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| Offertory Budget..... | 1,350,000.00 |
| YTD Actual | 214,428.64 |
| Weekly Budget | 25,961.54 |
| Offertory -- -08-30-09 | 25,329.68 |
| St. Vincent de Paul collection..... | 6,151.50 |
| Parish Debt (as of 9-1-09)..... | 93,367.94 |

"Pride in Our Past - Faith in Our Future"

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| Pledged | 3,120,479.71 |
| Received | 2,203,611.15 |

The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

2009 BISHOP'S STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

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| Goal | 61,505.91 |
| Total Raised | 65,274.00 |
| Amount over Goal..... | 3,768.09 |

TRIBUTES



The Flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Virginia & Ed Williams and are given by their daughter Ellen Williams.

The Bread and Wine

...for the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, September 5 are in honor of Nancy Glasgow and are given by Lucille Niggle.



...for the 7:30 AM Mass on Tuesday, September 8 are in honor of Col. F. J. Bush on his 90th birthday and are given by Mr. Vic.

...for the 5:30 PM Mass on Tuesday, September 8 are in memory of Julia Shahid and are given by Freddy & Diane Mubarak.



The Tabernacle Vigil Candle (September 6 to 19) is in loving memory of the Charles Bultman family and is given by Mary DeLay.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the family of **Kathleen "Katie" Faller Bond**. May her soul rest in peace.

SCHOOL NEWS



It is always nice to have a long weekend early in the school year. The second full week went well, but it was very apparent that all of us (students and teachers alike) need an extra day to re-group! This week:

- Sept. 7 **All School Facilities Closed for Labor Day!**
- Sept. 10 **Dress Down Day** - Students pay \$1.00 to dress down in Red, White and Blue, to commemorate Patriot Day. Proceeds will go to aid families of soldiers.
- Sept. 11 **Grandparents' Day!** Prayer Service at 9:00 AM in the Hall/Gym. All Grandparents are invited to attend the service and to tour the school.

CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL NEWS

- On Monday, August 31, The Most Rev. Robert Guglielmo presided at the Mass of the Holy Spirit with the staff and students of Cardinal Newman School. Afterwards, the Bishop came to the school campus for lunch and then visited with the students in the high school and junior high.
- Among the 455 students welcoming the Bishop, 132 students are graduates of St. Joseph School.
- Upcoming Athletic Activities:
 - Sept. 8: Cross Country at Lugoff Elgin/Camden
 - Girls' Tennis Home vs Heathwood Hall
 - Swimming vs. St. Joseph's at Rockbridge CC
 - Volleyball - at Camden;
 - Sept. 10: Volleyball at Augusta Christian
 - Sept. 11: Volleyball vs. St. Joseph's
 - Football vs. Bishop England

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

www.cym1.com

This Wednesday, September 9, from 7:00 to 8:15 PM, we will have a "nacho party" for all new and returning high school students. We will meet in the school cafeteria. During this time, we will present the many exciting events planned for this school year. We encourage youth to come hungry and to invite their friends!

Our youth ministry program will sponsor separate faith sharing groups for high school women and men starting on Wednesday, September 9 from 6:15 to 7:00 PM. This is a time to go deeper into our Catholic faith and learn from each other in a small group environment.

All high school youth are welcome to join us for a trip to Carowinds on Sunday, September 27. The cost is \$38 per person. This price included a ticket and transportation. For more details contact John at 254-7646 ext. 23 or check our website.

LABOR DAY

The Church & Parish Office
will be

CLOSED

Monday, Sept. 7 in observance of Labor Day.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration is now open for the 2009-10 Religious Education Program. CCD classes resume on Wednesday, September 9. The fees are \$50 per child, or \$150 per family. In order to secure your place in our program, completed registrations along with fees, should be returned to the parish office. You may obtain registration forms at the parish office or download them from the parish website:

www.stjosephcolumbia.org

RCIA

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the means of inquiry into the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in learning more about the Church in a friendly, informal environment, or if you are considering becoming a Catholic, plan to attend the RCIA Inquiry Classes on **Tuesdays, at 7:00 PM** in the Rowland Education Building, Room B. For more information, call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoedre@aol.com.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you are a post-high school adult who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, you should plan to attend the RCIA classes which meet on **Tuesdays at 7:00 PM**. For more information or to register call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoedre@aol.com.

BAPTISM SEMINAR

There will be a Baptism Seminar on **Sunday, September 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.

PARISH DINNERS

Due to budgetary constraints, we will no longer be able to offer a Parish Dinner on Religious Education Wednesdays.

ST. JOSEPH ANNUAL RETREAT

Father David Valtierra will be the Retreat Director for our retreat this year on **October 28 to 30** at Seabrook Island. All are welcome. See next week's bulletin for additional information.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

In August 2009 we welcomed the following new members into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Roman Wygant Russell
Amelia Anne Leonardi
Ainsley Jaime Mendelsohn

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 6

8:15 AM Mr. David Clark +
10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph
12:15 PM Mr. Frank Stiglbauer +

Monday, September 7

7:30 AM **No Rosary - Labor Day**

Tuesday, September 8

7:30 AM Mr. William Wilson +
5:30 PM Mr. William D. Foiles +

Wednesday, September 9

7:30 AM Mr. David Clark +

Thursday, September 10

7:30 AM Mr. Salvatore Messina +

Friday, September 11

7:30 AM Mrs. Claire Gennaro +
8:15 AM **No Mass**

Saturday, September 12

5:30 PM Mrs. Sylvia Werner +

Sunday, September 13

8:15 AM Parishioners of St. Joseph +
10:30 AM Mrs. Camilla Dilley +
12:15 PM The end to abortion

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

We will return to celebrating Mass in the Church on the first weekend of October (October 2 & 3.)

An e-mail was sent to all current altar servers this past week. If you did not receive a copy, please make contact with Dan Wagner at 254-7646 ext. 22.

Mrs. Florrie Coaplen's Memorial Mass will be Thursday, September 10 at 10:30 AM in the Hall/Gym.

SMART MARTHA SEMINAR

There will be a Smart Martha seminar on **Saturday, September 19 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM** in the school cafeteria. Smart Martha seminars offer practical everyday organization and time management skills for today's busy moms. The cost for the seminar is \$30, which includes lunch and the workbook. For more information or to register, please call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906 or e-mail stjoedre@aol.com.

CAR WASH FOR LIFE

On Saturday, September 19, the youth ministry programs of St. Joseph and St. Michael (Ft. Jackson) will be washing cars from 10:00 AM - 12:00 noon in front of St. Joseph School. All proceeds will be donated to BirthRight of Columbia.

CONTEMPORARY CATHOLIC MUSIC!

Are you musically inclined and looking for a way to share your gift while leading others toward Christ? A youth centered Catholic Praise and Worship band is being formed for parish, diocesan and deanery high school ministry events. Piano, keyboard, bass, and drum (congas, djimbe, or drum set) players are needed. If you are not musically inclined but you have a background in sound management, sound technicians will also be needed. If you are interested please contact Beth Kern at (321) 759-8228. Practices have already started!

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK September 6 to 12

This year's theme is "A Global Agenda on the Science of Prevention, Treatment and Recovery."

Sadly, 523 people died by suicide in South Carolina in 2007. In the United States, one person completes suicide every 16 minutes. More than 5 million people in the US have been directly affected by a suicide. When suicidal behaviors are detected early, lives can be saved. Together, we can reduce the number of lives shaken by a needless and tragic death. Some helpful websites:

SomeoneYouKnowSC.org
Suicidepreventionlifeline.org
AFSP.org

"Certainly, you are not unaware of how much the path of love can cost. Christ Himself reminds you of it from atop the Cross."

Pope John Paul II (1920 - 2005 AD)

HELP WANTED

NOTE: All employees must pass background screening and complete the VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children course.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR PART-TIME HOURS AND ENJOY WORKING WITH CHILDREN?

St. Joseph School Extended Care program needs your help! The hours are 2:30 to 6:00 PM Monday through Friday. For more information, or to apply, please call Rose Tindall, Principal, at 254-6736 ext. 11.

PART-TIME CUSTODIAN NEEDED

St. Joseph Catholic Church is seeking a part-time custodian for general office cleaning and light maintenance during the late afternoon and evening hours. The work schedule will be 4 hours per day, Monday through Friday. Interested individuals should apply at the parish office between 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM or 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM or call 254-7646, ext. 39, for additional information.

CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

The 2009 South Carolina Catholic Charismatic Conference will be held at Our Lady of the Hills Parish Life Center October 23 to 25. No charge for priests and deacons. If you would like a brochure, please e-mail to: jcrocker3@windstream.net.

POLISH MASS

Mass will be celebrated in Polish by Fr. Marcin Zahuta on **September 13** at 2:00 PM at **St. Thomas More Center** – USC located at 1610 Greene Street. Confession will be heard prior to the Mass at 1:00 PM. A covered dish dinner will follow the Mass, so please bring your favorite Polish dish and drink. Parking is available at the School of Nursing parking lot on Greene Street (a block from the Center). We especially invite the Polish students in the area. For more information, call St. Thomas More Center 799-5870 or Teresa Chmura at 540-1904.

SUNDAY MASS BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

Since May 10, St. Joseph Church has been transporting people by bus from Christopher Towers to our Sunday Mass at 12:15. At this time we are seeking more volunteer drivers so that each driver would only be responsible for one Sunday each month. We have a 14 passenger bus and the training takes place at Capital Senior Center. If you are interested please call Sister Julienne Guy at 540-1901.

TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE!

From September 23 to November 1 the 40 Days for Life national pro-life campaign will take place from 7 AM to 7 PM each day at Planned Parenthood, 2712 Middleburg Drive. Please consider joining the efforts of thousands of people across the country in a one hour peaceful prayer vigil once a week. To sign up for your time slot, please contact John at 40days@stgiannaguilid.org or visit:

www.40daysforlife.com/columbia/

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The women's bible study group will meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday, September 15 at St. Francis de Sales House. Read 1 Kings, chapters 1-8. For more information call Janet O'Keeffe at 782-0886.

VOCATIONS VIEW

Jesus groans to the heavens, begging God for our openness. Let his prayer of "Ephphatha!" echo in the stillness of your heart. Pray for the gift of openness for yourself, and for those you know whom God may be calling to priesthood or religious life.

(Mark 7:31-37)

Wish List

~~**Crucifix and Oak Statues — \$10,000.00**~~

never dedicated and valued at \$35,000 - \$50,000
will remain behind the back High Altar

Stained Glass Window of St. Bartholomew \$5,000.00

never dedicated and valued at \$25,000

Stained Glass Window of St. Gregory the Great \$5,000.00

never dedicated and valued at \$25,000

~~**Statue of St. Francis de Sales — \$12,500.00**~~

will be a 5 foot tall statue of White Carrara Marble and
will match current statues – 3 to 4 months production and delivery

Reredos Curtain \$6,000.00

new curtain to go behind Altar Crucifix

~~**Remodeling of the Sacred Sacristy — \$5,000.00**~~

this was not included in the renovations of the Church

Tabor for Monstrance \$3,000.00

Pedestal to be used in Adoration Room

Decorative Lights for the Narthex \$1,000.00 each

five lights are needed and will match those in the Nave

~~**Altar Vases for Flowers — \$820.00 each**~~

two with liners are needed

~~**Censer and Boat — \$400.00 for Set**~~

~~Mass Bell and Tassel — \$550.00~~

~~Portrait of the Pope — \$300.00~~

to be placed in the Narthex

~~Portrait of the Bishop of Charleston — \$300.00~~

to be placed in the Narthex

~~St. Vincent de Paul Offering Boxes — \$400.00 each~~

five boxes are needed

~~Marian Vestment — \$300.00~~

for Masses to the Blessed Mother

~~Mass Vestments — \$300.00 each~~

Liturgical Year – Purple, White, Green and Red

~~Papal Flag and Stand — \$250.00~~

to be placed in the Narthex

~~American Flag and Stand — \$250.00~~

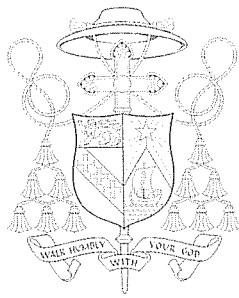
to be placed in the Narthex

~~Hall/Gym Crucifix — \$450.00~~

~~Adoration Chapel Altar Cloth — \$150.00~~

Miscellaneous Altar Cloths \$100.00 One Donated

Hearing Devices \$100.00 each
for those with special needs Four Devices Donated



THE DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

August 2009

To the Faithful of the Diocese of Charleston,

On Sunday, September 13, 2009, we will receive the **Annual Seminarian Collection** to help in the support of the 14 men who are studying for our diocese. Prior to their acceptance as candidates for the priesthood, these men have undergone extensive evaluations and a rigorous admissions process by our Vocation's Office, as well as their prospective seminaries. Their formation process is providing us with men who are spiritually, academically, and psychologically prepared candidates for ordination.

I ask for your prayerful and financial support of these men who are answering God's call to the ordained priesthood, as well as your prayers for those who are discerning a call to the priesthood for our diocese.

Your generosity will help provide for the spiritual needs of the Church in the Diocese of Charleston. Let us together pray that God will continue to send us good and holy priests to serve his faithful people.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Diocese of Charleston

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Bishop Guglielmone's Statement on Health Care Reform

It is quite evident that there is much discussion in many quarters about the proposed health care reform bills in the houses of Congress. There are many issues that people throughout our country are concerned about, but there are some issues that are critical for us as Catholics and it is imperative that our voice be heard. I am grateful to the Conference of Catholic Bishops of our country for its competent leadership in making sure our institutional voice is heard; in particular, Cardinal Justin Rigali, chairman of the bishops' Committee on Pro-life Activities and Bishop William Murphy, chairman of the bishops' Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development have eloquently, competently and forcefully made the Catholic position clear in their letters to Congress and congressional committees and their personal testimony to committees on behalf of the Conference.

However, it is not enough for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to petition the Congress. If ever there was a need for the united Catholic voice to be heard clearly and strongly, NOW is the time. After the August recess, Congress may very well act quickly on completing these bills and presenting them for a vote. Our representatives and senators need to hear our voice and we have a voice that is credible because it is a moral voice and one that has centuries of experience in health care. The bishops do not intend to propose any specific approach or plan, but any plan of health care reform must include these principles:

First of all, the Church has been involved with health care since our earliest days in this country and in very many cases, has been and still is a solitary presence for the poor and vulnerable. We Catholics believe that everyone, from conception until natural death deserves adequate health care to ensure a dignified human life.

Secondly, we oppose any effort to expand abortion funding or mandate abortion coverage. There are presently too many opportunities for this to occur in current bills. Likewise we cannot condone any inclusion of embryonic stem cell research or usage.

Thirdly, we need to see appropriate safeguards for adequately funded health care for the elderly, especially in those cases of serious or terminal illnesses. Present bills include too many possibilities for abuse of end of life issues.

In the fourth case, we believe that effective measures to safeguard the health of legal immigrants and their children must be clearly included in any health care reform.

Lastly, we absolutely oppose any attempt to remove all conscience clauses for physicians, nurses and other health care workers and any attempt to force Catholic hospitals to provide services inconsistent with our teaching. Likewise, mandating insurance coverage for employees of Catholic institutions that is not in conformity with our beliefs is not acceptable.

These are critical times for our nation and for us as Catholics. This is an issue which needs to be addressed desperately and these criteria essential for us as Catholics are NOT presently guaranteed in any versions of the legislation now under discussion. We must share our views with those who represent us since any reform will have a major impact on American society. We as Catholics have a long and consistent tradition of health care ethics and have made tremendous contributions to life in this country through the teaching of this ethical system. We must be present to this vital debate.

I ask two things of all Catholics in the Diocese of Charleston: First of all, pray and learn. Be knowledgeable and know the issues: (you might check the USCCB website www.usccb.org/healthcare on a regular basis and certainly keep up to date with competent news coverage.) Pray daily for a plan that will truly meet the needs of all people in our country. Secondly, let your voice be heard: contact your senators and representatives and let them know your thoughts; encourage friends and relatives to do likewise. Our government seems to be rushing into a plan that will not meet the needs of our citizens and a plan that will not reflect the values this nation has upheld in the past. We need time and a lot more dialog before a plan acceptable and helpful to all can be presented.

May the Lord bless our efforts.

Addresses for the South Carolina Congressional Delegation:

The Honorable Lindsey Graham
290 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jim DeMint
340 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Wilson
212 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515



**Meet us under
the Harvest
Moon!**

SAVE THE DATE!

**The 9th Annual Taste of Heaven
will be held Friday, November 6th, 2009**

Join us for heavenly cuisine, a silent and live auction, children's art and the chance to sign up for parties throughout the year. You won't want to miss the school's largest fundraiser.

Start thinking about items you'd like to donate to the auction and those ever important corporate sponsorships. We want to make this our best year yet!

Please contact Rebecca Seezen (787-0181), Alyssa McGovern (708-6165) or Lisa Dayhoff (787-2564) if you have any questions.