

HEALED



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

Every Third Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Chapel
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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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

*"Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit.
Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.
What is anything in life compared to peace of soul?" - 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 holyininfantchurch.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; 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; Fran Hamacher; Mary Jane Haga; Mary Jane Harvey; Jane Helmer; Denise Herron; Ruth & Kenneth Jones; Dave Jognia; Bernadette Kilroy; Aileen Koch; Bill & Donna LaMountain; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; Cris and Terry Mercaldo; Maria Mitch; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Kathleen O'Donnell; Chris Ogonowski; Johnathan Palermo; Louise Peloquin; Bill Perkins; Helen Pischak; Rosalind Riggio; Nancy Rizzo; Shelia Rogers; Julia Schmidt; Tom Shreve; Betty Short; Kathy Smith; Bob Smith; Hugo Sotolongo; Corrine Stavely; Katherine Strubing; Marisa Suarez; Maria Tadipa; Richard Thomas

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

February 5th to February 11th

Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.

Monday, 9:00 am	<i>Parishioners of Hoy Infant</i>
Tuesday, 9:00 am	<i>Lea Maksim</i>
Wednesday, 9:00 am	<i>Williams Family (honor)</i>
Thursday, 9:00 am	<i>Peace in the Middle East</i>
Friday, 9:00 am	<i>Carita Fitzgerald (birthday)</i>
Saturday, 9:00 am	<i>Dominico Hoc Tran †</i>
*Saturday, 5:30 pm	<i>Diela Drejaj †</i>
*Sunday, 8:30 am	<i>Alex Baptista (birthday)</i>
Sunday, 11:30 am	<i>Robert Dene †</i>

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday, 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday, 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Mk 7:14-23
Thursday, 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 Mk 7:24-30
Friday, 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 7:31-37
Saturday, 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 Mk 8:1-10
Sunday, Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Lk 7:16

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 5 Liturgical Commission Meeting 7 pm
Feb 6 Virtual Centering Prayer 8 am
Feb 6 Justice Garden Workday 9 am
Feb 6 Tea on Tuesday (FYM) 2 pm
Feb 6 The Catholic Table Study 6 pm
Feb 6 KoC Council Meeting 6:30 pm
Feb 7 FYM Cards & Games 2 pm
Feb 7 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 4:30 pm
Feb 7 Choir Rehearsal 7 pm
Feb 7 RCIA Inquiry Session 7:30 pm
Feb 8 Marian Prayer 9:30 am
Feb 8 Eucharistic Adoration 12 pm
Feb 8 Stephen Minister Training 6:30 pm
Feb 9 Wedding Rehearsal, Stierwalt-Patel 5 pm
Feb 10 Red Cross Blood Drive 8 am
Feb 10 Justice Garden Workday 9 am
Feb 10 Daughters of St. Francis de Sales 10 am
Feb 10 Wedding, Stierwalt-Patel 2 pm
Feb 10 Servants of God Prayer Group 3 pm
Feb 10 Reconciliation 4 pm
Feb 10 Catechumenate Session 5:30 pm
Feb 11 Family Formation 9:45 am
Feb 11 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:45 am
Feb 11 Arts & Environment Setup 1 pm
Feb 11 TYM 6:30 pm
Feb 11 JYM 6:30 pm
Feb 11 St. Monica Ministry for Praying Parents 7 pm

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

2023 Contribution Report links have been emailed to all contributors with an email on file. Thank you for your support - your generosity is greatly appreciated!

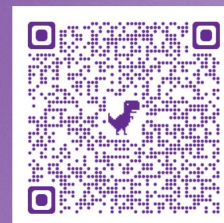
If you have any concerns, please reach out to Lea Chiquito:
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Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - December 31

	Budgeted	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$510,822	\$507,110	(\$3,712)
Christmas Offertory	\$23,000	\$25,712	\$2,712
Easter Offertory		\$417	\$417
Holy Day Collections	\$4,500	\$6,987	\$2,487
Maintenance Offertory	\$21,200	\$19,228	(\$1,972)
	\$559,522	\$559,454	(\$68)

WE'RE CREATING A Parish Directory

REGISTER TODAY



Photography Dates set for
February 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd & 24th

*All participating families receive
a free 8x10 photo and directory!*

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LENT PREPARATIONS FOR CHILDREN

Lent lies at the very heart of our Catholic faith. It is a time when we reflect on the dying and rising of Christ that has made our salvation possible. The three Catholic observances we follow during Lent — prayer, fasting, and giving alms — engage us in body, mind, and spirit. Focusing on these traditional observances will bring your family closer to Christ and to one another.

- Figure out what you're "giving up".
 - Even though "giving something up" for Lent is traditional, consider taking up extra prayers, going to Adoration, or attending daily Mass.
- Think "Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving"... how are we going to do more of these things during this season?
- Plan to attend an Ash Wednesday service with your family on **February 14th**.
- Go to Confession.
- Go shopping for meatless-meal groceries and simple foods.
 - Check out information on Greener Lent on our Ministry page to learn more about the global impact of giving up meat.
- Participate in Stations of the Cross activities.
 - Our Forever Young Ministry is hosting a soup gathering before Stations on **February 16th** at 5 pm in the Hospitality Room - All are welcome!
 - Children's Stations of the Cross is on **March 22nd** at 6:30 pm.
 - Each week the tomb created by our Arts & Environment committee will change as we grow closer to Holy Week and Easter.
- Pray the Rosary.
- Decorate your home for Lent such as putting a crucifix more centrally located in your home, extra crosses, etc.
- Holy Week/Easter plans can hold their horses. We need to observe Lent first.
 - Talk with your children about the importance of observing Lent in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.



WEEKLY PODCAST

Part 1 of our parish history podcast special dropped on January 27th, so check it out if you missed it last week! Spoiler... Part 1 was a cliffhanger, so stay tuned for Part 2 to be released February 3rd! And next week Amber interviews singer and songwriter Sarah Hart who will be visiting Holy Infant for multiple events March 9th and 10th!



MOMMY AND ME - COFFEE AND TEA

Moms of all ages are invited to join a new mother's group: Mommy & Me - Coffee & Tea, beginning **February 20th**. We welcome you to enjoy coffee in Christ for the chaos of motherhood.

This casual fellowship group will meet at Bean Traders on February 20th at 9:30 am. This is a drop-in experience - no need to register ahead! You are welcome to come alone, with a friend and with your children.

For more information, reach out to Amber using her email listed above.



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HEART HEALTH FOCUS

February is American Heart Month. Show your heart the love it deserves! Here are ways that you can take care of your heart:

- Get 30 minutes of exercise daily
- Get 7-8 hours of quality sleep nightly
- Manage stress
- Maintain a healthy weight
- Cook heart-healthy recipes
<https://healthyeating.nhlbi.nih.gov/>
- Have blood pressure, cholesterol, and blood sugar checked
- Keep healthcare provider appointments and take medicine as prescribed

BLOOD DRIVE THIS WEEK

Blood is the most precious gift that anyone can give to another person – the gift of life. A decision to donate your blood can save a life, or even several if your blood is separated into its components – red cells, platelets and plasma – which can be used individually for patients with specific conditions.

Register for Holy Infant's Red Cross Blood Drive on **February 10th** using the QR.



FEBRUARY UMD SHELTER DINNER

February's UMD shelter dinner will occur on **February 18th**. Please consider using the QR code to sign up as a volunteer or to donate food towards the meal. Thank you to our parish for your continued support of this beautiful ministry!



PREPARING FOR GREENER LENT

Greener Lent focuses the 40 days of fasting, prayer and almsgiving for the poor throughout the world who are being disproportionately affected by the climate crisis. "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." -St. John Chrysostom



HEALING LOVE THROUGH CHRIST

For some people, Valentine's Day is a painful reminder of a broken relationship, the death of a loved one, a recent relocation, a chronic illness, or another life challenge.

If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring Jesus' love (God's ultimate Valentine) back into your life. Stephen Ministers provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately every week to listen, support, and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your struggle.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with Lynn Sale. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!



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



Liturgy & Music

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STAY CONNECTED

This weekend we hear from Job, a short excerpt in the middle of one of his responses in a long, existential dialogue with three friends. It's important to understand the Book of Job as a literary work meant to convey certain universal ideas and not a historical account of an actual conversation.

These six short verses succinctly summarize so much of what many of us struggle with daily. The monotony of daily life, feeling like cogs on a wheel trapped in an oppressive system, kept awake at night by our thoughts, time itself rushing by faster and faster before we have a chance to see happiness again. Perhaps it's some consolation that folks in 500 B.C. had many of the same problems we do today.

We often talk about how we respond to God's generosity or love, and the good things we experience. But perhaps more often we're defined by how we respond to adversity, suffering, disappointment, and pain. The Book of Job provides a process for us to emulate. Job enters into honest dialogue with friends and with God. It takes a while (42 biblical chapters) but these relationships eventually bring Job back from the brink of despair (even with the help of some intercessory prayer!), and he's restored and able to live out a content and long life.

Unfortunately, our response to suffering and confusion, sometimes understandably trying to protect ourselves, is to turn inward and isolate ourselves from others. This seems to be getting worse with what is becoming an epidemic of loneliness. We cannot heal ourselves. As illustrated in the Gospel story of healing this weekend, we need the empathy of others, and we need God's grace.

Let's keep our eyes open for those going through a time of despair or suffering, and make the effort to reach out to them. And for ourselves, in our struggles, let us be at

least as wise as Job, reaching out to those who care for us when we need someone to listen, and never stop talking with God, even in our darkest moments.

REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 I am filled with restlessness until the dawn.
Psalms 147 "Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted."
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel.
22-23 Mark 1:29-39 Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases.

There's nothing like listening to a passage from Job to bring a person down. What happens to the poor guy ranges from tragic to miserable, leaving him in the throes of despair. Still, he turns to God for mercy and healing, much as the people of Capernaum later looked to Jesus.

Listening to the word of God today, may we renew our trust in the Lord in the face of illnesses and difficulties. How do I best learn more deeply about Jesus?



SING IT AGAIN, SAM

This weekend we sang "How Can I Keep From Singing". Use the QR code above to listen and sing it again.

Next weekend we celebrate the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time where we see how Jesus draws close to the outcast and draws them to himself; healing them. We are similarly called to reach into the darkness of others' lives as we are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

CULTIVATING “REAL” INTELLIGENCE

Each year on the feast of St. Francis de Sales (January 24), the patron saint of Catholic journalists, the pope publishes a message for the celebration of World Communications Day (celebrated on the Sunday before Pentecost). The theme for the 2024 message concerns the revolution of “artificial intelligence” and the challenges that this poses to truly human communications.

We know that Francis de Sales was quite intelligent and a successful communicator! After all, he is recognized as a “doctor” of the Church, whose writings remain insightful for knowing the way to salvation. So, too, he is considered a “master” of sacred eloquence, whose spoken knowledge from the pulpit provides light for the intellect and warmth for the will.



Not surprisingly, then, our patron saint champions the work of the mind. From a young age, he pondered the power of reason – really, its “beauty” – as that which distinguishes human beings from all other animals (when we use it!). Standing in a long line of Christian humanists, Francis holds to the view that reason gives us the ability to govern our lives, even when our thoughts or passions seem to be battling within us.

That’s why he so values learning, recommending that we “study more and more, with diligence and humility” (Letters, XXI:11). It’s why he could often be found personally teaching the catechism to the people in his diocese (initiating what we now know as C.C.D.). The saintly bishop also instructed his clergy routinely on topics in theology, even going so far as to claim that “knowledge, to a priest, is the eighth sacrament of the hierarchy of the Church” (Oeuvres, XXIII:303) – because erroneous teaching has the power to lead souls astray!

But in Salesian Spirituality, there’s more to intelligence than just smarts. For Francis, knowledge finds its ultimate purpose in love. The operations of the intellect that he describes – thought, study, meditation, and contemplation – are intended to lead and unite us to Wisdom itself by way of an appreciation of the truth, beauty, and goodness of God.

Yes, our patron saint was eminently intelligent. But the wisdom he shares through his writing and speaking is always inclined to what is practical and live-able. Though mystical in its magnificence, it comes down to us as “inspired common sense” (Elisabeth Stopp).

That’s the kind of intelligence that can benefit us. Faced with today’s challenge of information overload, we find ourselves having to navigate the turbulent waves of digital news (real or fake), political arguments (conservative or liberal), and public opinions (logical or not). Perhaps now more than ever, “we need to have a well-balanced and reasonable mind” (Introduction to the Devout Life, III:36).

Reading (again) the works of St. Francis de Sales is a great place to do that. Surely his saintly wisdom will help us to cultivate our own minds, so that we might learn to live in love. That, ultimately, is the mark of an intelligence that is “real” not artificial.

Fr. Thomas Dailey, OSFS