



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

Thursday – 7PM (Spanish)

Reconciliation:

Friday after the 9:00AM mass

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM or by Appointment

Sunday 12:15PM (Spanish)

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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

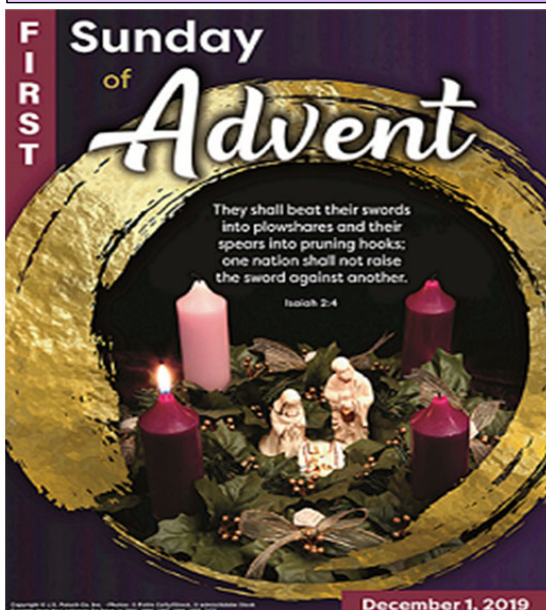
PARISH REGISTRATION: We welcome new parishioners to share fully in our Parish life. As new members you bring vitality and growth to our parish.

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: *Please see inside the bulletin for change in dates for November and December.* 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 at 910-347-4196 after hours please call 910-581-3101. Remember we can't make visitations to people when we are unaware of their situation.



CHURCH OFFICES: 205 Chaney Ave., Jacksonville, N.C. / Telephone (910) 347-4196 / FAX: (910) 347-9338

BUSINESS HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00AM UNTIL 5:00PM

NAME	TITLE	E-MAIL ADDRESS	PHONE
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Finance Council Members

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

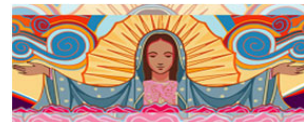
Please note there are several IOP Facebook pages listed, please look for the "Infant of Prague Official Site"



Mark your calendars for our Advent Penance Service on **Tuesday, December 3rd at 7:00PM**. Numerous priest will be on hand for individual confessions. Please take this opportunity to prepare yourselves for Christmas.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

On Sunday, December 8th we will have the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. The RFR provides funding to any religious institute in the US that is listed in the religious institute section of the Official Catholic Directory with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes direct care, planning and implementation assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formal and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops. Sr. Barbara Marie will speak at the masses that weekend with additional information.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

The **feast** day of Our Lady of **Guadalupe**, also known as the Virgin of **Guadalupe**, is celebrated on December 12. For Mexicans and Mexican-Americans as well as other Latinos, Our Lady of **Guadalupe** is a powerful symbol of devotion, identity, and patriotism.

Join the Infant of Prague Hispanic Community in celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, December 12th beginning with a rosary at 6:30PM followed by mass at 7:00PM. A reception will be held after the mass in the Parish Hall.



DECEMBER 1, 2019
First Sunday of Advent
One in Faith #954

Weekend of November 30 & December 1

Saturday	5:00PM	+Barbara Marapoti
Sunday	8:00AM	+Eleanor Garrett
	10:30AM	+Joseph Krehel
	1:00PM	People of the Parish
Monday	9:00AM	+Kallen Manuel
Tuesday	9:00AM	+Anne Barker
Wednesday	8:10AM	+Albert Massiatte
	12:10PM	+Zenona Trinidad
Thursday	9:00AM	Intentions of Gerald
	7:00PM	No Intention
Friday	9:00AM	Intentins of Vicki Hauck

Weekend of December 7 & 8

Saturday	5:00PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00AM	+Frank Rachowicz
	10:30AM	+Nicholas Pumbo
	1:00PM	+Nancy McBride



Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;
Mt 9:35 — 10:1

Sunday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

The good we do lives after us...if we have the foresight to make a Will! An up-to-date Will is the best way to provide for those we love, to avoid unnecessary fees, and to continue our good work for God and God's church. Please remember "OUR PARISH" in your Will.



First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2019

"You . . . must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - — Matthew 24:44

FINANCIAL NEWS:

NEXT WEEKENDS SECOND COLLECTION:
RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT



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!

ADVENT

Let's approach Christmas with an expectant hush, rather than a last-minute rush. —Anonymous

TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue forever what we make them in this world. —John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

12/01/19	Sunday	Coffee & Doughnuts hosted by the IOP School		Parish Hall
		NO Faith Formation Classes		
		RCIA Classes	11:30AM	IOP School
		Youth Group meeting	5:30PM	Parish Hall
12/02/19	Monday	Knights of Columbus business meeting	6:00PM	Hall Library
12/03/19	Tuesday	Penance Service	7:00PM	Church
12/04/19	Wednesday	Catholic Daughters of America mtg.	7:00PM	Parish Hall
		Hispanic Choir Practice		Church
		Young Adults meeting	7:00PM	Parish Hall
12/05/19	Thursday	RCIA Inquiry Session	6:00PM	Hall Library
12/06/19	Friday	Confessions after the 9AM mass		
		Hispanic Prayer Group meets	7:30PM	Church
12/07/19	Saturday	Bible Study	9:30AM	School Library
		Confessions	3:30PM	
12/08/19	Sunday	Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus		Parish Hall
		Rosary for Deployed Military	9:00AM	Church
		Faith Formation Classes	9:15AM	IOP School
		RCIA Classes	11:30AM	IOP School
		December Baptism Instruction Class	1:30PM	Parish Hall
		December Spanish Baptism Instruction Class	2:00PM	Hall Library
		Youth Group meeting	5:30PM	Parish Hall

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.

ADVENT

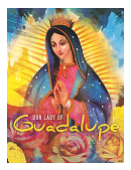
While discussing the Liturgical Calendar with the fourth graders in Faith Formation, I was really very impressed that they were able to answer me correctly that the new year of the Church begins with Advent. They were also able to state that Advent prepares us for Christmas which was equally as impressive considering that most of these students are only 10 years old.

Viewing Advent through the children's answers, one would think that the readings of the first Sunday of Advent would reflect the joy of a beginning and the birth of Christ which is something we would ordinarily expect at Christmas. Instead, what I find to be interesting, is that the readings set us in the mood for the end time and the second coming of Christ which is a time of reckoning, evaluation, assessment, and judgment.-

The truth is that the aim of Advent, and even of Christmas itself, is not merely to recall a past event that took place in Bethlehem over two thousand years ago. The goal is rather to point us to the Lord who was born to save us; but who will come again to evaluate and take account of how we lived out the salvation he wrought for us. Above all else, Advent is a preparation for the second coming of Christ who will come to judge the living and the dead.

I was pondering as to why the Church chose to begin her year with such a time. Usually most people begin their new year with merry-making and in celebration, but the Church calls us to begin our new year sober and in reflection, serenity, and recollection because the new year is, more than anything else, a chance to make amends and to rebuild. If it is begun in lightheartedness and merriment, there will be the tendency to neglect or even forget the call for renewal. In our society, this is the biggest temptation we might face. During a period where the time for Advent is close to the time for other celebrations like Thanksgiving, Black Friday, holiday and end-of-the-year parties, raffles, and lotteries, and so on, we are called out by the Church not to be distracted about the true "why" of the season!

Deacon Matthew Nwafor

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS (SCHOOL) R.C.I.A. 11:30AM NO FAITH FORMATION	2  KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MTG 6PM	3  7:00PM	4 CDA MTG. 7PM, HALL HISPANIC CHOIR PRACTICE YOUNG ADULT GROUP MTG. 7PM	5 RCIA INQUIRY SESSION 6:00PM – HALL LIBRARY IOP SCHOOL NOON DISMISSAL	6 CONFESSIONS AFTER 9AM MASS HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP MEETS 7:30PM	7 CONFESSIONS 3:30-4:30PM CATECHETICAL BIBLE STUDY, 9:30AM
8 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT BREAKFAST (KNIGHTS) FAITH FORMATION CLASSES, 9:15AM R.C.I.A. 11:30AM ROSARY FOR DEPLOYED, 9AM BAPTISM INSTRUCTION CLASS 1:30 (ENGLISH), 2:00 (SPANISH)	9 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – HALL	10 HOME & SCHOOL MTG. 3:15PM SPANISH BIBLE CLASS, 7PM CHOIR PRACTICE	11 CAROLINA RIVERS NURSING HOME MASS 10:30 50+ CLUB MTG. HISPANIC CHOIR PRACTICE CATECHISM CLASS 7PM YOUNG ADULT GROUP MTG. 7PM	12  FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE ROSARY 6:30PM 7:00PM MASS RCIA INQUIRY SESSION 6:00PM – HALL LIBRARY	13 CONFESSIONS AFTER 9AM MASS HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP MEETS 7:30PM	14 CATECHETICAL BIBLE STUDY, 9:30AM CONFESSIONS 3:30-4:30PM
15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS (KNIGHTS) FAITH FORMATION CLASSES, 9:15AM R.C.I.A. 11:30AM	16 IOP SCHOOL 	17 PREMIERE NURSING HOME MASS, 11:00AM JR. CDA MTG 3:30PM SPANISH BIBLE CLASS, 7PM CHOIR PRACTICE	18 ROSARY MAKING GROUP MEETS 9:30AM HISPANIC CHOIR PRACTICE YOUNG ADULT GROUP MTG. 7PM	19 RCIA INQUIRY SESSION 6:00PM – HALL LIBRARY 	20 CONFESSIONS AFTER 9AM MASS HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP MEETS 7:30PM	21 CATECHETICAL BIBLE STUDY, 9:30AM IOP THRIFT STORE  CONFESSIONS 3:30-4:30PM
22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS (C.D.A.) RIGHT TO LIFE ROSARY, 9AM R.C.I.A. 11:30AM	23 IOP SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS DEC. 23 – JAN. 1	24 CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES: 4PM, 6:30PM, 11PM 8:30PM (SPANISH) 	25 CHRISTMAS MASSES 8:00AM, 10:30AM	26 RCIA INQUIRY SESSION 6:00PM – HALL LIBRARY	27 LIBERTY COMMONS NURSING HOME MASS, 11:00AM CONFESSIONS AFTER 9AM MASS HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP MEETS 7:30PM	28 CATECHETICAL BIBLE STUDY, 9:30AM CONFESSIONS 3:30-4:30PM
29 COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS (PARISH COUNCIL) R.C.I.A. 11:30AM	30	31 SOLEMNITY OF MARY VIGIL MASS 6:00PM 7:30PM (SPANISH) CHOIR PRACTICE	 <i>December</i>			

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS:

We would like to congratulate Cherry Goodfred and Madeleine Feagle who were elected to the Parish Council after last weekend's voting, these ladies will fill the 2 open slots on the Parish Council. Our two alternates are Traci Bermingham and Debbie McLean.



Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES will be held on the following Sundays in December and January:

December 8, 15

January 5, 12, 19, 26

For more information, contact Sr Barbara Marie at 910-347-4196 ext 401 (office) or 910-539-0665 (cell).



The Christmas Giving Trees are up and loaded with envelopes for donations of gift cards. Your donation will help families less fortunate this Christmas. We ask that all gift cards be returned by Dec. 11th, distribution to families will be Dec. 13th.

CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE:

Any registered member of the Parish needing assistance with Christmas gifts for children ages 15 and below are asked to come to the Parish Office and complete the application before Wednesday, Dec. 7th.



"CHANGE FOR LIFE" BABY BOTTLES:

The "Change for Life" campaign has ended and we are still 200 bottles short. If you took a bottle home with you and have not returned it please do so, even if it is empty. Any bottles that have not been returned must be paid for, so please make your return.

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION CLASSES:

Due to the upcoming holidays December Baptism Instruction Classes has been changed. The December class will be held on December 8th at 1:30PM in English and 2:00PM in Spanish.

IOP THRIFT STORE SALES:

The Infant of Prague Thrift Store will have a 50% Off sale on Saturday, December 21st beginning at 9:30AM. The Thrift Store is located at 119 Wilmington Hwy.



Deacon Matthew invites you to the weekly Catechetical Bible Study every Saturday at 9.30am, in the school library



It's time again for our annual hat, gloves, and scarf drive for the homeless shelter! A donation box is located in the front lobby of the Church to place your donations. We will collect them through January. Last year we were able to give several bags to the homeless shelter. They always need and appreciate them through the cold winter months. Thank you for your generosity!



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>



SPONSORS NEEDED:

RCIA is in need of Sponsors for adults becoming Catholic and those going through the Sacraments. If interested please contact Immanuel Israel at 910-938-1708 or Larry Snow 910-207-3645.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process developed by the Catholic Church for those over the age of 16 who wish to convert to Catholicism. The process introduces and teaches Catholic beliefs and practices.

Additionally if you are a Baptized Catholic desiring to complete your Sacraments please contact us for information and classes.

All classes are held on Sunday at the IOP School from 11:30-12:45.

On Thursday at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall library new people orientations are conducted which includes answering any questions about the Catholic faith or process for becoming Catholic. Walk-ins are welcome.

If you are interested, or have questions, please call Immanuel at **910-938-1708** or email Immanuel.Israel2.iop@gmail.com or Larry Snow 910-207-3645.



The IOP Youth Group will be meeting on Sunday's in the Parish Hall beginning at 5:30PM. The Youth Group is for youth between the age of 14 – 18. For information regarding this ministry please contact braulio.rodriguez.iop@gmail.com

FOOD PANTRY:

The pantry was closed for two weeks while the HVAC was being replaced. We are operational again and providing food to the needy in our community. At this time we need of jelly, peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, canned peas, mixed vegetables, carrots, canned soup, and 16 oz boxes of macaroni. Thanks to all of you who give food.



O HOLY NIGHT the stars are brightly shining, it is the night of our dear Savior's birth. A thrill of HOPE the weary world rejoices. Fall on your knees and hear the angels' voices, O night divine O night when Christ was born. Led by the light of FAITH serenely beaming. He knows our need, our weakness no stranger. Behold your King! Before him lowly bend! Truly he taught us to LOVE one another. His law is LOVE and his gospel is PEACE. Let all within us praise his Holy name! (Lyrics from O HOLY NIGHT) As we approach with JOY that very special night of his birth, let us always remember the PRESENTS he brought into this world for us: FAITH in our blindness, HOPE in our darkest hour and an agape LOVE for everyone. May we always be thankful to unwrap his PRESENTS every day and may we always feel at PEACE with the warmth of his PRESENCE within. O COME LET US ADORE HIM, O COME LET US ADORE HIM, O COME LET US ADORE HIM, CHRIST THE LORD.

Adorers needed at this time are Wednesday 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Thursday 3:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m., and Friday 12:00 midnight to 1:00 a.m.

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 381-1984
Adoration hours 6:00 p.m. to midnight please call Madeleine Feagle 577-5198 389-0764



Infant of Prague Rosary making group meets the third Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall Library. We make cord and bead Rosaries for the missions. Everyone is welcome to attend! For more information contact Theresa Bogue at (910)382-5559 or at theresabogue@yahoo.com

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS

December 24, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.

Calling all angels, lambs, sheep, doves, donkeys, cows, shepherds, wise men, stars, Marys, and Josephs! Children's Choir begins Sunday, September 15 immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the school music room. ALL children ages three through 6th grade are invited to come for a 30-minute rehearsal in preparation for the Christmas Eve Children's Mass. We will rehearse each Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Hope to see you there!

Infant of Prague History – On the Church Website

Comments and recommendations have been provided regarding the Draft IOP History, principally identifying past school teachers. Still needed are significant events during the 70s – 90s, as well as a list of CDA Regents. Provide information to Deacon Jim. Please help us record our history and pass comments and recommendations to Deacon Jim at jimmarapoti@gmail.com."

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:

IOP has planned a 10 day Pilgrimage to Israel, 4 – 13 May 2020, "Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus." Spiritual Leaders are Father Greg Spencer and Father Edison Urrego. Trip cost is \$3999 including airfare, all hotels and all meals. Pilgrimage details are posted to the IOP website



SCRIP CARDS: Making purchases for back to school items? The Knights of Columbus are selling scrip cards for a large selection of retail stores and for those going off to college - vehicle gas cards and prepaid visa cards. Most cards on hand for immediate

purchase. Cards available in the Parish Hall following the 8am and 10:30am Sunday Mass or by emailing your request to KOFC-3574@LIVE.COM



**Catholic Daughters
of the Americas®**

CDA members sponsor the Religious Gift Shop at the Parish Hall side of the Church. It is usually open before and after Mass on Sat. and Sun. You can find rosary beads, statues, books and more at reasonable prices. We will also have Advent candles.

Members support many charities, provide donuts once a month and provide a scholarship to a graduating High School senior each year. Forms can be found in the Parish Office, as well as the boxes in the church.

2020 National Education Contest

Themes/Divisions/Categories/Rules

THEMES OF CONTEST: (Choose One)

"Blessed are the peacemakers" Mark 5:9 Or Living in harmony with others

Divisions & Categories: Note: Students may be Catholic and Non-Catholic

Division 1 Grades 4-5 Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art
Division 2 Grades 6-7-8 Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Division 3 Grades 9-10-11-12 Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Division 4 Adult CDA members Poetry, Art, Photography

This event is open to everyone, for additional information or registration forms please see the magazine holders located at each of the entrances of Church. **Deadline is Jan. 29, 2020.**

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. **Our next meeting is on 17 December, and will be discussing St. Benedict's eleventh step of humility.**

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:

"But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart."-Luke 2:19.

How do you pray? Do you find yourself praying in the silence of your heart? Do you have a desire for a more intimate relationship with God? Do you have a strong Marian Devotion? You may be called to the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites. We are lay people who are members of the Carmelite Order. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Wilmington. For more information contact Theresa Bogue at theresabogue@yahoo.com or call (910)382-5559.

"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Rejoice in your marriage. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Jan 31-Feb 2, 2020 in North Myrtle Beach, SC and Jul 17-19, 2020 in Beaufort, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Onslow Pregnancy Resource Center is excited to announce they are having another volunteer training. Along with growing comes the need for more volunteers! We are always so delighted and thankful when people step up and volunteer their precious time to help families in their community.

If you would like to participate in this training and be a part of saving lives and transforming families, or would like more information, please call OPRC.

Training Dates: Dec. 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th, and 17th
Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: OPRC
3280-A Henderson Dr.
Jacksonville, NC 28546

Thank you for your support

Oraciones a la Santísima virgen María

Memorare

Acuérdate,
¡oh piadosísima, Virgen María!,
que jamás se ha oído decir
que ninguno de los que
han acudido a tu protección,
implorando tu auxilio
haya sido abandonado de Ti.
Animado con esta confianza,
a Ti también yo acudo,
y me atrevo a implorarte
a pesar del peso de mis pecados.
¡Oh Madre del Verbo!,
no desatiendas mis súplicas,
antes bien acógelas benígnamente.
Amén

Protección

Dulce Madre, no te alejes, tu vista de
mí no apartes, ven conmigo a todas
partes y solo nunca me dejes, ya que
me proteges tanto como verdadera
madre has que me bendiga el Padre el
Hijo y el Espíritu Santo.
Amen



El Adviento es el tiempo de preparación para celebrar la Navidad y comienza cuatro domingos antes de esta fiesta. Además marca el inicio del Nuevo Año Litúrgico católico y este 2019 empezará el **domingo 1 de diciembre**.

Adviento viene del latín “ad-venio”, que quiere decir “venir, llegar”. Comienza el domingo más cercano a la fiesta de San Andrés Apóstol (30 de noviembre) y dura cuatro semanas.

El Adviento está dividido en dos partes: las primeras dos semanas sirven para meditar sobre la venida final del Señor, cuando ocurra el fin del mundo; mientras que las dos siguientes sirven para reflexionar concretamente sobre el nacimiento de Jesús y su irrupción en la historia del hombre en Navidad.

En los templos y casas se colocan las coronas de Adviento y se va encendiendo una vela por cada domingo. Asimismo, los ornamentos del sacerdote y los manteles del altar son de color morado como símbolo de preparación y penitencia.

Muchos católicos conocen del Adviento, pero tal vez las preocupaciones en el trabajo, los exámenes en la escuela, los ensayos con el coro o el teatro de Navidad, el armado del nacimiento o pesebre y la compra de regalos, hacen que se olvide el verdadero sentido de este tiempo.

Para los católicos, este es un tiempo corto de penitencia y oración en preparación para venida del Señor. Tristemente, este no es el caso en nuestra cultura de hoy. Muchos confunden este tiempo como navidad, pero no es así. El periodo de navidad empieza el 24 de diciembre con la noche buena, y dura 12 días. Este adviento los invito a que entremos en oración y recordemos la misericordia de Dios para con nosotros.

Evento	Fecha		Hora	Lugar
Clase de Biblia	Martes,	Diciembre 3		NO TEMDREMOS CLASE ESTE DIA
Servicio de Penitencia (Confesiones)	Martes,	Diciembre 3	7:00 PM	La Iglesia
Mesa de Trabajo	Miércoles,	Diciembre 4	7:00 PM	Sala de Reuniones, Oficinas
Práctica del Coro	Miércoles,	Diciembre 4	7:00 PM	La Iglesia
La Santa Misa	Jueves,	Diciembre 5	7:00 PM	La Iglesia
Grupo de Oración	Viernes,	Diciembre 6	7:30 PM	La Iglesia
Clase de Preparación Pre-Bautismal	Domingo	Diciembre 8	2:15 PM	Después de la Misa, Parish Hall
Próximos Bautizos	Sábado,	Diciembre 14	10:00 AM	La Iglesia
Formación para MESC	NO TENDREMOS FORMACION EN NOBIEMBRE Y DICIEMBRE			
Confesiones		Sábados	3:30 PM	La Iglesia
		Domingos	12:15 PM	



Oración a San Miguel Arcángel

San Miguel Arcángel,
defiéndenos en la batalla.
Se nuestro amparo contra las perversidad
y asechanzas del demonio.
Reprímele Dios, pedimos suplicantes,
y tu príncipe de la milicia celestial
arroja al infierno con el divino poder a
Satanás y a los otros espíritus malignos
que andan disperso por el mundo
para la perdición de las almas.
Amen.

ANUNCIOS

Para poder pedir Cartas de: inmigración, bautizar en otra parroquia, horas de labor social, entre otras, deben estar registrados en la parroquia, asistir a la Santa Misa, y estar envuelto en las actividades de la Iglesia.

Si desea celebrar el Sacramento de Matrimonio, necesita pedir una cita con el sacerdote para iniciar el proceso, mínimo seis (6) meses antes de la boda.

Para preguntas de otros sacramentos, pueden llamar a la oficina, hablar con el Padre Edison, o chequear el sitio web de la parroquia: <https://www.iopnc.org/>

El Santo Rosario todos los Lunes:

"Escucha, y ponlo en tu corazón, hijo mío el menor, que no es nada lo que te asusta y aflige. Que no se perturbe tu rostro, tu corazón; no temas esta enfermedad, ni ninguna otra enfermedad y angustia. ¿No estoy yo aquí que soy tu Madre? ¿No estás bajo mi sombra y resguardo?"

La Santísima Virgen María te invita a que tengas confianza en su protección. Si desea que el Santo Rosario se rece en su casa, comuníquese con:

Carmen Blakewood.

Información para Bautizos

Los requisitos para poder bautizar son los siguientes:

- Deben estar registrados en la Iglesia. Mínimo por tres (3) meses.
- Los padres deben de estar asistiendo a Misa los domingos.
- Si eligieron padrinos que son matrimonio, deben de estar casados por la Iglesia.
- Si los padrinos pertenecen a otra parroquia necesita carta firmada por el párroco, verificando que es miembro de esa parroquia, que asiste a la Santa Misa, y que pueden servir de padrino(a).
- Si los padrinos son solteros, no deben estar conviviendo en unión libre, y tienen que haber recibido los Sacramentos de Bautizo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación.
- Papas y Padrinos deben de asistir a la clase pre-bautismal.
- **Los niños deben ser menores de 7 años.**
- Deben de traer todos los documentos el mismo día de la clase pre-bautismal. Si no tienen todos los documentos, no podrán bautizar en la fecha indicada, hasta que tengamos todos los documentos podrán confirmar la fecha de bautizo.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR:
DEC. 7 & 8, 2019**

READERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Laurie Holmes
SUN. 8:00AM Greg Marr
10:30AM Kelli Svatek

ALTAR SERVERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Sean Cavanaugh, Ben Sheegog, Ella Sheegog
SUN. 8:00AM Stefan Aragona, Olivia Moulton
10:30AM Matthew Curran, MaKenna Pummell, Keoni Riley

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Elizabeth Barone, John Bradley, Joe & Sharon Henderson, Robbie Hilton, Immanuel Israel, Eryn McGahhey, Andrea Sopko, Tim Weber, Bob & Mary Wilman
SUN. 8:00AM Bob Blick, Patrick & Patrick Buhr II, Johnny Carr, Wyonia Chevis, Bradford Duross, Willa Feldhaus, Joan Flynn, Tom Kahl, Theresa Misko, Jessica Nelis
10:30AM Barbara Branche, Gerald & Kay Brandon, Jennifer Corroero, Cherry Goodfred, Evelyn Lynge, Caroline Martin, Gail Morales, Jesse Morales, Robert Nastasi, Darwing Preciado, Nitza Rodriguez

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS:

SAT. 5:00PM Jo Acker, Elizabeth Barone, Louis Molina, Pat Molina, Helen Seybuck, Charles Wimmeler
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