



# 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 Wednesday 8:10AM (when school is in session) Thursday – 9:00AM, Thursday – 7PM (Spanish)

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

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

#### **CLERGY & STAFF:**

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Need for Watchfulness

"But of that
day or hour,
no one knows,
neither the
angels in heaven,
nor the Son,
but only
the Father."

Mark 13:32

**BULLETIN ARTICLES:** All bulletin items must be submitted to the Parish Office in writing or emailed to <a href="mailto:psecretary.iop@gmail.com">psecretary.iop@gmail.com</a> no later than 10:00AM on Monday unless otherwise stated. If Monday falls on a holiday items still must to be submitted by 10:0AM.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00AM UNTIL 5:00PM

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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 iopnc.org to register online, *please call to confirm that your online registration was received*.

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 919-622-2659 or 910-581-3101 rember we cannot make visitations to people when we are unaware of their situation.



#### One In Faith Book # 1132

#### Weekend of November 16 & 17

Saturday 5:00PM People of the Parish Sunday 8:00AM +Michael J. Sullivan

10:30AM

12:30PM +Milton, Guillermina Aracelio

**Nieves** 

Monday 12:00PM

Tuesday 12:00PM +Brittany Irene Rita & Mike

Foley

Intentions of Sean Acton

Wednesday 8:10AM

12:00PM +Carl William Reichle

Thursday 9:00AM +Dolores Hines

7:00PM

Friday 12:00PM +William & Helen McKeon

Family

Weekend of November 23 & 24

Sat. 5:00PM +Bruce & Alice Beverley

+Teodoro Matienzo

Sun. 8:00AM People of the Parish

10:30AM +Dolores Dunlap

+Juan Cabrera

12:30PM Intentions of Alan & Fernando

Ramos

## **FINANCIAL NEWS:**

#### **OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE FOR NOV. 10, 2024**

 Offertory
 \$.17,005.00

 National Collections
 \$ 296.00

 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection
 \$ 4,383.00

NEXT WEEKENDS SECOND COLLECTION: SCHOOL SUPPORT



Infant of Prague offers online giving for families to easily give one-time as well as weekly gifts! Simply make a secure donation via electronic check or debit/credit card by visiting <a href="www.osvonlinegiving.com">www.osvonlinegiving.com</a>. And if you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts. It's as easy as online shopping or banking!



Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of the following parishioners who have recently died:

Theresa Vandervere, Conchita Copes, Angelo Inglisa, Theodora Kondler, Jerome Schiltz, Richard Lesinski



Once again we are asking for your assistance to help feed families in need at Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving/Christmas. Food envelopes are available in the Church, you are asked to purchase a gift card to either Food Lion, Walmart or any other grocery story in town; place the gift card (or monetary donation) in the envelope and return them to Church in the next week or two. You may also use a plain envelope, mark it **HOLIDAY FOOD ASSISTANCE**, and place it in the collection basket. Don't forget to place your name, address and the amount of the gift card on the outside, this will allow us to give you the proper credit for your donation. For those using the online donation system, you can make a donation using Fund #3, Holiday Food Assistance.

If your family is in need of a Thanksgiving meal please contact the Parish Office at 910-347-4196, ext. 409.

#### **CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION:**

This weekend during all the masses we will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh. We will honor all those who built, in stone and in spirit, the foundations of our Church. In honor of this special occasion the Diocese has published a pictorial directory of all the parishes within our Diocese, we will make these available for purchase in the Parish Office and after the masses next weekend. \$35 per book.

## **Liturgical Ministry Training:**

Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist and Lector: Refresher and new Minister training for Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist and Lectors will be conducted on the **Sunday**, **Nov 17**, **2024** If you are currently serving in one of these Ministries, please attend one refresher training per year. If you are interested in serving, please attend the training session. The minimum requirements for serving are: At least 16 years old; received the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church (Baptism, Confirmation,

Holy Eucharist); in good standing with the Catholic Faith; and registered member of IOP.

**Lector** 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers 3:30 - 4:30 PM

#### **NOVEMBER SENIOR SOCIAL:**



The next Senior Social Dinner is scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. in the Parish Hall. In the past we had request for tickets from the general public, which we cannot accommodate. However, please know this was not meant to exclude family members or a friend or neighbor who is alone and needs companionship. The best part of this event is the opportunity to meet so many wonderful parishioners. The menu for November will be turkey & ham. Tickets will be available in the Parish Office during the week and on sale after the weekend masses.. A special thank you for all the volunteers who make this wonderful event possible.

#### LIVING ROSARY:

A "Living Rosary" will be celebrated on Sunday. December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 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 prayer. Please call Shay 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.

#### FEAST OF BISHOP SAINT NICHOLAS

Children come meet Bishop Saint Nicholas on Sunday 8 December following the 8 AM, 10:30, and 12:30 Masses in the Parish Hall. Please consider bringing a canned good for the Outreach Center. There will also be an

opportunity to create a small poster to enter the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest for children in grades K-8.

Los niños vienen a conocer al Obispo San Nicolás el domingo 8 de diciembre después de las Misas de las 8 AM, 10:30 y 12:30 en el Salón Parroquial. Por favor, considere traer un producto enlatado para el Centro de Alcance. También habrá la oportunidad de crear un pequeño cartel para participar en el concurso de carteles de Caballeros de Colón "Mantén a Cristo en Navidad" para niños en los grados K-8.

# OCIA & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

#### OCIA: Sundays, 12:15-2:00, Parish Hall

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic faith? We invite you to join us for OCIA (*Order of Christian Initiation for Adults*)! Whether you wish to enter the Church, come back to the Faith, learn more about our beliefs, or prepare for the Sacraments, the OCIA team is here to support you on your journey. Discover the richness of Catholicism, grow in intimacy with the Lord, and find answers to your questions on Sunday at 12:15 in the Parish Hall. Sessions run until May 18, 2025. For more information, contact us

at ioprcia@gmail.com or (910)378-9869 (call or text).

#### A Look Ahead:

• November 17th: "The Holy Spirit"

November 24th: No OCIA

• December 1st: The Sacraments (Overview)

• December 8th: Sacrament of Baptism

• December 15th: Sacrament of Confirmation

December 22nd, 29th: No OCIA

• January 5th, 2025: Sacrament of the Eucharist

January 12th: No OCIA

January 19th: The Mass

 January 26th: Sacrament of Reconciliation and the 10 Commandments

**Call to Action:** Are you a <u>fully initiated Catholic</u> who wants to support adults seeking the Lord? Contact us to learn more!

#### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS:**

Faith Formation classes for children in Grades 1-10 are held each Sunday from 9:15-10:15AM in the Infant of Prague Elementary School. **Registration for the 2024-25 school year has closed**. For more information or to inquire about our wait-list, contact Sherri Branham at 910-347-4196 or **faithdevelopment.iop@gmail.com** 



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Infant of Prague is blessed to offer Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at its Adoration Chapel, located through the back door of the Church. The chapel is open to the public from 8 AM. to dusk.

If you would like to share a holy hour with another faithful adorer, we have a few spots available for you. **Tues 8-9 AM, Wed 9-10 AM, Wed 1-2 PM, Thurs 6-7 AM, Sun 8-9PM** 

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 3:30-5:30pm 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 3:30 a 5:30 p.m. en el gimnasio de la parroquia. Para obtener información, comuníquese con trinawilson.iop@gmail.com.

#### JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS:

Calling all girls ages 6-18; are you a Junior Catholic Daughter yet? Our next meeting is Friday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in the ORC. We hope you'll join us in friendship, charity, and prayer. Contact Jessica at **jcda1643@gmail.com** or **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 <a href="iopnc.org/young-adult-group">iopnc.org/young-adult-group</a>. 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-ministry.

#### **FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

#### ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:

The Right To Life group at Infant of Prague is participating in Hope First's (previously known as Onslow Pregnancy Care Center) annual fundraiser. Bottles will be available at all three entrances. Please take one and fill it with your loose change and return by

<u>December 2nd</u>. Bottles can be dropped off at the IOP office, the church or the Religious Articles Room. Thanking you in advance for your support and prayers.

#### **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:**

Natural Family Planning is an umbrella term for certain methods used to achieve and avoid pregnancies. These methods are based on observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases. If you are interested in learning more we have a parishioner who provides services and resources. Please contact Kimberly Humm, FCP. humm.kimberly@gmail.com

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

We are a social ministry providing a community for all mothers in their parenting journey. We meet every Thursday from 5:00-7:00 PM at the IOP Outreach

Resource Center, 327 Mildred Ave Jacksonville, with the exception of the last Thursday of the month when we meet at a member's home. Babies and young children are welcome! For more information or to join the WhatsApp chat, contact Amanda Bolduc at amandambolduc@gmail.com.



Do you run/walk and love life? Consider joining Life Runners!

**What:** We are an international, pro-life, running ministry. We run/walk as a prayer to honor the unborn and to grow in

awareness and knowledge of life-giving ministries/resources so that our members are ready to respond to and uplift expectant parents in the community.

When: Second and last Saturday of every month @ 8am Where: Lejeune Memorial Gardens Visit liferunners.org and join the Jacksonville chapter.

**Questions:** Contact for more information: Erin at (912)

246-0014

#### **Outreach Resource Center: Volunteer Needed**

In October, the Outreach Resource Center assisted 48 households/146 individuals with 3,209lbs of food by from our food pantry. Our food pantry volunteers have generously served 168 hours to help those in need. We

assisted 28 households/80 individuals through our utility assistance program. Your generous contributions have helped feed and keep the electricity/water on for members of our community.

Donations of the following items are needed: Canned chicken, dry beans, pork and beans, canned beans, pasta, cooking oil, sugar, flour, boxed potatoes, oatmeal, canned tomatoes, canned soup, white or brown rice.

Holiday Meal Items needed: Jiffy Pie Crust mix, Cranberry sauce, turkey gravy, Pumpkin pie spice.

The Outreach Resource Center is in need of eggs, farmfresh or store-bought! Please make donations during business hours to prevent spoilage.

Visit **iopnc.org/outreach-resource-center** to find a complete list of recommended donation items. These staple items keep our shelves stocked and ready to serve our neighbors in need!

#### **IOP THRIFT STORE NEWS:**

The IOP Thrift Store is looking for volunteers
Join the IOPTS team as a cashier, sorter, or warehouse assistant. Hours are flexible. Visit us at 119 Wilmington Hwy or call (910) 937-1543 to join our team today!
The IOP Thrift Store accepts donations Wednesday - Saturday's, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM. If you need assistance with a furniture donation, please call (910) 937-1543.

#### SUPPORTING INFANT OF PRAGUE SCHOOL:

Want to support IOPCS? Add IOPCS to your Lowe's foods saving card, by adding them in the Cart 2 Class program at

https://www.lowesfoods.com/community/cart-2-class

You can also add IOPCS to a Publix account at <u>publix.com/partners</u>. If you had been in the past, please double check you still have IOPCS as a partner school.

#### **ROSARY MAKING GROUP**

The Infant of Prague Rosary Makers Group will start up again on the third Wednesday of the month at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall Library. We make cord and bead rosaries for the missions. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information contact Leonl LaRochelle at bucky.LaRochelle@outlook.com or 207-242-7625.

#### **BENEDICTINE OBLATES:**

St. Michael the Archangel Deanery is the local chapter of Benedictine Oblates of St. Vincent Archabbey. We meet **every 3rd 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.



**Gregorian Chant Choir**: Join us as we learn the fundamentals of this ancient art and practice traditional hymns. Beginners are welcome! The Gregorian Chant Choir practices in the choir loft on Wednesday

at 5:45pm. Contact Dom Dalmasso at domdalmasso@gmail.com for information. See the parish website for a printable version of the Mass Parts that the choir chants at the 10:30 Mass.

#### **WOMEN'S STUDY**

Calling all women! Please join us Mondays 5-7PM in the Parish Library for a study of the women of the Bible. For more information, contact Jessica Girardin at <a href="mailto:jessicamgirardin@gmail.com">jessicamgirardin@gmail.com</a>

#### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The Men's Bible Study meets on Thursday, at 7 pm in the Holy Spirit Room of the Parish Hall. Contact Tony DeCandia at <a href="mailto:adecandia153@gmail.com">adecandia153@gmail.com</a> for details.

"Cor Men's Study: Due to the upcoming holidays for November and December, Cor will meet on the third Thursday. That is November 21<sup>st</sup> and December 19<sup>th</sup> in the Holy Spirit room of the Parish Hall at 7:00PM. In January Cor will resume meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month. To learn more, contact Tony DeCandia at <a href="mailto:adecandia153@gmail.com">adecandia153@gmail.com</a> for details.

#### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS:**

Next CDA meeting will be Dec. 4th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Please visit our gift shop before or after weekend Masses (located at the parish hall entrance of the church).

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLES**

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#### **Christmas Raffle**

Tickets \$2.00 "or" 3 for \$5.00 "or" 4 for \$5.00 plus Can Good/Food.

1 st - Cracker Barrel & Metro Diner \$50.00 ea.

2 nd - Walmart \$50.00

3 rd - Lazzara Pizza \$25.00

4 th - Bath Body Works \$25.00

Drawing on Sun Dec 15, 2024

#### **CABALLEROS DE COLÓN**

#### Rifa de Navidad

Entradas \$2.00 "o" 3 por \$5.00 "o" 4 por \$5.00 más Can Good/Alimento

1er - Cracker Barrel & Metro Diner \$50.00 c/u.

2do - Walmart \$50.00

3º - Pizza Lázarra \$25.00

4to - Baño Corporal \$25.00

Sorteo el domingo 15 de diciembre de 2024

# Troops of Saint George: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 4PM

TSG is a father/guardian and son scouting apostolate following the teachings of the Catholic Church through outdoor adventures, fraternity, and prayer. Join us for a fireside Rosary, tent camping, exciting weekend activities, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass celebrated outdoors by our Troop Chaplain, Father Vic. Contact our Captain, Patrick Callahan, at (808) 343-4475 or tsgcjnc@gmail.com

iopnc.org/troops-of-st-george

#### **Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites**

You are invited to visit the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites. Learn more about the Carmelite Order, its role in the world, and the saints who made it happen. Discover if you may be called to follow St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, St. Thérèse of Lisieux and the many other Carmelite saints by living hidden in the Heart of Christ for the sake of the Church and the world. If you are a confirmed and practicing Catholic at least 18 years old and are interested in the Secular Carmelites of Wilmington, please contact Theresa Bogue at theresabogue@yahoo.com.

#### **DIOCESAN NEWS:**

#### **Annual Homeschool Mass**

Friday, December 6, 2024 - 10:00 AM - 01:00 PM Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, 715 Nazareth St Raleigh, NC

#### **Registration Link:**

https://www.arch-

raleigh.com/2199/events/events\_view?public=0&eventid =3596641

All Catholic homeschooling families are invited to attend our annual Mass in recognition of and thanksgiving for families that choose to instruct their children at home to learn the faith, to become mature, dedicated followers of Jesus Christ, and faithful members of the Catholic Church. Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m. There will be a reception afterwards with lunch.

Although registration is not necessary to attend, we ask you to do so for logistical purposes. This will also help ensure that your family receives a gift from the Diocese of Raleigh.

The registration is for ARCH members. If you are not an ARCH (Association of Roman Catholic Homeschoolers) member please email Cynthia Wallace and let her know how many people will be attending. Cynthia's email is cynthiawallace77@gmail.com

#### THE VIGIL PROJECT - Way of the Stars

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church Presents: THE VIGIL PROJECT – Way of the Stars

Join us for a one-night Advent mission experience on Wednesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, 804 High House Road, Cary, NC. "Way of the Stars" is a powerful event featuring Scripture, music, art, and a Eucharistic encounter, designed to deepen your Advent journey. Don't miss this unique opportunity to reflect and prepare for the coming of Christ. For more information, visit TheVigilProject.com.

#### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Let us live and love in our marriage as we await the coming of Jesus. Take time for your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Mar 21-23, 2025 in EMERALD ISLE, NC and May 2-4, 2025 in HICKORY, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <a href="https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org">https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org</a> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

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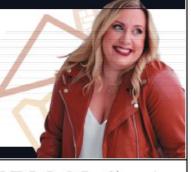
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