



Infant of Prague Catholic Church & School

Marine Blvd, Jacksonville, NC

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 5:00PM

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

8:00AM, 10:30AM, 1:00PM, Misa en Espanol

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 9:00AM

Wednesday – 8:10AM (when school is in session) and 12:10PM

Reconciliation:

Friday after the 9:00AM mass

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 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. 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. This class is held on the last Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM in the Parish Hall, 2:00PM in Spanish in the Church. 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. Remember we can't make visitations to people when we are unaware of their situation.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2019

The harvest
is abundant
but the
laborers
are few;
so ask the
master of the
harvest to
send out
laborers for
the harvest.

Luke 10:2

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Parish Website: iopnc.org or find us at <https://www.facebook.com/INFANTofPRAGUEJacksonvilleNC>

Please note there are several IOP Facebook pages listed, please look for the "Infant of Prague Official Site"



WELCOME to our new Pastor, Fr Vic, and our new Parochial Vicar, Fr Edison! We are so happy to welcome you to the Infant of Prague Parish Family. Be assured of our special prayers as we work together to share the light of Christ in our community.



IOP THRIFT STORE 50% OFF SALE:

Infant of Prague Thrift Store will have a 50% Off Sale on **Saturday, July 13th**. The Thrift Store is located at 119 Wilmington Hwy., Jacksonville. For more information please call 910-937-1543.

50 PLUS CLUB JULY MEETING:

50 Plus Club Luncheon. The 50 Plus Club is venturing into a new cuisine! For July 10th, we will be going to Liliana's Restaurant and Bakery (Columbian Cuisine) on Gum Branch Road. We will attend the 12:10 Mass on July 10th and then go to the restaurant for good food and fellowship. All parishioners 50 and over, and caregivers are invited to attend. We do need to give them a count of how many to expect, so please call Pat Smith at 910-346-9787.



SAVE THE DATE!! The IOP "Fall Into Luck Reverse Raffle" will be coming on Saturday, October 19th 6:30-9:30pm in the parish hall. Only 200 TICKETS SOLD! A \$10,000 prize for the winning ticket!! There will be 50/50 Raffles, door prizes, homemade Italian food!! Are you ready to have a good time and "Fall into Luck"?





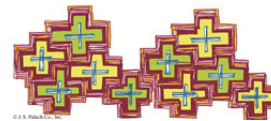
JULY 7, 2019
14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
One in Faith #1076

Weekend of July 6 & 7

Saturday	5:00PM	+Kay Bradley
Sunday	8:00AM	+Tessie Piatt
	10:30AM	People of the Parish
	1:00PM	Intentions of the Parra Mora Family
Monday	9:00AM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	9:00AM	+Patricia Parr
Wednesday	12:10PM	+Sonia McKenzie
Thursday	9:00AM	Conversion of Sinners
Friday	9:00AM	+Carmen Blakewood Waslicki

Weekend of July 13 & 14

Saturday	5:00PM	+Josie Pallang
Sunday	8:00AM	Intentions of the RCIA Participants
	10:30AM	Intentions of Sister Servants of the Eternal Word
	1:00PM	Pro Populo



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 7, 2019

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. -
-- Galatians 6:14

FINANCIAL NEWS:

NEXT WEEKENDS SECOND COLLECTION: BUILDING MAINTENANCE



Between demanding schedules, summer traveling or just trying to get out the door on time for Mass, it can be challenging to tithe on a regular basis as God calls us to do. Plus, for many families, the parish is one of the last places where you still have to use a checkbook or cash.

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 www.osvonlinegiving.com. 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!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; or 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

07/07/19	Sunday	Breakfast hosted by the Knights after 8AM mass		Parish Hall
		RCIA Classes	11:30AM	IOP School
07/08/19	Monday	Knights of Columbus meeting	7:00PM	Parish Hall
07/09/19	Tuesday	Choir Practice	6:30PM	Choir Loft
07/10/19	Wednesday	Carolina Rivers Nursing Home mass	10:30AM	
		50+ Club meeting beginning with the 12:10 mass		
		Hispanic Choir Practice		Church
		Young Adults meeting	7:00PM	Parish Hall
07/11/19	Thursday	RCIA Pre-Inquiry	6:00PM	Hall Library
07/12/19	Friday	Confessions after the 9AM Mass		
		Hispanic Prayer Group meets	7:30PM	Church
07/13/19	Saturday	Confessions	3:30PM	
07/14/19	Sunday	Coffee & Doughnut hosted by IOP School		Parish Hall
		Rosary for Deployed troops	9:00AM	Church
		RCIA Classes	11:30AM	IOP School

BULLETIN ARTICLES:

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

XIV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 7 de julio de 2019

Las advertencias que Jesús hace a los setenta y dos que envía a anunciar la Buena Nueva de la salvación dan un buen resultado; al regresar de su primera aventura, los discípulos comparten una alegría extraordinaria por haber compartido algo nuevo en nombre del Maestro con el pueblo de Dios. Esta ha sido siempre la experiencia de los profetas del Antiguo Testamento, y como san Pablo lo describe, en su carta a los Gálatas. San Pablo afirma que en la paz de Cristo se sobrelleva el peso de la Cruz, pero a la vez se descubre la alegría de la resurrección. En esto consiste la alegría que el Papa Francisco quiere que compartamos con los demás en el ministerio. La alegría del Evangelio comienza con una vida de paz, por la que se vencen los obstáculos que impiden el anuncio de la Buena Nueva del Señor y se extiende en la caridad y la misericordia a los que viven a nuestro alrededor. Conviene expresar esta dimensión de alegría sobre todo en la proclamación de la Palabra, la homilía y la música litúrgica, por la que toda la asamblea debe alabar a Dios y sentirse unidos en el culto



Are you interested in the theatre? The Catholic Daughters are hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner November 16th. Please call Gina Rabassi if you are interested in being a part of the crew or cast: 910-333-2915.

Raffle

REPAIRING GOD'S HOUSE SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE:

The Repairing God's House Committee is conducting a Summer 50/50 Raffle during the months of June and July 2019. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Tickets will be on sale at Church Doors following all weekend Mass and in the Parish Hall following the 8am 10:30am Sunday Mass. Drawing date is Monday, 29 July 2019 – need not be present to win.



The Repairing God's House Summer 50/50 raffle currently has a winner's share of \$820.00.

INFANT OF PRAGUE CHURCH SUMMER CAMP

\$160 per session / per child
Kindergarten – 5th Grade



Monday to Friday
7:00am – 6:00pm

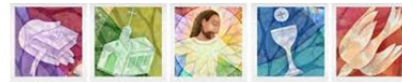


Session 1 July 1 – 12
Session 2 July 15 – 26
Session 3 July 29 – Aug 9

For additional information please contact Rita Buhr at 910-915-6596 or rita.buhr.iop@gmail.com



The Infant of Prague Thrift Store is in desperate need of volunteers to work in the Store and the warehouse. The warehouse desperately needs male volunteers, even if you can only give a few hours a week or on a Saturday, no amount of time is too small. Please contact Dwane Wade at 910-937-1543 for more information or to volunteer.



Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION registration forms for the 2019 / 2020 session can be found in the acrylic magazine racks located by each of the bathroom doors of the Church. Classes will begin after Labor Day. It is necessary to fill out one form for each child. Questions? Contact Sr. Barbara Marie at 910-347-4196

PRAYER CHAIN:

Do you need a prayer said for yourself, loved one, friend or someone? We are here to pray for you! Please email our confidential prayer chain at: prayerchain.iop@gmail.com today and we will pray for you and yours! Would you like to be part of the Prayer Chain Ministry, please email us at prayerchain.iop@gmail.com today and join us in praying!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Ministry (ages 18 to 40); Meetings are held weekly in the Parish Hall, Wednesday at 7pm; Come to grow in faith and fellowship! For more information, check out our website: <https://sites.google.com/view/iop-young-adult-ministry>



Thanks to everyone for reading the bulletin and donating the foods that are being requested. This week we need: canned chicken or any canned meat, mac and cheese in 7.25 oz boxes, Chef Boyardee type canned pasta, 15 oz or single serve cups, canned soup 15 oz or 19 oz, pasta and rice side dishes such as such as made by Knorr, Zatarain or Rice a Roni. Please no canned vegetables at this time..

MASS INTENTIONS:

The 2020 Mass book will open beginning July 17th, if you wish to have a mass said on a particular date we advise you come into the Parish Office as soon as you can. To have a mass said for someone who is deceased, for your intentions or the intentions of others please come to the Parish Office. A mass date and time will be arranged and you will be given a mass card, each mass is \$10.00.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS TRAINING:

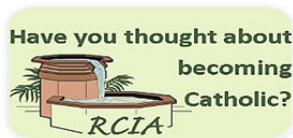
Liturgical Ministry training for **Current** and **New Ministers** on the Third Sunday of Jan, May, Sep (Sept. 15) in the Church.

Altar Server: 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Reader: 4:30 – 5:00 PM

EME: 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Please fill out the Liturgical Ministry Volunteer Form on the IOP website. E-mail ministries1.iop@gmail.com for additional information.



All Classes will be held on Sunday at the School from 11:30-12:30PM.

Thursday - 1st Thursday (or by appointment) 6 pm New people orientation. Every Thursday 7 pm: Inquiry (discussion of introductory Catholic topics for people interested in the faith)

If you are interested, or have questions, please call Immanuel at **910-938-1708** or email Immanuel.Israel2.iop@gmail.com



VINE/BANCHES: In early Christianity, a “VINE” was considered sacred. JESUS is the vine and we are the branches. Branches by themselves are unable to produce and bear fruit. They require nourishment from the “VINE” in order to be fruitful. JESUS provides us daily with the “light” of his presence and brings the much needed “heavy rains” so that our branches will grow and strengthen in endurance. At times when we feel as though our fruit has become “bruised” JESUS lovingly cuts away the shattered parts of our branches allowing for new growth so that as we ripen, we will produce only OUR BEST FRUITS – Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Gentleness and Self-Control. A warm and welcoming THANK YOU for all the “NEW” adorers that have recently signed to spend an hour with JESUS. If you do not feel you are able to commit every week, you

may sign up for an hour that is convenient for you as for having two faithful adorers, one adorer would always be able to provide the coverage needed. The hours currently open are Monday 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. JESUS is thankful for all those who spend time with him.

Adoration hours from midnight to 6:00 a.m. please call Maureen Fiorello 353-0085, 910-336-9359

Adoration hours 6:00 a.m. to noon please Bonnie DeBlieux at 265-2970

Adoration hours noon to 6:00 p.m. please call Robert Butler 320-7852 or Fred Smith 346-9787

Adoration hours 6:00 p.m. to midnight please call Madeleine Feagle 577-5198 389-0764

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. **This month, we are meeting on 18 June, and will be discussing Christian meditation (mental prayer).**

If you are interested in a spirituality from St. Benedict, who started the Benedictine Order in the 5th century, and has grown all over the world until today, please contact Diana at dianarich79@gmail.com (608) 512-5749, or James at jamesh@fastmail.com 910 340-1339, or just show up in the parish hall library on the 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm.

We concentrate on prayer, following the monk's spirituality in our life in the world, and works of mercy, and are always ready to help anyone who wants to deepen their understanding of our Catholic faith.

St. Joseph Carmelite Community:

All are called to share, in charity, the holiness which belongs to God alone: “You must therefore be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect” (Mt 5:48). This Lent is a perfect time to come learn and live this concept through the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites. We meet the first Saturday of each month from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. For more information contact Theresa Bogue at [910-382-5559](tel:910-382-5559) or theresabogue@yahoo.com.

DIOCESAN NEWS:

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Diocese of Raleigh presents: A Divine Healing Conference, September 20-21, 2019 at St. Thomas More Parish, Chapel Hill, NC. A two-day healing conference featuring physical, emotional and inner healing, Eucharistic

Adoration, Healing Mass with praise and worship. Guest speaker Rev. Fr. Thomas Sunil. Registration begins mid-June 2019. Register and learn more at www.ccsraleigh.weebly.com.

Project Rachel Support Group - Abortion is experienced by millions of women, many of whom are Catholic. The Project Rachel ministry assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion to find healing and peace. There is a support group beginning in the Triangle area in late August. If you have experienced an abortion and would like (confidential) information about the support group, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021, or email project.rachel@raldioc.org, or visit the website: <http://projectrachelinc.org/>. Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

SAVE THE DATE! 25TH ANNUAL RUN FOR LIFE - We're looking for runners, sponsors and volunteers for the annual 5k Run and 1 Mile Fun Run on Saturday, August 17, at Wake Med Soccer Park in Cary. Visit www.raleighrunforlife.org or www.runnc.com for more info. If you have any questions, please contact Eileen Mayhew, 919-678-3004, or Kathy Klein, 919-815-1369.

The **Retrouvaille Program** is not a marriage encounter, marriage retreat, marriage counseling, or a marriage seminar, although they share some similarities. It is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. You will not be sharing your struggles with other people. You will hear from couples that have been through the program themselves. They will share their journey from brokenness to reconciliation. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with the weekend of October 11, 2019 call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

Retreat: Reading the Signs of the Times through the Eyes of St. Francis. The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory NC is hosting a one of a kind retreat to help people find hope and joy in a rapidly changing world. The retreat is two nights, August 16-18. Franciscan Friar Father Peter Tremblay will be the retreat master and can offer a unique perspective on emerging trends and a Franciscan response. Participants will discover ways to deepen

their faith, enliven their hope, and share that same joy of St. Francis in the midst of challenging times. There is a special discount for any Knight of Columbus and his spouse. Find more information at www.catholicconference.org/signs/ or contact info@catholicconference.org, 828.327.7441. An early bird special ends July 17, so register NOW.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR: JULY 13 & 14, 2019

READERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Sharon Henderson
SUN. 8:00AM Joe Frank
10:30AM Kelli Svatek

ALTAR SERVERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Eryn McGahhey, Ben Sheegog, Ella Sheegog
SUN. 8:00AM Stefan Aragona, Joe Marr, Olivia Moulton
10:30AM Lucas Alexander, Lucas Carlton, William Smith

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Ginny Albano, Elizabeth Barone, John Bradley, Sherri Branham, Joe Henderson, Pat Smith, Andrea Sopko, Tim Weber, Bob & Mary Wilman
SUN. 8:00AM Mollie, Patrick, Rita & Sean Buhr, Wyonia Chevis, Bradford Duross, Willa Feldhaus, Joan Flynn, Brian Hazel, Michael Higginbotham, Tim Rhodes
10:30AM Barbara & Lee Branche, Christina Dixon, Rhonda Fullerton, Cherry Goodfred, Jerry Gray, Evelyn Lynge, Connie Maides, Caroline Martin, Gail Morales, Jesse Morales, Mary Beth Poole

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Jo Acker, Louis & Pat Molina, Helen Seybuck, Michele Quigley, Charles Wimpler
SUN. 8:00AM Ron Bower, Madeline Feagle, Alton & Stephanie Silance
10:30AM Lynnette Davis, Leo Dixon, Theresa Gross, Gail Morales, Carmen Tingle

July 7, 2019 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Summertime, and the scriptures are full of good news—and maybe even road trips! We hear Isaiah exhorting the Israelites after they traveled back to Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon. We hear the seventy-two disciples congratulating themselves for going out to proclaim the Kingdom and coming back with tales of success. But the subtext of all of this is the ultimate road trip—Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and the Cross.

Imagine how elated the Israelites were, returning from their captivity in Babylon. Even better, the once-destroyed Jerusalem had been restored. Their God had saved them and they were going home. Isaiah, their prophet, assured them of God's loving care for them, comforting, like a mother, giving them abundant cause for rejoicing. Yet how did they travel? The community of Israel went together, supporting each other, but the road must have been hard on them. Their faith and trust in the merciful God of Israel sustained them.



7 de julio de 2019 • Decimocuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

El tiempo veraniego y las Escrituras están llenos de buenas noticias y quizá algunos paseos al aire libre. Escuchamos a Isaías exhortar a los israelitas después de que regresaron a Jerusalén de su exilio en Babilonia. Escuchamos a los setenta y dos discípulos felicitar entre ellos por haber ido a proclamar el Reino y ahora estar de vuelta con historias de éxitos. Pero lo implícito de todo esto es el último viaje, el viaje de Jesús a Jerusalén y a la cruz.

Imagina a los israelitas lo eufóricos que estaban, regresar de su cautividad en Babilonia. Mejor aún, la ciudad de Jerusalén una vez destruida ahora ya está restaurada. Su Dios ya los salvó y ahora vuelven a casa. Isaías, su profeta, les aseguró que el Dios amoroso los cuidó, los confortó, como una madre, dándoles abundantes causas para su regocijo. Pero, ¿cómo viajaron? La comunidad de Israel iba junta, apoyándose unos a los otros, aunque el camino debió de haber sido difícil para ellos. Su fe y confianza en la misericordia del Dios de Israel los sostenía.

CROSS ROADS

Now imagine the seventy-two disciples being sent to preach the Kingdom and to prepare people for the Good News of Jesus coming into their lives. No food, no money, no luggage, no reservations—just their faith in Jesus and their optimistic enthusiasm for God's Kingdom. The Good Shepherd had sent his "lambs" into the world of wolves, with instructions to help them deal with rejection and hardship.

Can you imagine the disciples returning from their mission, excited, heady with the successes they experienced on the road? Although they attributed their deeds to the power of the name of Jesus, they were obviously bragging about what they accomplished. In today's second reading, Paul is writing to the community of Galatia, reminding them that the only appropriate boast is in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Expecting the cross, we might find that our fellow laborers in the fields have dwindled in number. So we pray for companions on our own journeys to walk with us in faithful joy.

Today's Readings: Is 66:10–14c; Ps 66:1–3, 4–5, 6–7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14–18; Lk 10:1–12, 17–20 [1–9]

CRUCE DE CAMINOS

Ahora imagina a los setenta y dos discípulos siendo enviados a predicar el Reino y a preparar a las personas por la Buena Nueva de que Jesús venía a sus vidas. Sin comida, sin dinero, sin equipaje, sin reservaciones, solo su fe en Jesús y su entusiasmo optimista por el Reino de Dios. El Buen Pastor había enviado a sus "ovejas" a un mundo con lobos, con instrucciones para ayudarlos a enfrentar el rechazo y la dificultad.

¿Puedes imaginar a los discípulos regresar de su misión, contentos y emocionados con el éxito que tuvieron en el camino? Aunque atribuyeron sus obras al poder del nombre de Jesús, estaban jactándose de lo que lograron. En la segunda lectura de hoy, Pablo escribe a la comunidad de los galatas, recordándoles que de lo único por lo que deben alegrarse es en la cruz de Jesucristo.

Esperando la cruz, podríamos encontrar que nuestros compañeros trabajadores en los campos han disminuido. Así que rezamos por compañeros en nuestros propios caminos para caminar con nosotros con una alegría fiel.

Lecturas de hoy: Is 66:10–14c; Sal 66 (65):1–3, 4–5, 6–7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14–18; Lc 10:1–12, 17–20 [1–9]

CRAFT FAIR

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