



October 4, 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 align="center">Sunday Mass Schedule Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Mass in the Extraordinary Form: 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">Weekday Masses 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 align="center">Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">Reconciliation 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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Sunday 4th	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Cole Brown <i>by Andrea & David Miller</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Fr. Matthew Kauth <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	12 noon Respect Life Sunday 2:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) Life Chain (sidewalk on Park Road in front of Church)
Monday 5th		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 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room) Legion of Mary (Conference room)
Tuesday 6th	<i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m.</i>	10:00 a.m. Ceramics 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Hospitality meeting (Café) 7:00 p.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room) Mothering With Grace (Library)
Wednesday 7th	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i>	6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (Cafe) 7:00 p.m. Fidelis (Gym & Classrooms 1 & 2) Scouts CSS (Library)
Thursday 8th		10:00 a.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. Fraternalus (Gym)
Friday 9th		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)
Saturday 10th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. Intentions of Sharon & Gordon Reid's Anniversary <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	8:00 a.m. Carmelite (Church & Café, Scout room & Library, and Cry rooms) 9:00 a.m. Church in use Classrooms 1 & 2 in use
Sunday 11th	8:00 a.m. +Melvin Lejk <i>by the Lejk family</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Jamie Giesler <i>by Angela & Brian Williams</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)



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*Welcome to our parish family
Charles James Fields*



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*I: Kelly Hirschbeck-Michael Smalenberger
24th of October, 2015 1:30 p.m.*



Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday we discussed what is necessary for a marriage to be *valid* in the eyes of the Catholic Church. I also mentioned last Sunday that, generally speaking, Catholics are to marry other Catholics. While a Catholic can receive a dispensation from the local bishop to marry validly someone who is not baptized, such a marriage is not sacramental, but rather is considered a *natural* marriage (i.e., it flows from the *nature* of men and women). For a marriage to be sacramental, both spouses must be baptized. While not sacramental, a valid natural marriage is still a holy union that entails the mutual and permanent self-giving of the husband and wife for the procreative and unitive goods. Thus, the difference between a sacramental and a natural marriage is not in the degree of holiness, but rather the end toward which it is directed. Being transformed in Christ by baptism, a baptized husband and wife have as the ultimate goal of their marriage the attainment of salvation for themselves and their children rather than just purely natural ends. Interestingly, Holy Matrimony differs from the other 6 sacraments in that the Church's minister does not confer it upon the husband and wife, but rather the husband and wife confer the sacrament upon each other through their mutual consent.

While Catholics can (for good reasons) enter into natural rather than sacramental marriages, generally speaking, the law of the Church prohibits Catholics from marrying people who are not baptized. This is why a dispensation from that law from the local bishop is necessary for a Catholic to marry someone who has not been baptized. This law is in place to protect the faith of Catholics. Being married to someone who is not of the Catholic faith can pose a danger to the faith of a Catholic, especially if the non-Catholic spouse is in any way hostile to Catholicism. Therefore, due discretion must be exercised in those situations in which Catholics choose to marry someone who is not Catholic.

Because of the dignity of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, it's important that Catholic couples prepare well so that they might receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony worthily. Being properly prepared for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony means that in addition to being baptized and prepared to follow to the marriage laws of the Church, each spouse should have *rectitude of intention*. This means not being carried away by emotions, but rather entering into the sacrament with the requisite prudence and thoughtfulness. The spouses should each be in a state of grace on the day of their wedding, too. Thus it is a very good idea for engaged couples to go to confession shortly before their wedding. Holy Mother Church also strongly recommends that all those entering into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony be confirmed beforehand. Thus, every effort should be made for Catholics preparing for marriage to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation before their wedding. Lastly, Catholics entering into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony must be knowledgeable of the duties of married life in order to worthily partake of the Sacrament. These duties include being faithful to one another until death, to love and honor each other, and to care for the needs of any children born of the marriage.

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure

738 registered families

September 20, 2015	14,217.00
Weekly Budget:	14,938.46
YTD Total:	188,977.34
YTD Budget:	179,261.52
YTD Surplus/Deficit:	9,715.82

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www.StAnnCharlotte.org**



Our diocesan ministries will touch the lives of thousands of Catholics each year! If you have not yet made a gift, you can donate online at

www.charlottediocese.org/dsa or by returning the pledge form that you

received in the mail.

DSA 2015

DSA Goal:	84,180.35
Pledged:	89,917.00
Received:	78,412.00
Donors:	199

Our assessment for the Priest Retirement is

\$28,055.62. Those who were unable to give last week may still put a contribution in the regular collection any time. There are additional envelopes available in the parish office for those who did not receive one in the mail.

Priest Retirement:

Assessment:	28,055.62
Received:	23,615.82
Due:	4,439.80

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.

Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

- Tuesday, October 6th for Sunday, Oct. 11, 2015
- Tuesday, October 13th for Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015
- Tuesday, October 20th for Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015
- Tuesday, October 27th for Sunday, Nov. 1, 2015

Many thanks to everyone who helped make this year's carnival a great success! I am particularly grateful to our carnival committee, our sponsors, and all of our wonderful volunteers. While a bit wet, it was still a great day! **Fr. Reid.**

Check out our website: StAnnCharlotte.org, and go to the **prayers/devotion section under "Resources."** We encourage everyone to pray the **"Prayer for Religious Liberty"** with the recent attacks on our religious freedoms there are several prayers and novenas on the website.



"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other or be attentive to the one and despise

the other." (Luke 16:13)

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 **October 3rd-4th and October 17th-18th.**



October 4, 2015

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Your ideals can be perpetuated through an endowment in the name of a loved one, and have an everlasting effect on your own family as well as your parish family.

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 or 704-241-2577.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, "Let the children come to me...for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

This week, please help the St Vincent de Paul Society bring the love and mercy of Jesus to children who are hungry and cold.



Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.
-- Mark 10:14

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S



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. 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.

RCIA is Mondays 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.



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 if you plan to attend a meeting or have any questions. Go to www.motheringwithgrace.org for more details about the ministry of *MWG*.



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

The St. Ann's Parish **Fidelis** Chapter for young ladies ages 11-18. **Next meeting is Wednesday, October 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.** Contact Sr. Mary Raphael, srmaryraphael@gmail.com. To register email Mrs. Angela Williams, angiegirl67@yahoo.com. Registration is \$20 per family per year.

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, October 8th**. Contact Byron at byco43@yahoo.com for details.

Catholic Scriptures Study: *The Book of Isaiah*. Classes are on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** in the library in the Allen Center. Please contact Paula Schrum at 704-641-0365 or pbschrum@gmail.com.

Catholic Scripture Study: *The Book of Isaiah*. Classes are **Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. through 3:00 p.m. and it will run through May 17, 2016.** The If you are interested contact Heidi Clark, 704-504-5948 or email hclark12@carolina.rr.com.

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 **Our Study is Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. through Tuesday, April 12, 2016 and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. through April 14, 2016.** If you are interested, contact Heidi Clark, hclark12@carolina.rr.com, 704-504-5948.

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.**

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. *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

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.

St. Ann Cub Pack 162 meets every first & third **Wednesday's in the Allen Center café 6:30-7:30pm.** Join Scouts! For information call Walter Kurtz 704-301-8864 or email wtkurtz@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 & click on "find a sign up". Enter the email address: nuns@stjosephmonastery.com & click on the sign up link.

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 blclarell@gmail.com or by phone: 704-975-0242.

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@yahoogroups.com.

Conference for Mothers! All mothers are invited to attend the 2nd annual *Mothering With Grace* Conference! Come experience renewal in your vocation through inspiring talks, prayer, and Holy Mass! Featuring author Rachel Balducci with Sr. Gertrude Gillette, OSB, and celebrant Fr. Matthew Kauth. **Saturday, November 7th, 8:15 a.m.-4:30 p.m.** here at **St. Ann Catholic Church**; vendors open until 6:00 p.m. Admission \$40 (includes lunch). Advance registration required; infants welcome. First 100 Registrants receive a swag bag of free gifts! Visit www.motheringwithgrace.org to reserve your seat

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 or call Nancy Picciola 803-389-5530.



The Right Perspective: Father Mitch is a priest of the

Society of Jesus, a highly respected scripture scholar and author, a regular host of EWTN Television and Radio, and the founder and president of Ignatius Productions—a catholic teaching and media apostolate. Listen as Fr. Pacwa describes the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith while explaining the perspective that Catholics ought to have in their relation to and with God. 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 & enter St. Ann's Promo Code: **33769** to give St. Ann's credit.**

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Group liaison is Katherine Lauer. To contact Katherine for information on Home School katherinetlauer@gmail.com or 704-898-7323.

Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools welcomes interested parents and students to attend the Admission Open Houses for the 2016-2017 school year. Please call the MACS Admissions Office at 704-370-3273 or visit

www.macs-schools.com for additional information. No RSVP is required to attend the Open Houses!

MACS Elementary Schools hold Open House at each individual campus at the following times: **Sunday, October 11th from 1:30-3:30 p.m. & Tuesday, October 13th from 9:00 a.m.-12noon**

- Saint Matthew Catholic School (TK-5) at 11525 Elm Lane
- Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School (PK-8) at 4225 Shamrock Drive
- Saint Ann Catholic School (PK, TK-5) at 600 Hillside Avenue
- Saint Gabriel Catholic School (K-5) at 3028 Providence Road
- Saint Patrick Catholic School (K-5) at 1125 Buchanan Street
- Saint Mark Catholic School (K-8) at 14750 Stumptown Road, Huntersville

Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School (6-8): Sunday, October 18th from 1:30-3:30 p.m. & Tuesday, October 20th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at 3100 Park Road.

Charlotte Catholic High School (9-12): Sunday, October 25th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road.

Christ the King Catholic High School (9-12): Sunday, October 11th from 2:00-4:00p.m. at 2011 Crusader Way, Huntersville.

*Let the children
come to me.*



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MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Pray for ...

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Our parishioners:

Pauline W. Williams,
Patricia Phillips, Ben
Conrad, Larry
Guethlein, Helen

Norton, Rocco Patane,

Kathy & Dave Graves. *Our friends & family:* Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Bryan Williams, Jennifer Arnold & Mary Regester (friends of Nancy Tota), Marlowe Regan (niece) & Marsha Bergmann (sister-in-law of Maryann & Ben Conrad), Tom Storer, Josh Duncan, Sara Lathan (neighbor to Robina & Bart Walker), Joel Rivera, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), and Frank Tamplin, Yolanda & Hector Viscarra (parents of Susy Langlinais), 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 souls of:* Paul Kreeb, parishioner, who died September 17th, Michael McGreevy, parishioner, who died September 20th, , and Susan Donaldson, sister of Kevin Kennelly who died September 24th.

Pilgrimage of Mercy: Tour of the Major Relics of St. Maria Goretti from September to November of this year the major relics of St. Maria Goretti will make a pilgrimage to the United States in preparation for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy that begins on December 8, 2015. While St. Maria Goretti is universally known as the Patroness of Purity, her greatest virtue was her unyielding forgiveness of her attacker even in the midst of horrendous physical suffering, a forgiveness that would completely convert him and set him on a path to personal holiness. This visit of the major relics of St. Maria Goretti is an effort on the part of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints and Treasures of the Church (www.TreasuresOfTheChurch.com) to prepare and catechize the United States for this great celebration of mercy in the life of the church. **The schedule is: Friday, October 23rd Our Lady of Grace Greensboro, NC (www.olgchurch.org). Saturday, October 24th and Sunday, October 25th St. Thomas Aquinas parish, Charlotte, NC (www.stacharlotte.com). Admission is Free.** More information can be found at: www.MariaGoretti.com, Facebook: www.facebook.com/MariaGorettiUSA, and Twitter @GorettiUsa. *Like, Share and spread the word.*

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.**

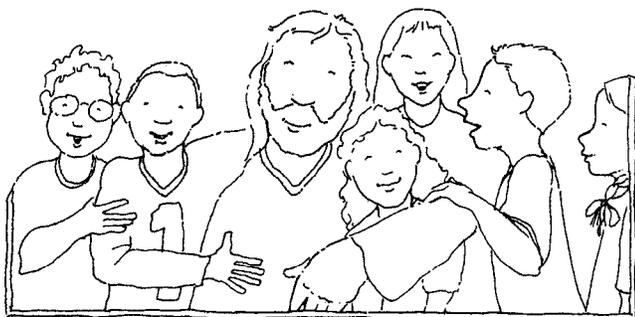
Are you a **college student**? The **parent of a college student**? There are Catholic Campus Ministry programs at over ten colleges in our diocese. Check out www.catholicconcampus.com to see what's available. Feel free to contact Sister Eileen Spanier, GNSH, and the campus minister for the Charlotte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

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, & Barcelona. Departures from Charlotte from \$3699/person. For a brochure, go to: www.StAnnCharlotte.org or contact parish office at 704-523-4641, ext. 221, or stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org.



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MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.” Let your marriage be filled with joy. Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew 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 or 704-315-2144.

Married Couples: Teams of Our Lady
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.

Marriage Help: Do you feel lost, alone, or bored in your marriage? **Retrouvaille** can help, as it has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment in their marriage. For confidential information call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242, e-mail us at retrouvaille@msn.com, or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

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

A Free Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course (with intro.) 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 or to RSVP, contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or 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: October 23rd, and November 20th**. 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. 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.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Catholic Charities invites you to attend *“From Stewardship of Our Local Catawba River to a Justice Vision of Global Fresh Water Usage”* taking place at **St. Peter Catholic Church on tomorrow evening, October 5th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Event speakers are Matthew Burkhart of Catholic Relief Services, and Sam Perkins of Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation. While this event is free, notification of your plan to attend is requested. Please call 704-370-3225 or email jtpurello@charlottedioocese.org.

A Day of Reflection on Tuesday, November 3rd 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 sabreakfield@charlottedioocese.org.

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.

Tuesday, October 15th 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 sabreakfield@charlottedioocese.org.

Get Your Tickets Now! Thomas International Center invites you to the Third annual *Spirit of St Nicholas Ball* with this year’s special keynote speaker **His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke** Morning Panel Discussion at 9:30 on Saturday, **December 5, 2015. The Natural Moral Law, the Church & the World Today** Come, be a part of this historic event! **Registration & ticket information:** call 919-395-5990 or

The **Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia in Nashville, TN**, are holding their next *Jesu Caritas Weekends* on **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.



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) 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 and stphilipneri@comporium.net.

Coming soon! **Jason Moon on Saturday, November 7th at 7:30 p.m. at St. John Neumann** for more details check out www.jasonmoon.org.

St. John Neumann will host a retreat on Saturday, November 14th with Father Jacques Philippe. The retreat, “Time for God” will open with Mass at 9:00 a.m. And feature several talks from Father Philippe. The cost of the retreat is \$15 and includes lunch. In addition, Father Philippe will preach during the parish’s annual Forty Hours Devotion, November 15th-17th, focusing on the theme “Living Under the Gaze of God.” For more information on the retreat or to register, visit http://4sjnc.org/2015_parity_retreat.

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE <https://40daysforlife.com/>, **is now through November 1st.** Check out the 40 Days for Life website for more details: <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/charlotte/>

St. Ann’s will be participating in the **National Life Chain: TODAY, October 4th from 2:00-3:00 p.m.**

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 22nd 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. For more information, to make reservations, or to host a table of eight to ten, please contact Danielle Mathis at tmathis3@me.com or info@mira-via.org by **October 10, 2015. Reservations are free, but REQUIRED.**

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.

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Knight of Columbus, 4th 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 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.

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.*