

11TH

SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY
TIME



Seed
Grows
of Itself

*“This is how it is
with the kingdom
of God; it is as
if a man were
to scatter seed
on the land
and would sleep
and rise night
and day and
the seed would
sprout and grow,
he knows
not how.”*

Mark 4:26-27

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Infant of Prague Catholic Church & School

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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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BULLETIN ARTICLES: All bulletin items must be submitted to the Parish Office in writing or emailed to psecretary.iop@gmail.com 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 member we cannot make visitations to people when we are unaware of their situation.



ONE IN FAITH BOOK #1066

Weekend of June 15 & 16

Saturday	5:00PM	For all fathers of the parish both living & deceased
Sunday	8:00AM	For all fathers of the parish both living & deceased
	10:30AM	For all fathers of the parish both living & deceased
	12:30PM	People of the Parish
Monday	12:00PM	+Cloe Beall Storm
Tuesday	12:00PM	Intentions of Mark & Marie Hempenius
Wednesday	12:00PM	+Barbara Marapoti
Thursday	9:00AM	
	7:00PM	+Carmen Maria Blakewood
Friday	12:00PM	+Harold Nelson

Weekend of June 22 & 23

Sat.	5:00PM	People of the Parish
Sun.	8:00AM	+Joseph & Gene Blick +Carl William Reichle
	10:30AM	Intentions of Geraldine Dixon Deckard +Veronica Johnson +Joseph Walsh
	12:30PM	+Wilmer Ortega Caceres

FINANCIAL NEWS:

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE FOR JUNE 9, 2024

Offertory	\$22,456.00
National Collections	\$ 1,798.00
2 nd Collections Previous & Future	\$ 2,439.00

ALTAR SERVER RETREAT

Hosted by Seminarian Drew Navarro. Saturday, June 22, 9am-Noon, in the Parish Hall. This retreat is open to all youth who have made their First Communion, including those who currently serve on the altar and those who do not yet serve. For registration, please email Drew Navarro at dnavarro@svdp.edu



Your Come Grow With Us campaign team has begun planning for three events that will help raise money for completion of our upper campus. Please mark them on your calendars.

Barbeque, Bluegrass, and Beer event (BB&B). This event is planned for **17 August** at the Upper Campus. Live entertainment, delicious food, and libations planned. More to come.

Art Auction – scheduled for **14 September** beginning after the 5:00pm mass. There will be Silent and Live auctions. More to come.

Please direct any questions, comments or ideas to Bob Wilman at 910-554-4575.

RCIA & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

How does/can the whole IOP Parish get involved in the RCIA?

Everyone in the Catholic Church shares the responsibility of handing on our faith through:
Evangelization: Catholics can share their faith with acquaintances and invite those seeking to experience more. We need to invite people personally and directly.
Catechesis: In casual conversation throughout our day with neighbors, co-workers and strangers we have many opportunities to talk about what we believe.

Worship: On many occasions, we pray for those seeking the Truth and model our commitment to worship.

Service: By living our faith in service we give example to the world. We, at the RCIA, could use your help and there are MANY ways to help!

We join as a body of believers to pray and serve. We use what personal gifts God has given us to welcome any that want to know more about Jesus and the Catholic faith!

We are pleased to offer an **Inquiry** session every 4th Thursday of the month from 6pm to 7pm in the Parish Hall library. This is for those with questions or are just interested in the Catholic faith, who are not baptized, are of other faiths, or are adult Catholics who were not confirmed. The next Inquiry session will be on **Thursday, June 27th**. We hope to see you there!

Feel free to reach out to the IOP RCIA Team by email to ioprcia@gmail.com or by phone/text to: **(910) 378-9869** with any questions/comments/concerns. Let us continue to seek God with our whole *mind, heart, and will*.



My Lord Jesus Christ, You remain night and day in this Sacrament full of compassion and of love. I believe that You are present in the Sacrament of the Altar. My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to possess you within my soul. Since I am unable now to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. Lord Jesus Christ, I have spent this time of adoration and prayer in your Eucharistic presence. Fill my life with love, joy, peace and kindness. Transform me by the power of the Holy Spirit into a living image of your compassionate presence. May I go forth from this HOLY HOUR of Adoration and Prayer to be your hands, feet, and heart to all those I meet. Risen Jesus, may I be surrounded by the radiance of your love. Amen.

We currently have two HOLY HOURS open needing a PRAYER PARTNER: Wednesday afternoon 1-2 p.m. and Thursday afternoon 4-5 p.m. Currently needing HOLY HOURS coverage are Monday 7-8 a.m. all of JULY. Tuesday 8-9 a.m., needing coverage now and Tuesday 5-6 p.m. beginning JULY. Wednesday 10-11 p.m. also needs coverage now. If any of these HOLY HOURS are convenient for you, please call one of the coordinators below and they will be most happy to assist you. If there is a specific day and time that is convenient for you, a coordinator will also be most willing to assist

you with that HOLY HOUR. A very grateful THANK YOU to all HOLY HOUR adorers and for all those who come to visit JESUS whenever they can. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

Coordinators: Maureen Fiorello 910-353-0085 or 910-336-9359, Carrie Albright 928-606-4169, Bob Butler 910-320-7852, Madeleine Feagle 910-389-0764, and our Bilingual Coordinator Ariana Lopez Turner 910-554-7798.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

REGISTRATION: Re-registration forms can be found in the acrylic holders at each door of the Church or at the Parish Office. The forms are PURPLE and are available in English and Spanish.

Every child must be re-registered each year. If we do not have a copy of your child's Baptism certificate, please submit one when you register. Please register as soon as possible so that your child has a reserved seat and that appropriate books and materials can be ordered. Forms are NOT available online. Registration fee can be submitted in cash or check. For more information - call the Office at 910-347-4196 ext 401 or email faithform.iop@gmail.com.

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 July 5th in the Outreach Center (327 Mildred Ave.) from 6 pm to 8 pm. If you are interested in joining JCDA, please email jcda1643@gmail.com 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 iopnc.org/young-adult-group.

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

In May, the Outreach Resource Center assisted 68 households/227 individuals with 4,381lbs of food from our food pantry. Our food pantry volunteers have generously served 188 hours to assist those in need. We assisted 21 households/73 individuals through our utility assistance program. Your generous contributions have helped feed and keep the electricity/water on for members of our community.

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.

Women's Group:

All women are invited to join the IOP Women's Group! We meet every first and third Monday of the month at 6:30pm in the parish library. The Women's Group will be reading through *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary* by Brandt Pitre. Contact Jessie Girardin for more information: 703-731-9685, jessicamgirardin@gmail.com Point of Contact: Jessica Girardin for more information: 703-731-9685, jessicamgirardin@gmail.com

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study meets on Wednesday, at 7 pm in the Holy Spirit Room of the Parish Hall. Contact Tony DeCandia at adecandia153@gmail.com for details.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY



New Mom Community Nights: Are you a new or expectant mother seeking support in your parenting journey? The New Mom Community is a social ministry that offers support to new and expectant mothers through community and peer-based ministry. We meet Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 at members' homes. To learn more, please contact motherhoodcommunityed@gmail.com

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.

IOP THRIFT STORE NEWS:

Job opening: Thrift Store Associate, full time position. Please contact Jose R. Cabrera for further information. iopbmanager@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

The Thrift Store is in urgent need of volunteers. We are looking for cashiers, sorters and warehouse assistance. Please call Kim Cianci at 910-937-1543 IOP Thrift Store will only be accepting donations Wednesday - Saturday's, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM. If you need furniture or bulk items picked up, please call the store (910) 937-1543.

Livestream Volunteers Needed!

Please consider joining the livestream ministry team and help us reach out to the sick, the homebound, and those who cannot be present at the liturgy. Training is available upon request, no experience is necessary. We regularly stream the 10:30am Sunday Masses and are seeking to stream the 12:30PM Misa. Contact Marie Tinsley at marietinsley8@gmail.com

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.



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 6pm. Contact Dom Dalmaso

at domdalmaso@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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS:

Thank you to everyone who participated in Bunco on June 1st. We had a great time!

Congratulations to the 2024 CDA scholarship winner Lillianna Ratte!

Next CDA meeting will be August 7th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Please shop our gift shop around weekend Masses (located at the parish hall entrance of the church).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

16 June Coffee and Pastries after both Masses. HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

23 June Rosary after 8:00 Mass for Right to Life and Traditional Marriages

Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity. While this is being offered and hosted by the Knights of Columbus, it is an opportunity open to all men of the parish. The *Cor* Men's Group meets on the second Saturday (8 AM) and fourth Tuesday (7 PM) of each month in the Parish Hall Holy Spirit Room. We invite all men to join us in prayer, formation and fraternity. Please contact edwinfastnacht@outlook.com for any questions.

2024 INFANT OF PRAGUE SCHOOLS COME GROW WITH US – SPRING RAFFLE

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 3574

- 1 st Prize – Riding Lawn Mower with Bag OR \$1000.00
- 2 nd Prize - \$100.00 Gift Certificate
- 3 rd & 4 th Prize - \$50.00 Gift Certificate

Drawing will take place on 28 July at 2:00 pm
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El sorteo se realizará el 28 de julio a las 14:00 horas.
Boletos \$5.00 cada uno – O MEJOR AÚN – 3 POR \$10.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR: JUNE 22 & 23, 2024

READERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Ryan Lawson
SUN. 8:00AM Joe Frank
10:30AM Dom Dalmaso

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT. 5:00PM Ginny Albano, Elizabeth Barone, Richard Cole, Tim Weber, Bob Wilman, Mary Wilman
SUN. 8:00AM Johnny Carr, Wyonia Chevis, Richard Dodson, Regina Edwards, Willa Feldhaus, Michael Higginbotham
10:30AM Jennifer Correro, Wilma Davis, Christina Dixon, Francine Montcrieff, Darwing Preciado, Nitza Preciado






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- JULY 5**

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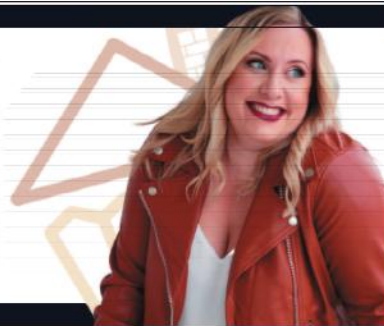
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At this time VBS is full, however we are compiling a waitlist. If you wish to be placed on the wait list please email Trinawilson.iop@gmail.com. The wait list is on a first come first serve basis. We are still seeking volunteers, visit iopnc.org/vbs to register.

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