## PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Prince of Peace is a welcoming and engaged Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ through prayerful worship and sharing our gifts of charity, compassion and service.



# MARCH 30, 2025

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## Deacon Jeff's Corner

One of the many great treasures we have in the Catholic Church are the saints; those who did not live perfect lives on earth but strove to stay as close to Jesus as they could. One of those saints is St. Josemaria Escriva (1902-1975), who founded the Order of Opus Dei (which means "Work of God") in 1928 and was canonized by St. John Paul II in 2002. He felt the character of a person was of critical importance and had several inspirational quotes on the topic. In this "midpoint" of Lent, I'd like to share just some of those quotes in the hope they may inspire you through the balance of Lent – and beyond.

"Do not let your life be sterile. Be useful. Blaze a trail. Shine forth with the love of your faith and your love." "Turn your back on the deceiver (Satan) when he whispers in your ear, 'Why complicate your life?'" "Will-power. Energy. Example. What has to be done is done...without wavering...without worrying about what others think."

"Let obstacles only make you bigger. The grace of our Lord will not be lacking. Through the midst of the mountains the waters shall pass. You will pass through the mountains!"

"Do not be afraid of the truth, even though the truth may mean your death."

"Do you laugh because I tell you that you have a 'vocation to marriage'? Well, you have just that – a vocation.

"When you must judge others, why put into your criticism the bitterness of your own failures?" "You go on being worldly, frivolous, and giddy because you are a coward. What is it, if not cowardice to refuse to face yourself?"

These are just a sample of the quotations from St. Josemaria I ran across. Maybe one of these strikes you and if it does, make it a Lenten goal for the next three weeks, all the way to Easter Sunday!

Deacon Jeff

### PRAYER NETWORK

For prayer requests please call: Rita Boucher: 920-468-7060 Judy Burkel: 920-615-7810

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We can use e-mail or direct phone calls to carry out the message. Anyone interested in being a member of the Prayer Network either by phone or e-mail, please contact one of the leaders. Looking to update all e-mail addresses for the members of the Prayer Network. PLEASE e-mail updates to Judy Burkel at judyburkel@sbcglobal.net



Monday	Marc	ch 31- No Mass		
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 am		<b>April 1</b> † Lucille Strojny		
<b>Wednesda</b> 7:30 am	-The	April 2 -The living & deceased members of the Bourgeois Family		
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 am	· · · · ·	<b>April 3</b> † Allen Lamers and Richard Lamers		
<b>Friday</b> 11:00 am	-	<b>April 4-</b> <i>First Friday Mass</i> † Wally Vandenhouten		
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 pm	- For	<b>April 5</b> - For The Baptized, their Parents, and Godparents		
	Lector: Servers: Ushers:			
Sunday 8:00 am	† Ker	<b>April 6th</b> † Ken Kraynik † Dean Fidler		
	Lector: Servers:	Clif Kuehl Kevin Kain Abby & Ben Foster		
	Ushers:	Rayna DeGrave Jim Fonder, Karen Haas Hank Kollross, Tracey Smits Lee Thibaudeau		
10:00 am	-Prin <b>Lector:</b>	ce of Peace Parish Family Lisa Patz		
	Servers: Ushers:	Jame Patz Deacons Ron & Laura Mathis Dick Eckert, Al Gilge 1 Volunteer		
6:00 pm	† Am Lector: Servers: Ushers:	brose Loritz Brenda Tyczkowski Deacons Deb Tilot, Luke LeCapitaine Eric Hunter, John Calaway		



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### For the most current Mass Times... See our online calendar at: www.popgb.org

#### Mass Times

<u>Rosary</u>

Tues, Wed, Thurs -7:30am Tues, W 1st Friday 11:00am (Oct. –May) Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am & 6:00pm

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**Reconciliation** 

### Holy Day Masses

Saturday 3:30pm-4:00pm

### (see below)

#### **Diocesan Holy Hour**

1st Friday 10:00am (Oct-May) & 9am (June-Sept)

Events and times may have changed. Please see our online calendar at: www.popgb.org for the most current and up to date information, or call our Parish Office at 920-468-5718.

March	30	8:00am	RCIA/OCIA Dismissal
i i ui cii		4:00pm	NEW Shelter Meal- offsite
		6:30pm	RCIA/OCIA
		6:30pm	Breaking Open Sunday Scripture
April		5:45am	Connect– Men's Group
	1	8:15am	33 Days to Eucharistic Glory
			Book Study
	1	5:30pm	Picnic Meeting
	1	6:15pm	Praise Choir Practice
	1	6:15pm	Lenten Yoga– Sacred Flow
	1	6:30pm	Rise and Sing Choir Practice
	1	6:30pm	Baptism Preparation Class
	1	6:30pm	33 Days to Eucharistic Glory
			Book Study
	2	8:00am	Community Breakfast after 8 am
			Mass-everyone welcome
	2	9:00am	Social Bees
	2	6:00pm	Together in Faith– Sedar Meal
			Group 1
	3	6:00pm	Stations of the Cross
	3	6:30pm	Youth Group
	3	6:30pm	Discipleship Meeting
	4	10:00am	Diocesan Holy Hour
	4	11:00am	First Friday Mass
	4	12:00pm	First Friday Senior Luncheon
	4	6:00pm	POP Movie Night
	6	8:00am	Denmark Knights of Columbus
			Booyah for Vocations
	6	8:00am	RCIA/OCIA Dismissal
	6	Coffee & F	Rolls after AM Masses
	6	11:30am	Rise & Sing Choir Practice

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

### Prince of Peace Parish

Parish Support

March 15 — March 21, 2025

Description		_ Amount	
Envelopes	\$	6,186.00	
Direct Deposits	\$	11,647.00	
Faith Direct	\$		
Loose Collection	\$	2,115.80	
Fish Dinner	\$	2,830.64	
Long Range Needs	\$	330.00	
RE Tuition	\$	690.00	
Estate & Trust Donations	\$	-	
Investment Interest	\$	-	
Miscellaneous	\$	1,783.00	
TOTAL WEEKEND COLLECTION	\$	25,582.44	
TOTAL BUDGETED	\$	25,950.00	
YTD BUDGETED NEED	\$	986,100.00	
YTD ACTUAL COLLECTION		<u>,068,302.47</u>	
YTD ACTUAL NET PICNIC PROCEEDS	\$	109,382.85	
FISCAL YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT	\$	(27,180.38)	
NOT INCLUDING PICNIC FUNDS			

Moved, changed your phone number or your e-mail address? Please contact the parish office at (920)468-5718 or email either Diane at: <u>dfidler@popgb.org</u> Marsha at: <u>mloritz@popgb.org</u>

We are currently booking Mass Intentions from **January 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026.** Please call the office at 920-468-5718 to check availability.

#### Readings for the week of March 30, 2025 Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/ Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/ In 4:43-54 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/ Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53 Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/ Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-4 (©Liturgical Publications Inc)

### Our 2025 Prince of Peace Parish

### Assessment is: \$96,704.00 <u>-\$91,096.00</u> (94% of our goal) \$5,608.00 (remaining amount)



Through your generosity, together we can meet this assessment. Your generous support of the Bishop's Appeal will change lives in ways you will never know! **Deacon Jeff** 

### 2025 CANDLES DATES AVAILABLE

We have some dates available for the **Red Sanctuary, Blue Marian, Amber St. Michael** & the Emerald St. Joseph candles During the months of May, June & July 2025. Please contact the parish office at 468-5718

### **SPECIAL INTENTION**

if you are interested in booking dates.

That our baptized, their parents and godparents live the promise of raising their children in faith, fostered by our love and care for them, we pray.

### Attention

### Rural Entrepreneurs & Production Farmers

As part of the Rural Life Mass at POP on Thursday, May 15 from 10am-1pm, plans are being made for entrepreneurs and production farms to showcase their products.

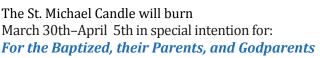
The planners of this event are seeking to secure 8-12 entrepreneurs/farmers to showcase their products such as honey producers, Alpaca products, goat milk lotions & products, artisan and small batch products, dairy farmers, and other agricultural producers during the event.

Use the QR code for more info and to access the application which is due on April 1 to the POP office.



The Sanctuary Candle will burn March 30th–April 5th in memory of: *Don Brusky* 

The Marian Candle will burn March 30th–April 5th in special intention for: *The Living & Deceased Members of the Molzahn Family* 



The St. Joseph Candle will burn March 30th–April 5th in memory of: *Harvey Legois* 

If you would like to schedule the Sanctuary Candle, Marian Candle, St. Michael Candle or St. Joseph Candle, please contact the Parish Office at 920-468-5718.

### **SCRIP**

#### What is SCRIP?

SCRIP is a fund-raising program. 72 of the most popular gift cards are in-stock. Each vendor offers an automatic rebate for cards purchased. No extra costs for customers, just free money from the vendors.

How are rebate dollars used?

Rebates collected from March 1, through February 28/29, yearly are distributed to POP for general expenses <u>unless</u> the parishioner chooses to participate in the Tuition Assistance Program which allows them to give 50% of their earned rebates to a student for tuition.

#### Can anyone participate in the Tuition Assistance Program?

Yes, if you know of a student that attends Prince of Peace Religious Education OR a student who attends a Diocesan Catholic school you can sign **a Scrip Program Agreement** (SPA) yearly to designate the family and school. SPA forms can be obtained from the parish office or SCRIP sale volunteers.

### **RAISE RIGHT**

#### What is Raise Right?

Raise Right is the online version of SCRIP. There are always 500 to 1,000 e-cards to choose from. It is easy to sign up and use.

What are the benefits of using Raise Right?

Anywhere/anytime shopping. If you are in a check-out line, you can pull up the app and purchase an e-gift card to use at check-out. You can also reload physical cards at any time.

#### How can I find out more?

Go to You Tube and search for *Raise Right*. There are many how-to videos to choose from. Scan the QR code below to get started.



SCRIP SALE HOURS in the office. Monday –10 am–noon; Wednesday –8:30–11 am; Friday – 8:30 am–noon; After weekend Masses in the reception area.

NEXT SCRIP ORDER DATE: MARCH 31, 2025



The Usher Ministry Schedules for the weekends starting April through June have been sent through Flocknote. If you would like a copy of the Ushers schedule, it will be in the hallway across from the Ushers' room. If you need help signing up, please contact the office for assistance. Thank you!

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



April 3rd April 10th

The Stations will be held at 6:00pm on Thursdays.

The First Friday Lunch will be Friday, April 4.

Adoration: 10:00 Mass: 11:00

Lunch consists of Vegetarian Vegetable Soup (Gluten Free) jello fluff, and chocolate cherry cupcakes. Please sign up by Tuesday, April 1 at 1:00pm. If you do have any food allergies, please indicate that on the sign up sheet. The Prince of Peace Church volunteers will be serving at the NEW Community Shelter on Sunday, March 30. We are asking the church community for donations of cheese, fruit and desserts to serve with the meal. Monetary donations are always appreciated as well. Please bring your donations to mass the weekend of March 29/30 and drop in the kitchen area. Thank you for your generosity, and your continued support throughout the year. The guests at the shelter are very appreciative. Any questions, please let me know. 920-863-2852 or <u>piemakr39@gmail.com</u>. God Bless!!

# **SOCIAL BEES**

**ALL ARE WELCOME** 

Wednesday, April 2nd @9:00 AM (right after Community Breakfast)

> Enjoy great community playing cards and games while having plenty of fun! We hope to see you there!



# Prince of Peace Blood Drive

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

### 12:00-5:00 p.m.

Appointments are preferred but walk in's are welcome. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS Or scan the code to sign up:



Questions? Please reach Jenny VandenLangenberg at 920-676-9363 or jennyvan14@gmail.com



In partnership with parents, guardians, and the parish, we seek to help children deepen their relationship with Jesus, understand their Catholic faith, and participate in our Prince of Peace Catholic Community.

# Religious Education registration for the 2025-2026 year is now open.

The Prince of Peace Faith Formation Program opens Monday for all students entering 1st through 11th grade (Confirmation) for the 2025-2026 school year.

Registration information will be emailed to all families currently in RE and will also be available on the Prince of Peace website. Parish members will have priority enrollment.

We are very blessed that our parish understands the importance of faith formation for our families!

To register your family, simply scan the QR code and it will take you directly to our Faith Direct registration site. Tuition payments can be made online at the time of registration.





#### Vacation Bible School Registration

Where: Prince of Peace When: July 21-25, 9 am - Noon Who: Kids entering K-6th Grade Cost: \$40 per child



Cost: \$40 per child Cost Includes: T-Shirt, Activities, Snacks

Volunteers Needed: Adults and kids entering 7-12th grade. Please email re@popgb.org if interested.

#### **Faith Formation Upcoming Dates**

April 2 - Together in Faith 6:00-7:15PM Seder Meal for Gr. 1-11 Students & Families with Last Names A-K April 9 - Together in Faith 6:00-7:15PM Seder Meal for Gr. 1-11 Students & Families with Last Names L-Z April 16 - Last Class for RE Grades 1-6 from 5:30-6:30 PM and Grades 7-11 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. Use north entrance. May 4 - First Communion 1:00 Mass

#### Upcoming Gospel Time Topics (10:00 Mass) Children ages 3 and up may attend. No registration required.

April 6 - 5th Sunday of Lent Jesus Forgives a Woman April 13 - Palm Sunday No Gospel Time



You are welcome to drop off your old palms and place them in the basket located in the gathering space.



### A Reflection on Today's Readings

A print of Rembrandt's Return of the Prodigal Son is displayed at St. Norbert Abbey. Visitors often pause and reflect on it and the story that inspired it. One of the elements people often notice is the father's hands as he comforts the son. One of the hands appears masculine in nature; the other smaller and more feminine. I've never really given much thought to the word, prodigal. To me it was simply a word associated with the younger son in the parable we read today; a word that describes the actions of someone who has reformed their reckless ways.

But I came across a commentary on the Gospel entitled, the *Prodigal Father*. And I realized that the word, prodigal, can also mean an extravagant, lavish generosity, much like the compassion portrayed by the father in the story. Theologian Dianne Bergant, CSA, suggests that it enables us to understand God in remarkable new ways:

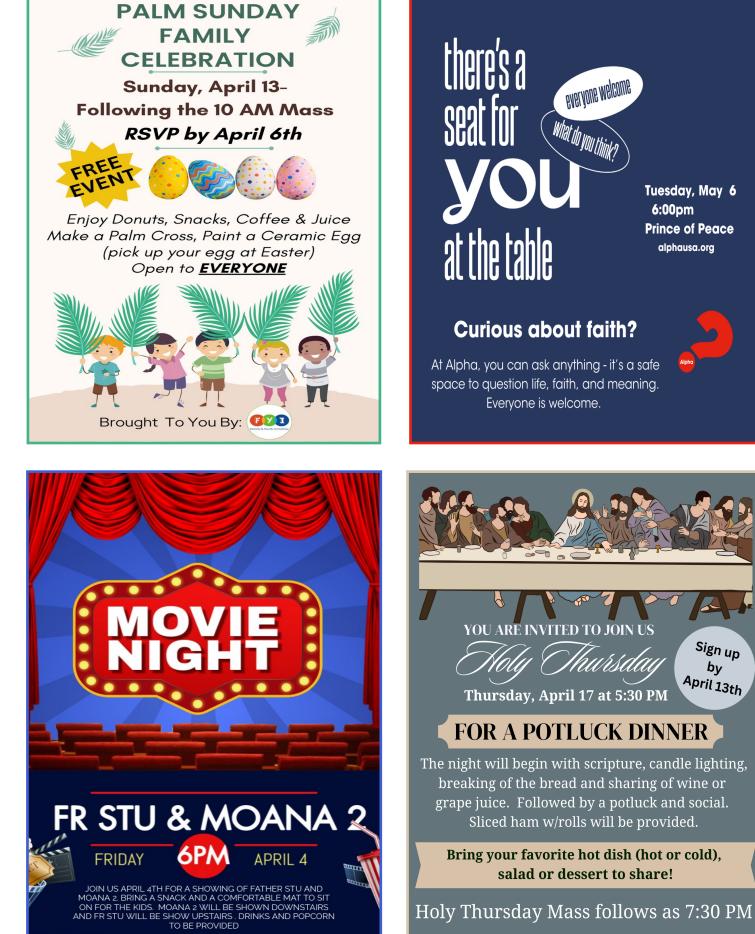
"This is a God who allows us to follow our own dreams, who is partial to no one, who faithfully and patiently waits for us to return, who gently corrects our misperceptions. God longs to be reconciled with us even more than we long to be reconciled with God, and it is God's desire that we be reconciled to each other as well. God's prodigality is incredible."

The parable of the Prodigal Son is a rich story; one that invites us to look at our own images of God. As you reflect on this story, who is God for you?

*Kathie Tilot is spiritual director and member of Prince of Peace Catholic Community* 



Prince of Peace Parish



Sign up by April 13th

Tuesday, May 6 6:00pm

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