

NO GREATER LOVE

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

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

"True progress quietly and persistently moves along without notice." - 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; Eva Crowley; Lillian Davids; Bea Davis; 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; Ruth & Kenneth Jones; Dave Jognia; Aileen Koch; Bill & Donna LaMountain; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; 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; Susan Sheehan; Tom Shreve; Betty Short; Bob Smith; Hugo Sotolongo; Corrine Stavelly; Katherine Strubing; Marisa Suarez; Mary Sunderland; Maria Tadipa; Richard Thomas

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**May 6th to May 12th***Masses are livestreamed & in person unless otherwise stated.*

Monday, 9:00 am	<i>Bill Battis †</i>
Tuesday, 9:00 am	<i>Patricia Gomez Garcia †</i>
Wednesday, 9:00 am	<i>Teresa Nhan Le †</i>
Thursday, 9 am	No 9 am Mass
Friday, 9:00 am	<i>Linda Hellman †</i>
Saturday, 9:00 am	<i>Vita Jones †</i>
Saturday, 5:30 pm	<i>Cristina Manalac (birthday)</i>
Sunday, 8:30 am	<i>Sheri Lynn Applegate †</i>
Sunday, 11:30 am	<i>Zeke Francis DeWolf (birthday)</i>

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

- May 6** Liturgical Commission Meeting, 7 pm
May 6 Walking with Purpose Bible Study, 7 pm
May 7 Virtual Centering Prayer, 8 am
May 7 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
May 7 KofC Council Meeting, 6:30 pm
May 8 Food as Fuel for Healthy Aging, 9:45 am
May 8 Refugee Resettlement Team Meeting, 6:30 pm
May 8 Choir Rehearsal, 7 pm
May 9 **No Mass, Marian Prayer or Eucharistic Adoration**
May 9 Health Ministry Meeting, 10 am
May 9 Funeral Mass—Megda Figueiroa-Arroyo, 11 am
May 11 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
May 11 Daughters of St. Francis de Sales, 10 am
May 11 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm
May 11 YA Ronald McDonald House Dinner, 3:30 pm
May 11 Reconciliation, 4 pm
May 11 Catechumenate Session, 5 pm
May 12 St. Monica Ministry for Praying Parents, 7 pm

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b

Jn 15:26 – 16:4a

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8

Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 Jn 16:12-15

Thursday Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23
or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 Mk 16:15-20

Friday Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 16:20-23

Saturday Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b-19

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - March 31

	Budgeted	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$777,112	\$749,528	(\$27,584)
Christmas Offertory	\$25,000	\$26,649	\$1,649
Easter Offertory	\$15,000	\$11,091	(\$3,909)
Holy Day Collections	\$6,000	\$9,225	\$3,225
Maintenance Offertory	\$32,100	\$33,014	\$914
	\$855,212	\$829,507	(\$25,705)



URBAN MINISTRIES
OF DURHAM

The next UMD Shelter Dinner is on
Sunday, May 19th.

Please deliver food donations to the church
Narthex by 1 pm on Sunday the 19th.

Use the QR to sign up as a donor or volunteer.



HAPPY Retirement!

Wishing **Debbie Heuser**, our Parish Services Assistant, all the best in her next phase of life!

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DIVE INTO GOD'S INFINITE LOVE

We are so excited to have you at Vacation Bible Camp this summer! We welcome children aged 4 years old through rising 6th graders on **June 16-19th** from 5:30-7:30 pm. Financial assistance is available! Learn more & register using the QR code above.



YOUNG ADULTS VOLUNTEER REQUEST

Young adults looking to get involved? Join us to make dinner at the Ronald McDonald House on Saturday, **May 11th!**

When a child is sick, families need the certainty of a good night's rest, hot meals, and the support of a community that understands. Ronald McDonald House offers all these things and more. Contact Amber at the email above for more information.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES

On **June 9th** during the 11:30 Mass, we will recognize graduates with a special blessing. No matter where you are graduating from - high school, community college, or university - your parish wants to recognize this milestone in your life.

If you will be joining us on June 9th, let us know who you are using the QR code below.



WEEKLY PODCAST

This week Amber speaks with young parishioner Keira Hayes about the experience of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Luis last month as part of a group of 20 of our teens who were confirmed.



CELEBRATING MOTHER'S DAY

To celebrate our mothers, the Knights of Columbus will be handing out roses after masses on Mother's Day, **May 12th.**



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join the Knights of Columbus on **May 19th** for a pancake breakfast from 9 am to 12:30 pm in the DeSales Center.

\$10 per plate. The menu features plain, chocolate chip, or blueberry pancakes, sausage links, fruit salad, grits, and eggs. Coffee, water, tea, and lemonade are also available.

Mom's eat FREE in celebration of Mother's Day!

Ministries

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THANK YOU BR. MICKEY

Brother Mickey McGrath, a Salesian artist, joined our parish last weekend. We were incredibly inspired and moved by his hope for the Catholic church. Brother Mickey led our parishioners to create their own artwork, as well as presented his own pieces.



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Reserve your copy of the Diocese 100th Anniversary book today! The full-color 300-page book features each parish and Catholic school in our diocese as well as the history of Catholicism in North Carolina and the creation of our diocese here in Raleigh.

Each book is \$35 and must be preordered. Orders are due by **May 13th**. Use the QR code to reserve your copy and to learn more about the project.



FYM LINE DANCING

Holy Infant's Forever Young Ministry will host an evening of line dancing on **May 17th** at 6:30 pm in the DeSales Center. Never line danced before? No worries! Our evening will be led by instructor Janet Elmo. Join in the dancing or just come for the pizza!



Registration required. The \$10 fee covers the cost of dinner and supports the evening's instructor. Use the QR to register and pay.

MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES

What do the gospels tell us about Mary Magdalene? She was a committed disciple of Jesus during his public ministry and at the cross. She was the first to encounter the risen Lord on Easter morning. And she received his commission to be the apostle to the apostles.

This study will only meet IN PERSON on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Parish Office Living Room starting **June 4th**.

The material fees for this study at \$8. Use the QR for more information or reach out to Amber using the email above.



BREAD FOR THE WORLD

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 **May 19th**. The event coincides with the Pancake Breakfast scheduled that same morning.

Learn more about the work done in this vital ministry using the QR code. We invite parishioners of all ages to consider writing letters.



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



Liturgy & Music

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HERE AT THIS TABLE

As we celebrate the first Holy Communion with our young parishioners this weekend, I wanted to share this story about our song for the Communion procession this week, a favorite here at Holy Infant, "Here at This Table". Composer Janèt Sullivan Whitaker writes...

"People often ask me about Max Whitaker, the person with whom I share writing credit for this song. Max is my son, and the writing explanation has come to be dubbed The French Toast Story. Here is the abridged version:

The refrain for the song was sung spontaneously by Max (then 6 years old) on his way to the breakfast table. His original text was decidedly secular: 'Eat and be filled/come and have French toast/warm with melted butter/and powdered sugar, too...' Then he stopped! I so wanted him to go on, but by then he was too embarrassed - and hungry. The moment was gone. But later that morning, I added a consequence to this melodic antecedent, words to make it a Eucharistic refrain, and verses. The choir was introduced to it the following Thursday evening, and the rest of the assembly the weekend after that. Since then it has been translated into Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese by various communities in our Oakland diocese, and it seems to have found its way into a number of our large liturgical celebrations. I like the fact that 'Here at this Table' was born in an ordinary family moment, at our family breakfast table. It can be a cluttered and crowded place, this table, and a myriad of life-events unfold here without much to-do.

But isn't it also here that all the really important things happen? Not unlike the table of the Lord, around which we gather to be filled, and to become ourselves the living Body of Christ."



REFLECTING ON THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also.

Psalms 98 "The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power."

1 John 4:7-10 God is love.

John 15:9-17 No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

We are reminded once again to love one another. Why? John says because love is of God, as witnessed by the Father sending the Son to bring us new life and the Son dying for us on the cross to save us from our sins. What greater love can there be for us to imitate? Moreover, Jesus promises his disciples that when we follow his command to love one another, we remain in his love and will receive whatever we need. Let us listen to God's word, inspiring us to put our love for God and for others into action.

What sacrifice have I made this past week for someone I love? What sacrifice can I make this coming week? What sacrifice am I willing to make for someone I hardly know?

SING IT AGAIN, SAM

This weekend we sang "Here at This Table" by Janèt Sullivan Whitaker. Use the QR code to listen and sing it again.



Next weekend we celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord when we celebrate Jesus returning to the Father.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

IT'S JUST US HERE

I've been ordained a priest for over 10 years, and I keep experiencing firsts! This past Easter, for the first time, I sang the Exsultet at the Easter Vigil at the Visitation Monastery. If you are unfamiliar with this piece of the Vigil, put "Exsultet" into a search engine and listen to it. It takes approximately 10 minutes to chant acapella. When done well, it is a beautiful song that pivots the liturgical tone of the Easter Vigil from darkness to light, gloom to glory, and death to life. When done poorly, I always feared it would have the opposite effect.

I have many gifts but singing is not one of them. Prior to the Vigil, I met with the sacristan of the Visitation Monastery to practice the liturgy. I asked about the Exsultet, "Sister, what are we going to do about the Exsultet?" She simply replied, "You are going to sing it." I didn't need to respond because my answer was written clearly on my face. Sensing my hesitancy, she looked me in the eye and said, "It's just us here." She reached my heart, and I shifted my response, "Of course, I'll sing it, it's just us after all." The closeness I felt in that moment gave me the courage to say yes.

There is something so intimate about her phrase, "It's just us here." I now whisper this phrase throughout my day. It brings me closer, closer to the people around me, and closer to my God who is with me. I use it when I notice that same pit in my stomach. Addressing that same anxiety, Francis de Sales wrote, "God, whose very own you are." We are God's, it's just us here. Closeness. Pope Benedict XVI made a similar insight when he spoke about God's comforting, loving, and joyful presence on Guadete Sunday in 2011:

We should trust in Him; as St. Augustine says further, in the light of his own experience: the Lord is closer to us than we are to ourselves: "interior intimo meo et superior summo meo" ("higher than my highest and more inward than my innermost self") (Confessions III, 6, 11).

Our Lord is closer to us than we are to ourselves. We are God's very own. It's just us here. Close. I can report that the singing of the Exsultet went well. Aside from the Sisters, there were a few families who joined us for the Vigil. Afterward, one of them even said, "You sang beautifully." Yes, I'll share the truth since it's just us here. The compliment came from my mom.

May God Be Praised!

-Fr. Joe Newman, OSFS
Provincial
Toledo-Detroit Province

