



8 July 2018
fourteenth Sunday in ordinary
time (OF year B)
seventh Sunday after
pentecost (EF)

World War II veteran & founding parishioner Tony Scachetti receiving a Quilt of Valor during a ceremony of gratitude for his service!



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Join our Facebook groups: Prince of Peace Catholic Church and School Group; Endow Women's Group; Upstate Catholic Mom's Group; Guild of St. Thomas Aquinas; Holy Family Society (foster parents & friends); Fraternal, Prince of Peace Chapter and 20s-30s-40s

Instagram: instagram.com/princeofpeacetaylors

Welcome! Are you new? We are grateful that you have come to our parish 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.



Announcements

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People



Meet **Michael Thompson,** **Diaconate Candidate**

Michael was born to John and Mary Thompson as the 6th of 11 children in Cleveland, Ohio. At the age of five, his family moved to Greenville, South Carolina, where he grew up attending Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church. He graduated from J. L. Mann High School and attended Clemson University.

At Clemson, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering. He met and eventually married Lynne Padhaisky and together they have four children, Joey, Mary Carolyn, Kelly, and Mark. He worked at Milliken in Marietta, South Carolina from 1984 until 1987 before accepting an engineering position at Amoco Performance Products. From 1987 until the present, he has worked at the same facility under several different company names. It is currently called Solvay.

Michael and Lynne have been members of Prince of Peace since 1986. Michael coached POP boys and girls basketball teams for more than 13 years. Currently at our parish, Michael leads the Men’s Bible Study Group (resumes in August) and the Lector Ministry. Since 2002, he has been active in the Cursillo Movement, a Catholic movement designed to help bring people closer to Christ. Cursillo played a major role in his decision to pursue the Diaconate Program.

Michael can be reached at
michael.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org

hiring: 5th grade teacher

Prince of Peace Catholic School is seeking to hire a full time 5th grade teacher for the 2018-19 year. If you are interested in working in a wonderful Catholic School environment, please send your resume to Interim Principal, Marianne Tully at marianne.tully@popcatholicschool.org. For more information, please call the School Office at 864-331-2145. EOE.

scam alert

Parishioners should be cautious about responding to emails that *appear* to be from clergy, including the Bishop, seeking help in the form of iTunes gift cards (or other financial requests). These scam emails are being generated in the name of priests across our region. Always double-check the address of an email. In the situation of Fr. Smith, legitimate parish-based emails are from frsmith@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

Our Campus Map



- 1 Church
- 2 Christ the King Adoration Chapel
- 3 PAC (Parish Activity Center) & PAC Classroom
- 4 Guadalupe Hall
- 5 School & School Offices (Lourdes Hall)
- 6 Croghan Hall
- 6 & 7 Parish House, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima
- 8 KofC Building
- 9 Pope Francis House
- 10 Walsingham Hall
- 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, 8 july fourteenth sunday in ordinary time (OF year B) seventh sunday after pentecost (EF)	monday, 9 july st augustine zhao & companions (OF) feria (EF)	tuesday, 10 july weekday (OF) sts rufina & secunda (EF)
8a Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 10a Mass Patricia Backstrom+(FRT) 12p EF Mass Richard E Dodd+(FRT) 6p Mass Lutz Family (FRT)	7p Novena	7a Mass Mark McCormick-L (FRT)
<i>men's basketball 8.30p pac</i>	<i>dribble for destiny 9a pac svdp 10.30a pope francis house boyscouts 6.30p croghan legion of mary 6.30p parish house basketball 7p pac mom's group 7p guadaloupe hall</i>	<i>dribble for destiny 9a pac baptism class 6.30p croghan conf.</i>
wednesday, 11 july st benedict (OF) st pius I (EF)	thursday, 12 july weekday (OF) st john gualbert (EF)	friday, 13 july st henry (OF) feria (EF)
7a Mass Cole Fraser-L (FRT) 6p Confessions (FRT)	7a Mass Eleanor Kelly+(FRT)	7a Mass Eleanor Kelly+(FCS)
<i>dribble for destiny 9a pac women's group 7p guadeloupe hall</i>	<i>dribble for destiny 9a pac epic 10a parish house k of c 5.30p k of c bldg. epic 7p parish house</i>	<i>dribble for destiny 9a pac</i>
saturday, 14 july st kateri tekakwitha (OF) st bonaventure (EF)	sunday, 15 july fifteenth sunday in ordinary time (OF year B) eighth sunday after pentecost (EF)	prayer requests
3.30p Confessions (FCS) 5p Mass Mary Brafford+(FCS)	8a Mass Norman Lee+(FCS) 10a Mass Deceased Members of the Perone Family (FCS) 12P EF Mass Theresa Barnett-L (FCS) 6p Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS)	All those serving our country, Gena Cunningham, 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, Deacon Bob Smith, Leslie Ziminsky, Shannon & Lloyd Harkins, Ed Meister, Charlie Dustimer, Jennifer DeMaria, Gloria Dussich, Ed Rauch, Sally Little, Genny Khars, Rose Schillaci, Maria Maccini, Josh Rimer, Kristina Murphy, Joe Sanda, Rick Tallman, Kenny Sajous, Laurie Taylor, and Tony Scachetti, Joan Galle, Carole Harris, Christopher Davies, and Jame.
<i>marriage prep 9a parish house couples for christ 6p parish house</i>	<i>men's basketball 8.30p pac</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, unless requested otherwise.*



Happenings & Needs

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adoration: come rest with the Lord



All hours are available for adoption. We currently have the following **urgent** needs:

- 6p Sundays
- 8a Mondays
- 12p Tuesdays
- 11a Wednesdays
- 4p Fridays
- 12a, 3a & 9p Saturday

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

mini-retreat registration open

Alexis Walkenstein, who compiled a book of selected wisdom of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen into five themes is leading a mini-retreat on Saturday, 18 August called *In the School of Fulton J. Sheen*. Check-in will begin at 9a and the retreat runs from 9.30-4p with Mass at 5p. Talks will include:

- God is Fire (the soul and God)
- Human Freedom (and petitions)
- Divine Love
- Sin
- Knowing Jesus

Cost is \$15 and includes a catered lunch. RSVP to Angela Calabro.

mom's group

Are you a Mom seeking community from other Catholic Moms? Join the Facebook group: *Upstate Catholic Moms* to connect with Moms online, receive invitations to spontaneous events, and more!

Upcoming events:

- During the school year, this group meets on Fridays from 9,30a-11.30a for a rosary, Gospel reading, coffee and socializing. This meet up will resume in late August.
- During the Summer, join this group for an 8-week study on Mondays at 7-9p in Guadalupe Hall for a book & video study on **The Friendship Project** by Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet. Dates are: 9, 16 & 30 July, and 6 & 13 August.

Questions? Contact Annie Neds via email at hokiegirl17@yahoo.com

24 june offertory

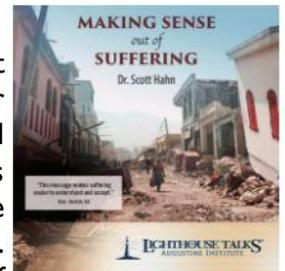
envelopes #370	\$14,890
loose cash	\$2,789
electronic deposits #75	\$1,437
total sunday offertory	\$19,115
	weekly budget needed \$25,000
	surplus/(shortfall) (\$5,885)
st vincent de paul society	\$731

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: *Making sense out of suffering* by Dr Scott Hahn

We all experience suffering at some time in our lives. Our tribulations range from small disappointments to serious tragedies. Listen as scripture scholar and lay theologian, Dr. Scott Hahn, makes sense out of suffering by drawing from the wisdom and insight of God's Word. He helps us find the meaning of our suffering by showing us how to unite it to the suffering of Christ on the Cross.



welcome new parishioners

We're thrilled you're part of our parish family: Erica and Eric Torio; and Henry Paul & Eleanor Jacobs.

ushers

Consider being an usher/greeter at one of our many masses! Contact Marco De Maria at 864.414.3090 or at mad4jen@msn.com to discuss how you can help us with this important ministry.

parish directories

A few parish directories remain available! If you had your photo taken to be included in the parish directory, please come by during office hours to pick up your copy! Otherwise, a copy if available for \$20.

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monthly craft nights

Crafters! Craft night will be held from 6-10 pm in the Parish House on the 3rd Friday of the month (in July, on the 20th). Come with your supplies to work on your own project. All are welcome, from scrap bookers, knitters, jewelry makers and beyond, this is the perfect time to work on your hobby. Bring a friend (non-parishioners welcome)! Questions? Contact Michelle at m_grabiec@hotmail.com.

family to family ministry

Family to Family is a ministry of our school wherein families seek support during all kinds of circumstances—death or illness, after birthing a baby, surgeries, during/after moving, following a job loss, etc. Often, the support needed is a meal (homemade or takeout), gift cards, carpooling, a grocery run, snack drop off, and more. A group of school-based volunteers sign up to participate and needs are communicated to this group. If you're a family in the school and wish to receive or give support, contact Jennifer Pfaffl at familytofamilyPOP@gmail.com.

sports

- Volleyball practice will begin Monday, 30 July, from 7-9p. Games will start after Labor Day, 10 Sept. and run through 12 November. For more information contact Johanna Best at 1998best@gmail.com.
- K5-8th grade boys & girls are invited to a free basketball clinic (open to all levels) starting Tuesday, 17 July, in the PAC from 5.30-6.30p for rising K-5-3rd graders and on Thursday, 19 July, 5.30-6.30p for rising 4th-8th graders. The clinics will continue on Tuesdays, 24, 31 July & 6 August and Thursdays, 26 July, 2 & 9 August.

become a bulletin sponsor

Promoting your business to fellow parishioners helps you reach a target market of Catholics in the Taylors – area while supporting one of the primary communications tools of the parish—our bulletin! Contact Greg Duncan of Diocesan Publications at 704.614.2350 or email at GDuncan@Diocesan.com to learn about pricing, updating your advertising across the year, and more!

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Tuesday, 10 July, at 6.30p in Parish House Conference Room. Questions? Contact Gus Suarez at 864.420.0297 or at baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

open study groups

- The **Men's Bible Study** is taking a Summer break. The next session begins on Tuesday, 14 August. For questions, contact Michael Thompson at 864.449.7845.
- **Women's Group** is studying *Humanae Vitae* (Latin: human life), an encyclical by Pope Paul VI (1968). Join meetings on Wednesdays at 7p in Guadeloupe Hall. Contact Angela Calabro with questions.
- Join us for a 6-week course via **Epic** on the Protestant Reformation and The Catholic Counter-Reformation. Dates are 5, 12, 19 July, 2, 9, and 16 August. 10a and 7p in Parish House.

next blood drive scheduled

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, as many as 75 lives were saved through blood donations made on Sunday, 10 June! Mark your calendars for our next blood drive on Sunday, 30 September. On this day, we'll also host a Ministry Fair!

electronic giving

Please continue supporting your parish home when you're on vacation with the convenience of Electronic Giving. To set up electronic donations please call Mark Pulley, Director of Finance/Bookkeeper, 864.331.3907.

summer schedule

During the Summer, our schedule is:

- Confessions are heard Wednesdays at 6-7p, Saturdays at 3.30-4.30p and by appointment.
- Daily Mass is offered 7a Tuesdays-Fridays. There will be no daily Mass on Mondays, no Latin Mass at 12p and no Mass on Saturday morning.
- Our Sunday Mass schedule (including the anticipated Mass on Saturday evening) remains the same.



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summer programs



- **Dribble for Destiny** Basketball Camp is 9-12 July from 9a-12p for ages 6-13 boys and girls. Fee: \$95 includes free t-shirt or ball; 2 ball dribbling, passing, shooting, ball handling, daily contests, video and daily devotions. For more information, 864.525.1433 or info@dribble4destiny.org. **Registration is open until the first day of camp.**
- Registration is open for a limited time for all entering 1st-12th graders (evening program for 7-12th graders starts 22 July) to attend **Vacation Bible School, Totus Tuus**, between 23-28 July. Sign up by emailing Maria Barontini.
 - Adult volunteers are needed to help supervise for the week!
 - Our wish list of food items needed for the week to feed our participants is here: <https://bit.ly/2t3vnhC>

homeschool co-op



Are you thinking of homeschooling your child (ren) for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year? **COME JOIN OUR CO-OP!** The Homeschool

CO-OP meets on Friday afternoons during the school year. We have classes in the fall semester and perform a play in the spring semester. Call Tracey Mer-shon at 864.525.5498 for more info or to register.

social opportunities

- The Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at New China Buffet, corner of Wade Hampton and Hwy 14 in Greer on Tuesday, 10 July at 11.30a. Please RSVP to Dorothea Jones at 268.3354.

religious education

2018-2019 Religious Education Forms are now available in the Parish Office or by emailing Maria at maria.barontini@princeofpeacetaylors.org. Register early and receive a discounted registration fee. Classes will begin 26 August, with a parent meeting in the PAC after dropping students off in their classrooms. There will be a few new policies this year so one parent **MUST** attend the meeting.

Important Dates to add to your calendar now:

- 26 Aug RE Session #1/Parent Meeting
- 20 Sept First Holy Communion Parent meeting 5.30p
- 20 Sept Confirmation Parent meeting 7p
- 18 May 2019 First Holy Communion Mass

knitters and crocheters

The prayer shawl ministry meets the third Friday of the month at 10a (except July) in the Parish House. Please consider coming and allowing us to show you the shawls we create and deliver to those in need. We always welcome new members! Questions? Contact Jeanette Kripinski at 864.801.3078.

a missal for toddlers

Thanks to an anonymous donor family, our parish now has 20 copies of **A Missal for Toddlers** to BORROW during Mass. These missals can be found in the credenza on the Marian altar side of the church. Please return them to this location after Mass so other children can enjoy it! Thank you so very much to our donor family.



Congratulations to the following children who received the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Samantha Loperena, daughter of Frank and Theresa Loperena
- Wake Bathea, son of Erin and Joseph Bethea (grandson of John & Marianne Tully)

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summer recollections

Take time for a mini-retreat at one of our upcoming Recollections at Prince of Peace. Questions? Contact Thierry at thierry.wersinger@gmail.com.

- 27 July (Friday): Men's Recollection at 7p with reception following in Croghan Hall.
- 28 July (Saturday): Women's Recollection at 9a with reception following in Croghan Hall
- 24 August (Friday): Men's Recollection at 7p with reception following in Croghan Hall.
- 25 August (Saturday): Women's Recollection at 9a with reception following in Croghan Hall.

spiritual communion

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion for whatever reason, make a Spiritual Communion by reciting the following:

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

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- **Parish:** Prince of Peace Parish (Taylors, SC)
- **School:** Prince of Peace Catholic School (Taylors, SC)

20s-30s-40s group

Are you in your 20s-30s-40s? Leave the kids at home and join us for a social event! The next gathering of the 20s-30s-40s group will be to cheer on the Greenville Drive as they play the Asheville Tourists on Wednesday, 1 August at 7p. Please RSVP to Katie at ksullivan864@gmail.com or 864.404.7796 no later than 20 July. Tickets are free thanks to the generosity of Corley Plumbing Air Electric!

summer potluck

Our Summer Potluck on Wednesday, 25 July (5:30p-6:45p) is open to the entire parish community and celebrates our kids starting Vacation Bible School, Totus Tuus. Please sign up via this link:

<https://bit.ly/2MIQdli>

(please pay attention to uppercase & lower case lettering in this link)

holy family society

The Holy Family Society, led by Christine Harclerode and Sara Hinson, is a group for those interested in being OR supporting foster parents. It provides support and items of need, such as clothing and toys, for Foster Families and their Foster Children. Contact holyfamilysociety@princeofpeacetaylors.org.

If you are not a foster parent, but are interested in showing support of our parish families who foster, consider contacting the society to offer your services to babysit, prepare a meal, donate clothing, and more. Your prayers for the foster families, their children and the birth parents are greatly needed.

Prayerfully consider donating the following:



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flowers \$200



music \$300



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celebrating tony scachetti

On Sunday, 10 June, Tony Scachetti, World War II Veteran, was honored by fellow parishioners for his military service. Tony, a 96-year old founding member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church, was wrapped in the Quilt of Valor and celebrated by a room packed with over 100 guests. Since its inception in 2003, the Quilts of Valor Foundation has given more than 188,000 quilts to former members of the military. It is the “highest award a civilian can bestow on a veteran or current member of the military.”

Tony was a member of the National Guard almost two years before the U.S. became involved in World War II. He served overseas, and was part of the 4th Infantry Division that landed on Utah Beach on D-Day, eventually helping bring to an end the war in Europe. During



his service, Scachetti received three Purple Hearts and two Bronze Stars for heroism in battle.



The patriotically themed quilt, which was designed by parishioner Pat Hodur, was ceremoniously wrapped around Scachetti by his daughter, Nancy Humphreys, and her son, Brian Cash. And, Fr. Christopher Smith bestowed a blessing on Tony and spoke of his special place within our parish community.

Congratulations to all involved in surprising Tony Scachetti, especially Marty Yig-

dall and Boy Scout Troop 925 who worked hard to arrange the ceremony. When asked about the role of faith in military service, Scachetti said “it was with me from the beginning to the end. I relied on the Blessed Mother — she’s the one that brought me through.”



Adapted from The Catholic Miscellany’s 25 June 2018 article by John C. Stevenson. Photos by talented Marcel Farge.



Contact Us



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Clergy

Fr. Christopher Smith	Pastor	864.268.4352	frsmith@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Fr. Richard Tomlinson	Parochial Vicar	864.268.4352	richard.tomlinson@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Deacon Robert Smith	Deacon	864.908.7047	dbcsmith@aol.com

**contact Deacon Bob about declarations of nullity*

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

20s-30s-40s group	Katie Sullivan	864.404.7796	facebook.com/groups/20s30s40s
Basketball	Maria Rauch	864.331.3901	maria.rauch@princeofpeacetaylors.org
Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts	Harry Grilliot/Marty Yigdall	864.423.6541	Pack259.SC@gmail.com
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Foster Families	Sara Hinson	864.434.8725	holymfamilysociety@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
Natural Family Planning	Kristie Killough	864.243.7800	
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
bulletin submissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org



Diocesan & Other Parish News

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st. rafka's news

St Rafka's will not have a pasta dinner the months of July and August.

newman connection

The Diocese of Charleston has partnered with The Newman Connection in an effort to connect graduating high school seniors in our diocese with the campus ministry programs at colleges and universities throughout South Carolina. Students/families may enter contact information through the private link that will be directly provided to The Newman Connection.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DHY3Z6D>

engaged encounter

The next weekends are: 20-22 July 2018 in Fort Mill, SC and 3-5 Aug 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC. For more information: 803.810.9602 or visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org.

monk for a month

Mepkin Abbey, in Moncks Corner, has announced the opening of their new Mepkin Affiliate Program. Would you like to live from your Sacred Center Seeking God in Contemplative prayer? Would you like to touch the archetype of "Monkhood," a constitutive dimension of human life? Mepkin Abbey offers you the opportunity to enjoy all of these experiences and more in their holistic environment.

There are three options available: the new Monastic Institute Program - a month-long seminar for men and women during July 2018; the Monastic Guest Program - a month-long residency for men; and the Monastic Residency Program- a year-long residency for men. Applications are now being accepted for all of these programs. You can find applications and more detailed information on their website: mepkinabbey.org. All programs are free of cost.

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