

OFFERTORY

Offertory Budget.....	1,500,000.00
YTD Actual .....	73,007.95
Weekly Budget .....	28,846.15
Offertory -- 7-13-08 .....	46,252.86
Infirm Priest. ....	3,992.17
Pride in our Past, Faith in our Future ...	22,232.24
 Parish Debt (as of 6-17-08) .....	 241,566.35
 "Pride in Our Past - Faith in Our Future"	
Pledged .....	3,117,479.71
Received .....	1,318,068.86

*Good stewards in a parish are like the yeast in today's Gospel. Their selfless gifts of time and talent help the parish grow and thrive, and their example inspires others to become good stewards, too.*

**LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA  
THE EUCHARIST: OUR VERY LIFE**

As a medical doctor and licensed psychotherapist, Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald knows very well the deep hunger and inner needs of the human heart. He explains how the Holy Eucharist becomes the core and center of our lives since only Jesus can fill what is lacking within the human spirit that is bruised and broken. Discover the immensity of God's love revealed by His Real Presence.

**SENIOR LIFE**

**Biltmore at Christmas** - December 9 to 11  
\$260 pp. double occupancy

Biltmore Estates ~ Harrah's Cherokee Casino ~ Tour of Asheville ~ Folk Art Center ~ St. Lawrence Basilica; includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, snacks on the bus, all gratuities and transportation.

A \$75 deposit is due by August 7 and final payment is due October 3. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Senior Life Ministry and send to: Mary Anne Hess, 1923 Stanley Street, Columbia, 29204. For more information or reservations, please call Mary Anne Hess at 787-5211.

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

is extended to the family of Mary Wapinski. May her soul rest in peace.

**PARISH OFFICE  
SUMMER HOURS**

*July 11 to August 8*

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

*Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish*

**SCHOOL NEWS**



Dear Parish Friends,

We have sent out our summer mailing to all families of incoming students. If you are a Saint Joseph School family, and you have not received information from the school, please contact the office at 254-6736 ext. 10.

Please collect "Box Tops for Education" (pink labels on various store-bought food items) for our school, and drop them by the school office. Proceeds received from this program allow us to purchase instructional supplies for the school. Each box top coupon is worth 10 cents for the school and they do add up!! We appreciate your support.

**FALL SOCCER REGISTRATION**

Registration for Saint Joseph's Fall soccer teams is now underway. We will form teams for parish boys and girls ages 4 through 11 (as of August 1) in the YMCA - CUFC recreational league. Applications and information are available at the church and school offices and online at:

[www.stjosephcolumbia.org/youth\\_athletics.html](http://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/youth_athletics.html)

You may also register online at:

[columbiaymca.org/branches/downtown/sports.html](http://columbiaymca.org/branches/downtown/sports.html).

**It is very important that you note on your application that you wish to be on a Saint Joseph team; be as specific as possible. The deadline for registration is August 25; late registrations will be assessed an additional \$20 fee.**

Due to the YMCA's partnership with CUFC, there will be a number of changes in the way teams are put together. Please note the FAQ documents available on the websites. For further information, please contact Todd Wilkinson at 540-1908.

**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](http://www.virtus.org). Please contact John Waters at 540-1920 for more information or help with registration.

**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.**

July 20, 2008

## 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.**

**Parents** will have an opportunity to register their children for our Religious Education program **on Sunday, August 10** following all morning Masses. You may download the form from the parish website at:

[www.stjosephcolumbia.org/religious\\_education.html](http://www.stjosephcolumbia.org/religious_education.html)

or stop by the parish office.

“If sorrow makes us shed tears, faith in God's promises makes us dry them.”

St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) on Suffering

## HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY NEWS

[www.cym1.com](http://www.cym1.com)

Please join us on Wednesday, July 23 from 7:30 to 9:45 PM in the Choir Room of the Rowland Education Building for our next summer movie night. We will provide plenty of popcorn and drinks. Feel free to bring your own chair.

## MAKE YOUR GOOD MARRIAGES GREAT MARRIAGES

Plan to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next scheduled weekends are: September 12 - 14 in Greenville, and February 6 - 8 in Hilton Head. For more information visit the website at: [sc.wvme.org](http://sc.wvme.org) or contact Bart & Laurie Huffman at (864) 575-4951 or Steve & Nydia Burdick (803) 798-8296.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AT ST. JOSEPH

Thursday Morning Confessions from 6:45 to 7:15 AM have been suspended for the summer.

**Saturdays 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

*(Please, remember: only **one** Confessor will be available.)*

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSIONS IN THE COLUMBIA AREA

### Saturdays

3:00 to 4:00 PM	St. Thomas More/USC
3:30 to 4:30 PM	Corpus Christi <i>and also before daily Mass</i>
4:00 to 5:00 PM	Our Lady of the Hill & St. Peter's
4:15 to 4:45 PM	St. Martin de Porres
after 5:15 PM Mass	St. John Neumann

## NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

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

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

### Sunday, July 20

8:15 AM Mr. Donald Schwartz, Jr. +  
10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph  
12:15 PM Dr. Robespierre Tumbokon +  
5:30 PM Mrs. Mary Schuessler +

### Monday, July 21

7:30 AM Rosary

### Tuesday, July 22

7:30 AM Miss Tiffany Taylor (I)  
5:30 PM Mr. Frank Barron, Sr. +

### Wednesday, July 23

7:30 AM Dr. Richard Kahaly +

### Thursday, July 24

7:30 AM Hazel & Robert Thompson +

### Friday, July 25

7:30 AM Mrs. Terri Sapp (I)

### Saturday, July 26

5:30 PM Mrs. Carmen E. Novellas +

### Sunday, July 27

8:15 AM Anthony & Lena Sisario +  
10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph  
12:15 PM Mrs. Maria Alvarez +  
5:30 PM Bernice Ellias & Cass McCarter +

## FAMILY HONOR

### UNDERSTAND GOD'S GIFT OF SEXUALITY

Do you want to better understand God's gift of sexuality and Church teaching about this gift? Would it help your role as parent, single adult or ministry leader to know more about the theology of the body; child development; male-female complementarity; the virtue of chastity; the primary role of the family in chastity education; fertility appreciation; and more?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then we encourage you to register for a unique computer-based course titled "*The Principles of Teaching Family-Centered Chastity Education.*" The course is offered by Family Honor and opened to adult men and women, whether single or married. Visit Family Honor's website: [www.familyhonor.org](http://www.familyhonor.org) for an application and more information or call 929-0858. For the fall, 2008 semester, Family Honor must receive completed applications by August 1. The computer course begins August 15.

## VOCATION VIEW

Yeast which a woman kneaded ... Say thanks today to that special woman who has kneaded the yeast of God's love into your life. Pray God's blessing on all people who bring leaven and light. (Matthew 13:24-43)

**St. Joseph's Parish Disaster Relief Committee  
Talent Bank Registry**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

By completing this form, you agree to be contacted by the Disaster Relief Committee for the specific type of assistance indicated below. Completing this form in no way obligates you to respond to each disaster. Please check the blanks if you would consider the following types of disaster assistance if the need arises.

- \_\_\_\_\_ When asked, I will provide my special skills for disaster relief. I am a(n):
- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| _____ Translator for the deaf               | _____ Translator for _____ language |
| _____ Electrician                           | _____ Plumber                       |
| _____ Lawyer                                | _____ Priest, brother, or nun       |
| _____ Doctor                                | _____ Nurse                         |
| _____ Mental health worker                  | _____ Person certified in CPR       |
| _____ Janitor                               | _____ Social Worker                 |
| _____ Short-wave radio operator             | _____ Chef                          |
| _____ Administrative assistant              |                                     |
| _____ Other construction industry: _____    |                                     |
| _____ Other health professional: _____      |                                     |
| _____ Other special skill not listed: _____ |                                     |

- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide emergency transportation for those in need.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide a truck or SUV for hauling supplies.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide a hot meal or covered dish for a family in need.
- \_\_\_\_\_ When asked, I will provide the following material goods in clean condition:
- |  |                           |
|--|---------------------------|
| _____ Blankets   | _____ Sheets              |
| _____ Mattresses                                       | _____ Pillows             |
| _____ Coolers  | _____ Books and magazines |
| _____ Toys, coloring books, crayons                    | _____ Bottled water       |
| _____ Disposable plates, bowls, and silverware         |                           |
| _____ Paper towels, napkins, tissues, and toilet paper |                           |

- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide labor for preparation for a predicted disaster.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide labor for cleanup after a disaster.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide emergency childcare services for parents in need.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will sit with parish members in the hospital in an emergency.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will make a donation of blood at a Red Cross donation site.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will join the Disaster Relief Committee.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will assist with telephone calls in a "phone tree" program.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will make a special financial donation to the Church for use by the Committee.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will pray for the workers and victims of the disaster.

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:**

*Sr. Julienne Guy • St. Joseph Catholic Church • 3512 Devine Street • Columbia, SC 29205*