

Join us during this Advent season for Compline at 7.30p on Sundays and Rorate Mass on Saturdays at 6.30a by candlelight. Note that we have added to our regular confession schedule: Tuesdays at 6p and Thursdays at 6p (maintaining Wednesdays at 5p and Saturdays at 3.30p).

3 december 2017
first sunday of advent
(OF year B and EF)



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Fr. Christopher Smith, STD

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Fr. Richard Tomlinson, STD

Deacon:

Robert Smith

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-Thursday 9a-4p [office closed 1-2p]

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Welcome! Are you new? We are pleased that you have come to Prince of Peace and hope that you will soon call this faith community your home! Please pick up a blue *Welcome Card* in the narthex and drop it in the collection basket.



From the Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Friends in Christ,

St Francis de Sales (1567-1622) is fond of a French word that is almost untranslatable into English, which he uses as a characteristic of the devout soul: *douceur*. It indicates a gentleness of spirit, a gentle approach to the brokenness of humanity, meekness of heart and humility which is still filled with courage and daring. The spiritual life, for St Francis de Sales, consists in developing this virtue of *douceur* which conforms us to the living image of Christ present in our souls by the gift of grace. As we begin Advent, it might be helpful to hear these words of the saint about gentleness towards ourselves as we begin this new year of grace:

One of the excellent practices of gentleness which we could learn to do is never to be vexed at ourselves or against our imperfections. Its subject is we ourselves. Even though it is reasonable that we must be sorry and displeased when we commit some faults, yet we must refrain from a harsh, vexed, gloomy and angry displeasure. Many make a great mistake in this regard. When they are overcome by anger, they become angry at being angry, vexed at being vexed, fretful at being fretful. By this means, they keep their hearts steeped and soaked in anger. Although it may seem that the second anger destroys the first, all the same, it serves as an opening and a passage for fresh anger at the first occasion which presents itself. Moreover, these vexations, harshness and anger which we have against ourselves tend to pride. They have no other origin than self-love which is disturbed and anxious at seeing ourselves imperfect.

We must have a peaceful, calm and firm displeasure at our faults. A judge punishes the criminals rightly by passing his judgments guided by reason and in a spirit of tranquility. It is not so when he does it with passion and impetuosity. In judging with passion, he does not chastise the faults as they are but in so far as he is himself. Even so, we correct ourselves much better through calm, abiding repentance and not through harsh, eager and angry repentance. In so far as this repentance is made with violence it is not according to the seriousness of our faults but according to our inclinations. For example, he who is fond of chastity will regret with unparalleled bitterness even the least fault he commits against it. But he will only smile at a serious detraction he has committed. On the contrary, he who hates calumny will torture himself for murmuring a little. But he will not take into account a serious sin he committed against chastity; and so too for other sins. The same will be the attitude towards other things too, in so far as the judgment of conscience is not made by reason but by passion.

Believe me, Philathea, the correction made by a father gently and with love has much more power to correct the child than one made with anger and fury. So too when our heart has committed some fault we must correct it with gentle, calm remonstrance's, with more compassion for it than anger against it, encouraging it to amendment. Thus the repentance it will form will sink in much more and penetrate more deeply than a fretful angry, stormy repentance.

As for myself, if I had, for example, taken great care not to fall into the vice of vanity and yet fell deeply into it, I would not like to correct my heart in the following manner: "Are you not wretched and abominable that after so many resolutions you allowed yourself to be carried away by vanity? Die of shame, do not raise your eyes to heaven, you blind, shameless, traitor disloyal to your God"; and similar expressions. But I would like to correct it reasonably by means of compassion: "Alas! my poor heart, here we are fallen again into the ditch which we had so firmly decided to avoid. Let us get up and leave it for ever. Let us treat the mercy of God and hope that henceforth it will help us to be firm; let us return to the path of humility. Courage, henceforth let us be on our guard. God will help us and we shall do better!"

Fr. Christopher E. Smith

Our Campus Map



- 1 Church
- 2 Adoration Chapel
- 3 PAC (Parish Activity Center) & PAC Classroom
- 4 Middle School Building
- 5 School & School Offices
- 6 Croghan Hall
- 7 Parish Offices
- 8 KofC Building
- 9 Pope Francis House
- 10 School Building 2
- Parking Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14

Prince of Peace Community Calendar



Fr Christopher Smith =FCS Fr Richard Tomlinson =FRT Ordinary Form =OF Extraordinary Form =EF

sunday, 3 dec first sunday of advent (OF year B & EF)	monday, 4 dec st john damascene (OF) st peter chrysologus (EF)	tuesday, 5 dec advent weekday (OF) feria of advent (EF)
8a Mass Milfred Bettenhausen+(FRT) 10a Mass Katherine Campbell+(FCS) 12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 6p Mass Clan Mofidi-L (FRT) 7.30p Compline	7a Mass Mr & Mrs AJ Hackl-L (FCS) 12p EF Mass Dana Marie Theisen+(FCS) 7p Novena	7a Mass Cindy Miller+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Mary Hahn+(FRT) 6p Confessions (FCS)
<i>religious ed 8.50a school potluck 1.30p croghan basketball 12p pac games & family time 1.30p k of c bldg. svdp in narthex</i>	<i>svdp 10.30a pope francis house boy scouts 6.30p croghan legion of mary 6.30p school basketball 6p pac</i>	<i>basketball 6p pac columbiettes 6.30p k of c bldg intro to catholicism 7p croghan hall men's bible 7p middle school bldg.</i>
wednesday, 6 dec st nicholas (OF & EF)	thursday, 7 dec st ambrose (OF & EF)	friday, 8 dec the immaculate conception of the blessed virgin mary (OF & EF)
8.30a Mass Harper Stelleron+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Dana Marie Theisen+(FRT) 5p Confessions (FCS & FRT)	7a Mass Carol Mullman+(FCS) 12p Mass Katherine Campbell+(FRT) 6p Confessions (FRT)	7a Mass Mr & Mrs AJ Hackl-L (FRT) 8.30a Mass Alexis Rauch-L (FCS) 12p EF Mass Ryan Barnett-L (FRT) 7p Mass Carol Delgado & Wilma Leary-L (FCS)
<i>choir 3p croghan & church</i>	<i>aoh 5.30p k of c bldg basketball 6p pac</i>	<i>basketball 6p pac choir 6p croghan hall</i>
saturday, 9 dec advent weekday (OF) feria of advent (EF)	sunday, 10 dec second sunday of advent (OF year B & EF)	prayer requests
6.30a EF Mass Dana Marie Theisen+(FCS) 3.30p Confessions (FCS & FRT) 5p Mass Members of the Mayntz Family (FRT)	8a Mass Jean Bettenhausen+(FRT) 10a Mass Ang & Al DeCredico+(FCS) 12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 6p Mass Louis K Coleman+(FRT) 7.30p Compline	All those serving our country, Gena Cunningham, Lee Heap, Julie Mallory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Parker Longbottom, Wrenn Calcutt, Jim Bannister, Stephen Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Kevin Stainton, Doris Pratt, Ron Schichtel, Sarah Williams, Kenneth Price, Helen Pihokker, Kevin McGavin, Joan Rohaley, Ed Smith, Jackie Andrejack, Mike McGrady, June Monaghan, Beverly Ryan, Deacon Bob Smith, Bryan Warga, Leslie Ziminsky, Shannon Harkins, Ed Meister, John Warga, Ruth Morath, Janet Oughton, Joe LaPorte, Christopher Clendenin, Jean Casey, Charlie Dustimer, Larry Jones, George Kavran, Jennifer DeMaria, and Amelia Rock.
<i>basketball 8a pac holy land olivewood in narthex</i>	<i>religious ed 8.50a school basketball 12p pac couples for christ 1p croghan hall games & family time 1.30p k of c bldg. holyland olivewood in narthex</i>	

Please contact the Parish Office to request a name be added to the prayer list. We will leave names on the prayer list for two weeks. If you would like to extend the time beyond two weeks, please let us know.



Happenings & Needs

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adoration: come rest with the Lord

"My joy, my pleasure, my delight is to be with you." (Prov 8:31)

Each moment you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament brings joy, pleasure, and delight to his Sacred Heart! All are encouraged to adopt a weekly holy hour or stop by the Adoration Chapel for prayer. The following times are available for adoration:

8a, 4p & 6p Sundays

11a & 11p Mondays

11a Tuesdays

12a, 3a & 9p on Saturdays

Contact Lisa Buss to obtain the code to the door at 864.508.7123 or adoration@princeofpeacecattol.org.

fr smith's advent reading recommendation

- **Men:** *That Nothing May Be Lost: Reflections on Catholic Doctrine and Devotion* by Father Paul Scalia. Fr Scalia is a priest of the Arlington diocese and son of recently deceased Supreme Court Judge Antonin Scalia. This wide ranging book talks about the role of grace, the sacraments, Mary and so much more in the life of Christian discipleship.
- **Women:** *Daring to Hope: Finding God's Goodness in the Broken and the Beautiful* by Katie Majors. Katie is a young American Protestant missionary who founded Amazima Ministries to spread the Gospel in Uganda. As a single woman, she adopted 14 orphans! She recounts her incredible story of God's faithfulness in a unique vocation of love and how she found a Christian helpmate in holy marriage.
- **Married and Engaged Couples:** Read your (gender specific) book during Advent, and then in the new year, swap books with your partner. As a New Years Resolution, schedule two date nights to go out and have a drink or a coffee and talk about what you've read. When couples can get together with a spiritual project and share their insights reading, it can be very powerful.

parish office closed

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, 7 December & Friday, 8 December.

Congratulations to

Michael Kimbler & Katherine Orellana
who were married on Friday, 24 November 2017

19 november collection

envelopes # 386	\$15,735
loose cash	\$2,922
electronic deposits # 32	\$6,698
total sunday offertory	\$25,355

weekly budget needed \$25,000

surplus/(shortfall) \$355

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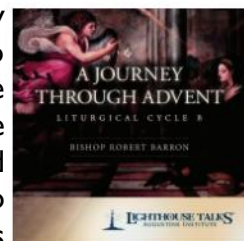
adoration chapel, total commitments (to date) \$43,000

lighthouse media

CDs are available in the narthex and cost \$4 each or 3 for \$10. **Please put money in black box beside CD holder.**

suggested title: *A Journey Through Advent*

Get the most out of Advent by following along with Bishop Robert Barron's homilies as he unpacks these profound scripture readings. The homilies presented on this CD will correspond to the Scriptures for Sunday Masses throughout Advent and Christmas.



welcome new parishioners

We're thrilled you're part of our parish family: Mary Neville and Paul & Anne Foust.

epiphany party potluck

Our parish is hosting a fabulous Epiphany Party on Saturday, 6 January **after** the 5p Mass. Enjoy food, fellowship and fun. Sign up for the potluck:

<http://bit.ly/2Bvj1m3>



year b reminder

When looking for the Sunday readings in the St Issac Joques Missals, we are now in Church year B.

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baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Tuesday, 12 December, at 6.30p in Croghan Hall Conference Room. Questions? Contact Gus Suarez at 864.420.0297 or by email at

baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org

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season of giving

This holiday season we thank everyone who has supported Prince of Peace Catholic Church this past year with their time, talent and financial contributions, and look forward to support from all of our parishioners in the year ahead. If you need a convenient way to make regular offerings or if you plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving option. As the pace of life speeds up, especially around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a most welcome way to make contributions. Contact Mark Pulley at 864.331.3907.

pray for our school

In our search for a school principal, we invite everyone to commit to pray a Hail Mary and any other prayers you'd like to offer for the community of Prince of Peace Catholic School. To sign up, please go to <http://bit.ly/2xVsKTb>. A huge thank you to Jennifer Pfaffl for organizing this effort.

mom's group

Join a group of moms who meet on Fridays between 9.30a-11.30a in Croghan Hall for a rosary, reading the Gospel, coffee and socializing. Questions? Contact Annie Neds at hokiegirl17@yahoo.com

fellowship

- The **Ladies Lunch Bunch** will meet for their annual Christmas get-together at City Range on Haywood Rd on Tuesday, 12 December at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 864.268.3354.
- **Men** of the parish and their friends are invited to breakfast and fellowship on Thursday, 7 December at 8a at Denny's on Wade Hampton Blvd. For more information, call Tony Scachetti at 268.8563.

catholic youth organization (CYO)



Parishioners! CYO is seeking 3 hosts for their much anticipated 7th Annual Progressive Dinner on 16 December for approximately 15-20 youth. Volunteer to host the 1) appetizer, 2) entrée, or 3) dessert. Contact Stephanie Lasitter at with questions at s.j.lasitter@gmail.com

open study groups

- Join the **Men's Bible Study** meeting on Tuesdays at 7p in the Middle School Building. The group will conclude their study on 19 December and resume on 9 January 2018 with a new topic: Isaiah. For questions, contact Michael Thompson at 864.449.7845.
- **Endow Women's Study** will resume on 10 January meeting Wednesdays at 7p in the PAC Classroom. The next study will be on *St. Catherine of Sienna: Setting the World Ablaze!* The format of the study includes reading from a study guide together and open discussion. To purchase the study guide <http://bit.ly/2yRbgF2>. For questions, contact Angela Calabro (see page 9).

ordinary splendor event

Join us on Friday, 15 December, for our next Ordinary Splendor Event! Nathan Barontini, parishioner and Middle School Teacher at POPCS, will give a lecture on the Three Advents of Christ in Dante. The reception begins at 6p with the lecture beginning at 7p in Croghan Hall. Prepare for the coming of Our Lord this Advent Season by hearing a great talk, having a beverage, and enjoying fellowship with other parishioners.



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advent wreath prayer

The first candle is lit, and the prayer for the first week is said:

Lord, our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people.

He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us.

He is the Savior of us all. O Lord, let your blessing come upon us as we light the first (purple) candle of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation. May He come quickly and not delay. We ask this in His holy name. Amen.

fr smith on pilgrimage to fatima

Thanks to the generosity of a benefactor, Fr. Smith and Fr. West enjoyed a pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal wherein they carried their prayers and the prayer requests of their parishioners to the Marian Shrine in this most special 100th anniversary year. Seen in a few photos here are the candles Father Smith lit with the prayer intentions (carried in the red folder) before spending time in prayer at Mass, Stations of the Cross, and at the shrine!



a few of our favorite scenes from school and school families

Our school was closed over Thanksgiving break and kids had a blast spending time with their families! Here are a few scenes we enjoyed from the beach to the woods to home!



display your parish pride with logo items!



Logo items make great stocking stuffers! Prices: t-shirt (\$8) and 24-oz Tervis tumbler (\$15). Contact Angela Calabro to purchase!

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christmas trees & flowers

- **Christmas trees and lights to decorate our Church, Parish Office and Chapel are needed!** If you, your business or ministry would like to contribute, please send a check for \$125 to the Parish Secretary, Maria Rauch and clearly mark "Christmas Tree" on the envelope and check. The sponsors of these trees will be listed in the bulletin! *1 tree has been donated, to date.*
- Donate flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one this Christmas by returning your Christmas Flower Envelope **no later than Monday, 18 December by noon.** Please print clearly the names you write on the envelope.



rorate mass

- **Join us for Rorate Mass:** on 3 Saturdays in Advent (9- 23 December) at 6.30a in low extraordinary form

The Rorate Caeli Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn.

The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. Because it is a votive Mass in Mary's honor, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet. In the dimly lit setting, priests and faithful prepare to honor the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. As the Mass proceeds and sunrise approaches, the church becomes progressively brighter, illumined by the sun as our Faith is illumined by Christ.

solemnity of the immaculate conception

The solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is Friday, 8 December. This is a **Holy Day of Obligation** pertaining to the conception of the Virgin Mary in the womb of her mother, St. Anne, wherein Mary was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin by God's grace in view of the merits of Chris. There will be 4 Masses offered:

7a quiet Mass
8.30a School Mass
12p Latin Mass
7p Sung Mass

*The Immaculate Conception Novena is prayed 30 November-8 December. Learn more at:

www.ewtn.com/devotionals/novena/immaculate.htm

angel tree

Presents for the Angel Tree kids are due back the weekend of 9-10 December! *Please purchase only the items that are on the card (in fairness to other kids that might be in the same family on a different card) and provide gift receipts for clothing. Please do not wrap gifts, instead put them in a gift bag with the Angel Tree Card attached.*

confession schedule during advent

During Advent, we welcome you to take advantage of additional available times for confession:

Tuesdays at 6p (Advent only)

Wednesdays at 5p (normal)

Thursdays at 6p (Advent only)

Saturdays at 3.30p (normal)

Prayerfully consider donating the following:



sanctuary lamp \$20



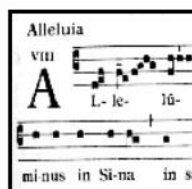
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music \$300



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SING NIGHT PRAYER

COMPLINE

3 DECEMBER-17 DECEMBER | SUNDAYS 7:30-8:00PM

NIGHT PRAYER ACCORDING TO THE TRADITIONAL ROMAN BREVIARY IN ENGLISH

From the earliest centuries of the Church, Christians gathered at the end of the Lord's Day to sing psalms, hymns and spiritual canticles. The official public night prayer of the Church's Liturgy of the Hours is Compline. Compline comes from the Latin word, completorium, as Compline is the completion of the work day. At Compline, we examine our conscience; we sing psalms with their proper antiphons; and we listen to the Word of God. The highlight of the service is the Anthem to Our Lady, in which we process to the Lady Altar, the Faithful are sprinkled with Holy Water, and the antiphon is sung.

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Merry Christmas

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, 23 DEC | 5PM ANTICIPATED MASS
SUNDAY, 24 DEC | 8AM QUIET MASS
SUNDAY, 24 DEC | 10AM SOLEMN MASS
SUNDAY, 24 DEC | 12PM EXTRADORNARY FORM LATIN MASS

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, 24 DEC | 4PM FAMILY MASS
SUNDAY, 24 DEC | 6PM VIGIL MASS
MONDAY, 25 DEC | 12 MIDNIGHT EXTRADORNARY FORM LATIN MASS
MONDAY, 25 DEC | 10AM SOLEMN MASS

MASS OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SATURDAY, 30 DEC | 5PM ANTICIPATED MASS
SUNDAY, 31 DEC | 8AM QUIET MASS
SUNDAY, 31 DEC | 10AM SOLEMN MASS
SUNDAY, 31 DEC | 12PM EXTRADORNARY FORM LATIN MASS
SUNDAY, 31 DEC | 6PM SUNG MASS

MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

MONDAY, 1 JAN | 10AM QUIET MASS
MONDAY, 1 JAN | 12PM EXTRADORNARY FORM LATIN MASS



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Deacon Robert Smith	Deacon	864.908.7047	dbcsmith@aol.com

**contact Deacon Bob about annulments*

Parish

Phil Head	Director of Administration	864.331.3908	businessmanager@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Mark Pulley	Director of Finance/Bookkeeper	864.331.3907	bookkeeper@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Maria Rauch	Parish Secretary	864.331.3901	maria.rauch@princeofpeacetaylors.org

**contact Maria R. about facility reservations and requesting Anointing of the Sick prior to surgery or when gravely ill*

Angela Calabro	Director of Catechesis & Evangelization	864.331.3903	angela.calabro@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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**contact Angela about marriage preparation (call at least 6 months in advanced of proposed wedding date)*

Maria Barontini	Pastoral Associate for Children's Catechesis	864.331.3919	maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org
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**contact Maria B. about first confession, first communion, and confirmation*

Alan Reed	Director of Music	864.331.3904	alan.reed@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Elizabeth Eger	Organist	864.331.3906	elizabeth.eger@princeofpeacetaylors.org
David Connors	Maintenance Supervisor		david.connors@princeofpeacetaylors.org

School (Office: 864.331.3921)

Marianne Tully	Interim Principal	864-331.2145	marianne.tully@popcatholicschool.org
Tammy Lopez	Office Manager	864-331.3911	tammy.lopez@popcatholicschool.org

Ministry & Volunteer Leaders

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Boy Scouts	Marty Yigdall	864.423.6541	
Columbiettes 9184	Michelle Zimmerman	864.354.7321	columbiettes@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Communications Director	Kylee Jean Heap	864.266.8843	communications@princeofpeacetaylors.org
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	John & Stephanie Lasitter		s.j.lasitter@gmail.com
Guild of Our Lady and St. Gianna	Suzanne Gubitosa	864.420.2511	sgubitosa108@gmail.com.
Foster Families	Holy Family Society		fostercloset@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Food & Financial Assistance	St. Vincent de Paul Society	864.331.3937	
Knights of Columbus 9184	John Olson	864.354.5680	gk.kofc9184@gmail.com
Lucis Via (young adults 18-39)			lvgreenville@gmail.com
Natural Family Planning	Gus & Andrea Suarez	864.234.7415	
Respect Life	Tanya Wersinger	864.979.1856	tanya.wersinger@gmail.com
Sick & Homebound	Mark Thompson	864.630.0606	
Spiritual Direction	Lisa Buss		spiritualdirection@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Widows/Widowers (BOUNCE)	Jean Casey	864.268.7554	

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



Diocesan & Other News

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news from st rafka's

St Rafka's will have their monthly pasta dinner on Thursday, 7 December, beginning at 5.30p. The menu is chicken parmesan with spaghetti marinara, tossed salad and tiramisu for dessert. Cost: adults \$8 and children \$4.

advent day of recollection

St. Mary's in Downtown invites you to their 2017 Advent Day of Recollection with Fr. Thomas Joseph White, O.P. on Saturday, 9 December. Fr White will present three lectures on the virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity as exemplified by Mary and Joseph. Mass will be celebrated at 8a in the Church followed by the presentation in Gallivan Hall. Cost is \$10 (continental breakfast provided). Registration is open through 5 December at <https://stmarys.coursestorm.com>. For more information please contact T.J. Nielsen at 864.679.4114 or timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

18th annual marriage anniversary celebration

The 18th annual Marriage Anniversary Celebration is an opportunity to honor all married couples, especially those in long-term marriages. Each married couple will affirm their love and commitment to each other. Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone, Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston will be the main celebrant. The Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation. A simple reception will follow. The celebration will be on Sunday, 11 February at 3p, at St Philip Neri Catholic Church, 292 Munn Rd E, Fort Mill, SC 29715. Please call or email to register (803) 547-5063 or email to FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org

holylnd olivewood

On the weekend of 9-10 December, there will be a display of beautiful Olivewood hand carvings from the town of Bethlehem at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in the Narthex. These carvings are made by Christians of Bethlehem who use these skills as their source of income. The money flowing back to the families has allowed them to maintain a stable way of life and work at what they know best.



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