

VOCATION AWARENESS

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, Upon him I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations. *-Isaiah 42:1*

Infant of Prague Catholic Church & School

Marine Blvd, Jacksonville, NC

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday Vigil - 5:00PM Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, Misa en Espanol

FIRST SATURDAY MASS - 10:00AM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday – 12Noon Thursday – 9:00AM, Thursday – 7PM (Spanish)

RECONCILIATION:

Friday 10:30AM-12Noon, Saturdays 2:00 - 4:00 PM or by Appointment

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MISSION STATEMENT: Called by our Baptism and empowered by the Holy Spirit, Infant of Prague Catholic Church and School celebrates our Unity in God through worship, sacraments and adoration. We educate in faith, embrace stewardship and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. PARISH MOTTO: "Be Christ-like in all we say and do."

Compassion, Honesty, Reverence, Integrity, Service, Trust

PARISH REGISTRATION: We welcome new parishioners to share fully in our Parish life. As new members you bring vitality and growth to our parish. Registration forms are available in the clear magazine racks in each of the entrances of the Church. You may call the Parish Office to have a registration form mailed to you or stop by and complete a registration form at the Parish Office. You may also use the Parish web site <u>iopnc.org</u> to register online, <u>please call to confirm that your online registration was received</u>.

BAPTISM: Parental Attendance at a Preparation Class for the first child to be baptized is mandatory. The Baptism class takes place at 1:30PM in the Parish Hall on the last Sunday of the month and in Spanish on the 1st *Wednesday of the month at 7PM* in the Library of the Parish Hall. **If you are requesting the baptism be in Spanish you will be required to attend the Spanish Baptism Instruction Class.** Pre-registration is not required. To have your child baptized you must meet the following requirements (1) be a registered parishioner for at least three months (2) be practicing the faith (3) have obtained the signed Godparent Eligibility form and returned them to the Parish Office. Please check the bulletin monthly for possible changes of class dates. Parents planning to have children baptized in the near future can contact the Parish Office in advance to obtain Godparent Eligibility Forms, these forms will need to be returned to the Parish Office before any baptism date will be scheduled.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made with a Parish Priest at least six months before your requested date. To be married at Infant of Prague you must be a registered member of our Parish for at least six months.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you have a loved one who is in the hospital, a nursing home or homebound and in need of anointing please notify the Parish Priest at 910-347-4196 after hours please call 910-581-3101. Remember we cannot make visitations to people when we are unaware of their situation.



ONE IN FAITH BOOK #1125

Weekend of November 4 & 5

Saturday	5:00PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00AM	+Rita Chavis
	10:30AM	+Tom Kurtzweil
	12:30PM	+Victor Castro
Monday	12NOON	
Tuesday	12NOON	
Wednesday	8:10AM	+Kurt Bertrand
	12NOON	
Thursday	9:00AM	Intentions of Bridget & Charlotte
-		Kuna
	7:00PM	+Paz Rojas Arregin
Friday	12NOON	

Weekend of November 11 & 12

Saturday	5:00PM	
Sunday	8:00AM	People of the Parish
-	10:30AM	Intentions of Juana Buigas
		+Brittany Irene Reilly
	12:30PM	+Jaime Orlando Solares Leal

FINANCIAL NEWS:

NEXT WEEKENDS 2ND COLLECTION: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

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IOP Come Grow With Us is having an online fundraiser with tinysaints.com during October. When you check out, make sure you have IOP selected for your fundraising organization. Any questions, contact Jessica Nelis specialproject.iop@gmail.com.

Step into Our Sock-tacular Fundraiser!



Kick-off your day with faith-inspired goodies like Sock Religious socks and faith-filled stickers. Your purchase will step up our fundraising efforts, as 50% of profits will walk straight to Come Grow with Us Campaign. Don't let this opportunity slip through your toes! Hop on over to https://stores.inksoft.com/infant of prague cc school/sh op/home and make a sock-cessful contribution today! Store is open now until November 17th. Any questions, contact Jessica Nelis at specialprojects.iop@gmail.com

BOX OF JOY:

Cross Catholic Box of Joy time is here. What is it? A Box of Joy is a Christmas shoebox that is donated and packed with toys, clothing, school supplies, and other treasures.

For more information check out Boxofjoy.org. IOP parishioner Kevin Porterfield is the contact for Onslow County (info on website). He has boxes available to be filled and is the drop off location. Boxes due by November 13.

SENIORS DINNER:

Next senior dinner will be held on November 20th at 4 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All seniors of the Parish are invited to this adult only event. We will be preparing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner of fried turkey with all the trimming. Come joins us so we can get to know you and enjoy your fellowship. Tickets must be purchased ahead so we know how much food to prepare and are available after the Masses or in the Parish office. For more information or to join the wonderful Preparation Committee contact Cherry Goodfred at 910-455-0522.

LIVING ROSARY:

A "Living Rosary" will be celebrated on Sunday. December 3rd at 5:00 pm. Please join us in the Parish Hall. About 70 people are needed for the "Living Rosary": (1 Apostles Creed, 1 Our Father, 1 (3) Hail Mary's I am hoping those will be recited by our priests) 5 to recite the Mysteries, 50 to recite the Hail Mary's, 5 to recite the Doxology and 5 to recite the Fatima praver. Please call Shav and let her know what you would like to recite. You can reach her at 704-968-8341. Thanking you in advance for your participation and support.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join the Infant of Prague Men's Bible Study Wednesdays, from 7-8:30 pm in the Holy Spirit Room of the Parish Hall. We will discuss Amazed & Afraid, from www.evangelicalcatholic.org. Contact Tony DeCandia at adecandia153@gmail.com for information.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP:

The IOP adult women's group will study Ascension Press and Edward Sri's A Biblical Walk Through the Mass this fall. It begins 6:30pm every second Friday of the month through December 8th in the parish hall library. During each session we will explore the rich significance behind the biblical language of the mass parts. For more information or to be put on the email list contact: Amelia McKee amelia12318@gmail.com or Abby Boeser abbyniemann101@gmail.com. We hope you can join us! "The liturgy is the privileged setting in which God speaks to us in the midst of our lives; he speaks today to his people, who hear and respond. Every liturgical action is by its very nature steeped in sacred Scripture. From Scripture the liturgical actions and signs draw their meaning." -Pope Benedict XVI, Verbum Domini, 52

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

NOVEMBER 5, 12, 19 (no class 26)

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 2pm.

FIRST COMMUNION will be celebrated on Saturday, April 13, 2024

NOTICIAS DE FORMACIÓN DE FE

La CONFIRMACIÓN se celebrará el sábado 2 de marzo de 2024.

PRIMERA COMUNIÓN se celebrará a las sábado 13 de abril de 2024

Las clases de FORMACIÓN EN LA FE comienzan el domingo 10 de septiembre. Si aún no ha registrado a su

THRIFT STORE NEWS:

IOP Thrift Store will only be accepting donations Tuesday – Friday, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

Proceeds from the Thrift Store (after utilities) help us to assist families in danger of disconnection of utilities. Without these funds this assistance program would come directly out of parish funds.

YOUTH MINISTRY

All Middle and High school youth are welcome to join the IOP Youth Group. This group provides an opportunity for the youth of our parish to form community, to serve, and to build their faith in an engaging environment under the mentorship of our young adult ministry team. We meet each Sunday from 4-6pm in the parish gym. For information please contact trinawilson.iop@gmail.com

Todos los jóvenes de secundaria y preparatoria son bienvenidos a unirse al grupo de jóvenes de IOP. Este grupo brinda una oportunidad para que los jóvenes de nuestra parroquia formen una comunidad, sirvan y construyan su fe en un ambiente atractivo bajo la tutoría de nuestro equipo de ministerio de adultos jóvenes. Nos reunimos todos los domingos de 4 a 6 p. m. en el gimnasio de la parroquia. Para obtener información, comuníquese con trinawilson.iop@gmail.com

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: JCDA is open to girls from age 6 to 18 and meet will meet on Dec. 1st in the Outreach Center (327 Mildred Ave.) from 6 pm to 8 pm. If you are interested in joining JCDA, please email <u>icda1643@gmail.com</u> or call/texting Jessica Nelis at 616-322-5299.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The Young Adult Ministry is open to 21 year olds to 40 year olds. They meet every Wednesday at 7 pm in the IOP Outreach Resource Center (327 Mildred Ave). For more information, check out <u>iopnc.org/young-adult-group</u>.

El Ministerio de Jóvenes Adultos está abierto a jóvenes de 21 años a 40 años. Se reúnen todos los miércoles a las 7 pm en el Centro de Recursos de Extensión de IOP (327 Mildred Ave). Para obtener más información, visite iopnc.org/young-adult-group.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS & NEWS

Donations can be dropped off at the Outreach Resource Center at 327 Mildred Ave, next the Parish Office. Canned fruit, Applesauce, Instant potatoes, Canned peas, Carrots,, Mixed veggies, Pancake mix and syrup, Tuna helper, Hamburger helper, Grape jelly. Gift cards to local grocery stores like Aldi's, Walmart, Food Lion, and Piggly Wiggly help us provide perishable items like milk and bread. Paper grocery bags and empty egg cartons are always needed. Thank you.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION – WEEK 27

"They say that the eyes are the windows to the soul. Well, my soul has been around since God created me 27 weeks ago, but my eyes are finally nearly finished developing. The membrane that was covering my eyes has split and now I can see. My eyes are blue now, but after I am born, they may change to another color within a few weeks. They will be whatever color God has already decided they will be. God's plan is full of miracles. Please keep praying for me."

IOP RESPECT LIFE GROUP: The Infant of Prague Respect Life Group meets the 4th Friday of each month beginning at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall.

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"Newly or Unexpectedly pregnant? Seeking support in your journey of motherhood? New Mom Community Nights is an apostolate that seeks to provide support and education to new

and expectant mothers in the community through friendship, peer support, and consistent encounters. NMCN meets every Thursday from 5:30-7:30pm at the IOP Outreach Center. Every week NMNC provides a meal and childcare free of charge for moms to get a break and so that they can enjoy a presentation or discussion on a pertinent topic. If you are interested in getting involved in this apostolate please consider volunteering to assist with childcare or to provide a meal for the group. Please refer your pregnant or parenting mom in need to this group! To learn more and to get involved please contact either Avery West at 301-820-0061 or Abigail Boeser at 651-285-9633, or email <u>motherhoodcommunityed@gmail.com</u>

Meals needed for New Mom Outreach



Looking for a way to serve the pro-life cause? New Mom

Community Night is a weekly support group for mothers in our city. God has formed a loving community on Thursday nights that is attracting more and more women. We need your help to keep it going! Please consider signing up to provide a meal by scanning the QR code below, or contacting Avery at 301-820-0061.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AAFA72CA1F9C 16-meals2

GREGORIAN CHANT:

Change of venue! Please note that the Gregorian Chant choir will now be meeting in the choir loft. Join us as we learn the fundamentals of this ancient art and practice traditional hymns every Weds at 6:00pm. No experience necessary. Contact Dom Dalmasso at <u>domdalmasso@gmail.com</u> for information.

BENEDICTINE OBLATES:

St. Michael the Archangel Deanery is the local chapter of Benedictine Oblates of St. Vincent Archabbey. We meet every third Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7 pm. For more information contact Rob Hilton at 910- 330-0637 or just show up in the Parish Hall on the 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm.

RCIA & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

Eager for a refresher about the Catholic faith? Interested in exploring the rich intellectual and spiritual tradition of the Church? Then please join us at our <u>weekly RCIA session Sunday from 12:15 –</u> <u>1:30 PM in the Parish Hall!</u> Whether you are simply interested in the faith, new to the Catholic faith, or a fully initiated Catholic, you are most welcome. The next two sessions will cover the following topics: November 5th: "The Sacraments and a Sacramental Worldview"

November 19th: "The Church: The Mystical Body of Christ"

NOTE: NO RCIA SESSION ON Sunday, November 12th

Please feel free to reach out to the IOP RCIA Team by email to **ioprcia@gmail.com** or by phone/text to: **(910) 378-9869**. Again, all sessions are from 12:15 – 1:30 PM in the Parish Hall (after coffee & donuts). We hope to see you there! Your presence would be a blessing. Let us seek God with our whole *mind*, *heart*, and *will*.



My LORD JESUS CHRIST, your Eucharistic presence teaches me how to LOVE as you have loved me. In your GREAT LOVE for me you continue to give yourself, BODY, BLOOD, SOUL and DIVINITY in this sacrament of your LOVE. As I pray here in your Eucharistic presence, enkindle in me the FIRE of your GOSPEL. NOURISH me with your LOVE and COMPASSION, so that I may be YOUR LIVING PRESENCE TO ALL I MEET. Amen. We are so blessed here at Infant of Prague to have this beautiful Adoration Chapel available to us. At this time there is only one HOLY HOUR left to visit with JESUS and that is Wednesday 11:00 p.m. to midnight. You may also be a TEMPORARY ADORER or a FILL-IN SUBSTITUTE for that hour if that is more convenient for you. The DIVISIONAL LEADERS truly appreciate all those who are able to fill in when a HOLY HOUR needs coverage. God Bless You All! HOURS - Midnight to 6:00 a.m. Maureen Fiorello 353-0085 or 910-336-9359 HOURS -- 6:00 a.m. to 12 noon Carrie Albright 928-606-4169 HOURS -- 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. Bob Butler 320-7852 HOURS -- 6:00 p.m. to 12 midnight Madeleine Feagle 389-0764 or 577-5198

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS:

Next meeting will be Dec. 6th at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. CDA is open to Catholic women, age 18 and above. The Religious Article gift shop at the parish hall entrance of the church is open after most weekend Masses. Come shop with us today!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

5 Nov Breakfast after 8:00 Mass / Coffee and Pastries after 10:30 Mass

6 Nov Officers meeting 7:00 PM in Parish Hall

12 Nov Rosary after 8:00 Mass for our Troops and First Responders all are welcome

13 Nov Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 PM in parish hall

19 Nov Coffee and Pastries after both Mass's 26 Nov Rosary after 8:00 Mass Rite to Life and traditional marriages.

Thanksgiving Raffle: Tickets \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. 2 Turkeys & 2 Hams to be given. Drawing on Sun Nov 19, 2023

CABALLEROS DE COLÓN

Rifa de Acción de Gracias. Boletos \$2.00 o 3 por \$5.00. Se darán 2 pavos y 2 jamones. Dibujo el dom 19 de noviembre de 2023 **Christmas Raffle:** Tickets \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Gift Cards to be given. 1 st - Cracker Barrel & Chilis \$50.00 ea. 2 nd - Amazon \$50.00 3 rd - Walmart \$25.00 4 th - Bath Body Works \$25.00 Drawing on Sun Dec 17, 2023

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Sorteo de Navidad. Boletos \$2.00 o 3 por \$5.00 Tarjetas de regalo para regalar. 1ro - Cracker Barrel & Chilis \$50.00 c/u. 2º - Amazonas \$50.00 3ro - Walmart \$25.00 4 to - Bath Body Works \$25.00 Dibujo el dom 17 de diciembre de 2023

DIOCESAN NEWS:

Black Catholic and Native American History Month Mass Celebration

Many Cultures – One Belief – One God! You are invited to the Diocese of Raleigh First Black Catholic and Native American History Month Mass Celebration, 1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 11, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 2811 Poole Road, Raleigh, NC 27610. Do not miss the opportunity to celebrate the beauty of the Eucharist and the diversity of our Church.

Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Retreat January 5-7, 2024

If you desire healing from a past abortion, you are invited to experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat January 5-7, 2024, in the Raleigh area. The weekend retreat is strictly confidential, for both women and men and includes discussions, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of reconciliation, a Memorial Service, and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel

at: <u>project.rachel@raldioc.org</u> or call (919) 852-1021. The website is: <u>rachelnc.org</u>. Cost is \$200 for lodging, meals, and all retreat materials. Discount of \$50 for early registration. If there is a financial burden, assistance is available.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last." We are called to give 100% in our marriage. Learn how to be the best spouse you can be by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! Next experiences being held on Nov 3-5, 2023 in ATLANTIC BEACH, NC and Nov 10-12, 2023 in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org,

New Year's Retreat:

Let a certified 'coach' quide you through some timehonored spiritual practices in this year's retreat, "Spiritual Exercises for the New Year." Enter the year spiritually renewed and well-equipped with some techniques to keep you spiritually fit throughout the year. In addition to engaging presentations, there'll be Mass, confession, Matins, Vespers, and Adoration. Plus time to simply reflect upon the New Year in our sacred spaces, enjoy the gas loas in our lounge, or explore the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Two nights, December 30-January 1. As a special treat, there will be a New Year's Eve banquet with some traditional festivities. The last two years have sold out, so register now at www.catholicconference.org/new-years. For more information, email info@catholicconference.org or call 828.327.7441.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR: NOVEMBER 11 & 12, 2023

READERS:

SAT. 5:00PM	Theresa Bogue
SUN. 8:00AM	Les Boone
10:30AM	Vielka Mason

ALTAR SERVERS:

SAT. 5:00PM	
SUN. 8:00AM	Stefan Aragona, Andrew, Ashley and , Michelle McNicoll
10:30AM	Lucas & Reuben Alexander, Evelyn Selleck, William Smith
	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
SAT. 5:00PM	Ofelia Abel, Ginny Albano, Elizabeth
	Barone, Joe Henderson, Laurie Holmes,
	Mary Wilman
SUN. 8:00AM	Wyonia Chevis, Richard Dodson,
	Michael Higginbotham, Theresa Misko,
	David Ratte, Clare Rupp
10:30AM	Jennifer Correro, Carol Frugoli, Jerry Gray, Caroline Martin, Jesse Morales, Katherine Selleck

BULLETIN ARTICLES: All bulletin items must be submitted to the Parish Office in writing or e-mailed to <u>psecretary.iop@gmail.com</u> no later than **10:00AM** on **Monday**. If Monday falls on a holiday items still need to be submitted by 10AM.

INFANT OF PRAGUE PARISH

PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

Pastoral Council Description:

An appointed group of parishioners representing a cross section of the parish, who provide insight and advise the Pastor regarding church programs, ministries, facilities etc.

Qualifcations for Those to Be Elected to the Pastoral Council

- 1. A *registered*, practicing, confirmed Catholic member of Infant of Prague for 2 years.
- 2. At least 18 years of age
- 3. Willingness to be contacted by parishioners regarding their concerns, suggestions, etc.
- 4. Ability to attend an evening monthly meeting.

Qualities to look for in a Pastoral Council Member:

- Someone who is vibrant in his or her faith
- The ability to use one's gifts and talent to serve others
- Someone with a sense of vision, with a sense of the mission of the Church
- Someone with creativity and energy, willing to give at maximum potential
- A willingness to listen to other's viewpoints, collaborate and compromise
- The ability and the desire to work with the Pastor and the other members as a team for the progress of our Parish

Nominee's E-mail Address:

Deadline For submission of nominations: November 13, 2023

This ballot form may be placed in the collection baskets marked "Parish Council Election". Once received, the nominee will be contacted to accept the nomination or decline the nomination.

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