

RICHE IORD

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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Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed Friday

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THOUGHTS FROM SALESIAN SPIRITUALITY

"The just person is like a tree planted near running water, which bears fruit in its season. So too when charity waters one's soul, it produces virtuous works there, but each in its season."
- St. Francis de Sales



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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kim McAllister	Bryan Bland	Laura Terpack
Bob Dieter	Carol Owen	ex-Officio
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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: Charlotte Banks; Colette & Clayton Bean; Jerry DeBenedetto; Jennifer Bland; Margaret Burnett; Marcia Brown; Maria Capone: Alice & Christos Chamis: Albina & Chin Chua: Eva Crowley; Lillian Davids; Rosemary Donohue; Eileen Dowling; Christine Drap; Jason Ferrigan; Adela Florey; Doris Gierisch; Dot Gregory: Mariorie Goode: Fran Hadden: Mary Jane Haga: Mary Jane Harvey; Denise Herron; Patti Holland; Ruth & Kenneth Jones: Donna LaMountain: Alice Lefebvre: Peggy McIntyre: Terry Mercaldo; Katie Mostellar; Monique Mueller; Nelida Muniz; Kathleen O'Donnell; Johnathan Palermo; Marc Peloguin; Bill Perkins; Helen Pischak; Joe Porcelli; Diane Cursatis-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 Torres

Mass Times & Intentions August 4th — August 10th

Monday, 9:00 am Tuesday, 9:00 am Wednesday, 9:00 am Thursday, 9:00 am Charlotte Banks (healing) Aracelli Novio (birthday)

Alice Clemente †
Catherine Furlong
(thanksgiving)

Friday, 9:00 am Saturday, 9:00 am Saturday, 5:30 pm Sunday, 8:30 am Angelina Fazio † Vocations

Thomas G English †
Sherry Lynn Applegate †

Sunday, 11:30 am Jeff Rice †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Nm 11:4b-15 Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday Nm 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday Nm 20:1-13 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 16:13-23 **Friday** Dt 4:32-40 Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21 Mt 16:24-28

Saturday Dt 6:4-13 Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51 Mt 17:14-20

Sunday Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 Lk 12:32-48

DeSales Center Capital Campaign

\$2,313,890.61

78% of funds raised for \$3,000,000 goal

Stewardship of Treasure | July 1 - June 30

	Needed	Received	Difference
First Offertory	\$1,090,000	\$1,071,868	(\$18,132)
Christmas Offertory	\$26,000	\$28,052	\$2,052
Easter Offertory	\$16,000	\$13,254	(\$2,052)
Holy Day Collections	\$8,000	\$10,360	\$2,360
Maintenance Offertory	\$45,939	\$39,291	(\$6,648)
	\$1,185,939	\$1,162,825	(\$23,114)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 4 Care for Our Common Home, 7 pm

Aug 5 Virtual Centering Prayer, 8 am

Aug 5 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Aug 5 Stephen Ministry Meeting, 6:30 pm

Aug 6 DeSales Service Works, 9 am

Aug 6 FYM Cards & Games, 2 pm

Aug 6 OCIA Inquiry Session, 7:30 pm

Aug 7 Marian Prayer, 9:30 am

Aug 7 Eucharistic Adoration, 12 pm

Aug 7 FYM E-Book Transfer, 1:30 pm

Aug 7 Yarn Ministry, 7 pm

Aug 9 Justice Garden Workday, 9 am

Aug 9 Daughters of St Francis de Sales, 10 am

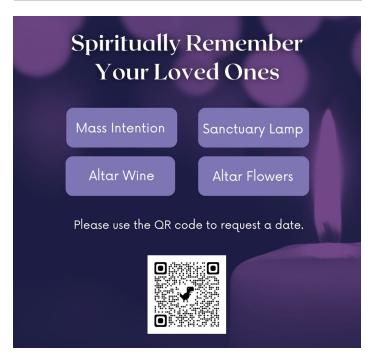
Aug 9 Servants of God Prayer Group, 3 pm

Aug 9 Reconciliation, 4 pm

Aug 10 Baptism of Rhett Joseph Lopsinoso, 8:30 am

Aug 10 St Monic Ministry for Praying Parents, 7 pm

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





ANNUAL REPORT

2025 State of the Parish Report

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As I reflect on the last year at Holy Infant, I can say that I am truly humbled by and grateful to our parish community. There is so much to celebrate!

I am especially grateful for all of you whose stewardship of time, talent, and treasure makes such an impact in our parish and surrounding community. It is because of your generosity that we can continue to grow God's kingdom.

Our Parish Finance and Pastoral Councils have wisely guided the course of our parish, and for this I am grateful. Our parish staff has also been selflessly dedicated as they serve our parishioners.

This report offers a statement of accountability for the good stewardship you have shown over the past year. We proudly list our accomplishments, and we humbly acknowledge the areas in which we need to grow. I believe that in being generous with our time, talent, and treasure we discover our "why". We discover God's purpose for us and our role in building up His Kingdom here on earth.

I ask for the blessing of our good and gracious God as we embrace the challenge of moving forward in our mission of discipleship. May God pour forth His richest blessings upon you and your family. And by His grace, may we all become better stewards of the blessings we have received.

Sincerely in Christ,

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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms	35
First Reconciliations	18
First Communions	18
Confirmations	19
Adults Welcomed through OCIA	5
Weddings	4
Funerals	16

If you require sacramental assistance, please call the parish at 919-544-7135.

MY PARISH AT A GLANCE

1,202

Registered Families - 109 new families joined the parish in 2025

2,675

Individual Parishioners (children included)

752

Registered Families identifiably giving, 360 of which are giving online

77

Active Ministries



Upcoming Events

Faith Development Kickoff	Sept 28
Parish Celebration	Oct 4
All Souls Mass	Nov 2
Parish Christmas Celebration	Dec
Feast of Santo Nino	*Jan 18

*happening in 2026





Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2004

UNITED IN PRAYER, FAITH & SERVICE

- 81 children in Faith Formation
- 79 Youth in JYM and TYM
- 89 adults registered for Little Rock Scripture Study
- 1,400+ meals provided to Urban Ministries
- 9,433 pounds of food donated to local food pantries
- 142 Christmas gifts, 184 coats, and 222 gift cards given through Share Your Christmas
- 1,400+ Fish Fry meals served by the Knights of Columbus
- 4,343 pounds of produce donated from the Justice Garden
- 42 hand-knitted prayer shawls given to Duke Hospice
- 1,672 meals delivered through Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors
- 364 baby items were donated to moms & babies charities
- \$2,770 donated to Church World Service and World Relief NC
- \$7,200 donated to Feed My Sheep, helping to end hunger in Durham

32

local organizations received donations from Holy Infant

\$8,070

to Neighbor to Neighbor helping 93 local families furnish their households after acquiring housing

\$22,643

to assist families in Western North Carolina following Hurricane Helene

\$140,355

received for Charity and Justice

Holy Infant Fiscal Year runs from July 1-June 30

Families in Parish	1013	1070	1145	1202
Parish Revenue	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
First Offertory	\$780,558	\$934,987	\$1,008,222	\$1,071,868
Other Offertory / Donations	\$100,691	\$99,107	\$100,040	\$104,167
Special Collections /Flowers	\$4,647	\$4,118	\$4,791	\$5,139
Rebates / Grants / Claims	\$0	\$19,176	\$13,770	\$38,917
Faith Development & Fees	\$15,466	\$19,248	\$23,587	\$41,451
Charity & Justice / PW&R	\$158,291	\$166,767	\$169,765	\$173,755
Special Projects	\$6,240	\$7,193	\$9,760	\$10,044
Columbarium	\$39,085	\$25,863	\$15,319	\$43,249
Memorial Donations	\$10,975	\$16,165	\$22,845	\$18,864
Total Operating Income	\$1,115,953	\$1,273,376	\$1,368,099	\$1,507,454
Capital Campaign (Restricted)	\$51,750	\$11,588	N/A	\$647,161

Parish Expenses	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Faith Development - Word	\$22,001	\$56,988	\$60,752	\$71,424
Worship	\$32,359	\$29,640	\$39,268	\$54,040
Service / Peace & Justice	\$81,281	\$96,860	\$110,999	\$103,186
Priest & Rectory	\$101,021	\$107,665	\$131,750	\$136,666
Lay Personnel	\$392,459	\$516,053	\$585,571	\$602,942
Office and Administrative	\$35,205	\$42,141	\$46,290	\$44,281
Facilities / Plant	\$136,016	\$163,622	\$208,138	\$270,631
Assessments	\$134,089	\$141,909	\$168,187	\$168,812
Special Projects / Misc	\$6,872	\$6,376	\$6,611	\$8,384
Columbarium	\$2,018	\$1,345	\$10,782	\$2,775
Loan Repayment – Interest	\$124,187	\$61,155	N/A	N/A
Capital–Parish Reserve Funds	\$172,632	\$85,622	(\$249)	\$44,313
Total Expenses	\$1,115,953	\$1,279,736	\$1,368,099	\$1,507,454

Charity and Justice Distributions

Donations to Charitable Organizations \$ 75,042 Assistance to Parishioners/Individuals \$ 7,258 Special Second Collections \$ 89,148

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Holy Infant participated in the 2024 BAA Campaign. As of 6/30/2025, Holy Infant has pledged \$83,598 with a goal of \$116,807 set by the Diocese.

We Remember You - Phase II Capital Campaign

The DeSales Center Upgrade and renovation phase is underway with a goal of \$3M (Project will cost \$5.4M but \$2M from savings has been designated for the project).

As of 6/30/2025, we have \$2.3M in pledges and have received \$650K.

Ways to Give



MAIL

Visit our website www.holyinfantchurch.org/giving

5000 Southpark Drive Durham, NC 27713

At Mass: Use your envelope or a visitor envelope and drop your donation in the basket

Faith Development

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SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING RENEWAL

Each year from **July 15th to September 15th**, it is time for Safe Environment Training renewal. If you have taken the INITIAL SAFE ENVIRONMENT COURSE, you will get an email reminding you to renew (check your email folders). If you did not receive an e-mail inviting you to renew your safe environment training, and you feel you should have gotten one, please e-mail a message to SET.support@raldioc.org or call 1-866-535-7233. Someone will provide the support needed.

If this is your first time taking the Diocese of Raleigh Safe Environment Training, please use the QR code to choose a session for Initial Safe Environment Training (parish-based or via live webinar).





REGISTER FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Our lifelong faith formation process aims to foster in our minds and hearts the experience of God's reign in our midst as we form communities of faith, proclaim God's Word, celebrate the Sacraments, and build a just and compassionate society, in which all people share God's gifts.

We are committed to whole community catechesis and faith formation that brings people of all ages together to explore some aspect of our Catholic faith through prayer, service activities, learning sessions, and community building.





PITCH IN FOR CHARITY

Mark your calendars for Thursday, **August 14th** at 6:35 p.m., and enjoy a night at the ballpark as the Durham Bulls take on the Nashville Sounds, all while supporting a great cause!

This summer, Holy Infant parishioners and friends are invited to attend the game and support the important work of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh. For every ticket sold through this special promotion, \$5 will be donated to Catholic Charities, helping them continue their mission of serving the most vulnerable individuals and families across central and eastern North Carolina.

Your night of baseball fun will help support:

- Disaster Services
- Food Pantry Services
- Immigration Legal Services

Catholic Charities provides help, creates hope, and serves all people, regardless of faith or background. This is a simple and joyful way to be part of that mission.

Use the QR to purchase tickets.



BRAVER ANGELS DEBATE

In a time of rapid global change and shifting political priorities, this debate will explore a pressing question facing our nation today. With recent shifts in foreign and domestic policy, citizens are grappling with how the U.S. should position itself on the world stage. Should we focus inward, investing in our own communities and infrastructure? Or does our global leadership remain essential to peace, prosperity, and justice around the world?

Join us on **August 11th**, at 7 pm for a Braver Angels Debate that will provide a respectful, nonpartisan space to hear diverse perspectives, ask questions, and better understand this complex issue. Learn more using the QR code above.

FYM MUSEUM DAY TRIP

Join FYM for on **August 20**th for a special summer outing as we travel to Smithfield, NC, to explore the life and legacy of one of Hollywood's golden age stars—Ava Gardner.

Your \$10 ticket includes admission to over 5,000 square feet of exhibit space. The museum features rare movie posters, costumes, jewelry, photographs, awards, and more. After the museum tour, we'll enjoy lunch together in charming downtown Smithfield.

Space is limited. Reserve your spot using the QR.



BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ" Galatians 6:2

Have you been told that you are a compassionate, caring person? If so, then Stephen Ministry may be the place for you to serve. Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one caring ministry that provides compassionate companionship for those who are going through challenging times, such as illness or loss.

There will be a new 50-hour training course offered at Holy Infant for new Stephen Ministers beginning Thursday, **August 28th**. Applications are now being accepted. The deadline for completed applications is August 4th.



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



Oblates of St. Francis de Sales



HONEY OR VINEGAR?

A high school student from St. Francis de Sales School recently had a conversation with his teacher...

Student: "Mr. Smith, I'd like to talk to Fr. Newman about discernment."

Mr. Smith: "That's great. Go talk to him."

Student: "But isn't he too busy?"

Mr. Smith: "No, he'd love to meet with you. Just ask

him."

Student: "How do I ask him?"

Mr. Smith: "Oh, ask him to meet because you'd like to

talk about discernment."

When the teacher later shared this exchange with me, I stopped in the hall to think and reflect.

We all know that famous quote from St. Francis de Sales: "More flies are caught with a spoonful of honey than a barrel of vinegar." And so I had to ask myself: Am I showing honey—or vinegar?

I'm allergic to the term "busy." I try not to use it. I correct myself when I do. I cut it short when it comes into my mind. But the student still hesitated. Why? Was it something about my demeanor? My schedule? My silence? Was it something about how I walk the halls, or don't? Or did the student assume that his discernment would be the lowest of my priorities?

Because if someone walks away thinking that sharing their vocation, their desire to discern God's will, or their questions about life isn't important to me, then I've already lost something essential to Salesian ministry.

But you know what my final thought was in the hall? Praise God for Mr. Smith!

- Thank you to all the people who collaborate with us in ministry and share honey with the world!
- Thank you to all who bridge our gaps, soften our edges, and cultivate Salesian Spirituality.
- Thank you to all those who remind us of our priorities, our ministry, and our call to holiness.

The student did speak with me, and we are meeting

May God be Praised!

-Fr. Joe Newman, OSFS

Knights of Columbus

III GIFFINA CREATER CAUSE



JOIN US

FOR THE 1ST ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF OUTING Tuesday, October 21st at the Hillandale Golf Course

We're hitting the greens for a great cause—and we want YOU to be part of it!

The Knights of Columbus at Holy Infant Catholic Church invite you to an unforgettable day of golf, fun, food, and fellowship, all while supporting the exciting renovation of the DeSales Center. Whether you're an experienced golfer or just love a good day out, this event is a hole-in-one opportunity to make a difference.

This is a 501c-3 deductible event.