude of
Christmas Specials, Instrumentals,
and a Christmas Carol Singalong
7:30 pm Christmas Eve
before the 8pm Mass

Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Program

The Knights will be outside the church doors prior to and after Mass for the weekends of December 7-8, 14-15 and 21-22 to sell the Keep Christ in Christmas magnets for \$5.00 each. Please support these efforts as proceeds are spent back on programs within the Parish community. Thank You for your ongoing support.

