



Saint Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 2, 2016 • Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

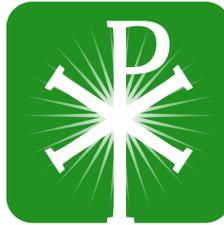
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**ORDINARY
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Welcome

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: 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 stjosedre@aol.com 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
First Saturday 8:30 AM

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 336,922.93

Weekly Offering

Budget 25,384.62
Received: 09-25-16 26,575.19

*When will I have given enough — of my income, of my time, of my talents? Today’s Gospel suggest that only **total** stewardship will do: “When you have done all you have been commanded to do, say, ‘We are useless servants. We have done no more than our duty.’”*

See Luke 17:10

TRIBUTES



The flowers on the Main Altar this weekend are in honor of Charlotte McElveen and Preston Willard who celebrated their marriage on September 30.

Congratulations Charlotte & Preston!

The Rose on St. Joseph’s Altar is in loving memory of Josef Kreis and is given by his sister, Bertha Ellison.

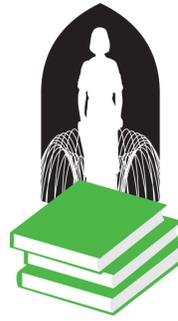


Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Homebound: Gloria Blatnik, Margie Mellette, Rosemary Parks, Leona Melson, Maria Perez, Angie Perez, George Rice, George Brady, Marcy Bytnar, Jo Ann Mullins, Laddie Gatling, Dorothy Ragsdale, Betty C. McDougall, Joe Guild, Anne Sullivan, Mary DeLay, Patricia Benoit, Lester Johnson, Vic Schwartz and Tony Amodio

Catholic Corner

It is a pious tradition in the Church that when the door of the tabernacle is opened, we should stop what we are doing and kneel. If we are unable to kneel, we should stand still, facing the tabernacle, until the door is closed. Consider the reverential awe Moses had for the God in the burning bush, and the reverence shown the Ark of the Covenant and the Temple. Consider Peter kneeling before the Lord and saying that he was just a sinner. So, when considering Whom we have reserved in our tabernacles, how even more appropriate it is that we all kneel in reverence.



SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS

Save the date!!! The Divine Auction will be held on Friday, November 4, from 6:00 to 10:30 PM. The Parish Hall/Gym will be transformed into a Wizard's Wonderland and you will not want to miss it! Please visit the school website www.stjosdevine.com for more information.

To kick off our auction season, please see the back page notice regarding our Spirit Night fundraiser. All wizards and warlocks, please join us at both Smashburger and Moe’s for a magical evening to support our school.

The school is **currently seeking a qualified 5th and 6th grade teacher.** A job description can be found on the school's website under "Employment."

TEEN CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

LIFE TEEN will meet on Sunday, October 2, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Blossom Street House. Follow us on Twitter @stjcm_col or for more information, please contact: tom@stjosephcolumbia.org

YOUNG ADULTS/ YOUNG FAMILIES

Join us this Sunday, October 2, in the Parish Hall/Gym for a family friendly supper, followed by bible study. Child care will be provided.

RSVP to: fellowshipatstjoseph@gmail.com.

SPONSORS AND VENDORS NEEDED!

The Diocese of Charleston will be hosting the Diocesan Teachers' Conference on March 3, 2017 at Cardinal Newman School. Over 700 teachers will be in attendance. Interested Sponsors and Vendors should contact Susan Splendido at ssplendido@coksm.org

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the family of **Jerome “Jerry” S. Curtis, Jr.** May his soul rest in peace.

IMPORTANT PARISH REPORTING

During the month of October you may see people counting the number of parishioners attending the Vigil and Sunday Masses. This reporting, as well as the reporting of sacramental statistics, helps the Diocese of Charleston determine where future expansion is needed by quantifying past growth and allows for informed decisions regarding priest personnel and assignments. In addition to internal uses, the Diocese is required annually to report this information to the Central Statistics Office of the Church (Vatican) and the Official Catholic Directory. These statistics become part of the permanent history of the Diocese of Charleston and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education classes began September 7. You may still register by downloading the CCD Registration Form from the parish website at:

stjosephcolumbia.org/#!/religious-education/cjfx and bring it to class. For more information, please call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoedre@aol.com

There will be a makeup session on **Wednesday, October 5**, during regular Religious Education classes for all students who missed the previous Touching Safety presentations.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

The Confirmation Retreat will be Saturday, October 8. Registration is at 8:30 AM in the Hall/Gym. The Retreat will conclude at 4:30 PM. **Attendance for all Confirmandi is required.** For more information, please e-mail Tom Militello at: tom@stjosephcolumbia.org

Rehearsal for Confirmation *candidates (9th graders) AND sponsors* will be on Saturday, October 15 at 9:00 AM in the Church.

Confirmation (9th graders) will be on Sunday, October 16 at 4:00 PM. **Students AND sponsors are to arrive at 2:45 PM** and go directly to the Parish Hall/Gym. For more information, please call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoedre@aol.com

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION



Registration for **Saint Joseph's Interfaith Basketball** teams (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade boys and girls) is now underway. Information and applications are available at the church and school offices. The teams are open to all parish youth.

The registration deadline is Monday, October 24, and the fee for participation is \$65. Practices should start the week of November 7, with games beginning in early December.

For more information, please contact Todd Wilkinson at the Ministries and Administration Building at 540-1908.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS



In September 2016 we welcomed the following new member into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Mary Chris Crumpler

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 2

- 8:15 AM Mr. Edward Janak +
- 10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph
- 12:15 PM Mr. Curtis Barnes +

Tuesday, October 4

- 7:30 AM All Franciscans
- 5:30 PM Mr. Frank Cabrera +

Wednesday, October 5

- 7:30 AM Mr. Josef Kreis +

Thursday, October 6

- 7:30 AM Mr. John K. Fritze III & family (I)

Friday, October 7

- 7:30 AM Mr. Greg Alia +
- 8:30 AM Mrs. Helen Wiggs +

Saturday, October 8

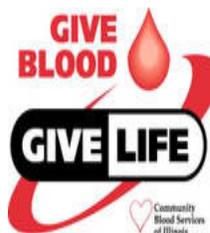
- 5:30 PM Mrs. Maureen Mendoza +

Sunday, October 9

- 8:15 AM Joan & Roger Brunelli +
- 10:30 AM Mrs. Ana Laura Novelo +
- 12:15 PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, October 9 ~ 9 AM – 2 PM
Parish Hall/Gym



To schedule your donation/appointment, please visit: **redcrossblood.org** and enter: **stjoseph** or contact Rob Wiggs at 447-2127; e-mail: wiggsw@scdot.org or robwiggsw@gmail.com

Free Pancake Breakfast for all donors!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
October 9, after all Sunday Masses

Cost: \$5 adults, \$3 children

Free to blood donors!

Sponsored by K of C Council #12554



REMINDER

BUS TRIP TO HELEN, GA

All who registered for the Helen, Georgia Bus Trip, please meet this Wednesday, October 5 at 7:00 AM in the Shandon Methodist Church parking lot on Devine St - right behind the St. Joseph Ministries & Administration Building (MAB). Please park at the end of the lot closest to the MAB. The bus will depart at 7:30 AM.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Please join the 2016 Public Square Rosary Crusade. As we all know, the United States is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We must ask God to save America through the Rosary of the Most Holy Mother.

WHEN: October 15, at 12:00 NOON

WHERE: Five Points (Corner of Greene and Harden St., in front of the fountain)

For more information, please contact Erika Schwartz at (305) 588-4278 or Ruby Albert at 237-6999.

40 HOUR DEVOTION

... continuous prayer before OUR EUCHARISTIC LORD for reparation, marriage, family and to draw down God's mercy, is needed for the world and our nation.

WHERE: Our Lady of the Hills Church (OLOH)
20 Marydale Ln, Columbia, SC 29210

WHEN: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the Noon Mass on October 6 and ending with Benediction on October 8 at 8:00 AM.

NEEDED: ADORERS!!! Please register.
Sheets are in the Narthex. (OLOH Church.)

*Come spend an hour with Our Lord. He is waiting for you.
"A holy hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years in human glory."*

St. Padre Pio

CRAFT SESSIONS

We invite all the ladies of the parish and friends to join us!

St. Joseph Women's Society is hosting two craft sessions to create wreaths and small Christmas trees for our annual sale.



The sessions will take place in the Blossom Street house on Tuesdays:

October 11 from 4:00-6:00 PM

October 25 from 4:00-6:00 PM.

To register for one or both of these sessions, please contact Julie Rotureau at 782-2835 or Maria Carrero 609-1434.

Our annual sale: **From the Devine Kitchens ... a Festival of Foods, Baskets, and Gifts for the Entire Family** will be on November 19 and 20 after all Masses.

LIFE CHAINS

Life Chains will be held across South Carolina **TODAY**, October 2. This peaceful and public witness takes place for 90 minutes and participants hold signs and pray for the nation to end abortion.

Columbia - Forest Drive at Beltline Boulevard, from 2:00-3:00 PM, Father Paul Sterne, (803) 465-0201

For more information about Life Chains in SC, call Deb Marks, state director, at 920-4933 or visit:

www.lifechain.net

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL SPIRIT NIGHT!

St. Joseph School PTO would like to cordially invite all St. Joseph parishioners to join our students and their families for our first Spirit Night of the 2016-2017 school year. Proceeds from this fundraiser helps the PTO to provide resources necessary to support the school and the programs it offers throughout the school year.

Important Details:

When: October 12, from 3:00 PM to Close

Where: Smashburger and Moe's at 4601 Devine Street

We are fortunate to schedule our fundraiser at two restaurants on the same day! You have double the menu options. Simply let the cashier know that you are part of the St. Joseph Spirit Night and we will receive credit for your meal purchase.

St. Joseph students and the PTO want to thank you for your generous support in helping to make this fundraiser a success!



Not liberal. Not conservative. *Simply Catholic.*

Catholic citizenship & your vote

We have a dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens. As Catholics, our baptismal commitment to bear public witness to the values of Jesus Christ requires our active participation in the democratic life of our nation. As Americans, we have a serious moral obligation to vote. This brief insert is intended as a starting point to help us respond to our choices in the current political landscape.

There are many issues before us ... ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

The Right to Life and Dignity of the Human Person

Innocent human life is destroyed by abortion, euthanasia, “fertility treatments” such as in-vitro fertilization, experimentation using stem cells from human embryos, and cloning to manufacture human body parts. Catholic teaching about the sanctity of human life also leads us to oppose the death penalty, genocide, torture, unjust wars, and economic policies that ignore the needs of the poor and vulnerable.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

The family, which emerges from marriage between a man and a woman, is the original and basic unit of society. Social and economic policies should work to strengthen the family rather than weaken it.

Rights and Responsibilities

Every human being has the right to life and to religious freedom. Everyone has a right to refuse to participate in actions contrary to one’s religious beliefs and to share and defend one’s creed and moral principles in the public forum. Everyone has the right and duty to participate fully in all aspects of life: political, social, cultural, and economic.

Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

We must have special concern and charity toward the unborn, persons with disabilities, the dying, refugees, long-term unemployed, prisoners, and all who are marginalized in our nation and beyond. Today, the situation of immigrant workers is especially urgent.

Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers

Economic justice includes the opportunity for dignified work at wages sufficient to support a family, workplace safety, and the right to take time for religious observances. Workers also have the duty to provide a fair day’s work for a fair day’s pay.

Solidarity

Loving our neighbor has global dimensions and requires us to eradicate racism and address the extreme poverty and disease plaguing so much of the world. We are called to welcome the stranger among us, including immigrants seeking work, a safe home, education for their children, and a decent life for their families. We are called to promote peace and pursue justice.

Caring for God’s Creation

As stewards, not owners, of the earth, people have an obligation to cherish and care for the environment. The earth yields forth many resources needed for human flourishing, especially energy and the capacity to produce food. These precious resources must be used prudently, fairly, safely, and with a constant concern for future generations.



... but every issue is not equal.

- **Issues that directly affect human lives**, such as abortion and euthanasia, are fundamental and demand serious consideration.
- Our Constitution heralds **religious liberty** in the First Amendment, yet increasingly people of faith are having to fight to retain this basic right.
- Our nation has **redefined marriage**. The marriage of a man and a woman is the foundation of the family and an essential core element of a flourishing society.
- The **growing disparity between rich and poor** means most of the world's resources are in the hands of a small percentage of its people. The federal budget is a moral document and we prioritize the poorest and most vulnerable among us.
- The **millions of undocumented persons** living in the United States deserve our compassion. Our immigration system is broken, and we need a humane solution to it.
- **War, terror, and violence** have caused thousands of lost lives. We must work for just solutions to conflict in the Holy Land, throughout the Middle East, and beyond.



As Catholic citizens, we should remember three things:

1. **Respect for the dignity of each person** is the core of Catholic social and moral teaching. This is our most basic principle.
2. **We focus on the common good**, not our own personal interests. We ask, how can we make the world a better place? Not, how can I improve my own personal situation?
3. **We have a responsibility**, a true obligation, to form our consciences and participate in the civic life of this nation.



Here are ways to form our consciences and participate in civic life:

- **Be true to the teachings of the Church.** Read Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, teachings from the Holy See, and the statements of our bishops. Read “Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship” at faithfulcitizenship.org. We need to be sure that our reasoning and judgments are well-grounded in our faith.
- **Stay well-informed about issues** through judicious and reasoned engagement with the immense world of information in the 21st century. Just as all issues are not equal, all sources are not equal. For example, an individual's blog, while potentially very insightful, may not have the same fidelity to factual truth as our media sources that hold themselves to professional standards of journalistic ethics, imperfect though they are.
- **Remain in contact with our representatives** in local, state, and federal government. Our responsibility to form our consciences leads to an obligation to be active citizens.
- **Engage in reasoned, compassionate, and loving dialogue with others**, Catholics and non-Catholics alike, about the issues and choices that we are facing as a nation. Remember that we are all called first to witness the Gospel, and through that witness, to share our social teaching to highlight the moral dimensions of issues, and to participate in debate on public policy.