

REPENT & BELIEVE

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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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." - 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 19th to February 25th

Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.

Monday, 9:00 am	<i>Adelaine Dela Cruz (birthday)</i>
Tuesday, 9:00 am	<i>Alice Pratt †</i>
Wednesday, 9:00 am	<i>Carole Irvine †</i>
Thursday, 9:00 am	<i>Geraldine Rozniakowski †</i>
Friday, 9:00 am	<i>Sarah Venson (honor)</i>
Saturday, 9:00 am	<i>William F. Howell †</i>
*Saturday, 5:30 pm	<i>Mary Maher †</i>
*Sunday, 8:30 am	<i>John & Louise Cibula †</i>
Sunday, 11:30 am	<i>Margaret (Louise) Prevost †</i>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-19 Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday 1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Mt 16:13-19

Friday Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Mt 5:43-48

Sunday Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

Called to Mission

A one-day retreat for men ages
18-35 who are seeking to
understand God's will in their lives.



March 9th from 9 am - 5 pm
Williamston, NC

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - January 31

	Budgeted	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$601,485	\$593,454	(\$8,031)
Christmas Offertory	\$25,000	\$26,427	\$1,427
Easter Offertory		\$422	\$422
Holy Day Collections	\$6,000	\$8,996	\$2,996
Maintenance Offertory	\$25,000	\$23,693	(\$1,307)
	\$657,485	\$652,992	(\$4,493)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 19 Bible Study, 9:45 am

Feb 19 FYM Core Team Meeting, 12 pm

Feb 19 Bible Study, 7 pm

Feb 20 Virtual Centering Prayer, 8 am

Feb 20 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Feb 20 Mommy & Me Coffee, 9:30 am

Feb 20 Stephen Leaders Meeting, 10 am

Feb 20 Directory Photo Session, 2 pm - 8:30 pm

Feb 20 Catholic Table Study Group, 6 pm

Feb 21 Directory Photo Session, 2 pm - 8:30 pm

Feb 21 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 4:30 pm

Feb 21 Adoration Holy Hour, 6 pm

Feb 21 Knights Planning Meeting, 6:30 pm

Feb 21 Family Formation Catechists Meeting, 6:30 pm

Feb 21 Choir Rehearsal, 7 pm

Feb 21 RCIA Inquiry Session, 7:30 pm

Feb 22 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am

Feb 22 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm

Feb 22 Directory Photo Sessions 2 pm—8:30 pm

Feb 22 Stephen Minister Training, 6:30 pm

Feb 23 Directory Photo Sessions, 2 pm—8:30 pm

Feb 23 KofC Fish Fry, 4 pm

Feb 23 Stations of the Cross, 6:30 pm

Feb 24 Confirmation 2 Retreat, 9 am

Feb 24 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Feb 24 Directory Photo Session, 10 am—4 pm

Feb 24 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm

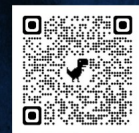
Feb 24 Reconciliation, 4 pm

Feb 25 Catechumenate Session, 8:30 am

Feb 25 Playgroup, 9:30 am

Feb 25 TYM, 6:30 pm

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



Your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal plays a critical role in funding ministries in the areas of evangelization, discipleship, worship, liturgy, sacramental preparation, and a wide variety of programs that pour forth God's grace, love, and mercy.

Faith Development

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PLAYGROUP RETURNS NEXT SUNDAY

Playgroup is starting up again once a month during the school year. We will meet in between Sunday masses on **February 25th** from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. We will meet on the main lawn by the playhouse! Come enjoy donuts, hot drinks, and juice with other parents while the kids get time to play together. If the weather is inclement, we will be in the DeSales Center.



MOMS COFFEE THIS WEEK

Moms of all ages are invited to join. We welcome you to enjoy coffee in Christ for the chaos of motherhood at our newest event: Mommy and Me, Coffee and Tea.

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



VAULT THEATRE PRODUCTION IN MARCH

The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe is brought to life in this innovative retelling of the heroic tale of love, courage, and triumph of good over evil. Through this magical hour of storytelling, Lucy and Peter weave the tale of the struggle for the control of Narnia.

Join Vault Theatre for this public performance on **March 3rd** at 3 pm in the DeSales Center. Use the QR code to purchase tickets. Tickets with the code HIDiscount are \$5.



WEEKLY PODCAST

This week we are finally releasing the long-awaited part 2 of our parish oral history special! And next week join us as we start our Lent book series reading "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" by C.S. Lewis.

READ ALONG WITH THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

Starting next week the trio behind Holy Infant's podcast, Through the Grapevine, will be covering the beloved classic by C.S. Lewis "The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe".

Four adventurous siblings—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie—step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change ... and a great sacrifice.

Reserve a copy of the book at your local library or purchase one to keep so you can read along with our team. We will share information on chapters for each episode starting next week.

FRIDAY FISH FRY



This week's fish fry will be hosted at Holy Infant on **February 23rd** from 4:00-7:00 pm in the DeSales Center.

Next Friday's fish fry will be at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church from 4:30-7:30 pm in their Fellowship Hall.

Ministries

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FIRESIDE CHATS

One of the hallmarks of Holy Infant is the closeness of our community. To deepen this spirit, parishioners are hosting evening Fireside Chats. Father Robert will also attend, which provides a unique opportunity to ask questions and grow in fellowship. These special events are open to a limited number of parishioners, so registration is required.

Emails will be sent to the surrounding areas closer to event dates, but if you did not receive an email you are still welcome to register. Review the dates below and email Stacy at stacy@holynfantchurch.com for registration information.

March 5th in Cary

March 19th in Durham

April 2nd in Hillsborough

April 16th in Cary

April 30th in Durham

PEACE STARTS HERE

If you have experienced an abortion and would like confidential information about the upcoming March support group, contact Project Rachel by phone at (919) 852-1021 or project.rachel@raldioc.org.

DAILY BREAD - A LENTEN STUDY

This Lent, journey with us as we honor Christ's ultimate sacrifice with two unique series from the Augustine Institute. By signing up, you'll receive an email each day with a Scripture video.



GREENER LENT 2024

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



NAME THAT TUNE

NAME-THAT-TUNE – Holy Infant Version - featuring songs from the 50's, 60's, and 70's **March 1st** at 6:30 pm Holy Infant - DeSales Center. For adults of all ages.

Invite your friends to form a team to compete for "bragging rights"! Don't have a team? No worries – come as a single or a couple - we'll find you some teammates.

Bring your own drinks and a snack to share.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS COLLECTION

Clean out your drawers, boxes, and closets of extra religious items. Place your items in the special collection basket in the church Narthex between **February 25th - March 10th**. Items will be donated to parishes in need by St. Mary Recycle Mission Group. The collection is coordinated by Holy Infant's JYM.

Accepted Items: Vestments, Crucifixes, Statues, Rosaries, Chalices, Altar Ware, Missals, Tabernacles, Relics, Monstrances, Prayers Books, Lectionaries, Holy Medals, Holy Cards, Framed Pictures, Religious Reading Books

Not Accepted: Pamphlets, Wax Candles, Large Furniture, Non-Religious Reading Books



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



Liturgy & Music

Director of Liturgy & Music
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GROWING IN THE RICHES HIDDEN IN CHRIST

Thanks to the work of our Greeters counting attendance each weekend, we know we've experienced a 16% increase in the number of folks coming to Mass comparing the fall and winter months of this year to last. Since September, we've been averaging 840 at the weekend Masses with continued growth that we expect to continue, especially through the Lent and Easter seasons. We've seen similar increases in engagement in our ministries and programs, which is a great sign. And you've probably noticed the large number of adults preparing for initiation into the church when they are dismissed from Mass each week.

For those who've been around Holy Infant for a while, this is a real testament to the characteristics of welcome, service, and full participation that you nurtured over the years. This includes not only the financial support required to build and pay for a new church and sustain our ministries, but, just as important, the diverse skills and talents, and the time you've shared that make this a vibrant parish.

And for those who are newer, these numbers are but one indication of your willingness to engage and get involved, not only to be receptors of what this community has to offer but to begin to be active participants. We hope everyone can find a home here as a part of our parish family.

Our Collect prayer at the beginning of Mass this weekend asks that we "grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects." As we enter into this holy season of Lent, and on into Holy Week and the Easter season, may we continue to be a community where more and more encounter Christ and are nourished by the word of God.



REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Genesis 9:8-15 God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.

Psalms 25 "Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant."

1 Peter 3:18-22 The water of the flood prefigured Baptism, which saves you now.

Mark 1:12-15 Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him.

After the Great Flood, God made a covenant with us. Never again would a flood destroy the whole earth. Centuries later, God sent Jesus as the new covenant. As we hear in the second reading, Jesus suffered for our sins to lead us to God. In today's Gospel, Jesus emerges from forty days in the desert, proclaiming that this is the time to repent and believe.

Let us heed his message as we listen to God's word. How will I minister to others during these forty days of Lent? Who is in need of my help?

SING IT AGAIN, SAM

This weekend we sang "Into the Desert" by Curtis Stephan and Sarah Hart. Use the QR code to listen and sing it again.



Next weekend we celebrate the **Second Sunday of Lent** where we hear God's call to us, throughout history, to trust in His Beloved Son; to follow Jesus.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

WHAT'S IN YOUR BACKPACK?

"What's in your wallet?" This is the tagline we hear in TV commercials for a popular credit card. For St. Francis de Sales, the question may have been, "What's in your backpack?" In a letter written to a young nun in 1603, he suggests the practice of the "little virtues" found in the backpack carried on the hike through the spiritual life:

"...practice those ordinary virtues suited to our littleness – little peddler, little pack – these are the virtues which are better practiced in going downhill than in climbing, and suit our legs better: patience, forbearance toward our neighbor, service of others, humility, gentleness of heart, affability, tolerance of our own imperfections, and similar little virtues."

This past fall, when the Oblates gathered for our Provincial Chapter, the retreat portion of our gathering was given by our confreres Fr. Lou Fiorelli and Fr. Mike Newman. They highlighted how, in our Constitutions, our founder Blessed Louis Brisson emphasized five essentials to being an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales: living Jesus; being faithful to the will of God; reprinting the Gospel; respecting the person of one's neighbor; and, being in solidarity. For our prayerful consideration, Fathers Fiorelli and Newman "unpacked" these essentials through stories and quotations from our Salesian patrons and Oblate founder.

Inspired by the backpack image, Bro. Mickey McGrath, OSFS, took to his iPad and created the image of Francis de Sales, Jane de Chantal, Louis Brisson, and Leonie Aviat, carrying their backpacks as they hike along ready to Live Jesus in their daily living and ministry. I can only imagine what else we could find in these backpacks: concretely, perhaps the Introduction to the Devout Life or letters of spiritual direction yet to be mailed; or, more spiritually, the Direction of Intention and the present moment. In Bro. Mickey's picture, we see the Holy Spirit accompanies these holy men and women as their spiritual guide, who may be whispering in Francis's ear, and ours too: "What's in your backpack?"



Recently, schools across the country celebrated Catholic Schools Week and highlighted many essentials to Catholic education: parishes, communities, students, nations, vocations, faculty and staff, parents, and families. One could imagine each of these being figuratively loaded into a student's backpack (or maybe on a school bus!) to take along with them on their educational journey in our Church, society, and world. In my ministry visiting the many schools where Oblates minister and remain associated, I see myriad ways the mix of these Catholic school essentials demonstrate joy-filled collaboration aimed at providing quality teaching and learning infused with the Gospel.

This leads me to reflect on my own answer to the question: "What's in your backpack?" In reflecting on the various people discussed above and what they may be carrying in their satchels, I think I hold onto a selection of their essential items: my Oblate vocation to live Jesus and reprint the Gospel, the little virtue of patience, and my relationships with family, friends, confreres, and colleagues. So often, I unpack these essentials, all of which are rooted in love. Francis de Sales, the Doctor of Divine Love, says it best in my favorite chapter on friendship in the Introduction (III:19): "How good it is to love here on Earth as they love in heaven and to learn to cherish one another in this world as we shall do eternally in the next!"

So, I encourage you to answer the question: "What's in your backpack?"

-Brother Dan Wisniewski, OSFS
Assistant Provincial & Director of Oblate Education