



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 7, 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

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

| + denotes deceased                | Mass Intentions   | Meetings & Events  |
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| <b>Sunday<br/>7th</b>             | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family<br><b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Patricia Wokety<br><i>by Nancy &amp; Robin West</i><br><b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b><br>+Brian Lauer<br><i>by the Lauer family</i>  | 8:30 a.m. Gym in use<br>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)<br>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)   |
| <b>Monday<br/>8th</b>             | <b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Patricia Wokety<br><i>by Nancy &amp; Robin West</i>   | 3:00 p.m. Church Closed<br>4:30 p.m. Church in use<br>5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel)<br>6:00 p.m. Dance (Gym)   Classrooms 1 & 2 in use<br>7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room)  <br>Legion of Mary (Conference room)              |
| <b>Tuesday<br/>9th</b>            | <b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Patricia Wokety<br><i>by Nancy &amp; Robin West</i><br><i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (chapel)</i>  | 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room)<br>7:00 p.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room)  |
| <b>Ash<br/>Wednesday<br/>10th</b> | <i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i><br><b>7:00 a.m.</b> <b>Latin</b><br>Intentions of Fr. Reid<br><i>by the Nobers family</i><br><b>8:30 a.m.</b> +Joe Pilon<br><i>by Paulette &amp; John Ensrude</i><br>5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i><br><b>7:00 p.m.</b> Intentions of<br>Darlene & Derek Gray | 7:00 p.m. Scouts   CSS (Library)  <br>Fidelis (Gym & Classrooms 1 & 2)  <br>St. Vincent de Paul Society<br>Meeting (Conference room)   |
| <b>Thursday<br/>11th</b>          | <b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Josephine Rager<br><i>by the Sapp family</i><br>5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>  | 9:30 a.m. Conference room in use<br>10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room)<br>6:00 p.m. Choir/Schola (Church)<br>6:30 p.m. Consoling the Heart of Jesus Mercy<br>Retreat (Classrooms 1 & 2)<br>7:00 p.m. Fraternalus (Gym) |
| <b>Friday<br/>12th</b>            | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Private Intentions<br><i>by Fr. Reid</i><br>7:00 p.m. <i>Stations of the Cross</i>   | 8:30 a.m. Home school (All rooms & Cry rooms)<br>12:30 p.m. Chapel in use  |
| <b>Saturday<br/>13th</b>          | 3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i><br><b>4:30 p.m.</b> Intentions of<br>Chris & David Longo<br><i>by Fr. Reid</i>   | 8:00 a.m. All rooms in use<br>9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use<br>2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)<br>4:00 p.m. Café in use   |
| <b>Sunday<br/>14th</b>            | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> For the Success of the<br>Parish Mission Trip<br><b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Patricia Wokety<br><i>by Nancy &amp; Robin West</i><br><b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b><br>Our parish family   | 8:30 a.m. Gym in use<br>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)<br>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)<br>2:00 p.m. Latin Group (Café)<br>7:00 p.m. Parish Mission (Church)  |

*I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth. -- Psalm 138:1*



Dear Parishioners,

Please be sure to set aside time to attend our **parish mission**, which begins next Sunday, 14 February 2016, and goes until Wednesday, 17 February 2016. This year we are blessed to have Fr. Wolfgang Seitze of *Opus Sanctorum Angelorum* (“Work of the Holy Angels”) giving us a mission on the angels, our Lady, and the Cross. All talks will be at 7 p.m. Confessions will be available each night. Moreover, we will have a reception after the final talk on Wednesday evening. As part of the mission, Fr. Seitze will explain to us how we can consecrate ourselves to our guardian angel. Please plan to attend!

Once again I will be enrolling people into 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 rescheduled **Gaudium Musicae concert** last Sunday. 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.

Lastly, if you’d like to help feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty by supporting our **parish mission to India**, you can give donations directly to me or drop them off in the office. Cash gifts are particularly helpful, but if you’d like to write a check, make it out to: St. Ann (with MOP in the memo line). Thank you for your generosity! Please be sure to pray for us as we travel.

Please be sure to check out our parish website occasionally, especially the “Resources” section. We have information there to help you celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy, including our monthly plan of virtues and works of mercy, as well as great prayers, novenas, and devotions. There’s also a link under the Resources section for **Formed.org**, an on-line catechetical site that is free for St. Ann parishioners.

In Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
728 registered families

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

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| <b>January 24, 2016</b>     | <b>12,025.50</b> |
| Weekly Budget:              | 14,938.46        |
| YTD Total:                  | 488,067.51       |
| YTD Budget:                 | 448,153.80       |
| <b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b> | <b>39,913.71</b> |

**2015 DSA Final Report**

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| DSA Goal: | 84,180.35 |
| Pledged:  | 93,531.50 |
| Received: | 89,320.24 |
| Donors:   | 207       |

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 involves a willingness to give from the very core of who we are and what we have; from substance rather*

*than abundance.*

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.**



**“Whatever you do...”** is the theme of the 2016 Diocesan Support Appeal. This week, you should receive a letter or postcard from Bishop Jugis asking for your generous support of the DSA; and next weekend we will view the DSA video, so we can all have an understanding of how the funds given to the DSA impact our diocese. Bishop Jugis asks each of us to prayerfully consider a gift to the DSA as a way of serving Christ through service to thousands of Catholics in western North Carolina.

**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).

**Stewardship Appreciation!**  
*Stewardship is an extension of our spiritual life where we give in gratitude to God for what we have already received.*

*In the Gospel today, the disciples decide to leave everything to follow Jesus. We are also called to follow Jesus, who tells us that “whatever you do to the least of mine, you do for me.” Your gift to the poor can bring the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.*



*February 7, 2016*  
*5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*A properly prepared will can provide for two families – your own and your parish family.*

**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**

- Tuesday, Feb. 9th for Sunday, February 14, 2016
- Tuesday, Feb. 16th for Sunday, February 21, 2016
- Tuesday, Feb. 23rd for Sunday, February 28, 2016
- Tuesday, March 1st for Sunday, March 6, 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**

Takeout the **Men's Club Babyback Ribs and Angelo's Wings** for your family or party this weekend. Fully cooked babyback ribs, Angelo's wings, and complete dinners are on sale **today, February 7th**, after all Masses. All earnings support charities within our parish and local community. *Thank you for your support!*



**Mothering With Grace** meets the **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, March 1st**. On **April 5th** we will have a Mom's Night Out. Details will follow. Email Frances Liberto or April Buehler at [stannMWG@gmail.com](mailto:stannMWG@gmail.com). Go to [www.motheringwithgrace.org](http://www.motheringwithgrace.org) for details about the ministry.

Mark your calendars for our next **Red Cross Blood Drive!** **Sunday, 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 was in last week's bulletin and is on the website. Space is limited-Signup now!

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

The next **Baptismal Preparation class** will be **Sunday, April 10th at 9:00 a.m.** in the Scout room.

Save These Dates! **St Ann Summer Catechesis 2016 will be held June 13th-June17th.** More information to follow!

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

Join us for our **Parish Lenten Mission Sunday-Wednesday, February 14th-17th at 7:00 p.m.** in the church. Preached by: Opus Sanctorum Angelorum



*"Feed yourselves and Feed the homeless."* **St. Ann's Saturday** at Hawthorne's Pizza, 4100 Carmel Rd, 28226, is **Saturday, February 27th.** All parishioners, please have dinner at Hawthorne's on the 27th, 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.*



The final concert of the *Gaudium Musicae* concert series begins at **4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 28, 2016**, featuring the **UNC School of the Arts Chamber Music Festival Orchestra.** Listeners will have an opportunity to meet the performers at the reception following this hour-long concert. Single concert tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students and \$30 for families. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org) or at the parish office. Contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information.

**Fast and Abstinence**

**Abstinence** is required on all Fridays of Lent, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence. Milk, eggs and fish are permissible. Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. Invalids as well as pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

**Fasting** is required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means having only one normal-sized meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs, but they should not together equal one full meal. No snacks are permitted on these days.

Catholics from the age of 18 through 59 are bound to fast. Again, invalids and pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt. Children are not required to uphold Lenten fasting and abstinence practices, but they are encouraged to abstain from meat on Fridays. Moreover, encouraging children to make small sacrifices may build a foundation for a faith-filled adulthood.

Ash Wednesday is 46 days before Easter, but Lent is 40 days long, because Sundays are not counted as days of Lent. (adapted from *Our Sunday Visitor*).



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*Welcome to our parish family  
Maryanne Therese Walker*

## 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.** 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).

**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).

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

**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.

**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).

**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.

**Ceramics will be closed until February 16th.**

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

**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.

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.

**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).

## LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the Week of February 7th through February 14th

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| February 7th  | Quinquagesima Sunday<br>- 2nd class         |
| February 8th  | St. John of Matha<br>- 3rd class            |
| February 9th  | St. Cyril of Alexandria<br>- 3rd class      |
| February 10th | Ash Wednesday<br>- 1st class                |
| February 11th | Thursday after Ash<br>Wednesday - 3rd class |
| February 12th | Friday after Ash<br>Wednesday - 3rd class   |
| February 13th | Saturday after Ash<br>Wednesday - 3rd class |
| February 14th | 1st Sunday of Lent<br>- 1st 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 all Sundays and major solemnities 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.catholiccampus.com](http://www.catholiccampus.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.catholiccampus.com](http://www.catholiccampus.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: [espangsh@aol.com](mailto:espangsh@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, Joel Rivera, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), and Frank Tamplin, Yolanda and Hector Viscarra (parents of Susy Langlais), 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.



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five-part P.E.A.C.E. process, offer powerful insights to help you work through difficult situations with the people in your life. This system will assist you in resolving problems and work towards more fully reconcile with them. Full of practical guidance, this presentation will show you how to better love and relate to the difficult people in your life. 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.**

**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.

## 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 2016-2017 school year at all schools and for all grades. 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).



### Jubilee Year of Mercy February 7, 2016 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis calls us to share with everyone the tender compassion of God that we ourselves have experienced. In today's Gospel, Luke uses a special Greek word conveying just such tenderness. In the other Gospels, Jesus calls the disciples to be "fishers," *haleis*, the same word that means catching fish with hooks or nets, to

be killed and eaten. But Luke uses *zogron*, from *zoe* or "life," meaning "catch or gather people alive," as animal lovers capture without harming, rescue from "the wild" for a better life, and protect in aquarium or zoo, tenderly cared for by professionals committed to the creatures' well-being. So in Luke's vision--and Pope Francis' as well--we who have been "caught alive" by God's mercy ourselves are to become "missionaries of mercy" during this Jubilee Year of Mercy, rescuing fellow sinners from danger and gathering them into Jesus' community to enjoy fullness of life.

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## 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/ [sglan1234@aol.com](mailto:sglan1234@aol.com) or Jennifer Ganser at 336-209-2161/ [jmganser@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmganser@charlottediocese.org), or visit: [rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org). Sponsored by the Respect Life Program, Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte.

**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).

The Gospel today shows us that trusting in Jesus and doing what He tells us to do can make a powerful difference in our lives! For more information call 704-315-2144 or visit our website at: <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org>.

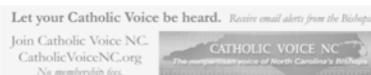
4 Stages of Marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first three stages, but those that end in divorce never make it to the fourth stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about this vital part of marriage. Contact **Retrouvaille** if your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery. For information or to attend the program on **February 12-14, 2016** call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvaillenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaillenc@msn.com) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## 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\_CLTDioecese

**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).

**The Women of Joy at Saint Mark** present a morning retreat with Father Chris Alar, MIC, **Friday February 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon** at Saint Mark Catholic Church. Father Alar is the "Father Joseph" Director of the Association of Marian Helpers. He will celebrate the Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by the morning retreat. Please don't miss this opportunity to gather with other women and learn more about the gift of Divine Mercy.



Let your Catholic Voice be heard. **Join Catholic Voice North Carolina, CatholicVoicenc.org.**

Receive email alerts from the Bishops and react to legislation that impacts the Catholic faith. Catholic Voice NC is the non-partisan public policy voice of Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of the Diocese of Raleigh and Bishop Peter J. Jugis of the Diocese of Charlotte. This message has been approved by both bishops. Direct questions to David Hains, [dwhains@charlottedioecese.org](mailto:dwhains@charlottedioecese.org), 704-370-3336.

**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).

**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. Contact Marianne 336-391-6299 [mdonadio@roominn.org](mailto:mdonadio@roominn.org) if you would like to help.

**Sons, Fathers, Husbands, Brothers, All Men!** Join us for the **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Catholic Men's Conference**, Step up and Find Your Strength. The conference will be on **Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, at St. Matthew Catholic Church from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Mass will be celebrated, confession heard, and a dynamic line-up of speakers is scheduled, including Brian Pusateri, Joe McClane and Fr. Chris Alar aka; Fr. Joseph. Bishop Curlin will lead a Holy Hour reflection as well. Advance ticket price is \$35 for adults, with discounts available for seniors and students. Price includes breakfast and lunch. For registration please visit our website at [www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org](http://www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org).

**On Holy Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at Noon in St. Thomas Aquinas Church,** Deacon James Witulski will be blessing Easter food. This Eastern and Central European tradition is also called "**The Blessing of the Easter Baskets,**" (or "**Swieconka**" in the Polish language) and will last about 30 minutes. This tradition is becoming increasingly popular among all Catholics. The Blessings will be in both the English and Polish languages. The traditional foods, such as sausage, eggs, bread, and butter in the shape of a lamb, are brought to the Church, neatly arranged in a basket. However, every person of every nationality is invited to use their imagination and include their own national foods. Children can even bring their own baskets with their own treats, including chocolate and Easter candy. Please contact Deacon James Witulski with any questions at 704-960-3704.

**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, 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. Visit [www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Charlotte](http://www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Charlotte) to download the brochure and registration form. For information contact Mrs. Jean Judge at 704-487-7697 or email to [jmjudge@charlottedioecese.org](mailto:jmjudge@charlottedioecese.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.