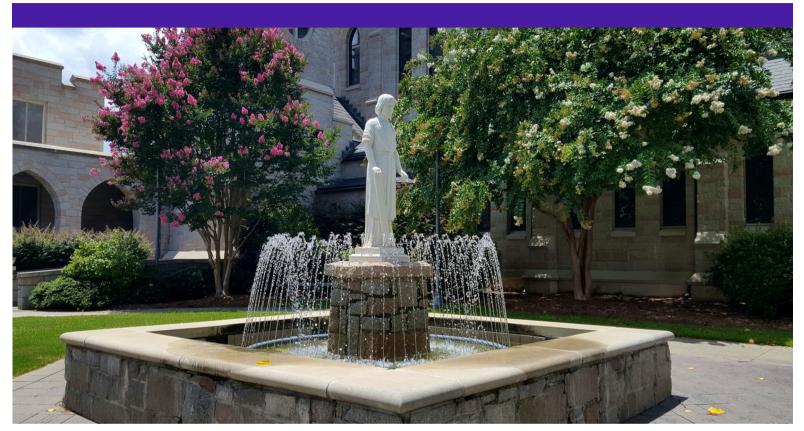


DECEMBER 18, 2022 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## 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 MASKS OPTIONAL

\*For the 10:30 AM and 12:15 PM Masses ONLY seating will be provided in the gymnasium for
those who would like to be spaced apart.
Livestreaming on YouTube.

10:30 AM Mass is also broadcast on 90.9FM.

Holy Days

Please check the bulletin or website for 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

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM and by appointment

#### **CLERGY OF PARISH**

Rev. Msgr. Richard D. Harris, V.G., Pastor msgrharris@stjosephcolumbia.org Rev. William Frei, Parochial Vicar fifrei@stjosephcolumbia.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 of time 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.

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

Submit all announcements by Wednesday 12:30 PM 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. Baptism Seminars are offered quarterly - Upcoming seminar dates: 1.15.23, 4.23.23, 7.16.23, 10.15.23

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 803.254.7646 ext. 417 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.

RCIA (Rite 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 803.254.7646 ext. 417 for more information.

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 PM and by appointment. Church doors open at 3:00 PM. (Please note that we have purchased HEPA air purifiers for both parts of the confessional, in an effort to provide a safer environment for everyone.)

# **WORSHIP**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 18

8:00 AM - Father Frei

10:30 AM - Parishioners of St. Joseph

12:15 PM - † Walter and Irene Watson

Tuesday, December 20

7:30 AM - † Don & Vicki Wagner

Vicki Zelenko

Wednesday, December 21

7:30 AM - † Mrs. Mary Ellen & Joel Wier

Thursday, December 22

7:30 AM - † Theo R. Berends

† Thomas Tucker

Friday, December 23

7:30 AM - † Dan and Sadie Kittrell

Saturday, December 24

4:00 PM - Dan Wagner Family

6:30 PM - † Dr. Francis J. Bayerl

10:00 PM - Parishioners of St. Joseph

Sunday, December 25

9:00 AM - † Charles and Emma Gallagher

11:00 AM - † Merlin and Lois Meyer

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Jesus is truly the light of the world. His light does not dull or fade. He illuminates everything he touches. His light is healing — it restores our souls. We were made to live in His light. REFLECT: Take a few moments to pray with today's Gospel. What is Jesus saying to you? How can you honor Jesus as the light of your life?

## PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for those who are shut-ins, ill, or recuperating at home, especially:

• Alice Abdalla, Al Alvarez, Dorothy Ardoin, Patricia Atkins,

Chuck Barnett, Neville Bennett, Robert Bradshaw, Margaret

Briggs, Mary Brockington, Dorothy Brown, Sybil Buckland,

Maria Carter, Mary Jo Cavanaugh, Joanne Childs, Dianne
 Dawson, Mary DeLay, Joe DeMichael, Carol DeSouza, Katie

Dukes, Susan Faust, Jameson Finney, Sylvia Flynn, Tripp

Furman, Marjorie Fusci, Kevin Gantt, Betty Gatipon, Laddie

• Gatling, Iris Gauthier, George Geckle, Richard Georgeson,

• Christopher Grant, John Hoefer, Jessika Johnson, Bill Jones,

Mary Kahaly, James Kinard, John Kinard, William Kinney,

Agnes Kuhs, Janice Lambka, Charlene Landry, Crosby

• Livingston, Christina McKinney, Leslie Michael, Gayle

• Michaelis, Martha Moise, Hope Mosher, Mary Mulvihill,

Glenda Napier, Brenda Nauful, Ellie O'Shea, Anita Owen-Orf,

• Virginia Ozgar, Mike Padua, Ruth Patterson, Joe Pazdan,

• Stella Peeples, Helen Pellicci, Maria Perez, Donna Peru, Jane

Rando, Carol Richardson, Brianne Rodriguez, John Rushman,

Bonnie Siegers, Andrea Smith, Edna Soto, David Steele, Karen

• Steele, Maria Stewart, Betty Stork, Catherine Grace Stirling,

• Davis Bryan Stirling, Nettie Taylor, Ben Terry, Betty Gray

Ingram Tronco, Mirtha Vallini, Anthony Warren, Neil Winter

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## **OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

is extended to the family of Dr. Eldred Spell (12.8.22), brother-in-law to Regina Spell (Everett). May his soul rest in peace.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers on the Main Altar this weekend are in honor of Claire Darnall and Michael Boynton, who celebrated their marriage on December 17. Congratulations Claire and Michael!

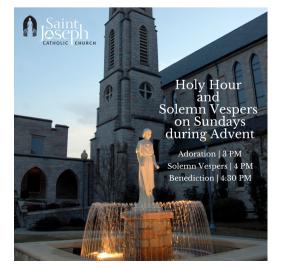
### TABERNACLE VIGIL CANDLE

The Tabernacle Vigil Candle, December 18 - 31, is given by Adrianna Watson, in loving memory of Walter and Irene Watson.

## HAVE HEARING AIDS?



If you have hearing aids, St. Joseph Church is equipped with a special hearing "LOOP". In order to access the Loop, the 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.



## ADVENT- EPIPHANY 2022-23

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
November 27 1st Sunday of Advent	28	29	30	December 1	2 1st Friday Mass: 7:30 AM	3 1st Saturday Mass: 8:30 AM
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3 PM						Confessions before and after 8:30 AM Mass
Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4 PM						Confessions 3 - 5 PM
4 2nd Sunday of Advent	5	6	7	8 Immaculate Conception	9	10
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3 PM Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4 PM	Advent Penance Service at St. John Neumann 6:30 PM	Advent Penance Service at Transfiguration 6:30 PM		Holy Day of Obligation Masses: 7:30 AM 12:15 PM 6 PM  Office Closed	Advent Penance Service at Transfiguration 6:30 PM	Confessions 3 - 5 PM
11 3rd Sunday of Advent	12	13	14	15	16	17
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3 PM Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4 PM	Mass of The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe 6:00 PM	Advent Penance Service at Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Camden) 6:00 PM	School Christmas Program 6:30 - 7:30 PM	Advent Penance Service at St. Martin de Porres 6:30 PM		Confessions 4 - 5 PM
18 4th Sunday of Advent	19	20	21	22	23 Office Closed	24 Vigil of Christmas
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3 PM Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4 PM			Confessions 12 - 1 PM	Office closes at 12:30 PM		Masses: No Confessions 4:00 PM 6:30 PM 10:00 PM
25 Christmas	26 Office Closed	27	28	29	30	31
Masses: 9:00 AM	Office closed				Office closes at 12:30 PM	Confessions 4 - 5 PM
11:00 AM						Normal Weekend Mass Schedule
1 Mary, Mother of God	2 Office Closed	3	4	5	6 1st Friday Mass: 7:30 AM	7 1st Saturday Mass: 8:30 AM
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8 Epiphany						$\Lambda_{\rm I}$ Saint <sub>I</sub>
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# **WITNESS**

## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Budgeted Goal for 2022-2023: \$31,057.69

Weekly Collection: \$30,677.10 Second Collection(December 10/11) Retirement Fund for the Religious: \$3,987.22

UPCOMING Second Collection (December 17/18)
Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa



"He is The Bread sown in the virgin, leavened in the Flesh, molded in His Passion, baked in the furnace of the Sepulchre, placed in the Churches, and set upon the Altars, which daily supplies Heavenly Food to the faithful." St. Peter Chrysologus



#### **FNROLIMENT IS NOW OPEN**

Enrollment is now open for grades 4K-6 for the 2023-2024 school year! Go to our website - www.stjosdevine.com – to apply, take a virtual tour, contact us for more information, or request an inperson tour of the school. You can also call us at 803.254.6736 to schedule a tour and find out more about our wonderful parish school. Be sure to check us out on Instagram - @stjoescola - and Facebook – St. Joseph Catholic School, Columbia, S.C.- to get a taste of what it's like to be a saint at St. Joe's! #ichosestjoes



## Run with the Saints 5K

Mark your calendars for the 8th annual Run with the Saints (RWTS) 5K and 1-mile Fun Run. The races will take place on Saturday, January 28. This event is a Midlands favorite and one of SJCS's largest fundraisers.

To register, go to *strictlyrunning.com* and click on **Run withThe Saints** on their home page.

And remember to include your \$5 coupon code, SAINT5.

All 5K runners will receive a race t-shirt if they register before Friday, January 6. Runners who register after January 6 are not guaranteed a race t-shirt.

See the flyer on the back page of this bulletin for more details.



## CHRISTMAS GIFT BEARERS

We have opportunities for individuals, groups or families to be Gift Bearers at Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve at 6:30 and 10:00 PM

Christmas Day at 9:00 AM

To sign up, go to:

www.stjosephcolumbia.org/gift-bearer-sign-up

## MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

Greeters and Ushers are needed for ALL Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses.
To sign up, go to: www.stjosephcolumbia.org/volunteer-to-assist-with-masses
Thanks!

## THANK YOU! ALTAR SERVERS!

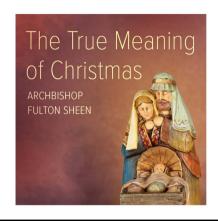
Thanks to all our Altar Servers for their dedication to the ministry of Altar Service.

We constantly receive positive comments from parishioners and visitors about the reverence and professionalism of our servers. Altar Servers are reminded to collect their 2022 Christmas gift in the waiting room outside the Vesting area.



## WHERE SPOUSES DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN FOR THEIR FAMILY

Together in Holiness is a marriage conference series for dioceses that inspires spouses to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic faith. To learn more about the Together in Holiness marriage enrichment initiative, go to: https://forlifeandfamily.org/together-in-holiness/



## FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH.

## The True Meaning of Christmas by Fulton Sheen

This presentation combines recordings of Fulton Sheen's timeless reflections on the meaning of Christmas, mixed with Gregorian chant and seasonal music. It is sure to become a family favorite!





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## EMAIL AND TEXT SCAMS TARGETING PARISHIONERS OF THE DIOCESE AND SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH -BE AWARE!

Once again, we are seeing an increase nationally in email and phone scams. There is an uptick of people impersonating parish priests or staff in an attempt to solicit funds. The creation of false email accounts claiming to be the bishop, diocese, pastor, priest, and staff is occurring in higher numbers. Please note that the Diocese of Charleston, Saint Joseph Church, its clergy, and staff will never solicit funds electronically in this manner. We are also seeing a new scam in which requests are coming to parishioners in the form of text messages from our clergy. Msgr. Harris and Father Frei will never reach out this way to ask for donations.

What to look for in determining a scam? These text and email scams are solicitations in which the criminals send a casual and brief note like, "Good morning John, I want to send some electronic gift cards to some needy members of the community." "Can you help?" "Been trying to reach out..." If it is a text, the number will not be local. If it is an email, the signature line uses a familiar name of the pastor, like "Fr Joe." The email recipient then replies to an email address that is not the pastor's, but an imposter's. A close examination of the sender's email address will reveal that the address is phony. But, it could be easily overlooked because the imposter will take a legitimate email address (like FrJoe@gmail.com and use FrJoe@msn.com - email address looks very similar ... yet, different). We ask that parishioners be extremely cautious when responding to these types of texts or emails.

In general, when responding to emails or texts that request money or something of a confidential matter, consider responding to the request in person or by telephone to confirm the email is legitimate. Texting and email should only be used as secondary methods of validation. Be sure not to click any part of these emails or text messages as clicking opens malicious software. Also, never share your password, or open an infected email attachment. Attackers work hard to make these messages convincing and tap your emotional triggers, such as urgency or curiosity. They can make the communications look like they came from someone you know, such as a friend or even a trusted company you frequently use. They could even add logos of your bank or forge the email address so the message appears more legitimate. Attackers send these messages to millions of people. They do not know who will take the bait, all they know is the more they send, the more people will fall victim. For a phishing attack to work, the bad guys need to trick you into doing something. Fortunately, there are clues that a message is an attack. Here are the most common ones: A tremendous sense of urgency that demands "immediate action" before something bad happens, like threatening to close an account or send you to jail. The attacker wants to rush you into making a mistake. Pressuring you to bypass or ignore your policies or procedures at work. A strong sense of curiosity or something that is too good to be true. (No, you did not win the lottery.)

Our church communicates through our weekly electronic updates and via mail.

If you have any questions please contact Adrienne Carroll, our Business Manager at adrienne@stjosephcolumbia.org or 803.254.7646 ext. 439.



### TECH TALK WITH TEENS

Would you need/like assistance in learning how to use specific devices (cell phone, smartphone, iPad, laptop, eReader, tablet, etc.) or digital applications (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, email, or other specific apps) on your smartphone?

On Sunday, January 29 from 1:30 - 3:30 PM, we will be offering a "Tech Talk with Teens" session in the Ministries and Administration Building. RSVP to Jamie Vickrey at: jamie@stjosephcolumbia.org or 803.254.7646 ext. 421.

## SAVE THE DATE ANNUAL SENIOR LIFE MINISTRY LUNCHEON

Mark your calendars for the **Annual Senior Life Luncheon** Friday, February 10, 2023 Mass at 11:30 AM in the Church Followed by lunch in Donor Hall With special entertainment by members of the Cardinal Newman Performing Arts Program. Reservation details coming soon!

#### Other Senior Life Activities:

- Bridge on Mondays 12-3 PM -Join us in January! If interested, contact Teri Kuhs at 803.360.1447
- Mahjong on Fridays 9 AM 12 PM
- Tech Talk with Teens Sunday, January 29, 2023, from 1:30 - 3:30 PM



Introduction to Catholicism course Sundays from 9:15-10:15 AM Ministries & Administration Building (Gilmore Senior Life Center)

This course functions primarily to instruct those seeking to join in full communion with the Catholic Church but is open to any parishioners who would like an opportunity to expand their own knowledge of the faith! For more information, please contact Adam Fisher at adam@stjosephcolumbia.org or 864.747.5392.

## **UPCOMING TOPICS**

12/18/2022: Why do Catholics do that? (General OSA session)

1/8/2023: The Eucharist - Source and Summit of

Our Faith

1/15/2023 - The Mass pt 1 1/22/2023- The Mass pt 2

1/29/2023 - Social Justice and the Respect for Life

2/5/2023 - The Sacrament of Matrimony

2/12/2023 - A Love that Lasts



## SAVE THE DATE PROUDLY PRO-LIFE **EVENTS**

SOUTH CAROLINA PROUDLY PRO-LIFE WEEKEND is Friday, Jan 6 - Saturday, Jan 7. STJCYM has been invited to the SC Citizens for Life Dinner on Friday night from 5:30 - 8:30 PM; and will join the Knights of Columbus and many youth groups in the march and rally on Saturday morning from 11 AM -12:30 PM. Plus, something new for this year - SC Student Life Summit! We have been invited to this student led seminar on Saturday at 12:30 PM at the USC Russell House following the rally. Only \$10.00 to attend, includes lunch -

To register, go to: scstudentlifesummit.com

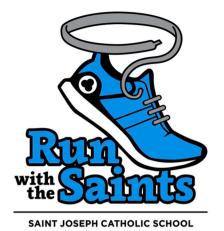


CATECHISM IN A YEAR!

In response to countless requests, Ascension is launching The Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) on January 1, 2023!

With this podcast, Catholics will:

- Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days
- Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- See how Church teaching is rooted in Sacred Scripture
- Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition
- Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness
- Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded. To register, go to: ascensionpress.com/pages/ciy-registration-parish



# **January 28th, 2023**

## 8th Annual 5K & 1 mile "Fun Run"

Ranked one of the top 20 races in SC!

3700 Devine St. | Columbia, SC | 29205

### Packet Pick-Up for Pre-Registered Racers:

- FRIDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>th</sup> (11am-6pm) at Strictly Running (2515 Devine Street), or
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>th</sup> (7am) on race day at the school.

#### 5K & Fun Run Course Descriptions:

The 5K start line is behind St. Joseph Catholic Church/School (on the corner of Bonham & Blossom streets). The race loops through the historic Shandon neighborhood and finishes behind the school on Blossom Street. The one-mile Fun Run is an out and back course that begins/ends on Bonham Street.

#### Saintly Info:

- The 5K is a certified course.
- The race is part of the Columbia Running Club Tour de Columbia.
- For the safety of all, please no dogs.
- A portion of the race proceeds will go to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.
- Rain or shine, the race will go on!
- USATF Certificate # SC14012DW

#### **Race Start Times:**

- 5K starts at 8:00 AM
- One Mile Kid's Fun Run starts at 8:45

For more information, please contact: Katie Livingston at <a href="mailto:katieryan912@hotmail.com">katieryan912@hotmail.com</a> or call Saint Joseph Catholic School at (803) 254-6736.

#### 5K Pre-Registration:

- \$30 fee per person for 5K (regardless of age).
- One free "Fun Run" registration is included with every paid 5K entry.
- All 5K runners will receive a race t-shirt if they register BEFORE January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Runners who register after January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 are not guaranteed a race t-shirt.

#### 5K Day-Of-Race Registration:

- \$35 fee per person for 5K (regardless of age).
- Race t-shirts are not guaranteed.

## One Mile Fun Run: (for children ages 10 and under)

- \$10 fee per person for the Fun Run.
- PLEASE NOTE that one free Fun Run registration is included with each paid 5K entry.
- All who finish the Fun Run will receive a Finisher's Medallion.
- Fun Run participants are not provided a t-shirt, however you can purchase a race shirt for an additional \$20.

#### 5K Awards:

CASH AWARDS will be given to the:

- Top three male and female overall finishers
- Top male and female Masters (40 49 years old)
   and Grand Masters (50+ years old)

Hand-crafted, student-made, awards will be given to the top three male and female finishers in each age group:

- 6 years old and younger
- 7 8 years old
- 9 10 years old
- 11 12 years old
- 13 14 years old
- Every five years ages 15 through 70 and older

Saint Joseph Family Special! \$5 off registration. Simply enter code: SAINT5

All registrations must be completed on-line by visiting: www.strictlyrunning.com