

MAY 4, 2025 ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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 and consider this your parish, you may register online or stop by the parish office to fill out a registration card.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

3600 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205

Parish Office Hours

Mon - Fri: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

3512 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205

803.254.7646 | info@stjosephcolumbia.org

After Hours Medical Emergency Number - 803.609.0317

www.stjosephcolumbia.org

St. Joseph Catholic School

3700 Devine Street, Columbia SC 29205

803.254.6736 | www.stjosdevine.com

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM

**For the 10:30 AM ONLY Livestreaming on YouTube.*

and Broadcast on 90.9FM

Nursery is available during the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses in the Ministries & Administration Building for children 4 and under.

Holy Days

Please check the bulletin or website for the schedule.

Daily Mass

Tuesday to Friday 7:30 AM

The Rosary precedes morning Mass.

First Saturday 8:30 AM

School Mass

Friday (Sept. - May) 8:15 AM

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4 - 5 PM and by appointment

CLERGY OF PARISH

Rev. Msgr. Richard D. Harris, Pastor | msgrharris@stjosephcolumbia.org

Rev. Peter O'Steen, Parochial Vicar | fatherosteen@stjosephcolumbia.org

Deacon Jerry White | gwhite@charlestondiocese.org

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

The Most Reverend Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS.

14th Bishop of Charleston

<https://charlestondiocese.org>

GENERAL INFORMATION

OUR MISSION:

We, the people of God in the parish of St. Joseph, are constantly attempting to become a faith community of those who, believing in Jesus, proclaim God's kingdom and share the mystery of faith by worshipping the Father; enabling all members to grow in their relationship with each other through the Son; and witnessing our gifts through service to others in the Holy Spirit.

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 and use of the envelope system and/or electronic giving 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.
- Join us! www.stjosephcolumbia.org/become-a-member-update-info

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Submit all announcements by Wednesday noon to info@stjosephcolumbia.org. Include name and phone number of contact person.

CHANGE OF NAME/ADDRESS/PHONE:

Please notify the Parish Office at info@stjosephcolumbia.org or 803.254.7646 of any change in your membership information.

PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN:

St. Joseph Church and School and the Diocese of Charleston are committed to the protection of children. All volunteers who work with children must complete Safe Environment Training and required Diocesan paperwork. If you would like to volunteer at St. Joseph's, please contact Jamie Vickrey at jamie@stjosephcolumbia.org. The following numbers are provided for your information:

Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister: 800.921.8122

Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services: 843.261.0431

SPECIAL NEEDS:

WHEELCHAIR SEATING

Available in the front row of the Church

RESERVED HANDICAP PARKING SPACES

There are 12 reserved spaces in the Ministries & Administration Building Parking Lot - Sundays only (for 8 AM - 10:30 AM Masses)

HEARING LOOP IN THE SANCTUARY:

In order to access the Loop, a hearing aid must be programmed for the "T" setting, which can be done by a hearing aid specialist. When in the Church, the user can go to the "T" setting on their device and will be connected to the speaker system via their hearing aid.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM:

Parents must attend one baptism seminar before having their child baptized. Upcoming seminar dates: 5.4.25, 6.1.25, 8.3.25, 9.14.25 and 10.19.25

Sessions will be held from 1:30-3:30 PM in the Ministries & Administration Building. Registration is open for all sessions. Baptisms will be scheduled approximately two times per month. Contact Adam Fisher at adam@stjosephcolumbia.org or 864.747.5392 to register or for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Those contemplating marriage should contact the priest at least six months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Mindy McBurney at mindy@stjosephcolumbia.org or 803.254.7646 ext. 423 for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please call the Parish Office at 803.254.7646 to request hospital visits and for individual anointing when anyone is seriously ill or having surgery.

BECOMING CATHOLIC - OCIA

(ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS):

Individuals interested in becoming full members of the Catholic community participate in a process of Christian Initiation. Contact Adam Fisher at adam@stjosephcolumbia.org or 864.747.5392 for more information.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 PM and by appointment. *Church doors open at 3:00 PM.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 4

8:00 am - Parishioners of St. Joseph

10:30 am - † Estela Long

12:15 pm - † Bill Dawson

Tuesday, May 6

7:30 am - † Joseph & Cleo Abdalla

† Julia Skala

Wednesday, May 7

7:30 am - † Christian Myers

Thursday, May 8

7:30 am - † Michael D Jones

† Ernest Shaw

Friday, May 9

7:30 am - Joseph Kopack

9:00 am - *School Mass* - † Phil Wilson

Saturday, May 10

5:30 pm - † Donald J. Tarney

Sunday, May 11 - 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am - † Laura Elizabeth Hill &

Felyn Gajeski Kopack

10:30 am - Parishioners of St. Joseph

12:15 pm - † Beverly Oates, Bonnie Oates,

Lil Arnold, Vicky Inslee

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Alice Abdalla, Raymond Abdalla, Libba Anderson, Lucille Andrews, Patricia Atkins, Terry Baggott, Elizabeth Ball, Chuck Barnett, Lois Barnett, Tom Barry, Germaine Blake, Margaret Briggs, Mary Brockington, Dorothy Brown, Judy Canada, Mary Jo Cavanaugh, Ron Childress, Joanne Childs, Dianne Dawson, Lindsey DeBorde, Joseph DeMichael, Carol DeSouza, Rick Dilleshaw, Katie Dukes, Nancy Faller, Susan Faust, Jameson Finney, Freida Fixl, Sylvia Flynn, Tripp Furman, George Gallo, Olga Gallo, Kevin Gantt, Betty Gatipon, Laddie Gatling, Iris Gauthier, George Geckle, Richard Georgeson, Francy Goodrich, Karen Gray, Cindy Guidry, Steve Guidry, Candace Hester, Jessika Johnson, Bill Jones, Nadine Jordan, David Josten, James Josten, Barney Kelly, Angie Kempson, James Kinard, John Kinard, William Kinney, Janice Lambka, Charlene Landry, Lynn Mancino, Natalie Marsha, Jared McLendon, Julian Montague, Shelley Montague, Michael Morgan, Mary Mulvihill, Glenda Napier, Carolyn Odle, Ellie O'Shea, Melissa Osborne, Virginia Ozgar, Mike Padua, Karen Pandur, Ruth Patterson, Stella Peebles, Maria Perez, Thelma Perkins, Lori Ann Pisano, David Richardson, Marcella Rodgers, Brianne Rodriguez, John Rotureau, John Rushman, Anna Sakara, Bill Sanders, Kelly Schneider, Jamie Scott, Bonnie Siegers, Jaime Simpson, Jr., Deacon Malcolm Skipper, Andrea Smith, Edna Soto, David Steele, Karen Steele, Betty Stork, Catherine Grace Stirling, Davis Bryan Stirling, Bettie Sturkie, Anthony Warren, Father Richard Wilson, Allan Winemiller, Neil Winter, Phyllis Yates

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend, the flowers on the main altar are in honor of
Melissa Byars and Jonathan Crowley,
who celebrated their marriage on May 2, 2025
Congratulations Melissa and Jonathan!

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TABERNACLE VIGIL CANDLE

(5/3 - 5/16)

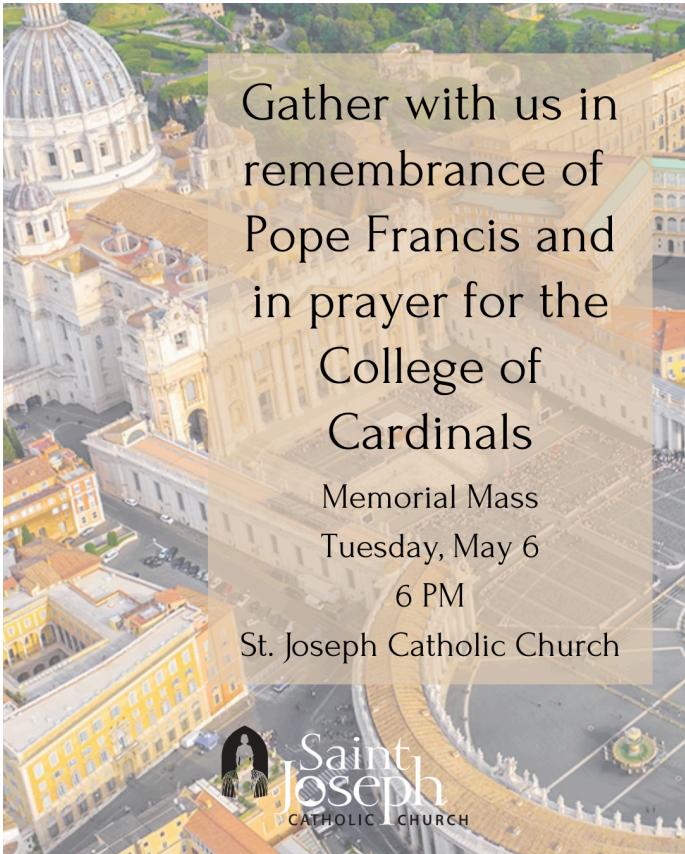
In memory of Bill Dawson, given by Dianne Dawson.

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

This weekend, we will welcome new members into the
Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Emmilia Carolina Badillo



Gather with us in
remembrance of
Pope Francis and
in prayer for the
College of
Cardinals

Memorial Mass

Tuesday, May 6

6 PM

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Saint
Joseph
CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Father O'Steen and I are excited to share an update on our 75th Organ Project and to reflect on the many blessings of our church community. We celebrated 75 years of worship this past September and hope you enjoyed the Mass and festivities.

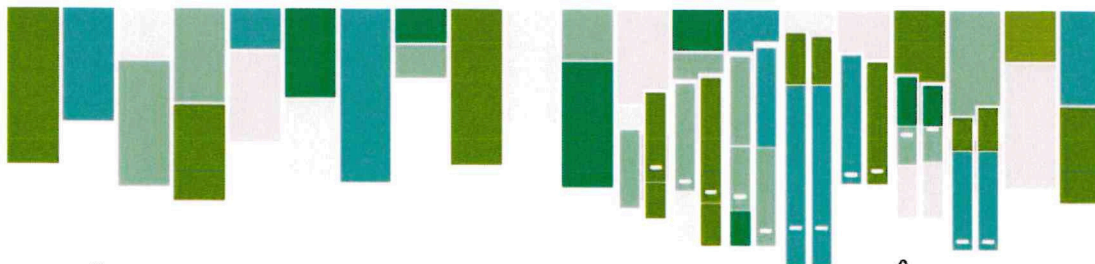
Since launching our 75th Anniversary campaign in 2023, we have been dedicated to enhancing our worship space. We are thrilled to announce that our dome fresco project is fully funded and will be installed this summer. The dedication is scheduled for September 14, 2025, at the 12:15 PM Mass, followed by a celebration. We look forward to sharing more details about the celebration.

Many of you have followed our progress on the organ project. With our new music director, Worth Lewallen, and our organist, Dr. Patrick Hawkins, we are entering the Legacy Phase. To date, we have raised over \$1,040,812 – nearly half of our \$2,250,000 goal for a new organ and balcony expansion. We have partnered with the renowned Mascioni organ firm located in Azzio, northern Italy, and their representatives will visit us during the last week of May to finalize plans. You will find that the organ we will be building is much more in line with the financial stewardship you have come to expect from St. Joseph.

I am deeply grateful to our donors who have supported this project from the start. For those considering contributing, please review the updated project details found on our website and look for more information as plans are finalized. Every gift, no matter the size, brings us closer to our goal and enriches our liturgical life.

Thank you for your continued support, faith, and generosity.

God's grace and blessings,
Rev. Msgr. Richard D. Harris, Pastor
St. Joseph Catholic Church



75th Anniversary
Organ Project • Legacy Phase



WITNESS

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Budgeted Goal for 2024-2025: \$33,120.57

Weekly Collection (4/19-4/20): \$28,389.69

Easter Collection: \$29,708.96

Second Collections Good Friday (Holy Land): \$3,286.56

Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions: \$2,489.10

Weekly Collection (4/26-4/27): \$22,719.50

As the Diocese's Bicentennial Campaign concludes at the end of 2025, we kindly remind all supporters to review and complete any outstanding payments on their pledges. Your generosity is helping to shape our legacy in SC and every fulfilled pledge makes a lasting impact. Thank you for your continued commitment!



New Beginnings
for anyone who has suffered
the loss of a loved one

June 3, 10, 17, and 24

11 am - 12 pm

Corner Conference Room

Ministry & Administration Building

If you would like to attend and/or if you know anyone who may wish to attend please share this info -
Group will be limited to 10.

RSVP by Thursday, May 29, 2025

Please Contact:

Therese Grant at 803.783.5121 (leave a message)
theresegrant56@gmail.com

*Honoring Mother's Day
and Father's Day*



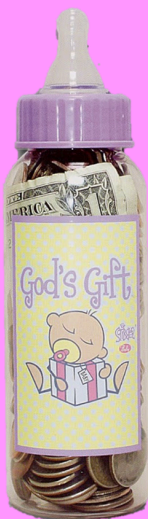
Birthright of Columbia Baby Bottle Campaign

The Baby Bottle Campaign is our annual fundraising, awareness, and education campaign.

We will provide empty baby bottles to be distributed to members of your group on Mother's Day and ask that they be filled with loose change and then returned on Father's Day. (Bills and checks are also acceptable.)

It is a fun way for families to help the moms and babies, offering them hope and help.

For I know the plans I have for you...They are plans for good...to give you a future and hope."
Jeremiah 29:11



Birthright

www.birthrightofcolumbia.org

NEW RESPECT LIFE GROUP AT ST. JOSEPH'S!

Join the new Respect Life group at St. Joseph's!
Open to all ages and levels of involvement—whether you have 5 minutes or more, your help is welcome. It's a fun, dynamic way to live out your faith. Interested in learning more? Contact Merrie Mullaney at merriemullaney@aol.com or 803.741.5950.

A Four-Part Answer to Our Moral Cancer

Prof. JR Regalbuto, USC



*A primer on natural law for
young (and old) professionals
Couples welcome.*

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Corley Conference Room

8:00 p.m.

Refreshments provided

- Answer 1** **Thursday, May 8**
(Intro: Relative vs. absolute morality)
→ Human beings are more important than animals (Tree of Porphyry)
- Answer 2** **Thursday, May 15**
→ A good end never justifies bad means (Components of Morality)
- Answer 3** **Thursday, May 22**
→ It is morally permissible to take risks (Double Effect)
- Answer 4** **Thursday, June 5**
→ Sometimes we must play it safe, sometimes not (Resolving Doubt) (Epilog: A moral democracy)

Questions? john.regalbuto@gmail.com



PROCLAIM THE FAITH YEAR 1 STUDY GUIDES

Monthly study guides can be used in personal prayer and for small group reflection.

MAY 2025

SCRIPTURE

Read: Matthew 16:13-28

REFLECT:

1. What is the connection between Peter's confession of faith and Jesus' prediction of his passion and death?
2. Why are the conditions of discipleship given after the prediction of the Jesus' passion and death?
3. What might God be calling us to do in response to this passage?

READ: A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Chapter 1

In Jesus Christ, therefore, we seek to live as the children of God, to think beyond ourselves and our own interests, give mercy, show compassion, welcome all men and women as true brothers and sisters, offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, and allow for the transformation of our minds so that we may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect (see Rom 12:1-2). In all these ways, we work and labor to always follow the will of God, to live as the Lord Jesus lived, and to remain on his faithful way.

The faithful way is not an easy way. It requires much from us. Of course, it is not the way of the proud, or arrogant, or haughty. It is not the way of the greedy and selfish. It is definitely not the way of the unforgiving and lustful. It is not the way of the envious.

The faithful way is about love, a true love that is willing to die to itself in order to serve the good in others (agape love). The Lord Jesus tells us: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?" (Mt 16:24-26).

REFLECT:

1. How does the scripture passage shed light on the selection from *Via Fidelis*?
2. What does it mean for us to think of God's path for our lives in terms of the cross of Christ?
3. What blocks our way along this path? What might we be able to do about that?



GET INVOLVED



Midlands Gives Power Hour will be May 6 from 10:00 AM- 10:59PM. Here is the link to donate! www.midlandsgives.org/fundraiser/stjosdevine-powerhour?

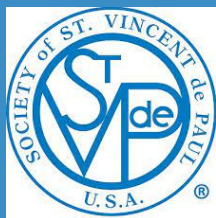


At Cardinal Newman School, students thrive in academics, the arts, athletics, and - most importantly - their Catholic faith. Schedule a tour today and see the difference Cardinal Newman can make for your child! Now enrolling in grades 7-12 for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year.

HEROES AND HOOPS



Adam Sheehan and Adrienne Carroll are launching a new program for our youth: Heroes and Hoops. The program is for 2nd-6th grade boys and girls designed to engage our children spiritually and assist them in further developing their basketball skills. We are looking for volunteers who could commit to helping with the program. The program would run Thursday evenings, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM in June, July, August, September & October. Boys would meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Girls would meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at: adrienne@stjosephcolumbia.org or sheehanaf@gmail.com.



"I CARE I SHARE" WEEKEND (5/3 - 5/4)

Donations for our food pantry can be placed in the Narthex of the Church. Special needs in the pantry include canned corn, canned fruit, canned meats, soup and cereal. For more information or questions, contact Steve Smoak at ssmoak12@icloud.com.

SENIOR LIFE PRESENTS...



Who: Open to all!

What: Father O'Steen | *Doctrine of the Marian Devotions*

When: May 22 | 12 PM

Where: Donor Hall - Min & Admin Bldg

Lunch will be provided (Publix Subs)

RSVP by Monday, May 19 to reserve your space

Regina Spell at rspell909@gmail.com

\$5 donation per attendee would be appreciated to go towards lunch.



MAY CROWNING OF MARY | MAY 4

Join the St. Joseph Women's Society after the 12:15 PM Mass as Fr. O'Steen leads a procession to the Rose Garden for prayer and Marian hymns. Therese Petit Dionne, our 2025 Catholic Woman of the Year, will crown the Blessed Mother. Flowers provided (or bring your own). First Communicants are welcome to wear their white garments. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Beverly at bev29206@yahoo.com.

YOU'RE INVITED TO ...

HOLY HOUR + HAPPY HOUR

Tuesday May 6th

Adoration @ 7pm
Food + Drinks @ 8pm

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
Craft & Draft on Devine

Join us for Eucharistic adoration and confession. Followed by food, fellowship + a pint after!

Sponsored by: Diocese of Charleston Young Adult Ministry

Adults 21+ invited!



St. Joseph is exploring the opportunity to host a Family Honor: Changes & Challenges workshop on Saturday, July 26, 9 AM–4 PM for parents and 5th–6th graders (incl. rising 7th). For us to offer this program, we need 15 families to commit. Cost: \$25/family. Interested? Contact Diana Von Plinsky at diana@stjosephcolumbia.org.

ST. JOE'S YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS

1ST ANNUAL TALENT SHOW & MAKERSPACE

SUNDAY, 18TH OF MAY
SHOW STARTS AT 5PM

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
CAFETERIA

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SHOWCASING YOUR TALENT,
EMAIL DIANA: DIANA@STJOSEPHCOLUMBIA.ORG

YOUTH SIGN UP TO SERVE → 

BEL CANTO CHOIR
AND
ST JOE'S YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025
12:15 PM

DONUTS SERVED AFTER MASS IN THE ROWLAND BUILDING

ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
YOUTH GROUP
Upcoming
EVENTS
May 2025

5.2 CHALK IT UP! SIDEWALK CHALK ART SERVICE PROJECT FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ROWLAND BUILDING, 3-5 PM	5.18 YOUTH MASS & BEL CANTO CHOIR 12:15 PM MASS DONUTS AFTER IN ROWLAND BUILDING
5.7 BIBLE STUDY MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS BLOSSOM HOUSE, 6-7:30 PM	5.18 TALENT SHOW AND MAKERSPACE SCHOOL CAFETERIA, 5-7 PM
5.10-5.11 BIRTHRIGHT BABY BOTTLES ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICE PROJECT AFTER ALL MASSES	5.21 BIBLE STUDY MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS BLOSSOM HOUSE, 6-7:30 PM
5.14 ADORATION AND CONFESSION CHURCH AND BLOSSOM HOUSE 6-8:00 PM	5.27 REGISTRATION OPEN YOUTH MINISTRY 2025-2026 STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION



TRUE NORTH
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 7 - 11
9AM - 12PM

REGISTER NOW!
PARTICIPANTS & VOLUNTEERS







The parish family of St. Joseph would like to congratulate
the following students who received their first
Holy Communion this weekend:

Mary Helen Alonzo
Hannah Ball
Kaleb Bedonie
Cali Benjamin
Lincoln Bower
Campion Bradley
Jacob Brown
Cameron Chilin-Amos
Henry Coleman
Sam Costa
Luke Cross
Ivy Elia
Caroline Eudy
Caroline Fogle
Kate Gandolfo
Olivia Grant
Patrick Guinn
Samantha Guinn
Hartlee Hanna
John "Jack" Holder
Anna "Ryan" Kubas
Finley Luffman

Kyle Maurer
Rocio Mejia Lomeli
Blake "Jay" Montgomery
Vaile "Ella" Moore
Owen Morrow
Viviana Nieto
Evie O'Toole
Mary Myers Pfrommer
Tinsley Pressly
John Ribock
Caroline Roach
William Rupert
Hannah Shaffer
Charlotte Sheehan
Jeremiah Sukany
Broughton "Eli" Thomas
Pierce Thompson
James Troutman-Powell
Ava Lynn Walsh
Emma Kate Walsh
Conor Washington
Leland Wise