

SOW GOOD SEED

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

PARISH CENTER OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

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

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THOUGHTS FROM SALESIAN SPIRITUALITY

"Do not become upset when difficulty comes your way. Laugh in its face and know that you are in the hands of God." -Francis de Sales



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FIND IT ON THE WEB

Our parish website is your <u>primary</u> 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; Jo Agusta; Nancy Balding; Sandy Balintfy; Jeff Baker; Colette Bean; Jerry DeBenedetto; Jennifer Bland; Mary Bocckino; Margaret Burnett; Joanne Callahan; Maria Capone; Alice Chamis; Albina & Chin Chua; Lillian Davids; Bea Davis; Rosemary Donohue; Eileen Dowling; Christine Drap; Irene Dunbar; Jason Ferrigan; Zosima Flores; Adela Florey; Marjorie Goode; Mary Jane Haga; Mary Jane Harvey; Jane Helmer; Dave Jognia; Aileen Koch; Bill & Donna LaMountain; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; Maria Mitch; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Clarence Nonnenmacher; Kathleen O'Donnell; Johnathan Palermo; Louise Peloquin; Bill Perkins; Rosalind Riggio; Nancy Rizzo; Shelia Rogers; Bill Scheeler; Julia Schmidt; Tom Shreve; Betty Short; Kathy Smith; Brian Smith; Bob Smith; Hugo Sotolongo; Corrine Stavely; Marisa Suarez; Richard Thomas

If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound, contact the Parish Center.

Mass Times & Intentions July 24th to July 30th, 2023

Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.

Monday, 9 am Tuesday, 9 am Wednesday, 9 am Thursday, 9 am Friday, 9 am *Saturday, 9 am *Saturday, 5:30 pm *Sunday, 8:30 am Sunday, 11:30 am

*in person only

Mangano Family (Honor) Rastapari Hailstock Celso Jurado

Rey Anthony P. Reyes Joseph McBride

No 9am Mass Rolando Cruz Peter Sedlak Vita Jones

To honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a mass intention, visit holyinfantchurch.org/mass-intentions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1-6; Mt 12:38-42 **Tuesday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1-6; Mt 20:20-28 **Wednesday:** Sir 44:1, 10-15; Ps 132:11, 13-14, 17-18;

Mt 13:16-17

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Dn 3:52-56;

Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15; Jn 11:19-27 **Sunday:** 1 Kng 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130;

Rm 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52



Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - June 30

	Needed	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$877,661	\$934,987	\$57,326
Christmas Offertory	\$30,000	\$24,507	(\$5,493)
Easter Offertory	\$20,000	\$15,431	(\$4,569)
Holy Day Collections	\$5,000	\$6,203	\$1,203
Maintenance Offertory	\$35,000	\$39,460	\$4,122
	\$967,661	\$1,021,000	\$53,339

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

July 24 FYM Team Planning 7 pm

July 25 Justice Garden Workday 9 am

July 25 Stephen Ministry Meeting 6:30 pm

July 27 Marian Prayer 9:30 am

July 27 Playgroup at Piney Wood Park 9:30 am

July 27 Eucharistic Adoration *12 pm*

July 27 KoC Planning Meeting 6:30 pm

July 28 Couples for Christ 5:30 pm

July 29 No 9am Mass

July 29 Mulch Party *8-10 am*

July 29 Justice Garden Workday *9 am*

July 29 Funeral Mass—Emily Thomas 11 am

July 29 Reconciliation 4 pm

The parish library is open on Sundays from 8 am−4 pm





We'd love your help! Please bring wheelbarrows, shovels, pitchforks, and small buckets. Also gloves, sun protection and water to drink.

MULCH PARTY JULY 29TH FROM 8-10 AM

The gardens outside the church are filled with native plants that support our local pollinators and wildlife. Mulch keeps these plants healthy and allows us to eliminate the need for watering.

Interested in supporting scholarships for Faith Development?

Donations of any amount are appreciated.Reach out to Michalene at msutton@holyinfantchurch.org
for more information.

Faith Development

Families & Children

Michalene Sutton 919-973-0013

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WEEKLY PODCAST

Wine'd up for Season 2 of the podcast with us this week... We made it to a second season! So this week we'll reflect on our experience during the first season, and share our plans, hopes and dreams for this season of Through the Grapevine, and we'll be joined in-studio by a special guest, Deacon Tom Hill, who is just beginning his ministry here at Holy Infant. If you want to stay plugged into all the activities and conversations going on in our parish, you are going to want to tune in each week!



VBC was a massive success! Thank you to the volunteers and staff who helped share God's out-of-this-world love!

Register for Faith Development

Registration for Faith Development is open! Register your child(ren) ages 3 to 12th grade for access to all Faith Development activities throughout the year.

Information on pricing and registration information can be found using the QR code. Scholarships are available - reach out to Michalene at the email above for more information.

Special early bird pricing runs from June 22 - August 8th, so register early to take advantage of this special promotion!



UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

July 27

Weekly Playdate at Piney Wood Park



August 11

Youth Ministry **Outdoor Movie Night**



August 19

Family Moring in the Garden



Ministries

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RESPONDING TO HUNGER

Hunger: A Faith & Justice Response is an 8-session small group program by JustFaith Ministries. The program seeks to create a new movement of solidarity between Christians with sufficient access to food and those experiencing food insecurity, both in the U.S. and around the world. By fostering active listening, dialogue, and prayer, it creates a group experience of trust and compassion. Using new learning from articles, online viewing, and a resource book, it lends new insights to participants' awareness of the causes and consequences of food insecurity. By encouraging new spiritual practices and actions, it cultivates an expanding community of Christians who are in action to end hunger in our world.

An information session will be held on August 30 at 6:30 PM in the Hospitality Room.

Sessions will begin on Wednesdays, **September 13 to November 8** from 6:30-9:00 PM.



FYM CARDS & GAMES NIGHT

Join the Forever Young Ministry on **August 4th** for an evening of cards & games. The event will be hosted in the Desales Center from 7-9 pm. Please bring snacks to share and refreshments.

WELCOME, DEACON TOM

Deacon Tom and Judy Hill have been married for forty-three years of forever. They were lifelong residents of Bartholomew County in south-central Indiana until February 2022 when they moved from Columbus, IN to Chapel Hill, NC. They have two sons. Ben, Lisa (wife), and daughters Noelle (12) and Gabrielle (6) live in Pittsboro, NC. Dan, Angie (wife), and daughters Makenna (9) and Alice (6) reside in Chapel Hill.

Deacon Tom was baptized into the Catholic faith when he was nine days old. He received a catholic education from St. Columba Grade School and the Latin School of Indianapolis; then, attended Ball State University and IUPU-Columbus pursuing interests in journalism and business management. Deacon Tom was accepted into the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Permanent Deacon Formation Program in August 2008. He was ordained a permanent deacon on June 23rd, 2012 by Bishop Christopher Coyne and assigned to St. Joseph Parish in Shelby County, Indiana where he served until January 2022.

Deacon Tom is employed full-time as a Sr. Sales Executive. His interests include Scripture study, writing, reading, fishing, college basketball, the Cincinnati Reds, and the Indianapolis Colts. His favorite saints are Mother Mary, Paul, Augustine, and Mother Teresa.





CHECK OUT OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR MORE UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY INFANT



Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

THESE SAINTS MINISTERED ON THE MARGINS OF PRIVILEGE AND POWER

One of the greatest compliments I have ever received came my way years ago in Saginaw, Mich., where I was leading a one-day retreat for lay ministers of the diocese. In the first session, I shared nine of my paintings inspired by the life of Sister Thea Bowman as a means of telling her story. At the break, an African-American woman—one of the few people of color in the crowd that day—approached me to express her doubts that I had really painted them. When I assured her I was indeed the artist, she said, "Well, honey, you have a Black soul." I have never forgotten that grace-filled moment because it gave me a flash of heightened self-awareness that I treasure to this day.

As our world, country and church get alarmingly messier, I derive much of my hope, inner peace and creative inspiration from those saints and prophets who lived in and spoke from the margins outside the white, privileged worlds of power and authority in both church and society. Wisdom figures such as Dorothy Day, Sister Thea Bowman, Nicholas Black Elk and Venerable Augustus Tolton look over my shoulder and into my heart, each one a pilgrim guide sharing with me his or her own take on life. They remind me that our own unique gifts have not been given to us simply for our own success or pleasure, but are meant to be shared with a world and church in desperate need of them.

Sister Thea Bowman came to me first. It was 1992, and I was struggling with the deaths of my parents and my increasing lack of enthusiasm for teaching. The academic world no longer held my interest, and at age 35 I was finally confronting that famous question: What do you want to do when you grow up? I wanted to actually be an artist, not just teach about art. I had a vague notion that I wanted to incorporate art into retreat work and spirituality and share with others the healing power of beauty. One uninspired landscape after another only led me to doubt, fear and frustration.

And along came Sister Thea in an unbridled burst of color, song and inspiration. No preliminary sketches, no intense research (that would come later). Just some brightly colored paint in a style very different from anything I had done before. I was encouraged by a Black Franciscan nun from Mississippi who urged me forward with courage and confidence. She led me beyond my doubts and fears and gave me a new life motto, one which was inspired by civil rights marchers back in the day. In her words: "It doesn't matter if you're scared, just keep on steppin'."

My most recent devotion is to Augustus Tolton, the first recognized African-American priest. He was born into slavery, and in my eyes the real hero of his story is his mother, Martha Jane. She escaped one night with her infant daughter and two little sons, Gus being one of them, and rowed across the Missouri River to freedom in Quincy, Ill. Martha Jane was ultimately led by the Spirit to Father Peter McGirr, an Irish immigrant priest. He became a father figure to Gus and his lifelong advocate and mentor. He affirmed and nurtured Gus's call to the priesthood even as every seminary in the United States denied him admission.

Slowly but surely, Gus's persistence saved the day, and he eventually studied in Rome where he thrived, freed from oppressive American racism, and where he mingled with seminarians from Africa, Asia and Latin America. After ordination, Gus returned to Illinois where he was a highly regarded pastor, beloved by people Black and white, Catholic and not. And yet, despite his amazing gifts and accomplishments, he endured deep-seated jealousy and toxic racism from his fellow priests and pastors

Venerable Gus and my beloved Servants of God remind me that I am uniquely made in the image and likeness of our Creator God who relishes variety; that there is plenty good room for each of us in the Sacred Heart of Christ; and that we are all connected in a creative Holy Spirit who never flies backwards. "It doesn't matter if you're scared," Sister Thea whispers again, "just keep on steppin'!"



But thou, 0 Lord, art a God mereitul and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.