

INTO THE VINEYARD

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., Church
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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Go to holyinfantchurch.org
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OPEN HEARTS · OPEN HANDS · OPEN MINDS

TOGETHER, THROUGH THE GRACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE "LIVE JESUS," REACHING OUT, EMBRACING ALL WITH COMPASSION, HUMILITY & GENTLENESS.

THOUGHTS FROM SALESIAN SPIRITUALITY

"Have patience with all things - but first with yourself. Never confuse your mistakes with your value as a human being. You are perfectly valuable, creative, worthwhile person simply because you exist. And no amount of triumphs or tribulations can ever change that." - St. Francis 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 holysinphantchurch.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 Augusta; Nancy Balding; Sandy Balintfy; Jeff Baker; Colette Bean; Clayton Bean; Jerry DeBenedetto; Jennifer Bland; 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; 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 September 25th to October 1st

Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.

Monday, 9 am	Ana Teresa Feliciano
Tuesday, 9 am	Peace in Ukraine
Wednesday, 9 am	Jo Ann Smigla
Thursday, 9 am	Lawrence Hamacher
Friday, 9 am	Kathleen Phillips
Saturday, 9 am	No 9 am Mass
*Saturday, 5:30 pm	Thomas Becker
*Sunday, 8:30 am	Michael Harrill
Sunday, 11:30 am	Anthony Scalia

**in person only*

To honor a loved one, living or deceased,
with a mass intention, visit

holysiniantchurch.org/mass-intentions.

For more information on memorials for altar wine,
lamp or altar flowers, visit

holysiniantchurch.org/memorial-donations.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are in person unless otherwise stated.

Go to **HolyInfantChurch.org/calendar**
for details on the following events:

Sept 25 Bible Study, 9:45 am
Sept 25 Bible Study, 7 pm
Sept 26 Centering Prayer, 8 am
Sept 26 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Sept 26 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm
Sept 27 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 4:30 pm
Sept 27 JustFaith Hunger, 6:30 pm
Sept 28 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am
Sept 28 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm
Sept 28 KoC Planning Meeting, 6:30 pm
Sept 29 Couples for Christ, 5:30 pm
Sept 29 Refugee Resettlement Team Meeting, 6:30 pm
Sept 30 **No 9 am Mass**
Sept 30 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Sept 30 Couples for Christ, 10 am
Sept 30 Funeral Mass—Mary Bocchino, 11 am
Sept 30 Reconciliation, 4 pm
Sept 30 Catechumenate Session, 5:30 pm
Oct 1 Family Formation, 9:45 am
Oct 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 9:45 am
Oct 1 TYM, 6:30 pm
Oct 1 JYM, 6:30 pm

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

Respect Life Weekend

September 30th - October 1st

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:1-6; Ps 126:1-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ez 6:7-8; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ez 9:5-9; Tb 13:2-4, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Dn 7:9-10; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday: Zc 2:5-9, 14-15; Jr 31:10-13; Lk 9:43-45
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Ph 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - August 30

	Budgeted	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$166,302	\$161,240	(\$5,062)
Christmas Offertory			
Easter Offertory		\$192	\$192
Holy Day Collections	\$1,500	\$2,109	\$609
Maintenance Offertory	\$6,600	\$6,050	(\$550)
	\$174,402	\$169,591	(\$4,811)



RESPECT LIFE COLLECTION

Donate needed items towards
various Catholic Charities that
support women and their babies.



Items should be brought unwrapped
to the Narthex September 30th-
October 1st.

Faith Development

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PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

St. Thomas More Preschool will host an open house on Saturday, **October 7th** from 3 -5 pm for prospective families.

St. Thomas More Preschool
632 Laurel Hill Road, Chapel Hill



CAMP HIDDEN LAKE

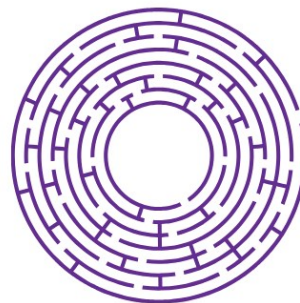
We are headed back to Camp Hidden Lake in Dahlonega, GA in summer 2024! This Catholic weeklong overnight camp is for middle schoolers who are incoming sixth graders through outgoing eighth graders. Join us for a week full of messy games, the sacraments, ropes course, praise and worship, talks, and friendship with middle schoolers from across the country.

The cost is \$720 dollars to attend (financial aid is available). Please complete the form using the QR code if you are interested in attending with us next summer, or would just like more information!



WEEKLY PODCAST

Did you know Holy Infant is about to have an outdoor prayer labyrinth? What is a prayer labyrinth anyways? Find out this week as we talk to Karen Carr and Justin Losey, two of the parishioners behind the prayer labyrinth project.



PARISH FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

Our parish is looking forward to celebrating the anniversary of our founding on

October 4th. Please join us following the morning mass for a small reception with coffee and baked goods. That mornings mass will feature special music and prayers in celebration of our founding day.

Ministries

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MULTIPLE MINISTRY EVENT ON OCTOBER 7TH

Parishioners and community members are invited to give the gift of life through blood donation and bring non-perishable items to donate to our local food bank. Food can be dropped off at the truck parked outside the church. Please consider also bringing a baked good to share with those donating blood at the event.

Parishioners are also invited to bring shoes to donate toward "Shoes for Souls". These shoes will be given directly to people in need. New or gently used shoes of all sizes can be donated to this cause.

Saturday, **October 7th** in the Fellowship Hall from 8 am - 1 pm



SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

We can all help prevent suicide. Every year, the Lifeline and other mental health organizations and individuals across the U.S. and around the world raise awareness of suicide prevention during September, National Suicide Prevention Month. A Stephen Minister is here to listen, if you or someone you know has lost a loved one to suicide.

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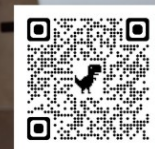
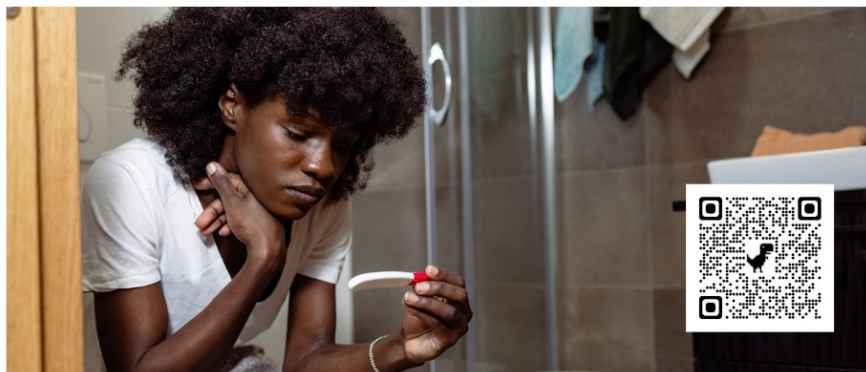
**CHECK OUT OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR MORE
UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY INFANT**



RESPECT LIFE - RADICAL SOLIDARITY

Inspired by Christ's own example of love, may we "enter fully into the fabric of society, sharing the lives of all, listening to their concerns, helping them materially and spiritually in their needs, rejoicing with those who rejoice, weeping with those who weep." May we work together to bring about a culture of life through radical, sacrificial, Christ-like love.

To learn more about the call to radical solidarity—including ways that you can help support pregnant and parenting women in your community, use the QR code.



CHERISHED: AN INFERTILITY RETREAT

St. Gabriel Catholic Church (3016 Providence Rd, Charlotte, NC) and Springs in the Desert are partnering to offer Cherished, a day-long retreat on Saturday, **October 21st**, for those carrying the cross of infertility.

You are not alone. Wherever you are on the path of infertility, we invite you to join the Springs in the Desert team as they reflect on the emotional, relational, and spiritual aspects of the infertility experience and offer practical suggestions for strengthening your relationship with God and your spouse.

Come with your spouse or on your own for a time of prayer, healing, and friendship with others on this same path. The day includes Mass, time for prayer in Adoration, and the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. Find details and register by October 7th.



REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 55:6-9 The ways and thoughts of God are above our own.

Psalms 145 "The Lord is near to all who call upon him."

Philippians 1:20c-24, Saint Paul rejoices that to live is Christ.

Matthew 20:1-16a "The last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Lord may surprise us and even confound us, but that is because God's ways are so far above our own. Nevertheless, Isaiah tells us, we can depend upon God for mercy. Paul trusts that Christ is with him, in life as well as in death. Jesus tells his disciples that God is more generous than what we would consider sensible.

Listening to God's word today, let us take comfort in God's unfathomable generosity and mercy. How can I prioritize generosity over fairness in how I regard and treat others?

CALL UPON HIM IN TRUTH

The last verse we sing in the responsorial psalm this week includes the repeated response itself: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth." This is verse 18 from Psalm 145. That last phrase is key, "all who call upon him in truth."

We're pretty good at putting up facades for others, even lying to ourselves about our circumstances, our mental or emotional state, our capabilities or faults. Sometimes we're irrationally negative, and other times way too optimistic. The Lord isn't concerned with these surface constructions. He is concerned with the deep truth, the stuff that goes on deep down in our hearts that many of us have a hard time tapping into and understanding if we ever try at all.

But it's worth it to have some process for becoming more self-aware, to learn to know ourselves better, to find the truth of who we are, and who we were created to be. Then our calls to the Lord become less shallow, more authentic, and more truthful.

A good place to start is how we approach the Sunday liturgy. What's our state of mind? Are we there to check a weekly to-do off the list and make sure everyone else realizes what good little disciples we are? Or do we bring our true, broken yet loveable selves to gather around the altar with our brothers and sisters, ready to encounter and be shaped by God? Do we call out to the Lord in truth?



SING IT AGAIN, SAM

This weekend we sang "Bread of Angels" by Curtis Stephan. Use the QR code below to listen and sing it again.

Next weekend we celebrate the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time when we'll be challenged to turn away from sin and do what is right.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

A WILD LOVE

In my previous role as an administrator at St. Francis de Sales School, I was part of the team who would review our students' Candy Grams prior to sending them to our sister schools. As you probably know, a Candy Gram is a card with a piece of candy where one can write a short, personalized message to the recipient.

Since our students are called the Knights, we review these Candy Grams to ensure the messages are "appropriate for a Knight." We let them know this prior to the purchase of the Candy Gram, and I happily report that it is rare to pull a message. I believe this same practice is followed in prisons and the military.



During one of these review sessions, I came across a wonderful Candy Gram from a young Knight named Ben. Ben wrote a kind message stating, "Samantha, you are the prettiest, smartest girl I know." The next Candy Gram was also from Ben. It said, "Lindsay, you are the prettiest, smartest girl I know." With both Candy Grams going to the same school, I suspect Ben was going to learn a hard lesson. Young love can be reckless.

With my own relationship with God, I forget that God's love can be like Ben's love. I often lean towards a God who loves more like a grandparent; steadfast, calm, wise love. This is true, but God's love is also like Ben's; young, wild, and reckless. A God who sends candy grams to us, "Joe, you are everything to me." "Pam, you are everything to me." John, you are everything to me."

Francis de Sales recognized this love of God in the biblical book, the Song of Songs. The Song of Songs details the journey of two lovers as they search for one another. In the beginning of the Song of Songs, the young lady shows her heart by saying, "Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth - for your love is more delightful than wine" (1:2). In response, her lover says a few verses later, "How beautiful you are, my darling! Oh, how beautiful! Your eyes are doves" (1:15). These may be the best candy gram lines I have ever seen! I read this scripture and blush.

Ben's Candy Grams continue to remind me of God's young, reckless, and wild love for me. How should I respond this week? What do I write back?

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