

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITY

St. Luke's Vision Statement:

Joyfully living the Gospel through sacraments, service, and love.

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:30 pm, Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Tues. 5:30 pm, Wed. 12:00 pm, Thurs. 8:30 am, Fri. 8:30 am, First Sat. 9:30 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday 9:30 - 10:00 am, Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 pm, Or by appointment

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm

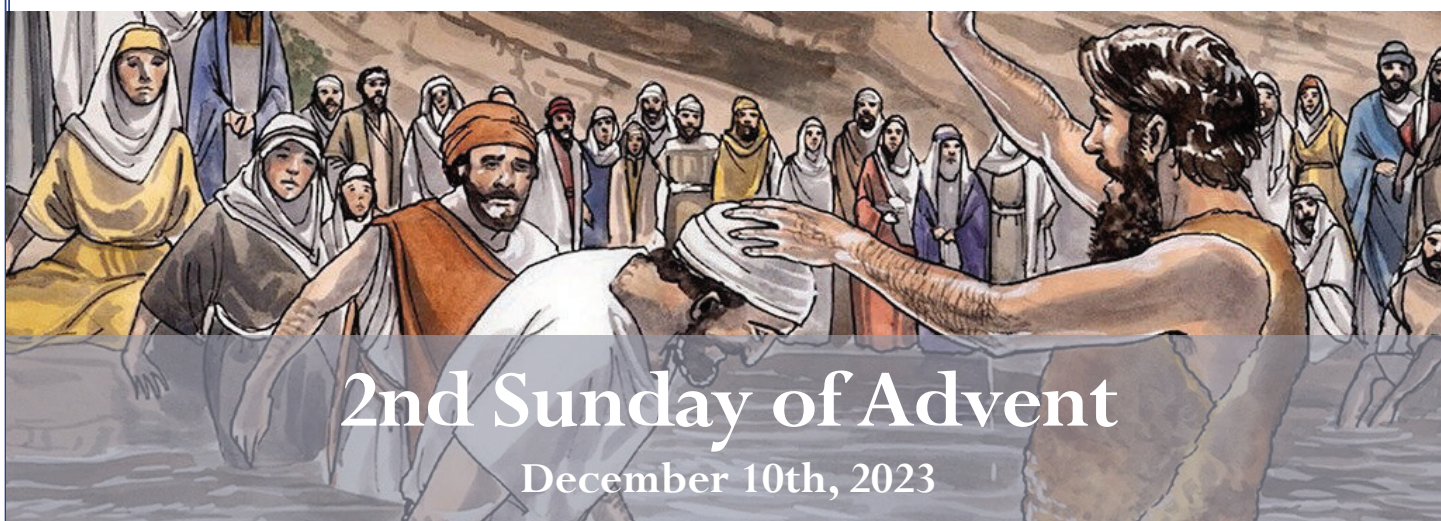
Bulletin Announcements: Due by Friday for the following Sunday bulletin: communications@stlrnc.org

Baptism: Parents must be active and registered in the parish for at least three months prior to the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Please call the Parish Office 919-848-1533 for more information.

Sacrament of anointing: Conferred upon request prior to surgery or at any time of illness. Please call the Parish Office 919-848-1533 to set up an appointment.

Marriage: Catholic parties should be registered and active parishioners for at least six months before the wedding to allow enough time in the formation of the sacrament. Please contact Barbara Bower at weddingcoordinator@stlrnc.org for additional information.

Sacrament of Holy Orders: If anyone is discerning a call to the priesthood, please contact the Parish Office 919-848-1533 for additional information.



2nd Sunday of Advent

December 10th, 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 *St. Juan Diego*

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Pro Populo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 *2nd Sunday of Advent*

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo
11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11 *St. Damasus I*

No Daily Mass

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

5:30 PM Walt Ostack (healing)
By Randi Ostack

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13 *St. Lucy*

12:00 PM Dave Knudson (B-Day)
By Tracy Knudson

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 *St. John of the Cross*

8:30 AM + John Arpa
By Angie Arpa

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:30 AM + Mary John
By Simpson family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Pro Populo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 *3rd Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday*

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo
11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

Parish Weekly Calendar

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 *St. Juan Diego*

FIRST RECONCILIATION LITURGY.....10:00 AM
RECONCILIATION.....4:00-5:00 PM
ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....5:00 PM
VIGIL MASS.....5:30 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 *2nd Sunday of Advent*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
CY1 & CY2.....9:45 AM
ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION.....9:45 AM
HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP.....4:00 PM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11 *St. Damasus I*

MAGNIFICAT MOMS PLAYGROUP.....10:00 AM
LEGION OF MARY.....6:30 PM
FAMILY ROSARY.....7:30 PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

REGNUM CHRISTI (WOMEN).....9:30 AM
BIBLE STUDY.....9:30 AM
G.I.F.T.S.....9:30 AM
MAGNIFICAT PRAYER GROUP.....1:30 PM
EVENING MASS.....5:30 PM
CHOIR PRACTICE.....6:30 PM
SCHOLA PRACTICE.....7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13 *St. Lucy*

NOON MASS.....12:00 PM & 7:00 PM
RCIA.....6:30 PM
WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD.....6:45 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 *St. John of the Cross*

MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY.....12:30 PM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM
ADORATION.....9:00 AM-4:00 PM
RECONCILIATION.....9:30 AM-10:00 AM
BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.....4:00 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

JOUNEYMEN: INTO THE BREACH.....7:30 AM
RECONCILIATION.....4:00-5:00 PM
ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....5:00 PM
VIGIL MASS.....5:30 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 *3rd Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION.....9:45 AM

SCAM Alert

Scammers are at it again sending malicious emails to parishioners. You will NEVER get a solicitation email from our Pastor, Staff or Bishop asking for a "favor" or for emergency help in the form of money. Please do not open or click on them - Mark them as spam or simply trash them.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



Those Who Are Sick:

Rosemary McDermott, Marilyn Struckmeyer, Charles Fogarty, Mitch Galligan, Michael Dale, Bill Wolf, Thomas Quirk, Renee Raith, Eric Raith, Patrizia Dovinola, Phyllis Flanagan, Nicole Trojanowski, Helen Will, Joan Davis, Susie Burnette, Marie Antoinette DeYoung, Karen Huber, Chris Phillips, Bob Moser, Ro Marsiglia, Michael Miklosko, Nick Rodriguez, Sal Morici, Charlotte Boland, John & June Lefeber, Sue Schultz, Joseph Rothengast Jr., Lillian Hill, Lou Schultz, Eduardo Rodriguez, Daniel Wallace, Shannon Morock, Greg Lape, Joyce Ricci, Daniel Chorba, Susan Riordan, Lily Keas, Peggy Kearney, Saoirse Doherty, Luke Galligan, Luke Carusillo, Marilyn Flowers, John Loeffler, Rob Beyer, Noah & Flavia Langan, Debra Marsh, Vicky Loebach, Gloria Bannister, Al Przytulski, Doug Knoop, Walt Ostack, Gary Donaldson, Erin Bower, Joe Jacobs, Barry Johnson, Joseph McGurty, Robert Beyer, Lisa Hensley-Gregoire, Mike Lewis, William Michael Schultz, Hilda Irrizary, Emma Sepúlveda, Kelly Rose.

Repose of the Soul:

Lynne Loebach, Joan Tullo, Dave Slater.

Those Who Are In The Military:

Grace Washburn, Nico Muzo, James Zenker, Hannah Zenker, Andrew Burgess-Wise, Garrett Barrios, Brice Anthony, Jake Foscatto, James Boland, Gregory Boland, Kathleen M. Mills, Madeline E. Chafin, Abbey Moran, Bret Morrow, Devon Zillmer, Joseph Carmona, Adam R. Thompson, Heather Prior, Joel Chapman, Michael McMorrow, Thomas Phillips, Ryan A. Beale, Peter A. Beale, Jeffrey A. Beale, Derek Heinz, Cathy Crilley, Sean Crilley, Kevin Crilley, Caroline Todd.

Please Pray For Our Family, Friends & Our Parish

If you would like to have someone's name added or removed from our prayer list, please email: communications@stlrc.org or contact the Parish Office. Names will be kept on the list for 3 weeks, if they need to remain longer please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you.



Mary's Corner

"When you say your rosary, the angels rejoice, the Blessed Trinity delights in it, my Son finds joy in it too, and I myself am happier than you can possibly guess. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, there is nothing in the Church that I love as much as the Rosary." - Our Lady to Blessed Alan de la Roche

Want to learn more about the Legion of Mary.
Contact Dennis Moya for more information. Join us in the St. Charles Borromeo room on Mondays at 6:30pm



Liturgy & Prayer

Adoration	Mary Kate Travers	919-528-1068
Altar Flowers	Carol Blando	919-427-3865
Altar Linens	Joan Beebe	316-347-9060
Altar Preparers	Beverly Weiland	919-294-4398
Altar Servers	David Sofra	919-847-9978
Eucharistic Ministers	Virginia Todd	919-845-1279
Family Rosary	Savage Family	919-431-9883
Mass Coordinator	Randi Ostack	919-559-7745
Minsters of Hospitality	Luke Masinick	919-971-8155
Prayer Line	Teres Scofield	919-412-6542
Readers	James Mooney	510-774-5613
Live Streaming	Joe Jacobs	919-272-8314

Outreach

Bereavement	Parish Office	919-848-1533
Catholic Parish Outreach	Ken Low Dennis Jacobs	919-397-4018 408-823-4865
G.I.F.T.S.	Grace Benigno	919-426-7874
Habitat for Humanity	Randy Giggard	919-637-1893
Hospital Ministry	Winnie Lewis	919-263-8102
Nursing Home Ministry	Rick Beebe	919-418-0845
Reception Committee	Allison Agnelli	919-244-3149
Respect Life	Diane Masinick	919-971-7792

St. Luke's Parish

Community Life &

Facilities

God's Housekeepers	Diane Johnston	919-847-2488
Knights of Columbus	Chris Taurence	919-349-9851
Parish Kitchen	Missy Savage	919-431-9883
Parish Library	Allison Coates	612-418-8201
Wedding Coordinator	Barbara Bower	919-841-2202

Evangelization

Legion of Mary	Dennis Moya	919-740-2471
RCIA Coordinator	Mike Sanchez	Email on Front

Pastoral Council

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PRAYER BOWLS & PYSANKY



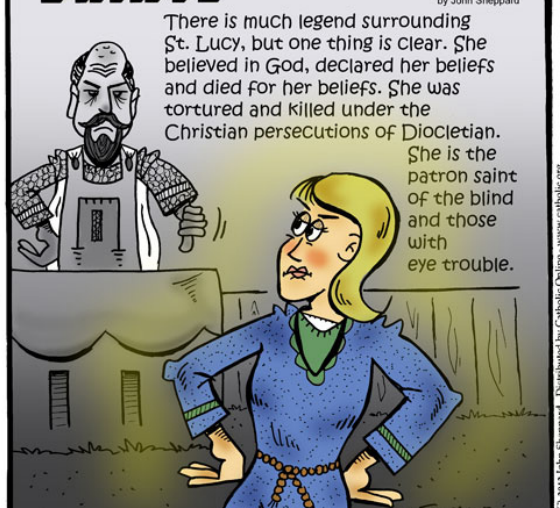
An Art as Spiritual Therapy Retreat
January 12-13, 2024

The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. invites you to come to a sacred art retreat **January 12-13**. Make your own kiln-fired prayer bowl with personalized prayer stones. Learn the ancient craft of making pysanky eggs, where the tradition is to pray for the person who will receive your creation as a gift. Spend some time in prayer in the beautiful indoor and outdoor spaces at the center.

Attendance is limited so register early. Call **828.327.7441**, email info@catholicconference.org, or visit www.catholicconference.org/pysanky.

SAINTS FUN FACTS

Written and illustrated by John Sheppard



There is much legend surrounding St. Lucy, but one thing is clear. She believed in God, declared her beliefs and died for her beliefs. She was tortured and killed under the Christian persecutions of Diocletian. She is the patron saint of the blind and those with eye trouble.

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Weekly Readings, December 10 - December 17

Sunday: Is 40: 1-5, 9-11/Ps 85 (84): 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 . IV/2 Pet 3: 8-14/Mk 1: 1-8

Monday: Is 35: 1-10/Ps 85 (84): 9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5: 17-26

Tuesday: Zec 2: 14-17/Jdt 13: 18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40: 25-31/Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 8,10/Mt 11: 28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145 (144): 1, 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11: 11-15

Friday: Is 48: 17-19/Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6/Mt 11: 16-19

Saturday: Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11/ Ps 80 (79): 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17: 9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 61: 1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1: 46-48, 49-50, 53-54 . V/1 Thes 5: 16-24/ Jn 1: 6-8, 19-28

Adoration of the Eucharist:

Fridays' 9 AM-4 PM

Benediction 4 PM

ADVENT

The Spirituality of Advent

Dr. Tim Gray

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The Spirituality of Advent

Dr. Tim Gray discusses the spirituality of Advent and the joy of waiting for Christ.

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PARISH FINANCE & FACILITIES REPORT

December 10, 2023

Our Parish website: www.stlukesraleigh.org

2ND COLLECTION THIS



Support a lifetime of service.

Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious.

Please give generously.

FY23-24 Weekly YOY					
October	294,547.82	October	267,275.31		
Current Year (FY 2024)		Prior Year (FY 2023)		Difference	
November	Total 2023	November	Total 2022	\$ YOY by WK	% YOY by WK
5th	19,459.52	6th	24,320.25	(4,860.73)	-20%
12th	14,378.13	13th	9,743.52	4,634.61	48%
19th	16,381.13	20th	22,456.38	(6,075.25)	-27%
26th	19,540.26	27th	41,238.50	(21,698.24)	-53%
27-30	7,633.00			7,633.00	0%
Total	77,392.04	Total	97,758.65	(20,366.61)	-21%
Thru Nov-23	371,939.86	Thru Nov-22	365,033.96	6,905.90	2%

Christmas Flowers for the Church



Donation Envelopes are available in the gathering space.

Budget Comparison

November 2023 Through 11/30/2023	Mo Budget	77,860.00
	Actual	77,392.04
	Over Under	(467.96)
	YTD Budget	389,300.00
	YTD Actual	371,939.86
	Over/Under	(17,360.14)
	Budget	-4.46%



Sancti Simus | Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 am

Elementary (K-5) Faith Formation focused on raising a holy generation who desires to be saints together

Open Registration – online or in-person

Upcoming Dates:

Sunday, 12/10	Lesson 10
Sunday, 12/17	Lesson 11
Sunday, 12/24	No Faith Formation

RCIA | **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nition for **A**dults

If you are (or someone you know is) seeking to learn more about Catholicism or to enter the Church, welcome!

Please contact:

Rebecca Grant (FaithDirector@STLRNC.org) or
Cecile Hosey (cawalc@gmail.com) - **Inquiry**

Upcoming Dates:

Wed. 12/13	Meeting
Wed. 12/20	No Meeting
Wed. 12/27	No Meeting

Confirmation | Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 am

Sacrament Preparation for high schoolers who desire to complete their Christian initiation into the Catholic Church
Years 1 & 2 meet together.

Must attend Sacrament Family Meeting to register!

Upcoming Dates:

Sunday, 12/10	Kerygma: Sin Separates Us from God Part 2
Sunday, 12/17	No Confirmation Class
Sunday, 12/24	No Confirmation Class

Community of Young Catholics

Catholic young adults in their 20s and 30s who desire meaningful, Christ-centered friendships

Upcoming Dates:

Sat. Dec. 16 | Christmas Party @ The Grants (6pm)

To stay updated on events,
please join our GroupMe: **St. Luke's CYC**.

Adult Bible Studies

Please continue checking for other 2023-2024 opportunities!

Opportunities for men and women to grow in Christian maturity through ongoing conversion to Jesus, active membership in Christian community, and preparation to be Christ's missionaries to the world

walking with purpose

Enabling women to know Christ personally through Scripture

**Mondays 9-10:30am &
Tuesdays 6:30-8pm**

Upcoming Dates:

Lesson	Mon.	Tues.
10	1/8	1/9
11	1/22	1/23
12	1/29	1/30

There's always an open chair for you!

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tues. mornings from 9:15-11am in the Holy Family Room

Stay tuned for our Spring 2024 study!

Wednesdays in the WORD

Wed. evenings from 6:30-8pm

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Christmas

Upcoming Dates:

Wed. 12/13 | Session 2

JOURNEYMEN | INTO THE BREACH

Strengthening men as disciples of Christ through prayer, spiritual formation, and brotherhood

1st/3rd Sat. mornings from 8-9am in the Holy Family Room

Upcoming Dates:

Sat. 12/16	Fatherhood
Sat. 1/6	Family
Sat. 1/20	Life

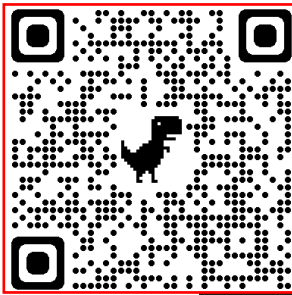
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YOUTH GROUP (6TH-12TH)

← **Join for Free!** | **Signup for Our Email List** →

Questions? Contact our Youth Minister
Conor Mulligan @ Youth.Ministry@STLRNC.org

CHRISTMAS PARTY POTLUCK: 12/10 4-6PM



Adopt-a-Family | Annual Youth Ministry Service Project

Youth and Parents, please sign up below to let us know you will be coming to our Adopt-a-Family Event. If you know how much money you plan to bring, please let us know when you sign up.

For more information:
<https://stlukesraleigh.org/adopt-a-family/>

St. Luke Parishioners, if you would like to contribute to this event to help make these families' Christmases even more special, we welcome your generosity. Thank you!

To sign-up or contribute:
<https://www.osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/adopt-a-family>

DETAILS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S CHRISTMAS POTLUCK:

This Annual Adopt-a-Family Event is in place of regular youth group.

We will wrap presents THIS Sunday, 12/10 with
both youth groups. Bring food to share.

Time for wrapping is 4-6pm.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS!!

Thank you to all
who participated in
our 2023 events!

2024 events will be
posted by the end
of the year.

**Please check
back for
more events!**

Congratulations to all those
who were accepted as
Catechumens and welcomed as
Candidates at the 11am Mass
on Sunday, 12/3!

Congratulations to all our boys
and girls who celebrated
their First Reconciliation
on Saturday, 12/9!

PECAN & POINSETTIA YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER

Funds raised through this sale will go towards St. Luke's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry.

We thank you for your generous support!

Ways to Order: Online at <https://osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/pecan-poinsettia-fundraiser>
or forms/payments may be placed in the Copy Room's wooden cubby labeled KATJA--FAITH ASST.

Name _____	Phone _____	Email _____
Red Poinsettia (6 in. — foiled): \$15.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Mammoth Pecan Halves (16 oz): \$16.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Chocolate Covered Pecans (12 oz): \$12.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Cinnamon Glazed Pecans (10 oz): \$12.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Glazed Pecans (8 oz): \$10.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Pecan Caramel Clusters (8 oz): \$9.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____
Pecan Log (4 oz): \$6.00	Qty _____	Cost \$ _____

Total Payment

\$ _____

VERY LIMITED QUANTITIES REMAINING—ORDER TODAY!!

CATHOLIC SOCKS—GREAT STOCKING STUFFERS—ORDER ONLINE!!



Your **LITTLE** Change is making a **REALLY BIG** impact locally to Help **SAVE** Lives of Babies & assist with Moms in need!

Quick update on status of 2023 Baby Bottle fundraiser. In coins only, we received over \$900 by denomination types below:

5,562 Pennies

1,630 Nickels

2,579 Dimes

2,270 Quarters

(approximately \$18 per bottle)

In small bills (1-20), over \$800; So together with checks deposited this week, we exceeded our goal and will be contributing \$2,000 to Birthchoice. With ASAP matching by national Knights of Columbus (Aid & Support After Pregnancy), they will earn a bonus \$400 for total amount of impact => \$2,400

The RESPECT LIFE Ministry of Saint Luke is eternally grateful for the Generosity of our faith community! You are making a difference every year. THANKS!

REAL LOVE & REAL LIFE

Family Honor will present its newly-updated retreat program, Real Love & Real Life, for parents with their 7th or 8th grade child at **St. Michael the Archangel parish** in Cary on **February 1** and **February 3**. This program builds a bridge for parents and adolescents to talk about love, life, God's gift of sexuality, true worth, future dating and lots more.

The Thursday night session is for **parents only** and will equip parents to talk about some of the hot button issues in our culture, including gender dysphoria, pornography, same sex attraction, comprehensive sex education and God's plan for sexual intimacy.

A portion of the Saturday session includes a parent-teen fertility presentation with Q&A, divided by gender to protect modesty. Cost is **\$10** and lunch is included on Saturday. The program is fun, interactive and informative

and guaranteed to strengthen the bond between parent and teen.

To register, scan the QR code.



Coats for Kids

Since 2019, your Knights of Columbus Council has donated new coats for children to the Catholic Parish Outreach in Raleigh. On Tuesday November 21st, we delivered over 100 new coats to the CPO Director Kelly Rappl who thanked us for our continuing support and the work of other nearby K of C Councils.

We were fortunate that Bishop Luis was also at CPO that day. He opened the day with a prayer for all persons in need and then thanked the volunteers. Grand Knight Chris Taurence and Program Chair John Puhak spoke with the Bishop about the Coats for Kids program and other charitable activities at St. Luke Parish including food drives. Such generosity is such a blessing for the CPO.

Nationwide, the Coats for Kids program just reached the significant milestone of over one million coats donated since the program began! Thanks to the charity of the parishioners of St. Luke whose support makes Coats for Kids and other charitable programs possible.



CATHOLIC PARISH OUTREACH

Give gifts that reflect the true meaning of Christmas!



Unto Us A Child Is Born...

A generous gift has been made to
Catholic Parish Outreach
food pantry in your honor by

Thanks to this kindhearted
donation, we will feed more
families during this
Christmas season.

Blessed are those whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made
heaven and earth; who keeps faith forever; who secures justice for the
oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

Psalms 146:5-7

Catholic Parish Outreach Christmas Honor Cards

Honor the special people on your holiday gift list by donating to CPO and we will send a beautiful Christmas honor card designed by a CPO Volunteer Natalia Barnack to everyone on your gift list. Scan the QR code for information on how to order the cards or call Catholic Parish Outreach at **919-873-0245**.

\$40 feeds a family for a week. Last year, CPO served enough nutritious food to feed more than **73,000 people** for a week or more.



As our numbers continue to rise and more families need assistance, it is especially important to prayerfully consider giving a gift that reflects the true meaning of Jesus' birth!

New Year's Retreat.

Let a certified 'coach' guide you through some time-honored spiritual practices in this year's retreat, "Spiritual Exercises for the New Year."

Enter the year spiritually renewed and well-equipped with some techniques to keep you spiritually fit throughout the year. In addition to engaging presentations, there'll be Mass, confession, Matins, Vespers, and Adoration. Plus time to simply reflect upon the New Year in our sacred spaces, enjoy the gas logs in our lounge, or explore the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Two nights, **December 30-January 1**. As a special treat, there will be a New Year's Eve banquet with some traditional festivities.

The last two years have sold out, so register now at www.catholicconference.org/new-years. For more information email info@catholicconference.org or call (828) 327-7441.

Assisted Listening Devices:

As part of our continued effort to make sure everyone has a good listening experience during Mass we wanted to make you aware that we now have several new Assisted Listening Devices.

They are very easy to use.

You basically put the earpiece on your ear, turn the little device on, and adjust the volume to your liking. Several parishioners have also found that their personal earbuds plug into the devices and work really well.

They are available at each Mass by simply asking one of our Ministers of Hospitality to get one for you.

We have had several parishioners test these, including some of our seniors. They tell us that the earpieces provide excellent enhanced sound.

Please let us know if you would like to try one!





ADVENT

Penance Service

Day	Time	Location
12/04 Mon.	7:00 pm	St. Eugene, Wendell
12/05 Tues.	7:00 pm	St. Bernadette, Fuquay Varina
12/06 Wed.	10:00 am	St. Catherine, Wake Forest
12/06 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Francis & St. Luke @ St. Francis, Raleigh
12/06 Wed.	7:00 pm	Our Lady of LaVang, Raleigh
12/07 Thur.	11:00 am	St. Bernadette, Fuquay Varina
12/07 Thur.	7:00 pm	St. Andrew, Apex
12/13 Wed.	11:00 am	Our Lady of Lourdes, Raleigh
12/13 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Michael & Mother Teresa @ St. Michael, Cary
12/15 Fri.	11:00 am	St. Michael, Cary
12/15 Fri.	7:00 pm	St. Catherine, Wake Forest
12/18 Mon.	6:30 pm	Our Lady of the Rosary, Louisburg
12/19 Tues.	11:00 am	St. Luke & St. Francis @ St. Luke, Raleigh
12/19 Tues.	7:00 pm	HNOJ, NCSU CCM, St. Joseph, St. Mary @ HNOJ
12/20 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Raphael, Raleigh

Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Retreat

If you desire healing from a past abortion, experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat **January 5-7, 2024**, in the Raleigh area. The weekend retreat is strictly confidential, for both women and men and includes discussions, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of reconciliation, a Memorial Service, and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion.



For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at: project.rachel@raldioc.org or call (919) 852-1021. The website is: rachelnc.org. Cost is \$200 for lodging, meals, and all retreat materials. Discount of \$50 for early registration. If there is a financial burden, assistance is available.



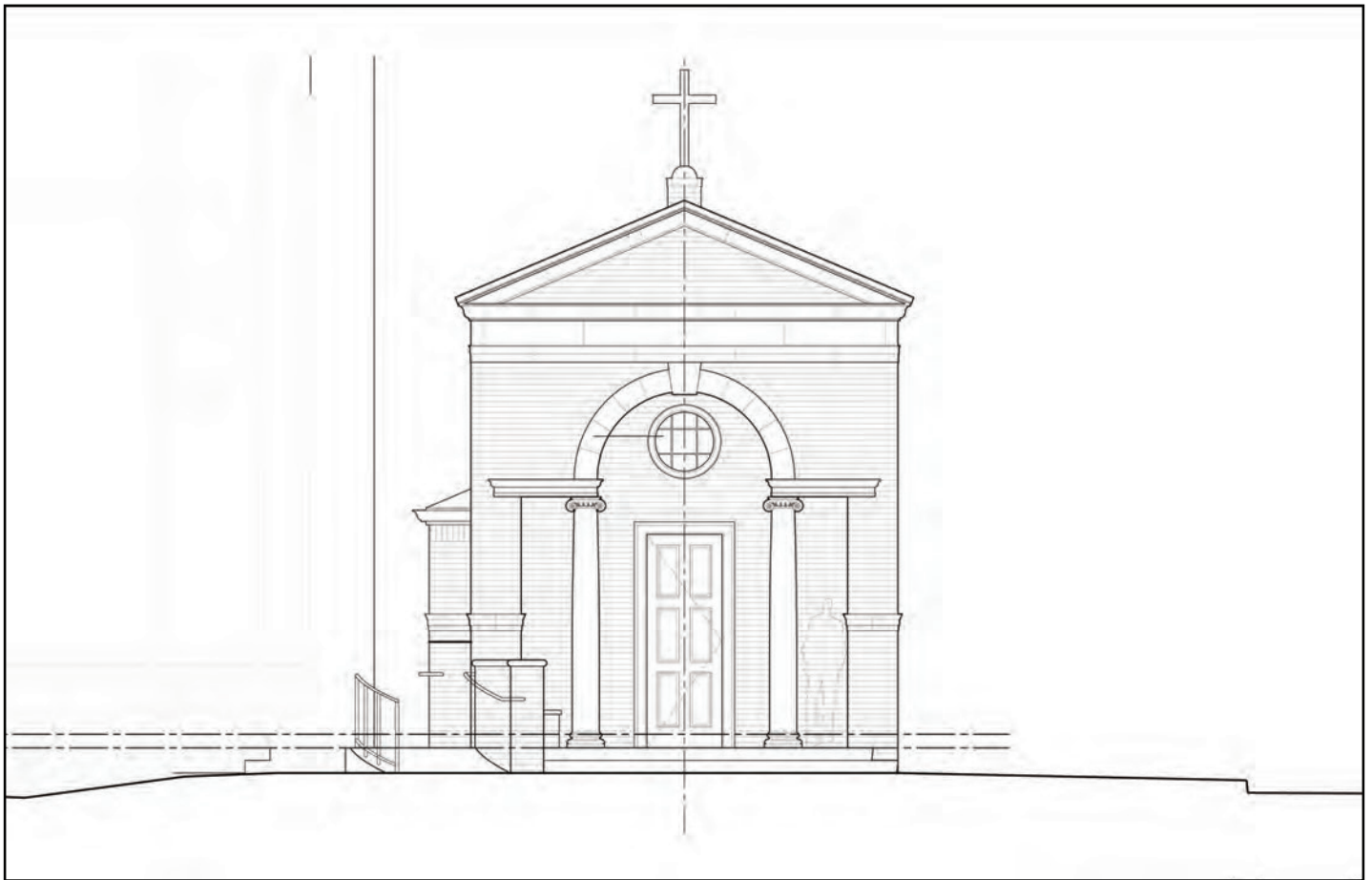
Courage is a Roman Catholic apostolate which ministers to persons, both men and women, who experience same-sex attractions and desire support to live the Catholic Church's teaching on chastity. The local chapter of Courage in the Diocese of Raleigh can be reached at courage@couragenc.org, or **984-900-3212**.

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