

St. Joseph Women's Society
Mary & Martha News

February 2017

Columbia,

Spiritual Growth Opportunity

**Giving up Chocolate for Lent
-Lenten Women's Retreat-**

As a gift to the women of the parish, SJWS is holding a morning retreat on Saturday, March 11 from 8:30AM to 12:30AM. The retreat will be led by Elena Ziegler, the Director of Religious Education at St. Anne's in Rock Hill.

The day will begin with Mass in the church at 8:30AM, followed by breakfast in Ursuline Hall of the Ministries building. Retreat sessions will conclude at 12:30PM. Spend a few hours making this very meaningful Lent. Plan to attend; bring a friend.

The members of the RCIA class will be joining us for Mass and breakfast before attending a separate retreat. This is a small way that the Women's Society can show welcome and support for those who will be joining the St. Joseph family at Easter.

As always help is needed from our membership to prepare the breakfast and set up and clean up of the hall. Please let me know if you will attend and if you can help. Gwen Skipper, 803-345-2250

*FAITH is not believing that God
can...it's knowing He will.*

Newly Elected Officers

During the January Annual Meeting Officers of St. Joseph Women's Society were installed. These women will serve for the next two years (2017-2019).

President - Mary Sue Barnum
Vice President - Peggy Britt
Treasurer - Julie Rotureau
Secretary - Gayle Michaelis

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, February 19th in the Ursuline Room of the MAB at 1:30pm.

Calendar

February 19

SJWS Monthly Meeting after the 12:15 Mass Ursuline Hall, Ministries and Admin Building.

March 3

After the Friday evening Mass
SJWS to host parish Lenten Soup Supper

March 11

A Morning Lenten Retreat for women
led by Elena Zeigler
8:30 AM to 12:30

March 19

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March 24-26

SCCCW Convention, Columbia Marriott
(Hampton Street)

The Saint Joseph Women's Society are friends in faith who share the Gospel; serve the parish, community, and world; and mold strong Catholic women leaders.

Parish and Community Works of Mercy

A list of your Works of Mercy is needed for the Scrapbook. We are making a page that lists the various ways that our members support our parish and other outside organizations. For example you may be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Religious Education Teacher, help at the Catholic Charities Clothes Closet, Clean of Heart, The Senior Life Ministry, the Bereavement Group, Legion of Mary, Oliver Gospel Mission, Hospice, St. Vincent DePaul, Providence Hospital.

The list is not limited to the parish work but anything you do in the community may be included. Please send the information to Regina Spell at rspell909@gmail.com or mail to 909 Motley Road Hopkins, SC 29061. Please send it as soon as possible.

Also, any pictures showing you in action are being accepted. You may forward those to me. We could also use pictures of any of the parish retreats or events such as the visit of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Any such items would be great for the scrapbook.

Thank You – You are Special

I've said it before but I want to say it again. Thank you for your support during my presidency. Your thoughtful gift of a book of poems from Catholic poets collected by Joseph Pearce and a donation to (my favorite charity) Catholic Charities is much appreciated. Together we have done much.

Gwen Skipper

2017 Dues Reminder

Membership Dues for our organization (\$20) are collected at the beginning of each calendar year. Please make checks payable to Saint Joseph Women's Society and include a message providing your e-mail address. You can request that information be sent to you by US Mail, rather than e-mail. A form on the last page of this newsletter can be used for registration as a member. You can drop your dues in the Sunday Collection or at the church office in an envelope labeled "Women's Society."

2017 Membership Registration Form
Saint Joseph Catholic Church-Women's Society

Please Print

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email Address : _____

Check if you do not use e-mail and want M& M to be mailed to you.

Dues \$20.00 for year _____

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If you prefer you can mail it to the Church Office

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