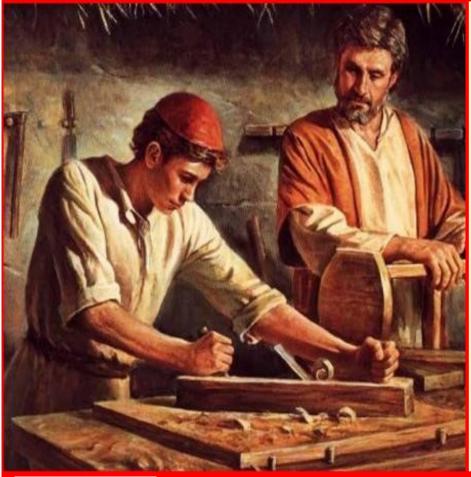
# THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL



## **MOSJI MISSION STATEMENT:**

CATHOLIC MEN (18-108), BANDING TOGETHER AS "LIKE-MINDED"

BROTHERS, LEARNING HOW TO PRAY WHILE EQUIPPING THEMSELVES

TO BECOME "PRAYER" WARRIORS. THE MOSJI'S MISSION IS TO

PROTECT, PROVIDE AND SERVE FAMILY, CHURCH, COMMUNITY AND SELF!

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES, THE FORTITUDE TO BE A "SPIRITUAL" WARRIOR? DO YOU HAVE THE RIGHT STUFF, THE "ARMOR" TO DEFEAT "SPRITUAL"

WARFARE (DAILY), FOR FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND SELF?"

JOIN US, AS WE GROW TOGETHER IN FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN.

NOTE: THE MOSJI MODEL THEIR LIVES AFTER THE SANCTITY, STRENGTH, OBEDIENCE
AND FAITH OF ST. JOSEPH (JESUS' EARTHLY FATHER)

Click Here to pay Annual Due (\$20)

Click Here to sign up for Monthly Mass & Dinner Meeting (\$5)

GOAL: THE SALVATION OF SOULS! HEAVEN! WWW.MOSJI.ORG



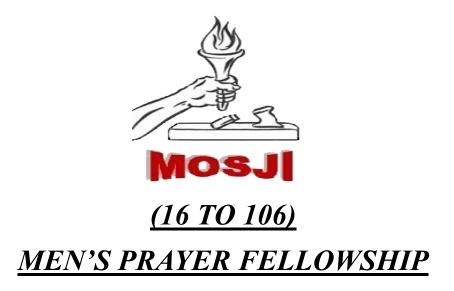
**DAY:** THURSDAYS

TIME: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

PLACE: CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, MARTYR — Room 3

BRING A CATHOLIC BIBLE, CATECHISM, A FRIEND, AND AN "OPEN-HEART"

# THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### WHO ARE <u>THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL</u>?

We, the Men of St. Joseph International, are a group of lay Catholic Christian men dedicated to becoming the spiritual leaders of our families, church and community by strengthening our faith and being "real world" examples of Jesus. Our group bolsters discussion of faith and prayer life specifically for men, giving men new ways to reflect upon their lives and be better servants to God and their family. The result is nothing less than a revived culture, the same culture that Pope John Paul II called the *Culture of Life*.

#### WHAT IS YOUR **MISSION**?

Our mission is the salvation of souls – to get as many souls to Heaven - "To put the family in the hands of the Father." We believe it is time for men to "man up" and take a leadership role in guiding their families, friends, parishes and their communities towards Christ and the fullness of His Catholic Church.

#### **WHEN AND WHERE** DO YOU MEET?

Men of St. Joseph International meet as parish based groups, or chapters. At St. Stephen, Martyr, we have discerned the NEED to meet WEEKLY: <u>begins</u>

<u>Thursday, 5 August 2021 (EVERY THURSDAY)</u>: (AM) 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM or 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in St. Stephen, Martyr Catholic Church - Sanctuary. See calendar for details.

#### WHAT DO YOU DO AT A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL 'PRAYER FELLOWSHIP' MEETINGS?

The 90-minute meetings are simple. The meetings begin with the St. Joseph Prayer, followed by a structured lesson (Signposts 52-week lesson book). We utilize resources such as Sacred Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the "Lives of the Saints," adjunct YouTube videos of clergy/laity apologists defending the faith and personal testimonies to encourage and build one another up in the faith.

We support, encourage and challenge one another to go deeper in holiness by reading sacred scripture, The Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the "Lives of the Saints." We weave a few "key" videos from Catholic clergy leaders, the Pope and lay apologists. Simply put: <u>READ, PRAY AND DISCUSS</u>.

#### ARE YOU A "SMALL-GROUP BIBLE STUDY?"

**No, Men of St. Joseph International is not a "small-group" organization**. It is common to start a group with 5 or 6 men, but depending on parish size, chapters grow to 20, 30, 40, or more men. Growth is encouraged. During the discussion portion of meetings, though, some of the larger groups do break out into smaller groups, to facilitate discussion.

#### DO YOU HAVE TO BE A PARENT TO BE IN THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL?

No, not at all. Men of St. Joseph International are made up of men in all states of life, single, married, widowed, and divorced. We have opened our fellowship to young men as well (16 to 106).

#### **DO YOU HAVE TO BE CATHOLIC** TO ATTEND MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS?

No! Catholics and non-Catholics alike are welcome. The structure and mission itself are fully Catholic in nature, adhering to all the teachings of the Catholic Church.

#### ARE YOU A SERVICE OR FUND RAISING GROUP?

No, the Men of St. Joseph International is not a civic group, nor a service group, nor a fund raising group. We are a spiritually oriented group of Catholic Christian men. It is all about growing in prayer to become "saints."

#### HOW DO I **BECOME A MEMBER** OF THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL?

You become a member of the Men of St. Joseph International by attending the *WEEKLY (THURSDAY (AM or PM)* Men of St. Joseph International meetings at your parish. In the near future, The Men of St. Joseph International will have a commitment ceremony during Mass (post-homily). This will be a "signed" contract to be placed on a wall in our homes. It will reflect a commitment to God, family and parish that we will take our rightful role as prayer warriors as the head of our domestic church.

**HOW DO I FIND OUT <u>IF MY PARISH HAS A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER?</u> Contact Scott David Turbitt – Adult Faith Formation Coordinator and Facilitator of The Men of St. Joseph International at St. Stephen, Martyr Catholic Church – Chesapeake, Virginia. <u>scott@ssmrcc.org</u>** 

#### HOW DO I START A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL PRAYERFELLOWSHIP AT MY PARISH?

Contact: <u>donturbitt@gmail.com</u> (International Chair of The Men of St. Joseph International).

#### HOW IS THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZED?

An approved private <u>Catholic</u> men's <u>association of</u> the lay faithful in accordance with <u>the Code</u> of <u>Canon</u> Law (cc.299 section 3; 300-301).

#### IS THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL A TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION?

Yes; in the United States the Men of St. Joseph International is listed in the Official Catholic Directory, under the Archdiocese of Mobile, and is thus recognized as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

\*Magnificat is a monthly Catholic publication containing daily prayers for morning and evening, the official text of the daily Mass, and daily meditations and devotions. <a href="https://www.magnificat.com">www.magnificat.com</a>

### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**:

Vatican: The Holy See

**United States Conference of Catholic Bishops** 

Study Aids for Sunday's Readings

**New American Bible** 

The New American Bible on-line from the USCCB

**Mass Readings** 

Today's Mass Readings from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

**Liturgy of the Hours** 

The Catholic Church's daily prayer

Litany of St. Joseph (with mp3 audio link)

Terror of Demons, pray for us

**Dynamic Catholic** 

Home for info on one of the world's best Catholic "evangelists".

Catholic TV - view here, online

**Catholic News Agency** 

Up-to-the-minute news affecting the Universal Church

**Catholic Education Resource Center** 

Online resource library for Catholic faith and culture.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

Aleteia - Seekers of the Truth

Aleteia is the first multi-lingual and multimedia online community that offers Questions and Answers about the Catholic faith, life and society.

A link to many prayers and devotions to Saint Joseph

Catholic Online (Deacon Keith Fournier) www.catholic.org

YouTube videos – i.e. Busted Halo, Catholic Answers, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. Mark Goring, Fr. Larry Richards, Fr. Chad Rippenger, Fr. James Altman,

Matthew Kelly, Matt Fradd, The Augustine Institute, Catholic Gentlemen, Symbolon, The Wild Goose Is Loose – Fr. Dave Pivonka, The Choices We Face
Dr. Ralph Martin and Renewal Ministries