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**Clergy of the Parish**  
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**January 3, 2016 • The Epiphany of the Lord**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church:**  
 3600 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205

**Parish Office Hours:**  
 Mon. - Fri.: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

**Mailing Address:**  
 3512 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205

**St. Joseph Catholic School:**  
 3700 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205  
 Phone: 254-6736 • www.stjosdevine.com



**Welcome**

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time! If you attend St. Joseph's regularly, please stop by the parish office to fill out a registration card.

**Community Sunday**

All are invited to enjoy refreshments in the lobby of the Rowland Education Building on the second Sunday of each month after all morning Masses.

**Active Membership**

The Facilities and Services of St. Joseph Church are available to active members. Three points determine active membership:

- Registration in the parish for a sufficient period of time and use of the envelope system in support of the parish;
- Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days;
- Volunteer and participate in Parish activities with time, talent, and resources as means permit.

**Special Needs**

Special needs and wheelchair seating is available in the front row of the Church. Cars must display a valid handicap sticker to park in the reserved handicap spaces in the Church parking lot.

**Bulletin Deadline**

**Tuesday, 4:30 PM. Include name and phone number of contact person. All announcements must be copy ready.**

**Protecting Our Children**

St. Joseph Church and School and the Diocese of Charleston are committed to the protection of children. The following numbers are provided for your information: Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister: (800) 921-8122; Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services: (843) 261-0431

**Baptism:** Parents must attend one adult seminar before having their child baptized. This session will be held at 1:30 PM on the 2nd Sunday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Baptisms will be scheduled approximately two times per month. Call the Religious Education Office at 540-1906 to register or for further information.

**Marriage:** Those contemplating marriage should contact the priest at least six months in advance of the wedding date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Celebrated periodically during the year. Please call the Parish Office to request hospital visits and for individual anointing when anyone is seriously ill or having surgery.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Individuals interested in becoming full members of the Catholic community participate in a process of Christian Initiation. Call the Religious Education Office at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoe@stjoe.org for more information.

**Parish Mass Schedule**

**Masses:**

Saturday Vigil..... 5:30 PM  
 Sunday ..... 8:15, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM

**Holy Days:**

*please check bulletin or website*

**Daily Mass:**

Tuesday to Friday ..... 7:30 AM  
 Tuesday..... 5:30 PM

**School Mass:**

Friday (Sept. - May)..... 8:30 AM  
*all are welcome*

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**Adoration:**

Tuesday..... 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Reconciliation:**

Saturday ..... 4:00 - 5:00 PM  
*and by appointment*

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Annual Budget ..... 1,320,000.00  
YTD Actual ..... 603,962.93

**Weekly Offering**

Budget ..... 25,384.62  
Received: 12-27-15 ..... 30,376.26

*The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?*

**2015 TAX STATEMENTS**

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2015 contributions, please notify the Church Bookkeeper, Gina Mallios, at stjjoerm@aol.com or call 540-1903. Statements will be issued only upon request.

**TRIBUTES**



**The Tabernacle Vigil Candle**, January 3 to 16, is in loving memory of Ewa Wojcicka and is given by her mother, father, sister and family.

**The Bread and Wine** at all Masses this Sunday are in honor of Carol and Lewis Warren on their 55th wedding anniversary and are given by their daughters.



**Congratulations Carol & Lewis!**



**The Bread and Wine** at 7:30 AM Mass on January 6 are in loving memory of Saint Andre Bessette and are given by Pat Sullivan.

*Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish*

For an update on John Gehringer, please visit the website: [www.gofundme.com/johnngtransplant](http://www.gofundme.com/johnngtransplant)

**Cleveland:** John Gehringer **Health South:** Tony Haughey  
**Richland:** Angie Perez

**Homebound:** Jo Ann Mullins, Laddie Gatling, Dorothy Ragsdale, Betty C. McDougall, Joe Guild, Anne Sullivan, Fred Simonelli, Charlie Hill, Mary DeLay, Patricia Benoit, Candy Dykes and Lester Johnson



**SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS**

Happy New Year to our Saint Joseph Parish and School families!  
Classes resume Monday, January 4.

**POSITION AVAILABLE**

Saint Joseph Catholic School is searching for a full time Instructional Assistant to start immediately. If you are interested or know of any individuals who would be interested in this position, please email Donovan Yarnall, Principal, at: [dyarnall@stjosdevine.com](mailto:dyarnall@stjosdevine.com) immediately as we hope to fill this position as soon as possible. Please visit the school website: [stjosdevine.com](http://stjosdevine.com) and follow the links: "about us" then "employment" for more information.

**CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL NEWS**

CNS will re-open on January 19 at our NEW CAMPUS. Don't miss our Open House on Sunday, January 24, Noon to 6:30 PM - 2945 Alpine Road  
Cardinal Newman School... Redefining Excellence  
[www.cnhs.org](http://www.cnhs.org)

**TEEN CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

LIFE TEEN meets Sunday, January 3 in the Blossom Street House from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM and on Wednesday, January 6 from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. On Saturday, January 9, Saint Joseph CYM will participate in the Stand Up for Life March and SC Catholic Youth Rally. For more information, please contact: [tom@stjosephcolumbia.org](mailto:tom@stjosephcolumbia.org) or text to 261-7405.

**YOUNG ADULTS/YOUNG FAMILIES**

The young adults/young families will not meet January 3, but save January 10! We'll have a guest speaker, Brian Kennelly, who has written about the life of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati and will be telling us more about this Catholic social activist who has become an inspiring example to lay young adults. Dinner and nursery will be provided. It should be a great way for the group to kick off the year! RSVP's are appreciated but not required!

**Catholic Corner**

*Before the Second Coming of Christ, which will usher in the end times, these things will happen: 1) All Gentiles will be united in the Church; 2) All Jews will be one in the Messiah's salvation; 3) The Church will be assailed for the last time by the Antichrist, who will try to destroy the Church and sway many people by deception; 4) Christ will be victorious over this final unleashing of evil through the cosmic battle known as Armageddon.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Religious Education Classes resume on Wednesday, January 6.

**CONFIRMATION NEWS**

Photographs taken at Confirmation on November 22 are now available for viewing and purchase at

<http://danrogers.instaproofs.com/store/>

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

An Introductory Session of the Creighton Model of Natural Family Planning will be offered on Monday, January 11 at 7:00 PM at St. Joseph. NFP is easy to learn, inexpensive and reliable, and it strengthens marriages and families. For more information or to register please, contact Kelli Ball at 807-0158 or [kellihball@yahoo.com](mailto:kellihball@yahoo.com)

**BAPTISM SEMINAR**

There will be a Baptism Seminar on Sunday, January 10, for parents who are seeking to have their children baptized at St. Joseph. The Seminar will take place in the Gilmore Senior Center in the Ministries and Administration Building at 1:30 PM. For more information, please call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906.

**ANNUAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MASS**



The Diocesan Office of Family Life is sponsoring the Annual Marriage Anniversary Celebration Mass on February 21, at St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church in Aiken, at 3:00 PM with the Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone as the main celebrant. The Marriage Anniversary Celebration is an opportunity to honor all married couples especially those in long-term marriages. To register, please call: (803) 547-5063

e-mail: [FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org](mailto:FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org)

visit: [sccatholic.org/family-life](http://sccatholic.org/family-life)

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Opportunities to remember or honor loved ones and special occasions with flowers for our liturgies are available this winter on the weekends of: January 16/17, 23/24, 30/31. For more information or to check on the availability of other dates, please call Teresa Chmura at 254-7646 ext. 410. The suggested donation is \$160.



The Christmas Flowers in the Church and Hall/Gym are in loving memory and honor of our loved ones and are given by the parishioners of St. Joseph. The list of Christmas memorials and honorariums may be found on the website: [stjosephcolumbia.org](http://stjosephcolumbia.org)

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, January 3**

- 8:15 AM Mrs. Maria E. Eireos +
- 10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph
- 12:15 PM Mr. Jeffrey Carter +

**Monday, January 4**

- 7:30 AM **No Rosary**

**Tuesday, January 5**

- 7:30 AM Mrs. Elanore Yakabova +
- 5:30 PM Deceased Members of the Weber Family

**Wednesday, January 6**

- 7:30 AM Mrs. Maureen Tefft +

**Thursday, January 7**

- 7:30 AM Mrs. Ruthann Howard +

**Friday, January 8**

- 7:30 AM Mrs. Denise Alldridge +
- 8:30 AM Mrs. Connie Degenhart +

**Saturday, January 9**

- 5:30 PM Mrs. Suzanne M. Kelly +

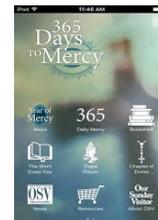
**Sunday, January 10**

- 8:15 AM Mr. Pasquale Biondi +
- 10:30 AM Lillian & Otho Black, Jr. +
- 12:15 PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

**OUR FAVORITE APP**

**365 Days to Mercy**

365 Days to Mercy is designed to accompany you on a spiritual journey during the Jubilee Year of Mercy (Dec. 8, 2015-Nov. 20, 2016) proclaimed by Pope Francis. The theme for the year 'Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful,' is reflected in the elements of the app:



- An explanation of the Year of Mercy
- Daily Mercy reflections
- Everyday Scripture reflections
- OSV Bookshelf excerpts
- Year of Mercy resources
- Daily Pope tweets
- Year of Mercy news stories
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- More

**2016 CALENDARS**

The 2016 calendars will be available in the Narthex of the Church or the Parish Office during business hours.



## The Epiphany of the Lord

*Both in Life and in Death, We are the Lord's*

### Catholic Bioethics and End-of-Life

After consulting with professionals in Catholic bioethics and law, the Diocese of Charleston has prepared a Health Care Power of Attorney for the State of South Carolina.

Bishop Guglielmone, with the recommendation of the Presbyteral Council, offers you this document to assist in ensuring that your care and treatment is consistent with the Catholic faith and your wishes. Please feel free to share this document with those who seek your advice and recommendation for their care and treatment.

N.B. You are neither legally nor morally required to have an Advanced Medical Directive.

This document is available on the diocesan website under the Office of Family Life:

[sccatholic.org/family-life](http://sccatholic.org/family-life)

If you have any questions concerning this document or end-of-life care, please call (843) 853-2130 to speak with:

- Father Jeffrey F. Kirby, STL, Vicar of Vocations
- Kathy Schmutge, Director of the Office of Family Life
- Michael F. Acquilano, Dir. SC Catholic Conference

### THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR GIFTS

Our beautiful Liturgies, Sacraments, Religious Education, Music, comfortable worship environment, meeting spaces for parish and community organizations, volunteer efforts and community outreach, as well as our clergy, staff, and teachers are all supported by your financial gifts shared with the Parish.

We rely on seasonal increases in contributions to help support the Parish, its works and staff throughout the entire year. It is only through the generous support of each and every family that we are able carry-out the work of building up God's kingdom. In this season of giving, please consider a gift to the church. Your stewardship of treasure is a reflection of your personal values and priorities and we hope that each and every parishioner will prayerfully make a commitment to the financial support of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

In addition to the traditional method of donating through the use of the offertory envelopes, you may also be interested in utilizing our Electronic Giving option for both regular and one-time gifts. If this donation method appeals to you, please visit the Church website,

[stjosephcolumbia.org](http://stjosephcolumbia.org)

click on the "Joyful Giving" link and follow the simple process for establishing either regular offerings or one-time gifts.

## ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH SENIOR GATHERING

Friday, January 15, 2016

Everyone is invited!

Cost: \$15.00

Mass at 11:30 AM in the Church

followed by luncheon in the Donor Hall

catering by Moe's Grapevine

Music & Comedy by  
**Mr. Gerald Floyd**

### 2016 Senior Gathering

Please complete and return by January 12 to:

Regina Spell, 3512 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205 or telephone: 776-9575.

Please make checks payable to: "St. Joseph Senior Life."

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH  
ADULT EDUCATION SESSIONS – 2015-16**

***Learn the Secret to Finding Joy  
in the Midst of Trials***



During winter we will be offering the following Adult Education seminar on Wednesday evenings beginning January 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in attending this class, please complete the form and return it with the indicated donation for books and materials to the Church Office by Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

***Adult Bible Study: James: Pearls for Wise Living***

**Facilitator – Ron Childress**

**10 sessions beginning January 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 – 8:00 PM - \$30**

James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances - a great study for the Lenten season!

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**Location: Gilmore Center in the Ministries & Administration Building**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime/Work/Cell Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Evening/Home Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check one:**

**Enclosed is \$30 to register for this session.**

**I will bring the donation on the first night of class.**

**PLEASE RETURN form to the Ministries & Administration Building  
to register or call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 for more information.**

# The Saint Joseph Women's Society

*are friends in faith who share the Gospel;  
serve the parish, community and world;  
and mold strong Catholic women leaders.*



**Patroness: Our Lady of Good Counsel**

**All women of the parish are cordially invited to**

**The Annual Luncheon and General Meeting  
Sunday, January 17 at 1:30PM**

Donor Hall of the Ministries and Administration Building

Lunch catered by Blue Marlin Signature Catering  
*Cost \$15*

Followed by a Classical Musical Program  
presented by  
Blade Boulware

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## **Saint Joseph Women's Society Luncheon Reservation**

Please return to the Church Office, 3512 Devine Street, by January 14.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15 Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "Saint Joseph Women's Society." For more information or questions, please contact Gwen Skipper at 345-2250 or e-mail [stjoewomen@aol.com](mailto:stjoewomen@aol.com).