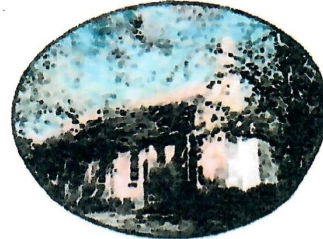




St. John Baptist de LaSalle Catholic Church

275 C.C. Wright School Road
North Wilkesboro NC 28659-9103
(336)838-5562
Email: Info@StJohnNC.org
Website: www.StJohnNC.org



St. Stephen Catholic Church

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Fr. John D. Hanic, V.F. (704) 763-2475
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Fr. Jose Rebuque (203) 954-7134
Mr. Cuauhtemoc (Temoc) Herrejon (828) 773-2353

St. John
Temoc Herrejon ***Faith Formation***
Ann Stone ***RCIA***
Joel Everett ***Music***

St. Stephen
S. Janis McQuade, S.S.J. ***Faith Formation***
Phillip Parrish ***RCIA***
Theresa Martin ***Music***

Mass Schedule

St. John
Saturday 4:00p
Sunday 11:15a English
1:00p en español
Wednesday 11:00a

St. Stephen
Sunday 9:00a
Communion Service
Tuesday, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45p ***By appointment***

Welcome, New Parishioners!

*We are a Stewardship community, who share our time, talent, and treasure in life-giving ways.
We invite you to register with us by going to our website and completing the form on the Home page.*

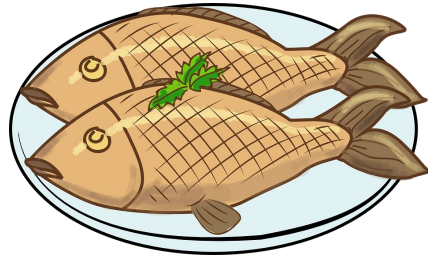
Sacrament Preparation
Call S. Janis, (336) 835-4542

Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA)
A way of exploring and seeking Christ through the Catholic faith.

Sacrament of Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick
If you, or someone you know is desirous of God's healing, contact S. Janis

March 29, 2026

PARISH FUND RAISER



Saturday, April 24

5:15 ~ 7:45p

Family Life Center

Reservations **must**

be made by:

Sunday, April 12

Sign up on clipboard

in the lobby.



What is APEX?

The Appalachian Experience (APEX) is part of the Campus Ministry of St. Joseph University in Philadelphia, PA. It is an Ignatian, alternative spring break, service/immersion program. APEX is committed to serving with and for others, while learning about the history, culture and concerns of the people of the Appalachian region. Instead of going on vacation during Spring Break, these college students pay their own way, about \$700.00, to come here and serve our community.

Participants meet prior to Spring Break for preparation, education, and community-building. During the immersion week participants learn, serve, and grow in relationship with the communities in Appalachia. Upon returning to campus, participants meet several times to reflect on and integrate their experiences within the St. Joe's University (Philadelphia, PA) community and their individual lives.

<https://www.sju.edu/campus-ministry/apex>

Ryan Furr,
who had participated
in APEX while at
St. Joe's, decided
to continue
their mission.
He lives in Elkin
and works for
HOMETOWN HABITAT!



*St. Stephen Community,
Thank you for your generosity. We felt overwhelmingly
embraced by your community. We will forever cherish the
conversation and memories made over the delicious meal
shared by the Ladies Guild.*

*With much love,
SJU APEX, 2026*

LENT COMMUNAL PRAYER & PRACTICE

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent, 6:30p

Feb 20 & 27 Mar 6, 13, 20, 27



EMPTY BOWLS ~ YADKIN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

Yadkinville Moose Lodge
1432 Country Club Road, Yadkinville

April 7, 2026

Lunch 11:30a -1:30p

Dinner 4:30p - 6:30p

Tickets: \$25.00

TAKE OUT ONLY ~ Drive Through Pickup

Women of Jerusalem

Good Friday

April 3 ~ 5:30p

Opportunities for Adult Spiritual Formation

Tuesday, March 3	Tuesday, March 10	Tuesday, March 17
<i>God of All Power, Fountain of Grace, O, Living Water, show us your face.</i>	<i>God of All Mercy, restore our sight, Lead us from darkness into light.</i>	<i>God of Living not of the dead, Raise us to life beyond our death.</i>
During the Communion Service 12:15p or 6:30p	During the Communion Service 12:15p or 6:30p	During the Communion Service 12:15p or 6:30p

Ministerial Association ~ Holy Week Services

12N ~ 1:00p

Host: Elkin Presbyterian Church 151 Hillcrest Drive, Elkin

Date	Preaching	Ministry/Church	Church Hospitality
Mon., March 30	Rev. Hope Bryant	Rebuilding Lives Ministry	First Baptist Ch. Elkin
Tues., March 31	Rev. Alvin Hayes	St. Home Missionary Baptist Church	Galloway Episcopal Ch. New Beginnings U.M. Ch. St. Stephen Catholic Ch.
Wed., April 1	Rev. Ed Birt	New Beginnings United Methodist Church	First United Methodist Church
Thurs., April 2	Ms. Jane Motsinger	Feed the Elderly Vestry Galloway Episcopal Ch.	Pastor Alvin Hayes YVSA
Fri., April 3	Rev. Dr. Kaury Edwards	First United Methodist Church	NO MEAL

Tri-C Almsgiving <i>Thank you so much !!</i>		
JAN Canned tomatoes Spaghetti sauce	MAR Laundry detergent	MAY Toilet paper
FEB Corn meal	APR Canned fruit	JUN Tooth paste

PRAY the ROSARY DAILY
 ...for peace and leaders of nations;
 ... for the end to all bombings,
 a peaceful and just end
 to these wars, and all wars...
 & the violence in Mexico...



PRAY FOR AN END
 TO VIOLENCE,
 ESPECIALLY GUN VIOLENCE

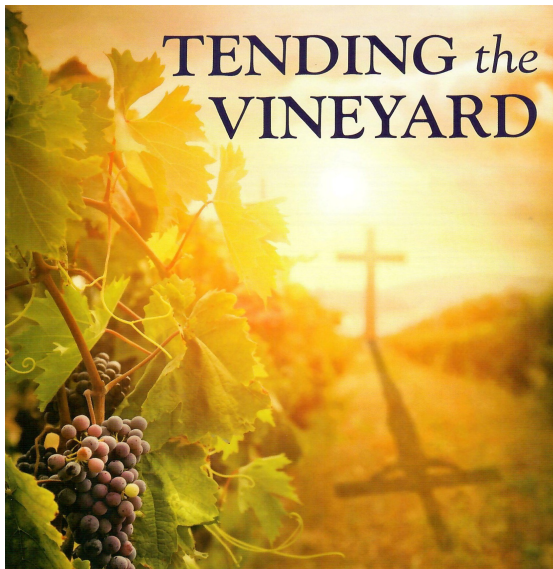


**THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING
 YOUR INK HERE.**
**IT'S GOOD for the EARTH
 and IT'S HELPS THE CHURCH.**

When we make our annual contribution to the **DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL (DSA)**, we join with all our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the diocese to do the Lord's work – works of love and service that no one individual or parish can do alone. May our words and actions be a response to God's great love.

**DIOCESAN
 SUPPORT
 APPEAL 2026**

WAYS to GIVE



PLEDGE

Pledging allows you to make a greater gift over time. When you make a pledge, you will receive monthly reminders by mail or email until your pledge is paid by December 31, 2026.

ONE-TIME GIFT

Respond to a mailing or in-pew appeal at your parish. Please make checks payable to DSA and note the name of your parish in the memo line. Do not send cash through the mail.

ONLINE GIFT

Make a one-time gift or set up a monthly pledge via credit or debit card at: charlottediocese.org/dsa.

STOCK DONATION

Donate publicly traded shares of appreciated stock by completing our stock transfer form. charlottediocese.org/ways-to-give

IRA CONTRIBUTION

If you are over 70 ½ you can donate your IRA distributions. Have your distribution made payable to DSA, include your name and address, and send it to the Diocese of Charlotte.

La semana que llamamos Santa

Y así comienza.

Con determinación,
volvemos el rostro hacia Jerusalén.

Ha llegado la Hora.

Ha llegado la Hora.

No hay desvanecimiento.
No hay fingimiento.
Solo hay determinación
y la gracia de tu «sí».

Juntos aprendemos
que la semana que llamamos Santa
transita de los Hosannas
al Horror
y a los Aleluyas.

Preparemos nuestros corazones
para lo que es



***Observo lo que hago
para ver lo que creo.***

S. Helen Prejean, CSJ

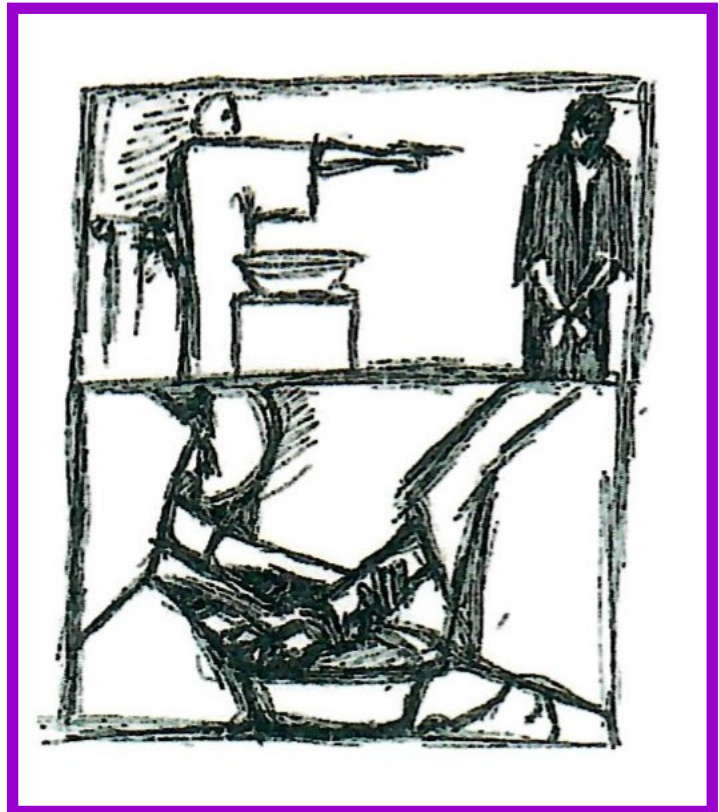
¡Buenos días, Iglesia!

Durante la semana que llamamos Santa,
reza con estas imágenes y palabras.

¿Cómo se conecta tu historia
con la historia de Jesús?

En el Uno, somos uno, en ComUNIDAD,

spanis





The Week We Call Holy

And so it begins.

**With resolve,
we turn our face toward Jerusalem.**

***The Hour* has come.**

The Hour *has come*.

**There is no fading.
There is no faking.
There is only resolve
and the grace of your yes.**

**Together we learn
The Week We Call Holy
moves from Hosannas
to Horror
to Hallelujahs.**

**Let us ready our hearts
for what is
and is to come.**

~ Janis McQuade, SSJ, 2015

*I watch what I do
to see what I believe.*

~ Helen Prejean, CSJ

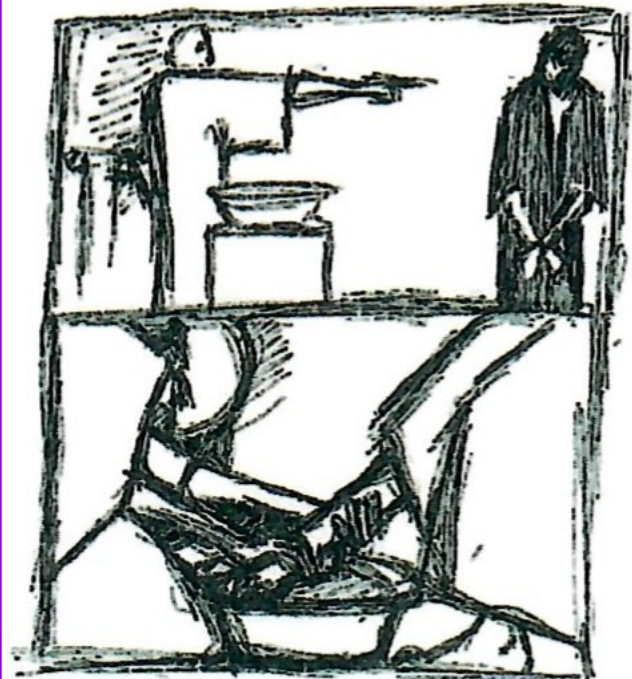
Morning, Church!

















During The Week We Call Holy,
pray with these images and words.

How is your story connected
to the Story of Jesus?

In the One, we are one...in CommUNITY,

Janis



A P R I L	
29	<i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</i> No Family Faith Formation
MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION <i>Holy Week Service & Luncheon</i> Elkin Presbyterian Ch, Mon ~ Fri, 12N ~ 1:00p	
31	NO Communion Service
01	OCIA Rehearsal 7p; Choir, 7p 
02	<i>Holy Thursday, 7p</i>
03	<i>Women of Jerusalem, 5:30p</i>
	<i>Good Friday: Passion of the Lord, 7p</i>
04	OCIA Preparation Rites, 10a <i>Easter Vigil, 8p</i>
05	<i>Easter Sunday, Mass ~ 9a</i>
08	Choir, 7p 
 12	<i>2nd Sun Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday</i> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
14	Communion Service, 12:15p
 15	OCIA, 6:30p. Choir, 7p 
16	Wise Ones, 1p
18	Men's Group @ Cracker Barrel, 8:30a 
 19	<i>3rd Sun Easter</i> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
20	Give Blood Elkin Rescue Squad, 1:30-6:00p 
 21	Communion Service, 12:15p Being Catholic 1p
 22	OCIA, 6:30p. Choir, 7p 
24	<i>Fish Fry Fundraiser 5:30-7:30p</i> 
 26	<i>4th Sun Easter</i> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
 28	Communion Service, 12:15p OCIA 2, 6:30p
 29	OCIA, 6:30p. Choir, 7p 

Easter Flowers

If you wish to donate to our Easter Flower fund to honor a living or deceased loved one, use the envelope in the pew pockets. PRINT your NAME and donation amount on the front and PRINT the names of your loved ones on the back of the envelope.

🌿 Mass Intentions	
29	+Rose Romani r/b Rev. Rebecca Husband Maynard Georgette & William Dyer r/b Sean Dyer
02	+Patrick Tyrrell r/b S. Janis
04	Belva & Greg Billings, Israel Lynch, Brittany Reece, Francis Ritz, and Josh Talbott and their sponsors
05	St. Stephen Parishioners
12	+Charles Dursee r/b Becky +Georgette & William Dyer r/b Sean Dyer
19	+Judy Tymko
26	World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Birthdays & Anniversaries



04 Freddy Carmona, Jr.	12 Jose Ledesma
05 Marcelino Trinidad	15 Andy Crawford
06 Natalia Trinidad	23 Sally Allred
08 Melisa Bustos	Kimberly Lopez
Alberto Nava	26 Michael Hadfield
08 Osvaldo Bustos	27 Dianne Crawford
10 Richard Jones	Luis Rodriguez
11 Osvaldo Martinez	28 Israel Lynch
Keith Stringer	30 Vanessa Lopez

04 Eileen & Leo Ouellette
05 Beth Altemueller & Newell Hauser
15 Judy & Frank Simon
21 Lupe & Ray Hernandez
29 Julie & Patrick Colglazier



Easter Flowers

Donator	In honor/memory of
Aileen Cahill	John & Denis Cahill
Arelis & Lee Hadfield	Lee Hadfield, Sr.
Rebecca Kageorge	Betty Wilson
S. Janis	The McQuade Families Sisters of St. Joseph
Lou Stackhouse	The Stackhouse Family
Doris Watson	The Langlois & Watson Families

Holy Week

Did you know that this week is the most important one in the whole year? Holy Week has Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. On these days we remember and celebrate the most important things that Jesus did before His resurrection on Easter Sunday.

On Holy Thursday Jesus said the first Mass and made his apostles the first priests. Go to Mass on Thursday if you can, and think about what Jesus did- He made bread and wine into Himself so that He could still be with us after He went back into Heaven.

On Good Friday Jesus suffered terribly and then died on the cross because of our sins. He offered up His life, even though He had never sinned, so that all of us could go to Heaven. That's why we call it "Good" Friday. Can you offer some sacrifice to Jesus in return for what He did for you?

On Holy Saturday Jesus' body was in the tomb. His friends were all shocked by what had happened and were afraid and sad. They did not remember what was going to happen next... Do you remember what happened after Holy Saturday?

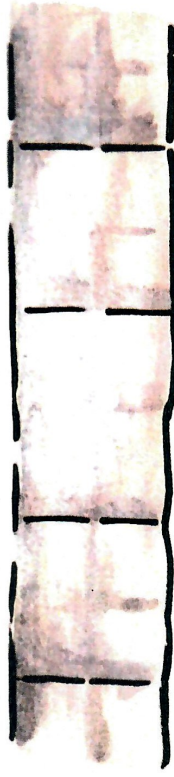


Answer to Puzzle on Front: This is my Blood of the New Covenant which will be shed for many.
Answer to Word-Find: He died for sinners.

The Kids' Bulletin

Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday
March 29th, 2026

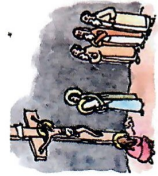
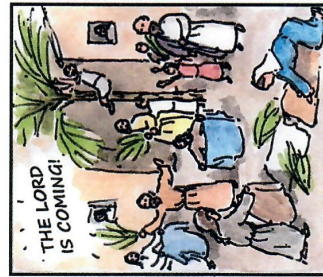
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Use every second letter to fill in the blanks.

T H

Palm Sunday



Good Friday Word-Find

H H W E D B H E A V Y
 D I L P C A R I O M U S I O
 J O S E A L V E D F N S C I
 E P I S C A R O S E T E A
 H I N C Y R E S T O M B
 N A G D A L E N E S S

See if you can find all the words in **CAPITALS** in the puzzle.

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks:

What did Jesus do on the cross?

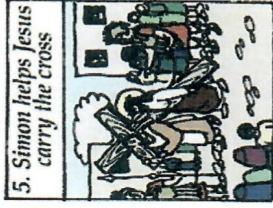
On Good Friday JESUS was taken before King HEROD and the governor, PILATE. Even though He had not committed any crime He was scourged and condemned to die on the CROSS. He CARRIED the cross as far as He could up CALVARY hill, but when He got too weak a man named SIMON of CYRENE was forced to help Him. On the way He met His mother, MARY, who WEPT at seeing her Son in such pain. A woman named VERONICA wiped the blood and sweat from His face with a cloth. At the top of the HILL Jesus was thrown onto the cross and His HANDS and FEET were fastened to it with NAILS. They raised the cross, where Jesus hung for three hours before He DIED. He did all this to SAVE us from Hell. At the cross were JOHN, Mary MAGDALENE, His mother, and some other women. At the moment He died the curtain of the old Temple was TORN in half. When His body was taken down from the cross JOSEPH of Arimathea and NICODEMUS BURIED Him in a new TOMB and rolled a HEAVY STONE in front of the door.

ON PALM SUNDAY EVERYBODY CHEERED FOR JESUS, BUT A FEW DAYS LATER THEY SHOUTED AT HIM AS HE WAS LED TO HIS DEATH. WE MUST BE FAITHFUL TO JESUS WHEN IT'S EASY AND EVERYONE AROUND US IS, AND WE MUST ALSO BE FAITHFUL WHEN IT'S REALLY HARD AND EVERYONE ELSE IS AGAINST HIM.

Praying the Stations of the Cross



Jesus, make my faith stronger. Help me to trust you more.



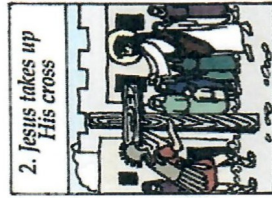
Jesus, give me strength to help and love all who are in need.



Jesus, give me a strong heart to follow you every day.



Jesus, help me to be loving and tender with those who are in pain, sick or dying.



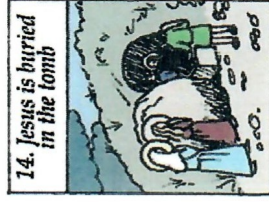
Jesus, help me accept and do what is hard to do.



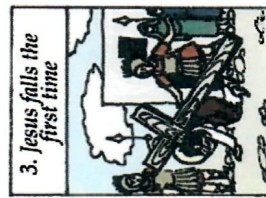
Jesus, give me courage to do what is loving, kind, and brave.



Jesus, help me to stay strong when others make fun of me.



Jesus, you kept every promise you made to us. Help me keep my promises.



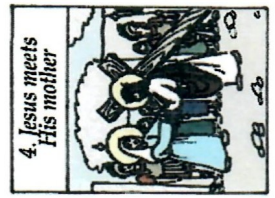
Jesus, help me say I'm sorry when I make an unloving choice.



Jesus, when I fail to love as you did, Help me apologize and do better.



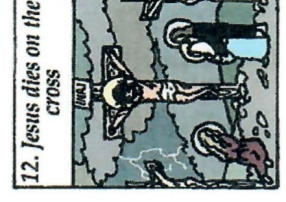
Jesus, when I experience pain or hurt, help me to be brave and face it.



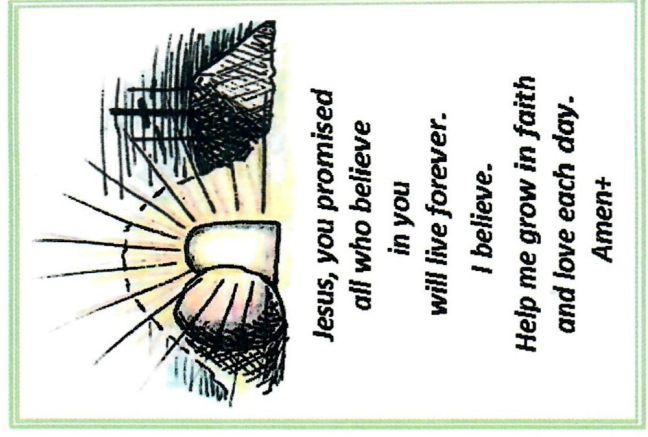
Jesus, help me to see my parents' loving help as your love



Jesus, help me to be loving with those who are sad or lonely.



Jesus, you loved us and sacrificed your life for us. Help me to be generous with my life, too.



Jesus, you promised all who believe in you will live forever. I believe. Help me grow in faith and love each day. Amen