



HOLY INFANT
Catholic Church **LIVE † JESUS**

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2024

SERVANT OF ALL

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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VISIT US ONLINE

Go to holyinfantchurch.org
or scan the QR code below



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 September 23rd to September 29th

Monday, 9:00 am *No Mass*
Tuesday, 9:00 am *Mauveline & Jake Duncan (honor)*
Wednesday, 9:00 am *Mureal Carlson Isley (honor)*
Thursday, 9 am *Jo Ann Smigla †*
Friday, 9:00 am *Mike Imhof †*
Saturday, 9:00 am *John Fisher (honor)*
Saturday, 5:30 pm *Jennifer Crawford †*
Sunday, 8:30 am *Will Sargent †*
Sunday, 11:30 am *Migda Figueroa-Arryo †*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK


Monday Prv 3:27-34 Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 Lk 9:1-6
Thursday Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17BC Lk 9:7-9
Friday Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22
Saturday Eccl 11:9-12:8 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday Nm 11:25-29 Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 Jas 5:1-6 Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 23 *No 9 am Mass*
Sept 23 LRSS Bible Study, 9:45 am
Sept 23 Funeral Mass—Lavalee Upham, 11 am
Sept 23 LRSS Bible Study, 7 pm
Sept 24 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Sept 24 Top Golf on Tuesday FYM, 12:30 pm
Sept 24 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm
Sept 24 Navigating the Complexities of Grief, 6:30 pm
Sept 24 Young Adults Bible Study, 7 pm
Sept 25 JustFaith—Sacred Air, 6:30 pm
Sept 26 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am
Sept 26 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm
Sept 26 Knights Planning Meeting, 6:30 pm
Sept 28 Fill the Truck, 9 am
Sept 28 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am
Sept 28 Couples for Christ, 9 am
Sept 28 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm
Sept 28 Reconciliation, 4 pm
Sept 29 Family Formation, 9:45 am
Sept 29 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 9:45 am
Sept 29 JYM/TYM, 6:30 pm


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


WAYS TO GIVE



ONLINE

Visit our website
using the QR code





MAIL

5000 Southpark Drive
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AT MASS

Use an envelope
& the donation basket

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - August 31

	Needed	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$174,400	\$156,729	(\$17,671)
Christmas Offertory	\$0	\$0	\$0
Easter Offertory	\$0	\$0	\$0
Holy Day Collections	\$2,284	\$2,000	\$284
Maintenance Offertory	\$7,360	\$6,349	(\$1,011)
	\$183,760	\$165,362	(\$18,398)

ANNUAL PARISH CELEBRATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help for the parish celebration! Please consider signing up to volunteer in some capacity.






LET'S WALK TOGETHER

Unbound partners with families living in poverty on their path to become self-sufficient and fulfill their inherent potential.



Walking with the poor and marginalized since 1981.

We believe the smartest path out of poverty is a self-directed one. Our teams around the world listen to and partner with sponsored friends as they develop personalized plans and goals based on their unique challenges, needs and skill sets.

We work in three main regions around the world: Africa, Asia and Latin America. Political climate, exchange rates, poverty levels and economic activity factor into our program locations, so we can provide support in areas where children, elders and families need it most and where your contribution can have the greatest impact.

No one understands what a family needs to overcome their challenges better than that family. That's why your sponsorship helps them set personal goals. With social workers' support, sponsored friends and their families determine how to use their sponsorship funds to achieve those goals.

Globally, parents of sponsored children, primarily mothers,

participate in 12,500 small groups, making space for mutual accountability and support.

More than 35,000 families in the Unbound program have started small businesses and livelihood initiatives to develop economic self-sufficiency and cover their basic needs.

By providing personal attention and direct benefits, we help children, youth, elders and their families build their unique paths out of poverty. We invite all people of goodwill to join our community and walk in solidarity with the world's poor through one-to-one sponsorship. The connections we create foster relationships and transform lives across geographic, economic and social divides.



Next weekend, please welcome Rev. David Noone, who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound.

How It Works

1

FIND SOMEONE TO SPONSOR TODAY

Partner with a child, youth or elder for just \$40 a month.

2

START YOUR SPONSORSHIP ONLINE

Set up your account and make your first contribution. We'll share the exciting news with your new sponsored friend.

3

CONNECT WITH YOUR NEW FRIEND

Get to know who you are helping through letters and photos!

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ANTHEM - JYM FALL RETREAT

Holy Infant JYM Invites Middle Schoolers to "Anthem" Fall Retreat at Bond Park in Cary on **October 26th**. Inspired by the Summer Olympics and St. Paul's race of faith exhortation, this action-packed retreat promises fun and spiritual growth.

- Date: October 26th, 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Open to Holy Infant Middle Schoolers
- Cost: \$30, lunch included
 - *financial aid available*
- Register using the QR code by October 10th



WEEKLY PODCAST

This week we hear from a representative of Unbound, an organization that changes the lives of children in developing countries around the world by pairing them with individual sponsors.

SAVE THE DATE

*Faith Development kicks off the
2024-25 year on September 29th!*

The parish celebration is only a few weeks away on **October 5th** following the 5:30 mass! Everyone is welcome - please consider inviting your family and friends to join us in the celebration.

Cut out the invitation on this page to share with someone who may enjoy celebrating with our parish family.

PLEASE JOIN US
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**AND
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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. Use the QR code to learn more.



GIVE BLOOD - GIVE LIFE

Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. It is essential for surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses, and traumatic injuries. Whether a patient receives whole blood, red cells, platelets or plasma, this lifesaving care starts with one person making a generous donation. The Red Cross provides about 40% of our nation's blood and blood components, all from generous volunteer donors. But supply can't always meet demand because only about *3% of age-eligible people* donate blood yearly. Each new donor helps meet patient needs.

Don't forget to register for the upcoming blood drive on **October 19th**! In honor of the diocese's centennial celebration, Holy Infant is hoping to collect 100 units of blood this year.

VIGIL AGAINST VIOLENCE

Join us to honor and remember 51 lives all taken from us by violence in Durham County during 2023. Over 88% ended by gunshot wounds. Each a tragic reminder of more than 1000 lives in 32 years, similarly snatched away and still powerfully missed. Every one an enduring, immeasurable loss to our community.

Join us Saturday, **October 12th** at 10 am on the grounds of Elizabeth Street UMC (1209 N. Elizabeth Street) for a ritual of sacred attention to these named, loved ones. For the 32nd time, we offer this Annual Vigil Against Violence as a space to unite in public mourning for the inequitable human toll of our violence.

We gather as people bearing the gifts of a body and a name. We gather as neighbors mindful of the violence in our systems and our souls. We gather as fragile, forgetful creatures—in the light of a Love that will not let any one life go.

PEACEFULLY PROTEST FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and a peaceful all-day-vigil in front of abortion businesses.

Our Chapel Hill 40 Days for Life 2024 fall campaign starts on **September 25th and goes to November 3rd**, 7 am to 7 pm daily, and will be held outside the Chapel Hill Planned Parenthood at 1766 Dobbins Drive, Chapel Hill 27514.

All peaceful pro-lifers are invited to come. We hope to change hearts, save lives, and end abortion in our community. For more information contact Kathleen.m.siemer@gmail.com or (919) 259-1209.



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



Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

I'D RATHER

At the beginning of each class, my students journal on a prompt I write on the board. This past week, I asked them about courage, "Tell a story about yourself or someone else who demonstrated courage."

After a few minutes of writing, the class shared their thoughts with one another. My sophomores started with adrenaline driven moments of courage. One student wrote about white water rafting, another cliff diving, and finally a story on paragliding. After these examples, my co-teacher asked, "Does anyone have an example that's not physical?" This is when the students started to recognize courage in one another. "James when he volunteered to go first for his presentation." "Daniel when he joined the band without knowing how to play an instrument."

For the best response to courage, I'll give a little background information. Our homecoming dance is quickly approaching, and the students are beginning to ask their dates to the dance. Before class, they were all talking about homecoming. I asked, "Does it take courage to ask a girl to homecoming?" A student in the front row looked up at me and said to the whole class, "Yes Father, that's courage! I'd rather jump off a cliff than ask a girl to homecoming."

I get it. Every year I see my students emphasize their imperfections and minimize their strengths. More than that, their imperfections are writ large in their minds. For them, a small pimple is like a huge volcano. It takes great courage to speak first, join the band, and ask a date to homecoming. They do all these things knowing their imperfections. I find them courageous.

Francis wrote about imperfections and courage in the Introduction to the Devout Life, "We must not be disturbed at our imperfections, since for us perfection consists in fighting against them." To know our imperfections and continue the spiritual journey, the ongoing work of holiness, takes courage: "Imperfections and venial sins cannot deprive us of spiritual life; it is lost only by mortal sin. Therefore it only remains for us not to lose courage." Have courage, have courage, have courage, for holiness is about perseverance and not perfection.

I witness courage in the confessional. Can you imagine going to confession with your teacher? Courage is wrapped into mercy, and it's tied to forgiveness. Continue to practice courage.

May God be Praised!

-Fr. Joe Newman, OSFS

