



Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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On the HORIZON

April 27/28, 2024	Election of PPC
May 5, 2024	
9:30 AM	First Sunday Breakfast
1:00 PM	Renewal of Vows of Bro. Wil in Santa Clara
May 10, 2024	
6:00 PM	Dance for Life
May 18, 2024	
11:00 AM	First Communion Wallace

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbor. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

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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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Office Hours

Mon. 9-12 PM

Tue. Day-off

Wed. 9-12, PM in Sta. Clara

Thur. 9-12, 4-6PM

Fri. 9-12, 4-6PM

Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Mon. 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Thurs. 9:30-10:30 AM

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

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 (April)

For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

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.



Confirmation 2024



Parish Ministries & Committees

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Council 12921 has welcomed two new knights during the exemplification rite on April 21. Frank Van Ryan and Rich Lutze were initiated as new members of the Knights of Columbus. Vivat Jesus!

Presbyterian Food Pantry

is in need of canned soup and fruit
bring your donation when you come to mass

Finance Committee (Monthly Financials)

	Mar. Budget	Mar. Actuals	Mar. Expense
Offertory	\$13,790	\$26,188	
Maintenance	\$2,420	\$3,235	
Others		\$1,572	
		(\$255.81)	\$18,751.52
Totals	\$28,455	\$30,739.19	\$11,987.67

Parish Pastoral Council

**PASTORAL
COUNCIL
ELECTIONS**
A Call to Service

Election on
April 27/28

Human Life & Dignity



SAVE THE DATE!!
"Dance For Life"
Featuring
The River Bandits
May 10, 2024 - 6p
Celtic Court Mad Boar



Ticket includes Dinner, Dancing and Great Music!
\$60 per person (Tables of 10); Maximum of 200 tickets
Contact us now to reserve a table!
Tickets on sale March 1st
Cash Bar Available

**All proceeds will go to support
Helping Hands Food Pantry
& Life Line Sampson!**

Tickets can be purchased from:
Mike Vandiver 910 271-4444 mikevandiver@gmail.com
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- ✦ Helping Hands Food Pantry helped 695 families in 2023. In November, the RL Family donated 380 bags of food along with monetary donations.
- ✦ Life Line Sampson provided 105 Ultrasounds for pregnant women and distributed 300+ diapers for needy moms in 2023.

Menu: Salad, Beef Tips in Gravy, Salmon, Garlic Mash Potatoes, Rice Pilaf, Green Bean Casserole, Apple Crisp



Human Life & Dignity



Respect Life

Fill your bottle with coins, cash, or a check. Bring it with you to Mass and give it to one of the greeters. Thank you for your generosity!

Human Life & Dignity

NCRTL PRO-LIFE MARCH & RALLY

Halifax Mall in Raleigh, NC
Saturday, May 18th, 2024

12:30 PM Live Music
12:45 PM Youth rally ncrtl.org
1:30 PM Main Rally
2:30 PM March



From the Parish Pastoral Council (April Meeting)

Frank Van Ryan presented a summary of facilities issues to be addressed near and long-term.

Bro. Wil will renew his vows May 5 at Santa Clara, Mass in Spanish, vows in English (1:00 PM). Reception follows after the mass.

May Crowning will be held after First Communion, 5/18 and 5/19, and will include dedicating the Mary garden.

Bi-lingual rosary will be prayed Sunday, 5/19, after the May Crowning, before the 10:30 Mass.

Hall rental by parishioners was discussed.

Founders' Hall and Seton House were proposed as names for the parish hall and the adjacent house respectively.

Weekly Schedule (April 27 – May 4)

Saturday 3:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Quinceañera – Transfiguration Confession Vigil Mass + Claire Berger requested by Joel and Diana Elko	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14 K Pulzone, B Pulzone A Jimenez D Conte D Schembri, J Ciuccoli, D Conte M McCarthy
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Sunday 8:00 AM 8:30 AM	Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus Mass	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8 M Orlowski, D Orlowski M Orlowski T Vandiver, J Paquette P Harran, B Harran, Deacon Mike Adriana, Miguel, Janet
9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Faith Formation Mass (Spanish)	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	Jorge, Tino, Jorge Josef, Jairo, Dorian, Sofia Olga, Viviant Tino, Merary, Carolina Josef, Dorian, Sofia, Jairo

Monday 9:00 AM 9:45 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Weekday Mass Bible Study Adoration (Spanish) Weekday Mass (Spanish)	Saint Catherine of Siena Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday		Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Adoration (Santa Clara) Weekday Mass (Santa Clara)	<i>Saint Joseph the Worker</i> Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8 for the Memorial, Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-58
Thursday 9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Weekday Mass Morning Prayer/Adoration	Saint Athanasius Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
Friday 9:00 AM	Weekday Mass/Anointing of the Sick	Saints Philip and James, Apostles 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday 11:00 AM 1:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Baptism (Transfiguration) Baptism (Santa Clara) Confession Vigil Mass	Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

Meaning of Religious Vows (Brother Wil's Renewal of Religious Vows on May 5, 2024 in Santa Clara at 1 PM)

Vows are public promises. To nurture a closer relationship with Christ, religious model their life on Christ's example. His life had many, but three main characteristics:

- He lived without any possessions: "For you know the graciousness of our Lord Jesus Christ – how, being rich, he became poor for your sakes, that by His poverty you might become rich." (2 Cor. 8:9)
- He lived the chastity of an unmarried person and he spoke about celibacy: "... and there are eunuchs who have made themselves so for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven." (Matt. 19:12)
- In all things, Jesus obeyed his Heavenly Father: "My food is to do the Will of Him who sent me, to accomplish His work." (Jn 4:34)