

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

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#### **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,

For the past few weeks I have been mentioning some of the great religious orders whose spirituality shaped my life as both a layman and as a priest. There are a few more that I can't forget. When I was became a Catholic, I chose St Dominic as my confirmation patron. I was intrigued by the fact that, as the Albigensian heresy ravaged Spain and France, this scholarly canon was given the unusual privilege by his bishop to preach and move around unencumbered by the stricter rules of the cloister. His Order of Preachers has gone all over the world to preach sacred truth. I loved how St Dominic once spent all night with a young Albigensian man answering his questions and challenging his false understanding of Catholicism. Dominic was a man who loved books, but when the plague was ravaging where he was living, he sold all of his books so he could use the money to personally attend to the needs of the sick poor. His example caused me to explore a Dominican vocation, but that was not in the cards!

The Oratorians are not a religious order, as they are diocesan priests who live in communities under the charism of their founder, St Philip Neri. Neri wanted to be a foreign missionary in India with the Jesuits, until St Ignatius told him to stay in Rome as a parish priest and much sought out confessor. Oratorian houses are often centers of high culture and learning. John Henry Newman gathered his spiritual sons to found the Oratory in England, which is where I discovered them. To this day, the London Oratory has the most beautiful liturgy in Christendom, where the Roman rite and its music are carried out in the most exquisite fashion, all in the fashionable district of Kensington, which was where the poor Irish lived when they got started.

All of these religious orders imparted in some way or another something of their spirit to me, and through me, to the parishes I am blessed to serve. A truly Catholic spirit is open to all that is true, good and beautiful. Prince of Peace may be an extraordinary parish for ordinary people, but it also reflects a number of beautiful gifts from the religious orders. The liturgical splendor of the Oratory, the love of theological study of the Dominicans, the contemplative spirit of the Carmelites, the clerical spirituality of the Norbertines, and the love for work of the Benedictines are all apart of our mix. God be praised for raising up so many different saints in so many different times and places to do His will and teach us so much!"

In Christ,

# fr. Christypert Smit

### 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 Sn	Fr Christopher Smith = FCS Ordinary Form =OF Extraordinary Form =EF				
sunday, 30 may most holy trinity (OF year B & EF)	monday, 3 I may visitation of the blessed virgin mary (OF) queenship of mary (EF)	tuesday, l june st justin (OF) st angela merici (EF)			
8a Mass John Patrick Cogan+(FCS)  9.15a Masked Liturgy of the Word in PAC (last one)  10a Mass Deceased Simmons/McCullen families (FCS)  12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS)  5p Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament	No Mass	6p Mass Alissa Rauch-L (FCS)			
9a choir 7p men's basketball pac 7p rosary online (details)	10.30a svdp pope francis house 6.30p boy scouts pac 6.30p legion of mary kofc bldg 7p rosary online (details)	6.30p confession 7p men's bible study lourdes hall 7p rosary online (details)			
wednesday, 2 june sts marcellinus & peter (OF) sts Marcellinus, peter & erasmus (EF)	thursday, 3 june st charles Iwanga & companions (OF) corpus christi (EF)	friday, 4 june weekday (OF) st francis caracciolo (EF)			
8.30a Mass Chuck Eaton + (FCS)	7a Mass Louisa Beck+(FCS)	12p EF Mass Chuck Eaton+(FCS)			
4p & 6p choir 7p pop women's group study ( <u>link</u> )	5.30p aoh kofc bldg. 7p rosary online ( <u>details</u> )	7p rosary online (details)			
saturday, 5 june st boniface (OF) st boniface(EF) *end of general dispensation in the Diocese of Charleston at 4p; details on website	sunday, 6 june corpus christi (OF year B) external solemnity of corpus christi (EF)	prayer requests  All those serving our country, Gena Cunning- ham, Julie Mallory, Bridgitte Gunnells, Wrenn Calcutt, Jim Bannister, Stephen Wiltberger, Lillie Nesbitt, Kevin Stainton, Doris Pratt,			
	8a Mass Austin Rauch-L (FCS) 10a Mass Heap Family (FCS) *livestreamed in PAC with distribution of holy communion (masked & socially distanced) 12p EF Mass For the People of the Parish (FCS) 5p Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament	Sarah Williams, Kenneth Price, Jackie Andre- jack, Dcn Bob Smith, Lois Smith, Christy Smith, Shannon Harkins, Gloria Dussich, Rose Schillaci, Kristina Murphy, Laurie Taylor, Carl Jones, Luigina & John Warga, Mary Jean Heap, Rita Herd, Marlene C. Eugenia Kolinko, Emily			
10a bounce svdp trailer 3.30-4.40p confession 6p setup pac (volunteer here) svdp in narthex	7p basketball pac 7p rosary online (details) svdp in narthex	Stapinski, Susan Subrizi, Ed Case, Lee Mobley, Stella Boris, Terri Arkins, Rosemary Craig, Janine Moore, Jean Casey, Thomas Dorsey, Jennifer Gregory, Jennifer Pfaffl, Kevin Curtis, Ray Lopez, Peter McPherson, Lola Hartman,			
Please contact the Parish Office to reque. We will leave names on the prayer list fo.		Frank Cespedes, Bob Haden, Kayla Whatley, Joe Valitchka & Maria Barontini's Mom			



## An Extraordinary Parish for Ordinary People

#### 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: <a href="mailto:ixhead@gmail.com">ixhead@gmail.com</a>.

#### 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.

#### pray liturgy of the hours

Starting Monday, 7 June, join us to pray Lauds (Morning Prayer) at 8am on Mondays & Thursdays. Beginning on 11 June, the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we'll pray Vespers (Evening Prayer) on Fridays at 5.30p. Contact Lisa Buss with questions.

#### weekly children's holy hour

Every Thursday between 10-11a, all parents are invited to bring their children to the Adoration Chapel. In this hour, it is understood that there will be some noise in the Chapel. Contact Adrienne Haverland at jahaverland@gmail.com with questions.

#### perpetual eucharistic adoration

"It is the LORD." John 21:7

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:
  - 12p Sundays; 12a Mondays; 12p Wednesdays; 2p co-adorer Saturdays

#### baptism class

Parents desiring Baptism for their children must attend a Baptism Class. The next class will be held on Thursday, 10 June 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.

#### bulletin sponsors needed

Now is the time to call Andy Gillhouse, Diocesan Publications, to become a bulletin advertiser. Our advertisers allow us to publish the bulletin at no cost to the parish. Reach out to Andy at 407.701.8618 or agillhouse@diocesan.com to learn more.



## Prayerfully consider donating the following:



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#### celebrating our graduates

If you are a senior of Prince of Peace graduating from High School or College, we would love to congratulate you! Please provide us with your name & school/college from which you are graduating from by 30 May to

bulletinsubmissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org

#### latin mass community emails

Please email Tracey Mershon to be added to the distribution list for Latin Mass Community announcements at traceymershon63@gmail.com.

### open enrollment for our parish school

Which school in the Diocese has the highest MAP scores? Prince of Peace Catholic School!

POPCS students scored higher than all Greenville County public schools on MAP testing, too.

Please schedule a tour of the parish school with Liz Burgdorf at 864-331-2145.

### vocations prayer after EF mass

The mothers of Prince of Peace gather every Sunday after the 12n EF Mass to pray that the Lord will raise up priests and religious sisters from their children.

The tiny village of Lu gave 323 priests and nuns to the Church after their pastor, Msgr Alessandro Canora, gathered the moms to offer their Communion every First Sunday and Adoration every Thursday! May He hear our prayers too!

#### men's bible study

Men's Bible Study meets on Tuesdays from 7-8p in Guadalupe Hall (The Middle School). They are just starting a study by St Ignatius on Book of Matthew. It's a great time to get involved! Questions? Contact Deacon Michael Thompson at 864.365.6178.

#### welcome new parishioners

Join us in welcoming the newest members of our parish family: JJ & Katrina Whitlinger and family; and Joshua & Jamilyn Miller and family.

#### st rafka monthly dinner invite

St Rafka will have their monthly pasta dinner on Thursday, 3 June, 5.30-7.30p.Menu is meatloaf stuffed with Italian sausage, mozzarella and fresh basil served alongside rigatoni with marinara, tossed salad & dessert

Adults are \$10 and children \$5. This will be the last dinner until 2 September.

#### totus tuus—vacation bible school

Our wildly successful Vacation Bible School, Totus Tuus, will return again, 11-16 July 2021!



- ⇒ registration forms available by emailing Maria Barontini or stopping by her office
- ⇒ \$35 per child (\$80 maximum per family)
- ⇒ the grade school program is full & closed; our youth program (grades 7-12) meets Sunday-Thursday 7-9p.

### For a successful program, we need:

- dinner host families,
- contributions of gift cards for meals,
- and adult volunteers for each grade level.

Please email Maria Barontini to help in any way.

#### congratulations to brianna!

Our parish loves Totus Tuus and we know how important the Totus Tuus missionaries are to the success
of the program. We are
proud to announce that one
of our own, Brianna Bourguignon will be joining the
Diocese of Charlotte's
Totus Tuus team
this summer. Brianna, a Philosophy major at Clemson,
came into full communion



with the Catholic Church on 22 May at Prince of Peace. We ask that our parish community keep Brianna and all the Totus Tuus missionaries in their prayers this summer.



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#### get to know the knights of columbus 9184

Men: Join the Knights of Columbus in Prayer and Catholic Fraternity Thursday nights at 7.30p outside our building that is next to the Parish Activity Center and Pope Francis House). Call or text our Grand Knight John Olson at 354-5680 with questions.



St. Joseph, pray for us. Blessed McGivney, pray for us.

#### here are the ways to continue giving to pop

Electronic giving is a convenient way to make contributions. **Donate online** 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.

#### vote daily

Thank you to everyone who nominated us "Best Online Religious Service" for the 2nd year in a row. We'd love to earn the win this year. You can vote every day (especially since



we have to catch up with those who knew for the last 8 days): <a href="http://bit.ly/bestof\_POP">http://bit.ly/bestof\_POP</a>

#### parish emails

Did you know we send out emails, sometimes with time sensitive information not found elsewhere? Be sure you're signed up to receive important messages and white list our address so it doesn't get lost in your SPAM.

- Sign up here for the parish master list
- white list the domain @princeofpeacetaylors.org

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## **End of General Dispensation**

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#### end of general dispensation, effective at 4p on 5 june

The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the anticipatory Mass at 4p or later on the previous day) is to be reinstated in the Diocese of Charleston effective June 5, the Feast of Corpus Christi. Read the <u>Bishop's Letter</u> or <u>watch his</u> video!

Some dispensations continue, including for these 8 reasons:

- You are ill or your health condition would be significantly compromised if you were to contract a communicable illness (i.e., you have underlying conditions or are in a high-risk category). <u>Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.</u>
- 2. You exhibit flu-like symptoms. <u>Please use the dispensation and do not</u> attend Mass.
- 3. You have good reason to think you might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness (e.g., you were in recent contact with someone who tested positive for a contagious illness such as COVID or influenza). Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.
- 4. You care for the sick, homebound, or infirmed.
- 5. You are pregnant.
- 6. Those 65 years of age or older (per the CDC's recommendation of high-risk individuals).
- 7. You cannot attend Mass through no fault of your own (e.g., no Mass is offered, you are infirmed, or, while wanting to go, you are prevented for some reason you cannot control (e.g., your ride did not show up, the church was at capacity).
- 8. If you have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass.

Those within all categories outlined above *must still observe the Lord's Day* and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's passion, death and resurrection; an excellent way to do this is through participating in a broadcast of the Sunday Mass. POP will continue to livestream Sunday Mass at 10a and 12n along with special livestreams announced in the bulletin calendar.

All norms are to be reinstated in the Church with the exception of sharing the Sign of Peace, which was already optional, and receiving the chalice.

With the end of the general dispensation, we will cancel the 9.15a Liturgy of the Word (the last one will be 30 May). For those with need for a fully masked and socially distanced setting, the 10a livestream of Mass in the PAC with distribution of Holy Communion will be offered beginning 6 June.

Social events will resume with the end of the dispensation following current CDC guidelines.

In the words of the Bishop, please continue to pray for priests who have worked diligently across the pandemic to serve the sick, dying, grieving, and everyone else of good will.





## Celebrating the Liturgical Life of the Church

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I June: Feast of Saint Justin. Justin is one of the most important Christian writers of the early Church. Born in the year 100 in the Palestinian province of Samaria, Justin was the son of pagan Greeks who provided him with an excellent education. Justin was interested in philosophy and looked for truth in various schools of thought. He became frustrated with philosophers' intellectual conceits, limitations, and indifference to God. After years of study, Justin had a life-changing encounter with an old man who urged him to study the lewish prophets, who had spoken by God's inspiration and predicted the coming of Christ and foundation of His Church. "Above all things, pray that the gates of life may be opened to you," the man told Justin, "for these are not things to be discerned, unless God and Christ grant to a man the knowledge of them." Justin studied Christianity and was baptized at age 30. From then on, he studied Holy Scripture day and night, his soul filled with divine fire. As a Christian, he wrote many books explaining and propagating the Christian faith. Among the most famous are his two Apologies or Defens-



es of the Faith, which argued against the claims of Jews, pagans, and non-Christian philosophers. Several of his works were written to Roman officials, to refute lies about the Church and to end persecution of Christians. Justin's writings give explicit descriptions of the early Church's beliefs and modes of worship. In modern times, scholars note that Justin's descriptions correspond to the traditions of the Church on every essential point. Justin describes the Sunday liturgy as a sacrifice, speaks of the Eucharist as the true body and blood of Christ (stating only baptized persons free of serious sin may receive it), and describes celibacy as a sacred calling. His first defense of the faith, written around 150, convinced the emperor to regard the Church with tolerance. In 167, persecution began again under Emperor Marcus Aurelius. Justin was seized and brought before the prefect of Rome. An eyewitness tells how Justin the philosopher became known as "St. Justin Martyr." The prefect stated how Justin might save his life: "Obey the gods, and comply with the edicts of the emperors." Justin responded: "No one can be justly blamed or condemned for obeying the commands of our Savior Jesus Christ." Rusticus demanded, "Hear me, you who are noted for your eloquence... If I cause you to be scourged from head to foot, do you think you shall go to heaven?" Justin replied, "If I suffer what you mention, I hope to receive the reward which those have already received, who have obeyed the precepts of Jesus Christ. There is nothing which we more earnestly desire, than to endure torments for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ... We are Christians, and will never sacrifice to idols." Justin was scourged and beheaded along with six other believers. St. Justin Martyr has been regarded as a saint since the earliest centuries of the apologists, patron lecturers, orators,

### Ideas for celebrating this feast at home:

- St. Justin was a prolific writer for the early church. Read his writings here. Read more about St. Justin's life and his martyrdom.
- Greek food ideas for Justin's feast: Greek salads, pita with hummus and tzatziki, olives, grilled meat or fish (or grilled kabobs), gyros, Spanakopita... Click here for recipe ideas. Don't forget to incorporate the martyrs' liturgical color of red on your table (candles, tablecloths, etc)
- Justin had a great love of Holy Scripture and is said to have had it in his hands day and night. Use his feast to rekindle your love of Scripture. Try reading just a little every day. Read passages out loud to your children.
- An apologist is not someone who apologizes for their faith, but rather someone who explains and defends the Faith. We are exhorted in 1 Peter 3:15 to "Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls you to account for the hope that is in you." May Saint Justin, brave apologist, inspire us to defend and learn more about our Catholic Faith each and every day.

(sources: catholicculture.org; catholicnewsagency.com; excerpts from The Liturgical Year by Abbot Gueranger)

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Submit your announcements 2 w	eeks prior to the desired b	ulletin date to bull	etinsubmissions@princeofpeacetaylors.org



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#### summer camps 2021

- Academic STEAM Camp (waitlist only)
- Totus Tuus Vacation Bible School (see pg 5, elementary program full)
- Archery Camp (full)
- Art Camp with Marilyn Alber is a great way for kids entering 1st-8th grade to kick off summer and be creative. Choose between week I (14-18 June) and/or week 2 (21-25 June). Classes are held for 2 hours each day Monday-Friday in the Media & Art Bldg. The cost of a 1-week session is \$160, materials provided. The registration deadline is Friday, 28 May. No refunds are given after 1 June. Forms are available at the school office. For additional information, contact mmalber@att.net.
- Dribble for Destiny Summer Basketball Camp is for ages 6-13 boys and girls. It will be held 9a-12p on Tuesday, 6 July—Friday, 9 July. Camp includes ball dribbling, passing, shooting, ball handling, daily contests, daily devotions, video, snack and full court play round out each days activities. The Awards Ceremony is on 9 July @ 11a. The cost is \$119 and includes a t-shirt OR ball. Registration forms are available in the parish office or online. Maximum of 50 athletes.
- Come play "pick up" soccer this summer at POPCS. Mr. Barontini will be supervising a series of small-sided soccer games, Thursday nights from June 17 to July 15 (with a rain makeup game on July 22). We will be playing a series of 3 v 3 or 4 v 4 games to have fun, keep in contact with friends or make new ones. Contact nathan.barontini@popcatholicschool.org for details and to register. Your student can attend as many games as he or she wants. Grades: Rising 5<sup>th</sup> to Rising 8<sup>th</sup> (boys and girls). Cost: \$50 for 5 sessions. No refunds.

#### men's breakfast

All men of the parish and their friends are invited to join us for breakfast and fellowship on Thursday, 3 June. We gather at 8a at Denny's on Wade Hampton Blvd. For more information, call Don Foertsch at 268.3810.

#### prayer request

In your kindness, please pray for the repose of the soul of Rita Wiltberger.

Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### join the 7 sisters apostolate

Women of the parish are invited to join the 7 Sisters Apostolate, a group of women dedicated to offering a holy hour one day a week to pray specifically for Fr Smith and Fr Tomlinson and their intentions. Each group is 7 women strong and take I day a week in prayer for all week coverage. The apostolate meets once a year to recite a Commitment Prayer on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. The year typically runs from June—July. Learn more by speaking with Donna Kelly at donnarosekelly@gmail.com or by phone 864.268.4722. Read this link for FAQs.

#### pop logo items

If you are seeking POP logo items, look no further:

- POP tshirts, hoodie & long sleeve shirts <u>here</u>
- POP pint glasses, mugs, stationery, mason jar, mask, magnet, sticker and notebook here

#### 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 June. Please sign up here to have the food and drinks ready for delivery. Contact Phillip & Hannah Helm with questions at 805.750.5663 or community.kofc9184@gmail.com.

### update on nativity

The first round of nativity pieces (the Holy Family, Camel and Shepherd) have been ordered. Monies for the Holy Spirit, kneeling lamb and donkey are almost fundraised! Thank you for your generosity and support of the POP Up Catholic Store. Now, an additional \$18,000 in crating and shipping is needed to get these items delivered.

We continue to fundraise for the ox, angel, and all 3 wisemen. If there are groups that would like to get together and donate for a particular piece or if your work matches donations, that is a great way to help us achieve our goals.



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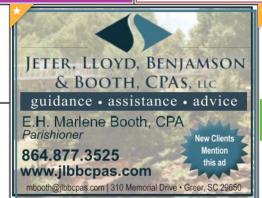
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