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MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO

Saturday/Sabado ..... **5:00 pm**
Sunday/Domingo ..... **8:30 & 11:00 am** *(Nursery)*
1:30 pm (*Hispanic*)**, 5:00 pm**
Monday/Lunes..... **8:30 am, 6:30 pm**
Tuesday/Martes..... **8:30 am, 6:00 pm** (*Hispanic)*
Wednesday/Miércoles..... **5:00 pm**
Thursday/Jueves ..... **8:30 am**
Friday/Viernes ..... **8:30 am**

RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONES

Saturday/Sabado ..... **4:00 pm** *(& by appointment)*
Sunday/Domingo ..... **12:30 - 1:00 pm**
Tuesday/Martes..... **5:00 - 5:45 pm**

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made six months in advance with the parish. A marriage preparation class is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you are ill and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and/or the Eucharist, contact the office.

ADVENTURE ARK PLAYSCHOOL

(6 mo – 2 yr old)
Director .....205.822.9125 ext 15, Fax 822.9127

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Religious instruction offered *(3 yr old - adult)*
Director..... *formation@popcatholic.org*

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(3 yr old preschool – 8th grade)
Principal ..... 205.824.7886, Fax 824.2093
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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All families and individuals are welcome. Registration forms are in the church lobby at the welcome desk or in the church office. Please inform the church office of address changes.

3rd Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions 3/9 - 3/15

Monday	8:30 am	Nanci Pate	†
	6:30 pm	Agnus Tate	†
Tuesday	8:30 am	Onofrio Margione	†
Wednesday	8:15 am	Betty O'Brien	†
	5:00 pm	Harold Conn	†
Thursday	8:30 am	Ed Skinner	†
Friday	8:30 am	Bena Cahill	†
Saturday	5:00 pm	Frances DeJohn	†
Sunday	8:30 am	George Cahill	†
	5:00 pm	Ruth Eckl	†

Financial Stewardship

"You shall not covet" is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. May this understanding that *all* is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

Financial Stewardship for March 8:
Building Fund $ 21,700.00
Offertory $ 20,330.50

Faith Direct for February 16 - 31: $ 9,968.29

The Prince of Peace community would like to extend our sympathy to Andrew Hancock and his family on the death of his brother, Frank Hancock, to Penny Koch and her family on the death of her father, Noble Sharpe and to John T. Majerik and Joseph Byrd and their families on the death of David Majerik. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Prayer
STEWARDSHIP: Answering God's Call

Shadow Stations

The High School Youth Group will be presenting the Stations of the Cross in shadow format on **Sunday, March 22, at 6:15 pm in Deasy Hall.** The Stations will be told from Mary's perspective and be set to music from the movie "The Passion." What is shadow format? Teens have lights projected on them in a way that shows their shadows on a large sheet. You, in turn, view each station's shadow. The stations are also set to music. If you have never been before - DON'T miss out on this unique opportunity. **Nursery will be available. Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 18.**

Lakota Indian Traditional Stations of the Cross

Please join us Friday, March 13, at 5:30 pm for the Stations of the Cross presented by the Kateri Circle of St. Patrick's in Adamsville. They will present "The Way of the Cross - The Tree of Life" which includes scriptural passages, Native American meditations and prayers and a blessing at each Station. Some members of the circle will be in Native American dress. Weather permitting, the service will be outdoors and will include a smudging ceremony for all those present. The "Kateri Circle" is a group of women, men and youth of all cultures who want to belong to a prayer group for the purpose of learning about and promoting the saintly life of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, a young Mohawk/Algonquin woman of the mid -seventeenth century.

2nd Annual Silent Lenten Retreat

This retreat will take place at Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center in Atlanta on March 13-15. The retreat will be on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, directed by Fr. Bruce Maivelett, S.J., Superior at Ignatius House. To register or for more information, please call 404.255.0503 or visit *www.ignatiushouse.org*. All are welcome!

Stewardship: Parishioners Answering God's Call

A few years ago, a parishioner decided that for Lent she wanted to deepen her understanding of Scripture and share her thoughts with a few of her closest friends via email. What started as a Lenten journey grew into something much bigger. She didn't stop with Lent, but continued reading Scripture and writing her thoughts and reflections several times a week. The list of email recipients grew and now, several years later, the Lenten promise made continues to enrich the lives of others.

Please submit your stewardship story examples to *cathy.yarbrough@popcatholic.org*. They may be edited for space consideration.

Prayer List
Our love and prayers are offered for the following:

To be included on the prayer list, please call the church office. To be a part of the parish email prayer chain, please contact: Dolores Kremer, 979-0229 or prayer-chain@princeofpeace-hoover.org.

Hunter Pace
John Durnak
Libby Troncalli
Bill Muldowney,Sr.
Charles Pardi
Frances Pardi
Margaret Fenn
Mary Ellen Bolin
Katie Crook
Kathy Mahon
Mary Kay Minor
Paul Bochnak
Sammy Lorino, Jr.
Buster Bandino
Kate B. Camiliere
Pat Hrobak
Frank Simonetti
David Seeley
Mark Scalco
Shay McNamee
Patricia Hunter
Virginia Guarino
Jack Moore
Virginia Lorino
Angie Judge
Amy Judge
Nicolina Koch
Bill Shikle
Richard Crocker
Curtis Austin
Carol Jean Miranda
Emma Eiswirth
John Kreisberg
Evelyn Pflaum
Claudia Charme
Marjie Keeney
Jake Culotta
Chuck Fontan
Joyce Lovoy
Coleman Montero
James Sheppard
Greg Smith
Norman Marsh
Josephine Jovings

Religious Education - A Fresh Approach to Formation

"The Power of Praise"

One way to share God's love with others is by praising and affirming their God-given talents. Affirming others doesn't always come easily, though. By nature we tend to think of ourselves and our own needs first, but our Catholic faith teaches us to care for others and support others in need.

Children especially need our support. As a parent, you have a beautiful means of teaching your children that they are loved by God and by their church community. Think of Jesus' words: "If we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us" (1 John 4:12). In addition, St. Paul instructs us to "be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ" (Ephesians 4:32).

By our Baptism and Confirmation, we are all called to be channels of God's love in the world. Jesus said the greatest commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:37-39). Your children have the opportunity to live that mission when they are able to look for the good in others and honor and affirm them.

St. Paul tells us to look for "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious...if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things" (Philippians 4:8). Appreciation of others can have an amazing, regenerative effect not only for the person receiving but also for the person giving appreciation. It opens up pathways of giving and receiving, growing, and understanding for everyone. (*Creative Catechist*)

Please keep the children, their families and teachers in your prayers as they continue their Faith Formation.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday School Classes (K3 thru GR12): Classes - March 8, 15, 22. No class March 29 & April 5 (Spring Break & Easter)
Confirmation Class: April 12 - Lunch, Practice and Half-Day Retreat. Begins at 11 am in Deasy Hall.
Vacation Bible School: *Everest - Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power*; June 1-5; Registration begins April 1st!

Registration for Sunday School is on-going, please contact Megan Everett for more information at *megan.everett@popcatholic.org.*

Weekday Programs

Childcare services are available at the POP Nursery during Wednesday evening programs.

Weekday Faith Study **Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 am** **St. Monica Room**

***The World's Greatest Churches* -** Learn about the architectural marvels and historical significance of churches in Jerusalem, Istanbul, Cordoba, France, and Barcelona. Program includes video presentations by Professor William Cook of State University of New York at Geneseo. **There will be no class on March 10.** Call Mike Brown at 205.822.9125 for more information.

Women of Worship **Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:30 am** **St. Martin Room**

Do you struggle with knowing if you are following God's plan for you? Join us as we explore how to hear God's voice in the midst of all the clutter in our lives. We will be using the book *Listening for the Voice of God*. All are welcome! If you would like to know more, please call Anne Giraud at 205.910.7767 or email *gregp7@bham.rr.com*.

Women's Scripture Study **Tuesdays 6:30 pm** **St. Catherine Room**

If you are interested in getting to know other ladies in our parish while also learning more about the Scriptures, then this class is for you! If you have any questions, please contact Sonya Phillips at 205.903.9402.

Faith & Family **Wednesdays 6:15 pm** **St. Monica Room**

This group is open to all. Join us on March 11 for Fr. Ackerman's Bible Study. **On March 18, 25, & April 1 we will not meet due to Spring Breaks and the Penance Service. We resume April 8.** For more information, please contact Eric & Kristina Theall at 205.218.9725 or email *popfaithandfamily@gmail.com*.

Adult Scripture Study **Wednesdays 6:15 pm** **St. Martin Room**

Join Fr. Ackerman for this Bible Study on the book of Nahum on March 11 & 18.

RCIA **Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm** **St. Jude Room**

This week's topic is *Conscience & Moral Decision Making*. On March 18, we will discuss *Prayer & Forms of Prayer*. Led by Mike Brown and the RCIA Team. For more information, contact Mike at 205.822.9125 or email *mike.brown@popcatholic.org*.

Foundation

STEWARDSHIP: Answering God's Call

Sunday Programs

9:45 am - 10:45 am

Childcare services are available at the POP Nursery during Sunday morning programs.

Scripture in "Action" **St. Elizabeth Room**

Ever think about getting more out of church? Tired of rushing to run errands between masses? Take time for yourself - spiritually and physically! We discuss the Sunday readings including historical context, how they relate to us in present day, and seek ways to apply God's message to our daily lives. For more information, contact Tom & Elsbeth Germanson at 205.565.3456.

Adult Bible Study **St. Martin Room**

We are all familiar with the famous stories of the Bible, but what do they all mean? Where do they fit in the larger picture of God's plan of salvation for His people? Discover how all these pieces fit together into one cohesive narrative. Please invite a friend! For more information, please call Carl Matzke at 205.317.1605.

Adult Confirmation & Faith Renewal **St Monica Room**

This series is based on the national program, *Catholics Come Home* and the book, *Practice Makes Catholic*. Participants may receive Confirmation at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 4. Led by Mike Brown.

Faumation

STEWARDSHIP: Answering God's Call

Adult Confirmation and Faith Renewal

Many adults were baptized as children but were unable to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in their teenage years for a variety of reasons. Some Catholics are returning to the Church after an absence and many others would simply like to learn more about the faith.

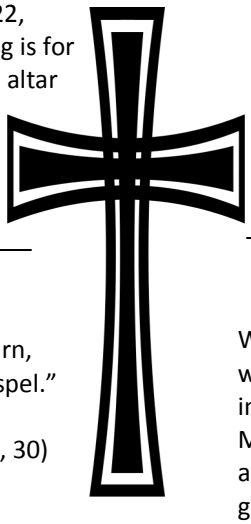
Prince of Peace Parish invites all interested persons to take part in a program of learning and faith discovery on the six Sundays of Lent. Sessions will take place in the St. Monica Room from 9:45 - 10:45 am. Topics will include:

March 15: A Reverence for Scripture and Tradition
March 22: An Attitude of Faith and Hope
March 29: Come Home for Good

The series is based on the noted national program *Catholics Come Home* and the book *Practice Makes Catholic* by Joe Paprocki. Participants may receive the sacrament of Confirmation at the Easter Vigil service on April 4. For additional information, contact Mike Brown at 205.822.9125 or email *mike.brown@popcatholic.org*.

Altar Sever Training

Altar Server Training will be provided on Saturday, March 21, from 9:00 -11:00 am and Sunday, March 22, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, in the Main Church. This training is for children in 4th grade and up who wish to become an altar server or those who are currently altar servers and desire refresher training. There is limited space available so contact Megan Everett at megan.everett@popcatholic.org to register soon!



Scripture in Action

Dr. Timothy Carmody, Theology Professor at Spring Hill College, returns with another enlightening biblical presentation: *The Gospel of John and the 5th Sunday of Lent*. Dr. Carmody's presentations have been overwhelmingly received by those present. Experience John's Gospel in Lent like never before. Join Tim and "Scripture in Action" on Sunday, March 22, in the St. Elizabeth Room from 9:45 - 10:45 am.

The Joy of the Gospel

The JustFaith Group invites parishioners to read, learn, and share the vision of Pope Francis' "Joy of the Gospel." John Laliberte is leading a group that will meet on Thursday evenings (March 12, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 23, 30) from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the St. Monica Room. Please contact Rachel Sizemore at 205.542.5897 or email *rjcs48@gmail.com* for more information.

Completing the Circle of Life

What services does Prince of Peace provide to families when they are experiencing a death? Join us for a information meeting in the Chapel on Wednesday, March 11, at 6:30 pm. Topics include: funeral arrangements, hospitality, liturgy, Columbarium, graveside, and information on wills and power of attorney.

Seniors Lunch

The Seniors Lunch will be held Tuesday, March 17. Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am, followed by lunch and bingo at 11:30 in the **St. Jude Room**. Cost is $6.00 per person. Please RSVP by calling the parish office at 205.822.9125.

MOMS Group

Join us on March 13, at 9:30 am, in the St. Monica Room, for our Outreach Day. New members are always welcome. Nursery will be provided. For more details, contact Stacy Stone at 205.834.8129.

Nursery

The church nursery is available for children ages 6 months through 2 years of age during the 8:30 and 11:00 am Masses. If you have never visited our nursery, you are welcome to come down for a tour! **No Nursery March 22 due to POP Spring Break.**

Breast Cancer Survivors

We meet on the **third** Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 17, at 7:00 pm in the St. Elizabeth Room. If you have any questions, please call Bette Graffeo at 205.822.9125.

Minus One Group

All widows of the parish are invited to lunch on Tuesday, March 10. Join us at 11:00 am in the St. Monica Room. Please RSVP to the parish office by calling 205.822.9125.

Hospitality

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High School Youth

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, March 8: Join us for dinner in the school cafeteria. Catered by La Brisa!

Wednesday, March 11: Stations of the Cross practice and lesson on the red steps!

Sunday, March 15: Sunday Night Live! Dinner will be at 6:00 pm. Practice for Stations continues.

Stations of the Cross will be Sunday, March 22 at 6:15 pm in Deasy Hall.

A Taste of PoP Culture

Our 2015 Lenten Day of Service

March 29, 2015

Noon - 5:00 pm; Tickets $12 per plate

Join fellow parishioners in service and fellowship by volunteering your time at the event or donating homemade food that's representative of your nationality or culture.

Sign-up to participate online at *www.popcatholic.org* or at the Welcome Desk.

This is a great opportunity to share your family's heritage with your PoP family, enjoy a variety of foods, and raise money for Catholic Social Services. Questions, call Jacqueline McLeod at 248.444.7411 or email *jmcleo13@gmail.com*.

Habitat for Humanity Boxes

Habitat boxes are available in the Gathering Space. Please take one home for your family and return it on Easter Sunday. Families or individuals can place frequent small sacrifices into the boxes during Lent which are then donated. Perhaps make coffee at home rather than stopping at Starbucks or take your lunch to school or work instead of buying it. Have a family movie night at home instead of at the theatre. Then, place the amount of money saved in your box. Our Habitat box monies will be donated to the Pope Francis Habitat House that will be built in the Clay-Chalkville area during Lent. **Every Thursday and Friday is open for participation during Lent. POP days are Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 28. Please contact Bruce Grasso at 205.823.4655 or email *begrasso@bellsouth.net* to sign up.**

Service

Casting Lots for the Seamless Garment

Finding God in the Critical Care Unit by Mirabai R. Chuldenko, RN, BSN, CCRN

Life and death are ever-present in my line of work, reminding me of the delicate balance between lifesaving medical interventions and our society's inability to accept death. Where is God in these wildly contradictory situations? How long do we push to provide care when death is inevitable? When sickness overcomes modern technology and medication, can we make room for God's Will and accept the natural progression of disease? Can we allow our loved ones peace at the end of life? God has created me for some good; how can I hear His voice and be of service to others in the most meaningful way?

("*Igniting our Values,*" Feb 23, 2015, Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States)

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