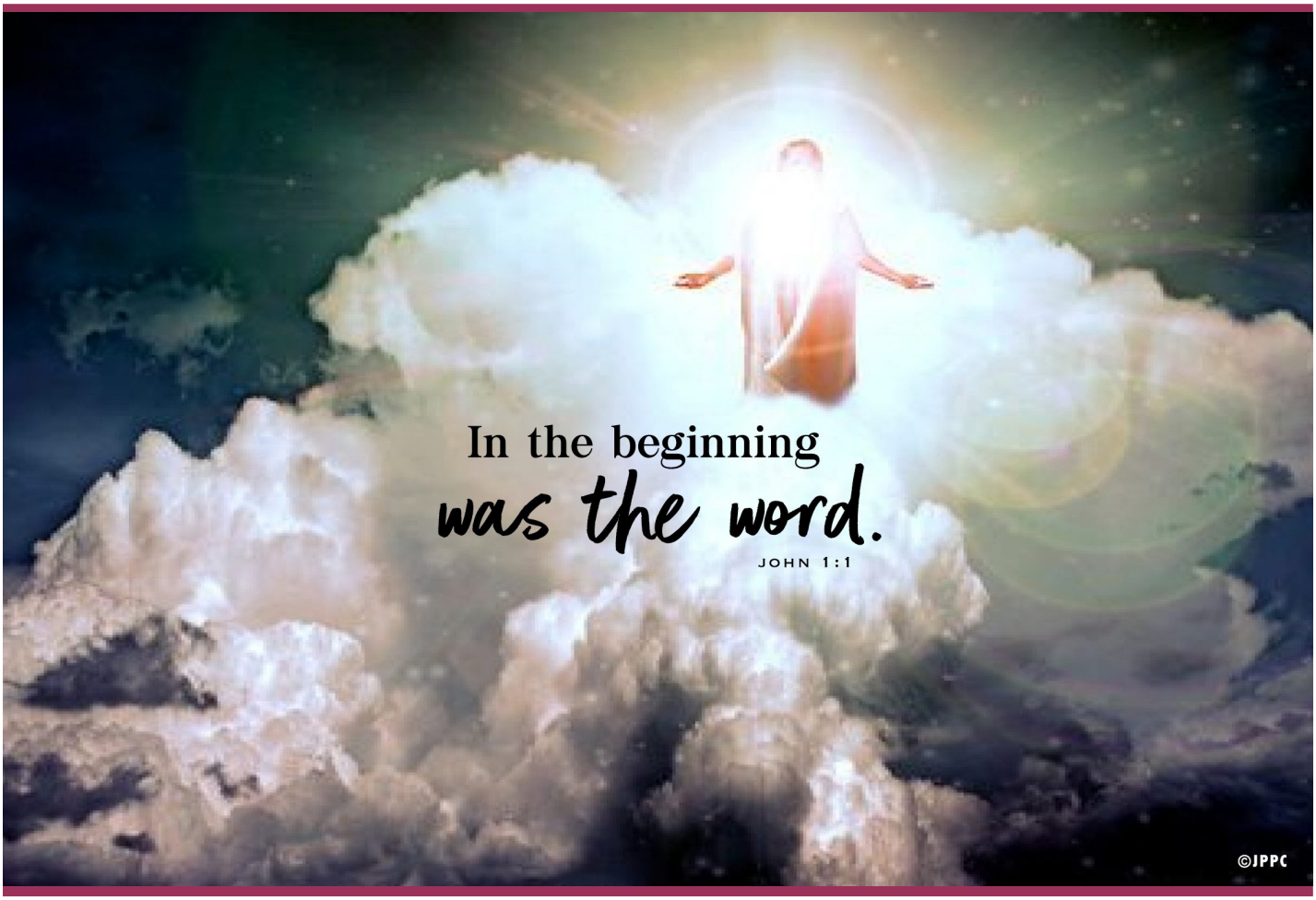
HOLY INFANT
Catholic Church LIVE ✝ JESUS

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
January 1, 2023

Open Hearts ~ Open Hands ~ Open Minds

Together, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, we "Live Jesus," reaching out, embracing all with compassion, humility and gentleness.



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Office hours

Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed Friday

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Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.*, Chapel
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m., Church
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.*, Church
* In-person & virtual

Confession

Saturday, 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., Chapel
or by appointment

Adoration

Thursday, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., Chapel

Visit us online

Go to ***holyinfantchurch.org*** or scan the QR code below.

Thoughts from Salesian Spirituality

"Live joyously among your occupations."

~ St. Frances de Sales

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Find It on the Web

Our parish website is your primary source for the most complete and up-to-date information about the parish. Visit **holyinfantchurch.org** for details on many topics, including:

- ✞ **Mass and Liturgy Times**
- ✞ **Office Hours and Contact Information**
- ✞ **Calendar of Events**, including event details
- ✞ **News** within the parish and around the diocese
- ✞ **Worship & Sacraments,** including sacramental prep information for Baptism, Reconciliation (Confession), Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Orders; **Vocations** for men and women; and **Funerals**
- ✞ **Faith & Learning** for adults, teens, and children; becoming Catholic; Catholic schools
- ✞ **Salesian spirituality and the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales**
- ✞ **Joining the parish**
- ✞ **Getting Involved**
- ✞ **Ministries & Groups**

Safe Environment Victim Assistance Hotline

Call 866-535-SAFE

Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

During the General Intercessions at our weekend Masses, we remember all members of our parish and community who are homebound or suffering any illness. Please remember the following in your prayers this week:

Jean Arlotta; Mary Anthony; Nancy Balding; Jeff Baker; Colette Bean; Jerry BeBenette; Jennifer Bland; Mary Bocckino; Margaret Burnette; Joanne Callahan; Alice Chamois; Lillian Davids; Bea Davis; Eileen Dowling; Christine Drap; Irene Dunbar; Jason Ferrigan; Zosima Flores; Adela Florey; Marjorie Goode; Mary Jane Haga; Mary Jane Harvey; Jane Helmer; Vita Jones; Tom Kennery; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; Maria Mitch; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Clarence Nonnenmacher; Kathleen O'Donnell; Johnathan Palermo; Bill Perkins; Rosalind Riggio; Nancy Rizzo; Shelia Rogers; Julia Schmidt; Betty Short; Kathy Smith; Hugo Sotolongo; Brian Smith; Marisa Suarez; Germaine Turcott; Betty Turner

If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound, contact the Parish Center to request a virtual visit to share prayer.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

January 2 to 8

Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.

Monday, 9 a.m.	Prela Selca
Tuesday, 9 a.m.	Chuck Phillips
Wednesday, 9 a.m.	Geraldine & Bobby Cahill
Thursday, 9 a.m.	Vocations
Friday, 9 a.m.	Vernon Sutherland
Saturday, 9 a.m.	Peace in Ukraine
Saturday, 5:30 p.m.	Renee Whitmore (In person only)
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.	Jose Baptista, Alicia Baptista & Mary Corpus (In person only)
Sunday, 11:30 a.m.	Jo Ann Smigla

To honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a mass intention, visit ***holyinfantchurch.org/mass-intentions***. For more information on memorials for altar wine, lamp or altar flowers, visit ***holyinfantchurch.org/memorial-donations***.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:29–3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

You may also read the daily scripture readings online at **USCCB.org** or subscribe by email to have the readings automatically delivered to your email every morning.

HEAR BETTER AT MASS

Devices to assist those with hearing difficulties, hearing loss and hearing aids are now available. See a greeter at the coffee bar in the Narthex to check out a device to use during Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are in person unless otherwise stated. Go to ***HolyInfantChurch.org/calendar*** for details on the following and more:

- Parish Office reopens on 1/2 at 9 a.m.
- Centering Prayer - 1/3, 8 a.m.
- Food Justice Garden Work Day - 1/3 & 1/7, 9 a.m.
- Knights of Columbus Meeting - 1/3, 6:30 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal - 1/4, 7 p.m.
- RCIA Inquiry Session - 1/4, 7:30 p.m.
- Marian Prayer - 1/5, 9:30 a.m.
- Eucharistic Adoration - 1/5, 12 p.m.
- Yarn Ministry - 1/5, 7 p.m.
- Rosary Making - 1/7, 3:30 p.m.
- Reconciliation - 1/7, 4 p.m.
- Young Adult Brewery Social - 1/7, 6:45 p.m.
- Baptism Anniversary Celebration - 1/8, 9:30 a.m.
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - 1/8, 9:45 a.m.
- Family Formation - 1/8, 9:45 a.m.
- Catechumenate Session - 1/8, 11:30 a.m.
- Yarn Ministry Winter Potluck - 1/8, 11:30 a.m.
- TYM & JYM - 1/8, 6:30 p.m.
- St. Monica Ministry for Praying Parents - 1/8, 7 p.m.

Baptism Anniversary Celebration

All families with children baptized in 2020, 2021, or 2022 are invited to join us at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on January 8 to receive a special blessing. A reception for all families will follow in the Narthex after Mass.

Ministries

SIGN UP & DROP OFF

For sign up link, visit @ holyinfantchurch.org/UMD or scan the QR code.

Urban Ministries Shelter Dinner

Our next spaghetti dinner at the UMD Shelter will be in January. The electronic sign-up sheet is available on the Holy Infant website to sign up to donate food or funds for the meal. All food donations can be placed in the church Narthex after Mass on January 7 and 8, 2023.

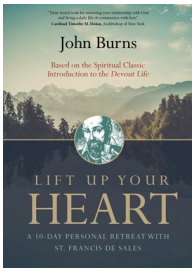
Want to learn more about this Ministry? Questions? Contact Carol Ann Applegate at 919-259-4700.

Get involved in one of our many ministries and belong to a caring community that lives Jesus.

Visit **holyinfantchurch.org/get-involved**.

Faith Development

Lift Up Your Heart Salesian Retreat



Join us in concluding the Jubilee Year celebrating St. Francis de Sales and St. Jane de Chantal with a 10-week meditation series based on ***The Introduction to the Devout Life*** by St. Francis de Sales.

The meditation will take place over 10 weeks to allow deeper reflections and allow you time to meet with a prayer partner if you so desire. The personal retreat begins the week of the Feast of St. Francis de Sales, January 24.

Visit **holyinfantchurch.org/lift-up-your-heart** to see a video about the book and fill out an interest form.

Follow The Catechism in a Year podcast

Ascension is launching The Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) podcast on January 1, 2023!

Much like the Bible in a Year podcast from a few years ago, on this journey, Catholics will read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days and understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter. Holy Infant will offer a monthly discussion group starting in February.

Visit **holyinfantchurch.org/catechism** or scan the QR code to learn more and fill out an interest form online to let us know what days and times work best for you. We will send out a schedule in January.

Happy New Year!

There is no Faith Development on January 1. We look forward to seeing all Faith Development families at their usual times on January 8. We wish everyone a healthy start to the New Year!

Around the Diocese

Help for your marriage: Retrouvaille Weekend in February

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way?

Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program in Raleigh on February 10-12, 2023 for couples, email **retrouvaillenc@msn.com**, call 434-793-0242 or visit our website at **www.HelpOurMarriage.com**.

January Respect Life events

North Carolina Right to Life Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, January 14 at 9 a.m.

NC Right to Life, Rally and March
Saturday, January 14 at 12:45 p.m.

The Diocese of Raleigh's Mass for Life and Bilingual Rosary
Saturday, January 14
Rosary at 10:30 a.m.
Mass is at 11 a.m.
Bishop Luis Zarama presiding at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral

National March for Life
Saturday, January 20, Washington DC
The NC Mass for Life in DC (joint Mass with Charlotte and Raleigh) at 11:30 a.m.

The Rally begins at the National Mall at 11:00 am, the March for Life begins at 1 to 4 p.m. If you attend the NC mass you can go straight to the March and fully participate.

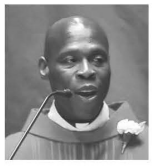
Visit **holyinfantchurch.org/respect-life** to learn more and access links to these events.

MASS CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 | 12:00 PM

HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHEDRAL | 715 NAZARETH STREET, RALEIGH, NC 27606

CELEBRANT
Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama
Diocese of Raleigh



HOMILIST
Rev. Carl Gales, SVD
Archdiocese of Chicago

SERVICE PROJECT:
DIAPER DRIVE
TO SUPPORT
CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Donate disposable diapers in the original, unopened packaging

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Intercede

Loving God,
you gave us your Son through Mary,
who advocates for all of humanity.
At home, Mary nurtured the Son of God.
In our homes, she protects and cares for us.
Bless all who seek Mary's help.
Through the intercession of
the Blessed Mother,
may we receive the grace to face challenges
and setbacks,
and the wisdom to recognize our blessings.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Rich Blessings

Today's readings: Numbers 6:22–27; Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Galatians 4:4–7; Luke 2:16–21. Today's readings are filled with blessings. In the reading from Numbers, Moses is given a blessing for the Israelites; in the refrain for the responsorial psalm, we ask God to bless us; from Galatians, we hear that we are adopted children of God; and in the Gospel, the shepherds see the infant Jesus, certainly a blessing.

It is up to us to continue to carry the blessings we have received into the world, just as the shepherds "made known the message that had been told them." Not only can you let others know of the good news that has been passed on to you, but you can bless others. Write down the words of the first reading: "The LORD bless you and keep you! / The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! / The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!" Use this text to bless children, friends, and relatives during this last week of the Christmas season. Parents could use the blessing in the reading from Numbers to bless a child before bedtime. Teens could use these words to conclude their weekly youth ministry gatherings. Consider other people in your life who would appreciate being blessed.

THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, January 2
Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzen

The first reading promises eternal life. Note that "antichrist" in the reading means "against Christ." This week, think of a way that you can be for Christ, perhaps in a conversation, at a meeting, or simply while relaxing after a festive holiday event. Go gently into the new year: begin each day with the Morning Offering prayer. Much is written about the friendship of Sts. Basil and Gregory, as evident from historical manuscripts. Each made strong theological arguments for the orthodoxy of Christianity. In prayer, ask these saints to grant you the courage to persist in your faith. *Today's readings: 1 John 2: 22–28; Psalm 98: 1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 1:19–28.*

Tuesday, January 3
Holy Name of Jesus

The Christmas season continues with the psalmist's joyous reminder "All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God." Perhaps as a child, you were taught to bow your head when someone spoke Jesus' name. You will notice that this pious practice is a habit for many Catholics. Children can be taught to do this out of respect for the name of Jesus. More important to remember is to always speak Jesus' name with love and kindness. *Today's readings: 1 John 2:29—3:6; Psalm 98:1, 3cd–4, 5–6; John 1:29–34.*

Wednesday, January 4
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

In 1975, Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was the first native-born American to become an official saint of the Church. She was born into a wealthy family and married at age twenty. After becoming a widow, she became Catholic in 1805 and established the first free Catholic school in the United States and then founded an order of vowed religious women. *Today's readings: 1 John 3:7–10; Psalm 98:1, 7–8, 9; John 1:35–42.*

Thursday, January 5
St. John Neumann

St. John Neumann was born in Bohemia, which had an overabundance of priests during the time he expected to be ordained. With ordinations in the country paused, he set his sights on becoming a missionary in the United States. He was ordained in New York soon after his arrival in 1836. Several years later, he joined the Redemptorist congregation of priests and dedicated his life to education and to the poor. As a bishop, he founded the first Catholic diocesan school system in the United States. *Today's readings: John 3:11–21; Psalm 100:1b–2, 3, 4, 5; John 1:43–51.*

Friday, January 6
Family Tree

The long form of St. Luke's Gospel today tells the genealogy of Jesus. The challenge for today is to diagram or draw Jesus' family tree. If possible, work with a younger child on this project, helping with the pronunciation of the biblical names of Jesus' relatives. Talk about your family and where your relatives were born. *Today's readings: 1 John 5:5–13; Psalm 147:12–13, 14–15, 19–20; Mark 1:7–11 or Luke 3:23–28 or Luke 3:23, 31–34, 36, 38.*

Saturday, January 7
Festivities

"They have no wine," Mary comments to Jesus, encouraging him to begin his ministry. This account in the Gospel of John portrays Jesus as reluctant to show God's glory in this gathering of friends and family. Jesus replies to Mary, "My hour has not yet come." Still, he instructs the waiters, "Fill the jars with water." In your prayer today, examine whether you are holding back from doing God's will. Is there someone trying to encourage you to use your talents for the glory of God? *Today's readings: John 5:14–21; Psalm 149:1–2, 3–4, 5, 6a and 9b; John 2:1–11.*

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