

prince of peace

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A Parish Family of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston

Most Revd Robert Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston

parish clergy

Fr Christopher Smith, STD Pastor

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Fr Francisco Cruz, Assisting Priest

Deacon Robert Smith

masses

Sunday 8a Quiet Mass 10a Solemn Mass 12p Latin Mass in EF 6p Sung Mass

Saturday 5p Anticipated Mass 7p Spanish Mass

Weekday Masses M,T,R,F 7a Wednesday 8.30a M-F 12N EF Mass Saturday 8a EF Mass

confessions

Wednesdays 5-6p Thursday 7p Saturday 3.30p-4.30p

after office hours emergencies:

Call 1.866.456.2956.

8 March 2015 third sunday of lent (OF year B & EF)

Next Sunday begins the Fourth Week of Lent, and it will be a very busy week indeed at Prince of Peace. Sunday is of course Laetare Sunday, when we will have the Blessing of Expectant Mothers on the Rose Sunday. We are blessed to have with us Fr Gregory Wilson, Pastor of St Mary, Help of Christians in Aiken. He will preach at all the Masses next weekend.

Directly after the 6p Mass on next Laetare Sunday, we will then begin our Forty Hours Devotion. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Church for the Adoration of the faithful. We will sing the Litany of the Saints and Fr Wilson will give the first talk of the Forty Hours at 7p. On Monday night, there will be an English Mass at 6p, and at 7p another talk. Confessions will be offered throughout. On Tuesday, there will be a School Mass at 8.30a, and Fr Wilson will have a chance to give a spiritual conference to the children. Later that night at 6p, there will be another English Mass, and a conference at 7p, followed by Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and the Close of the Forty Hours Devotion.

The Forty Hours Devotion as we know it today, began with St Charles Borromeo in Milan in 1577, although Christians gathered for 40 Hour prayer vigils for centuries. The Devotion was a response to moments of extreme need: war, plague, famine. We are calling this Forty Hours Devotion because there are so many people in our parish and in our world who are in need of prayer and intercession. I ask that every family that can, come to the evening sessions and also sign up for a Holy Hour during this time period.

On Thursday, 19 March, we celebrate Catholic Fathers' Day, the Feast of St Joseph, with an English Mass at 6p followed by a Procession and Blessing of the St Joseph's Table and Potluck.

On Friday, we are back to the Stations of the Cross, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, our weekly Friday Lenten devotion.

I know that it is a lot to ask our parishioners to come almost every night of the week for Forty Hours, St Joseph and Stations. It is a lot! But it is also Lent, and I know that when we sacrifice our time, talent and treasure to enter into a deeper relationship with God during this holy season, the rewards will be great.

In 1631, when the Protestant armies of Gustavus Adolphus sacked Prague, a small statue of the Infant King was thrown into a rubbish heap. When a Carmelite friar dug up the statue and cleaned it up, the voice of the Christ Child came to him and said, "The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you." The more that all of us who call Prince of Peace our spiritual home honor the Prince of Peace present in the Blessed Sacrament, the more He will bless you. You all need those blessings for your families, for your work, for all your needs. Take this mid point week of Lent to reconnect with your faith in an amazing way!

Fr. Smith

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regulations for fast and abstinence:

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Begins Sunday, 15 March after the 6p Mass. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Good Friday, (3 April), is a day of fast & abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or renewal of baptismal vows at Easter.

guild of st thomas aquinas:

To ensure the Lord is never left alone while exposed in the Chapel, it is advised that each hour have two adorers "keeping watch." Please help us meet this goal by choosing an hour of your convenience. Please contact Lisa Buss at:

adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org or call need of an adorer:

> Sunday 12p Monday 2p & 3p

lent confession schedule Wednesdays 5-6p Thursdays & Fridays 7-8p Saturdays 3.30-4.30p

40 hour devotion led by fr gregory wilson

Sunday, 15 March

7p Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church, with the singing of the Litany of the Saints and the First Conference.

Monday, 16 March

6p Mass

7p Confessions and Second Conference

Tuesday, 17 March

8.30a School Mass with School Conference 6p Mass

7p Confessions and Third Conference.

8p Close of the 40 hrs with indoor Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

feast of st joseph & fr smith installation

Come celebrate the Feast of St Joseph and the installation of Fr Smith as Pastor on Thursday, 19 March at 6p. Fr Jay Scott Newman, Dean of the Upstate Deanery, will preside. Events:

English High Mass Procession with the St Joseph Statue Blessing of the St Joseph Table Potluck Dinner

Bring bread to be blessed and a covered dish to 772.215.7123. Come, let us adore Him! Hour in share for dinner! The feast of St Joseph is celebrated as Father's Day in Catholic countries around the world, and we would especially like our fathers to attend and share in this wonderful celebration of the Patron Saint of Fathers.

> stations of the cross: Please join us at 7p every Friday in Lent for Stations of the Cross and Benediction in the church. Spanish stations is at 6p.



sanctuary lamp \$20

Donated by Raul & Stella Dominguez In memory of Dominguez-Spadaro



altar flowers \$200

Please donate!



bread & wine \$20

Donated by Gloria Dussich In memory of Beverly M Davis



choral music \$300

Please donate!

christian formation

40 days for life to end abortion is here again. The peaceful, prayerful vigil ends Sunday, 29 March 2015.

the Smilin' Duck Band. Please pray and ask God to show Life effort. For more information or to sign up please sacrifice means for us. visit: www.40daysforlife.com/greenville or contact JoAnn 864.248.0264 or Ingrid 864.329.0044.

saries for Life! We have begun a weekly count of rosaries book on the board.

baptism class: Parents desiring baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Tuesday, 10 March at 6p in Croghan Hall Conference Room. Contact Gus Suarez to register at 864.234.7415.

important first communion reminders:

First Confessions for 2015 Communicants, meet in the Church at 6.30p with an Ice Cream Sundae Party to follow. Parents of Communicants are encouraged to go to confession with their children.

Tuesday, 10 March

Mrs. Alabau's Second Grade Class

Wednesday, 11 March Homeschoolers (Surname A-L) Mrs. Harris' Second Grade Class

Thursday, 12 March

Mrs. Farley's Second Grade Class

Wednesday, 18 March Homeschoolers (Surname M-Z) Mrs. French's Second Grade Class

First Holy Communion Mandatory Retreat for Parents and Children is Saturday, 21 March, 8.30a-12p. Meet in the PAC. There will be no nursery offered, both parents are invited but one must attend.

Saturday, 21 March, in the Church at 9a.

mandatory confirmation retreat will be Saturday, 14 March, 9a-5p with Mass at 5p.

Simpsonville. If you have any questions, please contact e-mail lekceorha@att.net. Mark Thompson at 864.630.0606.

lighthouse media: CD'S cost \$3. Please put money in black box beside CD holder.

This week – Glimpses Along The Way of the Cross

In these three beautiful talks, Msgr. James Shea guides us along the Stations of the Cross, teaching us how to better open our hearts to the suffering and loneliness of Jesus on Closing Celebration will be Saturday, 28 March at 9.30a His way to Calvary. Weaving together the insights of keen at 1139 Grove Rd, across the street from the abortion believers like Fr Richard Neuhaus, Caryll Houselander, facility. Bring your chair and enjoy prayer, speakers and Archbishop Fulton Sheen, and Dr. James Edwards, these powerful meditations take us into the depths of Christ's you the unique role He has for you in the 40 Days for agony, and back out again into the relief and joy of what His

afternoons@peace: Join us for second Sunday of the month, Family Social Sunday, at afternoons@peace, today, 8 attention st thomas aquinas guild members: 1,000 Ro- March in Croghan Hall from 4.30p-6p. afternoons@peace schedule is: 1st Sunday of the Month: Lectio Di "vino" Sunprayed in Our Lady's Chapel during the 40 Days for Life day (childcare provided), 2nd Sunday of the Month: Family Campaign. We are asking all members to please pray a Social Sunday, 3rd Sunday of the Month: Lectio Di "Vino" rosary for life during your scheduled hour, then record Sunday (childcare provided), 4th Sunday of the Month: Potyour rosary on the tally sheet placed above the sign in luck & Family Rosary. Join us for afternoons@peace each Sunday from 4.30-6p in Croghan Hall and help build up the community of our beautiful parish.

> women's bible study: Tuesdays, from 9.30-11a. Free child care is provided. Drop off children in Croghan Hall, then meet for the Bible Study at 9.30a in the Knights of Columbus building (behind the PAC).

> We will be using the book *Women of the Gospels:* Friends and Disciples of Jesus by Stephen J Binz. The book is available at St Benedict Catholic Store or on Amazon and is the only cost to you for the study. Please contact Stephanie Lasitter at 331.3905 for more information.

> men's bible study: Want to deepen your faith and increase your knowledge of Sacred Scripture? Come join us every Tuesday for an hour of interesting and informative bible study and fellowship. We are a mix of converts, reverts, and cradle Catholics seeking a closer relationship with Christ through the "word of God." Join us Tuesdays at 7p at Prince of Peace Catholic School. Call Bob Mauritz at 864.641.5265 for more information.

secular franciscan invitation to a lenten retreat on Saturday, 14 March, 9.30a-3.30p at St Anthony of Padua Church, 309 Gower St in Greenville. Pope Francis has dedicated 2015 to Parents First Holy Communion Mandatory Meeting is *Peace and the Consecrated Life*? Fr Mike Jones, OFM will be speaking on Peace and Br. Henry Fulmer, OFM will be speaking on Consecrated Life. There wil be Celebration of the Eucharist, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Stations of the Cross, and Confessions.

cursillistas: Your Piedmont Deanery Ultreya will meet Free lunch will be provided- but please register for head on Thursday, 19 March at 7p in the Conner Education count. (A free will offering will be taken for the speakers). Building at St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in RSVP by 11 March to Alice Ramos, OFS at 864.246.1684 or

fellowship & outreach

welcome new parishioners: Jennifer Roby and her children Presley & Pierson and Caio Max & Christina Rocha Lima and their children Carolina, Lucas & Juliana.

salsa lessons: Join Lucis Via young adults for an evening of Salsa Lessons with Angel & Annie in the PAC. Lessons will begin at 8p on Tuesday, 10 March, Monday, 16 March, and Tuesday, 24 & 31 March. Wear comfortable slippery-soled shoes. This is open to all age adults.

columbiettes: The Columbiettes are having an information night on Tuesday, 10 March at 7p, in the Knights of Columbus building. If you have any questions, please call 864.663.9796.

st joseph catholic school is currently seeking qualified applicants to fill the position of Athletic Director, beginning 1 June, 2015. This person will be responsible for leading a highly successful sports program that provides athletic and learning experiences for 700 students participating on 36 teams within 18 sports. Visit the employment page at:

www.sjcatholicschool.org for more information and qualifications.

maintenance/custodial job opportunity: Prince of Peace is looking to hire a part time maintenance/custodial worker available days, some evenings and weekends to start in March. Some lifting and work on ladders required. Contact the business manager for more information. Submit resumes to the Parish Secretary or Business Manager.

kingstree: The sisters at Kingstree have requested a few items to have for the kids at Easter. Please return by 22 March.

Children's Socks (school age girls & boys) Easter Bonnets (for girls up to age 11) Baseball Caps (for boys up to age 11) Bags of jelly beans for Easter Baskets

We are happy to announce that the Felician Center website is up and running. The address is: www.feliciancentersc.org. Make sure to checkout their Facebook Page located on the Home page of the website.

ladies lunch bunch: will meet on 10 March at 11.30a at Red Lobster. RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 268.3354.

"return to the green" irish festival will be held today, Sunday, 8 March from 1-6p, downtown Fluor Field. No entry fee and no charge for children's activities. Free parking shuttle from County Square to the field. 2nd annual AOH Parade 1.30p.

save the date: Our annual Parish Picnic will be Sunday, 19 April. Look for more information to come.

offertory collection I March 2015		
Envelopes # 494	\$20,052	
Electronic Deposits # 28	\$842	
Loose Cash	\$3,694	
Total Offertory	\$24,588	
Weekly Budgeted Need	\$25,000	
Weekly Surplus/Shortfall	\$412	
SVDP	\$1,775	
POP BAA goal for 2015	\$61,462	

whiffle ball: There will be a whiffle ball game today, Sunday, 8 March at 1.30p behind the PAC.

carol tonan scholarship fund: The Columbiettes award the Carol Tonan Scholarships to students that attend Prince of Peace Catholic School. Applications are in the school office and are now being accepted for the 2015-2016 school year. If interested, please pick up an application and send it to Secretary Carol Tonan Scholarship Fund, 309 Watkins Circle, Taylors, SC 29687, no later than 6 March 2015.

fish fry: The Knights of Columbus invite all parish members and guests for Friday "Knight" Lenten Seafood Dinners that will be held every other Friday during Lent on 13 March and 27 March. Dinner will be served from 5.30-7p, in the PAC, with dine—in or take-out options available. Cost is \$7.50 per adult; \$5 seniors(65+) and children under 12; children under 4 are free. Max cost is \$25 per immediate family. Next week's menu includes Potato Soup, Shrimp & Grits, Fried & Baked Tilapia, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Hushpuppies, and Pasta w/Alfredo Sauce. All proceeds will be donated to Pro Life, Bob & Carol Tonan Scholarship Fund and St Vincent de Paul.

attention new parishioners since 2012: Save the date, 25 April 2015. Come meet your parish family at a light supper in Croghan Hall immediately following the 5p Mass. Watch for invitation in the mail.

knights of columbus 9184 presented a donation of \$7,344 to the Barbara Stone Foundation on 12 December, 2014 as part of the Annual Statewide Operation HOPE fund drive for special needs citizens in South Carolina. Operation HOPE, "Helping Other People Everyday" is dedicated to increasing the self-reliance and dignity of our challenged citizens. Through our support of non-profit organizations that share this philosophy, we are making the world easier to navigate for thousands of people, every day. Statewide, the Operation Hope program's goal is to raise over \$435,000 to directly benefit special needs citizens. If you are interested in learning more about what the Knights of Columbus are about, please contact Howard Sparrow at 864.414.7124 or email us at kofc9184@gmail.com

prince of peace community calendar

Fr Christopher Smith = FCS Fr Richard Tomlinson = FRT Fr Francisco Cruz = FFC OF= ordinary form EF = Extraordinary Form (Latin)

sunday 8 mar third sunday of lent (OF year B & EF)	monday 9 mar st frances of rome (OF) feria of lent (EF)	tuesday I0 mar lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF)
Ex 20:1-17or 20:1-3,7-8,12-17; Ps19;1 Corl:22-25;Jn 2:13-25 8a Mass Richard Rice+ (FRT) 10a Mass Mary Victoria Stephenson+ (FCS) 12p EF Charles Kamholz+ (FCS) 6p Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 7.30p Compline	2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42; Lk 4:24-30 7a Mass Marigrace Baldwin+ (FRT) 12p EF Mass Jon Nelson, Jr -L (FRT) 7p Miraculous Medal Novena	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25; Mt 18:21-35 7a Mass Catherine Kraff+(FRT) 12p EF Mass Richard Tomlinson-L (FCS)
whiffle ball 1.30p grounds cub scouts 2.30p k of c building aftemoons@peace 4.30p croghan & pac legion of mary 2.30p school cyo 7p croghan hall basketball 8.30p pac	svdp 10.30a croghan hall boy scouts 6p croghan hall	women's bible study 9.30a k of c bldg drama 3p croghan hall soccer practice 3.30 pac baptism class 6p croghan conference rm columbiettes 6.30p k of c building rcia 7p croghan hall salsa lessons 8p pac
wednesday II mar lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF)	thursday I2 mar lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF)	friday I3 mar lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF)
Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147; Mt 5:17-19 8.30a Mass Mary Victoria Stephenson+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Bill Anton+ (FRT) 5p Confessions (FCS & FRT)	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95; Lk 11:14-23 7a Mass James Keat-L (FRT) 12p EF Mass Anneliese Nix+(FCS) 7p Confessions (FCS)	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81; Mk 12:28-34 7a Mass Carol Mullman+ (FCS) 12P EF Mass Linda Holtzclaw+ (FCS) 7P Confessions (FRT) 6p Spanish Stations of the Cross (FFC) 7p Stations of the Cross (FCS)
choir 3p croghan hall jr choir 3.30 church re 6.30p pac & school choir 7p church	school choir 3p croghan hall soccer 3,30p pac knights of columbus 7p k of c building spanish bible study 7p croghan hall first confession reception 7p pac	homeschool 12p croghan hall drama 3p croghan hall treble schola 3.05p girl scouts 3.30p croghan conference rm fish fry 5.30p pac
lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF) Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51; Lk 18:9-14 8a EF Mass Gloria Magnani+ (FCS) 3.30p Confessions (FRT & FCS) 5p Mass Rex Gwinn+(FRT) 7p Spanish Mass David Holt+(FFC) confirmation retreat 9a croghan & pac	sunday fourth sunday of lent (OF year B & EF) laetare sunday 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137; Eph 2:4-10; In 3:14-21 8a Mass James McCabe-L (FRT) 10a Mass Mary Victoria Stephenson+(FCS) 12p EF Terry Rainey+(FCS) 6p Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 7p 40 hour devotion begins 7p conference and confessions squires 1.30p k of c building legion of mary 2.30p school a@p 4.30p croghan hall & pac cyo 7p croghan hall basketball 8.30-10p	please pray for Ruth Hunter, Ashley Jones, Judy Whitehead, Gena Cunningham, Elizabeth Murphy Julie Mallory, Ted Fremont, Marie Wareing, Stepher Muller, Michael Remion, Jerry Welte, Katie Nardi Marie Robichaud, Sandra Zamora, Ron Labbe, Jade Rene Haynes, Deacon Bob & Lois Smith, Sharor Fisher, Sandra Araujo, Debby Fernandes, Janelle Hunt, Bridgitte Gunnells, Rev Vincent Salamoni Tom O'Donnell, Brandy Greene, George Kavran Jackie Andrejack, Parker Longbottom, Wrenn Calcutt, Alvin & Micky Goza, Jim Bannister, Stepher Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Victor Julio Cahua, William Cash, Tommy Donovan, Ingrid Vest, Chuck Ashworth, Jack Reyes, Kevin Stainton and Bill Gardiner, Genevieve Cherrett, Tom Donohue, Doris Pratt Ron Schichtel, Geri Jender, Fred & Ellen Lavelle Sarah Williams, Kenneth Price, Emma Salgado Virginia Posenelli, Helen Pihokker and Jo Hackl. *We will leave names on the prayer list for two weeks; if you would like to keep your name or the name of a loved one on the list, please contact the
	n Fast: 8–14 March lk and Profanity	Parish Office.
This week abstain from carelessness in y	ic and Profamity your speech. Do not gossip, speak out in an- ords, or take the Lord's name in vain.	please pray for all those serving overseas and in our military: Katie Harkins, Ryan Curry, Dustin Shane, Nicho las Mershon, Ryan Barnett and James Hock. "if you have a family member you wish to add, please contact the Parish Office

new parishioners

welcome! Please pick up an Information Packet and register as part of our parish family. Various facilities and services are available to our active members, including use of the church for baptisms, weddings, and other sacramental events, as well as parishioner status in parochial schools.

active membership is determined by the following criteria: Being properly registered for a sufficient period of time; faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days; use of the envelope system in regular support of the parish.

sacraments Baptisms, Weddings and Funeral Masses may be celebrated in the Ordinary Form (English) or the Extraordinary Form (Latin).

baptism Call Gus Suarez for information about the Baptismal Preparation Class. Baptisms are usually celebrated on the 1st Saturdays of the month at 10:30a. You can call Gus at 234.7415 or e-mail him at:

baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org

rcia Contact Sean Chapman at rcia@princeofpeacetaylors.org information about adults becoming Catholic.

marriage preparation Call Stephanie Lasitter at least 6 months in advance of proposed wedding date about Marriage Preparation Classes and requirements for the Sacrament of Marriage.

anointing of the sick Call the parish office to receive this Sacrament prior to surgery or when gravely ill

after office hours emergencies: Call 1.866.456.2956.

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safe environment training Stephen & Margie Mazzitelli 469.6992

The mission of Prince of Peace is 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.