

NOVEMBER 23, 2025 ~ OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



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@charlestandiocese.org

DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

The Most Reverend Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS.

14th Bishop of Charleston

<https://charlestandiocese.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: 1.25.26, 3.1.26, 5.3.26, 7.19.26, 9.20.26, 10.25.26

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, November 23

8:00 am - † Ina Mae Rubi

10:30 am - Parishioners of St. Joseph

12:15 pm - † Tom Chmura, Victoria &
Vladyslav Dojnowicz

Tuesday, November 25

7:30 am - † Ian Roof

† Gene Raymond

Wednesday, November 26

7:30 am - † Baby Daniel Joseph Cross

Thursday, November 27 - Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am - † Alice Heft

† Jeffrey B. Noah

Friday, November 28

7:30 am - † Edward Mercer

Saturday, November 29

5:30 pm - † Ernest, Nancy & Heather Berard

Sunday, November 30 - First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am - † Mary Jean Vickers

10:30 am - † Jiggs Tompkins

12:15 pm - Parishioners of St. Joseph

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

• Libba Anderson, Lucille Andrews, Patricia Atkins, Terry Baggott,
• Chuck Barnett, Lois Barnett, Tom Barry, Germaine Blake,
• Margaret Briggs, Mary Brockington, Dorothy Brown, Judy
• Canada, Mary Jo Cavanaugh, Joanne Childs, Brantley Daniel,
• Dianne Dawson, Lindsey DeBorde, Joseph DeMichael, Rick
• Dilleshaw, Katie Dukes, Leonard Fabrizio, Nancy Faller, Susan
• Faust, Richard Fennessy, Jameson Finney, Cindy Flach, Sylvia
• Flynn, Tripp Furman, Father Timothy Gahan, George Gallo, Olga
• Gallo, Kevin Gantt, Betty Gatipon, Laddie Gatling, Iris Gauthier,
• Richard Georgeson, Karen Gray, Cindy Guidry, Steve Guidry,
• Candace Hester, Jessika Johnson, Nadine Jordan, David Josten,
• James Josten, Barney Kelly, Angie Kempson, John Kinard,
• William Kinney, Charlene Landry, Sheryl Leonard, Lynn
• Mancino, Natalie Marsha, Jared McLendon, Terry McWaters,
• 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 Peeples, Maria Perez, Thelma Perkins, Lori Ann
• Pisano, Joel Randall, David Richardson, Donna Rock, Marcella
• Rodgers, Brianne Rodriguez, John Rotureau, John Rushman,
• Anna Sakara, Bill Sanders, Kelly Schneider, Bernadette Scott,
• Jamie Scott, Bonnie Siegers, Jaime Simpson, Jr., Andrea Smith,
• Edna Soto, David Steele, Karen Steele, Betty Stork, Bettie Sturkie,
• Edith Teyssier, Daniel Vallini, Anthony Warren, Allan
• Winemiller, Neil Winter, Phyllis Yates



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thursday, November 27, at 9:00 AM, with a blessing of food. A donation for St. Vincent de Paul and non-perishable food items are welcome.

No 7:30 AM Mass. The Parish Office will close on Wednesday, November 26, at 12:30 PM and reopen Monday, December 1.

† OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Joseph and Nancy Fixl on the passing of Joseph's mother, Frieda C. Fixl (October 22, 2025), and to Teresa and Buddy Sowers on the loss of Sandra Sowers Platt, Teresa's sister-in-law and Buddy's sister. May God grant their families comfort, peace, and the hope of eternal rest for their loved ones.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend, the flowers on the main altar are given in memory of John Brockington, by his family.

TABERNACLE VIGIL CANDLE

(11/15 - 11/28)

In loving memory of Phillip Wilson and in celebration of Beth Wilson on their 50th wedding anniversary.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Parish Giving (11/15 - 11/16): \$32,344.58

Weekly Goal: \$35,036.60

Second Collection (Catholic Campaign for Human Development): \$3,046.05

This Weekend - Second Collection (11/22 - 11/23) - International Ministries & Mission

Legacy Phase of the 75th Anniversary Organ Project
Goal: \$2,250,000

Received and Pledged: \$2,000,267

You can access online giving on our website or scan the QR code.



YOUR GENEROSITY CHANGES LIVES

The second collection
NOVEMBER 22-23
will directly support
the people of San
Pedro, Guatemala.



Scan to watch
the video!



missions-doc.org

For over 20 years, the Diocese of Charleston, in partnership with the Sisters of Bethany, has supported the community of San Pedro, Guatemala, with faith, dignity, and compassion.

Through Catholic Charities of South Carolina, medical teams travel twice a year to provide care, while a full-time doctor and nurse serve the clinic daily. Your generosity keeps the school open and ensures ongoing medical support for the community.

This year's International Ministries collection will also extend outreach to other nations - including Jamaica, Haiti, and Mexico - in response to the bishop's call to expand our mission and help more people in need. In the wake of recent storms and natural disasters, your support is especially vital.

Please give generously to next weekend's second collection to share Christ's love with those most in need.

The Perfect
Christmas gift
celebrating
St. Joseph



Celebrate the spirit of Christmas with this beautifully crafted ornament honoring our patron saint, Saint Joseph, and the new sanctuary dome.

A meaningful keepsake for family and friends, it's sure to be treasured for years to come.

PRE-ORDER
NOW!
\$25



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ROBB MCBURNEY AT 803.348.7016
MCBURNEYFAMILY4@GMAIL.COM



JOIN US FOR A JOYFUL SERVICE OF

Lessons & Carols

AN ECUMENICAL CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON

Featuring adult and
children's choirs
from Columbia and Sumter

This Service will include Congregational Hymn Singing!

December 21st at 4:00 PM
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
3600 DEVINE STREET

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ADVENT FOOD DRIVE



**BAGS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AFTER MASSES
THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 22-23,
AND COLLECTED DEC. 6-7.**

Thank you to all who have already donated to the food pantry! Your generosity is making a real difference for families in need! Because of your support, we've been able to help **over 125 families a week** - a significant increase from the 80+ families we typically serve. With more families turning to our pantry this holiday season, donations are still needed.



FEED A FAMILY, CHANGE A LIFE



Please bring items to the Narthex after Mass
or the Ministries Building
(Mon - Fri, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM).

Needed items: peanut butter, canned meats,
fruits, and vegetables, dry cereal, pasta sauce,
and pasta (no glass containers, please).

GROW



CONGRATULATIONS BEVERLY!

Please join the St. Joseph Women's Society in congratulating their 2025/2026 Catholic Woman of the Year, *Beverly Black Belser*.

INTRO TO CATHOLICISM

Join our Introduction to Catholicism course Sundays from 9:15–10:15 AM in the MAB. Nursery available!

Questions? Contact Adam Fisher at adam@stjosephcolumbia.org or 864.747.5392.

11.23.25 Living the Liturgical Year

12.7.25 Lives of the Saints in Church History

12.14.25 Intro to Sacraments - Baptism and Confirmation

For the complete list of topics scheduled for discussion, go to: www.stjosephcolumbia.org/becoming-catholic-ocia

Hearts and Hands of St. Joseph

Name: Jerry White

Role at St. Joseph's: Deacon; youth ministry

How long have you been part of the parish/staff? 6 months



Tell us a little about your background (family, education, previous work): I am married to my lovely wife, Rhea, and we'll celebrate 30 years in January. We have three daughters. Our oldest is Corie, who calls Colorado home, and our middle daughter, Victoria, who is married, lives in Alabama with our two grandsons. Our youngest daughter, Taylor, is our adventurer. She lives in California, but is currently in South Korea.

What's one part of your role that brings you joy?

Just one? There are a few, but the first thing that comes to mind is watching the faith of our youth grow and seeing the fire that they have to live for Jesus.

What advice would you give to someone just joining our parish?

Do not be shy. St. Joseph is a welcoming parish, and I would encourage them to get involved in one of our many ministries.

If you could have dinner with any saint, who would it be and what would you ask them?

This is a tough one, as there are several that I would love to sit down with. However, I would start with St. Athanasius first, because his feast day and my birthday are on the same day. Second, I would ask what it was like during the Council of Nicaea, and did St. Nicolas really punch Arius in the nose?

What's something people might not know about your job?

Well, as a "baby deacon", a nickname I picked up during the youth conference in Steubenville, I'm still "learning" the ropes, so to speak. Many parishioners may see me on the altar during Mass, but the majority of what I do is in the background and primarily with our youth group.

Favorite hymn: There are a few, but I'm partial to *Hymn to Joy*.

Favorite church season (Advent, Lent, etc.): The kid in me still loves the Christmas season. Of course, my anticipation has changed over the years from gifts under the tree to the gift of the Incarnate God found in the manger. I'd also love to see snow at Christmas this year.

THE LEXINGTON COMMUNITY BAND PRESENTS

Journey of Dreams

Monday, December 1, 2025 7:30 pm
Lexington High School Performing Arts Center

Mr. Rossano Galante, Guest Conductor
Mr. John J. Immerso, Director and Conductor
Ms. Tammy Lorick, Accompanist
Dr. Kirk Randazzo, Host
Ms. Cyreeta Crowell, Vocal Soloist
Mr. Anthony Zou, Flute Soloist, River Bluff High School

SCHOOL NEWS

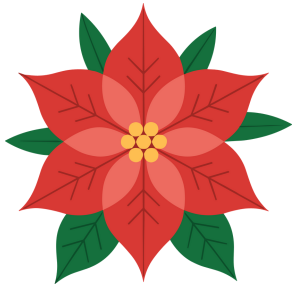


Saint Joseph Catholic School
office and facilities will be closed
to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday
with friends and family
Monday, November 24th through Friday,
November 28th. We look forward to
seeing you when we joyfully reopen on
Monday, December 1st!
We wish you all a very
Happy Thanksgiving!



Calling all Alumni!

Saint Joe's alumni of all ages!
We want to hear from you!
Complete this survey so we can fill
you in on current events and invite
you to exciting alumni events!



CN CADENCE CREW POINSETTIA SALE

The Cardinal Newman Cadence Crew is again selling 8" poinsettias for delivery to Cardinal Newman School on Friday, December 5, 2025. If you purchased these last year, you know how magnificent these plants are! They make great Christmas presents! Poinsettias are \$20/each and sales benefit the Cardinal Newman Music Department. Sale ends 11/23. You can purchase one online now using the QR code below.



Save the Date
Saint Joseph Catholic School's Annual

Divine Auction

Saturday, January 31st

6:30 PM

City Market | 705 Gervais Street

Would you like to donate or get involved?

St Joe's Auction Wish List

Weekend stays at vacation homes
Art pieces or custom artwork
Restaurant & Boutique gift cards
Family Experiences
(birthday parties, concert & sports tickets)
Photography Sessions
Spa, Salon, or Cleaning Services
Golf, Fitness, or Sports Packages
Kids' Lessons (art, music, sport)
Gift Baskets (coffee, spa, wine)
We appreciate your support!

To make a contribution, scan the
QR code below



or contact
Martha Walker
marthawalker2484@gmail.com
Michelle Tillman
mtillman1012@gmail.com

2025 St. Joseph Giving Tree

Gift Cards & Shoe Drive - Starting November 22nd

AS EASY AS 1,2,3



1

CHOOSE A SNEAKER TAG AND/OR DONATION ENVELOPE FROM THE TREE LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX

2

FILL THE ENVELOPE WITH A MONETARY DONATION AND DROP IT IN THE OFFERTORY BASKET - DON'T FORGET TO ADD YOUR NAME!

3

DROP YOUR UNWRAPPED NEW SNEAKERS AT THE CHURCH OFFICE

OR USE THIS
QR CODE
TO DONATE!



WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE REST!