

from Lessons & Carols with Epiphany Blessing

21 January 2024  
third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time (English)  
third Sunday after  
Epiphany (Latin)



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**A Parish Family of the Roman  
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Fr. Christopher Smith, STD

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

Formed: when you register at [formed.org/register](http://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! Learn more by emailing us at [welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org).



Best Place of Worship  
in 2022 & 2023



# Letter from our Pastor, Fr Christopher Smith

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St Pius X was famous for saying, “Don’t sing at Holy Mass, sing Holy Mass!” When he was a parish priest in a village in northern Italy, he noticed all kinds of what he thought were strange behaviors at Mass: some women would just go from statue to statue in the church praying the rosary, some of the men would go in and out of the church repeatedly for a smoke break or to chat with their buddies, the choir would sing arias inspired by operas popular at the time, and sometimes people would sing these saccharine, sentimental hymns that had nothing to do with any of the texts of the Mass. He reflected on the fact that here he was, at the altar, reading the scriptures and saying the prayers of the public worship of the Church, which were so superior in their meaning and power to transform than anything else in the Christian life, and his people just ignored it.

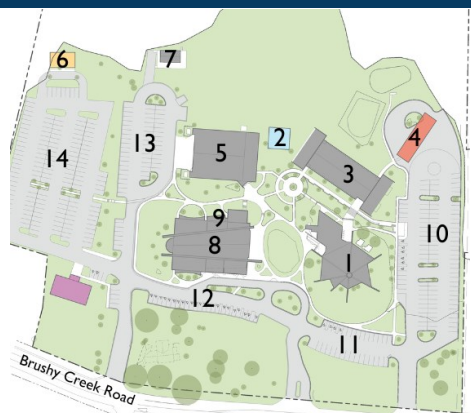
Has much changed since then? I know for a fact that there are many places in Italy where it hasn’t. As a seminarian, I remember watching in horror as soccer balls and artichokes were brought up along with bread and wine in the offertory procession, altar boys wrestling each other in front of the pulpit while the priest ignored them preaching, and the *Our Father* was sung in Italian according to the melody of Simon and Garfunkel’s *The Sound of Silence*. Even recently, a red hot furore was unleashed when a priest celebrated Mass literally in the Mediterranean Sea in his bathing suit on top of an inflatable mattress. As if anyone needs to see a priest with his dadbod naked torso anywhere, much less at Mass! I never looked for the throw up emoji so fast in my life to express my reaction on social media.

America was notorious for a “Low Mass culture.” Remember that Catholic culture in this country was shaped in large part by the Irish. While they were being persecuted by the English Protestants, they were forced for centuries to say Mass clandestinely on rocks and in hiding places, often with no music at all, or just music that mimicked popular tunes. They looked at the Anglicans, their oppressors, with their pipe organs and boys choirs and polyphonic music and stately hymns as the polar opposite of what it meant to be Catholic, even though all of those things had been a part of the Catholic tradition in the British Isles when England was still Mary’s Dowry before it was wrested away from the Barque of Peter. In the 1960s, Americans just replaced the four-hymn sandwich of sappy sentimental hymns based on “O Danny Boy” (which I have actually heard at a Catholic funeral before: insert appropriate emoji here) with a four-hymn sandwich of sacropop tunes. I know some of you know that old standard of Amchurch shlock called *Here I am, Lord*. Are you also aware that is also a melodic plagiarism of the theme song for the TV show *The Brady Bunch*?

When you’re used to bad eating habits and junk food, getting used to a healthy diet that can actually nourish you is hard. American Catholics have gotten way too comfortable with bad liturgy, bad music, bad preaching, bad spiritual formation and bad theology. And the even sadder thing is that many people can no longer tell the difference between what is bad and what is good. The Church in her documents on worship and music reminds her children that Latin remains the language of the Church, Gregorian chant sung by the people has pride of place, polyphonic settings of the treasury of sacred music are a patrimony for civilisation, and the pipe organ is held in the highest esteem among all the possible instruments other than the human voice. Let’s build that kind of culture here at Prince of Peace together. Sing the Mass. Sing at Mass. And let’s contribute to that true Catholic culture of worship!

*Fr. Christopher Smith*

## Our Map—A Smoke, Vape & Tobacco Free Campus



- 1 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





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

# Parish Calendar

Fr Christopher Smith = FCS Fr Richard Tomlinson = FRT | Readings are Year B

<b>sunday, 21 jan</b> third sunday in ordinary time (English) third sunday after epiphany (Latin)	<b>monday, 22 jan</b> weekday (English) sts vincent & anastasius (Latin)	<b>tuesday, 23 jan</b> sts vincent & marianne cope (English) st raymond of penafort (Latin)
<div data-bbox="71 390 120 436">LB</div> 8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 10a Mass Tim Seger+(FCS) 12p Latin Mass Kelly Family-L (FCS) 6p Vespers  8.50a religious education 1p basketball pac 4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall 6.30p cyo	7a Mass Eva DeMaria-L (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Daniel Kopeck-L (FRT)  5.30a men's workout 6p basketball pac 6.30p scouts 6.30p vbs adult volunteers guadalupe 6.30p legion of mary lourdes hall 6.45p young adults mcgivney hall	7a Mass Conor Synette-L (FCS) 12p Latin Mass John Warga, Jr+(FRT)  6p 4th degree kofc mcgivney hall 6.30p fraternus & fidelis 7p men's bible study guadalupe hall
<b>wednesday, 24 jan</b> st francis de sales (English) st timothy (Latin)	<b>thursday, 25 jan</b> the conversion of st paul the apostle (English & Latin)	<b>friday, 26 Jan</b> sts timothy and titus (English) st polycarp (Latin)
8.30a Mass Carol Mullman+(FRT) 12p Latin Mass Madelyn Mershon-L (FRT) 5p Confession  6p advanced marian class mcgivney hall 7p introduction to catholicism pac 7p women's study lourdes hall	7a Mass Anthony DeMaria+(FRT) 12p Latin Mass Jimmy Crockett-L (FRT)  6p basketball pac 6p confirmation parent mtg parish house	7a Mass Bernadette Synette-L (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Jeff Skalsky-L (FRT)  6p basketball pac
<b>saturday, 27 jan</b> st angela merici (English) st john chrysostom (Latin)	<b>sunday, 28 jan</b> fourth sunday in ordinary time (English) septuagesima sunday after epiphany (Latin)	<b>prayer requests</b> All those serving our country, Gena Cunningham, Julie Mallory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Wrenn Calcutt, Jim Bannister, Stephen Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Kevin Stanton, Doris Pratt, Sarah Williams, Kenneth Price, Jackie Andrejack, Dcn 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, Rosemary Craig, Janine Moore, Jean Casey, Thomas Dorsey, Jennifer Gregory, Kathleen & Dan Mottl, Peter McPherson, Annmarie Egas, Frank Cespedes, Mary Ann Egan, Julia Chatignyblais, Connie Meiners, Juan & Laura Pachur, Elizabeth Nowlan, Betty Baker, Deborah Baker, Andrew Frisari, Ed Matthews, Yanini Smith, Martha Catel, Anna & Casey Chevalier, Christine Tallman, Curtis Hagler, Kayla Whatley, Matt Smith, Jenn Pfaffl, Valerie Pachur, Jim Eagan, Kathy Melone, Vanessa Baugh, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Tammy Jones, Caleb Sadowski, Brian Aho, Jim Roberts, Lorenzo Rosa, Jim Rimer, Nancy Methison, Judith Inghram, Janice & Alan Olson, Jacob Hinson, Jim Green, Mary Martin, Lucretia Albright, Daniel Bennett, Lisa Buss, Francine Burke, Irene Ponce, Carol Deretchin
8a Latin Mass Frank Cosgrove-L (FRT) 3.30p Confession 5p Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS)	<div data-bbox="568 1352 617 1398">LB</div> 8a Mass Sarah Parker+ (FRT) 10a Mass George E and Mary N McEwen+(FCS) 12p Latin Mass Hartnett Family-L (FCS) 6p Vespers	
8a basketball pac 6.30p pilgrimage mtg parish house	1p basketball pac 4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall 6.30p cyo	
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, 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 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](mailto:cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org).

## men's breakfast

All men of the parish and their friends are invited to breakfast and fellowship on Thursday, 1 February at 8a at Denny's on Wade Hampton Blvd. For more information, call Don Foertsch at 864.268.3810.

## st isidore garden

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

## substitute teachers needed

Join our Substitute Teacher list at the parish school! Please email Principal Nathan Barontini to learn more at [principal@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:principal@popcatholicschool.org).

## perpetual eucharistic adoration



"Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD; for he has roused himself from his holy dwelling." Zechariah 2:13

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

Sunday - 8a; Monday - 6a; Tuesday - 4p\*; Thursday - 12a\* & 6a; Friday - 12p; Saturday - 12p

## baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child 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 [baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org)

⇒ *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



bread & wine \$20  
donated by Martin G Leo  
in memory of Joseph S Leo



flowers \$300  
from Emily Schmidt & James Gohn in honor of their wedding on 20 January 2024



music \$300

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## ushers and greeters needed

Being an usher/greeter is an important ministry of our church community. Ushers/Greeters represent the Parish in a very visible way. They help set the tone in preparation for the Mass, assist with the smooth and orderly operation within the Mass, and tend to any emergencies, disruptions, or irregularities that may occur during Mass. Ushering/Greeting is an opportunity to serve God by serving His people and is a fantastic way to actively and faithfully participate in the functioning of our parish family. Will you consider becoming an usher or a greeter at Prince of Peace?

We could use volunteers at all of the masses. We need men, women, and youth to consider helping us. This would be a great opportunity for high school youth to gain volunteer hours, if needed. Please contact Marco De Maria, Head Usher/Greeter at [marcodemaria2016@gmail.com](mailto:marcodemaria2016@gmail.com), or text/call at 864.631.7713. We would love to hear from you and have you join our important and fulfilling ministry here at Prince of Peace.

## ash wednesday

Ash Wednesday is 14 February. Masses are as follows:

7a Low Mass  
8.30a Sung Mass  
12p Latin  
7p High Mass

All Masses will have the Distribution of Ashes.

## abortion healing

Support is available if you or someone you love has experienced or been impacted by abortion. 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](mailto:help@supportafterabortion.com).

## parish and school soccer teams

**Spring soccer signups have begun!** If your child (ages 4-11) is interested in playing soccer on one of our POP teams through the YMCA, please contact Adrienne Haverland at 937.477.9074 or by email at [jahaverland@gmail.com](mailto:jahaverland@gmail.com). The practice schedule has not yet been set and will be communicated as soon as we know.

## 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 in 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: Michael & Emily Aceti and family; Renato & Erika Montandon and family.

## new scoutmaster needed

After 23 years of service, the Boy Scout troop's scoutmaster, Marty Yigdall, wants to step back into an advisory role. If you're interested in taking the position of scoutmaster, or know someone who might be, please contact Chip Palmer, Troop Committee Chairman T925 at either 864.423.9783 or [palmercf21@gmail.com](mailto:palmercf21@gmail.com).

The troop has been very successful over the years, producing over 35 Eagle Scouts. There are also several assistant scoutmasters, plenty of equipment, and a good financial situation!

## 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. Espallat. There will be music, speakers, a Eucharistic Procession, and Adoration. Email Maria Barontini your request. **This offer ends on 31 January.**



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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 news

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

- Peanut butter
- Laundry and dish detergent
- Canned meat (chicken, tuna, salmon, spam etc)
- Jelly
- Canned kidney, black, pinto, pork and beans
- Bar soap
- New and gently used blankets

SVDP financials as of the end of December:

SVDP Donations	December		
	2023	2022	Increase / (Decrease)
Month	\$23,548	\$26,078	(\$2,530)
Year-to-Date	\$132,181	\$136,585	(\$4,404)

## meal train at pop

Parishioners and school families are invited to reach out to Jennifer Pfaffl by email at [missfluff129@yahoo.com](mailto:missfluff129@yahoo.com) 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 [jamolson@gmail.com](mailto:jamolson@gmail.com).

If you have questions about the library, email [library@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto: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 9 January, 2023, or even until the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas) on 2 February.

## become a registered parishioner

If you consider Prince of Peace your spiritual home we ask that you register! If you did not receive a Christmas card then you most likely are not registered or we do not have a correct address. Please visit [princeofpeacetaylors.org](https://princeofpeacetaylors.org) and click the register button.

## december offertory

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



Donate

Offertory	As of December 31, 2023		
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 206,932	\$ 201,826	\$5,106
Year-To-Date	\$ 906,396	\$ 921,201	(\$14,805)

## women's study

The POP Women's Group is studying 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 in Lourdes Hall. Come!

- [Click here for more information](#) 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 [download the first chapter for FREE](#) from the Endow website if you'd like to get a feel for the study.

## information night on pilgrimage

There will be an information mtg for the Pilgrimage to Greece/Turkey with Fr Smith and Fr Barone (via livestream) on Saturday, 27 January at 6.30p in the Parish House.



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## 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@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:vocations@charlestandiocese.org).

- 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 [online gift today!](#)



## 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@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:vocations@charlestandiocese.org).

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

## 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 [email](#).

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 [email](#) 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 [pizzuti@fidei.email](mailto:pizzuti@fidei.email) or 864.501.8954.

## news from st rafka's

St Rafka's monthly pasta dinner will be Thursday, 1 February, 5.30-7.30p Adults plates are \$10 and children \$5. Menu includes baked ziti, meatballs, tossed salad, and dessert.

## 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](mailto:reception@popcatholicschool.org)



Interested in making a donation or becoming a sponsor? Contact Mrs Angie Zuendt at [azuendt@gmail.com](mailto:azuendt@gmail.com).



# Invitation to a Virtual Retreat

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## THE PATH TO HEALING OUR BROKEN HEARTS



**Register today for a new virtual workshop, “The Path to Healing Our Broken Hearts,” by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary.**

In the 17-part virtual workshop, Fr. Shawn Monahan offers a message of hope and healing, helping you to recognize and overcome heart-breaking events in your life and accept God’s love.

You’ll take away an awareness of your own brokenness, devoid of any shame or discouragement. Beyond that awareness, Fr. Shawn will show you how to leverage your emotional and spiritual wounds as a path to the Lord’s compassionate love, which is the source of deep penetrating healing.

**About the workshop:** This online workshop is open to everyone and provided through a seventeen-part, self-paced video series hosted by Fr. Shawn Monahan. Once you register, you’ll **gain access to a workshop page where all lessons can be viewed at any time.**

**About Fr Shawn Monahan, OMV:** Fr. Shawn Monahan, OMV, was ordained a priest for the Oblates of the Virgin Mary in 2002. Since then, he has been blessed to experience a variety of apostolic ministry throughout his years of priesthood as a parish priest in New Jersey and Illinois, as a certified retreat and spiritual director at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and as a Novice Master helping young men discern their vocation at Our Lady of Grace Seminary.

This work has helped Fr. Shawn to develop a deep understanding of the dynamics of growth and maturity in Christian life and how to overcome and heal the wounds that hold us back from experiencing Jesus’ deepest desire for each of us: “I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”

He has a passion for helping others heal the wounds that come from living in a broken world so that they may experience Jesus’s deepest desire to live a more abundant life.



**Who will benefit?** Anyone desires to grow in their relationship with God should sign up. You will need to be open to discovering places in your heart where you may need healing in order to experience Jesus’ deepest desire for all of us — to live a more abundant life.

Registration is FREE by clicking the link or scanning the QR code

<https://www.omvusa.org/our-work/virtual-workshops/path-healing-broken-hearts/>





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Dcn Nestor Acosta	Pastoral Associate for Sacramental Life	864.331.3905	nestor.acosta@princeofpeacetaylors.org

*\*contact Deacon Acosta about baptisms, funerals, and marriage.*

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*

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*contact Michael S. as ministry liaison and RCIA*

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**School (Office: 864.971-4POP) \*our childcare registration number is 24774**

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Liz Burgdorf	Receptionist	864.331.2145	reception@popcatholicschool.org
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## Ministry & Volunteer Leaders (learn about all of our ministries on our [website](#) under the "about us" menu)

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# Happenings & Needs

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## candlemas is 2 february

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 Friday, 2 February. Masses will be 8.30a (English) and 7p (Latin).

Candles should be placed on the table inside the communion rail before Mass. You may either bring your own candles to be blessed or you can purchase candles from the parish office.

If you purchase candles from the parish office:

- **Price:** There are 2-8" candles in a box for \$5.
- **Receipt:** On 2 February, the candles purchased will be placed on the table inside the communion rail with your name on the box.
- **How to purchase:** Place your order in the collection basket and be sure to write Candlemas candles on the envelope with your name.

## remembrance of the unborn

The parish school invites the faithful to pray a rosary together at 2.30p on Monday, 22 January at the Memorial for the Unborn for the "National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn (and their mothers)." All are encouraged to come and bring their children.

## father daughter dance

Our greatly anticipated Father Daughter Dance is on 10 February from 6-8p in the PAC with dinner.

Costs are \$25/pair + \$10/additional child. Drink tickets are available in advance only for \$10/two drink tickets (beer and wine).

Space is limited. All RSVPs are due no later than 2 February by emailing Liz Burgdorf at [reception@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:reception@popcatholicschool.org) or calling the parish school.

## 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, 9 February at 7p with reception

**Women:** Saturday, 10 February at 9a with reception

## pop women's craft night

Beginning 19 January, a free monthly craft get together on the third Friday of the month from 6-10p in McGivney Hall will be held. Bring your own supplies to work on a project of your choice or come observe others; all skill levels welcome! Feel free to bring a friend or snack to share.

## return of the easter egg hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt returns in 2024, organized by Blessed McGivney Community Center in unity with our parish and school family, 31 March following the 10a Easter Sunday Mass.

To help make this happen, we are requesting donations of plastic Easter eggs and non-peanut items for inside the eggs. The date for stuffing the eggs will be shared at a later date. Help is appreciated for hiding these eggs at 9.45a on Easter Sunday morning. Contact John Olson by email at [jamolson@gmail.com](mailto:jamolson@gmail.com).

## the way retreat—for abuse survivors

The Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., is sponsoring "The Way" retreats for survivors of abuse. Each offers a path forward for survivors of all forms of abuse (physical, emotional, and/or sexual) to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

The men's retreat will take place 26-28 January, and the women's retreat will be 26-28 April. There is no cost for the retreat. For more information, visit [adw.org/the-way-retreat](http://adw.org/the-way-retreat). To register, email Deb McDonald: [mcdonald@adw.org](mailto:mcdonald@adw.org). All inquiries are strictly confidential.





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