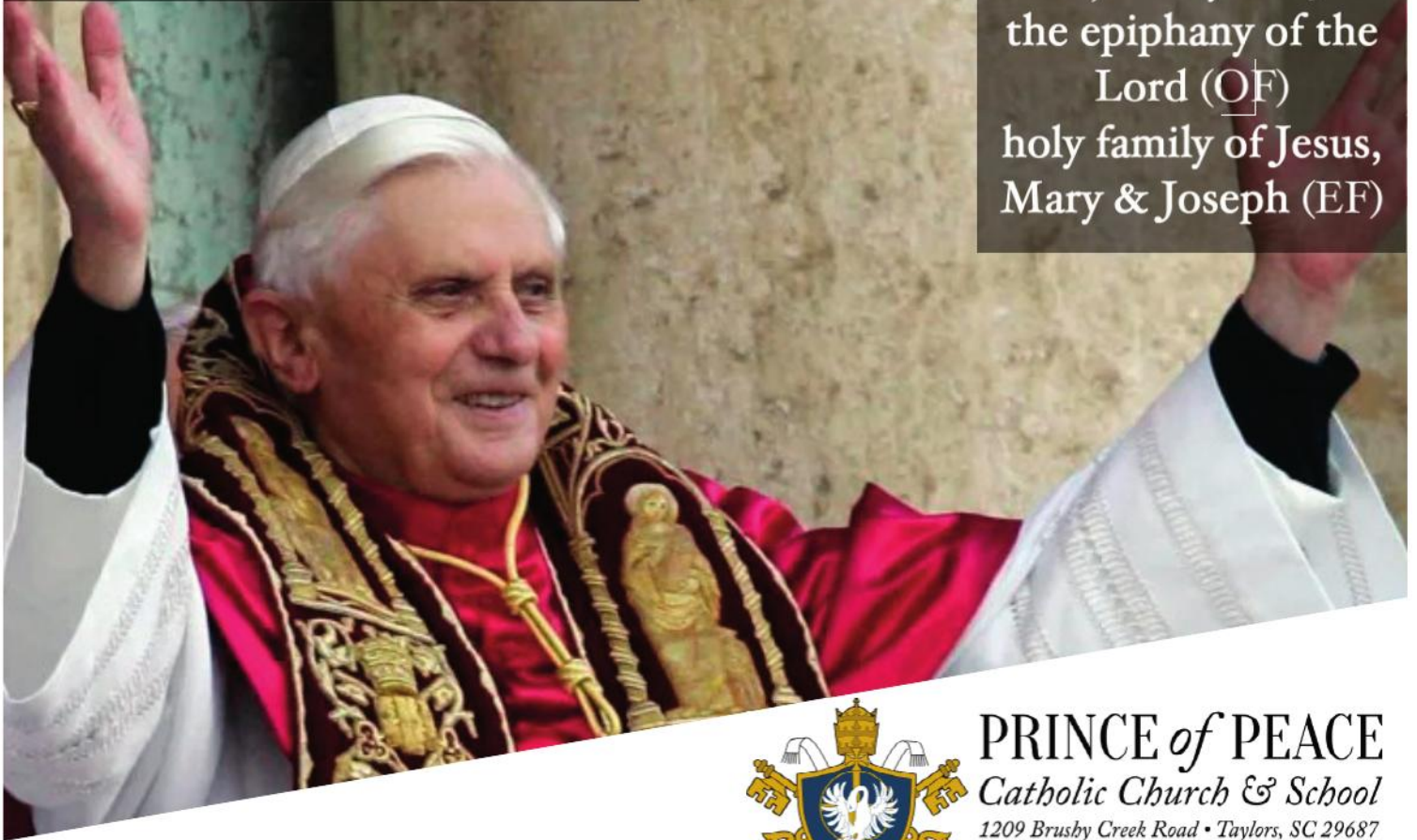


2023 will be the year of benedict xvi at our parish & school

8 january 2023
the epiphany of the
Lord (OF)
holy family of Jesus,
Mary & Joseph (EF)



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Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS
Diocese of Charleston

Pastor

Fr. Christopher Smith, STD

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Richard Tomlinson, STD

Deacons

Nestor Acosta, Michael Cavin,
Robert Smith, Gus Suárez, Mark
Thompson & Michael Thompson

Our Mission

To share the fullness of the Gospel to all we encounter in our lives by equipping disciples to create and strengthen a personal relationship with Christ. By the grace of God, we are called to strive for personal holiness, participate fully in the vibrant life of the Church's Tradition and transform the world.



864.268.4352 After hours medical emergencies requiring a priest only: 866.456.2956



parishoffice@princeofpeacetaylors.org

Office hours:

Monday-Thursday 9a-4p *office closed 1-2p
Friday 9a-12p

Stay connected:

Website: www.princeofpeacetaylors.org

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Homilies: [Google Podcast](#), [Apple Podcast](#) and
[TuneIn](#)

Sacred Music: [Spotify](#) (search Sacred Music at Prince of Peace)

Formed: when you register at formed.org/register, use code GYYF72.

Giving:

We appreciate your support: [Parish Offertory](#) & [Parish School Giving](#)

Library:

Online Catalog & Hours: <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/POPCCS>

Are you new? Welcome!

We are grateful that you have come to our parish and hope that you will soon call this faith community your home! Contact Tracy Rozsa, Chair of the Welcome Committee, at trrozsa@yahoo.com to learn more.





Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Parishioners,

Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre (1905-91) was a French missionary bishop who was almost single-handedly responsible for the conversion of large swaths of West Africa. In the heady days after Vatican II, he started a group of priests called the Society of St Pius X to, as he put it, “continue the work of Tradition.” His missionary zeal and apostolic spirit inspired numerous priests, seminarians, sisters and laypeople to follow him. He was famous for continuing to observe the riches of the Latin liturgical tradition of the Roman Church when it was being quickly abandoned by many all over the world. He was vocally critical of many disturbing trends that were threatening the integrity of the faith. In 1988, he consecrated four bishops without the mandate of the Pope, an act for which he was immediately recognized as excommunicated by the Church. That excommunication was posthumously lifted by Pope Benedict XVI, in an effort to reconcile the numerous followers of this remarkable man who found themselves to varying degrees of impaired communion with the Catholic Church.

When the Archbishop performed this act which was widely considered to be schismatic, many people asked Pope St John Paul II for an accommodation by which they could continue to worship according to the traditional customs of the Roman Rite but within visible communion with the Church. That movement within the Church, as well as its analogous movement outside of visible communion with the Church, has grown.

Despite St John Paul II and Benedict XVI’s attempts at reconciliation and recognizing the value of the traditional liturgy, there are currently forces within the Church who are bound and determined to undo that progress, in the name of the progress ushered in by Vatican II. The liturgical peace that we enjoyed before has reignited liturgy wars, and it seems like our churches and dioceses are becoming once again battlefields. I am profoundly saddened by this state of affairs, and hope for wisdom, mutual understanding and grace to prevail.

In the meantime, though, there are people who are anxious about the future, and wondering what to do next. Some have even posited that, “if we don’t get to keep our Latin Mass, we will just go to the Society of St Pius X.” Yet it is precisely that attitude which has inflamed the passions of those who are convinced that every person who loves the traditional liturgy of the Church is really a crypto-schismatic just playing lip service to the idea of communion with the Church.

Yet as the SSPX separated themselves from visible communion of the Catholic Church in the name of “true religion”, they have had their own constant internal divisions and have produced a dizzying array of spinoffs. It is the same sad story as Orthodox and Protestant Christians who all use their own private judgment to declare themselves as the only true religion and multiply by dividing.

Prince of Peace is a Catholic church. We are in communion with the Pope, with the Bishop of Charleston, and seek to live out the fullness of our Catholic tradition in reasoned obedience to legitimate superiors. You will never find me encouraging anyone to go over to the Society of St Pius X or to the Orthodox because they have given into fearmongering and are willing to break communion with the Church because of their attachment to a particular expression of the faith. I understand on a human level why people who have felt hurt by Church leaders feel that they have no other option than to decamp where they feel like they can worship God and be at peace. But at the same time though we can also obfuscate the clear theological reality that we are called to communion and have to live that communion out in some very difficult times. You don’t jump out of a boat because it takes on water; you stay and you help fix it with your boatmates. And there is only one captain, even of others like to use the title and the uniform that doesn’t properly belong to them. Do not be deceived.

F. Christopher Smith

Our Map—A Smoke, Vape & Tobacco Free Campus



- 1 Church
- 2 Christ the King Adoration Chapel
- 3 PAC (Parish Activity Center) & PAC Classroom
- 4 Guadalupe Hall
- 5 School & School Offices (Lourdes Hall)
- 6 & 7 Parish House, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima
- 8 Blessed McGivney Community Center & Library
- 9 Pope Francis House
- 10 Walsingham Hall
- Parking Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14



= where you see this symbol, it means live broadcast
simultaneously on [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Parish Calendar

Fr Christopher Smith = FCS Fr Richard Tomlinson = FRT Ordinary Form =OF Extraordinary Form =EF

sunday, 8 jan the epiphany of the Lord (OF year A) holy family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (EF)	monday, 9 jan the baptism of the Lord (OF) feria of epiphany (EF)	tuesday, 10 jan weekday (OF) feria of epiphany (EF)
8a Mass Edwards & Preston Families (FRT) 10a Mass Fred Lavelle+ (FCS) 12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS)	7a Mass Bill Sloka+(FRT) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass Mary Ann Mannino-L (FRT)	7a Mass Ellen Sanders Taylor+(FRT) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass H Lee Heap+(FCS) 5.30p Vespers
<i>8.50a religious education</i> <i>1p basketball pac</i> <i>6.30p catholic youth organization</i> <i>svdp in narthex</i>	<i>10.30a svdp pope francis house</i> <i>6p basketball pac</i> <i>6.30p legion of mary lourdes hall</i> <i>6.45p young adults mcgivney hall</i>	<i>6.30p middle school open house</i> <i>6.30p fraternus & fidelis</i> <i>6.30p columbiettes mcgivney cntr</i> <i>7p men's bible study guadalupe hall</i>
wednesday, 11 jan weekday (OF) st hyginus (EF)	thursday, 12 jan weekday (OF) feria of epiphany (EF)	friday, 13 jan st hilary (OF) the commemoration of the bap- tism of our Lord Jesus Christ (EF)
8.30a Mass Fr Pancras Christianand+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Anthony R Smolar+(FRT)	7a Mass Wilfred Taylor+(FCS) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass Anatoliy Popovchak-L (FRT)	7a Mass May Mary Parsons Taylor+(FCS) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass Anatoliy Popovchak-L (FCS) 5.30p Vespers
<i>5p confession</i> <i>7p introduction to catholicism pac</i> <i>7p women's study lourdes hall</i>	<i>6p fhc parent mtg parish house</i> <i>6p basketball pac</i> <i>6.30p baptism class walsingham hall</i> <i>7p kofc mcgivney cntr</i>	<i>6p basketball</i>
saturday, 14 jan weekday (OF) st hilary (EF)	sunday, 15 jan second sunday in ordinary time (OF year A) second sunday after epiphany (EF)	prayer requests
8a EF Mass Lloyd Cleveland+(FRT) 5p Mass Bill Sloka+(FCS)	8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 10a Mass McCullen/Simmons Families (FCS) 12p EF Mass Robert Lewis-L (FCS) 5p Vespers	All those serving our country, Gena Cunningham, Julie Mallory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Wrenn Calcutt, Jim Bannister, Stephen Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Doris Pratt, Sarah Williams, Kenneth Price, Jackie Andrejack, Deacon Bob Smith, Lois Smith, Christy Smith, Shannon Harkins, Gloria Dussich, Rose Schillaci, Kristina Murphy, Laurie Taylor, Carl Jones, Luigina Warga, Marlene C. Eugenia Kolinko, Susan Subrizi, Mary Jean Heap, Stella Boris, Rosemary Craig, Janine Moore, Jean Casey, Thomas Dorsey, Jennifer Gregory, Kathleen & Dan Mottl, Peter McPherson, Lola Hartman, Annmarie Egas, Tammy Lopez, Frank Cespedes, Joanne P, Mary Ann Egan, Julia Chatignyblais, Connie Meiners, Juan & Laura Pachur, James & Elizabeth Nowlan, Betty Baker, Deborah Baker, Drew Butterfield, Andrew Frisari, Madelina Mello, Ed Matthews, Yanini Smith, Catherine Coleman, Diane Schaumberg, Helen DePuydt, Martha Catel, Kayla Whatley, Anna & Casey Chevaller, Jean Crittenden, Irene Ponce, Curtis Hagler, Christine Tallman, Louis Arellano, Therese Rickards, and Jen Pfaffl
<i>8a basketball</i> <i>3.30-4.40p confession</i>	<i>1p basketball</i> <i>6.30p catholic youth organization</i>	
Please contact the Parish Office to request a name be added to the prayer list. We will leave names on the prayer list for two weeks, unless requested otherwise.		



Happenings & Needs

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homebound ministry

If you are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact Deacon Mark Thompson at mark.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org

widows and widowers—"bounce"

Be comforted by those who have experienced the grief of the loss of a spouse on the first Saturday of the month at 10a in the Pope Francis House. Call Jean Casey at 864.423.7010 to learn more.

weekly children's holy hour

Every Thursday between 10-11a, all parents are invited to bring their children to the Adoration Chapel. In this hour, it is understood that there will be some noise in the Chapel. Contact Adrienne Haverland at jahaverland@gmail.com with questions.

help needed: ushers and greeters

Greeters and ushers are greatly needed across all Mass times! Contact Marco De Maria at 864.631.7713 or at mad4jen@msn.com!

mom's group meeting

Join a group of moms who meet the first Friday of each month between 9.30-11.30a in parish house for socializing. Questions? hokiegirl17@yahoo.com.

lay dominicans

Learn about the life and charism of Lay Dominicans and how they share in the apostolic mission of the Dominican Order through the Four Pillars: Prayer, Study, Community and Apostolic Preaching, by emailing Janice Carl, OP at janice.carl@gmail.com.

perpetual eucharistic adoration

"This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary."
(Hymn: *What Child is This*)



Please consider adopting an hour or become a substitute. Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org with questions!

- Adorers must receive the code from Lisa Buss.
- **Hours in need of adorers (urgent*)**: 3p & 11p* Wednesdays; 12p Thursdays; 8a Fridays;

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Thursday, 12 January at 6.30p in the Walsingham Hall Art Room. Contact Deacon Gus to join at 864.420.0497 or gus.suarez@princeofpeacetaylors.org
⇒ *Baptisms cannot be scheduled until the class is completed. Only Deacon Acosta can schedule Baptisms.*

men's bible study

Deacon Michael Thompson leads a Men's Bible Study meeting Tuesdays at 7p studying the Book of Luke! Contact Deacon Thompson at 864.365.8178 to learn more.

Donations for 25 December 2022



sanctuary candle \$20
donated by Elizabeth Juergen
in memory of Dottie Sanda



bread & wine \$20
donated by Elizabeth Juergen
in memory of Dottie Sanda



flowers \$200



music \$300

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wedding coordinator needed

Please contact Maria Rauch if you're interested in serving as a wedding coordinator. Hours would include Fridays at 4p and Saturdays 11a-3p.

abortion healing retreat

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a supportive, confidential, nonjudgmental weekend retreat for women and men who have had an abortion experience and would like to encounter God's love, mercy and forgiveness. The next retreat is in Greenville on 10-12 March 2023. To sign up or learn more, call Kathy at 803.546.6010 or email grace4healing@gmail.com. Now is the time. This is the year. Begin your healing journey today!

latin mass community news

The Latin Mass community hosts a community-wide potluck the first Sunday of each month in Croghan Hall after the 12n EF Mass. Please bring a main dish to share. Set up and clean up help is necessary.

abortion healing

If you or someone you love has experienced an abortion, healing is available. Learn about anonymous support offered virtually or in person by calling Support After Abortion at 844.289.HOPE. Healing is offered to men and women.

guardians of tradition tshirts

Guardians of Tradition shirt pre-sale purchasers will be alerted by email and social media post when items are available in the parish office for pickup! Anticipated date is Monday, 16 January.

christmas is a season

The festive home décor and celebration should continue until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on 9 January, 2023, or even until the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas) on 2 February.

solemn vespers on sundays

On Sundays, beginning 15 January and ending 19 February, we will celebrate Solemn Vespers or Evening Prayer, in the Church at 5p. This 30-35 minute service is a great way to join in the public prayer of the Church at the end of the day. We will need a Thurifer, Crucifer, 2 acolytes and an MC.

fraternus & fidelis ministries

Fraternus & Fidelis are mentoring programs for 6th-12th graders—fraternus is for boys & fidelis is for girls. Mentors form a brotherhood/sisterhood of virtue and invite the teens into it. **Events are Tuesdays at 6.30p.** Learn more:

- families of 6th-12th grade boys should contact Billy at upstatefraternus@gmail.com
 - registration for Fraternus Ranch 2023 is open! Cost is \$635 for 12-16 July at Ocoee Ridge Camp. Camp sells out quickly—do not miss out!
- families of 6th-12th grade ladies should contact Kelly at upstatefidelis@gmail.com

prayer shawl ministry

The prayer shawl ministry meets on the third Friday of the month at 10.30a. They crochet/knit shawls/lap robes which they donate to nursing homes, cancer and dialyses centers. They welcome more volunteers and donations of yarn is always welcome. For information call Paulette at 864.434.0278.

welcome committee

Interested in helping new folks feel at home at our parish? From emails to phone calls to welcoming events, there's a way to pitch in! Contact Tracy Rozsa at trrozsa@yahoo.com to learn more about the Guild of St Benedict Welcome Committee.

welcome new parishioners

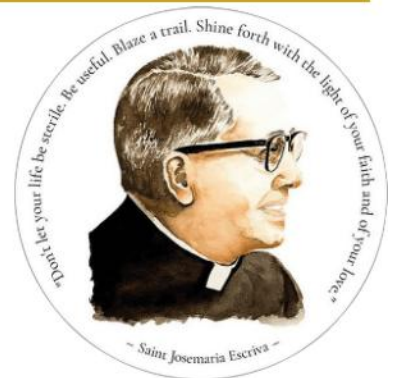
Join us in welcoming the following new parishioners: Alan & Judith Lofurno and Carlos & Zoey Henao and Family.

friends of st josemaria recollections

The purpose of a recollection is to help participants sanctify their ordinary life in and through their work, family, and recreational activities. In the spirit of Opus Dei, the next Recollections are:

Men: Friday, 20 January at 7p, reception following

Women: Saturday, 21 January at 9a





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donations—sanctuary lamp & bread and wine

If you would like to donate bread and wine, a sanctuary lamp, flowers, or sacred music, in honor or memory of someone, please pick up a donation envelope in the Narthex. Envelope can be dropped in the collection basket or returned to the parish.

st vincent de paul needs

St Vincent de Paul has a collection box (wood) in the Narthex. Those they serve are in particular need of the following items (not expired):

- pork & beans
- dish or laundry detergent
- jelly
- white rice

triune mercy kitchen—feed the hungry

Make a **corporal work of mercy by feeding the hungry** of Triune Mercy Kitchen on the first Sunday monthly. Please [sign up here](#). Contact John Olson with questions at jamolson@gmail.com.

middle school open house

On the evening of Tuesday, 10 January, we are pleased to invite current fourth and fifth grade parents, as well as interested parish families, to an informative evening about our Middle School program including:

- Overview of the mission and vision of the Middle School program by Father Smith and Mr. Cunningham
- Parent and alumni testimonials regarding the benefits and payoff of the POPCS Middle School experience
- Academic program overview by Middle School faculty, including core subjects and related arts experiences.
- "Ask a Middle School Student Booth"- Current student leaders will answer parent questions about their experiences in Middle School
- Time to visit each classroom and to get to know the Middle School faculty and staff

The event will begin at 6:30p in the Science Lab and should be finished by 8p. Parents attending should check in at the school office to pick up an information packet. The names of attendees will be put into a drawing to waive the Middle School registration fee for 23-24! RSVP to 864.971.4POP (4767)!

st clare's home—volunteer needs

St. Clare's Home is an upstate maternity home for expectant mothers who choose life and are in need of shelter, safety, and security. They are in need of more volunteers who support the mission! Please email stclaresvolunteer@charlestondiocese.org for the many ways you can get involved.

ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will not meet in January.

st rafka's monthly pasta dinner

St. Rafka's will not host a monthly dinner in January.

parish offertory | november

Giving to the offertory is convenient and easy. Scan the QR code to connect to Tithely to make your gift. Options to give to special projects are available. Keep supporting your parish home when you are on vacation with this convenience!



As of November 30, 2022			
Offertory	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 132,661	\$ 122,308	\$10,353
Year-To-Date	\$ 682,516	\$ 672,692	\$9,824

items needed for POP for Life

The parish school is collecting items for Birthright of Greenville across the month of January. When a baby is born, every Birthright mother is given a "Baby Bundle." As you can imagine, they go through these items fairly quickly and our support is needed! Here are the specific needed items to drop off at the school during their office hours:

- Diapers Sizes Newborn, 1, 3, 4, 5
- Baby wipes
- Baby wash/shampoo
- Sleepers- 0-3, 3-6 month
- Muslin wrap blankets
- Bottles-small and large (new only)
- Towels
- Teethers/rattles/baby toys (new only)
- Girls winter clothes- size 3-6 months
- Boys winter clothes-0-3 and 3-6 months
- Soft infant or board books

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season of giving

This holiday season we **thank everyone** who has supported Prince of Peace Catholic Church this past year with their time, talent and financial contributions, and look forward to support from all of our parishioners in the year ahead. If you need a convenient way to make regular offerings or if you plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. Contact Mark Pulley at 864-331-3907.

new number for our parish school

Our parish school has had issues with certain carriers getting calls through. We've updated our phone number to school to 864.971.4POP (4767)!

subscribe to pop emails

Did you know we send out emails, sometimes with time sensitive information not found elsewhere? Be sure to white list our address so it doesn't get lost in your SPAM.

- [Sign up here](#)
- white list the domain
@princeofpeacetaylors.org

k3 interest survey

Over the last six months we have had an increasing number of interested families touring the school that have asked if we plan to expand and offer a K3 program. If we did,

- the program would operate in a similar manner to our K4 half day program with a **morning experience from 8:15a to 12p.**
- **current pricing models have not been set,** but it would be competitive with area K3 programs and in keeping with our tuition structure for K4.

The goal would be a high quality POP mission driven K3 option that leads to enrollment in our K4 program. Before developing the program further, we want to see how much interest we have in the POP community and beyond. We welcome questions regarding the K3 possibility. If we have enough interest by 1 February, we will host a K3 Open House with more information about the program. Please [click on the link](#) to begin the interest survey!

women's group

The POP Women's Group meets on Wednesday nights in the school. This is a group for women of all ages and life stages to connect with one another and grow in faith. We are currently studying the Endow Groups' Catholic Social Teaching. It's never too late to join as the discussion is new every week. For more info on the study itself, and to order a copy of it, visit endowgroups.org. We'd love to have you come learn with us!

- For more information on our group at POP, visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EndowatPOPTaylors>.
- The group will not meet on 21 or 28 December.

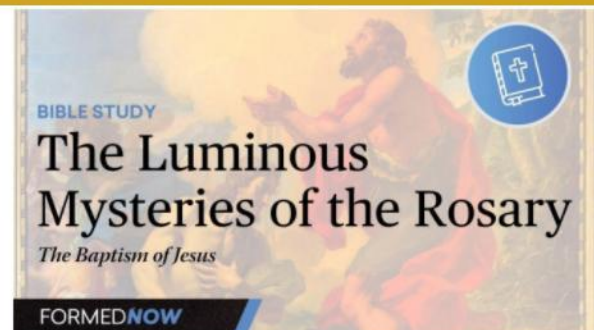
annual pop art party save the date



Follow the yellow brick road to the annual **POP Art Party** celebrating its 20th annual event on 29 April at The Hyatt Regency. As befits an emerald anniversary, we're heading to the Emerald City with Dorothy, Scarecrow, the Cowardly

Lion, Tin Woodman and more! Please contact the parish school to add your name to the invitation list!

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A Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries: The Baptism of Jesus (Part 1)

Why was Jesus baptized by John the Baptist and what does this mean for the Sacrament of Baptism? Sit down with Taylor Kemp and Dr. Michael Barber as they unpack the first Luminous Mystery of the Rosary.

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vacation bible school (vbs)

Prince of Peace VBS 2023 will be 16-21 July 2023. We are currently on the waitlist for Totus Tuus, so please continue to pray that the Diocese of Charlotte will be able to staff three missionary teams. We have ONLY 90 slots in our day elementary program. Sign ups begin on 5 February (and our day program is usually full by the beginning of March so make sure you sign up EARLY).

Please mark your calendars for our VBS potluck on 19 July. All parishioners are welcome to enjoy an evening of fellowship, even if you do not have children participating in the program.

To make the best plans for VBS we are in need of the following:

1. **VOLUNTEERS** to help 16-21 July. We would like to have a majority of our adult volunteers lined up prior to 29 January 2023. As an incentive to adults who volunteer: if you volunteer NOW your child(ren) get the first available spots for VBS and a discounted rate on the VBS fee. We are in greatest need for an adult volunteer to coordinate our VBS kitchen AND volunteers in our 1st-2nd grade.
2. Tentative host families to house either the entire missionary team or just the male or females of the team. Please reach out to Maria Barontini for further information.
3. Tentative dinner host families for the missionary team on Sunday evening, Monday evening, Tuesday evening, and Friday evening. You can host dinner in your home, at a restaurant, or with delivery for the four member team. Another option is getting together with friends and donating a few gift cards together for a restaurant and we will take care of the rest. Please contact Maria Barontini to volunteer.
4. We are also looking for pizza sponsors and team lunch sponsors. Please reach out to Maria Barontini for further information.

automated external defibrillator (AED)

Our campus has 3 automated external defibrillators (AEDs) available for cardiac arrest. They are all maintained regularly by our school nurse.

1. In the church, an AED is located just outside the ladies restroom by the bookcase.
2. In the school, an AED is available outside the healthroom.
3. In the PAC, an AED is available at the water fountain.

If you see someone collapse suddenly and they are not responsive, you need to **CALL-PUSH-SHOCK**. This means that you must immediately call 911, begin Hands-Only CPR, and use an AED to restart their heart.

- **STEP 1 – CALL:** Recognize Cardiac Arrest and Call 911

Scene Safety: perform a quick survey of the scene to make sure that it's safe for you to help. Check for responsiveness: if the victim is not responsive and not breathing normally, they might be in cardiac arrest. If you have a phone immediately available to you, call 911. Otherwise, ask someone else to call 911. In either case, begin CPR as soon as possible.

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), "CPR is the single-most important intervention for a patient in cardiac arrest and should be provided until a defibrillator is applied to minimize interruptions in compressions."

- **STEP 2 – PUSH:** Perform CPR

Start CPR: push hard and fast on the center of the chest while someone is calling 911 and ask another person to get the AED

- **STEP 3 – SHOCK:** The AHA says, "Early defibrillation improves outcome from cardiac arrest." When the AED arrives, follow the steps on the device and with 911 on how to use it.



Contact Us

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Clergy

Fr. Christopher Smith	Pastor	864.268.4352	frsmith@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Fr. Richard Tomlinson	Parochial Vicar	864.268.4352	richard.tomlinson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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Altar Servers	Deacon Michael Cavin		michael.cavin@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Sick, Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers	Deacon Mark Thompson		mark.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org

Parish Staff

Phil Head	Director of Administration	864.331.3908	directorofadministration@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Mark Pulley	Director of Finance/Bookkeeper	864.331.3907	bookkeeper@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Nestor Acosta	Pastoral Associate for Sacramental Life	864.331.3905	nestor.acosta@princeofpeacetaylors.org

**contact Deacon Acosta about baptisms, funerals, marriage, and RCIA*

Maria Rauch	Parish Secretary	864.331.3901	maria.rauch@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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**contact Maria R. about facility reservations and requesting Anointing of the Sick prior to surgery or when gravely ill, Safe Environment*

Maria Barontini	Pastoral Associate for Children's Catechesis	864.331.3919	maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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**contact Maria B. about children's catechesis, first confession, first communion, and confirmation*

Michael Sandifer	Pastoral Associate Adult Faith Formation	864.331.3902	michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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contact Michael S. as ministry liaison

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Bobby Moreau	Director of Maintenance		bobby.moreau@popcatholicschool.org
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Elizabeth Wilson	Associate Director of Music	864.331.3906	elizabeth.wilson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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School (Office: 864.971-4POP) *our childcare registration number is 24774

Steven Cunningham	Principal	864.331.2145	principal@popcatholicschool.org
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Tammy Lopez	Office Manager	864.331.3911	tammy.lopez@popcatholicschool.org
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Ministry & Volunteer Leaders (learn about all of our ministries on our [website](#) under the "about us" menu)

Communications Director	Kylee Jean Heap	864.266.8843	communications@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Creighton Fertility Care/Family Planning	Kristie Killough, RN, BSN, FCP	864.243.7800	text for appointment
Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts	Harry Grilliot/Marty Yigdall	864.423.6541	Pack259.SC@gmail.com
Cursillo	Mark Thompson	864.630.0606	
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	John & Stephanie Lasitter		cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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The Epiphany of the Lord. The Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated either on January 6 or on the Sunday between January 2 and 8. This feast day marks the twelfth day of Christmas and celebrates the young Messiah being revealed as the light of the nations. In the Latin Rite of the Church, Epiphany (comes from the Greek, meaning “revelation from above”) celebrates the revelation that Jesus is the Son of God. It focuses primarily on this revelation to the Magi; but also in the baptism in the Jordan and the wedding at Cana. The Early Church celebrated the advent of Christ by commemorating the Nativity, Visitation of the Magi, Baptism of Christ and the Wedding of Cana all in one feast of the Epiphany. At the Council of Tours in 567, the Church set Christmas day and Epiphany as separate feasts, and named the twelve days between them as the Christmas season. The traditions surrounding the Feast of the Epiphany point to the Magi, the first gentiles to meet Christ. The Bible does not list the names or the number of the wise men, but we do know they were intelligent, wealthy, and brave. The gifts they brought to the Christ-child (gold, frankincense and myrrh) were gifts that point not only to Christ’s divinity and his revelation to the Magi as the King of Kings, but also to his crucifixion. Giving herbs traditionally used for burial was a foreshadowing of what is to come.

There are many Epiphany traditions around the world. In Italy, *La Befana* brings sweets and presents to children not on Christmas, but on Epiphany. Children in many parts of Latin America, the Philippines, Portugal, and Spain also receive their presents on “Three Kings Day” (children leave shoes out on the eve of Epiphany to receive treats and money from the [Kings](#), similar to St. Nick’s Day). In Ireland, Catholics celebrate “Women’s Christmas” – women rest from housework and cleaning and celebrate with a special meal. In Germany, groups of young people called *Sternsinger* (Star Singers) travel door to door dressed as the three Wise-man, with the leader carrying a star. Germans eat a golden pastry ring filled with orange and spice representing gold, frankincense and myrrh. They decorate Christmas trees with cookies and sweets that are to be enjoyed on Epiphany. In England, the night before Epiphany is known as Twelfth Night. It is a time for plays, practical jokes, [Twelfth Night Cake](#), and [wassailing](#). The Yule Log was lit on Christmas day and remained burning until Epiphany. For Christians, the symbolism of the Yule log is that it represented keeping the stable warm for baby Jesus. These days, [log shaped chocolate cakes](#) are often eaten in place of the Yule logs.

Ideas for celebrating in your home:

- It is traditional to celebrate Epiphany with a Kings Cake: a sweet cake that contains an object like a plastic figure, bean or nut. If you get the bean, you are King or Queen for the day! [Recipe here](#).
- Nativity scene: the infant Jesus could be given a small gold crown or regal robe. The figures of the wise men should have reached the manger by now!
- It is traditional to bless your home on Epiphany using blessed chalk (given out at church). Over the door is inscribed: 20 + C + M + B + 23. The initials CMB stand for the names of the Wisemen or for “*Christus Mansionem Benedicat*” which means “May Christ bless this house”
- Put on a play: celebrate the three kings by asking children to act out the story of the Magi coming to visit the newborn king. Bedsheets and tablecloths make great robes and crowns can be homemade (tip: Burger King is happy to give out crowns to customers!). Children can carry the three gifts to the Christ-child in the manger: [click here for how to make edible “gifts”](#) that are symbolic of the gold, frankincense and myrrh. Be sure to sing “We Three Kings”!
- [Visit the Catholic Icing website here](#) for more Epiphany feast day ideas.





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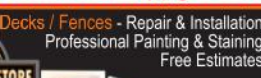


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