

6 september 2026
23rd sunday in ordinary time (English)
15th sunday after pentecost (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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Monday-Friday 9a-4p *office closed 1-2p

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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 Friends in Christ,

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is preparing a document about the celebration of funerals, because parishes everywhere are seeing all kinds of very strange things that people are wanting for funerals, that are at variance with an authentically Catholic understanding of the transition from death to life. For a while we used to get all kinds of bizarre requests that we had to say no to, and now you see fewer and fewer requests for funeral liturgies at all.

We are now also seeing all kinds of weird things couples want for their weddings. Until the 16th century, even Catholic couples tied the knot in all kinds of simple ways, and then went to Mass for a blessing at their parish church. When the Protestant Revolution denied that marriage was a sacrament, and then denied the indissolubility of marriage, the Church bound her children to exchange their vows before a minister of the Church, receiving the blessing at that moment and then celebrating that moment with Mass. What are called the explicative rites of marriage, signs and symbols besides the vows, often showed great diversity but were rooted in local customs of long standing, and were approved by ecclesiastical authority. These customs included the blessing and exchange of rings, crowning with flowers or crowns, the giving of coins as a sign of a dowry, or a veil or rope or rosary to link the couple.

Today, the sad state of catechesis among Catholics means that even some Catholics do not know that for the validity of their marriage they have to be married in the Catholic Church before a priest or deacon. The DIY design your own ceremony attitude, driven by TV, movies and social media, now has couples spending exorbitant amounts of money to basically put on a show that they think is a special personalized version of their “special day.” And that is usually years after living together in a simulacrum of marriage with cohabitation, even after they hear the Church tell them that is a terrible idea.

The very few customs that are allowed by ecclesiastical authority, rooted in real custom and theological depth, are scorned in favor of eclectic observances and supposed traditions. Young couples are driving themselves into serious debt keeping up with the Joneses with these receptions and rehearsal dinners and wedding coordinators and the whole gamut of things. And now they are making demands on their already pre-planned service at the church. As social media gets more extreme in the wedding racket clickbait, even traditionally minded Catholics are being sucked into the entitlement and the insanity.

The parish is committed to preserving the sacred character of the sacrament of marriage, by a real preparation for the sacrament and observing the liturgical norms for the wedding ceremony that are approved by proper ecclesiastical authority. We constantly have to refine our wedding policies because of what we are seeing, even at a parish like Prince of Peace. Bridezilla is not a good look on any woman, and even worse than that is Groomzilla, which is a terrifying modern phenomenon that just screams divorce court in the near future. We also refuse to speak to the scariest creature of them all, the Mother of the Bride. We deal with the couple themselves, and no one else.

If you are Catholic, get married in church. Throw a party and design something special there. But let church be church, and let Mass be Mass and the Rite of Matrimony be celebrated according to the noble simplicity that comes forth from the heart of the Church.

In Christ,

Canon Christopher 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

sunday, 6 sept 23rd sunday in ordinary time (English) 15th sunday after pentecost (Latin)	monday, 7 sept weekday (English) feria (Latin)	tuesday, 8 sept the nativity of the blessed virgin mary (English & Latin)
8a Mass Perone Family+ (FCS) 10a People of the Parish (FTD) 12p Latin Mass Fr Timothy Davison-L (FTD)	9a Mass Bill Sloka+ (FTD)	7a Mass Merlita Carandang-L (FRT) 12p Latin Mass John Warga, Jr+ (FCS)
<i>no religious education</i> <i>1.30p potluck pac</i> <i>no cyo</i> <i>svdp in the narthex</i>	<i>5.30a men's workout</i> <i>6.30p volleyball pac (game times vary)</i> <i>6.30p legion of mary walsingham hall</i> <i>parish and school closed</i>	<i>6.30-8p fraternus/fidelis</i> <i>6.30p columbiettes mcgivney hall</i> <i>7p men's bible study guadalupe hall</i>
wednesday, 9 sept st peter claver (English & Latin) st gorgonius (Latin)	thursday, 10 sept weekday (English) st nicholas of tolentino (Latin)	friday, 11 sept weekday (English) sts protus & hyacinth (Latin)
7a Mass Aiden Grimes-L (FTD) 12p Latin Mass The Buerger Family-L (FRT) 5p Confessions	7a Mass Cheryl Wargo+ (FRB) 12p Latin Mass Gavin Killough-L (FRT)	7a Mass Alexis Rauch-L (FRB) 12p Latin Mass Jessica Sadowski-L (FRT) 6p Vespers of the Dead & Benediction for the 25th anniversary of 9/11
<i>7p introduction to catholicism pac</i>	<i>6p fhc parent mtg parish house</i> <i>6.30p baptism class walsingham hall</i> <i>7p kofc mtg mcgivney hall</i> <i>7.30p confirmation parent mtg parish house</i>	<i>6p ccm setup pac</i> 
saturday, 12 sept the most holy name of the blessed virgin mary (English & Latin)	sunday, 13 sept 24th sunday in ordinary time (English) 16th sunday after pentecost (Latin)	prayer requests
8a Mass Jeremy Mitchell-L (FRT) 3.30p Confessions 5p Mass Jim McDonald+ (FRT)	8a Mass People of the Parish (FTD) 10a Mass Thomas & Jane Donohue+ (FRT) 12p Latin Mass James Long+ (FRT)	All those serving our country, Bryan Aho, Lucretia Albright, Angela Bagley, Deborah Baker, Jim Bannister, Vanessa Baugh, Daniel Bennett, Eileen Bobo, John Booth, Gerard Brady, Jennifer Bunecke, Francine Burke, Wrenn Calcutt, Jean Casey, Martha Catel, John Cegledy, Frank Cespedes, Julia Chatignyblais, Anna Chevalier & Casey Chevalier, Rosemary Craig, Jimmy & Marie Crockett, Gena Cunningham, Alan Deese, Carol Deretchin, Thomas Dorsey, Jack Duryea, 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, Kristen Jarrae, Carl Jones, Tammy Jones, Jacob Juliano, Sandy Juliano, Alejandro Kawasaki, Laura Kuczewski, Cliff Leavitt, Erin Lewis, Gary Little, Ruddy Love, Julie Mallory, Mary Martin, Ed Matthews, Dorothy McDonald, Peter McPherson, Connie Meiners, Kathy Melone, Connie Mershon, Don & Sandy Milton, Janine Moore, Dan & Kathleen Mottl, Kristina Murphy, Lillie Nesbitt, Elizabeth Nowlan, Valerie Pachur, Jenn Pfaffl, Doris Pratt, Kenneth Price, Paola Rivera, Rose Schillaci, Kelly Shane, Christy Smith, Dcn Bob Smith, Lois Smith, Matt Smith, Yanini Smith, Kevin Stanton, Christine Tallman, Rose Teuscher, Carole Trickett, Cal Valois & A. Thana Pacco Rivas, Luigina Warga, Kayla Whatley, Sarah Williams, & Stephen Wiltberger.
<i>9a ccm pac</i> <i>40 days for life in the narthex</i>	<i>8.50a religious education</i> <i>after 10a mass coffee social & sports</i> <i>open house pac</i> <i>3-5p craft group mcgivney hall</i> <i>6.30p cyo</i> <i>40 days for life in the narthex</i>	
<i>Please contact the Parish Office to request that a name be added to the prayer list.</i> <i>We will leave names on the prayer list for two weeks, unless requested otherwise.</i>		



Happenings & Needs

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homebound ministry

If you are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, contact Dcn 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 (e.g. 5 September) 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 (e.g. 18 Sept) at 10.30a. They crochet/knit shawls/lap robes that they donate to nursing homes, cancer and dialysis centers. They welcome more volunteers and donations of yarn. 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!

perpetual eucharistic adoration



"Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for he is gracious! (Psalms 135:3 RSV-SB)

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; Tuesday - 9a, Wednesday - 7a, Thursday - 2a*, 11a* & 6p, Saturday - 7p & 9p

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a Baptism Class. The next class is 10 September at 6.30p in Walsingham Hall. You must register by contacting Dcn 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.

ladies lunch bunch

The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Lieu's Chinese Bistro, Tuesday, 8 September at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.

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)



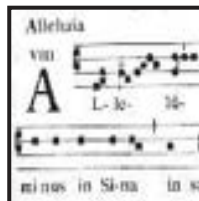
sanctuary candle \$20



bread & wine \$20



flowers \$400



music \$300

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july 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.



As of July 31, 2026			
Offertory	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)
Month	\$ 143,259	\$ 144,200	(\$941)
Year-To-Date	143,259	144,200	(\$941)

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. 1 Oct) at 8a at Eggs Up at 3935 Pelham Rd. Contact Jack Stewart 864.787.7592.

pop women's craft group

Join a free craft get-together on the second Sunday of the month (e.g. 13 Sept) from 3-5p in McGivney Hall. Bring your own supplies to work on or observe others; all skill levels welcome! Questions? Contact Michelle Grabiec m_grabiec@hotmail.com.

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.

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.

substitute teachers needed

Join our Substitute Teacher list at the parish school! Please email Michelle Zimmerman, Office Manager, at michelle.zimmerman@popcatholicschool.org.

pilgrimage to turkey with fr smith 2027

Step into the lands of the early Church on a pilgrimage to Turkey, 3-12 June 2027, where the faith first spread across the ancient world. Journey through Istanbul (Constantinople), visit Nicaea where the Nicene Creed was proclaimed, and walk the ancient streets of Smyrna and Ephesus where St. Paul preached. Pray at the House of the Virgin Mary and honor saints such as St. Polycarp and St. John the Evangelist. This pilgrimage offers not only remarkable history and sacred sites but a profound opportunity for spiritual renewal in the cradle of Christianity. Starting at \$3,995 per person. Learn more at stcharlespilgrimages.com/smith

40 days for life kickoff rally

Join us Tuesday, 22 September, 6.30–7.45p at Christ the King Church (1223 Grove Rd., Greenville) for prayer, music, fellowship, and a light meal. Guest speaker: Megan Pillow. Parking available; bring a chair if needed.

st isidore garden

Join us every Monday from 9.30–11a in the Prince of Peace Garden. Help harvest fresh produce for the St. Vincent de Paul Society while enjoying fellowship and time outdoors. No gardening experience is necessary. Everyone is welcome!

welcome new parishioners

Join us in welcoming: Jilian Morgan; Matthew Schnee; Ellen Stanbach; Dominic & Aline Bosch & Family; Mitch & Hannah Bliley & Family; Justin Chu; William Miller

recollections

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

- Evening of recollection for men: Friday, 25 September from 7-8.30p. Reception following.
- Morning recollection for women: Saturday, 26 September from 9-10.30a.

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 or 864.313.5601



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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. Please consider supporting the gift of comfort for those in need.

st vincent de paul

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.



All clothing donations must be brought to the trailer during Monday hours or by appointment by email at popsvdpvolunteer@gmail.com

coffee social & sports open house

Join us Sunday, 13 September, after the 10a Mass for Coffee Sunday and a special POP Athletics Open House in the PAC! Grab a cup of coffee and a donut, enjoy fellowship with fellow parishioners, and learn more about the sports and activities offered at Prince of Peace.

Meet coaches, explore upcoming athletic programs, and get registration information for the 2026–2027 season. Not interested in sports? Come for the coffee and fellowship—we'd love to see you!

POP sports teams and approved activities: Interested in hosting a table at the Open House? Contact John at 864.354.5680 or by email at pop Taylors.bball@gmail.com.

retrouvaille

Marriage Troubles? If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you might have grown cold and distant; or even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help...as it has already helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program begins 2–4 October. For information, visit www.helpourmarriage.org, or call Bill & Lyn Folsom 727.343.6701. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in absolute confidence.

parish school donations

Did you know that 25% of families rely on POP 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!

holiday craft fair

Save the date for the 2026 Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, 7 November in the PAC. Vendor spots are sold out! Contact Jim Bindewald at popcraftfair@charter.net with questions.

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 zip code 29687, **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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fall adult bible study

The Bible is a *Catholic* book! Despite this, for many Catholics, the Bible is thoroughly intimidating. Where do you begin? What are you supposed to do with all the laws and genealogies? Does this ancient text have any impact on our daily lives today? All these questions and more will be discussed in great detail this year as we embark on the Bible Timeline course. By dividing the story of Scripture into 12 time periods, we can see the shape of the Word of God and better come to know, love, and embrace God's message of Salvation as revealed in Holy Scripture. Join us at 6p on Thursdays (**skip 10 Sept**) in Croghan Hall to begin the Great Adventure! Materials cost \$36, with scholarships available. Questions or registration: michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org

introduction to catholicism

Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Are you a Cradle Catholic with questions? Whether you're new to Christianity or are looking to come back home after an extended time away, Introduction to Catholicism is here for you. Get the full picture of the fundamentals of Catholic Doctrine and ask those questions you've always wanted to but never quite knew where to ask. We're looking forward to diving into the Catholic Faith together! Join us, Wednesdays in the PAC, at 7p. Questions: email michael.sandifer@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

sacrament of baptism

Please welcome the newest member of the Body of Christ:

- **Tobias Aquino Connelly**, child of Thomas and Aranza, who was baptized on 28 August. Please submit your baptism announcements to communications@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

september via fidelis

This month's Via Fidelis activity is to participate in a faith formation opportunity offered by your parish or the diocese. Revisit OCIA, attend a Bible study, or join a retreat—whatever you choose, simply take an opportunity to grow in the knowledge and love of our Catholic faith.

mandatory sacrament meetings

Important RE Dates:

- **10 September** Mandatory First Holy Communion Parent meeting 6p in Parish House
- **10 September** Mandatory Confirmation Parent meeting 7.30p in Parish House

Questions? Contact Maria Barontini by email at maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

men's bible study

Deacon Michael Thompson leads a Men's Bible Study meeting Tuesdays at 7-8p in Guadalupe Hall discussing the Book of Genesis. All men should come. Contact Dcn Thompson at 864.365.8178 with questions.

choirs for children

Children's choirs begin rehearsals Wednesday, 9 September, and Youth Choir begins Thursday, 10 September. Registration forms are available in the music office, or by emailing Elizabeth Wilson.

Primary Choir: 1st-2nd graders.

Junior Choir: 3rd-6th graders.

Youth Choir: 6th-12th graders.

poptoberfest

POPtoberfest is coming! Join us Saturday, 24 October, from 6–9.30p for a fall evening of food, fellowship and fun for the whole Prince of Peace community, including Trunk-or-Treat from 7–8.30p. Come enjoy the festivities with your family and friends!

Want to help make the night a sweet success?

- **Decorate a Trunk:** Get creative and decorate your car for Trunk-or-Treat! Trunks will need to be set up before 5p Mass in the upper parking lot. You don't have to stay with your car all evening; middle school students can help with unattended trunks. Additional setup details will be shared with participants.
- **Donate Candy:** Candy donations are welcome and appreciated! Please bring donations to the school front office, Monday–Friday, 8a–3.15p, 9-23 October. Donations before the day of the event are preferred.

Questions or want to decorate a trunk? Email Michelle Zimmerman at

michelle.zimmerman@popcatholicschool.org



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fraternus & fidelis

Looking for a place for your teen to grow in virtue, answer the call to holiness, and form lasting friendships with Catholic peers?

Fidelis (for girls) and Fraternus (for boys) are Catholic mentoring programs for young people in **6th–12th grades**, forming young women and men in virtue through sisterhood, brotherhood, and the witness of faithful Catholic mentors.

Fidelis and Fraternus return **Tuesday, 1 September**, meeting weekly on Tuesdays from **6.30–8p**.

catholic youth organization

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is for grades 9–12. During the school year, young men and women meet on Sundays 6.30–8.30p to share a meal, play games, and talk about faith. To learn the meetup location or ask questions, contact John and Steph Lasitter at cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

st john vianney club

Could God be calling you to the priesthood? The St. John Vianney Club offers men an opportunity to explore that question through prayer, fellowship, and conversation with others who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

Under the direction of Fr. Tim Davison, the group meets monthly in Blessed McGivney Hall at Prince of Peace. The first meeting will be Tuesday, 22 September at 7p and is open to men ages 18 and older.

Interested in attending or learning more? Contact Fr. Tim at fr.tim.davison@gmail.com.

donations of appreciated stock

Consider a gift of appreciated stock for your annual giving. This method can offer significant tax benefits while providing crucial support to our parish. For more information on how to give stock and updated transfer instructions, please contact Justin Carrick.

honor svdp with an act of charity

Sunday, 27 September is the feast day of St. Vincent de Paul, patron saint of charitable works. In his honor, we will conclude 10a Sunday Mass with a procession of donated goods to our St. Vincent de Paul building—a visible expression of our call to serve Christ in those in need.

Parishioners are invited to bring items to donate and join the procession following 10a Sunday Mass. The St. Vincent de Paul building will then be open for an Open House, offering an opportunity to see where your gifts go and learn more about the work of this important parish ministry.

get excited about these fall events

- 11 September: 6p Vespers of the Dead & Benediction on the 25th anniversary of 9/11
- 14 September: 6th Annual Golf Charity Greenville Tournament
- 18 September: 6p Middle School Open House
- 3 October: 10a Blessing of Animals with Fr Richard Tomlinson
- 4 October: Vespers with Rosary Procession following
- 15 October: Visit with Salva Dut leader of the Lost Boys of South Sudan and founder of Water for South Sudan
- 24 October: 6p POPtoberfest (community-wide celebration in Oktoberfest style with food, games, beer and cider, trunk or treat, cornhole tournament and more!)
- 1 November: 10a Mass and Saints Procession (children invited to dress as saints and/or carry icons); Vespers of All Saints (Church) followed by Vespers of the Dead at Woodlawn Memorial Park (candlelit)
- 7 November: Holiday Craft Fair
- 8 November: BBQ & Potluck of Gratitude for Veterans (all parishioners invited to honor veterans)
- 5 December: Advent Market
- 6 December: Blessing of Bambinelli

labor day

The parish office will be closed on Monday, 7 September in observance of Labor Day.



Contact Us

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

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

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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
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CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	John & Stephanie Lasitter		cyo@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Food & Financial Assistance	St. Vincent de Paul Society	864.331.3937	
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Happenings & Needs

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9/11 remembrance

Join us for Vespers of the Dead & Benediction on the 25th anniversary of 9/11, Friday, 11 September, at 6p, led by Fr. Richard Tomlinson.

calling all veterans

In preparation for our Gathered in Gratitude Veterans Day BBQ (provided) & Potluck (bring a side) on Sunday, 8 November, following the 10a Mass, we invite all veterans to share their name, branch of service, and years of service so that we may honor them during the celebration. Contact Erin Lewis at elewis@greenvillespine.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 or 864.501.8954.

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Raise your children with the prayer and support of faithful Catholic women. Whether your children are toddlers or adults, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers offers spiritual formation, fellowship, and a community committed to praying for one another and our families.

At Prince of Peace, the Confraternity has provided school scholarships and new cassocks for our altar servers, while members are remembered at a monthly Mass and pray daily for one another’s children.

Fall Enrollment | Saturday, 12 September, 8a–12p
Join us for Holy Mass, enrollment of new members, brunch, and guest speaker Andy Frisari, who will bring a first-class relic of St. Padre Pio.

Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday at 7p in McGivney Hall. For enrollment information, email ccm@princeofpeacetaylors.org

COR — for men of the parish

Cor is a 60–90 minute gathering built around prayer, formation, and brotherhood. Whether you're a cradle Catholic or still finding your footing in the faith, Cor is for you. No experience necessary — just a willingness to show up and grow alongside your fellow men. Cor meets every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month in McGivney Hall at 9a. Questions? Contact Fred Downie at 864.321.0811.

6th annual golf charity greenville tourney

Mark your calendars for the 6th Annual Golf Charity Greenville Tournament on Monday, 14 September, 2026, at beautiful Cherokee Valley Golf Club.

Join us for a day of golf, fellowship, and philanthropy as we come together to support important charitable causes in our community. Whether you're a returning participant, sponsor, or considering joining us for the first time, we invite you to reserve the date now.

Visit princeofpeacetaylors.org/golf-tournament/ for details regarding registration, sponsorship opportunities, and event activities. Contact Event Chair, Mike Gertz at mike.gertz@att.net with questions.

sermon series by fr christopher smith

Who is Jesus Christ? Join Fr. Christopher Smith for this sermon series as he explores the mystery of Christ's identity and what it means for our lives as His disciples.

~~16 Aug — Emmanuel, God with Us: The Incarnation~~

~~23 Aug — King of Kings and Lord of Lords: The Transcendent God~~

~~30 Aug — Teacher and Preacher: “I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life”~~

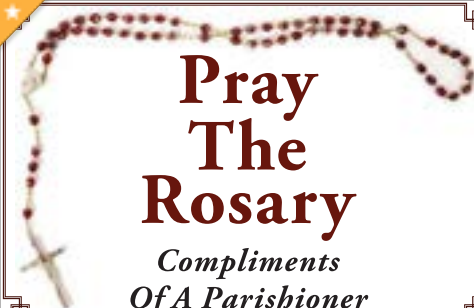
6 Sept — Miracle Worker: Healer and Restorer of Life (skip 13 Sept)

20 Sept — Liberator: Freedom Fighter for Justice

27 Sept — Prince of Peace: Sovereignty and Dominion

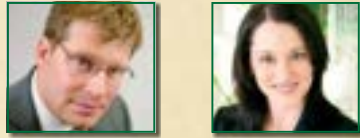
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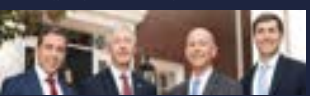
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