

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; Susan Fleming; 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; Maria Tadipa; Richard Thomas

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

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS August 7th to August 13th, 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

Page Family (Honor) Angelina Fazio Bridget Theresa Lee Kyle & Maria Heuser Laura Fitzgerald (Healing) Parishioners of Holy Infant

Mary Klear

Sheri Lynn Applegate

Vita Jones

*in person only

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Num 11:4-5; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21 **Tuesday:** 2 Tim 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 30-31; Mt 5:13-16 Wednesday: Num 13:1-35; Ps 106:6-7, 13-14, 21-23;

Mt 14:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Friday: Hs 2:16-22; Ps 45:11-16; Jn 15:4-10

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20 **Sunday:** 1 Kng 19:9, 11-13; Ps 85:9-14; Rm 9:1-5;

Mt 14:22-33

023 PARISH ELEBRATION **AUGUST 26TH FOLLOWING THE** 5:30 MASS See if you are able to volunteer in any way Invite your friends, family, neighbors - anyone and everyone! Bring a dessert to share please note allergens If you are able, bring along lawnchairs to create extra seating Come ready to enjoy fellowship and share God's love

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Aug 8 Justice Garden Workday 9 am

Aug 8 Stephen Ministry Meeting 6:30 pm

Aug 10 Marian Prayer 9:30 am

Aug 10 Playgroup at Piney Wood Park 9:30 am

Aug 10 Eucharistic Adoration 12 pm

Aug 10 Catechism Chat 7 pm

Aug 11 Teens Outdoor Movie Night 8 pm

Aug 12 Justice Garden Workday 9 am

Aug 12 Daughters of St. Francis de Sales 10 am

Aug 12 Reconciliation 4 pm

Aug 13 Festival of Bread 9:45 am

Aug 13 St. Monica Ministry for Praying Parents 7 pm

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

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



Faith Development

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This week we welcome Fr. Robert and Fr. Labosky into the studio to talk with Amber and Jeff about their beloved four-legged K9 family members, and the unconditional love and companionship we receive from our pups. We'd love to hear from our listeners with their special pet stories, especially a time when they provided just the love and attention you needed. Email us at podcast@holyinfantchurch.org



Thank you to everyone who joined our "Mulch Party"! The gardens look lovely and are ready to continue supporting local wildlife and











5 of Holy Infant's middle schoolers spent the past week at Life Teen Camp Hidden Lake with 200 other teens from across the country. The theme of the week was "Real Presence," inspired by the Eucharistic Revival. Teens listened to talks, participated in small groups, conquered fears on ropes courses, and enjoyed many days of messy games and lake time. Interested in attending Camp Hidden Lake next year? Contact Michalene for more information!

EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS AUGUST 8TH

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.



UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

August 10

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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FESTIVAL OF BREAD

Bring a favorite bread from your family's country of origin, from your kitchen, or from your favorite bakery/store. This event is sponsored by our Bread for the World ministry. Attendees will be asked to write/ sign letters to their Congress Representatives and Senators to advocate for the Farm Bill while breaking bread together. Building a Healthy, Equitable, and Sustainable Food System via the Farm Bill is Bread for the World's theme for our Offering of Letters on **August 13th**.

Some of the ways Bread proposes to "Build a Healthier Food System via the Farm Bill" include strengthening nutrition security in the United States by increasing access to healthy food, enhancing global maternal and child nutrition through U.S. food aid initiatives, and reauthorizing and ensuring robust funding for priority international accounts in the Farm Bill, including Food for Peace Title II and the McGovern-Dole Food for Education account.

BFW seeks to protect Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) from cuts or harmful changes to the Thrifty Food Plan, to Increase support for produce-specific SNAP benefits in Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program (GusNIP), and to increase prioritization of nutrition within the McGovern-Dole Food for Education program.



KICKIN' FOR CHARITY

Join Centro para Familias Hispanas as they celebrate 25 years of serving the Hispanic community with the NC Football Club on Saturday, **August 12th**! \$2 of each ticket sale will benefit Centro para Familias Hispanas.

Use the Catholic Charities link to purchase tickets. Parking options are included in the link!







Our Stephen Ministry leaders gathered for an evening of fellowship and ice cream! Stephen Ministry provides support to anyone who is going through a crisis or life difficulty. Training for anyone interested in becoming a Stephen Minister begins this fall. Use the QR code to learn more.



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



Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Because of the unusual event that the Feast of the Transfiguration this year falls on the 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time, today's Gospel is the same as the one we heard on the Second Sunday of Lent. St. Francis de Sales challenges us to be transfigured in Christ through our daily activities:

At the Transfiguration Jesus showed us a spark of eternal glory. While the Prophet said, "I will never forget you...I have carved you on the palm of my hand," Jesus went further and said, "I will never forget you, since I bear your name engraved in My Heart." At the Transfiguration Jesus shows His flaming Heart of love for us.

Like the apostles who wanted to remain in Jesus' presence, we too must do likewise. So little by little let us leave behind all our affections for lowly things and aspire to the happiness that Our Lord has prepared for us. Where could we give better witness to our fidelity to God than in the midst of things going wrong?

There is a real temptation to become dissatisfied with the world and depressed about it when we have of necessity to be in it. Yet we will always encounter difficulties in the "busyness" of the world. To think that we can be holy without suffering is a delusion. Where there is more difficulty, there is more virtue. However, if we stumble, with trust and confidence in God's mercy, let us put ourselves back on the path of virtue.

Be like the honeybee. While you are carefully making the honey of holiness, at the same time make the wax of your worldly affairs. If our Lord finds honey sweet, so does the wax honor Him, since it is used to make the candles that give light to those around us. Let us focus on always being transfigured in Christ. What we will do and become as we experience the lovable Heart of our Master aflame with love for us!

Share the invitation below with someone you'd like to see at our parish celebration.



YOU'RE INVITED 2023 PARISH CELEBRATION

Nourishing our Bodies, Souls & Communities

AUGUST 26TH

FOLLOWING THE 5:30 MASS Join Holy Infant for an evening of food, fellowship, music & fun!

5000 Southpark Dr, Durham, NC 27713

