

30 november 2025
1st sunday of advent



PRINCE of PEACE
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.



864.268.4352 After hours medical emergencies requiring a priest only: 866.456.2956



parishoffice@princeofpeacetaylors.org

Office hours:

Monday-Thursday 9a-4p *office closed 1-2p
Friday 9a-12p

Stay connected:

Website: 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, 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.



Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Parishioners,

Failure to plan on your part does not constitute an emergency on my part.

Prince of Peace is a very busy place, and because of that, we have to be very strategic in getting people information about what is going on here and scheduling activities and events. The parish staff often plans out more than a year in advance, and it is necessary for ministries and organisations to be pro-active in planning far in advance. It is also needed for everyone to realise that the publication of bulletin, calendar and social media posts takes time, and doing something at the last minute is a good way to not get something on the calendar or not publicized at all.

We have increased demands on our facilities to provide space and PR for more and more events and activities of ministries. But part of the growing pains is also communicating our expectation that those taking the initiative need to be very clear about our realistic time frames and limitations in scheduling and communications. Last minute frantic phone calls and emails when the office is closed or to staff members on their personal time off are signs that things are not thought through well. And if they're not, it is not the job of the staff to make up for lack of prior planning.

Even as the fruit of the capital campaign will be that we will be able to say yes to things that we will have more space for, especially during the day, we need to reiterate that this availability means more puzzle pieces that we have to put together, and that we need cooperation and realistic expectations and understanding to be on everyone's radar screen.

I don't want to have to tell people no to good and worthy things. But no the answer will be if the request does not respect the process for planning and publicizing events! Help us help you to receive a yes, by planning early and often, and communicating well in advance, and frequently. Then my frown may be turned upside down!

In Christ,

Canon Christopher Smith



PEACE IN PROGRESS

BUILDING FOR GENERATIONS

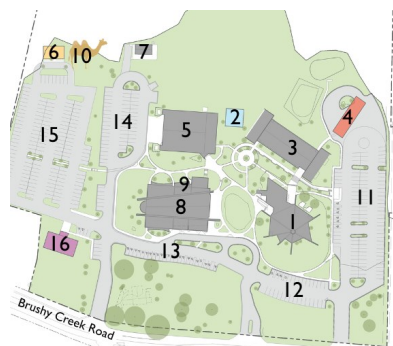


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Our Map—A Smoke, Vape & Tobacco Free Campus



- 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 A

sunday, 30 nov first sunday of advent (English & Latin)	monday, 1 dec advent weekday (English) feria of advent (Latin)	tuesday, 2 dec advent weekday (English) st bibiana (Latin)
LB 8a Mass Rowland Alston-L (FRT) 10a Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 12p Latin Mass Kym & Chris Turpin and boys-L (FCS) 7p Compline	7a Mass Juliana Simon-L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Jonathan & Carey Arrington-L (FRT)	7a Mass Liz Burgdorf-L (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Seger Family-L (FCS)
<i>1p basketball</i> <i>4p advent study parish house</i> <i>angel tree in narthex</i>	<i>5.30a men's workout</i> <i>6p basketball pac</i> <i>6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall</i>	<i>6.30p fidelis/fraternus</i> <i>7p men's bible study guadalupe hall</i>
wednesday, 3 dec st francis xavier (English & Latin)	thursday, 4 dec st john damascene (English) st peter chrysologus (Latin)	friday, 5 dec advent weekday (English) Sacred heart of Jesus (Latin)
7a Mass Lina Carandang -L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Joyce Brandon-L (FRT) 5p Confessions	7a Mass Carol Mullman+ (FCS) 12p Latin Mass Lindsey Kopeck-L (FRT)	7a Mass Tracy Hughes-L (FTD) 11a Confessions (First Friday) 12p Latin Mass Beverly Scovill+ (FCS)
<i>7p introduction to catholicism pac</i>	<i>5.30p aoh mcgivney hall</i> <i>6p basketball</i>	<i>parish office closed (reopens on 9 december)</i>
saturday, 6 dec st nicholas (English & Latin)	sunday, 7 dec second sunday of advent (English & Latin)	prayer requests 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, John Cegledy, 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, Cliff Leavitt, Julie Mallory, 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, Kelly Shane, 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.
6.30a Rorate Mass Brian Mershon-L (FRT) 3.30p Confessions 5p Mass Bill & Linda Standera+ (FTD)	LB 8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 10a Mass McCullen/Simmons Families+ (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Mildred Williamson+ (FCS) 7p Compline	
<i>8a basketball pac</i> <i>9a-12p paint your own pottery</i> <i>7.30p chicora voices church</i> <i>svdp in narthex</i>	<i>8.50a religious education</i> <i>1p basketball</i> <i>1.30p potluck parish house</i> <i>4p advent study parish house</i> <i>6.30p cyo</i> <i>svdp in narthex</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.		



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

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: Julia Gianelloni at 864.561.4733.

vbs 2026

Please save the date(s) for VBS 2026: 22-26 June 2026. If you'd like to volunteer for VBS 2026, please contact maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org

ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Olive Garden on Verdae Rd ,Tuesday, 9 December at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

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!

perpetual eucharistic adoration



“By standing before the Eucharistic Christ, we become holy.”
-St Carlo Acutis

Share a Holy hour with the Lord!
Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

All hours are available for prayer, but please consider one of the following hours (*URGENT HOUR!):

Monday - 1a*, Wednesday - 8a; Thursday - 2a*;
Friday - 12p; Saturday - 11a & 2p; Sunday - 4a

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is 18 December 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.

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

men's bible study

The 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



bread & wine \$20
in memory of Donald E Owen



flowers \$400



music \$300

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october 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 October 31, 2025		
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 150,315	\$ 132,530	\$17,785
Year-To-Date	\$ 627,556	\$ 565,790	\$61,766

immaculate conception

Monday, 8 December is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the patronal feast of the United States and a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Join us in honoring Our Lady and asking her intercession for our parish and families.

Mass times: 7a, 12p (Latin) and 7p

50th anniversary celebration

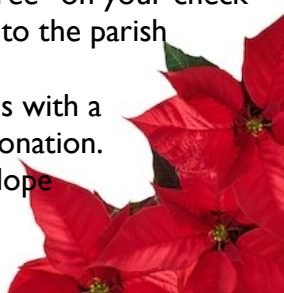
Join us Friday, 12 December at 6p as Bishop Fabre-Jeune, C.S., celebrates a solemn Mass for our parish’s 50th anniversary. A festive reception will follow with authentic Mexican food, Mariachi music, and a photo booth with sombreros and ponchos. RSVP to parishoffice@princeofpeacecatholic.org.

substitute teachers needed

Join our Substitute Teacher list at the parish school! Please email Liz Burgdorf, Receptionist, to learn more at reception@popcatholicsschool.org.

make christmas beautiful at pop

Sponsor a lit Christmas tree for \$275 — your name or company will be listed in the Christmas bulletin. Make checks payable to Prince of Peace Catholic Church and note “Christmas Tree” on your check and envelope. Drop off or mail to the parish office by 12 December at 12p. Honor or remember loved ones with a Christmas flower (poinsettia) donation. Use the Christmas flower envelope and submit by Monday, 15 December at 12p. Print clearly.



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. **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.

new parishioners

Join us in welcoming our new parishioners: Logan Yachaina; Joshua & Emily Piatek; Gary & Diane Marozas; and Vincent & Grace McNair.

blessing of expectant mothers

On Gaudete Sunday, 14 December, all expectant mothers are invited to receive a special blessing at the 10a & 12p Mass. Everyone should wear pink (rose).

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. 4 Dec) at 8a at Eggs Up at 3935 Pelham Rd. Contact Don Foertsch at 864.268.3810

parish office closed

The parish office will be closed Friday, 5 December and Monday, 8 December.

beginning year a

Did you know the Church’s Lectionary follows two different cycles—one for Sundays and one for weekdays? The Sunday cycle runs on a three-year pattern: Year A highlights the Gospel of Matthew, Year B focuses on Mark (with chapter 6 of John), and Year C centers on Luke. Portions of the Gospel of John are proclaimed every year, especially during the Easter season.

The liturgical year doesn’t begin on January 1, but on the First Sunday of Advent, when we shift into the next cycle.

At Mass, the first reading—usually from the Old Testament—echoes the theme of the Gospel, while the second reading, typically from an epistle, moves almost continuously week to week.

Year A readings in the St. Isaac Jogues Missal begin on 30 November.



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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 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.



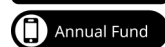
Due to the overwhelming response from our community to be included as recipients in our **Christmas project**, we have exceeded our goal of 125 children. Therefore, we will be providing coats to 167 children, age 12 and under, as well as 151 \$25 gift cards which we have capped at five per family. The total amount we are hoping to raise to cover this project is \$7,950. Donations may be made online by scanning the QR code. Once in Zeffy, please look for the POP SVDP Christmas Angel Tree Campaign and select it for donations to this specific project. You may also place a check in the poor box inside the church. Please note on your check if it is for the Christmas project.

Pantry donations may be left in the large wooden bin in the Narthex. **Needed Items:** cereal, jelly, laundry detergent, macaroni & cheese, toothbrushes (individually packaged) and dry pinto beans. *Please be mindful of expiration dates as we can only accept in date items.*

Nearly new clothing donations are accepted every Monday from 9.30-11.30a at the SVDP trailer. (Except for major holidays or when the parish office is closed). Please **DO NOT** place clothing donations in the bin in the Narthex. We are not able to accept household items, shoes or furniture. If you have donations outside of hours, email popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com to arrange a drop off time.

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!](#)



become a registered parishioner

If you consider Prince of Peace your spiritual home we ask that you register! Please visit our website princeofpeacetaylors.org and click the register button.

advent confession times

Wednesdays 5p & Saturdays 3.30p

Tuesday, 16 December-Thursday, 18 December

7-9a

11a-1p

5-7p

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 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!

abortion healing retreat

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, an after abortion retreat for women and men who want to find peace and closure from their abortion experience. 19-21 December in the Fort Mill area. For more information, please contact Christy 803.554.6088 or Kathy 803.546.6010 or grace4healing@gmail.com.

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recollections

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

- Evening of recollection for men: Friday, 19 December at 7p
- Morning recollection for women: Saturday, 20 December at 9a.

A recollection is a silent mini-retreat. It consists of Benediction, a meditation by a priest of the Prelature 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 or 864.313.5601

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!

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

prepare your heart for christmas

Prince of Peace Catholic Church and the Marian Catechist Apostolate invite you to Come and See—a four-week Advent study and lecture series on Encountering Christ in the Eucharist.

We will meet each Sunday of Advent from 4-6p in Croghan Hall, beginning Sunday, 30 November. Through guided study and weekly lectures, we will deepen our understanding of the Church's authentic teaching on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and allow this truth to shape our anticipation of Christmas.

All are welcome to attend.

rorate masses during advent

Join us for the beautiful Rorate Caeli Mass—a traditional Advent devotion honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, offered just before dawn and celebrated by candlelight. Because it is a Votive Mass in Mary's honor, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet. Rorate Masses will be offered in Latin at 6.30a on Saturdays, 6, 13 and 20 December:

- 6 December – Low Mass
- 13 December – Low Mass with hymns
- 20 December – Solemn High Mass

Come experience the quiet beauty of Advent in the stillness before sunrise.

altar servers—we need you

Bishop Fabre-Jeune will celebrate our parish's 50th Anniversary Mass on Friday, 12 December at 6p, and we want to show him the full strength and reverence of our altar server program.

Please arrive no later than 5.20p.

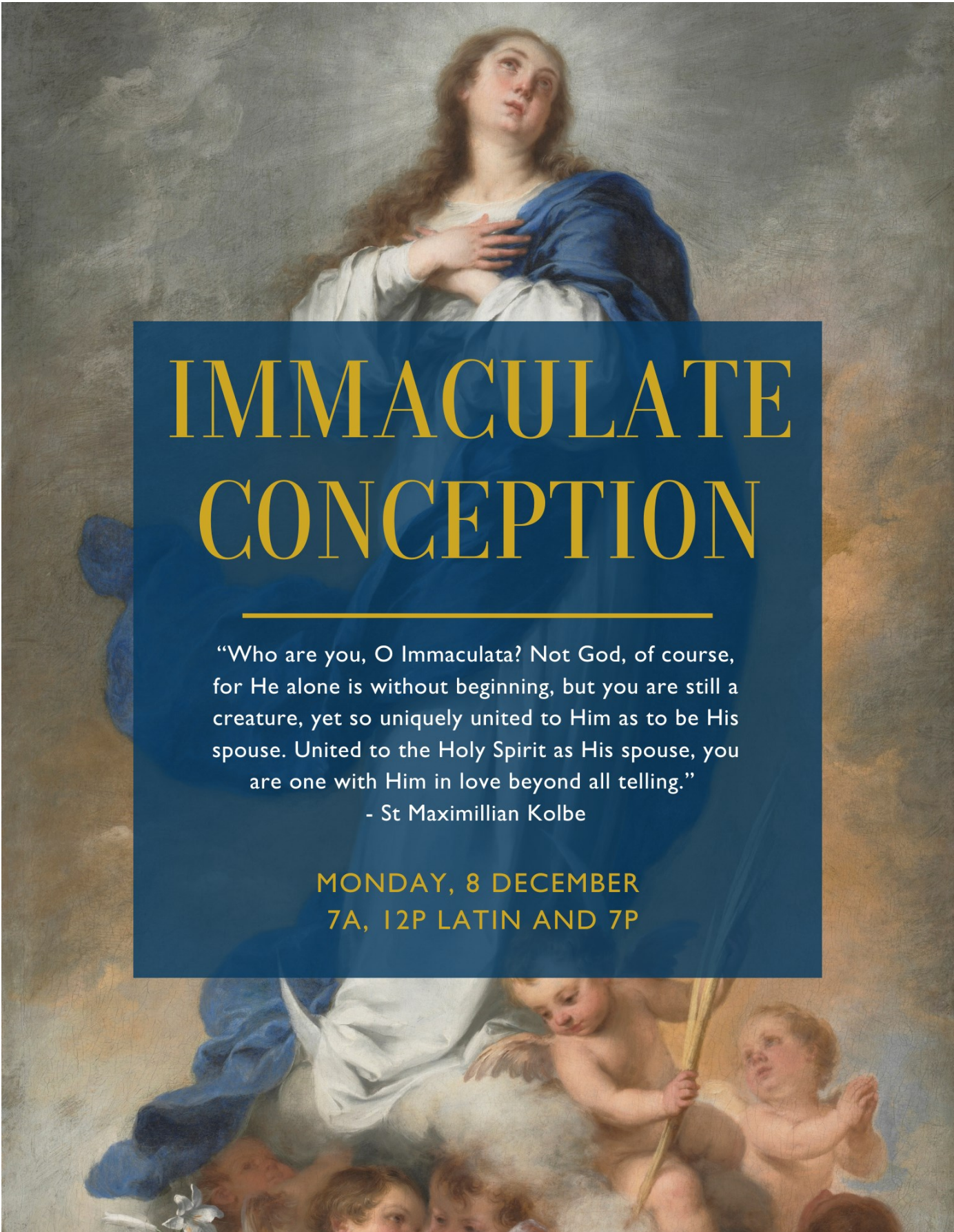
To prepare, mandatory practice will be held Thursday, 11 December at 7p. There are several adjustments for a Bishop's Mass, assignments will be given out at practice. If you want to serve, you must attend.

Let's show our Bishop our very best.



Holy Day of Obligation

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

“Who are you, O Immaculata? Not God, of course, for He alone is without beginning, but you are still a creature, yet so uniquely united to Him as to be His spouse. United to the Holy Spirit as His spouse, you are one with Him in love beyond all telling.”

- St Maximillian Kolbe

MONDAY, 8 DECEMBER
7A, 12P LATIN AND 7P

Contact Us

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Clergy

Fr. Christopher Smith	Pastor	864.268.4352	frsmith@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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Fr Tim Davison	Retired Priest		fr.tim.davison@gmail.com
Altar Servers	Dcn Michael Cavin		michael.cavin@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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Liturgical Ministers	Dcn Michael Thompson		michael.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Baptism Class	Dcn Gus Suárez		gus.suarez@princeofpeacetaylors.org

Parish Staff

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Dcn Nestor Acosta	Pastoral Associate for Sacramental Life	864.331.3905	nestor.acosta@princeofpeacetaylors.org
<i>*contact Deacon Acosta about baptisms, funerals, declarations of nullity and marriage.</i>			
Maria Rauch	Parish Secretary	864.331.3901	maria.rauch@princeofpeacetaylors.org
<i>*contact Maria R. about facility reservations and requesting Anointing of the Sick prior to surgery or when gravely ill, Safe Environment</i>			
Maria Barontini	Pastoral Associate for Children's Catechesis	864.331.3919	maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org
<i>*contact Maria B. about children's catechesis, first confession, first communion, and confirmation</i>			
Michael Sandifer	Pastoral Associate Adult Faith Formation	864.331.3902	michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org
<i>contact Michael S. as ministry liaison and OCIA (introduction to catholicism course)</i>			
Philip Reed	Director of Music	864.331.3904	philip.reed@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Elizabeth Wilson	Associate Director of Music	864.331.3906	elizabeth.wilson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Jeanie Reed	Associate Director of Children's Music		jeanie.reed@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Ed Carl	Sexton		ed.carl@princeofpeacetaylors.org

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

Nathan Barontini	Principal	864.331.2145	principal@popcatholicschool.org
Michelle Zimmerman	Office Manager	864.331.2145	michelle.zimmerman@popcatholicschool.org

Ministry & 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		ocia@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



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pop women's craft group

Join a free craft get-together on the second Sunday of the month from 3-5p in McGivney Hall (**please note the new date and time**). Bring your own supplies to work on a project or observe others; all skill levels are welcome! Contact Michelle Grabiec at m_grabiec@hotmail.com with questions.

chicora voices concert

Chicora Voices, our own Maestro Philip Reed's professional choir, will perform "Christmas in New Spain" in the church at 7.30p on Saturday, 6 December, presenting a concert of festive Renaissance and Baroque music from Spain and the New World. Ring in the Advent and Christmas seasons with lively Spanish villancicos, tender indigenous American carols, and grand sacred works from the cathedrals of colonial Mexico, accompanied by guitars, strings, brass, and percussion. Don't miss this spirited sacred music performance. Visit chicoravoices.org for tickets and more information.

st clare's home gala 2026

Visit <https://e.givesmart.com/events/Lsc/> to purchase tickets or consider sponsorship for the St Clare's Home 5th annual Pink & Blue Gala on 7 February at 6p at the Fluor Dining Venue.

advent prayers for week 1

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 the first (purple) candle 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

new: first friday confession (certain months)

To help the faithful participate more fully in the First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we are offering an extra confession time on select First Fridays. Confessions will be heard from 11a-12p on the following dates: 5 December, 6 February, 6 March, and 1 May.

board of remembrance

In November, our St. Joseph Altar served as a Requiem Altar honoring our beloved dead. Photos and candles may now be retrieved. Any photos not picked up will be kept safely in the parish office for next year.

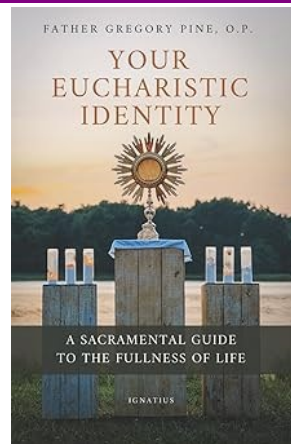
library volunteers needed

Library Volunteers needed! Prince of Peace has a wonderful little cafe-library in McGivney Hall with over 1,000 vetted Catholic books (and counting!). We are seeking volunteers to help open the library throughout the week so all can enjoy it. If you love books, enjoy a hot cup of coffee/tea with friends, and/or are looking for a way to serve your spiritual home, we want you! Please contact Lisa Buss at library@princeofpeacetaylors.org to sign up.

fr smith's advent reading recommendation

Father Gregory Pine's new book, *Your Eucharistic Identity*, is a short book but packed with lots of lessons of how to view our identity as the image and likeness of God within the context of the Eucharist. Whether you are new to the Catholic faith, returning, or just need some extra inspiration for your journey this Advent, this book is destined to be a new spiritual classic!

<https://a.co/d/0PQYrAm>



paint your own pottery at pop

Join us Saturday, 6 December 2025, 9a-noon with Maria Barontini and Julie Stewart (our beloved "plate lady" for First Holy Communion and former owner of The Glazing Pot).

Choose from plates, mugs, ornaments, and figurines—limited stock, prices vary. Venmo or cash accepted. A portion of proceeds benefits Religious Education. Bring your children to paint gifts for loved ones! Custom handprint or thumbprint pieces available at higher prices.

Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094BAAA923A7FC1-60459755-paint>

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