

WELL PLEASED

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

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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 <u>primary</u> source for the most complete and up-to-date information about the parish. Visit holyinfantchurch.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 Agusta; 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; Jason Ferrigan; 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: Peggy McIntvre: Terry Mercaldo; 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: Richard Thomas: Angel **David Torres**

BAPTISM OF THE LORD **JANUARY 12TH, 2025**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS January 13th—January 19th

Monday, 9 am Marc Gafoor (birthday) *In thanksgiving for all who* Tuesday, 9:00 am

> helped in Jan Imhof's recovery after surgery

Wednesday, 9:00 am Hernandez Siblings &

Family (honor) Angelina Fazio †

Thursday, 9:00am Stephen O'Malley † Friday, 9:00 am Saturday, 9:00 am Ferdinand & Lizza Umali

(36th Wedding Anniversary) Pat McGinn †

Saturday, 5:30 pm Sunday, 8:30 am Sunday, 11:30 am

Jo Ann Smigla † In Thanksqiving for our Filipino Families

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

Thursday Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45 Friday Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12 Saturday Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17 **Sunday** Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 1



Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - December 31

	Needed	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$554,810	\$533,171	(\$21,639)
Christmas Offertory	\$25,000	\$26,997	\$1,997
Easter Offertory	\$0	\$25	\$25
Holy Day Collections	\$6,000	\$6,733	\$733
Maintenance Offertory	\$23,310	\$20,220	(\$3,090)
	\$609,120	\$587,146	(\$21,974)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 13 Santo Niño Novena, 7 pm

Jan 13 Walking with Purpose Bible Study, 7 pm

Jan 14 Virtual Centering Prayer, 8 am

Jan 14 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Jan 14 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm

Jan 14 Young Adults Bible Study, 7 pm

Jan 14 Santo Niño Novena, 7 pm

Jan 15 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 4:30 pm

Jan 15 Caring for Our Common Home, 6:30 pm

Jan 15 Santo Niño Novena, 7 pm

Jan 15 OCIA Inquiry Session, 7:30 pm

Jan 16 Taking down Christmas decorations, 9:30 am

Jan 16 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am

Jan 16 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm

Jan 16 Santo Niño Novena, 7 pm

Jan 16 Yarn Ministry, 7 pm

Jan 17 Name that Tune, 6:30 pm

Jan 17 Santo Niño Novena, 7 pm

Jan 18 Refugee Resettlement Weekend

Jan 18 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am Jan 18 Santo Niño Final Novena, 10 am

Jan 18 Santo Niño Procession & Dance Rehearsal, 10 am

Jan 18 Santo Niño Celebration Set-Up, 11:30 am

Jan 18 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm

Jan 18 Rosary-Making, 3:30 pm

Jan 18 Reconciliation, 4 pm

Jan 18 LRSS Materials Pickup, 6:30 pm

Jan 19 Santo Niño Celebration (details below)

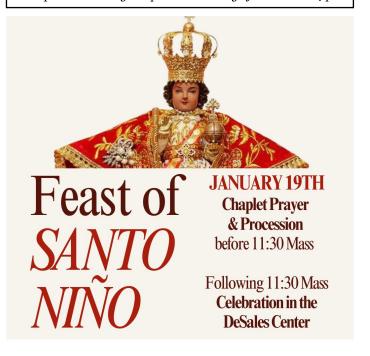
Jan 19 UMD Shelter Dinner

Jan 19 LRSS Materials Pickup, 9:30 am

Jan 19 Peace, Justice & Human Concerns Meeting, 9:45 am

Jan 19 Building Communities of Salt & Light, 9:50 am

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



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SIP & PAINT WITH BR. MICKEY

Join us for a guided painting class while sipping on your favorite beverage with Brother Mickey McGrath, OSFS, on February 21st at 7 pm. The cost per ticket is \$15 and includes all needed art supplies and hors d'oeuvres. This event is BYOB.

The deadline to purchase tickets is February 17th. Use the QR above to purchase tickets.



YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY

Young Adults Bible Study starts back this week on January **14th** in the parish office living room. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. No long-term commitment or regular attendance is required - drop ins are welcome!

KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On **January 26th** the Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast from 9 am-1 pm in the DeSales Center. Each plate is \$10 featuring pancakes, sausage links, fruit salad, grits, and eggs. Coffee & lemonade will be available to drink. Tickets are available for purchase the day of at the door.

MISSION POSSIBLE: PROTECTING FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND DEMOCRACY

You are invited to the diocesan celebration of the annual Mass commemorating the legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 20th from 12-1:30 pm. The Mass will be held at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral.

LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY

In Scripture we encounter God and come to know God's people. Women in the Old Testament, Part One, takes you on a journey through Israel's beginnings, Israel's captivity and freedom, and Israel's tribal period from the perspective of the earliest women of salvation history, such as Sarah, Deborah, and Ruth.

This class will meet weekly **January 27th** through March 24th.

Pick one of two sessions:

- Mondays at 9:45 am (after morning Mass) in the Hospitality Room of the DeSales Center
- Mondays at 7 pm on Zoom

Registration is required - use the QR code above. Materials fees for this study are \$30. Materials can be picked up at the Welcome Desk after Masses on January 18th and 19th.





Ministries

Pastoral Associate

FEBRUARY BLOOD DRIVE

Holy Infant is excited to announce our upcoming blood drive on February 8th, from 8 am to 2 pm at the DeSales Center. This event is a crucial opportunity to give back to the community and save lives. To ensure a smooth process, we ask all participants to register ahead of time. Registering in advance allows us to organize the necessary staff and resources to make this event a success.

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Those interested in creating a ministry caring for God's creation are invited to join us on Wednesday, **January 15th**, at 6:30 in the Hospitality Room. Paul and Pat Kelly, parishioners from St. Francis in Raleigh, will be speaking to us about their ministry, Care of Creation, which they began in 2008.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD CONVENTION

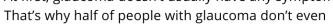
The Bread for the World North Carolina state convention is scheduled for January 25th. It will be held at Highland United Methodist Church in Raleigh from 9 am-2 pm. President, Rev. Eugene Cho, and others will speak about food insecurity and BFW's 2025 Nourish Our Future advocacy campaign. A \$20.00 donation is suggested to cover lunch and materials. Use the QR code to register.

JOIN US FOR NAME THAT TUNE

NAME-THAT-TUNE – Holy Infant Version - featuring songs from the 50's, 60's and 70's **January 17th** at 6:30 pm Holy Infant - DeSales Center. For adults of all ages.

There is no cost for this event, but please sign up using the QR code to help us plan.





GLAUCOMA AWARENESS MONTH

At first, glaucoma doesn't usually have any symptoms. know they have it. Glaucoma affects your vision slowly. Over time, you may lose your side (peripheral) vision or notice blurred spots. Although you may see objects that are straight ahead clearly, you may miss objects to the side. You may notice your vision starting to seem like you're looking through a tunnel.

If you have glaucoma, it's important to start treatment right away. Treatment won't undo any damage to your vision, but it can stop it from getting worse. Holy Infant's Health Ministry invites you to learn more about Glaucoma using the QR code.

ELISABETH VON TRAPP IN CONCERT

For Elisabeth Von Trapp, "the sounds of music" are part of her earliest memories. Elisabeth is the granddaughter of the legendary Maria and Baron Von Trapp, whose story inspired The Sound of Music. Singing professionally since childhood, Elisabeth has enthralled audiences from European cathedrals to the Kennedy Center. See Elisabeth LIVE at Holy Infant on **February 1st** at 7 pm in the church.

While a ticket is not required to attend this concert, there will be a goodwill collection.

JANUARY UMD SHELTER DINNER

Our next Dinner will be on Sunday, January 19th. The menu will feature spaghetti, side dishes, and dessert. You can volunteer to provide food items or to help prepare and serve the meal through the online sign-up sheet. Please deliver food donations to the church Narthex by 1 pm on Sunday, January 19th. Use the QR code to register.



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



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Liturgy & Music

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LITURGICAL NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

Many of us will make resolutions about things like losing weight, being more patient, saving money, etc. Perhaps this might be a good time for us to make some liturgical new year resolutions too.

"In the liturgy the whole public worship is performed by the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the Head and his members." (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy #7) "The Church earnestly desires that all the faithful be led to that full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations called for by the very nature of the liturgy." (CSL #14)

As these quotes indicate, we all have a responsibility for the liturgy, not just the priest or the organist or the liturgy committee. Here are six questions we might use to assess our own participation in the celebration of Mass:

Am I hospitable and attentive towards those with whom I worship?

Do I extend a welcome to everyone, not just people I know?

Am I ever guilty of taking up the whole pew by hogging the end seat?

Sharing at the Lord's Table makes us one body of Christ. Do I sit as near as possible to the Table of the Word and the Table of the Eucharist at Mass, or do I prefer to sit at the back of the church where I can say my prayers in peace and make a hasty exit when Mass is over? People scattered around a large church, with front seats empty and back pews taken, make it look like we are there as individuals rather than as an assembly.

Liturgy is the public prayer of the Church and work of the people.

Do I take responsibility for my part in the 'work' of worship by listening attentively, joining in the responses and singing, sharing the sign of peace and by taking notice of the symbols, sounds, smells and tastes of the celebration?

We should pray our parts of the Mass as though every prayer depended upon our words.

Do I participate in the Lord's Prayer, the Creed and other prayers of the Mass in a way that gives glory to God and honours the presence of Christ in the liturgy?

Singing is one way in which everyone can fully participate in the liturgy and join in the celebration of faith. As an occasional cantor in my own parish, I find it extremely demoralising to see some people make absolutely no attempt to join in the singing at Mass, to the extent of not even bothering to pick up a hymnbook.

Are you one of the guilty ones?

Our celebration of Mass continues as we extend our ministry as a worshipping assembly into the rest of our lives. Using the words of Leo Watt's well-known hymn, do you go forth to live what you proclaim and show the world you follow Christ in fact, not just in name?

-Elizabeth Harrington, Liturgy Brisbane 2017



Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

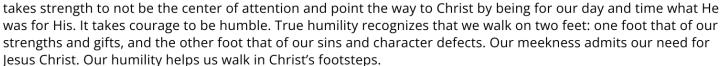
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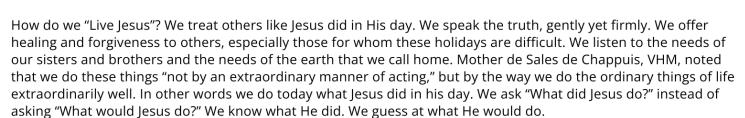
"The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). Every year Christmas reminds us that God chose to become one with us, one like us in all things but sin when God took flesh in Jesus Christ. I heard a homily given by Fr. Donald Goergen, OP, in which he said saints are people who show Jesus in their day and time as Jesus showed us the face of God in His. Christmas celebrates that showing of God's face in Jesus.

We are for our day and time what Jesus was for His. That is an awesome gift and responsibility. It means that we make a serious commitment to live our Baptism. In Baptism, we put on Christ. In Baptism, we received the Light of Christ taken from the Easter Candle. We were told to keep that light burning brightly. What a great gift to carry the Christ-light. What a challenge to keep that light burning brightly.

John the Baptist pointed the way to the Lamb of God, to Jesus. John's voice cried out in the wilderness, prepare the way for the Lord. We also point the way to Jesus. We also cry out in a society that can often feel like a wilderness. In a world that experiences division, violence, misplaced anger and frustration, we are too called to be a light in that darkness and cry out with the voice of Jesus Christ. We sing: "Joy to the world, the Lord is come and is now seen through us!"

How do we point the way? We are meek and humble. Being meek isn't the same as being milquetoast. It takes strength to be meek. It







The Word became flesh and dwelt among us and continues to become flesh in you and in me. "Live Jesus, Be for our day and time what He was for His and we'll have reason to sing "Joy to the world, the Lord is come and is now seen through us." Sing! Rejoice! Be hopeful as we begin a Holy Year of Hope. Help the One whose coming we celebrate come to earth again today and be a saint-in-the-making. May God be praised.

