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| Offertory Budget..... | 1,489,997.00 |
| YTD Actual..... | 1,399,952.39 |
| Weekly Budget | 28,653.79 |
| Offertory -- 6-30-08 | 23,157.34 |
| Holy Father (Peter's Pence) | 3,864.26 |
| Parish Debt (as of 6-17-08) | 241,566.35 |
| "Pride in Our Past - Faith in Our Future" | |
| Pledged | 3,117,479.71 |
| Received | 1,283,985.82 |

"Let all Your works give You thanks, Oh Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" for the many gifts God has given us.

See Psalm 145

TRIBUTES



The flowers on the Main Altar this weekend are in honor of Mary Wapinski and are given by her husband and daughters.

The Rose on Mary's Altar this weekend is in loving memory of Elisabetha Kreis and is given by her daughter.

INFIRM PRIESTS - SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection next Sunday is to support health care of the infirm priests of our Diocese of Charleston. Please care for those good priests who have spent their lives caring for others. God will bless you for doing so. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA

THE FOUR MARKS OF THE CHURCH - PART 1

Each Sunday in the Creed, we profess to believe in "one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church." Dr. Scott Hahn, Catholic theologian, explains how these four "marks" distinguish the Catholic Church from other Christian denominations. He then shows how these four characteristics are rooted in the ancient Christian faith revealed in scripture and in the lived experience of the Catholic Church.

WELCOME SUNDAY

All are invited to our Community Welcome Sunday, July 13. We will have refreshments after the 8:15, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM Masses. Please join us in the lobby of the Rowland Education Building to visit with old friends and meet new parishioners.

NURSERY NOTES

The Nursery will be **CLOSED** the next few weeks while we reorganize in order to better serve our families with young children. We will reopen after school starts.

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Durham Regional Hospital: Debbie Hottel
Baptist: Dom Fusci, Emma Asmer



SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parish Friends,

We have five new faculty members who will be joining our team this coming school year:

- **Erika Hattler** - Grade 3 - comes to us from Saint Peter's School where she taught K4 for four years. We are glad to welcome her back to her alma mater! Her degree is in Early Childhood Education from Columbia College.
- **Vicki McNally** - Grade 5 - is moving to Columbia from Florence, SC, where she taught at Saint Anthony's for 14 years. She brings a lot of experience and enthusiasm to fifth grade. She has a degree in Merchandising from Delta State University in Cleveland, MS and she has completed the teacher certification program at Francis Marion University.
- **Heather Mendelsohn** - Grade 6 - is coming to us from Busbee Middle School in Lexington 2. Mrs. Mendelsohn will be teaching mathematics, science and social studies to our sixth graders. She has two Bachelors Degrees — in Psychology and Secondary Education — from Clemson University. Her son Grayson will be in 4K at Saint Joseph's this year.
- **Lillian Reeves** - Grade 5 - is a Ph.D. Candidate in the Language and Literacy program at the University of South Carolina. She has experience teaching middle school language arts, and she will be teaching language arts, science and social studies to our fifth graders.
- **Karen Tucker** - Physical Education - has an elementary teaching certificate and a Bachelors in Interdisciplinary Studies from USC. She is also the mother of three of our Saint Joseph Students: Will, Matthew and Andrew. She hopes to bring a standards-based curriculum approach to P.E. and incorporate a lot of fun and enthusiasm for healthy living. Mrs. Tucker will also be running our Math Enrichment Room in the mornings before school.

We welcome these fabulous teachers to Saint Joseph School!

PARISH OFFICE
SUMMER HOURS

July 11 to August 8

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| Mon - Thurs: | 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 1:30 - 4:30 PM |
| Friday: | 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM |

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration is now open for our 2008-09 Religious Education Program. The fees are \$40 per child, or \$120 per family until July 31. **On August 1 the fees increase to \$50 per child, or \$150 per family.**

In order to secure your place in our program prior to open registration in August, registrations, along with the fees, should be completed and returned to the parish office. You may download the form from the parish website at:

www.stjosephcolumbia.org/religious_education.html

or stop by the parish office.

Religious Education classes resume on Wednesday, September 3.

BAPTISM SEMINAR

There will be a Baptism Seminar on Sunday, July 13 for parents who are seeking to have their children baptized at St. Joseph. The Seminar will take place in the Parish Life Center, lower level at 1:30 PM. For more information, call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906.

NOTES FROM THE PASTOR

Tuesday Exposition, Adoration and Benediction has been cancelled for July 29.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY NEWS

www.cym1.com

Please join us this Wednesday, July 9 from 7:30 to 9:45 PM in the Choir Room of the Rowland Education Building for our summer movie night. We will provide plenty of popcorn and drinks. Feel free to bring your own chair.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the families of Powell Bohler Whitmire (brother of Caroline Todd) and Sam Saleeby (father of Vivian Knuckley). May their souls rest in peace.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

In June 2008 we welcomed the following new members into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Gabrielle Grace Chmura
Madeline Maria Coco
John Raul Hoover
Ella Grace Saunders

Also in June 2008 the following couples were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony:

Jennifer Anne Eberlin & Sean Philip Germann
Sherrie Lynn Keefe & Francisco Javier Albert
Lilla Patrick Toal & John Robert Mandsager

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 6

8:15 AM Fr. Lee A. Selzer +
10:30 AM Msgr. Roy F. Aiken +
12:15 PM Parishioners of St. Joseph
5:30 PM Mr. William O'Keeffe +

Monday, July 7

7:30 AM Rosary

Tuesday, July 8

7:30 AM Mrs. Carmen E. Novellas +
5:30 PM Mrs. Marilyn Kuchta +

Wednesday, July 9

7:30 AM Mr. Robert Collins, Sr. +

Thursday, July 10

7:30 AM Mr. Jimmie D. Taylor, Sr. (I)

Friday, July 11

7:30 AM Mr. Alpine H. Deichilbor +

Saturday, July 12

5:30 PM Master John McLaughlin V (I)

Sunday, July 13

8:15 AM Mr. George Goodwin +
10:30 AM Mrs. Betty Fasano +
12:15 PM The end to abortion
5:30 PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

I Care I Share Sunday is this week. There is a great need for canned fruit, non-perishable fruit juices, rice, cereal, and canned vegetables. As always, thank you for your support and generosity.

On **Saturday, July 19**, our St. Vincent de Paul Society is sponsoring the meal for the homeless at St. Peter's Church. Any parishioners who would like to help are invited to join us from about 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We will be doing table set up, greeting, serving and cleanup. If you would like to help, please call Mitch Michaelis at 315-4108.

A big Thank You to the parishioners who donated a microwave, a toaster-oven, two dryers and a washing machine. They went to four needy families. God bless you.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN (VIRTUS) TRAINING CLASSES

St. Joseph will offer VIRTUS training on:

Tuesdays, July 29 & August 12, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM
Choir Room (Room D) Rowland Education Building

Participants must register online at www.virtus.org. Please contact John Waters at 540-1920 for more information or help with registration.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

The St. Gianna Guild will have its monthly meeting this Monday, July 7 at 6:30 PM in the St. Francis de Sales House. We will have wine, snacks, and juice to celebrate with Marie Connelly who is leaving for law school. There will also be a business meeting. We encourage all to join the celebration.

CROSS STITCHERS WANTED

St. Joseph Women's Society is looking for cross stitchers who are willing to donate their time and talents. We are once again in need of your help in making the Chrismon ornaments for the Chrismon Tree. We are starting early this year in hopes of doubling the number of ornaments we already have. If you are interested, cross stitch packets can be obtained from the Church office. Your help is greatly appreciated. Many thanks to those who have so generously donated their time and talents to this project over the past years.

COLUMBIA AREA YOUNG ADULT CATHOLICS

Come meet for drinks and discussion on July 9, from 6 to 8 PM at Delaney's Pub on Saluda Avenue in Five Points. This month's topic will be "Why am I Catholic and what does being Catholic mean to me?" This group will be exclusively run by and for young adults from ages 21 to 35. ALL priests and religious are welcome regardless of age! Come join us! Please see our blog for upcoming events, discussion topics, and more!

www.imbibingthespirit.blogspot.com



**HI! I AM YOUR
ENVELOPE
REMINDER
ANGEL**

SUMMERTIME

I'm here to remind you that while you are out of town on vacation or business, your church's expenses go right on.

At home or away, make a sincere Christian effort to see that your offertory envelope is either mailed or contributed each Sunday.

SC STATE FAIR: OCTOBER 8 - 19 SAVE THE DATE

Please save some time in your schedule to work a shift at the Catholic Christian Booth at the SC State Fair. Also, the following dates have been scheduled for "planning meetings" for the booth at the fair. The meetings will be at Our Lady of the Hills, in the Library of the Family Life Center. (Off of the Atrium.)

Mondays, July 28, Aug. 25, and Sept. 29 at 7:00 PM

If anyone has input, but is unable to attend the meetings, please call Sharon Crocker at 356-3042 or 309-2480 or e-mail: scrocker4@windstream.net

THE FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

P.O. BOX 4616
COLUMBIA, SC 29240

Rev. Richard D. Harris, Pastor
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
3512 Devine Street
Columbia, SC 29205

Dear Fr. Harris:

I want to thank you for sponsoring and promoting the Semi-Annual St. Joseph's Paper Drive to benefit The Free Medical clinic. In the last two weeks, you and your parishioners were able to collect the following items:

- Over \$3400 in monetary donations
- Paper towels: 222 rolls
- Toilet paper: 88 rolls
- Facial tissue: 4 boxes
- Individual juice boxes: 393
- Packs of snack crackers: 672
- Hotel size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc.: too numerous to count!
- Copy paper: 29 reams
- Styrofoam cups: 48
- Magazines: 31
- Toys: 6

You probably remember from my last correspondence that we are able to provide nearly \$8 worth of healthcare for every \$1 dollar donated. Having supplies donated enables us to use our monetary resources to serve those individuals in our community who have no insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare, and who fall below 133% of the federal poverty level.

Thanks to the generosity of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, its parishioners, and other sponsors in our community, we were able to provide 12,000 patient visits last year and distribute \$2.9 million worth of pharmaceuticals to individuals who would otherwise have gone without healthcare.

Thank you again for supporting this ministry which is so near and dear to my heart. It means a great deal to know that you and my church family endorse this outreach in such a tremendous way. Please let me know if I can ever be of service to you and the parishioners of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

In Christ,
M. Todd Crump, MD
Medical Director