

SPIRIT & LIFE

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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Monday–Thursday,
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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

"Half an hour's meditation each day is essential, except when you are busy. Then a full hour is needed." - 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 holysinfectchurch.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; 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; Adela Florey; Dot Gregory; Marjorie Goode; Mary Jane Haga; Mary Jane Harvey; Jane Helmer; Denise Herron; Ruth & Kenneth Jones; Aileen Koch; Bill & Donna LaMountain; Alice Lefebvre; Walter Lupa; Peggy McIntyre; Terry Mercado; Lee Meyer; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Kathleen O'Donnell; 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 Stavely; Katherine Strubing; Marisa Suarez; Mary Sunderland; Maria Tadipa; Richard Thomas; Angel David Torres

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS August 26th to September 1st

Monday, 9:00 am	<i>Terenda & Norman Baker (honor)</i>
Tuesday, 9:00 am	<i>Ciccarelli Family (honor)</i>
Wednesday, 9:00 am	<i>Jack Donovan †</i>
Thursday, 9 am	<i>Norman List</i>
Friday, 9:00 am	<i>Prayers That Were Answered (thanksgiving)</i>
Saturday, 9:00 am	<i>Joseph Cione †</i>
Saturday, 5:30 pm	<i>Knights of Columbus Council #17125</i>
Sunday, 8:30 am	<i>Dawn Schmidt †</i>
Sunday, 11:30 am	<i>Fran Hamacher †</i>

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

For more information on memorials for altar wine,
lamp or altar flowers, visit
holynfantchurch.org/memorial-donations.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5
Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday 2 Thes 2:1-3A, 14-17 Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13
Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5
Mt 23:27-32
Thursday 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 6:17-29
Friday 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Mt 25:1-13
Saturday 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21
Mt 25:14-30
Sunday Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - July 31

	Budgeted	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$89,380	\$81,340	(\$8,040)
Christmas Offertory	\$0	\$0	\$0
Easter Offertory	\$0	\$0	\$0
Holy Day Collections	\$0	\$50	\$50
Maintenance Offertory	\$3,860	\$2,902	(\$958)
	\$93,240	\$84,292	(\$8,948)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 27 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Aug 27 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm
Aug 27 Young Adults Bible Study, 7 pm
Aug 29 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am
Aug 29 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm
Aug 31 RCIA Retreat, 8:30 am
Aug 31 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Aug 31 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm
Aug 31 Reconciliation, 4 pm
Sept 1 Baptism of Benjamin & Joseph Aioub, 11:30 am

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

JOIN THE LEGACY



Knights of
Columbus



Cooler weather is coming,
making it the perfect time to get
involved with Holy Infant's
Justice Garden Ministry.

Get your hands dirty
and fight hunger in Durham!

Faith Development

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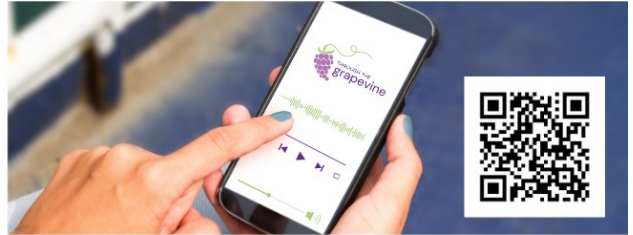
YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible study group for Young Adults starts up on **September 10th**. This new group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the DeSales Center Hospitality Room.

The group will review and delve deeper into the Sunday gospel readings. Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on the teachings and messages contained within the scriptures in a supportive and welcoming environment.



A rainy end to DeSales Service Works! We are so proud of the amazing work put in by all the teens who participated and the volunteers who made it all possible.



THE PODCAST RETURNS

Through the Grapevine is back for its fourth season! This week Jeff talks to Anna Lee about her adventures in Paris with her mom at the Olympics (check out their photo below).

Next week features a behind-the-scenes look at our music ministry as rehearsals start up for the fall.



FILL THE TRUCK FOOD DRIVE

Let's do our part to fill the truck again! Holy Infant will host a drive-through food drive in our church parking lot on Saturday, **September 28th** from 9 am to 1 pm to support the Durham Community Food Pantry. Please have your donations in bags ready for our volunteers to collect them to load in the truck.

This ministry event is a great way for parishioners of all ages to show their commitment to feeding the hungry in our area. Please use the QR to learn more about needed items.



Ministries

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NAVIGATING GRIEF & LOSS

Join Stephen Ministry & the Health Ministry team for a workshop on navigating grief led by speaker, Heidi Gessner on **September 24th** at 6:30 pm in the DeSales Center. Please register using the QR code above.

Guest speaker, Heidi Gessner, is an ordained United Church of Christ minister, spiritual counselor, grief coach, and the former bereavement and palliative care chaplain at UNC Healthcare, Chapel Hill. Heidi played a pivotal role in providing solace to people approaching the end of their lives and their loved ones grappling with grief. Heidi has a new business supporting people experiencing unexpected change and loss and offers a writing group, The Pockets of Grace Writing Circle, retreats, and private coaching.

20 YEARS OF SAVING GRACE

Come celebrate with Saving Grace on Labor Day, **September 2nd**, at Saving Grace's Labor of Love Celebration to mark their 20th year of rescuing dogs in need - including Father Robert's furbabies Bolli & Tucker! Join Saving Grace for a day of joy and laughter, to honor the rescue of more than 50,000 dogs to date, and to meet the next generation of adorable, adoptable pups that will be future Saving Grace alumni!



Learn more & register using the QR code.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS

The St. Thomas More/UNC-Newman Spiritual Direction Ministry is offering *two* opportunities to participate in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, Adapted for Daily Life.

A group for men only will meet on Saturdays, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Sept. 14, 2024 – May 10, 2025. A mixed group will meet on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, October 9, 2024, to May 21, 2025, except holidays. Both will meet at the St. Thomas More Church South Campus.

Use the QR code to learn more.



SACRED AIR: CLIMATE & ENERGY

Through prayer and spiritual practices, participants notice the breath of God that flows through them, granting them the life and energy to address this difficult topic with passion and resilience. Participants can expect to leave Sacred Air: Climate and Energy better equipped to address the climate crisis, both by mobilizing their communities and by making personal choices that honor God's creation.

Sacred Air: Climate & Energy is an eight-session small group program beginning **September 25th**. Learn more using the QR code.



BRAVER ANGELS WORKSHOP

For people of faith, civil discourse begins in recognizing the image of God in our conversation partners. Holy Infant is hosting a workshop on **September 8th** in the DeSales Center 2-4:30 pm.

Register for the workshop at Holy Infant on September 8th, or the workshop at St. Thomas More using the QR code.



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



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LEARNING LITURGICAL FORMATION

Last weekend we had our Masses in “Slow Motion” with commentary designed to help us better understand and participate in the liturgy. Thank you to our commentators Adrienne Manhard, Carol Vroom, and Mary Kennerly for the time spent preparing.

The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, the first document of the Second Vatican Council, instructed, “With zeal and patience, pastors of souls must promote the liturgical instruction of the faithful, and also their active participation in the liturgy both internally and externally...” Pope Francis wrote an entire Apostolic Letter on liturgical formation, “*Desiderio Desideravi*” in 2022. In it he wrote, “The non-acceptance of the liturgical reform, as also a superficial understanding of it, distracts us from the obligation of finding responses to the question that I come back to repeating: how can we grow in our capacity to live in full the liturgical action? How do we continue to let ourselves be amazed at what happens in the celebration under our very eyes? We are in need of a serious and dynamic liturgical formation.” The “Mass in Slow Motion” was one small way of addressing this challenge of liturgical formation. But, as Francis says, we are in need of more serious and dynamic methods than have been tried thus far.

One example is Catechesis of the Good Shepherd which we offer here at Holy Infant. This formation model for children starting at preschool age immerses them into a world of liturgical imagination, discovering for themselves the language of symbols and the sacred stories of faith in a way that dwells in their hearts. The activities of CGS teach kids that faith especially as experienced liturgically isn’t something you receive passively, but a story you are part of and action in which you participate. This is the type of formation we need to promote and develop.

We’re putting together a liturgical formation page on our

website that I hope becomes a hub of resources, whether it be book recommendations, videos, retreat possibilities or FAQs (including video from our Mass in Slow Motion last weekend). I hope it’s a place that is



continually updated and remains dynamic as Pope Francis has asked!

Use the QR to learn more.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

Joshua 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

Psalms 34 “Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.”

Ephesians 5:21–32 This is a great mystery, regarding Christ and the church.

John 6:60–69 To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

For the Chosen People and Jesus’ disciples, this is the moment of truth. They must make a choice: serve the Lord or leave. Joshua, in addressing this question to all the people, gets one response, while Jesus, in addressing all his disciples, receives a different one. Saint Paul tells the Ephesians that we, the Church, are members of Christ’s body and that Christ loves the Church as a husband loves his wife.

As we hear God’s word, let us insert ourselves in each reading and make our choice.

Next weekend we celebrate the Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time when we return to hearing from the Gospel of Mark which teaches us to put the commands of God ahead of human rules.

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

ALWAYS TIME TO BUILD & REBUILD

I recently visited Our Mother of Consolation School (OMC), in Philadelphia, PA. This parish elementary school is undergoing total renovation due to the fire that destroyed the entire school last year, which also happened to be Fr. John Fisher's, OSFS, first year as pastor. I am quite sure that having to deal with a fire and its aftermath was not on his list of goals and hoped-for accomplishments when he took the role several months before the fire. Having lived with Fr. Fisher in Camden, NJ I did not doubt that if anyone could navigate the parish through this tragedy and begin the process of rebuilding, it would be him.

The purpose of my visit was to check out the wall space so I could get to work on the various artworks Fr. Fisher has commissioned for the newly renovated school, including the elevator doors! I have been anxious to get started on the project for some months now, and my excitement only grew when the foreman, Larry, told us we had to wear hard hats to enter the building. I had never worn one before and may now adopt it as a religious habit!)

When Father Judge High School (Philadelphia, PA) President Brian King gave me a private tour of the new automotive center currently under construction I had a similar experience. (Sadly, we didn't get to wear hard hats.) The new center is being built on the very same spot where the Oblate faculty house stood for over six decades. Thanks to Brian's and Fr. Joe Campellone's OSFS, wildly creative imaginations, the new center will serve and educate kids from over 50 zip codes! Part of my visit that day involved a tour of the original school building where Brian showed me a long hallway with plain white walls...but not for long! We are now making plans for a community mural project to illustrate seven principles of Salesian Spirituality.

Father Judge has graduated many men who went on to become Oblates. One such Oblate was recently inducted into the Father Judge Hall of Fame and re-elected as our Superior General. In June, Most Rev. Barry Strong, OSFS, was selected as leader of our worldwide Congregation. I particularly loved the photo of Fr. Barry with the newly elected General Council in a colorful display of cultural diversity: one Oblate from India; one from Africa; and one from South America! These men will lead our Congregation as we continue to work to build a world touched by the gentle spirituality of our patrons.

Even though none of the guys in the photo were wearing a hard hat, I can't help but feel that the Holy Spirit, our Divine Foreman, is working overtime these days, leading us and guiding us to new and creative ways to Live Jesus; helping us to build and rebuild our Oblate identity and presence in an ever-changing world and church.

-Bro. Mickey McGrath, OSFS

