

FULL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

"Fasting is not a virtue in itself, but only when accompanied by conditions that make it pleasing to God. We must fast with our whole heart, willingly, wholeheartedly, universally, and entirely." - 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: Donna LaMountain: Alice Lefebvre: Peggy McIntvre: Terry Mercaldo: Monigue Mueller: Nelida Muniz: Kathleen O'Donnell; Johnathan Palermo; Louise Peloquin; Marc Peloquin: Bill Perkins: Helen Pischak: Diane Curtis-Ratliff: 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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 9TH, 2025

Mass Times & Intentions March 10th—March 16th

Monday, 9 am Tuesday, 9:00 am Wednesday, 9:00 am Thursday, 9:00am Vocations Ferdinand Umali (birthday) Parishioners of Holy Infant Cristina Manalac

(birthday)

Friday, 9:00 am Saturday, 9:00 am Saturday, 5:30 pm Sunday, 8:30 am Sunday, 11:30 am Jean Dickson †
Peace in Ukraine
Francis D Burke Jr †
Adelle Olson †
Kerry Campbell †

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, 16-17, 18-19 Mt 6:7-15

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

Thursday Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12

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** Gen 15:5-12, 17-18 Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14. Phil 3:17-4:1 or Phil 3:20-4:1 Lk 9:28b-36



Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - January 31

	Needed	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$649,640	\$625,658	(\$23,982)
Christmas Offertory	\$26,000	\$27,457	\$1,457
Easter Offertory	\$0	\$143	\$143
Holy Day Collections	\$8,000	\$9,767	\$1,767
Maintenance Offertory	\$27,310	\$23,823	(\$3,487)
	\$710,950	\$686,848	(\$24,102)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 10 LRSS, 9:45 am

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Mar 10 Lenten Mission Concert, 7 pm Mar 11 Virtual Centering Prayer, 8 am Mar 11 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Mar 11 Brothers & Sisters, 9:30 am

Mar 11 Health Ministry Meeting, 10 am

Mar 11 Knights of Columbus, Meeting, 6:30 pm

Mar 11 PPC Meeting, 6:30 pm

Mar 11 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 7:30 pm

Mar 12 FYM Cards & Games, 2 pm

Mar 12 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 4:30 pm

Mar 13 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am

Mar 13 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm

Mar 14 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, 4:30 pm

Mar 14 FYM—The Moon is the Star, 6 pm

Mar 14 Durham CFC Prayer Meeting, 6 pm

Mar 14 TYM Stations of the Cross, 6:30 pm

Mar 15 TYM Spring Retreat, 9 am

Mar 15 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Mar 15 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm

Mar 15 Rosary-Making, 3:30 pm

Mar 15 Reconciliation, 5:30 pm

Mar 16 UMD Shelter Dinner

Mar 16 Family Formation: Mercy Sunday, 9:45 am

Mar 16 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 9:45 am

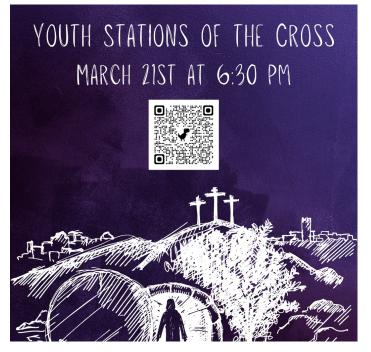
Mar 16 Building Communities of Salt & Light, 9:50 am

Mar 16 FYM—St. Patrick's Day Celebration, 12:45 pm

Mar 16 Girl Scouts Meeting, 2 pm

Mar 16 JYM, 6:30 pm

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





Join Holy Infant for a special Lenten Mission Concert on March 10th at 7 pm to experience the uplifting music of Dana Catherine.

Hailing from North Carolina, Dana is a talented singer/songwriter, speaker, and former youth minister who travels the country spreading God's love through her music.

Faith Development

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CRS RICE BOWL - LENTEN RECIPES Ginataang Gulay — the Philippines

Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon of olive oil
- · 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2-3 cups of butternut squash, peeled and cubed
- 2 14-ounce cans of full fat coconut milk
- 1 cup of long beans or regular green beans, chopped
- 1-3 Thai chili peppers, or serrano chili peppers, sliced
- 4 cups of steamed white rice

In a large pot over medium-high heat, heat the olive oil. Sauté the garlic until fragrant. Add the onion and continue to sauté until soft and translucent. Add the squash and pour in the coconut milk. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer uncovered for about 5 minutes, or until the squash is soft. Stir in the green beans. Then add the sliced chili peppers and salt to taste. Simmer for 5 minutes or until the green beans are tender. Serve over steamed white rice.

Have you tried any of the CRS Rice Bowl recipes? Share a photo with us! Email photos to Stacy at stacyp@holyinfantchurch.org.

VIRTUAL GROUP FOR YOUNG MOMS

This Lent, take a moment to deepen your faith and spiritual life, even amid the joyful busyness of motherhood. Join our Lenten Small Group, where we'll come together each Monday at 8:00 PM on Zoom, from **March 10th to April 14th**, to pray and reflect on God's Word through Lectio Divina — an ancient Catholic practice of Scripture meditation and prayer.

Learn more & register using the QR code.



We are so excited to have you at Vacation Bible Camp this summer, as we use Jesus as our true compass to journey through life! Save the dates for VBC 2025: **June 29th - July 2nd**. Registration is now OPEN! Use the QR to register.



DURHAM CROP WALK

The steps we take - and the funds we raise together - will provide life-saving support including emergency food and resources, along with the seeds, tools and programs that will help families feed themselves in the future. Walk on **March**23rd to raise funds to combat world hunger and supply food to local organizations such as Urban Ministries of Durham, Families Moving Forward and Meals on Wheels.

Participate by volunteering to walk the 5K CROP Walk or by donating money to sponsor a walker. Use the QR above to learn more and get involved with Holy Infant's Crop Walk Team.

LENT AT HOLY INFANT

MARCH 5

Ash Wednesday Masses at 8 am, 12 pm, 7 pm

MARCH 25

Lenten Penance Service 6:30 pm

APRIL 13

Palm Sunday Mass at 8:30 am & 11:30 am

APRIL 18

Passion of the Lord Mass at 3 pm

MARCH 10

Lenten Mission Concert 7 pm

APRIL 5

Fill the Truck Food Drive 9 am - 1 pm

APRIL 17

Lord's Supper Mass at 7 pm

APRIL 19

Blessing of the Food for Easter 12 pm

Fridays of Lent: Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm March 21 Children's Stations of the Cross March 28 FYM Soup & Stations of the Cross

EASTER VIGIL MASSES

April 19th at 8:30 pm April 20th at 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 11:30 am

Friday Fish Fries - 4:30-7:30 pm

April 4th - Holy Infant April 11th - Holy Infant

March 28th - Immaculate Conception March 7th - Parkwood United Methodist March 14th - Immaculate Conception March 21st - Holy Infant

Ministries

Pastoral Associate

40 DAYS 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. Holy Infant parishioners who would like more information can use the QR code to learn more and get involved throughout Lent.

MCPHERSON LECTURE SERIES

First Presbyterian Church invited you to participate in the annual McPherson Lecture on Sunday, March 23rd, and Saturday, **March 24th**. The speakers will be Dr. Robert Williamson, Jr., and Dr. Amy Cooper Robertson. Their theme will be "Loving Your Neighbor in a Fearful World." Use the QR code to learn more. RSVP at (919) 682-5511.



DUKE EMS FIRST AID TRAINING

Join us for a life-saving opportunity with the First Aid class presented by Duke EMS, completely free of ▣░░░░▣ charge! This 1-hour class will take place on March 29th at 10:30 am in the DeSales Center. Participants will learn essential skills such as bleeding control, epi-pen use, managing fall injuries, and splinting minor broken bones. Use the QR to register.

JOIN THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Holy Infant is seeking two dedicated individuals to fill atlarge positions on the Parish Pastoral Council. As an integral part of our Parish, the Council meets once a month from September to June, excluding December and the month of Easter.

Contact Midge (midge2031@gmail.com) to express interest or ask questions.

MARCH HEALTH MINISTRY FOCUS

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends that adults who are 45 to 75 years old be screened for colorectal cancer. Researchers predict that by 2030, colorectal cancer will be the leading cause of cancer deaths in people aged 20-49. Although current guidelines recommend screening for colorectal cancer starting at age 45 for average-risk individuals, those at higher risk may need to begin screening earlier. You may be at higher risk if:

- You or a close relative have had colorectal polyps or colorectal cancer.
- You have inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease, or ulcerative colitis.
- You have a genetic syndrome such as familial adenomatous polyposis (FAP) or hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer (Lynch syndrome).

The decision to be screened between the ages of 76 and 85 should be made on an individual basis. If you are older than 75, talk to your healthcare provider about screening.



MARCH UMD SHELTER DINNER Our next dinner will be on Sunday, March 16th. You can volunteer to provide food items or to help prepare and serve the meal through the sign-up sheet. Use the

QR code above to register.



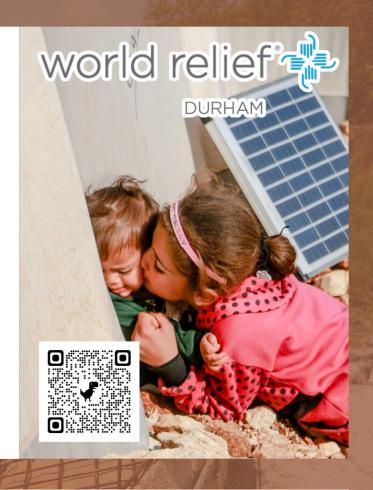
CHECK OUT OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR MORE **UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY INFANT**



SPECIAL COLLECTION SUPPORTING REFUGEES

The Charity and Justice second collection on **March 22nd and 23rd** will be dedicated to the care of migrants and refugees in our local community.

This collection will help Holy Infant support Pope Francis and the Catholic bishops who have emphasized the importance of compassion and support for vulnerable populations, viewing care for migrants and refugees as a moral and Christian duty.





Funds from the collection will be directed to Church World Service and World Relief, two Durham agencies that our Refugee Resettlement Team has been working with for the past two years. For more information about these groups, use the QR codes to visit the websites of Church World Service Durham and World Relief Durham.

The Refugee Resettlement Team always welcomes new members. For more information contact Lynn Sale in the church office.

Liturgy & Music

Director of Liturgy & MusicJeff Rice
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OBSERVING LENT AS A FAMILY

by Katherine Ball-Boruff

Each season of the liturgical year draws us into the mysteries of our salvation and invites us to grow in love of God and neighbor in a particular way. Lent offers the opportunity to turn away from sin and to live in the freedom of the children of God. As parents and caregivers, we want to be mindful of the opportunities that the Lenten season provides for children to practice their faith. Children learn from our example. Rest assured that your embrace of the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving is its own lesson. Spend some time in prayer and silence considering what holds you back from being the person God has called you to be. How might you practice prayer, fasting, and almsgiving so that you can better know, love, and serve God? While you model this discernment to your family, you can ask your children if there is anything they might like to do for Lent. Given the freedom to decide for themselves, many children will enthusiastically adopt some form of Lenten observance. When I asked my children, "What would give you an opportunity to grow closer to God?" their answers surprised me: giving up time on the iPad, not picking fights with a sibling, or calling a grandparent every day to chat. It is an acknowledgment of the wisdom of their inner teacher, the Holy Spirit, to let them decide what will be most helpful to them.

Additionally, you may want to decide on a discipline as a family. For several years, my family gave up eating in restaurants (including carryout) and donated our cost savings to our local food bank. Our almsgiving was not the only way this sacrifice changed us. Like many busy families, weekdays found us rushing from one thing to the next. Sticking with our sacrifice required a lot of focus. Some days, we drove past dozens of restaurants on our way to piano lessons and soccer while we ate soup, sandwiches, or leftovers in the car—sometimes

contentedly and sometimes less so. While difficult, these moments gave us the opportunity to remember that love requires sacrifice and to reflect on the great love of the Lord Jesus whose sacrifice we were honoring. Whatever you choose to do for Lent, make space for your family to encounter Christ in the Word, in the Eucharist, and in the least among us. I also encourage you to let your children see you receive the sacrament of reconciliation during Lent. When children observe their parents acknowledge their failings and seeking God's grace and forgiveness, they are witnessing a model of the Christian life. Teaching your children to honor the season of Lent is a gift that will help provide a blueprint for a life of faith. Keep the focus on Jesus: his love for us, his sacrifice, and the promise of eternal life with him.

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Deuteronomy 26:4–10 The Lenten fast, like the Exodus, leads to a land flowing with milk and honey.
Psalm 91 "Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."
Romans 10:8–13 The journey of faith is open to all.
Luke 4:1–13 The fast can be a sign that we live on more than bread.

During this Jubilee Year of Hope, what or who sustains me in hope through periods of trial?



DESALES CENTER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We at the Parish Council work in good faith to advise and confer with our Pastor regarding parish matters. We work to fulfill the mission of the parish through faithful and thoughtful discourse and collaboration. We have been aware of the plans for updating the DeSales Center for some time and would like to impart our full support for the renovation. We recognize the importance of updating the building codes and regulations, as well as making the improvements necessary to allow our parish to function at its potential and beyond. As we look toward the future, and the future of our growing parish, we are sure you will see the numerous benefits of renovating and enhancing a space so vital to the workings of our parish.

-Parish Pastoral Council Members



Sign Up to Pledge Online

Learn more about the project and register your pledge towards the renovation using the QR code.





DeSales Center Renovations

- Engineers report identified several building systems needing replacement including: HVAC, lighting, roofing, ceilings, insulation and ADA restrooms.
- Reconfigure and renovated CGS rooms with new flooring and wall finish
- Reconfigure and renovate Fellowship Hall with new flooring, lighting, wall finish and new platform
- Expand and renovate restrooms to modern building codes Estimated Cost; \$2,045,000

DeSales Center Upgrade Additions

- Add 3 Flex Rooms to support growing needs or education and other ministries
- Double the kitchen size with all new cabinets, solid surface countertops, appliances, flooring and new cooking, food prep, clean-up and storage areas
- Add a Welcome Lobby with a lift to move the stairs inside out of the weather
- Add unisex restrooms in the lobby
- Add a covered Arcade between the Lobby and the Church Estimated Cost: \$1,798,000

Sitework and Administrative

- Pave the gravel parking lot
- Professional fees
- Permits and Insurance
- Contingency

Estimated Cost: \$1,449,800

TOTAL CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$3,000,000

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

GIVE FASTING A NEW FACE

Tina, a seven-year-old was preparing for her First Holy Communion and asked me the following question. "When I get older, am I supposed to fast?" I said, "Yes." Then she looked at me quizzically and said, "What is it?" This is surely a question many people, besides Tina, ponder these days as Lent arrives. What does it mean to fast in today's Church? And, in today's parlance, is it in or out?

Well, to be clear, first of all, we still fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. However, in today's Church fasting is more than counting how many sandwiches we eat on a fast day, or how many cups of coffee are too many.

Instead, perhaps, we can use the Lenten practice of Fasting to look at personal areas that need attention. You know those places - the ones that we're going "to get around to fixing" - like laziness or impatience, but for some reason, or excuse we never do.

Lent is the perfect time to focus on that "fixing!" And Fasting becomes the "how" of that fixing. The twist is we change fasting from "taking away" something like eating chocolate, to a "building up" of some aspect of our personal life like prayer worn down from neglect. Fasting, then, is our determination to stop neglecting; and, to do some needed "spring cleaning!"

Areas for consideration can be any of the following personal concerns. We can fast by restraining from sharing our own opinions too quickly and listening more to what others think and say. We can fast by healing long-held hurts, by showing others mercy and forgiveness. We can fast by toning down the anxieties we often feel, and learn to trust more in the Lord's gift of nearness. We can reduce our need for more "things" and share "our extras" with those around us who have far less than we.

In these little ways, our fasting can change our bad habits into helpful virtues, making us stronger internally.

St. Francis de Sales agrees that the best change we can make is first and foremost within our interior. Thus, our fasting this Lent can become a useful way to make a needed change within.

Our patron writes:

"For myself...I can never approve the method of those who begin by the exterior such as bearing, the dress or the hair to reform a person by beginning with external things. On the contrary, it seems to me that we should begin by the interior: 'Convert yourself to me with your whole heart.' " (JI 2:12)

