

Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16, 2025

On the HORIZON

December 9

9:00 – 11:30 AM

Mass/Advent Retreat

Fr. Brian, Legionnaire of Christ

December 16 (Change of Schedule)

11:30 AM WOTC Advent Prayer Service
Christmas tea

December 12

6 PM Christmas Concert

7 PM Christmas Dinner

Background of the Gospel

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for “It will lead to your giving testimony” (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

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Our Mission

To love and know more profoundly our Catholic faith, worship the Lord, minister to our members and to further spread our faith in the community.

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New Office Hours

Mon. 9-6 PM (Wallace)

Tue. Day-off

Wed. 9-12 NN (Wallace)

Wed. 2-6 PM (Magnolia)

Thur. 9-12 NN (Wallace)

3-6 PM (Wallace)

Fri. 9-12 PM (Wallace)

Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Mon. 6:00 – 7:00 PM (Wallace)

Wed. 6:00 – 7:00 PM (Magnolia)

Thurs. 9:30-10:30 AM (Wallace)

Reconciliation

Thur. during Holy Hour

Sat. 4:30 PM or by appointment

Weekend Mass Schedule

Transfiguration of Jesus

Saturday 5:00 PM English

Sunday 8:30 AM English

10:30 AM Spanish

Santa Clara Mission

Sunday 1:00 PM Spanish

Weekday Masses

Mon, Thurs-Fri 9:00 AM (Eng.)

Mon 7:00 PM (Esp.)

Wed (Santa Clara) 7:00 PM (Esp.)

The Pope's Monthly Intention (November):

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Prayer Tree Requests should be sent to all three committee members. This is to ensure that no prayer request goes unanswered. Also, please make sure that permission is given by the person or family needing prayer, to send out the request.

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Dear Jesus, we turn to You in the time of illness. O dearest Comforter alleviate our worry with your gentle love. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us.

Liturgical Committee

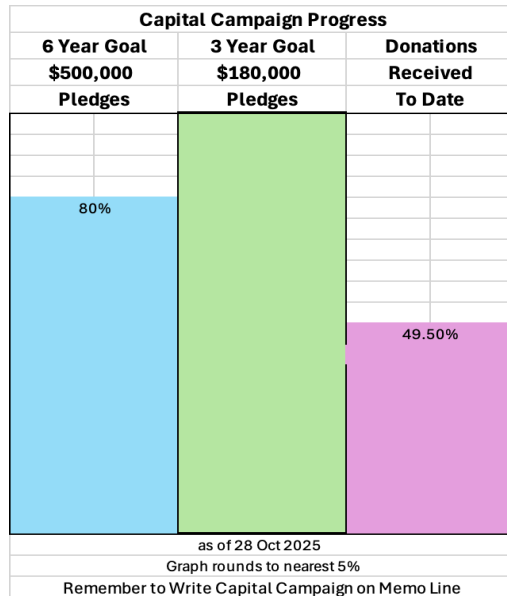
- **Advent** is a **season of preparation**—a time of watching, waiting, and hope.
- **Christmas** is the **celebration of the birth of the Lord**, and the Christmas season begins **at the Vigil on December 24** and continues **until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord** (mid-January).

So traditionally:

Decoration	When to Put It Up	Why
Advent Wreath, Jesse Tree, Purple Décor	First Sunday of Advent	Represents waiting and preparation.
Nativity Scene (Without Baby Jesus)	Beginning of Advent or December 17 (O Antiphons)	Reflects anticipation of Christ's coming.
Baby Jesus Figure	Night of December 24	Symbol of the Nativity/Incarnation.
Christmas Tree & Full Decorations	December 24 or last days of Advent	Celebration begins when Jesus is born, not before.

Parish Ministries & Committees

Capital Campaign Progress Report



Finance Committee (Monthly Financials)

	Sept Budget	Sept Actuals	Sept Expense
Offertory	\$21,090	\$16,673	
Maintenance	\$3,390	\$3,658	
Others	\$399	\$1,618	
Total	\$24,879	\$21,949	\$34,354
Net Revenue			(\$12,405)

*Includes the Rectory Loan Payment of \$333.00

Liturgy Committee



Knights of Columbus



Whole month of November

Drop Areas:

Founder's Hall

River Landing Fitness Center

Nov. 21 – Presentation of Mary

The Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple recalls – according to the apocryphal gospels, the day on which Mary, while still a child, was brought to the temple in Jerusalem to be offered to God. The Church wants to emphasize not so much the historical event in itself, of which there is no trace in the Gospels, but the total gift that Mary made of herself, by listening: “*Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and observe it*” (Lk. 11:28). This experience prepared the young girl from Nazareth to become the “temple of the Son of God”.

The celebration of this feast dates back to the 6th century in the East with the dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary the New built by the Emperor Justinian I near the ruins of the temple in Jerusalem. There is evidence that various monasteries in Italy celebrated the feast in the 9th century. It was not until the 15th century that it was included in the Roman Missal.

This is also the on which the Church celebrates the World Day of Cloistered Life, established by Pope Pius XII in 1953.



Coming!!
December 10, 2025
5:30-9PM



Johnson Nursery and Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries are partnering for a SPECIAL ‘Southern Lights Night!’ A portion of the proceeds from this special evening will support DCOM’s mission to serve and uplift our community.

Please join us in a night of **HOLIDAY MAGIC** that gives back to our community.

NEW THIS YEAR!!

- ❖ New Whimsical Wagon Ride
- ❖ New Interactive Elf Story
- ❖ Hot Chocolate & S’mores
- ❖ Seasonal Cocktails
- ❖ 12 Days of Christmas Art Tour

Where: 985 Johnson Nursery Road
Willard, NC/Phone 910-285-1944
Tickets \$12 on line; \$15 at the door
www.johnson-nursery.com/events



Weekly Schedule (November 15 - 22)

Saturday 11:00 AM 1:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Wedding Convalidation (TJCC) Wedding Convalidation (TJCC) Confessions Vigil Mass (Eng) White Family, Special Intention requested by Rich and Jennifer Ciuccoli +Deacon Larry Durbing requested by Frank and Cheryl Partyka	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8 R Ciuccoli M Francis L Schembri, J Peterson J Ciuccoli, B Keeney, Deacon Mike M McCarthy
Sunday 8:30 AM 9:00AM 10:30 AM 1:00 PM	Mass <i>Pro Populo</i> Faith Formation Classes Sunday Mass (Spanish) Sunday Mass (Santa Clara)	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers: Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers	XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19 J & B Flatley K Lutze J Paquette, P Jazowski B Harran, P Harran, Deacon Mike Neil, Leah, Isaac Jorge, Tino, Jorge, Elias, Valentin, Alberto Jorge, Tino, Jorge Adriana, Celeni Carolina, Tino, Hilda Dorian, Sofia, Jairo
Monday 9:00 AM 9:45 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Communion Service Bible Study Adoration Online Rosary: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3836517593 Communion Service		Saint Elizabeth of Hungary 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday	<i>Fr. Randy is attending a meeting in the CICM in Arlington)</i>		2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Adoration Mass (Santa Clara)		2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday 9:00 AM	Mass/Adoration/Morning Prayer		1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44
Friday 9:00 AM	Mass		Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday 1:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Wedding (TJCC) Confession Vigil Mass		Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40