



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 24, 2016



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**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.

### Liturgical Schedule

*(Changes in the schedule noted inside)*

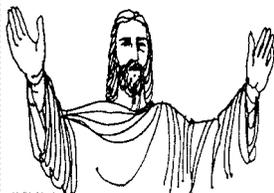
*Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Closed 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. for lunch.*

### Parish Office Hours

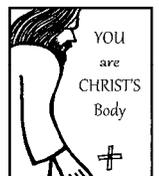
<p><b>Sunday Mass Schedule</b> Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; <b>Mass in the Extraordinary Form:</b> 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Weekday Masses</b> Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) Friday: 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Adoration</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 24th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Carolyn Finegan <i>by Lucie &amp; Peter Tonon</i> <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Helen Nobers <i>by Cynthia &amp; John Nobers</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)
<b>Monday 25th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of SueAnn Howell <i>by Deborah DiPaulo</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 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room)   Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 26th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Sister Judy <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (chapel)</i>	1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Café in use 6:30 p.m. Conference room in use 7:00 p.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room)   Library in use
<b>Wednesday 27th</b>	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> <i>Holy Hour</i> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> For St. Ann benefactors & their loved ones	7:00 p.m. Scouts   CSS (Library)   Fidelis (Gym & Classrooms 1 & 2)
<b>Thursday 28th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Katherine & Christopher Lauer's Anniversary <b>5:30 p.m.</b> <i>Confessions</i>	10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Choir/Schola (Church) 6:30 p.m. Consoling the Heart of Jesus Mercy Retreat (Classrooms 1 & 2) 7:00 p.m. Fraternus (Gym)
<b>Friday 29th</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> Private Intentions <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	8:30 a.m. Home school (All rooms & Cry rooms) 12:30 p.m. Chapel in use 4:00 p.m. Café in use
<b>Saturday 30th</b>	<b>3:00 p.m.</b> <i>Confessions</i> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Intentions of Emmett & Susan Sapp's Anniversary <i>by the Sapp family</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) Dinner at Hawthorne's (4100 Carmel Rd., 28226)
<b>Sunday 31st</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Felicity & Dorothy <i>by the Rothe family</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +James Galimberti <i>by Allen Tate Realtors</i> <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Our parish family	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)



*“In the Name and Spirit of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent, and our material gifts as an outward sign of the Treasure we hold in Jesus.”*





Dear Parishioners,

This week Holy Mother Church celebrates the feast of one of her most important saints: **St. Thomas Aquinas**, who is featured in our mural. In addition to being the patron of universities and students, St. Thomas is known for his purity and chastity. Thus, he is a powerful patron for those suffering from any sexual temptation. One very particular way to enjoy his protection against the sins of the flesh is by being a member of the **Angelic Warfare Confraternity**. The Angelic Warfare Confraternity is a supernatural fellowship of men and women bound to one another in love and dedicated to pursuing and promoting chastity together under the powerful patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas and the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Confraternity's origins can be traced back to the 15<sup>th</sup> century, and Pope Benedict XII officially founded it for the whole Church in 1727. While the Angelic Warfare Confraternity is one of

the ancient Confraternities of the Dominican Order, it is open all Catholics who are baptized, confirmed, and in full communion with the Catholic Church. For those of you who are interested in becoming a member of the Confraternity, I encourage you to read about it on-line at:

[www.angelicwarfareconfraternity.org](http://www.angelicwarfareconfraternity.org).

As we've done for the past three years, I am planning to have an enrollment ceremony on Monday, 07 March 2016, which is St. Thomas' original feast day, immediately after the 7 a.m. Mass. I will also do an enrollment ceremony on Saturday, 05 March 2016 after the 4:30 p.m. Mass, and Sunday 06 March 2016 after the 12:30 p.m. Mass. If you'd like to become a member of the Confraternity, please call the office and let us know as we have to order enrollment packets. The cost of the enrollment is \$10.

I am grateful to all of you who supported our latest **Gaudium Musicae concert** Friday night. Our final concert of the season will be Sunday, 28 February 2016, at 4 p.m. It will feature *The University of North Carolina School of the Arts Chamber Music Institute*, who will provide an exciting concert of traditional and contemporary works performed by faculty and student musicians. Please join us! More information can be found on our website.

Also, do not forget that our **parish mission** will soon be upon us! Fr. Wolfgang Seitze of *Opus Sanctorum Angelorum* ("Work of the Holy Angels") will be giving us a mission on the angels, our Lady, and the Cross! The mission will take place **Sunday, 14 February 2016 – Wednesday, 17 February 2016**. All talks will be at 7 p.m. Confessions will be available each night except Wednesday.

Lastly, just as a reminder from last Sunday's homily on the Holy Door indulgence available to us during this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the requirements for receiving the indulgence are: 1) Visit the Holy Doors at St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Pius X in Greensboro, or the Basilica of St. Lawrence in Asheville with a desire for true conversion; 2) have complete detachment from any inclination to sin; 3) go to confession within 20 days of the visit; 4) receive Holy Communion; 5) pray for the intentions of the Holy Father (usually 1 Our Father and 1 Hail Mary); 6) pray the *Credo* and do a reflection on mercy while at the church (e.g., praying the *Chaplet of Divine Mercy*).

In Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
728 registered families

<b>January 10, 2016</b>	<b>35,430.63</b>
Weekly Budget:	14,938.46
YTD Total:	461,499.01
YTD Budget:	418,276.88
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>	<b>43,222.13</b>

**Give Electronically at**  
**www.StAnnCharlotte.org**



*As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to the Diocesan Support Appeal as a way of saying thank you to the Lord. God will never be outdone in generosity.*

**DSA 2015**

DSA Goal:	84,180.35
Pledged:	93,506.50
Received:	89,095.24
Donors:	207

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

Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish and our school? These funds, established in 1999 for the parish and 2000 for the school, are for the general and pastoral needs of our parish and school and were established through the generosity of donors in our parish. If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds and 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).



*January 24, 2016*  
*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*As Christian stewards, we share the responsibility for making our Church a true community of faith and a vibrant source of service to the larger community. This includes providing financial support for today's needs and building a solid foundation for tomorrow. For more information visit our website at [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving) and follow the link to planned giving.*

Check out our website: [StAnnCharlotte.org](http://StAnnCharlotte.org), and go to the **prayers/devotion section under "Resources."** Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we are 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 not about the needs of the church. Rather, it is about our desire to give back to God in gratitude, by sharing the gifts He has bestowed on us.*

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month: The next collection is the weekend of **February 6th-7th and February 20th-21st and March 5th-6th and March 19th-20th.**

**Stewardship Appreciation!**

The parishes wishes to recognize and thank all those who completed and renewed Stewardship in 2015. Watch for more details for 2016!



*In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." Consider answering the call to "bring glad tidings to the poor" by joining the St Vincent de Paul Society.*

**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**

- Tuesday, Jan. 26th for Sunday, January 31, 2016
- Tuesday, Feb. 2nd for Sunday, February 7, 2016
- Tuesday, Feb. 9th for Sunday, February 14, 2016
- Tuesday, Feb. 16th for Sunday, February 21, 2016

Online resources available to every member of our parish through a new program called **Formed**. This website includes a variety of free resources, including books, movies, podcasts, etc. for people of all ages. Go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click on "Find Out More" at the bottom of the homepage. Enter **Our parish code: Y6ZQ8M**, to get access to the resources. Call the parish office with questions. Once you've logged in, create your personal profile and access the programs. Our parish is paying an annual fee for this service, so please make use of this terrific resource!

## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S



"Feed yourselves and Feed the homeless." Hawthorne's Pizza, 4100 Carmel Rd, 28226, is having **St. Ann's Saturday** the last

Saturday of every month beginning **Saturday, January 30th**. All parishioners, please have dinner at Hawthorne's on the 30th, tell your server you are from St. Ann Catholic Church and the parish receives 15% of the sales. All proceeds will support our Homeless Ministry at St. Ann's.

**Men's Club is starting the grill up for the Wings and Ribs.** The insert in today's bulletin needs to be returned by **next weekend, January 30th-31st**. NOTE: The Men's Club needs some extra hands. Volunteers contact Jaime McCabe at [sentryus@live.com](mailto:sentryus@live.com) or John Heckmueller at [johnnyheck@hotmail.com](mailto:johnnyheck@hotmail.com).

**St. Ann's Annual Attic & Bake Sale will be Saturday, February 6, 2016, Super Bowl Saturday.** We accept clean used and/or new clothing, shoes, house wares, toys, linen, furniture, yard items, electronics, computers, books and any other items you want to get rid of. We cannot accept large TV's. **We need volunteers starting around 3:00 p.m. on Friday, February 5th to help set up the cafeteria, price items and on Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to help cashier and carry out items.** Middle and High School age kids can get service hours by helping us. We need bakers to bake items for the Bake Sale. Questions, call Lorelle Grant at 704-357-0732 or email [lorellegrant@gmail.com](mailto:lorellegrant@gmail.com).

**NEW** this year we have a storage container for *early* drop off Attic Sale items. The container is in the parking lot behind the Activity Center (Poor Clares parking lot). If you *need* to drop off items early, please call the parish office for instructions on accessing the container. Or call Lorelle Grant at 704-357-0732 or email her at [lorellegrant@gmail.com](mailto:lorellegrant@gmail.com).



The *Gaudium Musicae* concert series concludes **Sunday, February 28, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.** with *The University of North Carolina School*

*of the Arts Chamber Music Institute* for an exciting concert of traditional and contemporary works performed by faculty and student musicians. Advance tickets can be purchased online at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org) at the regular *Gaudium Musicae* concert rate \$12 for adults, \$8 for students and \$30 for families per concert. Children 12 years old and under are free. As part of our parish stewardship, please consider helping out. *Sponsors and volunteers are needed!* If you would like to offer a monetary gift OR an in-kind donation of food for the party, contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information.

Candles will be blessed at the **7:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, February 2nd**. If you wish to have your candles blessed please bring them to Mass on Tuesday, February 2nd at 7:00 a.m.



**First Tuesday of each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the Allen Center library (2nd floor). Childcare is not available, but infants are

always welcome. Our next meetings are **Tuesday, February 2nd and March 1st**. Email Frances Liberto or April Buehler at [stannMWG@gmail.com](mailto:stannMWG@gmail.com). Go to [www.motheringwithgrace.org](http://www.motheringwithgrace.org) for more details about the ministry of *MWG*.

Mark your calendars! **Parish Lenten Mission February 14th-17th, 2016.**

Preached by: Opus Sanctorum Angelorum

Mark your calendars for our next **Red Cross Blood Drive! March 13th beginning at 8:00 a.m.**

**Lenten Pilgrimage:** Come get away for a short while and spend time with our Lord and other fellow parishioners as we travel to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. **Mark your calendars for March 14-15-16.** Details and sign up information will be in next week's bulletin and on the website. Space is limited.

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, March 19th the St. Ann's Saturday Service Day, 8:00 a.m.-12 noon.** The sign-up genius will be out soon. Watch of more details.

Save Theses Dates! **St Ann Summer Catechesis 2016 will be held June 13th-June 17th.** More information to follow!

Mark your calendars: **St. Ann's Carnival will be Saturday, September 24th!** Details to follow!

All St. Ann's parish members are invited to a *Legion of Mary sponsored Pre-Lenten Silent Retreat* on Saturday, February 6th at 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This will be a day of reflection, lectures, confession, and adoration held at St Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church, 818 McGowan Rd., Shelby, NC. RSVP by Friday, January 29th via email to Eve Smith at [evesmith1974@yahoo.com](mailto:evesmith1974@yahoo.com) or call 704-280-4850.

## 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.*

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

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

**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](mailto:pbschrum@gmail.com).

**Babysitting** will be offered the last Thursday of each month during confession times from **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).

**Cub Scout Pack 162 meets every first and third Wednesday's in the Allen Center café 6:30-7:30 p.m.** Join Scouts! For information call Walter Kurtz 704-301-8864 or email [wtkurtz@gmail.com](mailto:wtkurtz@gmail.com).

**Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ:** Our Blessed Mother wants active and 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. **Our Lady of Fatima praesidium meets Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center.** Contact Eve Smith email [evesmith1974@yahoo.com](mailto:evesmith1974@yahoo.com) or phone: 704-280-4850.

**IN NEED OF PRAYER?** St. Ann's Prayer Group consists of 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.

**RCIA classes are on 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 have them call the parish office.

**Fidelis,** young ladies ages 11-18, meets **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the gym and classrooms 1 and 2.** Contact Sr. Mary Raphael, [srmaryraphael@gmail.com](mailto:srmaryraphael@gmail.com) for information. To register contact Mrs. Angela Williams, [angiegirl67@yahoo.com](mailto:angiegirl67@yahoo.com).

**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. Contact Byron at [byco43@yahoo.com](mailto:byco43@yahoo.com) for information.

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

**Ceramics will be closed until January 30th.**

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

**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 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](mailto:hclark12@carolina.rr.com), 704-504-5948.

The **Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat** is a 10 week retreat, using Father Michael Gaitley's DVD presentations, retreat book and materials and is offered **now through March 10th on Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in classrooms 1 and 2.** The materials are on the [formed.org](http://formed.org). Please contact Heidi Clark at [hclark12@carolina.rr.com](mailto:hclark12@carolina.rr.com), 704-504-5948 or Eve Smith [evesmith1974@yahoo.com](mailto:evesmith1974@yahoo.com) with any questions.

**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](mailto:holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

## LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the Week of January 24th through January 31st

January 24th	Septuagesima Sunday - 2nd class
January 25th	Conversion of St. Paul - 3rd class
January 26th	St. Polycarp - 3rd class
January 27th	St. John Chrysostom - 3rd class
January 28th	St. Peter Nolasco - 3rd class
January 29th	St. Francis de Sales - 3rd class
January 30th	St. Martina - 3rd class
January 31st	Sexagesima Sunday - 2nd class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at 12:30 pm, Wednesdays at 6 pm, and on select feast days. The Latin Mass has a different liturgical calendar and readings than the Novus Ordo (English) Mass. Any Mass schedule changes will be listed on Page 2 of the bulletin.

### Latin Mass Q&A:

What do the Classes in the above calendar mean? The Class is the level of importance or solemnity (1st-4th) associated with that day's Saint or commemoration. A 1st Class Feast Day are some Sundays and major solemnities or feasts like Christmas, or the Immaculate Conception, etc. Questions? E-mail [charlottelatinmasscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:charlottelatinmasscommunity@gmail.com).

## YOUNG ADULTS

**Diocese of Charlotte Young Adult Ministry.** 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. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter please contact Mary Wright, Director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry, Diocese of Charlotte.

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



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*Our parishioners:*  
Sarah Miller, Patricia Phillips, Ben Conrad, Larry Guethlein, Helen Norton, Rocco Patane, Kathy and

Dave Graves.

*Our friends and family:* Ron York (brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Bryan Williams, Jennifer Arnold and Mary Register (friends of Nancy Tota), Marlowe Regan (niece) and Marsha Bergmann (sister-in-law of Maryann and Ben Conrad), Tom Storer, Josh Duncan, Sara Lathan (neighbor to Robina and Bart Walker), Joel Rivera, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), and Frank Tamplin, Yolanda and Hector Viscarra (parents of Susy Langlinais), and Mark Weems (part of the Irish group coming in January).

*Incarcerated:* Adele Ceouse.

*Our servicemen and servicewomen:* Lance Corporal Joseph Fanning USMC and PFC John Michael Fanning USMC, and Lt. Grace Carlson, USN. Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC.



**Lectio Divina:** In this informative presentation, Dr. Tim Gray, Augustine Institute President, shares how *Lectio Divina* enables you to enter into a dialogue with God. This prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture is a proven means to encounter God in daily life and will benefit those new to prayer and the more experienced alike. 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](http://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub) and enter code: **33769**.

Do you love Jesus? Do you want to learn how to love Him more deeply? Do you want Him to transform your life and the lives of your family and 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.**

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

## 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.

**The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS)** are accepting applications for new students for the 2016-17 school year at all schools and for all grades. **The Early Admission Round ends and January 31<sup>st</sup> for PreK-8<sup>th</sup> grade applicants.** Please visit the MACS website at [www.macs-schools.com/macs/admissions/applications](http://www.macs-schools.com/macs/admissions/applications) for applications and more admissions information. For school locations and additional information, call the MACS Admissions Office at 704-370-3273 or visit our website [www.macs-schools.com](http://www.macs-schools.com).

**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).

## 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).

## MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

**Natural Family Planning: Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method:** All classes are Saturdays 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). 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).

**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](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).

**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/ [svlan1234@aol.com](mailto:svlan1234@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.

**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 and a priest/spiritual counselor) meets monthly to share a meal, prayer, scripture, and a discussion. Teams provide a solid, spiritual direction for couples through a way of life promoting growth in married love, holiness, and Christian community. If you're interested in a great opportunity to grow in your relationship with Christ and your spouse, contact Tom and Danielle Mathis at 704-541-0858 or [tmathis3@me.com](mailto:tmathis3@me.com).

As we continue to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Christ-child at Christmas let us live in his love in all we do, especially in our marriage relationship. For more information call 704-315-2144 or visit our website at: <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org>.

Rediscover Your Marriage: **Retrouvaille** simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Many couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For information or to apply to attend the program on **February 12-14, 2016** call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvaillenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaillenc@msn.com) or go to [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).



### Jubilee Year of Mercy

January 24, 2016

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

When he announced this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis highlighted today's Gospel episode, in which Jesus proclaims in his hometown synagogue his Spirit-anointed mission to fulfill the promises of the prophet Isaiah.

Jesus' mission then, says Pope Francis, is our mission now as Jesus' disciples this Jubilee Year of Mercy: to bring

glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, freedom to the oppressed, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord, a year of God's mercy. Pope Francis challenges us to translate Jesus' mission to contemporary needs: to console by word and deed those materially or spiritually poor, to liberate those bound by modern society's new forms of slavery, to open the eyes of those blinded by their own self-interest, and to restore human dignity to all those from whom it has been stolen. To act with mercy in a spirit of joy!

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## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

**Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG)** invites all women of St. Ann's to the February Morning Reflection on **Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00-11:30 a.m.** at St Vincent de Paul Church for the February Morning Reflection: "We have to pray with our eyes on God not on the difficulties" and "In Prayer and with God all things are possible" by our guest speaker Father Thomas Kessler, Pastor, St. Philip the Apostle Church, Statesville. Register on the website: [www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org](http://www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org). Find us on [www.facebook.com/CCWGCharlotteCatholicWomensGroup](http://www.facebook.com/CCWGCharlotteCatholicWomensGroup) and Twitter: @CCWG\_CLTDiocese

**Support Room At The Inn and have a chance to win \$5000 cash!** We are selling raffle tickets \$100 each. Drawing will be during our Mardi Gras Silent Auction on **Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm-8pm at Marshall Free House, Battleground Ave, Greensboro.** Need not be present to win. To purchase tickets go to [www.RoomInn.org](http://www.RoomInn.org). We are also in need of silent auction items. Please contact Marianne 336-391-6299 [mdonadio@roominn.org](mailto:mdonadio@roominn.org) if you would like to help.

**6th Annual Charlotte Catholic Men's Conference will be Saturday, February 27, 2016.**  
Details available at [www.cltcmc.org](http://www.cltcmc.org).

**Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St. Dymphna:** You are invited to join Fr. Benjamin Roberts, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, on a 3-day pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Saint Dymphna located in Massillon, Ohio. **The dates are March 13-March 15, 2016.** The itinerary includes Holy Mass both days, a tour of the National Shrine of St. Dymphna and veneration of her relic, see the relics of all the twelve apostles at the beautiful Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption, tour an exact replica of the cave where Jesus was born just as you would see it at the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, veneration according to the Byzantine Rite of a relic of the True Cross, and more! The cost is \$139.00 per person plus hotel of \$99 per night. Price includes all meals and roundtrip transportation aboard a luxury motor coach. For information or to sign up, please email [StDymphna2013@gmail.com](mailto:StDymphna2013@gmail.com).

**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).

**The Helpers of God's Precious Infants:** Charlotte chapter invites you to attend our next *Procession for Life* hosted at the Charlotte Catholic High School chapel on **Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.** We will begin with 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by prayer with Fr. Kauth at Family Reproductive Health on Hebron Rd. Those who do not prefer to join us on the sidewalk are welcomed to spiritually support us in prayer through Eucharistic Adoration happening concurrently in the chapel. The Charlotte Helpers organizes prayerful, Eucharist-centered processions at our local abortion clinics with our diocesan priests four times a year. Please join us in praying for a Culture of Life in our city. Visit [CharlotteHelpers.com](http://CharlotteHelpers.com) for more information.

The Sidewalk Counseling Information Seminar is being sponsored by C-PLAN of Charlotte (Catholic Pro-Life Action Network of Charlotte) on **Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick's Cathedral from 9:15 a.m.-12noon.** The seminar will be presented by a team of local sidewalk counseling veterans and will open with a short talk on spiritual warfare on the sidewalk by Fr. Jason Barone. **Seating is limited, so please register at [prolifecharlotte.org/events](http://prolifecharlotte.org/events).** Mass begins at 8am followed by a First Saturday rosary. The seminar will start immediately after at 9:15 a.m. in the FLC, 1st floor. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Please contact Gretchen Filz at [charlotteprolifecatholics@gmail.com](mailto:charlotteprolifecatholics@gmail.com) for more information.

**30th Annual Spring Fling Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory and Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at St. Matthew Catholic Church.**

**Diocese of Charlotte official Jubilee Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Rome, Siena, Assisi and Nettuno.** Walk through the Doors of Mercy! Join your Diocesan family on a once-in-a-lifetime **Jubilee Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Rome, Siena, Assisi, and Nettuno, 10-days, October 12-21, 2016.** Only \$3,299 from Charlotte (CLT), plus \$650 in airport taxes, security fees, and current fuel surcharges, as well as \$150 in tips. Under the spiritual direction of Fr. Michael Kottar of St. Mary Help of Christians Parish in Shelby and Fr. Carmen Malacari of Holy Spirit Church in Denver. Please visit [www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Charlotte](http://www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Charlotte) to download the brochure and registration form. For more information contact Mrs. Jean Judge at 704-487-7697 or send an email to [jmjudge@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:jmjudge@charlottedioocese.org).



## REMINDERS

**Low gluten hosts** are available at Holy Communion for those who need them. To receive a low gluten host, go to the eagle lectern after everyone else has received Holy Communion.

Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:



If you are approached by panhandlers 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!

### 33 Hours of Adoration

Adoration begins Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. through Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. in the chapel.

*All are welcome.*

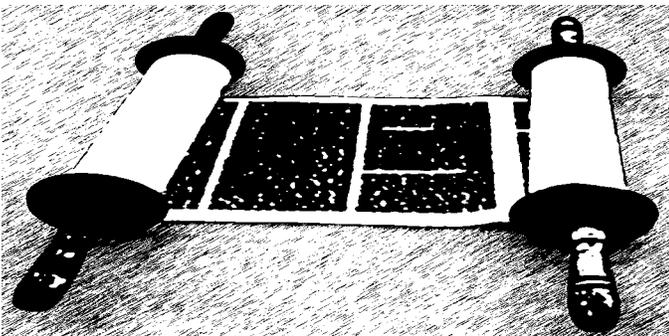
Adorers: please share your contact information with those who adore during your **Adoration hour**.

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.*

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

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).

**The Airport Chaplaincy at Charlotte Douglas Airport** offers two Masses on Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 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.*



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

*Please 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** and *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.**

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

### To All Parents with Infants and Small Children

One of the most beautiful blessings of our Parish is that we have so many babies and 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.*

### Outdoor Speakers

We have outdoor speakers for those whose small children are too loud for the cry rooms or narthex. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners if your children are making a lot of noise.