7 january 2024 the epiphany (english) holy family of jesus, mary and joseph (latin)

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pope St John XXIII presided over the blessing of a new 8500-pipe organ built by Tamburrini of Crema in St Peter's Basilica in Rome in 1962. On that occasion he preached a mighty word on why the pipe organ is particularly suited to worship:

In the midst of the fervor that surrounds us on this eve of the Council, the solemn and joyful liturgical ceremony which we have just concluded – the blessing of the new organ in the Vatican Basilica – was perfectly fitting. It shows how much We have at heart whatever concerns the beauty and splendor of the greatest temple in Christendom; and what pleasure and joy are stirred in Our heart by this expression of beauty and art which enriches it further. The blessing of an organ is a sacred and memorable event that raises the Christian populace to a lovely and mystical exultation. And today, because the Basilica of St. Peter is concerned, it takes on a new and deeper significance. Here, in fact, within the majestic walls of the venerable temple that is the focal-point of the devotion and the admiration of the faithful throughout the world, where the vital life of the Church can be seen and felt and where can be found matchless expressions of human genius – here, We say, it is only natural that music – the most spiritual of the fine arts – make its own contribution toward lifting men up to the throne of the Most High, and toward suggesting to them sentiments of adoration, of exultation, of gratitude.

"Laudate Dominum in sanctis ejus." Praise the Lord in His sanctuary. The Christian populace is led to these thresholds by the sound of the organ. Truly it is the king of sacred musical instruments; and as such it belongs to the temple in a very special way, for it is destined solely for the praises of the Lord. As the sacred rites unfold, it becomes spokesman for the feelings of all, for their noblest and holiest flights. Its melodies make it easier for the mystical movements of the sacred event to pene-trate into the depths of the soul: admiration of virtue or desire for it, resolutions of penance and mortification, a longing for a more intimate union with God, a pledge to struggle against evil, a foretaste of the happiness of heaven. In this way the soul opens wide to the mystical influences of grace.

Oh, how well St. Augustine recalled these effects in his book of Confessions: "What tears were shed, as I felt myself embracing the heart of the sweet melody of the hymns and canticles that re-echo in Thy Church! What psalm-melodies entered my ears, and truth poured itself into my heart and stirred up the flame of affection, and I wept with consolation." Here you have the primary and most obvious significance of this ceremony today; and at this particular time, on the anxious eve of the Ecumenical Council, it takes on added importance. It seems to Us that the Vatican Basilica now is offering, in the more powerful sound of its organ, a quite effective symbol and prelude of that renewal of Christian life expected from the ecumenical sessions and taking its beginning from this temple.

Next week we will continue this amazing homily!

fr. Ennitzint. South

Our Map—A Smoke, Vape & Tobacco Free Campus



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- I Parish House, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima (includes within it Croghan Hall) 2 Guadalupe Hall
- 3 Lourdes Hall & School Office
- 4 Walsingham Hall
- 5 PAC (Parish Activity Center) & PAC Classroom
- 6 St Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Hall
- 7 Blessed McGivney Hall
- 8 Church
- 9 Christ the King Adoration Chapel Parking Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14



Parish Calendar

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sunday, 7 jan the epiphany of the Lord (English) holy family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph (Latin)	monday, 8 jan the baptism of the Lord (English) feria of epiphany (Latin)	tuesday, 9 jan weekday (English) feria of epiphany (Latin)	
8a Mass Kevin O'Shea 10a Mass For the People of the Parish 12p Latin Mass Baby Panasko-L	No Mass	7a Mass Bill Sloka+	
8.50a religious education 1p potluck parish house 1p basketball pac 4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall 6.30p cyo svdp in narthex	5.30a men's workout 10.30a svdp svdp hall 6p basketball pac 6.30p scouts 6.30p legion of mary lourdes hall 6.45p young adults mcgivney hall	<i>6.30p fraternus & fidelis 6.30p columbiettes mcgivney hal 7p men's bible study guadalupe h</i>	
wednesday, 10 jan weekday (English) feria of epiphany (Latin)	thursday, II jan weekday (English) st hyginus (Latin)	friday, 12 jan weekday (English) the commemoration of the baptis of our Lord Jesus Christ (Latin)	
8.30a Mass Jeannie Reed-L 5p Confession	7a Mass Fr Pancrass Christanand+	7a Mass Imelda Kopeck-L+	
6p advanced marian class mcgivney hall 7p introduction to catholicism pac 7p women's study lourdes hall	<i>6p first holy communion parent mtg 6p basketball pac 6.30p baptism class walsingham hall 7p kofc mcgivney ctr</i>	6p basketball pac	
saturday, 13 jan st hilary (English & Latin) No Daily Mass 3.30p Confession 5p Mass Bradley Michael Rouse+	sunday, 14 jan second sunday in ordinary time (English) second sunday after epiphany (Latin) 8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 10a Mass Thomas Donohue+ (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Izard Family-L (FCS) 6p Vespers	prayer requests All those serving our country, Gena Cunningham, Julie Mallory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Wrenn Calcutt, J Bannister, Stephen Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Kevir Stanton, Doris Pratt, Sarah Williams, Kenneth Pri- Jackie Andrejack, Dcn Bob Smith, Lois Smith, Chr Smith, Shannon Harkins, Gloria Dussich, Rose Sch Iaci, Kristina Murphy, Laurie Taylor, Carl Jones, Lu na Warga, Marlene C. Eugenia Kolinko, Susan Sub	
8a basketball pac 9a catechist in-service 10a scouts 6p ccm parish house	<i>1p basketball pac 4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall 6.30p cyo</i>	Mary Jean Heap, Rosemary Craig, Janine Moore, J Casey, Thomas Dorsey, Jennifer Gregory, Kathleen Dan Mottl, Peter McPherson, Annmarie Egas, Fran Cespedes, Mary Ann Egan, Julia Chatignyblais, Cor Meiners, Juan & Laura Pachur, Elizabeth Nowlan, Betty Baker, Deborah Baker, Andrew Frisari, Ed Matthews, Yanini Smith, Martha Catel, Anna & Cas Chevalier, Christine Tallman, Curtis Hagler, Kayla Whatley, Robert Dobbins, Matt Smith, Jenn Pfaffl, Valerie Pachur, Jim Eagan, Kathy Melone, Vanessa Baugh, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Tamm Jones, Caleb Sadowski, Brian Aho, Jim Roberts, Lo renzo Rosa, Jim Rimer, Martina Farge, Nancy Met	

names on the prayer list for two weeks, unless requested otherwise.



homebound ministry

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

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 St Vincent de Paul Hall. Call Jean Casey at 864.423.7010 to learn more.

catholic youth organization

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is for grades 9-12. Young men and women meet on Sundays at 6.30p in Parish House to share a meal, play games, and talk about faith. Questions? Contact Stephanie and John Lasitter at cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

help needed: ushers and greeters

Greeters and ushers are greatly needed across all Mass times! Contact Marco DeMaria at 864.631.7713 or <u>mad4jen@msn.com</u>!

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.

substitute teachers needed

Join our Substitute Teacher list at the parish school! Please email Principal Nathan Barontini to learn more at principal@popcatholicschool.org.

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perpetual eucharistic adoration



"God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar." - St. Maximilian Kolbe

Share a Holy hour with the Lord! Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or email adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org. The following times are in need of adoption (*urgent):

Sunday - 8a & 11a; Monday - 6a; Thursday - 9a
& 5p; Friday - 8a & 12p; Saturday - 12p

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Thursday, 11 January at 6.30p in the Walsingham Hall Art Room. Contact Deacon Gus to join at 864. 420.0497 or <u>baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org</u>

⇒ Baptisms cannot be scheduled until the class is completed. Only Deacon Acosta can schedule Baptisms.

mass intentions

The parish has Mass cards for Mass intentions to be said in the Holy Land. The Mass intentions book for the parish is closed for the remainder of 2023.

men's bible study

Deacon Michael Thompson leads a Men's Bible Study meeting Tuesdays at 7p in Guadalupe Hall studying the Book of John! All men should come. Contact Deacon Thompson at 864.365.8178 to learn more.

Donations (envelopes in the narthex may be dropped into the offertory baskets)



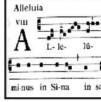
sanctuary candle \$20



flowers \$300



bread & wine \$20



music \$300

offertory and special giving

Keep supporting your parish home when you are on summer vacation! Electronic giving is a convenient way to make contributions.

 <u>Donate online</u> in our <u>tithe.ly</u> system - setup EFT, one-time donation or recurring donation. Manage your giving with ease by <u>downloading the</u> <u>tithe.ly app</u> to your phone.

If you normally give via WeShare, you can stick with it or switch! The parish incurs lower fees with Tithe.ly. Here's the<u>WeShare link</u> for managing your account.

ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Chili's on Wade Hampton Blvd. on Tuesday, 9 January at I I.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

abortion healing

The holidays can be a difficult time for those who have experienced abortion or been impacted by someone else's abortion. Support is available. Learn about anonymous, confidential options offered virtually or in person by contacting Support After Abortion at 844.289.HOPE (call/text) or email help@supportafterabortion.com.

parish school thank you for parishioners

The parish school invites all parishioners to enjoy donuts in the plaza after Mass times on Sunday, 28 January in honor of Catholic Schools Week!

st isidore garden

The St Isidore Children's Garden Classes will begin Semester 2 on 8 February 2024.

first friday teen holy hour

First Friday Teen Holy Hour will resume in April 2024.

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parish school rosary—on regular school days

All are invited to join praying a rosary at 2.45p at the Blessed Mother statue outside of Parish House for the good of the school, its teachers and families within it. If the weather is bad, go inside the church.

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 are 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 to learn more about the Guild of St Benedict Welcome Committee.

welcome new parishioenrs

Join us in welcoming the following new parishioners: Richard & Deborah O'Donnell; Bob Lotz; Phillip & Lynn Dodaro and Anthony & Michaela Burkhardt and family; Patrick & Arielle Knighten; Kyle Pluta and Madison Hargrave.

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, 19 Jan at 7p with reception Women: Saturday, 20 Jan at 9a

Picture: Men's Recollection in December

diocesan eucharistic conference

There are limited tickets available to each parish to give out to parishioners for the 6 April Diocesan Eucharistic Conference at the Columbia Convention Center. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Edward Sri and Bishop Joseph A. Espaillat. There will be music, speakers, a Eucharistic Procession, and Adoration. Email Maria Barontini your request.



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 <u>sign up here</u>. Contact John Olson with questions at <u>jamolson@gmail.com</u>.

st vincent de paul news

St. Vincent DePaul accepts online giving through their <u>tithe.ly</u> and checks made directly to SVDP. Pantry donations may be left in the large wooden bin in the Narthex. Current pantry needs are:

- pasta sauce
- jelly
- canned peas
- laundry detergent
- dish detergent
- soup
- brown rice
- toilet paper
- canned spaghetti

meal train at pop

Parishioners and school families are invited to reach out to Jennifer Pfaffl by email at <u>missfluff129@yahoo.com</u> during times of need to have a Meal Train organized. It takes a village to provide support to those in need. Please consider supporting the gift of comfort for those in need.

over 900 books, socializing and fun await

The Blessed McGivney Hall is open on Sundays after the 8a and 10a Mass. And, for parents who await their child(ren) attending RE. Grab a coffee or hot chocolate, peruse a library of over 900 vetted Catholic titles, and socialize with parishioners. Indoor and outdoor activities are available for kids of all ages! Please note that children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver at all times. Contact John Olson to learn more at

<u>jamolson@gmail.com</u>.

If you have questions about the library, email library@princeofpeacetaylors.org

christmas is a season

The festive home décor and celebration should continue until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on 8 January, 2024, or even until the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas) on 2 February.

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january men's meetup

The January Men's Meetup has been set for 13 January at Table Rock Summit. The trail is an out-and-back 6.9 mile hike and all PoP men ages 18+ are invited. Be sure to bring a few bottles of water and some calorie dense snacks for the hike and wear hiking appropriate shoes and attire. Meet in the parking lot by the trailhead at 10am and the hike takes an average of 4.5 hours.

Location:

Table Rock State Park 158 E. Ellison Ln, Pickens, SC 29671

knights of columbus 9184

Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus or learning more about the Knights? Contact them at knightsofcolumbus9184@gmail.com or stop in at our meeting on the second Thursday of the month at 7p in McGivney Hall.

november offertory

Giving to the offertory is convenient and easy. Scan the QR code to connect to Tithely to make your gift. Or, Options to give to special projects are available.



Offertory	As of November 30, 2023					
	Actual		Budget		Surplus / (Deficit)	
Month	\$	131,835	\$	139,198	(\$7,363)	
Year-To-Date	\$	699,464	\$	719,375	(\$19,911)	

The POP Women's Group will kick off the new year with a new study on the Rosary of the Virgin Mary. The Apostolic letter by Pope John Paul II, *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, is the basis for the study written by Endow. The group meets on Wednesdays at 7p.

 <u>Click here for more information</u> about the study and to order the book. Endow has an e-book and hard copies available. You do not have to have a book to come to the study group! They read aloud and discuss the questions. You can always <u>download the first chapter for FREE</u> from the Endow website if you'd like to get a feel for the study.

latin mass community monthly potluck

The Latin Mass community hosts a potluck the first Sunday of each month in Croghan Hall after the 12n Latin Mass. Please bring a main dish to share. Help set up and clean up! Questions? Contact the Green Family at 719.660.3440.

men's discernment of religious vocations

Men interested in discerning religious vocations should contact Rev Rhett B Williams at vocations@charlestondiocese.org.

- 12-14 January: Men's Discernment Retreat at Camp Gravatt in Aiken
- 2-4 February: Men's Seminary Come & See

attraction books

The Columbiettes are selling \$25 Attraction Coupon Books for 2024 in the parish office or by calling Cheryl Wargo (864.616.2264).

parish school donations

Did you know that 45% of families rely on financial assistance to attend the parish school? Your donations to our Annual Fund are needed. Prayfully consider making a Catholic education possible with a check to POPCS or <u>online</u> <u>gift today</u>!



Annual Fund

act of spiritual communion

For all those not able to receive our LORD in the Eucharist:

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

women's discernment of religious vocations

Women interested in the religious life should contact Rev Rhett B Williams at

vocations@charlestondiocese.org.

• 21 February: Women's Day of Discernment in Columbia

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vacation bible school 2024

Our 2024 Vacation Bible School is scheduled for 8-12 July. It will be modeled after our in-house programming unveiled in 2023. If you'd like to volunteer, contact Maria Barontini by <u>email</u>.

Any ADULT volunteer who commits to helping with VBS 2024 will have the opportunity to EARLY BIRD Register their children for VBS! Our VBS fills every year and this is your chance to save your child's spot AND help our parish put on a wonderful VBS for our community. Reach out to Maria Barontini by <u>email</u> about helping with VBS this summer and attend the VBS planning meetings!

Next Adult Volunteer Meeting: 22 January at 6.30p

monday morning workout for men

Join the men (18 and older) of the parish who "offer it up" and attack the week every Monday morning from 5.30-6.15a for outdoor exercise and prayer. No fitness background is necessary. Men should dress accordingly and bring their own hydration. Park in the lot between the PAC and McGivney Hall. Participants will offer up prayer and suffering for Fr. Smith, Fr. Tomlinson, all clergy, our own families, and the marriage and family life throughout the Parish. Questions? Contact Paul Pizzuti at <u>pizzuti@fidei.email</u> or 864.501.8954.

upcoming mass schedule changes

Monday, 15 January: No Mass Tuesday, 16 January: No Mass Wednesday 17 January: No Mass; No Confessions Thursday, 18 January: No Mass Friday, 19 January 7a Mass

news from st rafka's

There will not be a pasta dinner at St Rafka's in January. Please join them on I February at 5.30p.

pop art party 2024

Get excited to walk the red carpet across the bright lights of paparazzi clamoring to capture your picture at this year's POP Art Party 2024 held at the Poinsett Club on 27 April ! Please add your name to the invitation list by emailing: reception@popcatholicschool.org





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Collection for Birthright

Drop off donations in the school's front office for women with unplanned pregnancies who choose life served by Birthright of Greenville. diaper rash ointment

baby wash/ shampoo

> newborn & premie diapers

> > diapers size 1, 4, 5, 6

new bottles, small (infant) & big

January has been recognized as "Sanctity of Human Life Month" and is used to advocate for the protection of human life, particularly focusing on the unborn and discussing issues related to abortion and the sanctity of life.

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burp cloths, blankets

towel sets.

diaper wipes

board books, including Spanish

like new clothing (3–12 months)

new pacifiers

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Ministry & Volunteer Leaders (learn about all of our ministries on our <u>website</u> 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	Marty Yigdall	864.423.6541	Pack259.SC@gmail.com		
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	John & Stephanie Lasitter		cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org		
Food & Financial Assistance	St. Vincent de Paul Society	864.331.3937	,		
Legion of Mary	Lydia Augustine	423.999.5950	lydiabosco2004@gmail.com		
Meal Train Coordinator	Jennifer Pfafl		missfluff129@yahoo.com		
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			spiritual direction @prince of peacetaylors.org		



arise and shine retreat

If you are the mother of a tween daughter, you know how precious and important these years are. Build a stronger bond by communicating and having fun together at the Arise and Shine Mother/ Daughter Retreat at Heart Ridge. Friday-Saturday, 2-3 February. We'll have some short talks about puberty and becoming a woman, as well as opportunities for hikes, games, and crafts. Like a slumber party, but with comfortable beds, healthier foods, and much more sleep! Visit

www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/

MotherDaughter for more information.

january is dedicated to the holy name of jesus

- do not take the Lord's name in vain and do not allow anyone or anything to do so around you (including turning off what you're watching or listening to, if it does)
- adopt the pious practice of bowing your head whenever you say or hear the name of Jesus
- decorate your domestic church (home) in colors of white (first half of January is the liturgical season of Christmas, represented by liturgical color of white for purity) and green (second half of January begins ordinary time with the liturgical color green representing hope as a sprouting seed) and the letters IHS, perhaps decorated and framed.
- write His name on your home using the Epiphany home blessing & blessed chalk available in the Narthex
- every day, pray to Joseph and Mary to increase your love for their Son, along with your reverence for His Holy Name.
- pray the Golden Arrow Prayer in reparation for blasphemies against His Most Holy Name

Golden Arrow Prayer:

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most incomprehensible and unutterable Name of God be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified in Heaven, on earth, and under the earth, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

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epiphany

On the Feast of the Epiphany in the Domestic Church you are invited to do the following:

Take home blessed chalk which will be available in the narthex from 2-6 January and mark the door of your house with 20 + C + M + B + 24. The year of the Incarnation of Our Lord is accompanied by the initials CMB. In Latin, they stand for two things: *Christus mansionem benedicat – May Christ bless this home*, as well as the traditional names of the Three Kings, whose relics are in Cologne Cathedral in Germany: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar.

To learn more about these amazing Epiphany customs, please read the following:

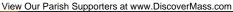
- To see the actual text of the blessing of Epiphany Water (click <u>here</u>)
- Why Epiphany Water is a powerful sacramental to use against the Evil One (click <u>here</u>)
- Epiphany Customs (click <u>here</u>)
- Dom Gueranger on the Epiphany (click here)

Ideas for celebrating in your home:

- The <u>Christian symbol</u> for Baptism is the shell, which you can easily turn into a dinner theme. Make pasta shells, <u>Nacho Stuffed Shells</u>, or <u>Italian stuffed shells</u>. Decorate the table with sea shells (children can color or craft some if you don't have any real ones).
- Pull out your family's <u>Baptismal candles</u> and light them at dinner. Tell children about the Baptism of Our Lord and their own special Baptismal days! (Share stories from family baptisms around the dinner table: Talk about who was there, how godparents were chosen, celebration afterwards, etc.)
- This is a wonderful day to renew our baptismal vows: click here for instructions.
- Start a family tradition of celebrating baptism anniversaries: <u>Here are ideas</u>!
- Finally, if you have access to a pool, pond, river or stream: we dare you to take a winter plunge in celebration of Jesus's baptism in the Jordan!



Amen.





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