

A Parish Family of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston Most Revd Robert Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston

Pastor

Fr. Christopher Smith, STD

Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Richard Tomlinson, STD

Deacons:

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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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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! Please contact the parish office to learn more.

Letter from our Pastor

An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

Dear Friends in Christ,

Tomorrow we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of Peter, the symbol of the unity among Catholics which is guaranteed only by being in communion of mind and heart with the Successor of St Peter, the Pope. As a convert to Catholicism, the witness of the unity of the Roman Church throughout the ages was an important element in my conversion. When I became a Catholic, I was delighted to discover that there was within that faith a teaching about the various levels of assent that were due to different levels of teaching. Not everything that comes out of the mouth of the Pope or the Bishops merits the same assent. But we are always called to be respectful, even when we struggle with various statements from the hierarchy, and even when they fail us.

After Vatican II, the integrity of the faith found itself under attack from within the Church in a way not seen in living memory. What St Paul VI called the *auto-demolition* of the Church began long before then, and is still with us in many ways. Some Catholics blithely went along with the spirit of the age, but some were very grieved at the loss of a sense of the sacred and tradition. These Catholics were often branded as *traditionalists*. Their critique of the contemporary Church was often dismissed and they were often outright persecuted as many within the Church failed to take seriously their concerns. The pre-Vatican II form of the Roman Rite often became a gold standard for these Catholics who were attached to the Tradition. After decades under which many faithful but concerned Catholics labored under suspicion, Pope Benedict XVI recognized the legitimacy of the previous liturgical tradition by liberating it from strictures that had been imposed on it.

The Extraordinary Form Latin Mass Community at Prince of Peace has been a safe haven and refuge for Catholics attached to the Extraordinary Form for almost 20 years now. Communities like it are very diverse. Some have actually severed the real bonds of communion with the Pope and their bishops and operate independently in a bizarre form of trying to be Catholic while acting like Congregationalists, and they unsurprisingly multiply by dividing. Others remain in visible communion with the hierarchical church but often secretly encourage rebellion and disobedience in formal or less formal ways, passive aggressively undermining the faith by a separatist mentality. That's not what we do at Prince of Peace.

When I arrived here in December 2011, I gathered the Latin Mass Community here and proclaimed my vision for the parish and its place within it. Prince of Peace is a normal diocesan parish where the vision of Benedict XVI for the mutual enrichment of the Roman Rite would govern our mission.

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Our Map—A Smoke, Vape & Tobacco Free Campus



- I Church
- 2 Christ the King Adoration Chapel
- 3 PAC (Parish Activity Center) & PAC Classroom
- 4 Guadalupe Hall
- 5 School & School Offices (Lourdes 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

Parish Calendar

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

sunday, 21 feb 1st Sunday of lent (OF year B & EF)	monday, 22 feb the chair of st peter the apostle (OF & EF)	tuesday, 23 feb st polycarp (OF) feria of lent (EF)	
8a Mass Deceased Simmons/McCullen families (FCS) 9.15a 100% Masked Mass Ed Rauch+(FCS) 10a Mass Barbara Russian+(FRT) 12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FRT) 6.30p Compline	7a Mass Ashley Woodard+(FRT) 12p Patrick Keat-L (FRT)	7a Mass Mia Grace Rauch-L (FRT) I2p EF Mass Paul Powell Keat+(FRT)	
8.50a religious education 9a choir parish house 1p cubscouts parish house 1p basketball pac 7p CYO parish house 7p rosary online (details)	10.30a svdp pope francis house 6p boyscouts parish house 6p basketball pac 6.30p legion of mary pac 7p rosary online (details)	6-7p confessions 7p fidelis parish house 7p fraternus pac 7p men's bible study lourdes hall 7p rosary online (details)	
wednesday, 24 feb lenten weekday (OF) ember wednesday (EF)	thursday, 25 feb lenten weekday (OF) feria of lent (EF)	friday, 26 feb lenten weekday (OF) ember friday (EF)	
8.30a Mass Anthony Smolar+(FRT) 12p EF Mass Lillian Nguyen-Davis-L (FCS)	7a Mass Richard Lyman, IV+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Francis Keat-L (FRT)	7a Mass Michael McGrady+(FCS) 12p EF Mass Paul Powell Keat+(FCS)	
4p choir parish house & 6p church 5-6p confessions 7p intro to catholicism pac	1.30p cursillo kofc bldg. 6-7p confessions 7p kofc kofc bldg. 7p rosary online (<u>details</u>)	7p stations of the cross 7p stations of the cross online (<u>details</u>)	
saturday, 27 feb lenten weekday (OF) ember saturday (EF)	sunday, 28 feb second sunday of lent (OF year B & EF)	prayer requests All those serving our country, Gena Cunning-	
8a EF Mass Norma Johanni+(FRT) 5p Mass Shirley Arnold+(FCS)	8a Mass Detlev Nitsche+(FCS) 9.15a Masked Mass (gym) Ed Rauch+(FCS) 10a Mass Sandy Kale+(FRT) 12p EF Mass For the People of the parish (FRT) 6.30p Compline	Smith, Christy Smith, Shannon Harkins, Gloria Dussich, Rose Schillaci, Kristina Murphy, Laurie Taylor, Tony Scachetti, Carl Jones, Luigina & John Warga, Mary Jean Heap, Rita Herd, Marlene C. Eugenia Kolinko, Emily Stapinski, Susa Subrizi, Ed Case, Lee Mobley, John Postage, Mary Jean Heap, Stella Boris, Terri Arkins, Rosemary Craig, Janine Moore, Jean Casey,	
3.30-4.40p confessions 6p mass setup pac (volunteer here)	8.50a religious education 1p basketball pac 7p CYO parish house 7p rosary online (details)		
Please contact the Parish Office to reques We will leave names on the prayer list for		Thomas Dorsey, Jennifer Gregory, Jennifer Pfaffl, Mary Thompson, Diana Miller, and Kevin Curtis	



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homebound ministry

If you are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact Deacon Mark at mark.thompson@princeofpeacetaylors.org or 864.630.0606.

lay dominicans

If you would like to learn more about the life and charism of Lay Dominicans and how they share in the apostolic mission of the Dominican Order through the Four Pillars: Prayer, Study, Community and Apostolic Preaching, email Linda Head, OP, for information: ixhead@gmail.com.

widows and widowers

Be comforted by those who have experienced the grief of the loss of a spouse on the first Saturday of the month in the Pope Francis House. Call Jean Casey 864.423.7010 to learn more.

happy birthday

- Emily Dani, 6 March
- Sarah Smith, 21 March
- Maria Barontini, 30 March

welcome new parishioners

Join us in welcoming the newest members of our parish family: Sergio & Danielle Gomez and family; Zachary Zielinski; Summer Schreiber; William & Jessica Drew and family; Brian & Melissa Fitzsimmons; and James Burke.

perpetual eucharistic adoration

"And behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age." Matthew 28:20

Please consider adopting an hour or become a substitute. Contact Lisa Buss at 864.508.7123 or adoration@princeofpeacetaylors.org with questions!

- Adorers are reminded to receive the code directly from Lisa Buss.
- Hours in need of adorers:
 - 7a & 10p Wednesdays; 3a Thursdays

Notes about inclement weather:

 You will always receive an email about situations that result in the chapel being shutdown.

baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Thursday, I I March at 6.30p through Zoom (virtually). Please contact Deacon Gus for details at 864. 420.0497 baptisms@princeofpeacetaylors.org

- ⇒ Baptisms cannot be scheduled until the class is completed.
- ⇒ Only Deacon Gus can schedule Baptisms.

financial peace—virtual class

Learn what the Bible says about how to handle your money! Ever wish you could have the financial freedom to tithe like no other? The Manskes are hosting this virtual class to share the good news on how to have financial peace through the teaching of the Prince of Peace! Learn more by emailing Catherine at kikicat74@hotmail.com. Watch the intro video here.

Prayerfully consider donating the following:



sanctuary lamp \$20 donated by Bob & Debbie Smolar in memory of Sandy Kale



bread & wine \$20



flowers \$220



music \$300

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our new deacons

Each of our newly ordained deacons will preach at all Masses for a particular weekend. The schedule is as follows:

- 21 February: Deacon Michael Cavin
- 28 February: Deacon Mark Thompson
- TBS: Deacon Michael Thompson

A reception to celebrate each will be scheduled in the Spring or Summer, as safely doing so allows.

fraternus & fidelis ministries

Fraternus & Fidelis are mentoring programs for 6th-12th graders—fraternus is for boys & fidelis is for girls. Mentors form a brotherhood/sisterhood of virtue and invite the teens into it.

- 6th-I2th grade boys are invited to participate on Tuesdays from 7-8:45pm in the PAC. Contact Thomas at upstatefraternus@gmail.com
- 6th-12th grade ladies are invited to participate on Tuesdays from 7-8.45p in Parish House.
 Contact Kelly at upstatefidelis@gmail.com

open enrollment for our parish school

Enrollment in our parish school (grades K4-8th) is open to all (after a priority period of re-enrollment for existing families) on a first come, first served basis. With several classes expected to be waitlist only, interested families are encouraged to apply ASAP. Please schedule a tour of the parish school with Liz Burgdorf at 864-331-2145.

100% masked, no exceptions

The following will be in the PAC with 100% mask compliance (no medical exemptions):

- Stations of the Cross: 12 March 6.30p & 26 March 6.30p
- Holy Thursday: Communion Service (not a Mass) | April at 6.30p
- Good Friday: Stations of the Cross & Divine Mercy Chaplet 2 April 12p
- Good Friday Service: 2 April 3p
- Holy Saturday: 3 April 10.30a

february is dedicated to the holy family

"Nothing truly can be more salutary or efficacious for Christian families to meditate upon than the example of this Holy Family, which embraces the perfection and completeness of all domestic virtues." - Pope Leo XIII. Here are some ideas on how to honor the Holy Family across the month of February:

- the Holy Father's intentions for the month include praying for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings heeded
- consecrate your family to the Holy Family (<u>here's how to do it</u>)
- Venerable Fulton Sheen inscribed "JMJ" in remembrance of the Holy Family whenever he wrote religious reflections and instructions. Many were inspired to write JMJ on the top of their paper (even electronic) as a way to consecrate their work and unite it in prayer to the Holy Family (Jesus, Mary, Joseph)
- our parish school has a travelling Holy Family statue that resides in the home of a family each week with prayers. Consider adding a statue or image of Holy Family to your home in a popular gathering spot.
- the love of the family often spills over into the community. Consider doing a charitable activity as a family this month.

totus tuus returns

Our wildly successful Vacation Bible School, Totus Tuus, will return again, 10-16 July 2021! Mark you calendars now for all entering 1st-12th



graders (evening program for 7-12th graders). We need of 2 host families for our male and female team members, dinner host families, and adult volunteers for each grade level. Please email Maria Barontini!

What makes Totus Tuus special? The Totus Tuus program was developed by Catholics and teaches the Catholic faith. Totus Tuus is run by a team of enthusiastic, college-age adults who are on fire for our faith. The Totus Tuus program follows a 6-year curriculum cycle. So even if you came last year, or three years ago, the material is going to be different. Not to mention, the team changes each year so the leaders will have a totally fresh perspective.



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Blessed McGivney, pray for us. We come from many places, backgrounds and stages in our lives, but we are all of one faith. Join us today and be part of continuing to support Catholic men in our Parish family. Step Into the Breach with the Knights as the Strong Right Arm of The Church.

 Questions and ideas? Call or text our Grand Knight at (864) 354-5680.

social media

Between 31 January—4 April, Fr Smith has invited everyone to disengage completely from all social media except what is strictly necessary for work. This Lenten Social Media Detox extends to the parish's social media presence as well: we will only post livestreams, bulletins, newsletters, death notices, news about our upcoming deacons' ordinations and first homilies, and necessary school news. Please stay in touch by signing up for newsletters, reading your bulletin, and viewing our website.

here are the ways to continue giving to pop

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. 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.

 <u>donate online</u> in our <u>tithe.ly</u> system - setup EFT, one-time donation or recurring donation.
 Manage your giving with ease by <u>downloading the tithe.ly app</u> to your phone.

If you normally give via WeShare, you can stick with it or switch! The parish incurs lower fees with Tithe.ly. Here's the WeShare link for managing your account.

job opening at our parish school

Prince of Peace Catholic School in Taylors, SC, is accepting applications for a .5 FTE elementary (1st through 5th grade) Latin and Humanities teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. This position is a half time position with the potential to grow into a full time position in the next couple of years.

Established in 2003, Prince of Peace Catholic School is a National Blue Ribbon, and Catholic Education Honor Roll School, with a history of academic excellence, currently serving 178 students in grades K4 through 8. Our school is the primary apostolate of Prince of Peace Parish, and is served by a team of experienced, dedicated, and talented lay teachers. Prince of Peace offers a wonderful work environment and a welcoming, familial atmosphere.

The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic, experienced with elementary teaching, especially in the areas of Latin and/or Humanities, and possess a valid teaching certification. Compensation is competitive and commensurate with experience.

Please email a cover letter, resume, and references to Principal Steven Cunnningham at principal@popcatholicschool.org by Friday, 5 March 2021.

donating blood

Did you know that when you donate blood at The Blood Connection, Prince of Peace Catholic Church & School has a code to "credit" it to our parish? The code is 3APE.

men's bible study

Men's Bible Study meets on Tuesdays from 7-8p in Guadalupe Hall (The Middle School). They are studying Bishop Robert Barron's 4 Gospels. It's a great time to get involved! Questions? Contact Deacon Michael Thompson at 864.365.6178.

tax statements

Parishioner statements were mailed on 12 February 2021. Questions? Contact Mark Pulley.

Domestic Church Celebration Opportunity

Happenings & Needs

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celebrating the liturgical life of the church in YOUR home

22 February: Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter. Why do Catholics celebrate the feast of a chair?? Today, we are not celebrating a piece of furniture. The Chair of Peter is a physical symbol that communicates a spiritual reality. This Feast has been celebrated since the early Church and has multifold meaning. First, it refers to the actual chair (called the cathedra petri in Latin) that Saint Peter sat on as the first pope. Officials in the Roman Empire would sit on chairs when engaged in official work. This tradition was replicated in the Church. Catholic Bishops, for example, have a special cathedra they sit in for liturgy in their cathedral church. The physical "chair of Peter" is encased in a sculpture designed by Bernini located in Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome. In the apse of the Basilica, a great bronze throne encloses the wooden chair from the ninth century, long thought to be Peter's own chair. On the chair itself, Bernini depicts three key scenes from Peter's life: the giving of the keys (symbolizing the authority to lead the Church), the washing of feet (symbolizing how Peter's office is one of service), and lesus' instruction to Peter to "Feed my sheep" (pointing to his role as teacher and guide). Below the chair are statues of four doctors of the Church (Saints Athanasius, John Chrysostom, Ambrose, Augustine). Above the throne is an oval window with the image of the Holy Spirit as a dove. The symbolism of this great work of art is clear: the Holy Spirit guides the Church through Saint Peter and his successors, who authoritatively teach the Word of God transmitted in Sacred Scripture and Tradition.

Next, this feast day is about the spiritual authority bestowed upon Saint Peter by Jesus. Jesus said to Peter, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18). Pope Benedict XVI summarized the spiritual dimension of the Chair of Peter: "So what was the 'Chair' of St Peter? Chosen by Christ as the 'rock' on which to build the Church, he began his ministry in Jerusalem... The Church's first 'seat' was the Upper Room, and it is likely that a special place was reserved for Simon Peter in that room where Mary, Mother of Jesus, also prayed with the disciples... Then Peter went to Rome, the center of the Empire... So it is that the See of Rome, which had received the greatest of honors, also has the honor that Christ entrusted to Peter of being at the service of all the particular Churches for the edification and unity of the entire People of God... The See of Rome, after St Peter's travels, thus came to be recognized as the See of the Successor of Peter, and its Bishop's 'cathedra' represented the mission entrusted to him by Christ to tend his entire flock... Celebrating the 'Chair' of Peter, therefore, means attributing a strong spiritual significance to it and recognizing it as a privileged sign of the love of God, the eternal Good Shepherd, who wanted to gather his whole Church and lead her on the path of salvation."

In the fourth century, St. Jerome wrote to Pope Damascus I: "I follow no leader but Christ and join in communion with none but Your Blessedness, that is, with the chair of Peter. I know that this is the rock on which the Church has been built."

Ideas for celebrating in your home:

- Pray the Litany of St. Peter: link here.
- Watch "Peter: Keeper of the Keys" on FORMED (link here)
- A symbol for Saint Peter is keys (the keys to the kingdom!). A fun activity would be to make keys out of craft supplies, cookie dough, pancake batter, or bread dough.
- For an edible craft, challenge children to design a "chair" for St. Peter out of pantry supplies (cookies, crackers, nut butters, pretzels, etc). Ideas here and here.
- For dinner, set the table with the liturgical color of white. Make <u>Baked Rockfish</u> in honor of Peter "the rock" (or any type of fish, since Peter was a fisherman!). Serve it alongside a "<u>Golden Chair of St. Peter fruit salad</u>"

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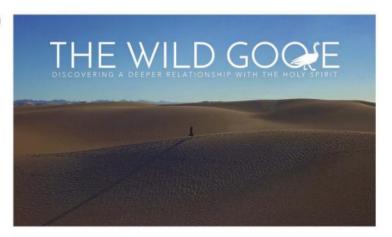
PICK OF THE WEEK

February 21, 2021

WATCH

THE WILD GOOSE: EPISODE 10 THE SPIRIT AND THE DESERT

Sometimes we might feel like we're stuck in spiritual deserts. In this episode of The Wild Goose, Fr. Dave Pivonka shares how the Holy Spirit is present even in these times of desolation.





FORMED NOW! THE NEXT POPE

As we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter this week, join Dr. Tim Gray and George Weigel as they discuss the past, present, and future of the papacy!



ISTEN

LOVE, SACRIFICE, TRUST: HE SHOWED US THE WAY BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!



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triune mercy kitchen—help needed

Join our parish family with a **corporal work of** mercy by feeding the hungry of Triune Mercy Kitchen on the first Sunday of March. Please <u>sign up</u> here to have the food and drinks ready for delivery. Contact John Olson with questions at 864.354.5680.

sacrament of baptism

Please welcome the newest member of the Body of Christ:

- James Ryan Doherty, son of John & Jenna, who was baptized on 13 February
- Sara Quinn Winebarger, daughter of Eric & Allison, who was baptized on 20 February

lenten schedules

- Confession: two additional opportunities of 6-7p Tuesdays & 6-7p Thursdays will be added to our normal schedule (5-6 Wednesdays & 3.30-4.40p Saturdays)
- Pray Compline: on Sundays from 21 February—21 March, join praying night prayer at
 6.30p. It is very easy to learn!
- Stations of the Cross: Friday evenings at 7p.
 We will not have Benediction or Confession during Stations this year.
- Lenten Recommended Reading by Fr Smith: Glittering Vices: A new Look at the Seven Deadly Sins and Their Remedies by Rebecca DeYoung. (link to Amazon)

ember days

In the Extraordinary Form, every season – spring, summer, winter and fall – has three days on a Wednesday, Friday and Saturday called Ember Days, days of special fasting, penance and prayer. Fr Smith has written a short little book on the Ember Days to explain their significance and spirituality available below: For a free digital copy: Ember & Rogation Days, a book by Fr Christopher Smith

To purchase a bound paperback: click here

letter from the pastor, continued

I pledged to provide pastoral care and sacraments as generously as possible, with certain caveats. One, daily Latin Mass would be celebrated habitually when there were two priests present in the parish and outside of certain days like octaves and civil holidays. Two, I needed the community to focus on presenting the tradition in a positive way to be a part of the great effort for the New Evangelization in our time. To that end, fruitless polemics and obsessing over smaller issues would not be tolerated or encouraged. Third, I reminded our people that we were a normal diocesan parish, and as such would administer the parish as such, and its feel would not be like that of a personal parish run by a religious community dedicated to the exclusive use of the Extraordinary Form. As I said almost ten years ago, "If you're down with this, we're going to have a great time together. If not, you need to find a new spiritual home."

We have been remarkably consistent about making this vision of the Latin Mass and its place within the parish a reality. Even during the pandemic and civil unrest that has made 2020 and beyond its own long Lent, our clergy and parish staff have continued to work according to that vision. The stress of this time, however, has caused some of our number to start that grumbling which is the seed of endless polemic, disobedience and rebellion that are contrary to the vision which animates this place. If you cannot live at peace with this vision and the pastoral leadership of the parish, and come to Mass mad at this, that or the other thing, then Lent is a time of admitting to yourself that you need to go where you feel you can be fed. We respect the decision to make Prince of Peace your spiritual home. We also respect your decision to leave if it is no longer a good fit. Here we will continue our mission of positive engagement with the Tradition within the unity of the Church.

fr. Christypert South

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