

MARCH 2025



**Fr. Paul MacNeil**

Dear Parishioners,

First, I would like to give you an update on our graveyard plans. At the time of writing this missive, work on our graveyard has begun. A plot of land behind our church has been chosen and has been professionally surveyed. There will be an inlaid brick walkway through the central portion that will house a major statue. For this first phase of development, 255 in ground graves will be available. We are so excited that parishioners will be able to have an option for either a full-body or cremated interment on our campus. Policies are being put together and it will be managed by our parish. Please take a look at the rendering on page 2.

Secondly, I would like to give you an update on our church renovation plans. Our Building Committee recently met with our architect and general contractor and collectively we have agreed on a new ceiling design which will accommodate the required sprinkler system. This will be forwarded to the diocese for approval and upon approval we will sign the contract with Coastal Structures. This will set the wheels in motion for our project with the ordering and staging of materials in April, exterior work done on our transept in May and then in June we will have the closure of our church and relocate to our PLC for all of our worship and sacraments. Our floor design includes polishing the existing concrete underneath the carpeting and placing on it a noble and complementary stain. Please examine the exterior renderings of our impressive church building on page 3. May God be glorified and may we be sanctified in our expansion.

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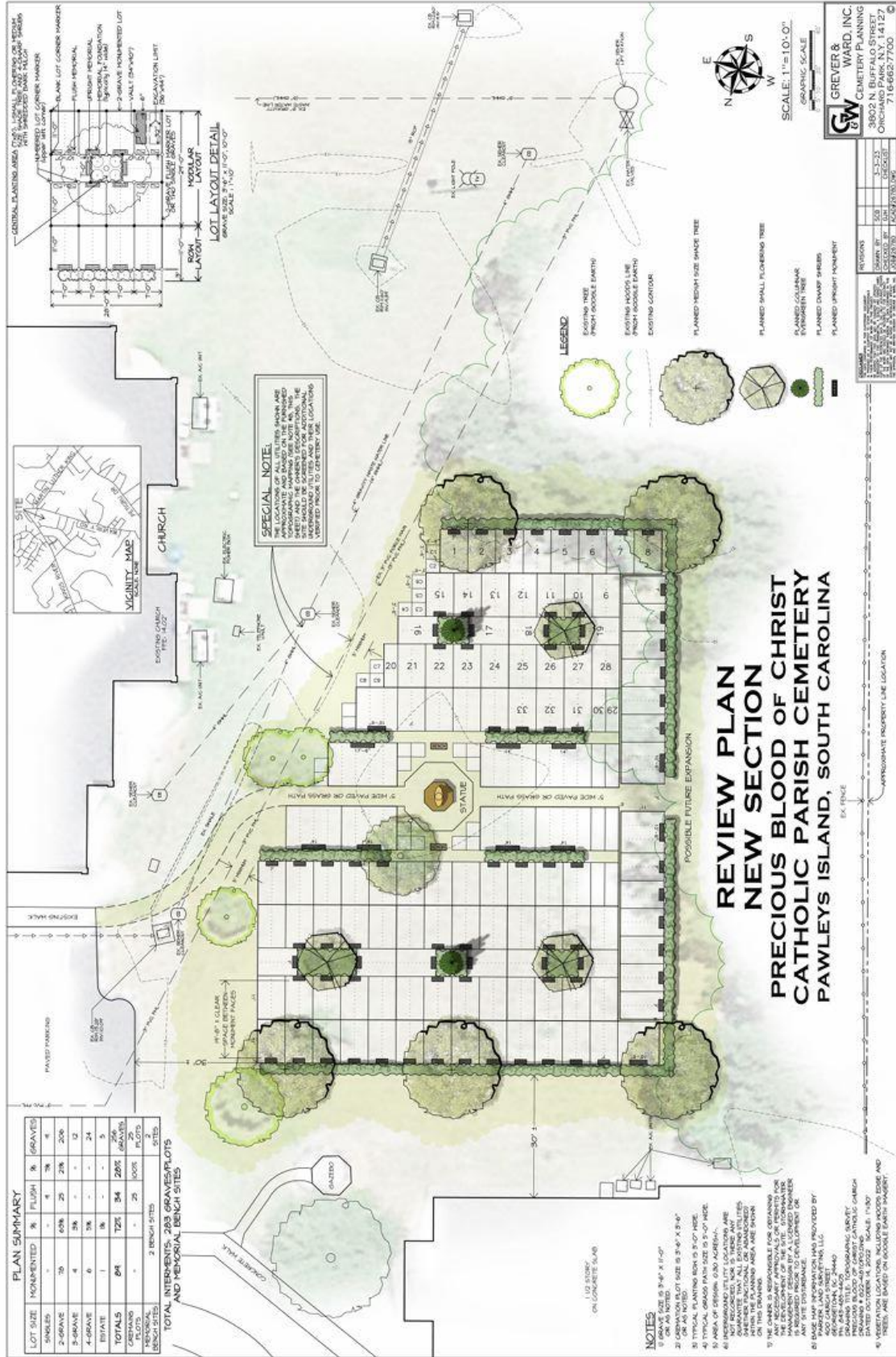
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Gratefully in Christ,

*Father Paul*

Very Rev. Fr. Paul MacNeil V.F.

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**Before  
Church  
expansion**

**After  
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Respect Life

*Mark Your Calendar!*



Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Doors Open 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

Pawleys Plantation Country Club

70 Tanglewood Dr, Pawleys Island 29585

Guest Speakers

Sister Clare Hunter, FSE

Assistant Professor of Fundamental Theology

St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary

Angela Black, St. Clare's Home Volunteer

Laura Boronski, Singer and Songwriter

Braised Short Ribs with Merlot Demi-Glace, Mashed Potatoes,

Haricot Vert Green Beans, Salad, Rolls and Dessert

Cash Bar available

Tickets \$75 per person

For details about sponsorships, donations and ticket sales

Gloria Dausch 240-315-4249 or [gloria.dausch@gmail.com](mailto:gloria.dausch@gmail.com)

Check Respect Life section of PBOC  
weekly bulletin for future information

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On the first Sunday of each month, the **Rosary for the Unborn** is prayed following the 10:30 Mass. The rosary is prayed in the sanctuary before the Blessed Mother or at the Monument to Deceased Children Born and Unborn, weather permitting. All are welcome

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**Fellowship****Celebrations**

Fellowship has been busy hosting several receptions for the parish. We celebrated both **Fr. Pat and Fr. Paul's birthdays** after the daily Masses held on January 13 and 17 respectively.





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Women's Club



### Greetings from the Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Women's Club

*Let your light SHINE before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven....Matthew 5:16*

#### Our Mission Statement

*The objectives of the Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Women's Club are to develop the interest of women in the welfare of their community, to unite their efforts for the promotion of and participation in religious, social and civic activities, and to perform fund raising to benefit the parish and community.*

The Women's Club closed the door on 2024 and opened the door to a busy new year! In as much, we are reminded of the incredible potential of new beginnings.

The Women's Club began this new year with a renewed focus on hard work, generosity of time and talent, and faith-driven success for our projects that benefit Georgetown County charities. Here is the update on what we have already accomplished through the end of February and what the club has on the horizon for events through April.

Our members celebrated a special Mass on **January 4<sup>th</sup>** to honor our patron saint, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

At the Women's Club General Meeting on **January 9<sup>th</sup>**, we had local legend and speaker, Lee Brockington, speak to our group. Her topic was the **“Churches and Religion of the Waccamaw Neck – a Historical Perspective.”** She was amazing in recounting the important historical facts shared with our group and was well-received by our club.

On **Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**, we had our **“Souper Bowl”** dinner right after the 4:00pm Mass. Cost was \$10 for a variety of homemade soups, breads, and desserts. The Knights of Columbus sold beer, wine, water, and soft drinks for a nominal amount. It was very well attended by our



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## Women's Club continued



parishioners, as well as neighborhood friends, which resulted in a very successful event! We look forward to having this event again next year.

On **Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Women's Club puts on the last of our three (3) fundraisers for the year. We will have our legendary **Fashion Show** at Pawleys Plantation and is open to all women of the Parish as well as the Pawleys Island community. All proceeds will be put towards our Grant Funds and 100% of the proceeds are donated to Georgetown County charities.

Finally, our **Spiritual Committee** has several events planned for March, April, and May.

At Father Paul's request, the Women's Club will spearhead the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** every Friday throughout Lent beginning on **Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**. This 20-minute service is open to all parishioners and occurs at 3:00pm in the main sanctuary. You may want to consider attending this short prayer service as one of your Lenten offerings.

**April 8<sup>th</sup>** brings us to our annual **Day of Prayer**. It starts at 8:00am with the Rosary, followed by Mass at 8:30am in the Sanctuary; then a simple breakfast after Mass and then to the PLC for our speaker. We will also have a box lunch. Our speaker is Dr. Michael Martocchio, the Director of Catechesis and Christian Initiation at the Catholic Diocese of Charleston, who will be speaking on the topic of Faith and Hope and is rumored to play a guitar as part of his presentation. Our program should be over around 2:00pm and is open to all members of the parish for a nominal amount.

On **April 11<sup>th</sup>**, we will host a **Simple Supper** followed by **Mary's Way of the Cross**.

In conclusion, we have accomplished much already however, we still have more to do to finish out our meeting year, which concludes in June.

Our efforts are not just about monetary results though. Our efforts are about making a difference in the Georgetown County area where our Grant Funds are distributed to local charities. My hope is that through the Women's Club hard work, that we share the blessings we have with the less fortunate in our community. I ask that the all the women of the parish prayerfully consider to join me and the Women's Club in this mission. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate!

Rita Foster, President

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# Religious Education

## Faith Formation for people of all ages!

**Religious Education for Youth** grades K4 through grade 5 began in September and meets in the PLC on Sunday mornings from 9:10-10:15 AM. We use *Gospel Weeklies* as our text, a faith formation program centered on the Sunday liturgy that also has resources for parents and catechists. Our dedicated catechists are Tee Fattaleh, Celeste Reid, Bernadette Paukovich, Jennifer Sexton, Tara North, Leonora Montella and Karyn Congdon, assisted by high school helpers Kahlan Ludyjan, Kingsland Reid and Alexis Barbour. We are thankful for their ministry to our youth!

## Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on May 4, 2025, for 10 students in Grade 2. They are Yani Espejo, Adam Gallegos, Anthony Lee, Samara Luviano, Michael McGough, John Momper, Luciano Saliba, Ghislaine Salinas, Hattie Siau and Reese Thompson. Their catechist, Bernadette Paukovich prepared them for their First Reconciliation in March. Please keep these children in your prayers as they learn about their faith and grow closer to Jesus!



First Reconciliation in preparation for First Holy Communion on May 4



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## Religious Education continued

### OCIA

#### The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults,

(formerly Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the journey of faith taken by baptized Christians who seek to become baptized, or baptized Catholics who never completed their initiation, or those who have never been baptized. Along with Fr. Paul, parishioners Jim and Sabrina Lampe are the facilitators and prayerful supporters of the program. They are assisted by Patrick Tate and Conall O'Brien. OCIA meets on Sundays from 9:10-10:15 AM in the PLC.

For more information contact [maureen.arneman@pbocchurch.com](mailto:maureen.arneman@pbocchurch.com) or call the parish office.



## Youth Ministry



PBOC Youth attended the Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) the weekend of March 8-9, 2025 in Columbia, SC at the Columbia Convention Center.

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**“God’s playing tricks on us!” Winter Snowstorm , January 22, 2025 - Photos courtesy of Chris Barthelette**





# Precious Hands

## Precious Hands

*featuring precious people volunteering for our parish*

### Gloria Dausch

#### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE MINISTRY FOR WHICH YOU VOLUNTEER?

The purpose of the Respect Life Ministry is to make PBOC a center of life, where parishioners understand the issues surrounding the sanctity of life and the importance of meeting the needs of those who are most vulnerable—especially mothers and their unborn children, the disabled, and those who are seriously ill or dying and their families by prayer and action.

#### WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BEING PART OF THIS MINISTRY?

Being part of Respect Life allows us the opportunity to do God's work for the sanctity of life in so many ways much by prayer but also by action. Four years ago, Respect Life added Life Connections to our ministry. The mission of Life Connections is to provide spiritual and material support to women facing crisis or unplanned pregnancies and provide the material necessities required to care for their children. Making a positive difference in someone's life by doing God's work is what I love about being part of the Respect Life ministry here at PBOC.



#### TELL US ABOUT WHAT YOU DO FOR THIS MINISTRY?

Some of our events include:

- ◆ First Sunday Rosary
- ◆ Prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Charleston
- ◆ Stuff the Bus Diaper Drive
- ◆ Fundraiser for St. Clare's Home
- ◆ Life Connections
- ◆ 40 Days for Life spring and fall campaigns
- ◆ National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children service
- ◆ Simple Supper and Stations during Lent

#### HOW CAN OTHERS BECOME MEMBERS?

We are always happy to welcome new members. Please prayerfully consider joining us by contacting [gloria.dausch@gmail.com](mailto:gloria.dausch@gmail.com) or 240-315-4249. We only meet on an as needed basis. The weekly bulletin (available in the narthex and on PBOC website) is the very best way to stay informed. The Respect Life section, usually page 5 in the bulletin always has information of upcoming events and pertinent information on life issues.



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# Evangelization

## Notes on Contemplative Prayer

Anxiety and depression are common ailments treated by therapists and psychiatrists. Anxiety – fear about what “might” happen in the future. Depression – dwelling on the past. Being in the present moment is where God meets us, where grace flows, and where we yield to the Holy Spirit. The Interior Life, mysticism, and a desire for holiness are catalysts for a deepened prayer life. To increase our desire for closeness with God and cooperate fully with the Holy Spirit in our daily decisions, we must attune ourselves to the movement of the Spirit. One method of being present to God and others is the practice of contemplative (silent) prayer.



St's John of the Cross and Teresa of Avila, both doctors of the Church, have much to share with us on the topic of contemplative prayer. Teresa spoke often of the three pillars in the spiritual life: “charity, detachment, and humility”. Charity, the highest of theological virtues is how we spread the love of Christ and His Church to others. Detachment from earthly vices and selfish attractions bring about humility and awareness of our spiritual poverty. Teresa has wise counsel for us, in her prayer written on a bookmark:

"Let nothing disturb you,/ Nothing frighten you. All things are passing; / God never changes. Patient endurance / Attains to all things. Whoever possesses God / Is wanting in nothing. God alone suffices."

Savor these words, pray with them when you are feeling anxious or depressed. God alone suffices!!!

Fr. Mary Gabriel, in his book The Way of Prayer says, “The effect of prayer is love, if we are not increasing in love, then our prayer is weak.”

"It is important not to think much but to love much." St Teresa of Avila

Contemplation is a general, loving awareness of God. *“In the evening of life we will be judged on LOVE.”* St. John of the Cross

So, how do we increase in love? What practical steps can be taken to love as God loves? To be as patient with others as God has been with us. Prayer is the answer.

“God calls every person of faith to prayer, and prayer, taken to its deepest levels, leads to contemplation and mysticism, the wordless inner worship and experience of God.” Chuck Petch convert to Catholicism 2001

"Insignificant man, escape from your everyday business for a short while, hide for a moment from your restless thoughts. Break off from your cares and troubles and be less concerned about your tasks and labors. Make a little time for God and rest a while in him." St. Anslem 11th century

In contemplation God takes over our prayer and we are passive:

1. In contemplation we experience God present within us.

2. This direct contact with God is general and dark in the beginning; it is not accompanied by images or distinct notions but consists of a simple and dark intuition.

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**Evangelization continued**

3. We receive the experience passively, not because of our own efforts; we cannot obtain it, retain it or describe it. Fr. Kevin Walsh, OCSO says “we need to prepare the soil of our heart.”

When we strive to empty ourselves and offer our hearts and minds to God in totality, God cannot help but fill the void with His grace and love. Scheduling a daily time for uninterrupted time with God in silence is the conduit for receiving Him deeply into ourselves.

“Our entire effort is to remain quiet, peaceful, open, and receptive to this new experience of God's presence... Closedown all our rational efforts and just be lovingly and peacefully attentive to God.” Fr. James Kinn, STD

Over time, we will be “transformed into union with God in love.” Fr Gregory Klein, OCarm, DMin

“Contemplative prayer is the prayer characteristic of mysticism. Contemplatives regard the world with love, as if looking through the eyes of God.” Mary Anne Huddleston, IHM

“Everything is possible for one who believes, still more for one who hopes, even more for one who loves.” Brother Lawrence, OCD

“Absolutely unmixed attention is prayer.” Simone Weil

“All prayer is the activity of the Holy Spirit, prayer is something God does in us. Prayer is where God speaks to us, not in words but an awesome presence. Your initial intention is what counts – your desire to be in intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus.” Fr Paul Scanlon, OP

By love we share in the very life of God. Such love of God can be continuous within us only in heaven. Loving God through God and loving God in God. Only in that way can we love without reference to ourselves, without assuming there will be a return for our love. This is the purest form of love for it reflects the very person of God.

If indeed we can be transformed so that we have no function other than praise-filled and loving Adoration, then upon the very altar that we become must be sacrificed whatever of the self remains, whatever else may yet be within the soul besides God. Only then can we offer the praise that God deserves.

“It is only necessary, with all simplicity, without making any violent effort of spirit to keep ourselves before him, with motions of love and the attention of our whole soul without voluntary distractions.” St. Jane Frances de Chantal

“Hence, he cannot help but look at the world attentively and with much more understanding than the politician who thinks himself in command. The contemplative knows who is in command, and knows whom to obey...” Thomas Merton, OCSO

Dominican mystic John Tauler, "For him, the inner self, the inmost "I", is the "ground" or "center" or "apex" of the soul.

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### Evangelization continued

**St. John of the Cross** was born to a poor family in Fontiveros, Spain, in 1542. At the age of 21 he entered the Carmelite friars and was ordained a priest in 1567.

Desiring a more contemplative life and thinking of joining the Carthusians, he eventually met St. Teresa of Avila as she was inaugurating her reform. She convinced him to help her establish a male branch of the Discalced Carmelite reform (In 1568).

Later, John was imprisoned by the Carmelite friars who were hostile to the reform. During his nine months in a dark, narrow cell, he experienced profound graces of intimacy with God. After a dramatic escape from his imprisonment, John spent his remaining years living a humble life of prayer in different monasteries throughout Spain. He wrote poems and spiritual treatises that he is well-known for today.



St. John of the Cross died in 1591 at the age of 41. His writings were first published in 1618, he became more widely known and today is heralded as among the greatest poets of the Spanish language. He was beatified in 1675 and canonized in 1726. In 1926, he was named the twenty-sixth Doctor of the Church. His writings have since influenced saints like St. Thérèse of Lisieux, St. Edith Stein, and Pope St. John Paul II. Today, the writings of St. John of the Cross can help all of us to find intimacy with God in prayer.

Contemplation is the work (gift) of God, not something we can achieve by our own efforts. The prayer of loving attention is a response to God's invitation to a quieter, simpler form of prayer. John of the Cross tells us that "meditation must be discontinued only when the soul is placed in that peace and quietude" (Ascent 2.13.2). As long as we continue to draw fruit and satisfaction from more active forms of prayer (such as lectio divina, imaginative prayer, devotions, etc.), we should continue in these valuable practices.

St John of the Cross understood that everyone approaches prayer with a certain peace, freedom, and knowledge that "if anyone is seeking God, the Beloved is seeking that person much more" (Living Flame 3.28). Prayer, more than being a work that a person does, is a loving response to the God who loves everyone. Ultimately, God "is the principal agent in the matter". John's focus was to guide souls to contemplation, a type of prayer which he defines as "a secret and peaceful and loving inflow of God" (Dark Night 1.10.6), or a passive reception of "God's self-communication" (Ascent 2.14.12).

This is a simple, yet profound encounter in which a person comes into direct contact with God in the most intimate part of his soul and is transformed by His love.

When a person is responding to God's invitation to contemplation, the more active forms of his prayer give way to a simpler way of praying. A person finds himself incapable of and no longer desires to pray in the way he used to. Instead, he only wants to sit peacefully and silently in the presence of God (see Ascent 2.13)

Before, the person was working with his mind or imagination to receive the graces God was offering. Now, this work seems futile, for God has become the primary actor in his prayer.



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Responding to God's Invitation:

"Loving attentiveness"

"Simple loving awareness"

"Passive loving attention."

### **Being Present to God**

There may come a time when you find that you cannot pray actively as you once did. Active forms of prayer like *lectio divina*, imaginative prayer, or the rosary may seem laborious or difficult. Instead, your desire to pray is simply a desire to dwell silently in God's presence. This may be a sign that God is inviting you to the prayer of loving. During silent prayer:

Set aside active forms of prayer and choose not to work with your mind or imagination. Instead, you choose simply to be present to God who is present within you, not so much by thinking about him, but by loving him and receiving his love.

If you find that your mind begins to wander during contemplative prayer, gently make an act of love in choosing to return your awareness to God's loving presence.

During the "dark night" of faith, one must let himself be guided to reality not by visible and tangible things, not by the evidence of sense or the understanding of reason, not by concepts charged with natural hope, or joy, or fear, or desire, or grief. but by "dark faith" that transcends all desire and seeks no human and earthly satisfaction, except what is willed by God or connected with His will. Short of this essential detachment, no one can hope to enter into his inmost depths and experience the awakening of that inner self that is the dwelling of God, His hiding place, His temple, His stronghold, and His image.

The one who wants to know how to find God within himself receives the following answer from St. John of the Cross: "Seek Him in faith and love, without desiring to find satisfaction, or to taste and understand more than that which it is well for thee to know, for these two are the guides of the blind which will lead thee, by a way that thou knowest not, to the hidden place of God, Because faith, which is the secret that we have mentioned, is like the feet wherewith the soul journeys to God, and love is the guide that directs it..."

Dryness and distractions are normal, even within this state of quiet and peace. John writes, "I am not affirming that the imagination will cease to come and go — even in deep recollection it usually wanders free" (Ascent 2.13.3). Our distractions do not limit God's ability to work within us as long as we continue, to the best of our abilities, to offer him our love.

The usefulness of a spiritual director or confessor who is knowledgeable about contemplative prayer can help us to discern more objectively the ways in which God is guiding us in prayer. The sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation are essential support for spiritual growth. May we all be encouraged to encounter God more deeply in Contemplative prayer. The fruits of this endeavor will show up in all our interactions. We will be disciples of Christ, for Christ, and it will draw others to Christ. Evangelization in a most pure form.

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**Evangelization continued**

**A Morning with Padre Pio- getting to know a saint of our time. September 21, 2024**

Under the guidance and encouragement of Father Paul, Precious Blood of Christ hosted a MORN-ING WITH PADRE PIO coordinated by the Padre Pio Prayer Group.

All parishioners of Precious Blood as well as members of neighboring parishes were invited.

Father Paul celebrated Mass at 8:30 highlighting Saint Padre Pio in the homily..

After Adoration, coffee and a light breakfast was enjoyed in the Parish Life Center following a blessing by Deacon Tim Joseph.

Members of the Padre Pio Prayer group displayed books and posters in PLC 3 .



A handout "Forming a Padre Pio Prayer Group" was available. Suzy Brown encouraged other parishes to form a prayer group and familiarize their parishioners with Padre Pio.

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Ferg Foley provided a film "Meeting Padre Pio" highlighting his life.



The morning concluded with a closing prayer.

The program was enjoyed by 30 parishioners from Precious Blood, St. Andrew's, St. Michael's, and St. Mary's.

The feast day of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, also known as Padre Pio, is September 23.

There is information about Padre Pio and the Prayer Group at PBOC in the Narthex of the church. Holy cards and rosaries are also there to share.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets after rosary, mass and Adoration on the first Friday of every month in PLC 3



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**Outreach**

**PBOC 2024 Golf Tournament  
benefitting Outreach Ministries**

The “long awaited” PBOC Golf Tournament was held on Monday, December 9, 2024 at The Reserve Golf Course. The weather cooperated more than in September, when a tropical storm weather (cyclone) led to the original postponement, however, the December day started off cloudy, cold, and drizzly. Thank goodness the drizzle finally abated by the time the golfers started to play the course.



Due to the date change, there were many fluctuations to the field of players and to the program; however, we still had the maximum number of players allowed (112) by The Reserve Golf Course. Our 35 awesome volunteers bundled up and showed up! This tournament could not have been successful without their commitment to get all the tasks completed before, during, and after the tournament. The Reserve Golf Course had an outside fireplace that we used to stoke a nice, warm, roaring fire and Nikki Del Valle provided hot chocolate to help chase some of the chill away.

To start off the morning, Father Paul led the golfer in prayers and shared some opening remarks. Justin Morris, the Golf Professional at The Reserve, went over the rules for the day and sent everyone out for a shotgun start on the course.



In addition to the many donations from Pawleys Island businesses, money was also raised by the sale of sponsor signs, tournament entry fees, Mulligan sales, a 50/50 raffle, and a Silent Auction.

Bottom line and great news to share with everyone - the golf tournament made \$19,600 this year. That is significantly more than the amount that was made last year. What a wonderful win for the Outreach Ministries at PBOC and for the needy families in Pawleys Island that need financial assistance. It was also a great opportunity to showcase the warm camaraderie, generous giving, and our Catholic faith at work in the community.



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## Outreach continued



We have already started planning the 2025 golf tournament. Mark your calendars.....next year's date is Monday, September 15, 2025 at The Reserve.  
The Parish will send out further information at the end of June, 2025.

The 2024 winners are:

Men's Flight Winners: Abel Garcia, Heriberto Ibarra, Kevin Thompkins, Matt Williams

Women's Flight Winners: Faye Chaplin, Debbie Clatterbuck, Grace McClafferty, Karyn Merkel

Mixed Flight Winner: Nancy Eckrich, Thomas Manista, Maureen Harris, Rob Harris

Longest Drive (Men's): Servando Sanchez

Longest Drive (Women's): Laura Fennoch

Closest to Pin (Men's): Matt Williams

Closest to Pin (Women's): Karyn Merkel





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**Outreach continued**

**Precious Deliveries Holiday Food Drive**

As we move into the Lenten season, we continue to think of those less fortunate in our community. Our Easter Holiday Food Drive is now under way. Our volunteers and donors are the backbone of this program. Watch the Bulletin and emails for upcoming dates and times where help is needed. If you are new to the program, contact us for more information.

Bag distribution: March 29/30  
Food Collection & Sorting: April 5/6  
Food Delivery: April 12

Kathy & John Morris  
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In the Diocese



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune invited Fr. Pat Stenson to concelebrate Mass with him on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, at St. Patrick Catholic Church on Saint Philip St. in downtown Charleston.

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# Knights of Columbus

## Knights of Columbus Precious Blood of Christ Council 11028 and Fr. Philip Grant Assembly 3272



The Knights of Columbus is a Fraternal Organization of Catholic Men founded in 1882 on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity. It has grown into an international organization with more than 1.9 million members. The Precious Blood of Christ Knights of Columbus Council 11028 was founded in 1993. We work with all Knights around the globe to help people in need. Our fraternity with each other is what stands us apart from any other organization. We do many events during the year such as a Pancake Supper, Lenten Fish Fry, and Wine Tasting and Italian Dinner nights for the Parish.

We are a well-rounded group of Catholic Brothers, socializing and working together. Many of you know us from our standing outside establishments asking for donations in our yellow aprons. That money always goes to Project Hope, which helps people with Intellectual Disabilities and special needs. The Knights co-sponsor the Hope Ball with the Women’s Club, which is open to anyone who wants to help.

Here at Precious Blood, our Council strives to positively impact the lives of our fellow parishioners and neighbors throughout Georgetown County. We do that by volunteering our time and making donations to local charities.

Last year we donated approximately \$40,000. We place a special emphasis on helping the unborn, the hungry, the homeless, and those born with physical and mental challenges. The Knights of Columbus supports Life from conception to natural death.



Pancake Supper at Eggs Up Grill





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## Knights of Columbus continued



Our major donations include Birthright of Georgetown; the J.O.Y. School of Pawleys Island; Georgetown County, Special Olympics; Teach My People; Healthy Learners; Carolina Human Reinvestment; SOS Care; Habitat for Humanity; and each year our "Coats for Kids" program provides over \$1,700 worth of jackets that are given away free at the St. Christopher's Children retail store in Pawleys Island.



Knights are highly visible at PBOC and easily spotted at weekend masses - proudly wearing our Knights of Columbus name badges. You see us volunteering as ushers, lectors, sacristans, Eucharistic ministers, Ministers of Care and in the adult choir. We also support ceremonial Honor Guard and Patriotic events for the Parish, such as the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

Becoming a Knight is a wonderful way to get involved in the community, meet a lot of great people, and get closer to God by participating in Knights of Columbus activities such as First Friday Adoration, Family Rosary and other prayerful activities.

***The Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic men over 18...please come join us.***

***For more information about the Knights of Columbus contact Tom German, our Grand Knight, at [GKTomCouncil11028@gmail.com](mailto:GKTomCouncil11028@gmail.com) or Roger Brouillette, our Faithful Navigator, at [rogerbf3272@gmail.com](mailto:rogerbf3272@gmail.com)***

***If you are ready to become a Knight, please see [KofC.org/join](http://KofC.org/join) Council 11028.***



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Save  
the  
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**Reconciliation Service**

April 10: 6:00 p.m.

**Holy Week**

Confessions:

April 16: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

April 17: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday:

April 17: Mass 6:00 PM (streamed)  
Nightwatch Adoration 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday:

April 18: Stations 12:00 p.m.  
Passion 3:00 p.m. (streamed)  
Tenebrae 7:00 p.m.

**Easter Masses**

April 19: 8:30 p.m. (Vigil - streamed)

April 20: 8:00 a.m.  
10:00 a.m. (streamed)  
12:00 p.m.

Easter Baskets at all Masses

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

April 27: 3:00 p.m. Service

**First Holy Communion**

May 4: 10:30 a.m.

**Parish Feast Day**

June 22

**Confirmation**

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