# Holy Infant Catholic Church Jul 19 & Jul 20



## MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday—10:00 am 1st Thursday of each month after Mass—Holy Hour & Eucharistic Adoration Hospitality: 1st Sunday of Every Month following Mass Most Holy Days: 10:00 am

- Saturday: Jul 19th—Lector: B. Akers 4:15pm—4:45pm—Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm—Praying of the Rosary 5:00pm— 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Sunday : Jul 20th— Lector: J. Coleman 11:00am - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1st Gn 18: 1-10a—2nd Col 1: 24-28 —Gospel Lk 10: 38-42

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## Up Coming Events and Announcements 2025

Jul 19th & 20th — 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Jul 22 & 24th</u> Mass: 10AM

Jul 26th—5:00—Special Mass Intention for +Victor Ziemba by K. Ziemba

Jul 26th & 27th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Jul 29th & 31st</u>—Mass: 10AM

Aug 2nd & 3rd—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 3rd—Hospitality Following our 11:00AM Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall

#### Men's Cursillo Weekend is Approaching

The Men's Cursillo Weekend will be held Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> (7:00pm) through Sunday, September 14th (5:00pm), 2025, at the Blessings Lodge on the campus of Camp Overlook in Keezletown, VA. The Theme of the Weekend is "Here I Am, Lord". A Cursillo is a 3-day encounter to enrich your Spirituality and raise awareness of Christ in every moment of your life. Applications and more about Cursillo are available at www.valleycursillo.com . All applicants must have a sponsor who has made a Cursillo. Contact Karen and Roy Norville at 540-246-2371 for more information. Application deadline is August 21<sup>st</sup> and the weekend is limited to the first 28 applications received. The next Women's Cursillo Weekend will be April 24-27, 2026, also at the Blessings Lodge.

Parishioners Corner:

- Our AED machine arrived this week. If someone wishes to volunteer to install it for us, please email the Church at office@holyinfant-elkton.org.
- Also if someone wishes to volunteer to power wash the garage we will gladly accept!

**Please Pray for... All** God's children who are ill, homebound, hospitalized and need our special thoughts and prayers. Our Sister Parish -Shepherd of the Hills, our Twin Parish in Haiti -Saint Augustin, and all members of our military, and those who put themselves in harm's way to protect and serve others. Pray for our brothers and sisters, James West, Michael Sigafoose, Grace Condolff, Wanda Lohman, Jose Duran, Paul Kudrav, Christian Nicholson, Bill Mallette.

#### WEEKLY THOUGHTS 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 20th 2025.

Dear friends, welcome to the celebration of the 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time. The first Reading of this Sunday; Genesis 18:1-10 speaks of Abraham's hospitality to the three strangers and was promised a son to be born by Sarah.

In the Second Reading Colossians 1: 24-28 speaks of the mysteries hidden from ages being revealed in Christ. Jesus still reveals the mysteries of the Kingdom of God to the childlike or little ones because of their humility, faith and trust in God. This is contrary to the wise, educated and scribes. They are proud and not willing to listen nor take the message of Jesus.

In the gospel Reading of last Sunday, we heard Jesus responding to the two questions asked by the scribe: the greatest commandment. Jesus responded, love God and your neighbor with all your heart, mind, and soul. "To who is my neighbor?" Jesus responded with a parable of a good Samaritan who gave help to a certain man who fell a victim to the brigands and left him half dead. Among the three passersby, the Samaritan stopped to help the injured victim and a Jew.

The Good Samaritan is a typical example of a disciple of Jesus who must see and act without any racial bias or inclination. People should be helped not based on race or religion but simply because they are human beings created in the image of God.

The story of Jesus' visit to the two sisters Mary and Martha in today's Gospel (Luke: 10: 38-42) speaks of the dynamic of Martha rush to get the food at the table. Mary chose to sit at the feet of Jesus listening to Jesus. Jesus responds to Martha's complaint that she asks Jesus to let Mary help with setting up the table. Jesus responds to Martha that Mary has chosen the better part of sitting at his feet listening to Him. Jesus does not condemn Martha's hospitality but commends Mary's spiritual choice of listening and learning at the feet of Jesus.

Jesus invites us daily. "Come to me all who labor and burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me for I am meek and humble of heart, and you will find rest for yourselves." (Mat 11: 28-29)

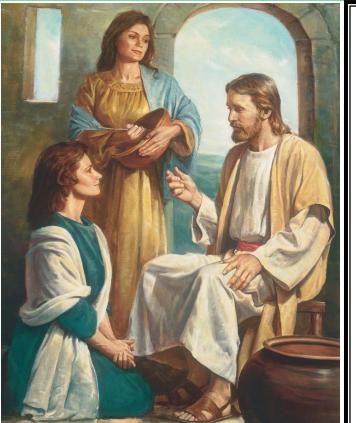
For a woman to sit and learn at the feet of Jesus was a cultural revolution introduced by Jesus. Social and cultural boundaries confined women to certain limits. The kingdom and reign of God, Jesus promulgated was inclusive to all cultures and had no restrictions to social codes or boundaries.

Have a great week.



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