



September 13, 2015



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**Liturgical Schedule**

*(Changes in the schedule noted inside)*

**Parish Office Hours**

*Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

**Closed 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. for lunch.**

**St. Ann's Parish Mission**

St. Ann Parish seeks the salvation of souls through the redemption of Jesus Christ as revealed to us in and through the divinely instituted Holy Catholic Church. We invite all to receive God's love as we give of ourselves in compassionate service.

<p><b>Sunday Mass Schedule</b>          Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m.          8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.;  <b>Mass in the Extraordinary Form:</b> 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Weekday Masses</b>          Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m.          Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form)          Friday: 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Adoration</b>          Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through          Wednesday 5:00 p.m.          Holy Hour:          Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Reconciliation</b>          Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m.          Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.</p>
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**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN**

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<b>Sunday 13th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Veronica & Luiz Cortes <i>by the Rothe family</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> +Corrine Lonergan <i>by Katie Lonergan</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Latin Group (Café Room) 3:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use
<b>Monday 14th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Michael Brown <i>by the Cortes family</i>	4:30 p.m. Church in use 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Dance (Gym)   Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Stewardship meeting (Library) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room)   Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 15th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Herb Thurlow <i>by Vicki Davey</i> <i>Adoration following Mass</i>	10:00 a.m. Ceramics 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Café in use 7:00 p.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room)
<b>Wednesday 16th</b>	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> +Michael Brown <i>by the Cortes family</i>	9:00 a.m. Science (Classrooms 1 & 2) 7:00 p.m. Fidelis (Gym) & Classrooms 1 & 2   Scouts   CSS (Library)
<b>Thursday 17th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Michael Brown <i>by the Cortes family</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	10:00 a.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. Fraternus (Gym)
<b>Friday 18th</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Gayle Misner <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	9:00 a.m. Home school (All rooms)   Both Cry Rooms in Church in use 10:00 a.m. Ceramics 12:30 p.m. Children's Prayer time (Chapel) 4:00 p.m. Wedding (Church)
<b>Saturday 19th</b>	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Jerry Dugan <i>by the Rothe Family</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use   Ceramics 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Eric Meyer <i>by Vicki Davey</i> <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> +Jerry Volz <i>by Mary &amp; Aaron Condon</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) 11:00 a.m. Gym in use 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 12:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)

**WEDDING BANNERS**  
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*III: Gretchen Schoonover-Windom Craig*  
 18 September, 2015 6:00 p.m.

*II: Tyler Adcock-Samantha Alschlager*  
 25 September, 2015 6:00 p.m.

**BAPTISMS**  
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*Welcome into our parish family*  
 Kyle Sebastien Rivero



Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday I wrote about the good of children and the procreative aspect of marriage. This week I will discuss the other good of marriage: the growth in holiness of the couple, sometimes called the *unitive* good of marriage. Because holy matrimony is a sacrament, it is ordered toward helping us get to Heaven! When a couple lives out their marriage in a godly way, they naturally grow in holiness. Moreover, they grow deeper in love with one another as their covenantal bond grows stronger. But for this to happen, they must be committed to the *intimate, exclusive, and indissoluble* aspects of marriage I mentioned two weeks ago. There must be a deep and abiding commitment between them (and with God) that they will be true to each other until one of them dies, no matter what. When husbands and wives have this type of covenantal commitment to one another, and readily rely upon God's grace to keep it, God blesses their union and gives them all the grace they need to preserve their one flesh union and weather the sufferings and difficulties they encounter.

This unitive good of marriage is not wholly distinct from the good of children, for both the unitive and procreative goods of marriage rely upon the marital act to bring them about. Through the marital act husbands and wives not only beget children, but they also grow more deeply in love with one another and more firmly committed to one another. Thus the marital act is good and holy, and it can help bring about holiness in a couple. When husbands and wives enter into this sacred and life-giving action, they renew with their bodies the solemn vows they professed with their voices at their wedding. They say, "I do" to one another all over again! Indeed, the marital act is a prayer and an act of the will by which husbands and wives completely unite themselves as one flesh, a union symbolizing the love God has for each of us! For husbands and wives the marital act is a sign of their covenantal commitment with one another and their openness to both the unitive and procreative goods of marriage.

Thus the marital act stands above any other type of sexual act in dignity and beauty. It is truly sacred, and therefore it should not be degraded, perverted, mocked, or made less than what it really is. According to God's plan and design, the marital act both symbolizes and effects a covenantal commitment between a man and his wife in which they give themselves to each other wholly and without reserve, the fruits of which are children and the unitive good. Therefore, those who enter into the marital act must be open to these goods.

When we come to understand the marital act in this way, we can see why the marital act is only appropriate for those who are married! We can also begin to see why adultery, fornication, all non-procreative sexual acts (including the use of contraception, masturbation, and homosexuality), and pornography are so wrong. Each of these sins does violence to the marital act, changing its nature and robbing it of its dignity and beauty. When married couples commit any of these sins, they not only cheapen their covenantal commitment with one another, they also weaken it because they place themselves outside of God's will. If we want to have God's blessings upon our marriages, then we must be willing to live out marital relations according to His plan and design.

Please remember that the "I do" pronounced at the altar is not just an agreement to be together for life. It's an act of the will by which the man and wife proclaim their willingness and readiness to be open to all that God wants to bring about through their one flesh union, which is ordered toward both the procreative and unitive goods!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**

738 registered families

<b>August 23, 2015</b>	<b>9,386.00</b>
Weekly Budget:	14,938.46
YTD Total:	143,034.33
YTD Budget:	134,446.14
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>	<b>8,588.19</b>

**St. Vincent de Paul Society: 2,894.00**

**Priest Retirement:**

Assessment:	28,055.62
Received:	15,852.82
Due:	12,202.80



*Sharing our talents arises from the fact that God has given each of us the ability and gifts to do certain things well, and we are to develop*

*those talents for the good of others.*

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first & third weekends of every month: The next collection is the weekend of **September 19th-20th and October 3rd-4th and October 17th-18th.**

**Give Electronically at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org)**

**Stewardship and/or service hours opportunities:** Help is needed to watering the potted plants around the church campus and Activity Center. If interested contact, Chris at [ccb43@earthlink.net](mailto:ccb43@earthlink.net) or 704-241-2577.

**Stewardship opportunity!** A new parishioner needs a ride to 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturdays from the South Park area. If you are able to assist, call the parish office. Thank you.

**Volunteers** are needed to help at **Merrywood Retirement** with crafts, and other projects for the residents to do. If interested please call Ellen Rowlen at 704-654-7713.



Pay It Forward With Hope,  
Give Back With Gratitude

As we recognize all those who work to make our country the land of opportunity this Labor Day Weekend, let us not forget those who are unemployed or underemployed.

Catholic Charities provides food pantry services, clothing, and counseling to those whose labors cannot support their needs. Please be generous with your gift to the Diocesan Support Appeal to support these ministries. If you haven't made a DSA gift yet, you can do so online at [www.charlottediocese.org/dsa](http://www.charlottediocese.org/dsa).

**DSA 2015**

DSA Goal:	84,180.35
Pledged:	89,817.00
Received:	75,232.00
Donors:	197

**Endowments for St. Ann's Parish:**

Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish & our school? These funds, established in 1999 for the parish & 2000 for the school, are for the general & pastoral needs of our parish & school & were established through the generosity of donors in our parish. If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds & how you can make a contribution, contact Judy Smith in the Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte at 704-370-3320 or at [jmsmith@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmsmith@charlottediocese.org).

**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**

- Tuesday, Sept. 15th for Sunday, Sept. 20, 2015
- Tuesday, Sept. 22nd for Sunday, Sept. 27, 2015
- Tuesday, Sept. 29th for Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015
- Tuesday, October 6th for Sunday, Oct. 11, 2015



September 13, 2015  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
*Estate planning can be a way to continue your life's work. Whether your estate is large or small, when you invest time in planned giving, you ensure that your lifetime gifts to our parish will continue.*

*For more information visit our website at [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving) and follow the link to Planned Giving.*

*In today's Gospel Jesus says "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members*



*can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love. God Bless You for your donations to the poor.*

## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

**RCIA starts Monday, September 14th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Scout room. Anyone interested in the teachings of the Catholic faith are invited to attend these classes. If you know of anyone wanting to become Catholic please let them know about the classes or have them call the parish office.

The St. Ann's Parish **Fidelis** Chapter for young ladies ages 11-18. **Next meeting is Wednesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.** For information, contact Sr. Mary Raphael at [srmmaryraphael@gmail.com](mailto:srmmaryraphael@gmail.com). To register email Mrs. Angela Williams at [angiegirl67@yahoo.com](mailto:angiegirl67@yahoo.com). Registration is \$20/family per yr.

**Fraternus meets weekly on Thursdays** in the gym at **7:00 p.m.** Middle school, high school boys and adult men of the parish are invited to attend. Next meeting is **Thursday, September 17th.**

All men of the parish interested in the **Knights of Columbus**, leave your name and contact information at the parish office.

 Season subscription tickets are now on sale online for the *Gaudium Musicae* concert series! The series of four concerts opens **Sunday, October 18th at 5:00 p.m.** with a lively performance by East Carolina University's Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival touring ensemble, *ECU Next Gen on the Road*. This group of faculty, student, alumni and guest artists cap a weekend of mentoring local youth musicians on the St. Ann's campus with a full two-hour concert. After the show, the audience will have an opportunity to meet the performers at a hearty reception on our plaza. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org). Season subscriptions for all four concerts (October 18th, November 8th, January 22nd, & February 28th) are the best arts bargain in town at \$40 for adults, \$25 for students and \$100 for families.

*As part of our parish stewardship, please consider helping out with this wonderful series.* Sponsors and volunteers are needed for each concert. If you want to sponsor the concerts with a monetary gift or an in-kind donation of reception fare, contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information.

**Mission Trip to India:** An informational meeting for those interested in going on the parish mission trip to India next February 14th-26th will be held on **Thursday, 24 September 2015, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Library of the Allen Center.

**The Carnival is Coming...  
Saturday, September 26th!  
Mark your calendars &  
invite your family, friends &  
neighbors to the Carnival.**



We need **Arts, Crafts & Books** to *sell during the Carnival*. Calling all artists, knitters, crafters, crochet, etc. Start working on projects that you can donate to the Carnival sale & support the Carnival's success. If you have books you wish to donate, save them for the Carnival. We need everyone's help to make this a success!

Carnival **Volunteer** Sign-ups are open on SignUpGenius, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544a8af29a4f94-carnival>. Give two hours or more of your time on the day of Carnival. Thank you!

*Carnival Question:* contact Chris Brunhuber at 704-241-2577 or [ccb43@earthlink.net](mailto:ccb43@earthlink.net).

**Mark your calendars, Saturday,  
September 26th! The Carnival is Coming!**



**First Tuesday of each month from 7:00—8:30 p.m.** in the Allen Center library (2nd floor). *MWG* is an

international ministry that seeks to help mothers grow in holiness through their vocation. Each meeting we prayerfully reflect on a specific virtue &, with a gospel meditation & group discussion, we encourage & inspire one another. Childcare is not available, but infants are always welcome. Our next meetings are **Tuesday, October 6th and Tuesday, November 4th**. You're welcome to attend meetings on a regular basis or occasionally. Email Frances Liberto or April Buehler at [stannMWG@gmail.com](mailto:stannMWG@gmail.com) if you plan to attend a meeting or have any questions. Go to [www.motheringwithgrace.org](http://www.motheringwithgrace.org) for more details about the ministry of *MWG*.

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

**St. Gerard's Meals Ministry.** Mission: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or [katherinetlauer@gmail.com](mailto:katherinetlauer@gmail.com). *Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.*

**Ceramics** Tuesdays & Fridays at 10:00 a.m. and Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to come—lots of molds available!

**The World Rosary** meets **Mondays at 5:30 p.m.** in the Chapel. All are invited.

**Prayer cards of our Statues** are available in the North Vestibule. A donation of \$0.50 per card.

Fr. Reid invites **all members of the Angelic Warfare Confraternity** to come & pray our daily prayers together **first Thursday of each month after Confession at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.** Our prayers are beautiful & prayed together are more powerful bringing many blessings to our membership & community.

**Babysitting** will be offered the last Thursday of each month during confession times on **Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.** by Melissa Lewis, call Melissa at 704-287-8112. or email her at [mmlewis28@yahoo.com](mailto:mmlewis28@yahoo.com).

**Catholic Scriptures Study:** *The Book of Isaiah.* Classes started on **Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m.** in the library in the Allen Center. Please contact Paula Schrum at 704-641-0365 or [pbschrum@gmail.com](mailto:pbschrum@gmail.com).

**The Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration's** store - St. Joseph Monastery Gift Shop - Many new products in stock, including Catholic tee shirts and a new line of uniquely beautiful hand cast bronze medals and jewelry. We have many great gifts for those Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation items. Also available are items crafted by the Nuns, including rosaries, chaplets, decorated candles, pouches & more. **The gift shop is open Monday through Saturday 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. The store is located at 3452 Willow Oak Road, behind St. Ann's Activity Center.** The phone number is 704-999-6054. *Please help with the day-to-day perishable & non-perishable items needed by the Poor Clares, sign up at this link:* <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AEA923A57-essential1/10089521>. Or go to [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com) & click on "find a sign up". Enter the email address: [nuns@stjosephmonastery.com](mailto:nuns@stjosephmonastery.com) & click on the sign up link. *Your donations are greatly appreciated.*

**Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ**, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that you can understand the Bible, and **The Bible Timeline** makes it easy. The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible Study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. The study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and brings you deep into each period of salvation history, so that you can discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. The Bible Timeline has helped hundreds of thousands of people to have a better understanding of the Bible and a deeper relationship with Christ, and it will help you too. The Study will include a series of twenty-four videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be preceded by a lively group discussion. Everyone who participates will receive the Bible Timeline Chart as well as a The Bible Timeline Study Kit. The cost is \$35.00 per kit. **Our Study will begin Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m., September 15<sup>th</sup>, and run through Tuesday, April 12, 2016.** We will repeat this Bible Timeline Study on Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m.- 12 noon for those who would like a morning class. **The morning classes will begin September 17<sup>th</sup>, and run through April 14, 2016.** If you are interested, contact Heidi Clark, [hclark12@carolina.rr.com](mailto:hclark12@carolina.rr.com), 704-504-5948.

**Holy Family Playgroup:** Building relationships with mothers and children of all ages in the parish, provides support and a catholic environment for socialization and play. **Playtime is usually Friday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at various locations during the school year.** Questions call Melissa Lewis at 704-287-8112. Subscribe to our group at [holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahooogroups.com](mailto:holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahooogroups.com).

**Catholic Scripture Study:** *The Book of Isaiah.* The Study will include a series of 26 videos with Father Patrick Winslow as the presenter, preceded by a lively group discussion. This is a 26 week study and it does require a commitment. **This will begin Tuesday afternoon September 15, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. through 3:00 p.m. and it will run through May 17, 2016.** The cost of the workbook is \$47.00. If you are interested contact Heidi Clark, 704-504-5948 or email [hclark12@carolina.rr.com](mailto:hclark12@carolina.rr.com).

**Fellow Brothers & Sisters in Christ:** Our Blessed Mother wants active & auxiliary members to join her Legion. Assist in waging war against the enemy by winning souls for the Crucified Christ! Join a nearly 100 year old lay apostolate movement founded on a profound devotion to Our Lady. Millions of members around the world have formed themselves into a Legion to perform works of spiritual & corporal works of mercy as part of the church's evangelizing mission. **Our Lady of Fatima praesidium meets every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center.** Come see what we're about & how you can help. Contact Benjamin Laurell by email [bclaurell@gmail.com](mailto:bclaurell@gmail.com) or by phone: 704-975-0242.

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION

**St. Ann Home School Group** liaison is Katherine Lauer. To contact Katherine for information on Home School [katherinetlauer@gmail.com](mailto:katherinetlauer@gmail.com) or 704-898-7323.

### St. Ann's School News

Saint Ann Catholic School is now accepting enrollment for its Pre-K (four year old) program. Saint Ann Catholic School's early childhood program focuses on the development of the whole child and is grounded in the Catholic faith. Students will be exposed to a wide variety of developmentally appropriate learning centers, beginning literacy skills and will attend the following special area classes: art, computer, music, library, PE and Spanish. For more information please contact Mrs. McKinney, principal of Saint Ann, at 704-525-4938 or Shannon Fortin, MACS Admission Director, at 704-370-3367.

**Support St. Ann School!** Link your *Harris Teeter VIC Card* to St. Ann School #1931 at the register or by calling 1-800-432-6111. St. Ann also earns 1% on purchases made with a Target Debit or Credit Red Card. Link yours on the Take Charge of Education website [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe).

**St. Vincent de Paul Preschool:** for children ages 2-5. Please call Mary Helen or Sonya at 704-644-4656 or email [preschool@st.vincentdepaulchurch.com](mailto:preschool@st.vincentdepaulchurch.com) to schedule a tour or for more information. **New for 2015-2016:** A *TK class* will be offered for 5-year-old children who need extra development time. Registration forms may be found at [www.stvincentdepaulchurch.com/preschool](http://www.stvincentdepaulchurch.com/preschool).

The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS) **Catholic Schools Special Needs Program.** This program – Providing an Appropriate Academic Catholic Education (PACE)-will be at Our Lady of Assumption School (OLA) at 4225 Shamrock Rd. The PACE Program is designed for students in 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades who have been identified as having a specific learning disability in the areas of reading & writing & who need a small, self-contained setting in order to achieve on grade level in all academic subjects. Contact Kathleen Miller at 704-370-3355 or Allana Rae-Ramkissoon at 704-531-0067.

## Pro-Life Ministry

Join us **every Sunday at 12 noon** in the chapel for the Respect Life Rosary. All are welcome.

Questions about the St. Ann's Pro-Life Ministry, contact Andy Zorichak at [azorichak@yahoo.com](mailto:azorichak@yahoo.com).

There have been 386 babies saved in Charlotte this year as a direct result of the soldiers on the sidewalk, There are many wonderful stories, see Cities for Life Charlotte on Facebook for a few. As I have said before, and will not stop saying, the babies saved, and teen-age and adult souls saved did not happen from an empty sidewalk. **40 Days for Life Campaign starts September 23rd-November 1st.** Check out the 40 Days for Life website for more details.

**Save the Date!** St. Ann's will be participating in the **National Life Chain: Sunday, October 4th from 2:00-3:00 p.m.** Mark your Calendars!

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



**Our parishioners:** Verne Pauline W. Williams, Patricia Phillips, Ben Conrad, Larry Guethlein, Helen Norton, Rocco Patane, Kathy & Dave Graves, & Pauline Williams. **Our friends & family:** Marlowe Regan (niece of MaryAnn Conrad), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Bryan Williams, Jennifer Arnold & Mary Register (friends of Nancy Tota), Marsha Bergmann (sister-in-law of Maryann & Ben Conrad), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), Tom Storer, Josh Duncan, Sara Lathan (neighbor to Robina & Bart Walker), Joel Rivera, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), and Frank Tamplin, Anna Lamb, Aaron Brickner, Akeyla Ramey, Michael Keaton, Haleigh Keaton, Mark Weems and Joseph Yodzis (by Mary Margaret Yodzis), Yolanda & Hector Viscarra (parents of Susy Langlinois), and Don Cole (friend of Derek Gray). **Incarcerated:** Adele Ceouse. **Our servicemen & servicewomen:** Lance Corporal Joseph Fanning USMC & PFC John Michael Fanning USMC, and Lt. Grace Carlson, USN. Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC. **The repose of the soul** of Lisa Dixon Collins (sister of Steve Dixon), who died September 5, 2015.

Do you love Jesus? Do you want to learn how to love Him more deeply? Do you want Him to transform your life & the lives of your family & friends? Read His Word every day. The daily Mass readings are the very voice of God speaking to us. Meditate on His Word for just 15 minutes with the help of our *One Bread One Body* booklets, a guide to the daily Scriptures **found in the North Vestibule with other helpful resources.**

**IN NEED OF PRAYER?** St. Ann's Prayer Group, volunteers who love to pray to God. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the request. Email your request to [stannpray\\_ers@comporium.net](mailto:stannpray_ers@comporium.net) or call Nancy Picciola 803-389-5530.



With so much technology at our fingertips, it's tough not to get swept away in all the noise and clutter. In our society there's often a tendency to live passively by simply "going with the flow." In this talk given at a FOCUS national conference, Fr. Mike Schmitz explains how we need to live an intentionally Christian life within a technological age. Your \$3 donation per CD will help to bring in more of these great talks on the Beauty of the Catholic Faith. Want to get the Newest & Never before Released CD sent to the yourself or a loved one? **Go to: [www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub](http://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub) & enter St. Ann's Promo Code: **33769** to give St. Ann's credit.**

## YOUNG ADULTS

**Diocese of Charlotte Young Adult Ministry.** If you are interested in receiving the newsletter please contact Mary Wright, Director of Campus & Young Adult Ministry, Diocese of Charlotte. As **college students** in our Diocese are returning to area college campuses we invite them (and you) to get connected with Diocesan Sponsored Catholic Campus Ministry. **Go to [www.catholicconcampus.com](http://www.catholicconcampus.com).**

Are you a **college student**? The **parent of a college student**? There are Catholic Campus Ministry programs at over ten colleges in our diocese. Check out [www.catholicconcampus.com](http://www.catholicconcampus.com) to see what's available. Feel free to contact Sister Eileen Spanier, GNSH, and the campus minister for the Charlotte Area, with any questions: [espangnsh@aol.com](mailto:espangnsh@aol.com) 704-717-7104.

**Come join the young adults of St. Peter for upcoming spiritual, social, & service events.** Check out our meetup page at: <http://www.meetup.com/St-Peters-Catholic-Young-Adult-Ministry-Charlotte-NC/> or contact Lindsey Westphal at [lindseymwestphal@gmail.com](mailto:lindseymwestphal@gmail.com) for more information. All in their 20's & 30's are welcome!

**St. Patrick's Young Adults Ministry is open to all adults in their 20s and 30s, single or married.** For more information please join us on Facebook at St. Patrick's Cathedral Frassati Fellowship or sign up to receive emails on Google Groups - search for St. Patrick's Young Adult Ministry.

## TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Join St. John Neumann Parishioners on a **5-Night Cruise to the Bahamas** out of Charleston, SC on **Tuesday, October 6th through Sunday, October 11th**. Prices begin at \$388.02 per person and include all port fees and taxes. \$50 onboard credit per cabin and Holy Mass to be offered. Bus transportation available for an additional fee. For further information or to register, contact Terri DeLuca at [tdelucamusic@gmail.com](mailto:tdelucamusic@gmail.com) or call 704-774-7779.

### **Pilgrimage to Spain and Portugal: October 20-30, 2015**

Enjoy a spectacular trip to Spain and Portugal with first class accommodations **with Fr. Timothy Reid**. Trip highlights include Fatima, where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in 1917, as well as sites associated with St. Teresa of Avila. The trip will also include visits to Salamanca, Madrid, Zaragoza (where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to St. James in 40 AD), Montserrat, and Barcelona. Departures from Charlotte from \$3699/person. For a brochure, visit the St. Ann's website: [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org) or contact parish office at 704-523-4641, ext. 221, or [stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org](mailto:stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org).

## MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Today's gospel says, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." Are you living out the gospel in your marriage? Learn how God is calling you to live in your Sacrament. **The next weekend is November 6th-8th in Atlantic Beach, NC.** For more information visit our website at: <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.

**Married Couples: Teams of Our Lady** [www.teamsofourlady.org](http://www.teamsofourlady.org), is an international movement of small groups of married couples around the diocese. Each Team (5-7 couples & a priest/spiritual counselor) meets monthly to share a meal, prayer, scripture, & a discussion. Teams provide a solid, spiritual direction for couples through a way of life promoting growth in married love, holiness, & Christian community. If you're interested in a great opportunity to grow in your relationship with Christ & your spouse, contact Tom and Danielle Mathis at 704-541-0858 or [tmathis3@me.com](mailto:tmathis3@me.com).

**A Lifeline for Marriage: Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped couples experiencing all levels of marital difficulty, even those in deep misery. For confidential information or to apply for the next program beginning with a **weekend September 25, 2015**, call 800-470-2230, e-mail us at [retrouvailenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvailenc@msn.com), or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

*Rachel's Vineyard* is a weekend retreat for women and men to begin their healing journey. **The next retreat is September 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> in the Asheville area, and in the Charlotte area October 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.** For information, please contact Shelley Glanton at 828-230-4940/[sglan1234@aol.com](mailto:sglan1234@aol.com) or Jennifer Ganser at 336-209-2161/[jmganser@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmganser@charlottediocese.org), or visit: [rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org). Sponsored by the Respect Life Program, Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte.

**A Free Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course** (with intro.) will be offered in **Newton** at St. Joseph Catholic Church, **September 19th, from 1:00-5:00 p.m.** Topics to be covered include: Effectiveness of modern NFP methods, Health risks of popular contraceptives, Benefits of NFP - health, relational, and spiritual, Church teaching on marital sexuality, And how to use NFP. For more information, go to [ccdoc.org/nfp](http://ccdoc.org/nfp) or to RSVP, contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or [bnadcock@charlottediocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottediocese.org).

**Natural Family Planning: Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method:** A Natural Family Planning three class series will be taught for the **Fall, 2015: September 18th, October 23rd, and November 20<sup>th</sup>**. All classes are Saturdays from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. at the Hack home, in North Charlotte. Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Sign up on-line and purchase class materials at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Scholarships are available. Postpartum and Premenopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or [hackhouse@bellsouth.net](mailto:hackhouse@bellsouth.net).

## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

**Diocesan Anniversary Celebration:** If you are celebrating your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year, this is the last week to contact our church office if you wish to be included in the celebration. **The Mass will be held on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Mass begins at 2:00 p.m.** and will be followed by a reception. Names must be in this week, so don't delay, call today!

**St. Philip Neri Church in Fort Mill, SC currently has two job openings: Bulletin/Website Editor & Receptionist/ Assistant to Director of Faith Formation.** Please refer to the SPN website ([www.saintphilipneri.org](http://www.saintphilipneri.org)) for complete job descriptions that may be accessed through links positioned near the bottom of the homepage. Consideration will only be given to resumes that are electronically submitted to both [SPNJobOpenings@carolina.rr.com](mailto:SPNJobOpenings@carolina.rr.com) and [stphilipneri@comporium.net](mailto:stphilipneri@comporium.net).

**Charlotte Lay Dominicans:** You are invited to consider joining us on our journey to God in the footsteps of St. Dominic de Guzman as **lay Third Order members of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans)**. The Four Pillars of the Dominican Order are: Prayer, Study, Community, and Apostolate. Fr. Matthew Kauth is our Spiritual Advisor. We meet each month at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Charlotte. Visit our website for more information on the Dominican charism and how to contact us: [charlottelaydominicans.org](http://charlottelaydominicans.org).

**PRAISE BE TO YOU, MY LORD: Care for Our Common Home:** Join Fr. Pat Hoare for a reading and discussion group on the Holy Father's recent encyclical *Laudato Si!* Both a morning and an evening session will be offered to accommodate busy schedules! The discussion will occur in three parts: **September 17th: Chapters 3 and 4, September 24th: Chapters 5 and 6. The Morning Session will meet from 10:00-11:30 a.m. The evening session will meet from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Both sessions will meet in the Parish Hall of St. John Neumann Catholic Church.** It is recommended that you read the chapters for the week's discussion prior to the meeting time, if possible. Copies of the encyclical are available for purchase in the Parish Bookstore and through the Faith Formation office. All are welcome! Call Jennifer Noto, Communications Chair, St. John Neumann Catholic Church 704-507-8251.

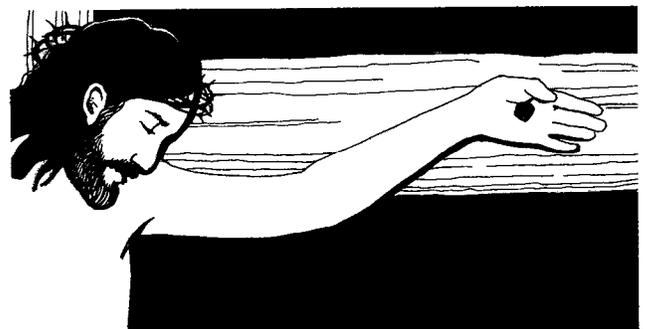
The **Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia in Nashville, TN**, are holding their next *Jesu Caritas Weekends* on **October 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>, and March 11-13, 2016.** Their next *Vocation Retreats* will be **January 6-10, 2016, and May 25-29, 2016.** For more information contact: Sr. Peter Marie at 615-256-0147 or [vocation@op-tn.org](mailto:vocation@op-tn.org).

**A Day of Reflection on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. James Catholic Church in Hamlet, NC.** Our Presenter is Sr. Mary Hugh Mauldin, RSM, MA. The title will be "God in My Life – My Life in God" The check-in begins at 10:00 a.m. The program begins at 10:30 a.m. Lunch is at 12:10 p.m. The afternoon session begins at 1:00 p.m. Cost: \$7 per person. Contact Sandra Breakfield, Program Director Elder Ministry at 704-370-3220 or email [sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org).

All Welcome to the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group** Fall Luncheon **tomorrow, Monday September 14th at St. Patrick Cathedral.** Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Reflection by Father Eckert and luncheon. Visit CCWG website: [www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org](http://www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org).

**Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Fr. Frank O'Rourke** will talk on "Keeping the Flame of Faith Alive in Our Hearts...Stories that Inspire". The cost is \$12 per person includes lunch. The checks are payable to Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte. Contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or email [sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org).

*MiraVia* (formerly *Room At The Inn*) a non-profit, Catholic maternity and after-care program, cordially invites you to attend its **21st Annual Fundraising Banquet, "Witness For Life," on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Crown Ball Room at the Charlotte Convention Center.** We welcome guest speaker, Austin Ruse, president of C-Fam (Center for Family & Human Rights), a participant in every major UN social policy debate since 1997 and ardent defender of the dignity of the human person. Our annual banquet generates about 30% of our operating funds for the year and helps us provide material and emotional assistance to pregnant mothers and children in need. Reserve your seat today at [www.miraviabanquet21.eventbrite.com](http://www.miraviabanquet21.eventbrite.com). For more information, to make reservations, or to host a table of eight to ten, please contact Danielle Mathis at [tmathis3@me.com](mailto:tmathis3@me.com) or [info@mira-via.org](mailto:info@mira-via.org) by **October 10, 2015. Reservations are free, but REQUIRED.**



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**REMINDERS**

**To book a room in the Allen Center,**  
call Savas Mallos at 704-523-4641 x233.

Please consider sharing your contact information with those who adore during your **Adoration hour**. If you can't make it, call the others to make sure someone is visiting Our Lord during that hour. *It is your responsibility to get a replacement when you will not be able to do your Adoration hour.*

**Please be respectful of everyone's property.** Watch carefully in the parking lot of people & cars. If you need assistance, come by the parish office. Thank you.

*There have been reports of car break-ins along Park Road. Lock your cars & put any items in your trunk.*

Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:







**IN OUR COMMUNITY**



**Need an attorney?** Michael J. Kitson, Attorney at Law. Practicing law in accord with Catholic Church teachings. 704-900-9985. Licensed in NC since 1996. St. Ann Parishioner;

Knight of Columbus, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

**Art Lessons:** Your child or teen's inner Picasso will come out as they learn the fundamental skills of visual art through the use of various mediums. Lessons are held in the home in an individual or group setting. Contact Juliette Lee at 704-604-7916 or [juliettelee@catholic.org](mailto:juliettelee@catholic.org) for more information.

**The Airport Chaplaincy at Charlotte Douglas Airport** offers two Masses on Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Held in the auditorium on the upper level of the main terminal above the Carolina Pit BBQ. *It is open 5:30 a.m.— 10:30 a.m.*

**A televised Sunday Mass** is now airing on ABC Family from **6:30-7:00 a.m. Sunday mornings**. Call 800-THE-MASS or [www.TheSundayMass.org](http://www.TheSundayMass.org).

If you are approached by a panhandler on the church campus, **please do not give them money**. Instead, direct them to the parish office for financial assistance. *We have the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need.* Thank you!

*I encourage you to be mindful of our Lord's presence whenever you are in the church. **Making sure to genuflect whenever you pass before the tabernacle, maintaining a prayerful silence in the church, dressing modestly & silencing cell phones are practices that we would all do well to follow—not simply out of respect for our Lord, but for the benefit of our fellow parishioners as well.***

**To All Parents with Infants & Small Children**

One of the most beautiful blessings of our Parish is that we have so many babies & small kids! While all children are most welcome in the church, please keep in mind that the acoustics in our church are excellent, which means that their voices carry. If your children cry or scream during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, please be sensitive to those around you by taking your child to one of our cry rooms. *The cry rooms are reserved for families with small children. Everyone else is requested to sit in the church.*

**To those in the Cry Rooms for Mass**

Please remember that these rooms are an extension of the church itself. Therefore, please be as reverent as possible during Mass. These rooms exist to help you train your children how to attend Mass properly; thus, they should not be used as play rooms. While everyone who uses the cry rooms expects them to be a bit noisier than the church, disruptive games or toys are better left at home. Moreover, conversations in the cry rooms should be kept to a minimum during Mass. *Thank you for your consideration.*

“We are pleased to announce that we now have outdoor speakers for those whose small children are too loud for even the cry rooms or narthex. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners if your children are making a lot of noise.”

As you come into the church, please keep in mind that we have several parishioners & visitors with walkers & canes that would like to sit in the back by the baptismal font so the walk from their cars is not too far! Make sure to lock your cars & trucks. Either keep your personal items with you in church or lock them in your trunk. *This is for your safety.*