



25 January 2026  
 third Sunday in ordinary time (English)  
 third Sunday after epiphany (Latin)



**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, Dean Schroeder, 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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**Office hours:**

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

**Giving:**

We appreciate your support: [Parish Offertory](#) & [Parish School Giving](#)

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SUNDAY, 25 JANUARY AFTER 10A MASS



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 Catholic School



## From Our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Parishioners,

Archbishop Fulton Sheen once famously commented, “There is not one person in the United States who hates the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they think the Catholic Church is.” I found that, growing up in South Carolina, there was so much ignorance and outright lying about what Catholicism was really about, that many people hated and feared Catholics. As I learned that what I had been taught did not reflect at all what the Church taught, I began to want to discover what the Church actually taught. And that led me to the realization that the exclusive truth claims of the Catholic Church to be the fullness of truth demanded a response. In March 1991 I was received into full communion with that Church.

But the experience of converting to a religion that was misunderstood and maligned made me very skeptical about people who felt the need to pontificate about other people’s religions, because I saw how far their lies were removed from the reality of the beauty of my faith, and how it made peaceful co-existence, or just simple tolerance, impossible. It also made me want to learn more about world religions and Christian communities not because of some vague belief that all religions are equal, but because of one simple truth I learned:

*Ignorance is dangerous. Lies are dangerous.*

As Catholics I know how much you get frustrated when others talk poorly about your faith, your priests, your parishes, your beliefs. And you know how hurtful discrimination and prejudice against Catholics can be. So I have a question: why would we not extend that same grace to others who have a different religion? Extending the grace of becoming educated about other religions and challenging falsehoods is not lapsing into the heresy of religious indifferentism. It means you’re a decent human being. Truth does not need defenders; it needs witnesses. And likewise, lies and misinformation need the clarification of calm investigation and real human contact.

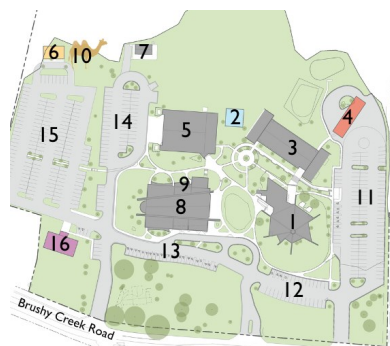
Think about that the next time you consume poisonous social media and parrot what others say about non-Catholics, whether they be Anglicans or Pentecostals, or Muslims or Jews. If you are spending more time reading nonsense on the internet about people who ascribe to these religions rather than reading what their practitioners have to say about their beliefs and actually talking to them like decent human beings, you’re in serious danger of allowing yourself to be deceived by pride, arrogance and haughtiness.

*Knowledge is power. Truth is power.*

In Christ,

*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 A

<b>sunday, 25 jan</b> third sunday in ordinary time (English) third sunday after epiphany (Latin)	<b>monday, 26 jan</b> sts timothy & titus (English) st polycarp (Latin)	<b>tuesday, 27 jan</b> st angela merici (English) st john chrysostom (Latin)
<div>LB</div> 8a Mass Sarah Parker+ (FCS) 10a Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 12p Latin Mass Toca Family-L (FRT) 6p Vespers	7a Mass Fr Pancras Christanand+ (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Jim & Margaret Griffin+ (FRT)	7a Mass Isaiah Redfield-L (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Seger Family-L (FCS)
8.50a religious education parish school open house after 10a mass with donuts on the plaza 1p basketball pac 6.30p cyo	5.30a men's workout 6p basketball 6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall	6.30p fraternus/fidelis 7p men's bible guadalupe hall
<b>wednesday, 28 jan</b> st thomas aquinas (English) st peter nolasco (Latin)	<b>thursday, 29 jan</b> weekday (English) st francis de sales (Latin)	<b>friday, 30 jan</b> weekday (English) st martina (Latin)
7a Mass Donna Wunder+ (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Alyce Sullivan+ (FRT) 5p Confessions	7a Mass Beatrice K Runnion+ (FCS) 12p Latin Mass John Warga, Jr+ (FRT)	7a Mass Randy Sabel-L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Damien Killough-L (FCS)
7p introduction to catholicism pac 7p women's bible study guadalupe hall	6p basketball pac	6p basketball pac
<b>saturday, 31 jan</b> st john bosco (English & Latin)	<b>sunday, 1 feb</b> fourth sunday in ordinary time (English) septuagesima sunday (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, John Cegledy, Anna Chevalier & Casey Chevalier, Alan Coker, Rosemary Craig, Gena Cunningham, Alan 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, Christine Tallman, Laurie Taylor, Rose Teuscher, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Luigina Warga, Kayla Whatley, Sarah Williams, & Stephen Wiltberger.
8a Latin Mass Confraternity of Christian Mothers (FRT) 3.30p Confessions 5p Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT)	<div>LB</div> 8a Mass Deceased Perone Family (FCS) 10a Mass McCullen/Simmons families+ (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Dominic Grancitelli+ (FRT) 6p Vespers	
8a basketball pac 9a marriage prep parish house svdp in narthex	8.50a religious education 1p basketball pac 1.30p potluck parish house 6.30p cyo svdp 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 Gianelloni at 864.561.4733 or Jim Roberts 864.238.6850.

## prayer shawl ministry

The prayer shawl ministry meets on the third Friday of the month (20 February) 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.

## 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



“O Come let us adore Him! O come let us adore Him! O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!”

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!):

Monday - 7a\*; Wednesday - 3p; Saturday - 5a\* & 11a; Sunday - 4a & 9a & 10a

## baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is 12 February 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 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  
donated by:  
Ryan, Elizabeth & Brielle Sigl  
in honor of: Fr Timothy Davison



flowers \$400  
donated by: Geofredo Trejo & Graciela Zamudo  
in honor of: their wedding 1/24/26



music \$300

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## december 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

As of December 31, 2025			
Offertory	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 208,021	\$ 251,280	(\$43,259)
Year-To-Date	976,282	\$ 988,020	(\$11,738)

## 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).

## belonging women's conference

You are invited to the annual Belonging Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, 28 February from 8.30-5p at St. Joseph's Catholic School. The day includes nationally known speaker Barbara Heil, more than 20 workshops, Catholic vendors, Holy Mass, uplifting music, and a catered box lunch—all included with registration. Registration is now open; [www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/Belonging](http://www.HeartRidgeMinistries.com/Belonging)

## 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. 5 February) at 8a at Eggs Up at 3935 Pelham Rd. Contact Don Foertsch at 864.268.3810

## 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](mailto:m_grabiec@hotmail.com) with questions.

## new: first friday confession (certain months)

For the benefit of families, Confessions will be heard from 11a-12p on the following upcoming dates: 6 February, 6 March, and 1 May.

## 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](mailto:jamolson@gmail.com).

## 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.

## columbiettes meet & greet

Please join the Columbiettes at 7p on 1 February in McGivney Hall for a meet and greet with light refreshments, fellowship, and a chance to learn more about this organization.

## candlemas

**Candlemas**, also known as the **Feast of Light**, is a day of purification, renewal, and hope. Celebrated forty days after Christmas, it commemorates the Presentation of the Lord and Our Lady's obedience to the Mosaic Law, as prescribed in *Leviticus 12:2-8*. A  **blessing of candles**  will take place during **Latin Mass on Monday, 2 February at 7p**.

**Candles for the blessing** should be placed on the table **inside the communion rail before Mass**. You may bring your own candles or purchase them through the parish office.

### Parish candle purchase details:

- **Price:** Two 8" candles per box – \$5
- **How to order:** Place payment in the collection basket and write “Candlemas candles” with your name on the envelope
- **Distribution:** On 2 February, purchased candles will be placed on the table inside the communion rail with your name on the box



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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. **Needed Items:** canned fruit, grits, jelly, laundry detergent, pasta sauce, and toothpaste. *Please be mindful of expiration dates.*

**New winter coats, blankets, and throws are being accepted** through the end of February. Donations may be placed in the wooden bin in the Narthex or brought to the SVDP trailer on Mondays from 11a-1p. Please note: the Narthex bin is for coats and blankets only. All other clothing donations must be brought to the trailer during Monday hours or by appointment by email at [popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com)

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and community partners, SVDP provided \$147,598 in utility assistance, 808 food bags, and served 828 families last year. Special thanks to Boy Scouts Troop 925, POP Volleyball Club, St. Isidore Garden, POP-CS, and Greenville Rage Youth Hockey League for their service and donation drives.

## welcome new parishioners

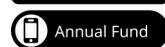
Join us in welcoming new parishioners: Luke & Bethany Powers & family; Leslie-Leah Sobon; David & Rebecca Sullivan & family; Joshua Carlson & Danielle Han; Micheala Andress; Brett & Natalie Casey & family

## ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Lieu's Asian Bistro, located at 103 E. Beacon Drive., Tuesday, 10 February at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

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

## 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!

## 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.

## 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

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## 40 days for life

Members of the Prince of Peace Respect Life Committee will be in the narthex after all Masses on 7-8 February and 14-15 February. Please stop by to learn more and sign up.

We invite all parishioners to prayerfully consider giving one hour to pray at the abortion facility on Grove Road on the following Mondays: 23 February; 2, 9, 16, and 23 March.

Bring a friend and pray together. Many who participate share that this hour of prayer becomes one of the greatest blessings of their week.

## sponsors needed

We are seeking faithful parishioners who are willing to serve as sponsors for OCIA candidates and Confirmation students who do not have a practicing Catholic in their life to fill this role.

A sponsor must be a Catholic in good standing and is asked to walk alongside a candidate during this important season of faith formation. Sponsors offer encouragement, prayer, and personal witness—helping the candidate grow in their understanding of the Catholic faith and inspiring them to live it authentically in daily life. This is a meaningful relationship rooted in accompaniment, not expertise.

Not all volunteers will be matched with a candidate this year; however, we hope to build a running list of parishioners who are open to serving as sponsors as needs arise.

If you feel called to consider this role or would like to learn more, please email Maria Barontini at [maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org](mailto:maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org) to discuss further.

## pop art party 2026

Mark your calendars for the 22nd Annual POP Art Gala on Saturday, 18 April 2026. This year's theme, **When in Rome**, promises an elegant and festive evening inspired by the beauty and culture of Rome—all in support of the extraordinary students of Prince of Peace Catholic School. More details coming soon!

## best of the upstate

Nominations for Best of the Upstate begin 6 February with The Greenville News! Please nominate the parish and school as your “Best Place of Worship,” “Best Private School,” and “Best Preschool.”

## join our blue ribbon school of academic excellence

Prince of Peace Catholic School (Kindergarten–8th Grade) provides a rigorous and well-rounded education that blends a classical approach to English and reading with a modern, research-based approach to science and math. Rooted in our Catholic faith, we form students in virtue, prayer, and academic excellence, partnering closely with parents to educate the whole child.

**Did you know?** Through the Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF), more than 85% of students in South Carolina qualify for a \$7,634 scholarship toward nonpublic school tuition—including Catholic schools like Prince of Peace.

Open enrollment starts on 31 January. For more information, please contact our school office.

Visit us at <https://popcatholicschool.org>

For more information, please call 864-971-4767 or email Mrs. Liz Burdorf at [reception@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:reception@popcatholicschool.org).

## lenten sermon series with fr smith

Throughout Lent at the 5p and 10a Mass, Fr. Christopher Smith will reflect on the Seven Life-Giving Virtues—patience, abstinence, humility, diligence, kindness, liberality, and chastity—inviting us to examine our lives, grow in virtue, and prepare our hearts for Easter.

## ash wednesday

Ash Wednesday is 18 February. Mass and distribution of ashes are as follows:

- 7a Mass with Distribution of Ashes
- 10a No Mass-Distribution of Ashes only
- 12p Latin Mass with Distribution of Ashes
- 5p No Mass-Distribution of Ashes only
- 7p Mass with Distribution of Ashes





## January Is Sanctity of Human Life Month

Give Life a Loving Welcome  
for Mothers with Unplanned  
Pregnancy served by  
Birthright of Greenville



### Baby Essentials

- Diapers (newborn–size 5)
- Baby wipes
- Baby wash/shampoo
- Diaper cream
- Receiving or muslin blankets

### Feeding & Soothing (brand new)

- Bottles
- Pacifiers, teething rings, rattles

### Clothing

- Sleepers (girls): newborn, 3–6 months
- Onesies (girls): newborn, 0–3, 3–6, 6–9 months
- Onesies (boys): newborn
- Baby clothes up to 9 months

### Maternity (brand new)

- Maternity clothes

**Drop off across  
January**

**9a–3p School office**

#### Contact Info:

Kathleen Moynihan, CIC Chair



[kathleensmoynihan@gmail.com](mailto:kathleensmoynihan@gmail.com)



# 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
Sick & Homebound	Dcn Mark Thompson	864.630.0606	mark.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Liturgical Ministers	Dcn Michael Thompson		michael.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Baptism Class	Dcn Gus Suárez		gus.suarez@princeofpeacetaylors.org

## Parish Staff

Phil Head	Director of Administration	864.331.3908	directorofadministration@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Justin Carrick	Finance & Accounting Manager	864.331.3907	bookkeeper@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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](mailto:bulletin submissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org)



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## father daughter dance

Please join us for Prince of Peace Catholic School's annual Father–Daughter Dance—an 80s-inspired evening full of glow, giggles, and great memories! The event will be held on Saturday, 7 February, from 6–8p in the PAC. Dinner will be served.

- Tickets: \$25 per pair + \$10 for each additional child
- RSVP: Please contact the school at 864.331.2145, scan the QR code or [visit this link](#). **RSVPs are due by 28 January 2026.**



## job opening: aftercare and late stay director

The parish school is hiring an Aftercare and Late Stay Director for afternoons from 1–6p Monday–Friday on regular school days, plus about 10 half days (12–6p). Subs can be arranged for certain half days.

**Requirements:** High school diploma/GED, background check, Safe Haven training, and DSS certification (POPCS will assist).

**Responsibilities:** Assist with homework, help with snacks, and supervise students during free play. Submit your resume and cover letter to Principal Barontini at [principal@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:principal@popcatholicschool.org)

## job opening: elementary school teacher

Our parish school- recently honored as a National Blue Ribbon School and State of South Carolina Blue Ribbon School-forms saints and scholars through faith, virtue, and academic excellence. We are seeking a mission-driven Lower Elementary Teacher, preferably a practicing Catholic, with strong early literacy skills and a love for educating the whole child.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to Principal Barontini at [principal@popcatholicschool.org](mailto:principal@popcatholicschool.org)

## pop women's group

All women of the parish are warmly invited to join the POP Women's Group meeting Wednesdays at 7p in Guadalupe Hall. Come gather with us each week for meaningful friendship, encouragement, and shared growth as we deepen our understanding of the Catholic faith together. Whether you are new or returning, you are most welcome. For more information, please contact Karen Cantu at 864.553.1918.

## vespers

Sunday Vespers (Evening Prayer) is a simple, beautiful way to end the Lord's Day. This prayer of the Church includes psalms and Scripture and lasts about 30 minutes.

- Join us Sundays at 6p. during Ordinary Time, through 15 February.

Come as you are—listen, pray quietly, or participate fully. It's a peaceful way to rest in God's presence and prepare for the week ahead.

## recollections

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

- Evening of recollection for men: Thursday, 19 February at 7p. Reception following.
- Morning recollection for women: Saturday, 21 February 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 and a talk on a practical topic. Contact Thierry at [thierry.wersinger@gmail.com](mailto:thierry.wersinger@gmail.com) or 864.313.5601

## school mass notice

We have a weekly School Mass which is the heart of our week. That Mass is no longer open to anyone outside of the school community, which means: parents, grandparents, family members, POPCS students, faculty and staff. The church during school liturgical functions will be closed and locked for the security of our families. Any of those who are admitted should check in at the school first and get the Raptor system clearance before proceeding to the church.



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