

7 september 2025  
23rd sunday in  
ordinary time (English)  
13th sunday after  
pentecost (Latin)

Join us in praying for everyone in our Introduction to Catholicism class, as they discover—or rediscover—the beauty of the Catholic faith



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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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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).



# Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Parishioners,

I know nobody wants to hear what I did on my summer vacation, but do permit to share a few anecdotes about a couple of places I visited and why. The island of Cyprus is divided into the Republic of Cyprus, which is Greek speaking and mostly Orthodox, and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is a country only recognized by Turkey, and is mostly Muslim. Cyprus has a fascinating history, but I wanted to visit after I read Elif Shafak's novel *The Island of Missing Trees*, which fictionally represents many true stories of how Turkish and Greek lovers and friends were brutally ripped apart forever by war.

In the city of Famagusta is a ghost town called Varosha, that until 1974 was one of the most celebrated resort towns for locals as well as the rich and famous in the world. Then war happened and the town to this day remains as it was then, but empty. The UN controls it, and I thought I was going to get shot for taking a picture of the UN sign at the checkpoint there. Lesson learned. You can see the signs in Turkish, English, French, Greek and Armenian of hotels, shops and clubs. Now all abandoned, and falling apart. It is one of the creepiest places I have ever been, but I think it stands as a monument to how hate can ruin the good. Imagine one day you go to Myrtle Beach for a vacation with your family, like you have for generations, and then from one day to the next it is turned into a war zone, never to recover?

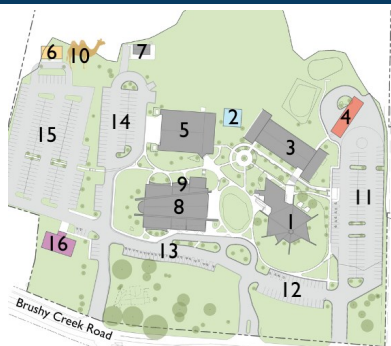
I then made my way to Ayvalik in Turkey. In 1920, there were about 60,000 people in this charming fishing village, mostly Greeks. The city was filled with churches and lovely homes. The European powers, along with America, had what they thought was a brilliant idea: to end the conflict between Greece and Turkey, just deport millions of people at one time to opposite sides of the Aegean. The entire population of the town was forced out, which then became an economic disaster because it was responsible for a significant amount of olive oil production. 4,500 Greeks were forced back to keep the olive oil running again, but they were not allowed to go back to their old homes. And just a few years later, they were deported as well. Beautiful churches were emptied of their icons and become storage houses or mosques, and some rare few became museums in a late attempt to salvage some of the artistic patrimony of a people that vanished.

In the early decades of the 20th century, world leaders and superpowers forcefully migrated millions of people in various parts of the globe thinking that was enough to defuse conflicts. Nationalisms of various kinds grew to such a fever pitch that the multiethnic, pluri-religious empires of centuries past disintegrated in a frenzy of ethnic cleansing and violence in which millions died as a result of starvation and violence. Did the strategy work? Did it produce world peace? No, it impoverished cultures and destroyed civilizations.

What is so sad, it is still going on today. And there is no reason to think that it couldn't also happen here. When we give up on people and think there is no path forward to peace, we short circuit the path to a better future. Why is it so hard for us to treat each other like humans? My visits to these places were not just to be a tourist and get some good photos. They were a meditation on human suffering and violence, and what it means to be a decent human being.

*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 (SVDP) 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
- 16 St Isidore Garden (feeds the hungry of SVDP)



= 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, 7 sept</b> 23rd sunday in ordinary time (English) 13th sunday after pentecost (Latin)	<b>monday, 8 sept</b> the nativity of the blessed virgin mary (English & Latin)	<b>tuesday, 9 sept</b> st peter claver (English & Latin) st gorgonius (Latin)
<div>LB</div> 8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 10a Mass Deceased McCullen/Simmons Families (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Tim+ & Mary-L Seger (FTD)	7a Mass Merlita Carandang-L (FB) 12p Latin Mass Deb Berg-L (FTD)	7a Mass Seraphina Mitchell-L (FB) 12p Latin Mass Andrew Lewis-L (FCS)
8.50a religious education 1.30p potluck after latin mass pac 6p young adult study mcgivney hall 6p cyo 8p basketball svdp in narthex	5.30a men's workout 9a st isidore garden harvesting 6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall 7.30-9p volleyball pac	6.30p fraternus/fidelis 6.30p columbiettes mcgivney hall 7p men's bible study guadalupe hall
<b>wednesday, 10 sept</b> weekday (English) st nicholas of tolentino (Latin)	<b>thursday, 11 sept</b> weekday (English) sts protus & hyacinth (Latin)	<b>friday, 12 sept</b> the most holy name of mary (English & Latin)
7a Mass Aletheia Mitchell-L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Mary Johnson-L (FRT) 5p Confessions	7a Mass Alexis Rauch-L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Jessica Sadowski-L (FRT)	7a Mass Jeremy Mitchell-L (FTD) 7p Mass James Long+ (FCS)
7p introduction to catholicism pac	3.30p st isidore children's garden 6.30p baptism class walsingham hall 7p k of c mcgivney hall	
<b>saturday, 13 sept</b> st john chrysostom (English) sat of our lady (Latin)	<b>sunday, 14 sept</b> the exaltation of the holy cross (English & Latin)	<b>prayer requests</b> All those serving our country, Brian Aho, Lucretia Albright, Angela Bagley, Deborah Baker, Jim Bannister, Vanessa Baugh, Daniel Bennett, Gerard Brady, Francine Burke, Wrenn Calcutt, Michael Campanelli, Jean Casey, Martha Catel, Frank Cespedes, Julia Chatignyblais, Anna Chevalier & Casey Chevalier, Alan Coker, Rosemary Craig, Gena Cunningham, Alan & Linda Deese, Carol Deretchin, Thomas Dorsey, Gloria Dussich, Jim Eagan, Mary Ann Egan, Annmarie Egas, Andrew Frisari, Kenneth Gifford & Kathryn Gifford, Jim Green, Jennifer Gregory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Shannon Harkins, Eileen Harrison, Mary Jean Heap, Riley Holcomb, Judith Inghram, Carl Jones, Tammy Jones, Alejandro Kawasaki, Laura Kuczewski, Julie Mallo-ry, Mary Martin, Ed Matthews, Dorothy McDonald, Peter McPherson, Connie Meiners, Kathy Melone, Sandy Milton, Janine Moore, Kathleen Mottl & Dan Mottl, Kristina Murphy, Lillie Nesbitt, Elizabeth Nowlan, Alan Olson, Valerie Pachur, Jenn Pfaffl, Doris Pratt, Kenneth Price, David Purpura, Lorenzo Rosa, Rose Schillaci, Christy Smith, Dcn Bob Smith, Lois Smith, Matt Smith, Yanini Smith, Kevin Stanton, Susan Subrizi, Christine Tallman, Laurie Taylor, Rose Teuscher, Joe Valitchka, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Luigina Warga, Kayla Whatley, Sarah Williams, & Stephen Wiltberger.
8a Latin Mass with Procession for National Day of Remembrance for Unborn Zac Cosgrove-L (FCS) 3.30p Confessions 5p Mass with Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross Jim McDonald+ (FRT)	<div>LB</div> 8a Mass with Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross Deceased Perone Family (FTD) 10a Mass with Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross Nick Yates+ (FCS) 12p Latin Mass with Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross For the People of the Parish (FRT)	
40 days for life in narthex	8.50a religious education 6p young adult study mcgivney hall 6p cyo 8p basketball 40 days for life in narthex	
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)

## bounce—loss of a loved one

Be comforted by those who have experienced the grief of the death of a loved one 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

## donating blood

Did you know that when you donate blood at The Blood Connection, Prince of Peace Catholic Church & School has a code to “credit” it to our parish? The code is 3APE.

## new parishioners

Join us in welcoming the following new parishioners: Garrett Engelstad; Alex & Katelyn Johnson and family; Kyle & Tara Killian and family; Chris & Kim Goodman and family

## serve as an usher or greeter

Greeters and ushers are greatly needed across all Mass times! Consider serving your parish in this simple yet meaningful way:

- Be a welcoming face to all who enter the church
- Help create a reverent and organized worship experience
- Offer hospitality that reflects Christ's love

Contact Marco DeMaria at 864.631.7713 or [mad4jen@msn.com](mailto:mad4jen@msn.com)!

## perpetual eucharistic adoration



“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.” Colossians 3:2 RSV-CE

Share a Holy hour with the Lord!  
Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or [adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org).  
All hours are available for prayer, but please consider one of the following hours (\*URGENT HOUR!):

Sunday - 12a\*; Wednesday - 8am; Thursday - 2am\*; Friday - 12p\*; Saturday - 11am & 2p & 11pm

## baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is 11 September at 6.30p in Walsingham Hall. You must 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

The Tuesday evening Men's Bible Study, led by Dcn. Michael Thompson meets Tuesdays at 7p in Guadalupe Hall. All men are invited to join for fellowship and faith formation. Questions? Call 864.365.8178.

## 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: Sigl Family  
in honor of: Fr Smith, for his faithful shepherding of our parish



bread & wine \$20  
donated by: Sigl Family  
in honor of: Fr Smith, for his faithful shepherding of our parish



flowers \$400  
donated by:  
Elsy Bedard & Brian Huff, Jr  
in honor of: their wedding on  
6 September 2025



music \$300



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## prayer shawl ministry

The prayer shawl ministry meets on the third Friday of the month (19 Sept) 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. Questions? Call Paulette at 864.434.0278.

## pop women's craft night

Join a free monthly craft get together on the third Friday of the month (19 Sept) from 6-10p in McGivney Hall. Bring your own supplies to work on a project or come observe others; all skill levels welcome! Contact Melissa S. Miller at 864.569.1417 or Michelle Grabiec at [m\\_grabiec@hotmail.com](mailto:m_grabiec@hotmail.com).

## save these dates—more information to come

- 13-14 September: Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross after Mass
- 28 September: 10a Red, White & Blue Mass
- 5 October: Rosary Sunday Procession
- 12 December: Diamond Jubilee Mass with Bishop Fabre-Jeune, CS and Reception at 6p (RSVP 20-21 September)

## st isidore garden

The St. Isidore Garden grows organic food for the poor. Join us Mondays at 9a to harvest, or stop by anytime to walk, pray, or picnic. All are welcome. Be nourished in body and spirit.

Bring your kiddos to the Fall semester of St. Isidore **Children's Garden Classes** on certain Thursdays from 3.30-4.30p for hands-on adventures in the garden. Each session brings something new to discover:

- 11 Sept – Don't Eat Me, I'm Poisonous
- 25 Sept – Over the Rainbow Phytonutrients
- 9 Oct – Garden Tie-Dye
- 23 Oct – Carving for Little Pumpkins
- 6 Nov – 3rd annual Sweet Potato Harvest

Bring your curiosity (and maybe some play clothes you don't mind getting messy!). Please note: classes are outdoors, so rainy weather may cancel the fun. Contact Katie Bein at [katiemwilliams88@gmail.com](mailto:katiemwilliams88@gmail.com) with questions.

## 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! **Children 18 and under 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).

## interested in learning more about catholicism?

Our Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) program is open to anyone interested in deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith—whether you're a lifelong Catholic seeking a refresher or someone who is simply curious about what Catholics believe.

Participation in the program does not require a commitment to become Catholic; it's a welcoming space to explore, ask questions, and grow in faith. To learn more or to join us, email [ocia@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:ocia@princeofpeacetaylors.org). Classes meet Wednesdays at 7p in the PAC. We'd love to walk with you on your journey!

## annual holiday craft fair

Put on your shopping shoes; it's Holiday Craft Fair time on Saturday, 1 November from 9a-2p. Drop in to see talented artisans, hand crafted items and a selection of holiday delights. Questions? Contact Jim Bindewald at [popcraftfair@charter.net](mailto:popcraftfair@charter.net).

⇒ **Vendor booths are SOLD OUT!**

## marian eucharistic conference

The 13th Marian Eucharistic Conference will be 24-25 October at the Greenville Convention Center. Featured speakers include Fr. Joseph Wolfe (EWTN), Fr. Chris Alar, Fr. Donald Calloway, Daniel Cellucci, Russ Breault, and John Martignoni. General admission: \$135 (includes Friday dinner & Saturday lunch). Youth: \$90.

Register by mail by 11 October. After the deadline, prices increase to \$145. Gluten-free meals available. Free parking. Learn more at [meconferencesc.net](http://meconferencesc.net) or call (864) 354-7160.



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## 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.

## st vincent de paul—needs

St. Vincent de Paul accepts checks made directly to SVdP and online giving through Zeffy. Scan the QR code or [click the link](#) to make your gift to SVdP.



Pantry donations may be left in the large wooden bin in the Narthex. Current pantry needs are:

- **Food:** Canned Veggies, Soup, Rice, Dried Beans, Peanut Butter
- **Household:** Toilet Paper, Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent

**Important Notice:** SVdP does not accept clothing, shoes, or household items. To volunteer, contact [popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com).

## men's breakfast

All men of the parish and their friends are invited to breakfast and fellowship on the first Thursday of each month (e.g. 2 Oct) at 8a at Eggs Up at 3935 Pelham Rd. Contact Don Foertsch at 864.268.3810

## donations—sanctuary lamp & bread and wine

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

## june offertory

Giving to the offertory is convenient and easy. Scan the QR code, click “donate” on our website, or visit Tithely to make a gift <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1479801>. Or, options to give to special projects are available.



Donate

Offertory	As of June 30, 2025		
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 147,271	\$ 173,018	(\$25,747)
Year-To-Date	\$ 1,868,479	\$ 1,892,200	(\$23,721)

## 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](http://princeofpeacetaylors.org) and click the register button.

## invitation to fidelis & fraternus

Looking for a place for your tween/teen to grow in virtue and answer the call to holiness while forming lasting friendships with their Catholic peers? Join Fraternus (for boys) or Fidelis (for girls), which are open to kids in grades 6–12, on Tuesdays in Parish House/PAC. Email Fidelis at [upstatefidelis@gmail.com](mailto:upstatefidelis@gmail.com) or email Fraternus at [ecivdanes@hotmail.com](mailto:ecivdanes@hotmail.com)

## latin mass community monthly potluck

The Latin Mass community hosts a potluck the first Sunday of each month in the PAC after the 12n Latin Mass. Please bring a main dish to share. Volunteers needed for setup and cleanup! Questions? Contact the Green Family at 719.660.3440.

## welcome committee

Interested in helping new folks feel at home at Prince of Peace Catholic Church? Contact Loretta Williams at [welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:welcome@princeofpeacetaylors.org) to learn more about the *Guild of St. Benedict Welcome Committee*. From emails and phone calls to welcoming events, there's a way for everyone to pitch in!

- The Welcome Committee is also collecting gently used hardback or sturdy children's religious books appropriate for ages 1–4. Please drop them off in the church library or reach out to Loretta at the email above.

## substitute teachers needed

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

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## recollections

Friends of St Josemaria will be hosting in-person recollections:

- Evening of recollection for men: Friday, 26 September at 7p with reception in Parish House
- Morning recollection for women: Saturday, 27 September at 9a.

A recollection is a silent mini-retreat. It consists of Benediction, a meditation by a priest of the Pre-lature Opus Dei, an examination of conscience, spiritual reading from the works of St Josemaria or another spiritual author and a talk on a practical topic. contact Thierry at [thierry.wersinger@gmail.com](mailto:thierry.wersinger@gmail.com) or 864.313.5601

## substitute catechists needed

Do you have a heart for sharing the Catholic faith with the next generation? We are currently seeking substitute Catechists to serve in our Religious Education program for K5–8th grade students during the 2025–2026 school year.

To learn more about available roles and responsibilities, please contact Maria Barontini.

## open light media account creation (free)

**Our parish has gifted all families free access to Open Light Media.** To begin exploring this benefit, create an account:

### 1. Create an Account

- Click Here: <https://plus.openlightmedia.com>
- Login, create an account using email address and password (if your name is in the black box on the right)

### 2. To join your group

- Click here [Openlight Media Plus Subscription Plans » Openlight Media](#)
- Click Join Your Group
- Enter your school's zipcode, **then press the right arrow**
- Click on the **school** name (Prince of Peace Catholic SCHOOL—do not say “parish”)
- Complete the fields ROLE and POSITION
- Confirm on the next page

## volunteers needed

Be part of a joyful day benefiting Prince of Peace Catholic Church & School and St. Rafka Maronite Catholic Church. We're looking for friendly helpers for set-up, contest stations, hospitality, and more at our 5th annual Golf Tournament on 15 September at Cherokee Valley Golf Club. Choose a shift that fits your day—or stay with us all day! Lunch provided for volunteers.

Come serve, make new friends, and support our parishes together. Interested? Email John Olson at [jamolson@gmail.com](mailto:jamolson@gmail.com) to sign up or [click the link](#).

## young adult fall retreat

The Diocese of Charleston is hosting a Young Adult Fall Retreat (18-35yo) on 17-19 October at Diakonia Retreat Center (approx. 75 mins west of POP). The theme is “Return the Gaze” and the weekend includes time for rest, silence, and personal encounter with Christ through Scripture, prayer and community. Stay tuned for more details. Questions? Contact Ella Grace Hass at [eghaas@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:eghaas@charlestdiocese.org).

## parish mission—save the date

On 21-23 September, our parish will host a special Parish Mission led by Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., a Capuchin Franciscan friar with a heart for evangelization and renewal. Ordained in 1993, Fr. Tuscan has spent years guiding the faithful through missions, retreats, and reflections that invite people to encounter Christ more deeply.

The mission will draw us into the heart of God's mercy, offering powerful preaching and practical encouragement for daily Christian living. Fr. Tuscan's engaging style weaves together Scripture, the wisdom of the Church, and real-life application, making the timeless truths of our faith come alive in fresh and meaningful ways.

Mark your calendars for 21-23 September and plan to join us for this grace-filled time of renewal. Together, we will prepare our hearts to be strengthened in faith, healed in God's mercy, and sent forth as witnesses of Christ's love.





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## volunteer signup for 40 days for life

Pro-life volunteers will be in the Narthex after Mass on 13-14 September to invite you to sign up for a one-hour time slot of prayer at the Greenville Women's Clinic (1142 Grove Rd.). Our parish is covering Mondays from 8a-6p during the 40 Day for Life campaign happening on 24 September– 2 November. Please stop by the Narthex table to learn more and join us in this life-saving witness.

## theology on tap for young adults

### Theology on Tap

#### Identity and Vocation

"God inscribed in the humanity of man and woman the vocation, and thus the capacity and responsibility, of love and communion." (CCC 2331)

Sep 11 • Oct 16 • Nov 14

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Christ on Main • Greenville, SC

## advent market

Prince of Peace Catholic Church invites you to our annual Advent Market on the church plaza:

Friday, 5 December (5–9p) and Saturday, 6 December (9a–1p). Celebrate the joy of the Nativity with a European-style Christmas market featuring vendors, food, drinks, fellowship, church tours, a life-size hand-carved Nativity, St. Nicholas visits, Lessons & Carols, and more.

- Vendor applications are coming soon! Craft (handmade) and retail (resale) spaces are available.
- Volunteers are also needed to serve on the Vendor Committee to help with vendor selection, placement, and hospitality.

Questions? Please email Michael Sandifer at [michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org)

## 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.*

## national day of remembrance

On 13 September, all are invited to join after the 8a Latin Mass for a prayerful procession to the Angel Garden. Together, we will pray the rosary in loving remembrance of the children who died to abortion, entrusting them to the mercy of God and the care of Our Blessed Mother.

## via fidelis

Via Fidelis is a five-year spiritual journey by the Diocese of Charleston, inviting baptized Catholics to deepen their knowledge, love, and commitment to Christ while walking together in faith and mission.

Each year focuses on a distinct theme—2025: Proclaim the Faith; 2026: Understand the Faith; 2027: Celebrate the Faith; 2028: Serve the Faith; and 2029: Share the Faith—guiding participants through stages similar to the catechumenal process. Each month offers a practical focus, and September's theme is spend time in Adoration. Learn more and take your next step at [charlestondiocese.org/via-fidelis](https://charlestondiocese.org/via-fidelis).

## September | Listen to the Voice of God



"Be still and know" that He is God (Ps 46:11) by spending time in silence or adoration and allow God to speak to your heart.

# Contact Us

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# Happenings & Needs

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## open light media seminar—all parishioners



*Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist*

Join us on Saturday, 20 September from 9a-12p for an Open Light Media seminar featuring Fr. Smith and Sr. John Dominic, including a practical tour of the platform. Coffee and light refreshments provided.

## prayer to our sorrowful mother

O Mother of Sorrows, thou, who beneath the Cross of Jesus were given to us as our Mother, look down with pity on us, thy children, who weep and mourn in this valley of tears. By that sword of sorrow which pierced thy Heart when thou looked upon the Face of thy dead Son, obtain for us that comfort we so sorely need in our sufferings.

Thou were given to us our Mother in the hour of thy greatest grief that thou might be mindful of our frailty and the evils that press upon us. Without thy aid, O Sorrowful Mother, we cannot gain the victory in this struggle against flesh and blood. Therefore, we seek thy help, O Queen of Sorrows, lest we fall prey to the wiles of the enemy. We are orphans in need of the guiding hand of our Mother amid the dangers that threaten our destruction. Thou whose grief was boundless as the sea, grant us by the memory of those sorrows the strength to be victorious.

Intercede further, O Mother of Sorrows, for us and all who are near and dear to us, that we may ever do the Will of thy Son, and may direct all our actions to His honor, and to the furtherance of devotion to thy sorrows.

Amen.

Virgin Most Sorrowful, pray for us.

*Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.*

## ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Acropolis on Pelham Rd. Tuesday, 9 September at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

## 40 days for life

Join Christians across the Upstate for the fall 40 Days for Life campaign, 24 September – 2 November. Although Roe v. Wade has been overturned, abortions still occur, and we must continue to pray and witness until every life is protected from conception to natural death.

The **Kickoff Rally** will be Tuesday, 23 September from 6.30-7.45p at Christ the King Church, 1223 Grove Rd., Greenville. Guest speaker Christy Brown, Culture of Life Coordinator for the Diocese of Charleston, will speak about Rachel's Vineyard. Fellowship, refreshments, and door prizes will follow.

Pray the **Rosary for Life** during the campaign and submit your counts to

[familylife@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:familylife@charlestdiocese.org).

For **sidewalk counseling training** (online or in-person) or to sign up for vigil hours, visit [www.40daysforlife.com/greenville](http://www.40daysforlife.com/greenville) or contact Judy (864.506.0964) or Ingrid (864.991.5873).

## canonization of carlo acutis & pier giorgio frassati

On Sunday, 7 September, the Church will canonize two remarkable young saints: Blessed Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint, and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, known as "The Man of the Beatitudes."

Parishioners are invited to witness this historic celebration live from St. Peter's Square in Rome. EWTN will broadcast the Canonization Mass at 3a ET (live) with a replay at 6p ET. Watch on the EWTN app, streaming devices, cable/satellite providers, or at [EWTN.com](http://EWTN.com). Coverage will be available in both English and Spanish.

## triumph of the heart

Triumph of the Heart is a feature film about St. Maximilian Kolbe and his companions' triumph over the darkness of Auschwitz. It is not for everybody. While containing no objectionable material, because of the intensity of the story this is not a movie for children. Get tickets via Christ on Main for 7p showings on 11, 12 and 13 September at Camelot Cinemas McAlister Square for \$16ea at [THIS LINK](#). No sales at door.



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