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22 december 2024  
fourth sunday of advent



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

Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune  
Diocese of Charleston

### Pastor

Canon Christopher Smith

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Richard Tomlinson

### 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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✉ [parishoffice@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:parishoffice@princeofpeacetaylors.org)

### Office hours:

Monday-Thursday 9a-4p

\*office closed 1-2p

Friday 9a-12p

### Stay connected:

Website: [www.princeofpeacetaylors.org](http://www.princeofpeacetaylors.org)

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Recordings of homilies are on the parish website & [Apple Podcast](#)

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

Formed: when you register at [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup), 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).



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# Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Friends,

On St Nicholas' Day, the children of POPCS led us in a beautiful Service of Lessons and Carols to get into the right spirit for Advent and Christmas. I am grateful to Ms Jeanie Reed and to all of the school faculty and staff and families that made such an evening possible. I wanted to use this as an opportunity to talk to you about the role of the arts in our parish and school community.

A pragmatist, technocratic tendency in our modern world increasingly sees the arts as tangential to education and secondary. I wince every time I hear the term *related arts*. Nothing could be further from the way the Catholic Church, which has always been a patron of the arts, sees the role of arts in the formation of young people. We are so blessed to have Ms Marilyn Alber and Ms Jeannie Reed as the leads in our school community. They are consummate professionals with incredible experience, and our school is made so much better by their work, which has nurtured generations of young people to become alive to beauty.

Music is not an add-on, or an extra, but an integral part of Catholic worship. And the way we worship influences culture. For that reason, it is also an integral part of the curriculum of a Catholic school. In an age where schools are cutting funding for the arts for all the wrong reasons, Catholic schools see the powerful human dimension that involving children in the beautiful brings, and so we are investing more, not less in that human and divine project.

The human voice is the most perfect instrument because it is the only one created by God. Prince of Peace gives pride of place to music in every area of our life from Mass to class, because of that fact. The fundamentals of music theory, Gregorian chant as the music of the Church, vernacular hymnody and a broad education in musical performance and appreciation are a hallmark of the Catholic culture of our parish that is chiefly transmitted by the school.

Participation in choirs and serving at Mass as altar servers or lectors are not extracurricular activities among many. They are an outgrowth and overflowing of a Christian vision of the human person, destined for glory by means of active participation in worship. As such, every single member of the Prince of Peace Catholic Church and School family should endeavor to use the gift of their voice to the fullness of his or her ability. We are delighted to be able to offer what are extracurricular activities of many kinds, and we want to offer more, and we want our kids to be well rounded. But music has pride of place, because of its intrinsic connection with the worship of Almighty God. Nothing should conflict with the worship of God and those things that are connected with it.

One of the most challenging aspects of our secular and often ugly culture is that music has been reduced to a hobby for some talented people, and in the days of AutoTune and AI, the authentic gifts of every single child to create art and make music are being drowned out by an ideology that is not of God, and not fully human either. I invite our community to be more intentionally countercultural by committing time, talent and treasure to the pride of place that Christ gives music in His Church, and in Catholic formation.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote, *I am convinced that music really is the universal language of beauty which can bring together all people of good will on earth*. The evangelizing power of beauty is something our world desperately needs, and it begins with every baptized Christian singing and fully participating at Mass and forming children in their Catholic artistic and musical heritage. But we must work together to protect that right and ensure its vitality is unleashed. In the document *Musicam Sacram* the Church teaches: *One cannot find anything more religious and more joyful in sacred celebrations than a whole congregation expressing its faith and devotion in song*. Prince of Peace's reason to exist is this: to praise the Lord! So let us be faithful to that mission.

*Fr. Christopher E. 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 (SVPD) Hall
- 7 Blessed McGivney Hall
- 8 Church
- 9 Christ the King Adoration Chapel
- 10 St Joseph's Workshop
- Parking Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15



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

# Parish Calendar

Fr Christopher Smith = FCS Fr Richard Tomlinson = FRT Fr Timothy Davison= FTD | Readings are Year C

<b>sunday, 22 dec</b> fourth sunday of advent (English & Latin)	<b>monday, 23 dec</b> st john of kanty (English) greater feria of advent (Latin)	<b>tuesday, 24 dec</b> vigil of the nativity of the Lord (English & Latin)
8a Mass Janice Olson+ (FRT) <b>LB</b> 10a Mass Mary Jean Heap-L & H Lee Heap+(FCS) 12p Latin Mass Christian Kopeck-L (FTD) 7p Compline	7a Mass Edward Rauch+ (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Katelyn Cosgrove-L (FTD)	<b>LB</b> 4p Mass Deceased Perone Family (FTD) 6p Latin Mass Kathie Martin+ (FRT) 11.59p Midnight Latin Mass Edward Rauch+ (FCS) *music begins at 11.30p
<i>4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall</i>	<i>pac closed</i> <i>5.30a men's workout</i> <i>12p parish offices closes</i> <i>6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall</i>	<i>pac closed</i> <i>parish office closed</i>
<b>wednesday, 25 dec</b> nativity of the Lord (English & Latin)	<b>thursday, 26 dec</b> st stephen (English & Latin)	<b>friday, 27 dec</b> st john, the apostle (English & Latin)
<b>LB</b> 10a Mass Thomas Ix+ (FCG)	9a Mass Rev SAC Attanasia+ (FRT)	9a Mass Robert Turpin-L (FRT)
<i>pac closed</i> <i>parish office closed</i>	<i>pac closed</i> <i>parish office closed</i>	<i>pac closed</i> <i>parish office closed</i>
<b>saturday, 28 dec</b> the holy innocents (English & Latin)	<b>sunday, 29 dec</b> the holy family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (English) sunday in the octave of christmas (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, 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, Kayla Whatley, Matt Smith, Jenn Pfaffl, Valerie Pachur, Jim Eagan, Kathy Melone, Vanessa Baugh, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Tammy Jones, Brian Aho, Jim Roberts, Lorenzo Rosa, Jim Rimer, Judith Inghram, Alan Olson, Jim Green, Mary Martin, Lucretia Albright, Daniel Bennett, Lisa Buss, Francine Burke, Carol Deretchin, David Purpura, Eileen Harrison, Hewitt Dickerson, Angela Bagley, Kenneth & Kathryn Gifford, Laura & Leonard Kuczewski, Irene Ponce, Sandy Milton, Joe Valitchka, Alan Coker, Ollie Thompson, Dorothy McDonald
3.30p Confessions 5p Mass Al Melone+(FRT)	<b>LB</b> 8a Mass Therese Rickards+(FRT) 10a Mass McCullen/Simmons Families+(FCG) 12p Latin Mass For the People of the Parish (FTD)	
<i>pac closed</i>	<i>pac closed</i> <i>4p lazos de amor mariano mcgivney hall</i>	
<p><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.</i></p>		



# 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. Learn more: Julie at 864.561.4733 or Jim 864.238.6850

## catholic youth organization

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is for grades 9-12. During the school year, young men and women meet on Sundays 6.30-8.30p in Parish House to share a meal, play games, and talk about faith. Questions? Contact John and Steph Lasitter at [cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org).

- Donate a meal for 30 CYO kids —[Sign Up Here](#)

## substitute teachers needed

Join our Substitute Teacher list at the parish school! Please email the Liz Burgdorf, Receptionist, to learn more at [reception@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:reception@popcatholicschool.org).

## serve as an usher or greeter

Greeters and ushers are greatly needed across all Mass times! Contact Marco DeMaria at 864.631.7713 or [mad4jen@msn.com](mailto:mad4jen@msn.com)!

## perpetual eucharistic adoration



**"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth."** John 1:14

Share a Holy hour with the Lord!  
Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or [adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org).

The following times are in need of adoption (\*urgent):

- Sunday - 9p; Monday - 12p\*; Tuesday - 6p;
- Wednesday - 12p & 6p & 11p\*;
- Thursday - 1a\*; Friday - 12p

## baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is Thursday, 9 January. Register by contacting Deacon Gus at 864.420.0497 or by email at [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 in Guadalupe Hall studying the Acts of the Apostles! All men should come. Contact Dcn Thompson at 864.365.8178 with questions.

- **no meetings on 24 and 31 Dec**

## mass intentions

The parish has Mass cards for Mass intentions to be said in the Holy Land anytime.

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



sanctuary candle \$20  
donated by: The Rauch Family  
in memory of: Edward Rauch & Therese Rickards



bread & wine \$20  
donated by: The Rauch Family  
in memory of: Edward Rauch & Therese Rickards



flowers \$400



music \$300

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## candles on the st joseph altar

If you had a loved one who had a candle at the St Joseph altar, you may pick up the candle from the parish office until 1 January. After 1 January the candles will be used for other things.

## marian servants

The Marian Servants meet at 9.30a in McGivney Hall on 7 January. Contact Lisa Buss to learn more at [marianservantsHFJ@gmail.com](mailto:marianservantsHFJ@gmail.com).

## pink and blue gala 2025

The 4th annual Pink and Blue Gala benefitting St Clare's Home will be held on 21 February at Fluor Enterprises dining room with a Mardi Gras theme. Tickets: <https://stclareshomesc.org/pink-blue-gala>

## advent week 4 prayers

Lord, our God, we praise You for your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people. He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us. He is the Savior of us all.

O Lord, let your blessings come upon us as we light all 4 candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation. May He come quickly and do not delay. We ask this in His holy name. Amen

## 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 dialysis centers. They welcome more volunteers and donations of yarn are always welcome. For information call Paulette at 864.434.0278.

## compline

Compline (also known as Night Prayer) is the final church service (or office) of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours. The prayers are always the same, so it is very easy to learn! We will have Compline on Sundays during Advent at 7p in the Church. Prepare for the coming of the Prince of Peace in this special way!

## parish office holiday

The parish office will close at 12p on Monday, 23 December. It will reopen on Monday, 30 December.

## 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, 15 Jan at 7p in the church
- **Women:** Thursday, 16 Jan at 9a. There will be no reception.

## young adult ministry

Young adults across the Diocese of Charleston are invited to save the date for the Spring Retreat (ages 18-35yo) at Camp Kinard in Batesburg-Leesville (Columbia area). Contact Ella Grace Haas at [eghaas@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:eghaas@charlestdiocese.org) to learn more.

## the way retreat for abuse survivors

The Archdiocese of Atlanta is hosting The Way, a healing retreat for female survivors of abuse. The retreat will be held 14-16 February 2025. "The Way is the path to take to find answers to these and many other questions for which your heart, mind, body and soul have been searching. This is where your healing journey begins. These three days of guided meditations and prayer crafted around the Stations of the Cross will show you the steps Christ took to overcome dread, confusion, deep hurt, betrayal, and anger not only for his experience of abuse – which culminated in his death on the cross and new life in the Resurrection – but for your abuse as well. You can choose to walk The Way with him, learn his ways, transform your pain and suffering into a new life, the life God has always wanted for you..." Sue Stubbs, Retreat Facilitator and Counselor.

The application deadline is 7 February. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or [sstubbs@archatl.com](mailto:sstubbs@archatl.com) to register.

Additionally, the retreat for men will be held in the Archdiocese of Washington, DC on 17-19 January. For more information and to register, please contact Deborah McDonald, [mcdonaldd@adw.org](mailto:mcdonaldd@adw.org).



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## upcoming sermon series

Our deacons will lead preaching on the seven deadly sins in the new year following this schedule:

- 12 Jan. An Introduction to the Seven Deadly Sins with Pride: the Root of All Sin - Dcn. Michael Cavin
- 19 Jan. Greed: You Can't Take it With You - Dcn. Nestor Acosta
- 26 Jan. Wrath: Anger Ablaze - Dcn. Bob Smith
- 2 Feb. The Feast of Presentation/Purification - Priests
- 9 Feb. Envy: The Green Monster - Dcn. Michael Thompson
- 16 Feb Lust: Love in All the Wrong Places - Dcn. Mark Thompson
- 23 Feb Gluttony: More than You Ever Needed - Priests
- 2 March Sloth: The Noonday Demon - Dcn. Gus Suarez

## st vincent de paul needs

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:

- Bar Soap
- Laundry & Dish Detergent
- Canned Peas, Kidney Beans and Baked Beans
- Mac & Cheese

Please note SVdP is only able to accept non expired pantry items as well as gently used clothing items. They are not able to accept household items, car seats, furniture, etc. without prior approval from SVdP.

## over 900 books, socializing and fun await

The Blessed McGivney Hall is open on Sundays after the 10a Mass. Grab a hot drink or breakfast, 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)

## 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. Prayerfully consider making a Catholic education possible with a check to POPCS or [online gift today!](#)



Annual Fund

## become a registered parishioner

If you consider Prince of Peace your spiritual home we ask that you register! Please visit our website [princeofpeacetaylors.org](https://princeofpeacetaylors.org) and click the register button.

**\*If your tax statement says 9000# or you haven't received our Christmas card, you're not a registered parishioner! Please register.**

## 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.



Donate

Offertory	As of November 30, 2024		
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 134,436	\$ 147,766	(\$13,330)
Year-To-Date	\$ 708,421	\$ 732,684	(\$24,263)

## latin mass community monthly potluck

The Latin Mass community hosts a potluck the first Sunday of each month in Parish House 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.

## 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.

## columbiettes selling coupon book

The Columbiettes are selling \$25 coupon books for use in 2025 to fund the Carol Tonon Scholarship. Available for purchase in the parish office.

## rosary over zoom

A group of parishioners gather over Zoom on Tuesdays at 7p for a rosary. To learn more, contact Lisa at A group of parishioners gather over Zoom on Tuesdays at 7p for a rosary. To learn more, contact Lisa at [adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org)

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## spiritual adoption of a pregnancy

The Respect Life Ministry asks members of the parish to *spiritually* adopt newly pregnant women so that they will have the courage to choose life and carry their baby to term. To spiritually adopt is a commitment to pray for the mothers until 25 December. Contact Pam at 864.233.6200 to enroll.

- **Gestation Week 40:** On average, a baby born at 40 weeks weighs about 7 lbs 4 oz (3,300 grams) and is about 20 inches (51 cm) long. However, many healthy babies are born smaller or larger. Psalm 139:14 - *I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made*

## thank you

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 have any questions about your giving or setting up electronic giving across the busy holidays, contact Mark Pulley at 864.331.3907.

## music at midnight mass on Christmas

At Midnight Mass, the St. Cecilia Choir will premiere a new composition, *Missa Verbum caro factum est*, by our own music director, Philip Reed. The piece sets the Mass Ordinary to the music of various Spanish and Mexican Christmas carols of the 16th and 17th centuries, composed in a Baroque style for choir and orchestra.

## parish school feeds the hungry

Families of the parish school joined together through the Catholic Identity Committee's initiative to adopt 16 families for Christmas and provide a Christmas dinner. These families each received baskets of goodies for a delicious meal and yummy dessert. Across the years, 71 families have been cared for through this initiative.



## 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. 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.

## homeschool mass with bishop

Join Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS, for Mass for Catholic homeschool families on 31 January 2025. It will be held at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist at 2p and followed with a luncheon. All are welcome! RSVPs by 24 January to <https://bit.ly/homeschool-mass25>

## christmas & new year's schedule

### Christmas Eve

#### Tuesday, 24 December

- 4p Family Mass (English) w/Children's Choir
- 6p Vigil Mass (English) w/Youth Choir
- 11.59p Midnight (Latin) Mass w/ St Cecilia Choir (music begins at 11.30p)

### Christmas Day

Wednesday, 25 December  
10a English Mass

### Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Holy Day of Obligation)

### New Years Eve

Tuesday, 31 December  
5p Vigil Mass (English)

### New Years Day

Wednesday, 1 January (English) 10 Mass  
12p Mass (Latin) Circumcision of the Lord

## prayer request

In your kindness, please pray for the repose of the soul of Joan P. Banholzer, Wanda S. Bukáček and Robert E Davies, and Christie Foertsch.

*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.*



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**We sincerely thank all of our generous donors for their contributions in providing our Christmas trees, which have beautifully decorated our church and filled it with festive joy this season.**

**Brian McGuire**

**Erna Liebrandt, in memory of Gunnar Liebrandt**

**Felicia Griggs, Coldwell Banker Caine**

**Greenville Spine Institute, in honor of our parish priests**

**Greenville Spine Institute, in memory of Lloyd Cleveland**

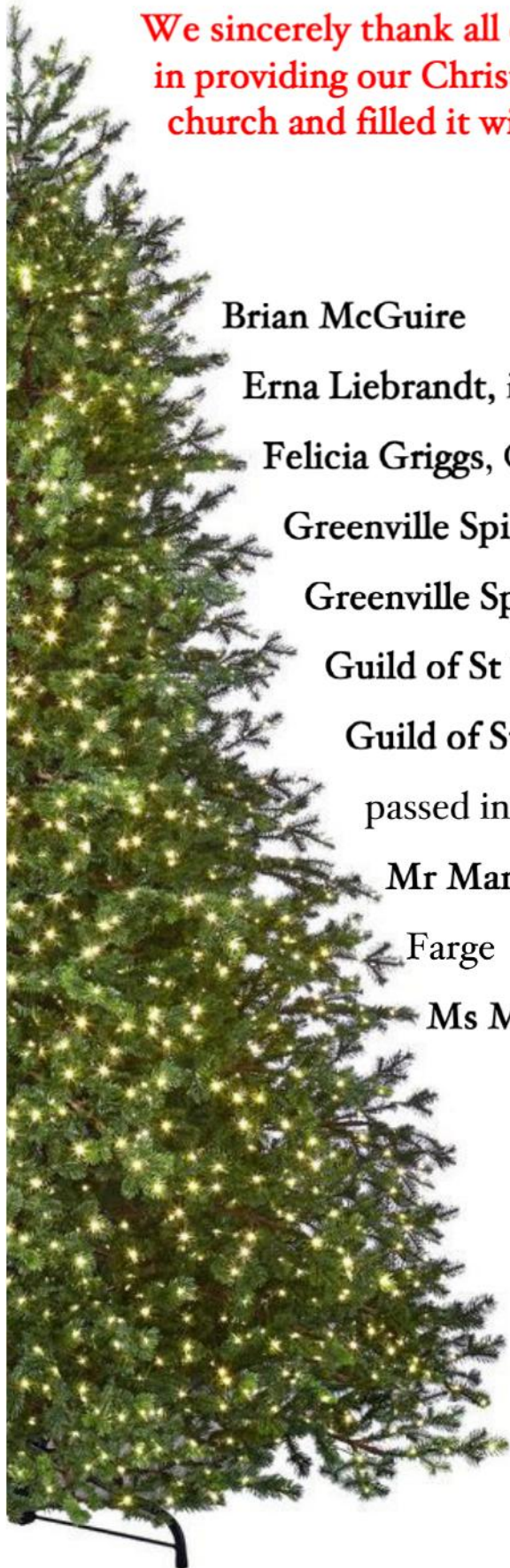
**Guild of St Thomas Aquinas, in honor of our parish priests**

**Guild of St Thomas Aquinas, in memory of all adorers who passed into eternity**

**Mr Marcel Farge, in memory of Martina and Freddie**

**Farge**

**Ms Marlene Ix, in memory of Thomas C Ix**





# Contact Us

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Sick & Homebound	Dcn Mark Thompson	864.630.0606	mark.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Liturgical Ministers	Dcn Michael Thompson		michael.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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## Parish Staff

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<i>*contact Deacon Acosta about baptisms, funerals, declarations of nullity and marriage.</i>			
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<i>*contact Maria R. about facility reservations and requesting Anointing of the Sick prior to surgery or when gravely ill, Safe Environment</i>			
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<i>*contact Maria B. about children's catechesis, first confession, first communion, and confirmation</i>			
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Ed Carl	Sexton		ed.carl@princeofpeacetaylors.org

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

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Michelle Zimmerman	Office Manager	864.331.2145	michelle.zimmerman@popcatholicschool.org

## Ministry & Volunteer Leaders (learn about all of our ministries on our [website](#) under the "about us" menu)

Communications Director	Kylee Jean Heap		communications@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Creighton Fertility Care/Family Planning	Kristie Killough, RN, BSN, FCP	864.243.7800	text for appointment
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	John & Stephanie Lasitter		cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Food & Financial Assistance	St. Vincent de Paul Society	864.331.3937	
Introduction to Catholicism	Sean Chapman		rcia@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Legion of Mary	Pat Hodur	864.616.7459	ph137@aol.com
Respect Life	Pam Harrison	864-233-6200	pharriso@bellsouth.net
Spiritual Direction	Lisa Buss		spiritualdirection@princeofpeacetaylors.org

Submit your announcements 2 weeks prior to the desired bulletin date to [bulletin submissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:bulletin submissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org)



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## student life summit

The South Carolina Student Life Summit will be 11 January 2025, at 2p at the Village Church, 2204 Park St., Downtown Columbia, SC. All students are welcome. Come join us for fellowship, information and service project. Guest speakers include Toni McFadden and Fr Rhett Williams. Get your tickets at [studentlifesummit.com](http://studentlifesummit.com) For more information, email Christy at [Cbrown@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:Cbrown@charlestdiocese.org).

## pop art party 2025

We are thrilled to invite you to join us for the 21st Annual POP Art Gala on 1 March 2025—a Mardi Gras moonlit masquerade event! This vibrant evening will blend the spirit of New Orleans with the mission of Prince of Peace Catholic School, creating an unforgettable experience to support the extraordinary accomplishments of our students. Get your tickets now!



## parish school annual fund—update!

Thanks to your generosity, we've already raised \$29,230 toward our Annual Fund goal of \$35,000 – but we're not done yet! Together, we can make a POPCS education accessible for all, especially the 45% of our students who need financial assistance.

### Here's how YOU can make an impact today:

1. **Make Your Gift Now** – Every donation, no matter the size, brings us closer to our goal. [Give online](#) or send in your donation to the school office.
2. **Spread the Word** – Share our mission with family, friends, and colleagues. A simple text, email, or social media post can inspire others to give.
3. **Employer Match** – Check if your employer offers matching gifts – it could double your donation!
4. **Honor Someone You Love** – Make a gift in honor of a teacher, family member, or friend who values Catholic education.
5. **Pray for Our Mission** – Pray for the success of our Annual Fund and for all the students who benefit from your generosity.

Together, we can provide the financial support needed to ensure every child at Prince of Peace receives a faith-filled, high-quality education. Let's finish strong and make this goal a reality!

## celebrate pro-life month this january

January marks Pro-Life Month, a time to honor the sanctity of life and renew our commitment to protecting the vulnerable. To put our faith into action, our parish is partnering with our school to support Birthright of Greenville, an organization that provides compassionate care and practical assistance to women facing unplanned pregnancies. Throughout January, we invite you to drop off donations at the school. The items they are most in need of include:

- Diapers (Sizes NB, 4, and 5)
- Wipes
- Baby Wash/Shampoo
- Pacifiers and Bottles (New)
- Sleepers – girls 3-6 months (New)
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