



15 february 2026
sixth sunday in ordinary time (English)
quinquagesima sunday (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

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.



From Our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

LENT 2026 SERMON SERIES

The Seven Life-Giving Virtues

Preached by Canon Christopher Smith
Reflections on virtue and conversion through Sacred Scripture

First Sunday of Lent
 Patience and Jesus in the Desert
 Luke 4:1-13

Second Sunday of Lent
 Abstinence and the Enemies of the Cross
 Philippians 3:17-4:1

Third Sunday of Lent
 Humility, Diligence and Moses
 Exodus 3:1-15

Fourth Sunday of Lent
 Kindness, Liberality and the Prodigal Son
 Luke 15:1-32

Fifth Sunday of Lent
 Chastity and the Women Caught in Adultery
 John 8:1-11

Saturdays at 5p & Sundays at 10a

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, 15 feb sixth sunday in ordinary time (English) quinquagesima sunday (Latin)	monday, 16 feb weekday (English) feria (Latin)	tuesday, 17 feb seven holy founders of the servite order (English) feria (Latin)
8a Mass Kathryn Mullane+ (FCS) 10a Mass Thomas & Jane Donohue+ (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Fr Richard Tomlinson-L (FRT) 6p Vespers	9a Mass Bruce H Saunders+ (FRT)	7a Mass In honor of His Holy Face (FRT) 12p Latin Mass Deborah Johnson+ (FTD)
1p basketball pac 6.30p cyo 40 days for life in narthex	5.30a men's workout 6p basketball 6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall	6.30p fraternus/fidelis 6.30p kofc 4th degree mcgivney hall 7p men's bible guadalupe hall
wednesday, 18 feb ash wednesday (English & Latin)	thursday, 19 feb thursday after ash wednesday (English & Latin)	friday, 20 feb friday after ash wednesday (English & Latin)
7a Mass & Distribution of Ashes Anthony Van Zanten+ (FTD) 10a Distribution of Ashes 12p Latin Mass & Distribution of Ashes Jimmy Seger-L (FRT) 5p Distribution of Ashes 5p Confessions 7p Mass & Distribution of Ashes Cordi/del Valle Families-L (FCS)	7a Mass Steve Schultz+ (FCS) 12p Latin Mass Lena Chiriaco+ (FRT)	7a Mass Luisa Beck+ (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Carrie Skalasky-L (FCS) 7p Confessions 7p Lenten Penitential
7p women's study guadalupe hall	6p basketball pac 7p men's recollection church & reception parish house	10.30a prayer shawl group parish house 5.30p FHC retreat set up
saturday, 21 feb st peter damian (English) saturday after ash wednesday (Latin)	sunday, 22 feb first sunday of lent (English & Latin)	prayer requests
8a Latin Mass Jon Hartnett-L (FRT) 3.30p Confessions 5p Mass Blaze Family+ & L (FCS)	8a Mass Alan & Frances Coker-L (FTD) 10a Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 12p Latin Mass Thomas Allgaier, Sr+ (FRT) 7p Compline	All those serving our country, Brian Aho, Lucretia Albright, Angela Bagley, Deborah Baker, Jim Bannister, Vanessa Baugh, Daniel Bennett, Gerard Brady, Jennifer Bunecke, 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 FHC retreat 9a women's recollection church	8.50 religious education 6.30p cyo 8p basketball pac	
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: 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!

president's day

The parish office is closed on Monday, 16 February.

perpetual eucharistic adoration



"Every time we look at the Blessed Sacrament our place in heaven is raised forever." — Gertrude the Great

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 - 12a*; Wednesday - 3p;
Saturday - 11a; Sunday - 9a & 10a

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is 12 March 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
donated by: Lavelle Family
in honor of: Linda Bindewald



bread & wine \$20
donated by: Lavelle Family
in honor of: Linda Bindewald



flowers \$400



music \$300

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january 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>. Options to give to special projects are available.



Donate

As of 31 January 2026			
Offertory	Actual	Budget	Surplus/ (Deficit)
Month	\$ 143,329	\$ 184,660	(\$41,331)
Year-To-Date	\$ 1,119,740	\$ 1,172,680	(\$52,940)

substitute teachers needed

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

best of the upstate

Nominations for Best of the Upstate are collected 6-27 February with The Greenville News! Please nominate the parish and school as your “Best Place of Worship,” “Best Private School,” and “Best Pre-school.” Nominations are made daily.



Best Place of Worship



Best Private School

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 March) 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 (e.g. 8 March) from 3-5p in McGivney Hall. 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.

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.

lenten sermon series with fr davisson

Deepen your Lenten journey through a special five-week sermon series with Fr Tim Davison focused on the virtues that draw us closer to Christ:

- 22 Feb – Mortification and overcoming the threefold concupiscence
- 1 Mar – Faith in Jesus as God
- 8 Mar – Kindness and charity in imitation of the Redeemer
- 15 Mar – Humility and constancy in following Christ, the Light of the World
- 22 Mar – Hope in the mystery of the Resurrection

vacation bible school—21-26 june

Prince of Peace VBS returns 22-26 June with CATChat's Cathletics! Training to Be Champions for Christ—a high-energy week helping children grow in faith, friendship, and joy. The day program (entering Grades 1–6) meets Mon–Thurs 8.15a–12.30p and Fri 8.15a–1.30p, featuring a pizza lunch and our much-loved Water Day. Daily Mass at 11a anchors the week in prayer. A youth evening program (entering Grades 7–12) runs Sun–Thurs (21–25 June), 6–7.30p.

Registration: Adult volunteer families may register now—21 Feb at a discounted rate (adult volunteers are needed!). Childcare and K4/K5 are offered first to volunteer families, then siblings (K4/K5 capped at 15). Parish registration opens 22 Feb by email request **only** to Maria Barontini at maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

Fees: Day program \$50/child (\$125 family max; 20 per grade). Youth evening program \$30/student. Teen volunteers may register beginning 22 Feb—service hours available for school or Confirmation (Class of 2027).



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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.



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

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

Extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners: Gage Calao; Alexandria Witkowski; Kean & Cheri Weidman; Justin Casotti

ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Harbor Inn, 321 Haywood Rd. Tuesday, 10 March at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

new: friday confession (certain months)

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

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.

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!

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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lenten reading

Every year Father Smith during Holy Week says, “Welcome to Jerusalem.” The journey of Lent is like a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Francisco Fernández Carvajal’s *Life of Jesus* will take you on a journey that will help you to see the events in the life of Christ from the inside. Start it as soon as you can, and let it accompany you through to the celebration of the Paschal Mystery at Easter. Father Francisco is a Spanish priest of Opus Dei.

- Available on Amazon: <https://a.co/d/1lvyyXI>

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@princeofpeaceparish.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!

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 the humanities 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.

Enrollment for the next academic year is underway. For more information, please call 864.971.4767 or email reception@popcatholicsschool.org.

days of fasting and abstinence

The present laws of the Church regarding fasting and abstinence during the Season of Lent are as follows:

1. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fasting. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two lesser meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. This obligation binds Catholics aged 18 to 59
2. **Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent** are also days of abstinence. On days of abstinence, meat should not be eaten at any meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics who have completed their 14th year.

The obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is a serious obligation. The Code of Canon Law states: “On these days (of penance), the faithful are in a special manner to devote themselves to prayer, to engage in works of piety and charity, to deny themselves by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence...”



Q2 FY26 Financial Summary

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Prince of Peace Catholic Church Statement of Income Fiscal YTD - 07/01/25 to 12/31/25 In Dollars

	6 Months Fiscal YTD - December 2025			6 Months Fiscal YTD - December 2025	
	Actual	Budget	Variance to Budget	Prior YTD Actual	Variance to Prior Yr.
TOTAL PARISH REVENUE					
Offerory Collection	\$ 976,410	\$ 988,020	\$ (11,610)	\$ 938,036	\$ 38,374 F
All Other Revenue	228,092	133,280	94,812 F	90,746	137,346 F
Total Parish Revenue	\$ 1,204,502	\$ 1,121,300	\$ 83,202 F	\$ 1,028,782	\$ 175,720 F
TOTAL PARISH EXPENDITURES					
Operating & Administrative Expenses	\$ 1,026,222	\$ 1,043,302	\$ 17,080 F	\$ 965,988	\$ (60,234)
Non-Operating Expenses	20,997	8,600	(12,397)	7,313	(13,684)
Total Parish Expenditures	\$ 1,047,219	\$ 1,051,902	\$ 4,683 F	\$ 973,301	\$ (73,918)
Net Surplus or (Deficiency)	\$ 157,283	\$ 69,398	\$ 87,885 F	\$ 55,481	\$ 101,802 F

Note: "F" Denotes Favorable Variance

Prince of Peace Catholic Church Balance Sheet Comparison - As of December 31, 2025 Compared to Last Fiscal Year-End In Dollars

	December-25	June-25	Variance	Comments
Cash	\$ 180,238	\$ 104,634	\$ 75,604	
General Savings	841,168	261,444	579,724	Peace in Progress Capital Campaign transfer to DoFC Savings account (+\$575.0K); YTD interest earned (+\$4.7K).
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	No variance
Prepaid Expense	3,300	-	3,300	NewWave Solutions (IT Vendor)
Total Current Assets	\$ 1,024,704	\$ 366,079	\$ 658,625	
Land, Bldgs. & Equipment				
Total Land, Bldgs. & Equipment	14,056,362	13,947,656	108,706	Cross Project (+\$44.8K); Continuo (duct flute) organ (+\$62.0K); Frontal donations for Altar of Sacrifice (+\$15.8K); Adoration Chapel pews and kneelers (+\$3.2K); QS3 Networks (-\$32.7K) equipment not delivered; Walsingham Hall Security equipment due to Lightning Strike (+\$2.7K). Cross Light (+\$2.6K). Additional NewWave Solutions security equipment for Walsingham Hall and Adoration Chapel (+\$10.3K).
Total Assets	\$ 15,081,066	\$ 14,313,735	\$ 767,331	
Liabilities & Equity				
Total Liabilities	\$ 730,608	\$ 120,559	\$ 610,049	A/P accrual change since fiscal year-end (-\$49.3K); Peace in Progress Building Campaign, net (+\$696.7K); Cross Project (-\$41.5K), net; Organ Fund, net (+\$3.0K); Campus Security Funding (+\$2.7K); Confraternity of Christian Mothers (-\$1.6K); All Other (+\$0.1K). YTD net surplus.
Total Equity	14,350,458	14,193,176	157,282	
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 15,081,066	\$ 14,313,735	\$ 767,331	

2nd Quarter FY26 Financial Statements Note

The Year-to-Date (Y-T-D) Offerory of \$976.4K is unfavorable to Budget by \$11.6K, but ahead of the previous year by \$38.4K. We hopefully will get back on track to Budget during the 3rd Quarter, but the two ice and snow weekends will put a definite strain on the Full Year Budget. Other Income has helped the bottom line surplus from additional funding for the Cross Project as well as donations for the Altar of Sacrifice frontals and the Adoration Chapel pews and kneelers recovering. Our Total Parish Expenses continue to be managed and show that we are slightly favorable to our Y-T-D Budget by \$4.7K at the bottom line expense. The net result is showing a \$157.3K Y-T-D surplus and a Y-T-D favorable variance to Budget of \$87.9K through the 2nd Quarter of our fiscal year. The balance sheet reflects an improvement in cash since the end of the year by about \$76K which follows our bottom line surplus. Our working capital requirements may still require us to withdraw \$50K from our savings during this fiscal year depending on how well we perform to our Offerory Budget. This year, our Cross Project was our primary capital project to complete. What a wonderful and unique donation to the parish and a lovely addition to the campus. At this time, we believe we are still on track to achieve the full year Budget. As always, we are grateful and thank you sincerely for your continued financial contributions without which we could not achieve the things you help provide and bring to life for the parish and the school.

The Parish Finance Council



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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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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
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Submit your announcements 2 weeks prior to the desired bulletin date to bulletin submissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org



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bulletin advertising

We extend our sincere thanks to our current bulletin advertisers whose generous support makes this important parish communication possible at no cost to our parish. Because of you, our bulletin is available both in print and online and continues to be a valuable way to stay connected as a church family.

Our bulletin publishing partner, Mark Fitzgerald from Diocesan, is currently working to renew existing advertisements and to welcome new bulletin advertisers. Mark will be reaching out to our current sponsors in the coming days—thank you in advance for your continued support through ad renewal.

If you are interested in advertising in the bulletin on behalf of your business, family, favorite charity, or in memory of a loved one, we invite you to contact Mark directly. Bulletin advertisers recognize the tremendous value of reaching our parish community, and we ask parishioners and guests to support these generous sponsors whenever possible. Mark will be on site at the parish Tuesday, 17 February through Thursday, 19 February and can be reached at 614.205.4841 or by email at mfitzgerald@diocesan.com.

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.

prayers for the dead

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jack Simmons, husband of Ginger, who died on 29 January 2026.

fraternus thank you

With gratitude, we thank Ernesto Cividanes for his faithful service as Commander of our Fraternus chapter, and we warmly welcome Stephen Ross as he steps into this leadership role.

via fidelis

Via Fidelis Year 2 begins on Ash Wednesday, 18 February. Our 2026 theme, Understand the Faith, invites us to know and love our Catholic faith more deeply through the Catechism of the Catholic Church—a gift of the Second Vatican Council given to the Church by St. John Paul II. With the Bible and the Catechism together, we can learn doctrine, discern God's will, and open our hearts to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Best of all, the full Catechism is readily available online, making this rich treasury of our faith accessible to all.

job opening: elementary school teacher

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peace in progress campaign update

Capital Campaign Update as of January 31, 2026

- \$1.691M pledged toward our \$2.4M goal (70.5%)
- \$728K in gifts received toward our \$1.2M cash goal (60.7%)
- 245 families participating (19.7% of parish households)
- \$725K deposited in Diocesan Savings through January to earn interest (including \$575K received through Q2 FY26)

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to strengthening our parish for generations to come.

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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