



ST. ANN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 11, 2015



St. Ann Catholic Church • 3635 Park Road • Charlotte, NC 28209 • 704-523-4641
StAnnCharlotte.org • Fax 704-527-8671 • stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org

Pastor.....	Rev. Timothy S. Reid	704-523-4641 x222
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Thomas Sanctis	704-523-4641 x223
Pastoral Associate	Sister Judy Monahan, SSJ	704-521-9589
Liturgical Ministries.....	Carol Kuhn	704-527-5277
Bookkeeper	Terry Alderman	704-523-4641 x224
Facilities/Scheduling/Maintenance Supervisor	Savas Mallos	704-523-4641 x233
Parish Secretary.....	Marcy Rothe	704-523-4641 x221
Music	Terese Rowe	704-599-5725
Hispanic Ministries/Ministerios Hispanos.....	Robin Davis	704-523-4641

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>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>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>Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.</p>
--	---	--	--

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN		
+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
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>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)
Monday 12th <i>Columbus Day</i>	9:00 a.m. +Michael Kitson <i>by the Kitson family</i> <i>Celebrant: Fr. Hanson</i>	Parish Office Closed
Tuesday 13th	7:00 a.m. +Deceased members of the Donald Shoemaker family <i>by Virginia Doman</i> <i>Celebrant: Fr. Hanson</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m.</i>	10:00 a.m. Ceramics 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room)
Wednesday 14th	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> 6:00 p.m. Latin +John Davis Capen <i>by Carol Zella</i>	6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (Cafe) 7:00 p.m. Fidelis (Gym & Classrooms 1 & 2) Scouts St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting (Conference room) Legion of Mary meeting (Cafe) CSS (Library)
Thursday 15th	7:00 a.m. +Joseph Nguyen <i>by the Nguyen family</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	10:00 a.m. The Bible Timeline (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. Fraternus (Gym & Church) Teams of Our Lady meeting (Classrooms 1 & 2)
Friday 16th	8:30 a.m. Intentions of Gayle Misner <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	9:00 a.m. Home school (All rooms) Both Cry Rooms in Church in use 9:30 a.m. Conference room in use 10:00 a.m. Ceramics 12:30 p.m. Children’s Prayer time (Chapel)
Saturday 17th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Dorothy Storer <i>by the Tran-Nguyen family</i>	9:00 a.m. Ceramics Classrooms 1 & 2 in use Conference room, Library & Scout room in use 10:00 a.m. Church in use 1:00 p.m. All rooms in use 2:00 p.m. Church in use 6:30 p.m. Church in use
Sunday 18th	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Allen Lund <i>by Suzanne & Mike Terry & boys</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Jim Beckert <i>by the Beckert family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) 10:00 a.m. Cafe, Library, Scout room & Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 11:30 a.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Kitchen in use Church in use Cafe in use 5:00 p.m. Gaudium Musicae Concert (Church)

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother. – St. Teresa of Lisieux



Dear Parishioners,

The 6th season of our *Gaudium Musicae* concert series begins next **Sunday, October 18, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.** with *East Carolina University's Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival* touring ensemble, *ECU Next Gen on the Road*. This ensemble features world-class cellist Raman Ramakrishnan as guest artist along with ECU faculty, student, and alumni instrumentalists, as well as select members of the Charlotte Youth Orchestra. As always concertgoers will have an opportunity to meet the performers at the reception following this full-length concert, generously provided by **Fiamma Restaurant** and **Famous Toastery of Dilworth** (formerly Toast). Our second concert of the season will take place on **Sunday, November 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.** when *Opera Carolina* showcases the vocal talents of their Resident Artists in a recital of arias, duets, trios, and more from some of opera's best-known works.

Gaudium Musicae has been a blessing both to our parish and to the local community over the past 5 years. We've had some very wonderful performers grace us with their talents, and each concert has concluded with a lovely reception that gives us a chance to mingle with the artists. I am so very grateful to all who have helped make the concerts a success, and to all of you who faithfully attend them. I certainly hope that many more of you will make the time to come to at least one of our concerts this season. You can find information about each concert as well as purchase tickets by visiting the Gaudium Musicae section of our website: <http://www.stanncharlotte.org/gaudium-musicae-2/>

Once again we've got a great line-up of musical artists for our four concerts, but we are looking for sponsors to help cover the costs of the artists and the receptions that we will host after each concert. If you are willing be a concert sponsor, please contact me directly. Our goal is to generate at least four \$250 sponsors for each concert. Also, if you know of any businesses that might be willing to help sponsor our receptions (e.g., restaurants or food/wine distributors), please let me know. Every sponsorship helps! Of course the easiest way to support the concert series is simply by attending! So please come and enjoy the great music and reception!

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is stylized and includes a large, looped flourish at the end.

Fr. Reid

Fr. Reid's homilies (audio & PDF) & the bulletins are posted on the website: www.StAnnCharlotte.org

Your Stewardship of Treasure

738 registered families

September 27, 2015	14,494.25
Weekly Budget:	14,938.46
YTD Total:	203,471.59
YTD Budget:	194,199.98
YTD Surplus/Deficit:	9,271.61



Pay It Forward With Hope,
Give Back With Gratitude

As we approach the end of the year, and the end of the 2015 DSA campaign, we would like to thank those parishioners who made donations to the DSA to help us reach our assessed goal. If you have an outstanding pledge balance, we urge you to continue making payments on your pledge to support these worthy ministries and to help our parish reach our goal. If you haven't done so already, it is not too late to make a contribution to this year's DSA. 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:	78,877.00
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:	25,221.82
Due:	2,833.80

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 13th for Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015
- Tuesday, October 20th for Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015
- Tuesday, October 27th for Sunday, Nov. 1, 2015
- Tuesday, November 3rd for Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015



*Altar flowers this weekend
are in memory of
Melvin Lejk
donated by the Lejk family*

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.



Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of

thanking God for all His blessings by returning to Him a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

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 17th-18th, November 7th-8th, and November 21st-22nd.**

October 11, 2015

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Where there's a will, there's a way to help our parish through a bequest gift as part of your estate.



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

Give Electronically at
www.StAnnCharlotte.org

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then, come follow me." Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the St Vincent de Paul Society?



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 **next**

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.

Coming Soon: Estate Planning Seminar: Do you want to:

- Coordinate estate planning within your overall financial plan?
- Provide security for your family and loved ones?
- Remember loved ones in a tangible way?
- Designate who will manage your estate?
- Reduce estate taxes and administrative expenses?

A properly drawn Will is one of the most important documents you will ever sign. St. Ann's Parish will sponsor an Estate Planning Seminar on **Thursday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms 1 & 2.** St. Ann's parishioner and attorney, Ryan Monk, will facilitate this seminar along with Judy Smith, Charlotte Diocese Planned Giving Director. **The Seminar is free but registration is required to reserve your take home packet of materials.** Contact Paul Schmidt at paulschmidt1976@gmail.com to reserve your



Welcome to our parish family

*Evan Charles Smith
Adeline Joan Margaret Nunn*



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

The St. Ann's Parish **Fidelis** Chapter for young ladies ages 11-18. **Next meeting is Wednesday, October 14th 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 15th.** 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.



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, 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*. **Please stop by our table after**

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.*

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

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 Eve Smith by email evesmith1974@yahoo.com or by phone: 704-280-4850. **This week our group will meet Wednesday, October 14th in the cafeteria.**

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 have them call the parish office.

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.

Ceramics is open **Tuesdays & Fridays at 10:00 a.m. and Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.** All are invited to come. Lots of molds available! It's time to think about making Christmas gifts: a Nativity set, statues, and more molds are available in our ceramic room. Stop by & check out our selections.



Lighthouse Catholic Media: Our Beautiful End: Exploring the

Timeless Mystery of Heaven. The son of a Protestant minister, Matthew Leonard is now an internationally known Catholic speaker, author, and the Executive Director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. In this presentation, Matthew discusses the nature and role of beauty in life, particularly how it sheds light on the nature of God and assists us in achieving our glorious end, which is heaven itself. Your \$3 donation per CD will help to bring in more of these great talks on the Beauty of the Catholic Faith. **Go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub & enter St. Ann's Promo Code: 33769 to give St. Ann's credit.**

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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.**

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

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.

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.

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: **today, 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.



Our parishioners: Jenny Roe, 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 Register (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 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.

Homeless Ministry: News Flash! Expansion of Mission – Blessed! During their most recent meeting, Parish Council reviewed and gave their blessing to an “expansion of mission” proposal. In support of the **Men's Shelter of Charlotte (Statesville campus)**, one team of volunteers will prepare and cook and another team will set up and serve dinner for 110 men whenever a 5th Sunday occurs in any month. The Statesville campus serves as a year-round emergency shelter open from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Critical to the success of meeting the shelter's needs is the identification of co-chairs to lead this outreach. One veteran volunteer has already expressed interest in serving as a co-chair. **The launch date is January 31, 2016.**

The ability to grow such corporal works of mercy is a direct result of the recent stewardship campaign. New volunteers swelled the current roster to the point where the Holy Spirit led the Ministry's co-chairs to consider prayerfully the possibility of adding a new mission.

St. Ann's is a tithing parish. Your support of the weekly Offertory and quarterly Home Missions collections allows the Homeless Ministry currently to lend substantial assistance to four agencies which address the needs of distinct homeless populations across Charlotte: The Salvation Army's Center of Hope Women & Children's Shelter, the Men's Shelter of Charlotte (Tryon campus), Samaritan House and Room In The Inn (in ecumenical fellowship with St. Luke's Lutheran Church).

With your continued prayer-filled stewardship, the Homeless Ministry can now carry your care and concern to our brothers in Christ sheltering at the Statesville campus. And, returning from that mission, we will bring back the warmth of their gratitude, blessings and prayers to St. Ann's.

St. Ann, beneficent mother of the mother of God, pray for us. St. Ann, loving patroness of our parish, intercede for us. St. Ann, most excellent example of motherhood, shelter.

Pro-Life Ministry

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

Thank you to all who participated in the National Life Chain this past Sunday, whether it was standing in public holding signs on Park Road or praying silently from other locations! After the threatening forecasts, God provided a dry afternoon! Thanks again for standing up for life!

Questions about the St. Ann's Pro-Life Ministry, contact Andy Zorichak at azorichak@yahoo.com.

 **40 Days for Life Campaign**, <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/>

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**.



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.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

In today's gospel Jesus challenges us to live as God calls us to, not the world. Have you allowed the world's way to detract from your marriage? **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.

Conflict in your marriage? Is your marriage cold or filled with stress? **Retrouvaille** is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even talk with their spouse. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242, e-mail us at retrouvailleenc@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. 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

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.*

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 Catholic Women’s Group (CCWG) invites all women of St. Ann’s to the October Morning Reflection on **Monday, October 12th at 9:00 am - 11:30 am** at St. Vincent de Paul Church located at 6828 Old Reid Rd, Charlotte, 28210. Mass begins at 9:00 AM, followed by fellowship and reflection at the Activity Center. Our Guest Speaker is Father Patrick Hoare, pastor of St. John Neumann Church in Charlotte. Register on the website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org.

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.

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_parish_retreat.

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 marychobbs@gmail.com.

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.

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.

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.

REMINDERS

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

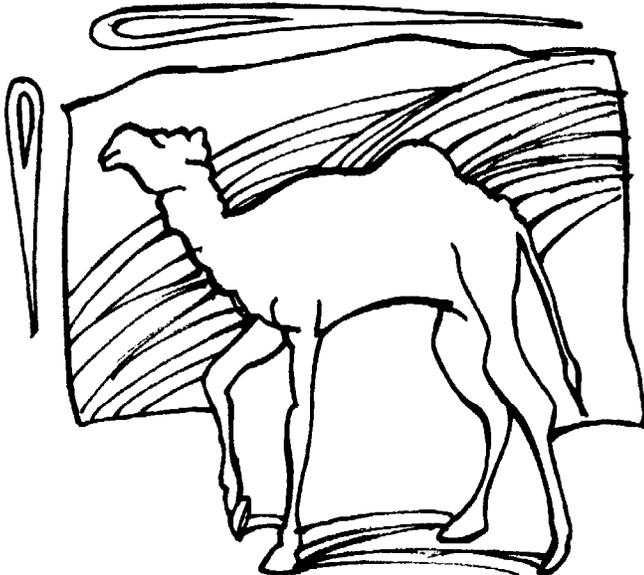
Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:



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.*

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.*

“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.”



© J. S. Patuch Co., Inc.

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.*

IN OUR COMMUNITY

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.