

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL



MISSION STATEMENT:

TO "MAN-UP" AND GROW IN HOLINESS

GOAL:

BECOME THE SPIRITUAL LEADER
OUR FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DESERVES
MODELED AFTER THE SANCTITY, OBEDIENCE
AND FAITH OF ST. JOSEPH (*JESUS' EARTHLY FATHER*)

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*** FELLOWSHIP EVERY 2ND SATURDAY ***

7AM TO 8AM - CLASSROOMS: 3 & 4 - AGES: 16 TO 106

BRING YOUR BIBLE AND A FRIEND



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MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHO ARE *THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH INTERNATIONAL*?

We, the Men of St. Joseph International, are a group of lay Catholic Christian men dedicated to becoming the spiritual leaders of our families 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 “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, once per month. At St. Stephen, Martyr, we meet the 2nd Saturday per month from 7am to 8am in classrooms 3-4. See calendar for details.

WHAT DO YOU DO AT A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH MEETING?

The hour-long meetings are simple. The meetings begin with the St. Joseph Prayer, followed by a structured lesson (Signposts 52-week lesson book).

We support, encourage and challenge one another to go deeper in holiness by reading sacred scripture and from The Catechism of the Catholic Church. We weave a few “key” videos from Catholic leaders, the Pope and other lay and clergy. Simply put: read, pray and discuss.

ARE YOU A “SMALL-GROUP BIBLE STUDY?”

No, Men of St. Joseph 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?

No, not at all. Men of St. Joseph 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 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 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?

You become a member of the Men of St. Joseph by attending the 2nd MONTHLY Men of St. Joseph International meeting 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 IF MY PARISH HAS A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH CHAPTER? 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. scott@ssmrcc.org

HOW DO I START A MEN OF ST. JOSEPH GROUP AT MY PARISH?

Contact: donturbitt@gmail.com (International Coordinator of The Men of St. Joseph International).

HOW IS THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH ORGANIZED?

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

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

Yes; in the United States the Men of St. Joseph 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. www.magnificat.com*

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**

- **Aletia - 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, Bishop Barron, Fr. Larry Richards, The Augustine Institute, Catholic Gentlemen, Symbolon, The Wild Goose Is Loose – Fr. Dave Pivonka, The Choices We Face- Dr. Ralph Martin and Renewal Ministries**

- **Laudate (Catholic App.)**

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