

OIL FOR YOUR LAMP

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

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OFFICE HOURS

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

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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

"We must never undervalue any person... Now God is present everywhere, and every person is His work." - 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**
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- ✦ **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; Jeff Baker; Colette & Clayton Bean; Jerry DeBenedetto; Jennifer Bland; Margaret Burnett; Marcia Brown; Joanne Callahan; Maria Capone; Alice & Christos Chamis ; Albina & Chin Chua; Lillian Davids; Bea Davis; Jerry DeBenedetto; Rosemary Donohue; Eileen Dowling; Christine Drap; Irene Dunbar; Jason Ferrigan; Susan Fleming; Zosima Flores; Adela Florey; Dot & Jack Gregory; Marjorie Goode; Mary Jane Haga; Mary Jane Harvey; Jane Helmer; Denise Herron; Dave Jognia; Bernadette Kilroy; Aileen Koch; Bill & Donna LaMountain; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; Maria Mitch; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Kathleen O'Donnell; Chris Ogonowski; Johnathan Palermo; Louise Peloquin; Bill Perkins; Rosalind Riggio; Nancy Rizzo; Shelia Rogers; Julia Schmidt; Tom Shreve; Betty Short; Kathy 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**November 13th to November 19th***Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.*

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| Monday, 9 am | <i>Patricia Noriega (birthday)</i> |
| Tuesday, 9 am | <i>Kelly Curran Bradbury †</i> |
| Wednesday, 9 am | <i>Alcides Prazeres †</i> |
| Thursday, 9 am | <i>Doug Comer †</i> |
| Friday, 9 am | <i>Mary R. Amend (birthday)</i> |
| Saturday, 9 am | <i>Vocations</i> |
| *Saturday, 5:30 pm | <i>Maureen Baylon-Magtalas †</i> |
| *Sunday, 8:30 am | <i>Dorothy & Peter Sedlak (wedding anniversary)</i> |
| Sunday, 11:30 am | <i>Julia Schmidt</i> |

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

holysinphantchurch.org/mass-intentions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Monday:** Ws 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 6:37-40**Tuesday:** Rm 12:5-16; Ps 131:1-3; Lk 14:15-24**Wednesday:** Rm 13:8-10; Ps 112:1-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33**Thursday:** Ez 47:8-12; Ps 46:2-9; 1 Cor 3:9-17;

Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rm 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8**Saturday:** Rm 16:3-9, 22-27; Ps 145:2-11; Lk 16:9-15**Sunday:** Ws 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-6; 1 Ths 4:13-18;

Mt 25:1-13

**2nd Collection
Next Week for
Catholic Campaign
for Human
Development**

**Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - October 31**

| | Budgeted | Received | Difference |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| First Offertory | \$339,857 | \$318,812 | (\$21,045) |
| Christmas Offertory | | \$100 | \$100 |
| Easter Offertory | | \$305 | \$305 |
| Holy Day Collections | \$1,500 | \$2,475 | \$975 |
| Maintenance Offertory | \$13,900 | \$12,681 | (\$1,219) |
| | \$355,257 | \$334,373 | (\$20,884) |

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are in person unless otherwise stated.

Go to **[HolyInfantChurch.org/calendar](https://holysinphantchurch.org/calendar)**

for details on the following events:

- Nov 13** PPC Meeting, 6:30 pm
Nov 14 Centering Prayer, 8 am
Nov 14 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Nov 14 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm
Nov 15 Health Ministry Meeting, 10 am
Nov 15 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 4:30 pm
Nov 15 Adoration Holy Hour, 6 pm
Nov 15 Family Formation Catechists Meeting, 6:30 pm
Nov 15 Choir Rehearsal, 7 pm
Nov 15 RCIA Inquiry Session, 7:30 pm
Nov 16 Share Your Christmas Sign Up Goes Live
Nov 16 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am
Nov 16 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm
Nov 16 Stephen Minister Training, 6:30 pm
Nov 16 Yarn Ministry, 7 pm
Nov 16 Refugee Resettlement Team Meeting, 7 pm
Nov 17 In the Boots of St. Nick, 6:30 pm
Nov 18 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Nov 18/19 Wedding Host Ministry information available following each mass
Nov 18 Refugee Resettlement Social, 2 pm
Nov 18 Rosary-Making, 3:30 pm
Nov 18 Reconciliation, 4 pm
Nov 19 UMD Shelter Dinner
Nov 19 Guatemala Missions Trip Info Session, 9: 45 am
Nov 19 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 9:45 am
Nov 19 Family Formation, 9: 45am
Nov 19 Catechumenate Session, 11:30 am
Nov 19 TYM Session, 6:30 pm
Nov 19 Guatemala Mission Trip Info Session, 6:30 pm
Nov 19 JYM, 6:30 pm

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



The Marian Grotto is coming along nicely! We are so excited to see this project progress towards completion.

Faith Development

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HOW DO YOU WANT TO HEAR FROM HOLY INFANT?

Young Adults and Families - what is your preferred form of communication? We'd like to reach you in the way you prefer. Please let us know how we can best communicate with you and as to which parish activities you are interested in.



CAMP HIDDEN LAKE

We are headed back to Camp Hidden Lake in Dahlonega, GA from **July 22nd-27th**, 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*). Parents are welcome to come as chaperones and do not pay to attend. Please email Michalene if your teen is interested in attending!

ANSWERING THE CALL TO VOCATIONS

God is calling more young men to the priesthood. Together, we will be able to help them hear His invitation and respond generously to Him. Thank you for your support and prayers for an Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Raleigh from the men of our diocese.

Lord, my God and my loving Father, you have made me to know you, to love you, to serve you, and thereby to find and to fulfill my deepest longings. I know that you are in all things and that every path can lead me to you. But of them all, there is one especially by which you want me to come to you.

Since I will do what you want of me, I pray you send your Holy Spirit to me: into my mind, to show me what you want of me; into my heart, to give me the determination to do it, and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all of my strength right to the end. Jesus, I trust in you. Amen.



WEEKLY PODCAST

This week get to know Fr. Leo Patalinghug as we anticipate his visit to Holy Infant and his Plating Grace presentation next month. Michalene speaks with Fr. Leo about the origins of his love of cooking, his vocation story, how his unique ministry around food and faith got started, and what to expect when he is with us in December.

NEW ADORATION HOLY HOUR STARTING THIS WEEK

Starting on **November 15th**, spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel every third Wednesday of the month. The hour will include silent prayer time interspersed with praise and worship music, concluding with Benediction. During Wednesdays of Advent and Lent, we'll celebrate sung Evening Prayer (Vespers) during Exposition at 6:30.



SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS INFORMATION COMING

The Share Your Christmas Ministry will begin the 2023 holiday season on **November 16th**! You are invited to buy a present, a gift card, and/or a child's coat for members of the Durham County community.

The link to SignUpGenius will be sent in the Connector, and posted on the mass live stream page. Thank you for supporting this ministry!

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IN THE BOOTS OF ST. NICK

Join the Forever Young Ministry on **November 17th** at 6:30 pm for In The Boots of St. Nick - a unique view of Christmas that will renew your belief in Christmas as a season full of love and wonder.

Not intended for children who still believe!

A PATHWAY TO PEACE

Sign up for the latest video course offering from Belmont Abbey College, The Benedictine Hallmarks: A Pathway to Peace.

We are all called to be saints, but most of us have to get there by everyday means. The monks of Belmont Abbey can be your guides as they explore life's struggles through the core values –or hallmarks– of Benedictine life.



NOVEMBER UMD SHELTER DINNER COLLECTION

Our next UMD Shelter Dinner will be on Sunday, **November 19th**, and will feature hot dogs, side dishes, and dessert. All food donations are due in the church Narthex by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 19th.

Please use the QR below to register for donations or to get involved.



GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING THIS WEEK

San Lucas Tolimán is a small lakeside town around Lake Atitlán, Guatemala. It is one of the less-visited towns around the lake, with a 90-95% Highland Maya population.

Possible activities on our visit with Friends of San Lucas

- Participate in a guided tour of Mission programs and learn more about the Mission's history and program areas
- Join the Construction crew for half-day service projects, supporting the building of fuel-efficient stoves, as well as wood, block, and hybrid houses
- Participate in a 'Day in the Life' at the Women's Center, learning more about weaving, cooking, and other daily activities
- Discover what Montessori education is all about and learn about the colegio (school)
- Visit the Cafe Juan Ana facility to explore coffee growing, processing, and roasting, and try some of the world's best coffee
- Connect with and hear talks from community members
- Explore surrounding communities on a boat tour around Lake Atitlan.

INFORMATION MEETING

November 19th at 9:45 AM or 6:30 PM

Parish Center Living Room

WEDDING HOST MINISTRY

The members of this important ministry strive to facilitate as stress-free rehearsal and ceremony as possible following the liturgy of the Catholic Church. We assist in the organizing of the bridal procession and help guide the wedding party to be in the right places at the right time.

Our hosts can choose to serve when convenient to their schedule. If you are interested in becoming a part of this fun and meaningful Wedding Host Ministry, there will be someone in the Narthex after Mass or you can submit your contact information to the church office.



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



Liturgy & Music

Director of Liturgy & Music
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DO WE DESIRE GOD?

The obvious theme of our First Reading, Psalm, and Gospel is to stay awake and be ready for whenever the Lord might show up. Interestingly, the traditional time of day of the coming of the Lord is at night, such as the bridegroom showing up at midnight in the Gospel. The point is perhaps less about staying awake, but rather at least being prepared before you fall asleep, like the five wise virgins.

But all this presumes a desire for God in the first place, something embedded in these readings. In the first reading God is personified as the female wisdom, and "whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed." It continues into Psalm 63, the psalmist expressing, "my flesh pines and my soul thirsts." Read these scriptures again, attentive to the visceral nature of the language. Would we describe our desire for God in these terms? Does our desire for other things, people, or experiences exceed our desire for God? One suggestion for developing a stronger desire for God is to spend time in prayer, especially in the presence of the Lord during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Starting this Wednesday, November 15th, we're offering a Holy Hour every third Wednesday of the month, 6pm to 7pm in the Chapel. Come for the whole hour, or drop in as you are able. We'll have some time of silence, as well as praise and worship music, and will conclude with Benediction.



REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Wisdom 6:12-16 Rise before dawn and watch for wisdom's appearance and you will not be disappointed.

Psalm 63 "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 We do not mourn death as those who have no hope.

Matthew 25:1-13 The wise virgins were prepared for the coming of the bridegroom.

Our first reading has some encouraging words, asserting that wisdom can be found by anyone who looks for it. Our second reading uses wisdom to console us, reasoning that if God raised Jesus from the dead, through him we will be brought home as well. The parable in the Gospel tells of the ten virgins who waited for the bridegroom, though only five had the wisdom to bring oil for their lamps. May God's word enlighten us as we too wait faithfully upon the Lord. What has worked for me in the past when I begin to get impatient?

Going forward, what will I do to draw upon more patience?



SING IT AGAIN, SAM

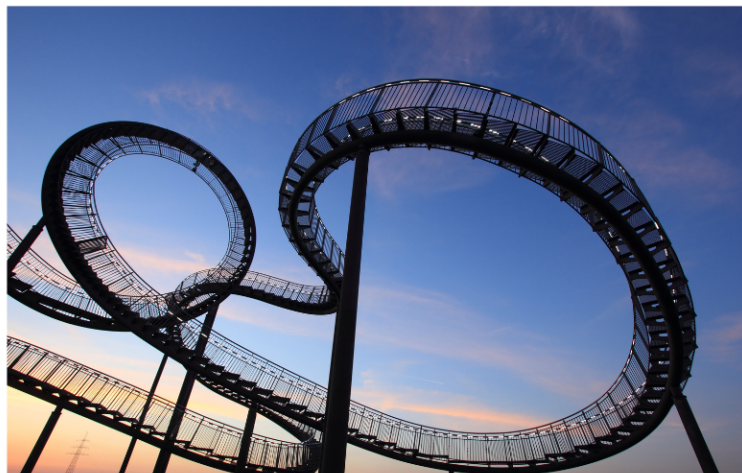
This weekend we sang "Lead, Kindly Light". Use the QR code below to listen and sing it again.

Next weekend we celebrate the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time during which we are called to be prepared and be good stewards of the time and talents God has granted to us.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

HOMECOMING

Finding a date for the homecoming dance during your freshman year in high school is challenging. This is especially true when you attend an all-male high school. This was my case when I was a freshman at St. Francis de Sales School in Toledo, OH. Luckily, I was in the band! The marching band consisted of guys from St. Francis and girls from our two neighboring sister schools. In the fall, the band traveled to a local rollercoaster park, Cedar Point. I decided I would ask a girl from the band to the homecoming dance during our trip to Cedar Point. As a romantic, I thought there would be no better place to ask than on a hill of a rollercoaster.



Of course, I was nervous so I waited until the final rollercoaster of the night, the Blue Streak, before making a move. Standing in line waiting to board the rollercoaster, I discovered some logistical challenges. I knew the girl I wanted to ask to the dance, but how do I make sure we were next to one another on the rollercoaster? I came up with a plan in my mind of where I would need to stand so I could sit next to her on the ride. I moved into position and thought, "If he stands there, and she doesn't move, then I need to stand there so I can be next to her." The plan worked! I sat right next to my potential date. As we started going up the first hill I asked her to homecoming dance. She said, "Yes."

The best part of the story happened a few years later. I was talking to the same girl and explaining the lengths I went to to sit next to her on that rollercoaster. She looked at me and said, "Joe, I was doing the same thing!" As much as I was trying to sit next to her, she was trying to sit next to me.

I share this story every autumn with my students when we read St. Francis' favorite book in the bible, the Song of Songs. The Song of Songs details the journey of two lovers as they search for one another. Francis saw this liturgical book as a description of his experience of God. We may feel like we are constantly trying to be next to God, but the great insight comes when we realize that we have a God who looks back at us and says, "Joe, I am trying to do the same thing!" For Francis, we do not need to go searching for God because God is right here. Our God is constantly coming to us, pursuing us, and trying to sit next to us. If I did all that for a date to the homecoming dance, imagine what our God is doing to be next to you. The search is over, we have been found, "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Be found!

May God be praised!

Fr. Joe Newman, OSFS

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