



15 january 2023  
second sunday in  
ordinary time (OF)  
second sunday after  
epiphany (EF)



**PRINCE of PEACE**  
*Catholic Church & School*  
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### **A Parish Family of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston**

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.



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#### **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! Learn more by emailing us at [welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org).





# Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Parishioners,

In order to be considered an *active parishioner* of Prince of Peace, you must do the following for at least six months:

1. Register in the parish with the registration form found in the narthex
2. Assist at Mass at Prince of Peace at least 75% of all Sundays and Holy Days.
3. Contribute financially and by being an active part of parish life
4. Use the envelope system to track attendance, even if your financial contribution is by electronic means, if you are ever going to need a letter of good standing. In the future, if an electronic means of check in is provided, that suffices for Mass attendance tracking.

A *letter of good standing* from Prince of Peace indicates that the records of the parish indicate fulfillment of all requirements for *active parishioner status* for at least six months. A letter of good standing is necessary for the following:

1. to have a baby baptized in any Catholic church
2. to serve as a godparent at baptism or sponsor at confirmation in any Catholic church
3. to get married in any Catholic church
4. to receive the active parishioner discount at Prince of Peace Catholic School

Active members are marked *inactive* in the rolls of the parish:

1. if requested
2. if after six months there is no trackable giving or envelope usage.

Sick, homebound, or shut-in parishioners who are unable to fulfill the requirements for *active parishioner status* will **not** be marked inactive if they or their families communicate to the parish that they wish to remain active.

*Inactive parishioners* who may not qualify for a letter of good standing may **always** receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, as well as receive ecclesiastical funerals and burials. They will **not** be allowed to receive the sacraments of Baptism or Matrimony, serve as a godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, or receive the parishioner discount in the school, until six months of active parishioner status has been demonstrated. **Please remember that the letter of good standing is not issued based on any particular priest's recollection of your Mass attendance;** it is based on 75% Mass attendance each Sunday using the envelope system and recorded by the parish. Some people give weekly, biweekly, monthly, quarterly, or even yearly. The letter of good standing is based, not on the frequency or amount of giving (although that should reflect a mature understanding of biblical principles of stewardship), but on Mass attendance.

*Fr. Christopher E. 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





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# Parish Calendar

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

<b>sunday, 15 jan</b> second sunday in ordinary time (OF year A) second sunday after epiphany (EF)	<b>monday, 16 jan</b> weekday (OF) st marcellius I (EF)	<b>tuesday, 17 jan</b> st anthony (OF & EF)
<div>LB</div> 8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) <div>LB</div> 10a Mass McCullen/Simmons Families (FCS) <div>LB</div> 12p EF Mass Robert Lewis-L (FCS) 6p Vespers	9a Mass Loretta Carr-L (FRT)	7a Mass Andrea Sexton-L (FRT) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass John Warga+(FCS) 5.30p Vespers
1p basketball pac 6.30p catholic youth organization	10.30a svdp pope francis house 6p basketball pac 6.30p legion of mary lourdes hall 6.45p young adults mcgivney hall	6.30p fraternus & fidelis 6.30p 4th deg kofc mcgivney cntr 7p men's bible study guadalupe hall
<b>wednesday, 18 jan</b> weekday (OF) st prisca (EF)	<b>thursday, 19 jan</b> weekday (OF) sts marius, martha, audifax and canute (EF)	<b>friday, 20 jan</b> sts fabian & sebastian (OF & EF)
8.30a Mass Mary Jane Smolar+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Lloyd Cleveland+(FRT)	7a Mass Chadley Sexton-L (FCS) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass Nick & Allison Cahanin-L (FRT)	7a Mass Eva DeMaria-L (FCS) 7.40a Lauds 12p EF Mass Fr Jerome Cosgrove+(FCS) 5.30p Vespers
5p confession 6.30p sac guadalupe hall 7p introduction to catholicism pac 7p women's study lourdes hall	6p basketball pac	10.30a prayer shawl parish house 6p basketball 7p men's recollection church
<b>saturday, 21 jan</b> st agnes (OF & EF)	<b>sunday, 22 jan</b> third sunday in ordinary time (OF year A) third sunday after epiphany (EF)	<b>prayer requests</b> 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 Chevalier, Jean Crittenden, Irene Ponce, Curtis Hagler, Christine Tallman, Louis Arellano, Therese Rickards, Jen Pfaffl, Valerie Pachur, Yoli & Lalo Pachur
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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.		



# Pope Benedict XVI Requiem Homily

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

I was 15 years old, a recent convert to Catholicism, when I saw a book someone had left behind in the narthex of St Mary's in downtown Greenville. *The Ratzinger Report* was an interview between Italian journalist Vittorio Messori and Josef Cardinal Ratzinger, the prefect of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith. In that book I discovered what it meant to have an intellectual approach to the mystery of faith, and by the end of it, I knew that I wanted to be a theologian, I wanted to be "just like that guy." Little did I

know as I discovered a path for my future in that one book that this German Shepherd, as he would be called affectionately, and not so affectionately, by millions, would chart the course of my entire life, and my ministry as a priest.

You don't realise how much someone means to you often until they're gone, and you look back at ordinary moments that were actually filled with extraordinary graces that only later are revealed in their fullness. Very often as I crossed St Peter's Square early in the morning to serve Mass in the Basilica of the Prince of the Apostles, Cardinal Ratzinger, clad in his black cassock and fedora, would be going to work. *Buon giorno, Eminenza!* I don't know how many times I said it, but that is all I ever said, because I was too starstruck as a young levite at the time to waste the time of the greatest living intellect of our time. Shortly after I entered the seminary, his seminal work, *The Spirit of the Liturgy*, was published. I carried it into the chapel with me for adoration until one of the seminarians called me to task for carrying such a "dangerous" book into the seminary. He switched the cover for a book cover of the encyclicals of Paul VI, a small gift for which I would always remain grateful, even when I read that book too, in which there was also wisdom to be gained.

When John Paul II died, and the fevered cries of *Santo subito* seized the Eternal City, I was privileged as a student at the papal seminary to attend Mass after Mass of the *novendiales* of mourning for the Polish Pope, and Mass after Mass of the Holy Spirit for the election of a new pope. Mass after Mass, and cardinal after cardinal filed by in procession to hushed sounds, and every time Josef Ratzinger would pass by, the crowds erupted in applause for him, which I am quite confident made no sense to him. I don't know if that man ever quite understood the depth with which so many of us loved him, and saw in him a compelling image of what it meant to be a Christian disciple, and a priest of Jesus Christ. I do know that every single time he walked by, I couldn't keep myself from yelling over the crowds towards him, *Viva il Papa!*

And then, it happened. I had just finished class at the Gregorian on 19 April 2005 when a classmate suggested we go over to St Peter's to see what was happening. As soon we entered the piazza, there was smoke coming from the Sistine Chapel, but was it white? Was it black? Was it as grey as the sky that day? And there was no bell. We stood transfixed waiting for this stupid bell to roar back and the clapper resound that a new pope had been elected. I thought my heart was going to jump out of my chest because I knew in my heart of hearts who the Pope was.

Some of my seminary brothers had talked for years about how the Church seemed like it was in suspended animation and just needed to be taken off pause. So when we happened to see each other in the cortile of the seminary right outside the refectory, we screamed with joy like lunatics, and yelled, *PLAY!* Over and over again. Until we opened the door to the refectory to the community standing behind their chairs in stony silence. One of the seminarians sarcastically commented to me, "Congratulations," as if my candidate in a presidential election had won. The superiors, many of whom were part of the infamous generation of 1968 that Ratzinger had warned us all about in his writings, made all the right noises as one would expect of a gentleman whose hated rival had bested him. And so it was that I realized that Pope Benedict XVI was going to begin his ministry as Supreme Pontiff walking with Jesus through a very long and arduous Holy Week, with every part of the walk of Christ imaged in that of His Vicar on earth.

I sat there as he took possession of the Chair of Peter transfixed as if I were in a master class with a gentle and kind grandfatherly professor who could make the most complex concepts simple and clear, and I knew that the classroom of the Church had never seen a giant of this magnitude, and I got to be in on it all. I was a transitional deacon at the time, and was present in the Pope's cathedral, St John Lateran, as he became the visible center of unity for Christ's Church. I was seated behind a pillar and saw absolutely nothing the whole time, and by the time I was asked to distribute Communion all the way outside of the Basilica as far away as you could get from him and still be technically at the same address, I was fuming. But then, as I distributed the Bread of Life to the thousands pressing against the barricades far after the *Ite missa est* was sung, I knew that it was my vocation to go back to South Carolina to shepherd the flock there, in communion with a man who was quite literally my hero. I was, and have remained ever since, a priest of the generation of Benedict the Great.

There were many gifts that I have received from that humble coworker in the truth in the Lord's vineyard, but there are two which I cannot fail to mention. *What earlier generations held as sacred, remains sacred and great for us too, and it cannot be all of a sudden entirely forbidden or even considered harmful. It behooves all of us to preserve the riches which have developed in the Church's faith and prayer, and to give them their proper place.* On 7 July 2007, Pope Benedict XVI issued *Summorum Pontificum*. He ended the liturgy wars by freeing the ancient rites of worship from an uncertain bondage. And he did so, not because he was a traditionalist ideologue of the sort that turned the Missal into a weapon, but because it was the right thing to do. His call for mutual enrichment of the ordinary and extraordinary forms of the Roman Rite was a prophetic gesture, but like many a prophet, he has been derided and mocked for it ever since. But there are those who have discerned

the movement of the Spirit in that gesture as one of reconciliation and peace, and a parish like ours at Prince of Peace has found its identity in living that charism of taking out of the storehouse treasures old and new. *O beauty, ever ancient and ever new*, St Augustine spoke of the Lord Jesus Christ. And Benedict, who knew that church doctor so well, and who I am confident, will one day be recognized as doctor of the Church as well, unleashed that beauty of the splendor of sacred truth on the world.

Then, on 4 November 2009, *Anglicanorum coetibus*, the other great prophetic gift of the Bavarian Pope to the Church. For those of us who, through no fault of our own were born outside of the Catholic Church, and were called to full communion with the Church founded by Christ, we knew what it was like to have a real relationship with Christ and faith, but were heirs to theological controversies that had rent Christians apart from each other even as the Church remained one, for 500 years. Ratzinger in *Dominus Jesus* at the beginning of this third millennium had clarified the boundaries of what it meant for Jesus to save and for the Church to be one. But he also recognized the Catholic potentialities of Anglicanism in particular, and the elements in the communities borne forth from the Protestant movement that tended towards a fuller expression of unity among those who call Jesus Lord. He found a place within the Church for all that was true, good and beautiful that had developed during a time of separation, a time that, for those who were bold enough to follow the call of the Vicar of Christ for unity, would be over and done with. Even though I was not able to be a part of the personal ordinariates established for former Anglicans in the Catholic Church, I remain spiritually united to them as one who has also walked that walked and left the land of slavery and bondage for that of milk and honey, to use the phrase of John Henry Newman, who was beatified by Benedict XVI as a precursor to those ordinariates.

But then came 11 February 2013. *With full freedom I declare that I renounce the ministry of Bishop of Rome, Successor of Saint Peter.* The man who had imaged the Last Supper and the Garden of Gethsemane during an eventful papacy was abandoning himself to the providence of the Father as Jesus did on His Cross. And so began Benedict's quiet but fruitful Good Friday, that emptying of himself in abject humility as sure as the Master He loved so much did, an act of heroic self-sacrifice for the good of the Church. Catholics around the world have struggled to understand the meaning of this act ever since, and we probably won't know the full impact of this act until there is new heaven and a new earth. But as Benedict XVI, now Pope Emeritus, was lifted away in a helicopter to Castelgondolfo to begin this monastic existence of contemplation and my own heart sank, I firmly believe that there was another aspect to this vocation.

*At present there is a power (you know what I mean) which holds him in check, so that he may not shew himself before the time appointed to him; meanwhile, the conspiracy of revolt is already at work; only, he who checks it now will be able to check it, until he is removed from the enemy's path. Then it is that the rebel will shew himself; and the Lord Jesus will destroy him with the breath of his mouth, overwhelming him with the brightness of his presence.* The second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians, verses 6 to 8, describes the Great Restrainer who holds back the full fury of the spirit of the anti-Christ. Is this a verse for our time, for a future time, or for the end times? I do not know. But I do know that in the mystery of God's Providence, the life and ministry of Benedict XVI was as a restrainer against all sorts of deceitful untruths about faith and morals that have led people away from the God he loved so much. That restrainer's quiet but strong voice is no longer with us. Will all hell be let loose on the Church, or do we dare to hope that the restoration of all things in Christ will come even when it is darkest before the dawn?

Josef Ratzinger was born and baptized on Holy Saturday in 1927 in the font whose water had been blessed next to the Paschal Candle lit from a new fire, a sign of new hope and new life in the Risen Lord. The man who was to be Pope Benedict ended his Passion, his Good Friday, on the last day of the year, 31 December 2022. It is the end of an age. It is the end of an era. A new chapter in the journey of the pilgrim church towards Sion is opening. Will he one day be celebrated on his *dies natalis* into heaven, sharing the day with Pope St Sylvester, who confirmed the first ecumenical council at Nicea, proclaiming Christ's divinity? Pope Benedict's last words, as reported by Georg Gänswein, his faithful secretary, were, *Jesus, ich liebe dich. Jesus, I love you.* We die as we live, and the little boy who wrote the Christ Child at Christmas 1934, *Dear Baby Jesus, soon you will come down to earth. You will bring joy to children. You will bring joy to me too.* That little boy lived and died in the joy of the Incarnate Word, serving the extension of the Incarnate Word, the Church. We pray tonight that this servant of the Lord, who has touched our lives so profoundly, may rest in peace and rise in glory. We may be tempted to see his Passover to eternity as an image of the Ascension, when the Paschal Candle is snuffed out as Jesus's visible presence passes away from us to invite us to faith in things not seen. But for me, even though the visible light of Josef Ratzinger, lit on that Holy Saturday in 1927 will not be palpable to us again until the Second Coming, it is clear that the flame of resurrection glory given to him has been handed on along with the faith it inspires.

*Now we know the praises of this pillar, which glowing fire ignites for God's honor, a fire into many flames divided, yet never dimmed by sharing of its light. May this flame be found still burning by the Morning Star: the one Morning Star who never sets, Christ your Son, who, coming back from death's domain, has shed his peaceful light on humanity, and lives and reigns for ever and ever. Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy.*





# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:janice.carl@gmail.com).

## perpetual eucharistic adoration

"This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and an-  
gels 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](mailto:adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org) with questions!

- Contact Lisa Buss for the door code.
- **Hours in need of adorers (urgent\*):**
  - 4a\* & 3p **Mondays**; 3p & 11p\* **Wednesdays**; 12p **Thursdays**; 8a **Fridays**; 12p\*, 2p and 9p\* **Saturdays**

## baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Thursday, 9 February at 6.30p in the Walsingham Hall Art Room. Contact Deacon Gus to join at 864.420.0497 or [gus.suarez@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto: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 at 864.365.8178 to learn more.

## Donations for 25 December 2022



sanctuary candle \$20  
donated by Elizabeth Juergen  
in honor of Pat Hodur



bread & wine \$20  
donated by Elizabeth Juergen  
in honor of Pat Hodur



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](mailto: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.

## additional donations for christmas flowers

Christmas flowers were also donated by

- Mary Ann DeCredico, in memory of Anthony DeCredico, Vera & John Protano and Ang & Al DeCredico.
- Valentin & Imelda Tolentino, in memory of Apolonio & Corazon Carandang and Conchita & Valentin Tolentino.
- Anthony & Stacey Carraturo in memory of Charles & Robert Schweinsberg, Linda Traynor and Rosemarie Petriello.

## 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.

## 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 6p. 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](mailto:upstatefraternus@gmail.com)
  - registration for Fraternus Ranch 2023 is open! Cost is \$635 for 12-16 July at Ocoee Ridge Camp.
- families of 6th-12th grade ladies should contact Kelly at [upstatefidelis@gmail.com](mailto: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 events, there's a way to pitch in! Contact Tracy Rozsa at [welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org) to learn more about the Guild of St Benedict Welcome Committee.

## welcome new parishioners

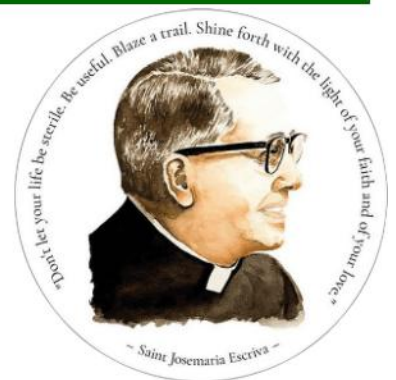
Join us in welcoming the following new parishioners: Kay Franklin; Erik Salvador; Skyler Calvert; Billy Conrad; Noah Braley; Eric & Catherine Cook and Family; and Michael & Erin Burlikowski and Family.

## 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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## 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](mailto:jamolson@gmail.com).

## 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

St. Vincent DePaul Society is seeking a new treasurer. Must have experience with QuickBooks and basic accounting. Training will be provided. Estimated time commitment is roughly 15 hours per month—most if not all can be done remotely. Please email [jahaverland@gmail.com](mailto:jahaverland@gmail.com) for more information or to express interest.

St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for the generous donations received over the holiday season. Thank you to all who donated funds for the annual Angel Tree drive for children and for the Thanksgiving meals we were able to deliver. This year 151 children received new winter coats and/or gift cards for toys because of these donations. Thank you also to all volunteers who helped deliver meals and coordinate these efforts.

A special thank you to Major Joel Freeman of the Alpha Lambda Sigma local chapter of PHI BETA SIGMA, the Porsche Club of Greenville, US Delegate Anatole Upart, and the parents and students of POP Catholic School for the 214 cans and \$175 donated. Because of the ongoing generosity and support of our parishioners at POP, we can continue our mission to help our local community in need. We had a successful (and busy) holiday season because of the wonderful support of our parish community.

## 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@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:stclaresvolunteer@charlestdiocese.org).

## prayer request

In your kindness, please pray for the repose of the souls of Mario Alexander Fazzone & James Nowland.  
*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

## 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!



Donate

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





# Happenings & Needs

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## end of year acknowledgement letters

Parishioner donation acknowledgement letters will be mailed on 6 February 2023. If you have any questions about your 2022 giving, please 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)!

## together in holiness marriage conference

The St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Charleston invite all married and engaged couples to the first annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on Saturday, 11 February from 11a-6p at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Charleston, SC.

Dynamic Presentations | Mass  
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Featuring: Gregory Schutte. Registration: \$64/couple. Scholarships available upon request. On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required. For more information, please visit [togetherinholiness.org](http://togetherinholiness.org) or email [cameron@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:cameron@forlifeandfamily.org).

## k3 program opening

Thanks to your interest, the parish school will offer a K3 program in the 2023-24 academic year.

- the program will operate with a **morning experience from 8:15a to 12p**.
- **current pricing models are set** and available by contacting the parish school or viewing the admissions page on [popcatholicsschool.org](http://popcatholicsschool.org)

Watch for information about our K3 Open House coming soon!

## belonging conference for women

Calling All Women! The Belonging Conference for Women is Saturday, February 25 at St. Joseph's Catholic School in Greenville with the theme, Be Still and Know. The keynote speaker is Rachel Balducci. And, our own Lisa Buss is a workshop leader on Ignatian Prayer! Early bird pricing is \$35/person. Sign up at [www.heartridgeministries.com/belonging.html](http://www.heartridgeministries.com/belonging.html)

## 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](http://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.

## candlemas

**Candlemas**, also known as the Feast of Light, is a day of purification, renewal, and hope. On this day, exactly 40 days after Christmas, we commemorate Mary's obedience to Mosaic law by submitting herself to the Temple for the ritual of purification, as commanded in Leviticus 12:2-8.

There will be blessing of candles at Candlemas on Thursday, 2 February. You may either bring your own candles to be blessed or you can order Candlemas from the parish office for \$5. The size of these candles are 8" and you get 2 in a box. If you place your order in the collection basket, please be sure to write **Candlemas candles** on the envelope and your name.

- Candles to be blessed are to be placed on the table inside the communion rail before Mass. Mass times are 8.30a & 7p EF.

## holiday closing

The Parish Office and the School will be closed on Monday, 16 January. Mass will be offered at 9a only.

## volleyball

The Spring Volleyball season will begin playing on Monday nights starting on 6 March running thru the end of May following the same format as Fall. Contact Johanna Best to learn more: [1998best@gmail.com](mailto:1998best@gmail.com).



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