



November 20, 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)*

**Parish Office Hours**

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

<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: 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form),          Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m.          Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form)          Friday: 7:00 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) and 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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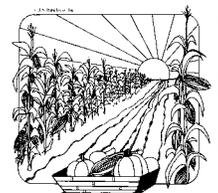
**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN**

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> +Theresa Csordas by the Lejk family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Departed Legionary Souls by Legion of Mary <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Our parish family	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)   Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)   Homeless Ministry (Kitchen)
<b>Monday 21st</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Colleen Condon Thames by Aaron & Mary Condon <b>8:30 a.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> +Dustin Coutinho by the Christian family	1:30 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (Classrooms 1 & 2 & Scout room) 3:30 p.m. Choir loft in use 4:30 p.m. Servers (Gym)   Classroom 1 in use 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Dance Group (Gym)   Classrooms in use 7:00 p.m. RCIA Scout room   Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 22nd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Glo Dziewisz by Amy & Kurt Herkert <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (chapel)</i>	10:00 a.m. Classroom 1 in use 1:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Royal Road (Café) 7:30 p.m. Back of Café in use
<b>Wednesday 23rd</b>	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> Holy Hour <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Mike Carlson by the Russell Lewis family	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>
<b>Thursday 24th</b> <i>Thanksgiving</i>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Dorothy Purvis by the Rothe family <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Confessions	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>
<b>Friday 25th</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> +Ethel Roberts by Marcy & Jeff Rothe	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>
<b>Saturday 26th</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Pro-Life Mass <b>3:00 p.m.</b> Confessions <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Intentions of Cynthia Ma by Suzanne & Mike Terry & boys	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 12 noon Baptism (Church) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)   Café in use
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> +Frank Duff by the Legion of Mary <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> +Ray Filz by Mike FitzGerald	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)



Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom

“How can there be too many children?  
That is like saying there are too many flowers.”  
St. Teresa of Calcutta



Give Thanks to God



Dear Parishioners,

As I mentioned last Sunday at Mass, we've now raised enough money to begin work on the first of two "**mini-murals**" that will adorn the sanctuary walls above the statues of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart. The first mural will be *The Presentation of the Virgin Mary*, showing our patroness St. Ann, along with St. Joachim, presenting the child Mary to the high priest in the Temple. This moment in Mary's life was to fulfill a promise St. Ann made when, long barren and without children, she promised to dedicate her child to God should He allow her to become pregnant. St. Ann's prayer was answered when St. Gabriel appeared to her and Joachim separately and announced that they would bear a daughter who would become the mother of the Messiah. The Church will celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary this week on 21 November!

This first mural should take about 6 months to complete, so hopefully sometime by early summer it will be installed. However, we cannot start the second mural until we've raised another \$75,000. As we come to the end of the year, please consider making a gift to the parish for the mini-murals! I am very thankful to all of you who have already contributed so generously for the first mural.

I am also grateful to all of you who attended and helped out with last Sunday's *Gaudium Musicae* concert with Emanuel Gruber. It's not often that a parish like ours is able to host a world famous musician such as Mr. Gruber, and I'm grateful to all of you who regularly support our concert series. In a world filled with profane and unedifying "art", we are striving to provide something truly beautiful and inspiring with our concerts – and I think we're doing it quite well. If you haven't been to one of our concerts, please come. Our concert series continues on **Sunday, 26 February 2017** at 4:00 p.m. with *Gate City Camerata*, UNCG's elite faculty-student ensemble, which will present traditional and contemporary chamber works.

If there is anyone who is interested in going on the **mission trip** to India next February but who was unable to attend the informational meeting this past week, please contact me directly (704-523-4641, ext. 222). We are hoping to buy plane tickets very soon!

Lastly, as our country is celebrating Thanksgiving this week, the church office will be closed Wednesday – Friday. Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9 a.m. Also, because Friday is a federal holiday, we will not have our 7 a.m. Latin Mass that day. We will, however, have our regularly scheduled Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Friday. As the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy comes to a close this weekend, let's especially thank our Lord for all the mercies He's shown us this past year.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
*738 registered families*

<b>November 6, 2016</b>	<b>23,900.72</b>
Weekly Budget:	15,384.62
YTD Total:	297,694.25
YTD Budget:	292,307.78
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>	<b>5,286.47</b>
<b>Loan Balance:</b>	<b>518,295.70</b>
Debt Elimination:	2,017.00
Capital Needs:	1,533.00

**Stewardship Opportunity:** There is a very important volunteer position coming open in our parish that we need to fill: *Chairman of the Carnival Committee*. The Carnival Chairman oversees the Carnival Committee in planning and executing all the details of this major parish event. If you are interested in this volunteer position, please call Fr. Reid at 704-523-4641, ext. 222.

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month: The next collection weekends are **November 19th-20th and December 3rd-4th and December 17th-18th and January 7th-8th.**



*As we approach Thanksgiving Day, let us take a moment to consider all the blessings we receive from God and how we in turn thank God for His blessings.*

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

**DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2016** As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, please consider your blessings, and make a gift of gratitude to the DSA. If you have not yet contributed, you can donate online at [www.charlottediocese.org/dsa](http://www.charlottediocese.org/dsa) or by returning the pledge form that you received in the mail. Remember, any amount over our goal will be returned to the parish for our own needs. If you have an outstanding pledge, please complete your pledge payments by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

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.

**2016 DSA**

DSA Goal:	87,197.00
Pledged:	92,307.04
Received:	85,007.84
Assessment Balance:	2,189.16
Donors:	215



*November 20, 2016: Christ the King*  
 As you're as you're planning your gift list this Christmas, why not consider a gift that will last forever? You can do this by establishing or contributing to an endowment for our parish in honor of family and loved ones. **For more information, visit our website at [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving) and follow the link to Planned Giving.**

Your generosity to this collection will help both diocesan and religious order priests who serve us so faithfully. Thank you for your generosity.

**Priests Retirement:**

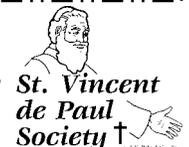
Goal:	31,689.00
Received:	29,417.20
Due:	2,271.80

**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**  
 Tuesday, November 29th for Sunday, December 4, 2016  
 Tuesday, December 6th for Sunday, December 11, 2016  
 Tuesday, December 13th for Sunday, December 18, 2016  
 Friday, December 16th for Sunday, December 25, 2016  
 Tuesday, December 20th for Sunday, January 1, 2017.

**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).

*Let us begin with being a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. -- USC of Catholic Bishops*

*Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth. Each month the St Vincent de Paul Society helps the poor with food, rent and utility*



## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

**Let The Sales Begin! First day of Christmas Tree Sales** is Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m. Then Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> 3:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. The final days are Saturday and Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m.



**We need help with set-up and tree sales.** This is the Men's Club largest fundraiser of the year and help is greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in volunteering, email [stannmen@gmail.com](mailto:stannmen@gmail.com). *Thank you!*



**Our Parish Family Fellowship Potluck is Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the cafe/gym.** Bring a covered dish(es) to share. We want the entire parish to attend and get to know their St. Ann's

neighbors! Potlucks will be monthly, mark your calendars for the following Sundays: **January 8<sup>th</sup>, February 5<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, and May 7<sup>th</sup>.** Each potluck will be themed and a few icebreakers for adults and children. *It will be a great celebration for St. Ann families and we hope to see everyone there!*

**\*\*Please email Brenda at [bkresak@gmail.com](mailto:bkresak@gmail.com) if you can help with set-up and clean-up. Let's put to work our Stewardship of talent and time!**

**St. Ann's Annual Attic Sale Coming Soon!** As you are cleaning out your closets, garages, storage spaces and toy boxes to make room for items that may be received at Christmas, remember to save them for our **2017 Attic Sale to be held on Saturday, February 4, 2017.** We will again have a storage container 2 weeks ahead of time for items to be dropped off. More details to follow soon. Any questions can be emailed to Lorelle Grant at [lorellegrant@gmail.com](mailto:lorellegrant@gmail.com).

**Pilgrimage to Ireland: June 12-23, 2017:** Enjoy a spectacular trip to Ireland with first class accommodations with Fr. Timothy Reid. Trip highlights include Knock, where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in 1879, as well as sites associated with St. Patrick. The trip will also include visits to Dublin, Cork, the Ring of Kerry, the Cliffs of Moher, Galway, and Glendalough. Departures from Charlotte from \$3888/person. For a brochure, please visit the St. Ann's website: [www.stanncharlotte.org](http://www.stanncharlotte.org) or contact the St. Ann Parish Office (704-523-4641, ext. 221, or [stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org](mailto:stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org)).

**Adult Faith Formation:** Interested in deepening your faith, growing in prayer, coming to know Christ in a way that will help you live your Christian beliefs with greater purpose and satisfaction? **Join us on Sundays in classrooms 1 and 2 from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m.** (a time which is set to allow parents with children in religious education to attend as well) to view and discuss Symbolon, a high quality, visually stunning and thoroughly engaging DVD series produced by the acclaimed Augustine Institute and narrated by Edward Sri. There is no cost for this class and no registration; we will be serving coffee and engaging fellowship and you are welcome to drop in at any time, choosing to attend a single session or joining us for everyone, as you may desire. *Come enrich your Sunday by making it a more deliberate celebration of Christ!*



The third concert of the *Gaudium Musicae* concert series is **4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 26, 2017,**

featuring **Gate City Camerata, UNC Greensboro's** elite faculty-student ensemble, presents traditional and contemporary chamber works. Listeners will have an opportunity to meet the performer at the reception following this full-length concert. Single concert tickets are \$30 for families, \$12 for adults, and \$8 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org).

Volunteers and sponsors are needed; contact the parish office for details: 704-523-4641 x221. **The last concert of the season is April 2, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.** St. John's Passion by J.S. Bach, presented by the Firebird Alliance, featuring the NC Baroque Orchestra, VOX, and members of the Wingate University Choir.

**PRAY:** Ask the Holy Spirit to increase your faith and your willingness to live accordingly.

**LOOK:** Look around yourself. Who needs your service, attention, or care? Look within yourself. In what ways may you bring faith to your daily life by addressing these people and their needs?

**ACT:** Make a commitment to respond to the needs you noted above, growing in faith, and living as a Christian disciple who is ready to put faith into action.

## 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.*

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

**Fidelis**, for young ladies in middle and high school, meets **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms 1 and 2**. For information, contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother, [dvmfidelis@gmail.com](mailto:dvmfidelis@gmail.com). To register, contact Mrs. Angela Williams, [angiegirl67@yahoo.com](mailto:angiegirl67@yahoo.com).

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

**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** this week. Contact Eve Smith email [evesmith1974@yahoo.com](mailto:evesmith1974@yahoo.com) or phone: 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).



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

**November 26th.** Please have dinner at Hawthorne's on the 29th, 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.*

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

**Adorers Needed!** Please consider becoming an adorer Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.–Wednesdays 5:00 p.m. We need more volunteers! Call the parish office or contact Karen at [rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com](mailto:rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com).

**The Gospel of Luke:** The Gospel of Mercy. Two studies will be at St. Ann's Parish: **Wednesdays from 7:00–8:30 p.m.** in the Library through February 1<sup>st</sup> and **Thursdays from 10:00–11:30 a.m.** in the Scout room through Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you have other questions, please email Heidi Clark, [hclark12@carolina.rr.com](mailto:hclark12@carolina.rr.com).



**Mothering With Grace at St. Ann's:** Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at St. Ann's**. Email Frances Liberto or April Buehler at [stannMWG@gmail.com](mailto:stannMWG@gmail.com). For ministry details visit [www.motheringwithgrace.org](http://www.motheringwithgrace.org).

**The men of the Latin Mass Community at St. Ann's** organize a men's fellowship called *Liturgy & Fraternity* most 3rd Wednesdays.

*Ceramics will be meeting later in the fall. Watch for dates!*

**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).



**MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**



*Our parishioners:*  
 Paul Cecil, Jeanne Goymerac, Abby Lejk, Patricia Phillips, Ben Conrad, Larry Guethlein, and Helen

Norton.

*Our friends and family:* Ron York (brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Jennifer Arnold and Mary Register (friends of Nancy Tota), Tom Storer, Janet Cuccinello, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), Peggy Ballew (sister of Gerri Hillis), and Douglas Edge.

*Our servicemen and servicewomen:* Lance Corporal Joseph Fanning USMC, PFC John Michael Fanning USMC, Lt. Grace Carlson, USN. Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC., Ensign Hayley Derscheid, Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeffrey Derscheid, LT. Charlie Hetzel USN, Ensign Thomas Hetzel USN, and Cadet Peter Hetzel 2nd Class USMA.

Do You Like To Pray? Or, are you in need of prayer? Receive the comfort of others praying for and with you by joining the **St. Ann Prayer Group**. This group consists of volunteers filled with the love of God and the love of prayer. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the need. Pray in your home, at Mass, at Adoration, or any place you are at peace. For more information or if you would like to join, cal Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email [stannprayers@comporium.net](mailto:stannprayers@comporium.net).



Vatican II, Mercy, and You by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC,

in this illuminating talk, Fr. Michael Gaitley shows how Vatican II provides a map to help us enrich our lives through faith and effectively experience the good news of God's divine mercy \$3 donation per CD. **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.**

**LATIN MASS CORNER**

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the Week of November 20th-November 27th

November 20th	24th and Last Sunday after Pentecost - 2nd class
November 21st	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 3rd class
November 22nd	St. Cecilia - 3rd class
November 23rd	St. Clement I - 3rd class
November 24th	St. John of the Cross - 3rd class
November 25th	St. Catherine of Alexandria - 3rd class
November 26th	St. Sylvester - 3rd class
November 27th	1st Sunday of Advent - 1st class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 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 Classes available online:** Recordings of the Latin Mass classes on the website with handouts. If you missed a class or want to watch again, visit [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org) and click the Latin Mass section, and scroll to the Latin Mass class. For questions regarding future classes, please contact Chris Lauer or Mike FitzGerald at [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org).

**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 most Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas. Feria is a non-feast day and readings typically revert to the prior Sunday readings. More questions? Email: [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org). For Latin Mass news, please visit: [www.charlottelatinmass.org](http://www.charlottelatinmass.org).

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!

## 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).

**Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools** Admissions Office at 704-370-3273 or visit [www.discovermacs.org](http://www.discovermacs.org) for information.

**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).

**Register for Preschool Now! St. Vincent de Paul Preschool still has room for 2- and 3-year-old children** in our faith-based, half day program for the 2016-2017 school year. For information contact Mary Helen or Sonya at [mhcushing@charlottediocese.org](mailto:mhcushing@charlottediocese.org) or 704-644-4656.

## PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

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

**Pro-Life Mass will be Saturday, November 26th at 9:00 a.m.** Immediately after the Mass several of us will go to one of the local abortion mills to pray for an hour, while others will remain in the church for Eucharistic Adoration. One we have returned from the abortion mill, we will have Benediction. Please come and pray with us for an end to abortion.

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

## YOUNG ADULTS

**Diocese of Charlotte Young Adult Ministry** invites college students to connect with Diocesan Sponsored Catholic Campus Ministry. 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.** Contact Sister Eileen Spanier, GNSH at [espangnsh@aol.com](mailto:espangnsh@aol.com) 704-717-7104 or Mary Wright, Director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry.

## MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

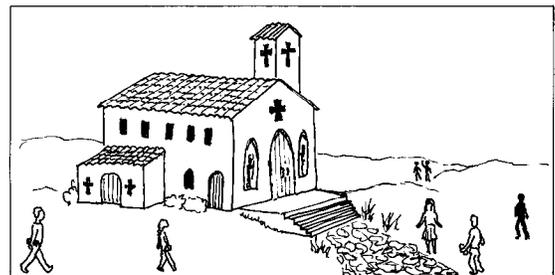
Forgiveness and Healing after Abortion: **Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats** create a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. For information please contact: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251; [jackie.childers1@gmail.com](mailto:jackie.childers1@gmail.com).

**Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course** (Three Class Series). 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. To register and purchase class materials, go to [https://register.ccli.org/class\\_series/10193](https://register.ccli.org/class_series/10193) or search at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org).

**Teams of Our Lady** ([www.teamsofourlady.org](http://www.teamsofourlady.org)) is an international Catholic movement of small groups of married couples focused on strengthening their marriages by enriching their relationship with Christ and their spouse. Please contact Tom and Danielle Mathis at [tmathis3@me.com](mailto:tmathis3@me.com) for further information.

"The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens." Let us serve God willingly by strengthening, renewing and rekindling our marriages. **The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is February 3-5, 2017 in Myrtle Beach, SC.** For information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.

You Can Help Your Marriage Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with a **weekend on February 17, 2017** 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).



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## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

### Advent Penance Services

St. Luke Church: Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

St. Peter Church: Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

St. John Neumann Church: Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>  
at 7:00 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church: Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

### All adults are invited to St. Peter in uptown Charlotte on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> for an Ignatian Advent Retreat

which begins at 9:00 a.m.-12noon at Biss Hall. Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0848abab2ba3fd0-ignatian>. Or <http://ow.ly/pgKo3063yCw>. Or email [Communications@stpeterscatholic.org](mailto:Communications@stpeterscatholic.org)

**St. Ann Seniors (55 up)** are invited join the St. Vincent ACES Seniors Club on **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon** at Cedarwood Country Club, 4100 Pineville-Matthews Road, Charlotte for our Christmas lunch with special entertainment by Erica McGee. Cost of the Christmas lunch is \$25.00.

**Reservations and payment due by Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>** to Sue Westphal at 704-542-0315. ACES information contact Peggy Gibbons at 704-588-5870 or [pgibbons1@att.com](mailto:pgibbons1@att.com).

St Peter Catholic Church hosts the **21<sup>st</sup> annual Garden of Eaten** before one o'clock Carolina Panthers games in front of the church. For a small donation: hot dogs, chips and sodas are available beginning at 9:30 a.m. in our "Garden of Eaten" café – proceeds go to non-profit organizations helping the neediest in our community. **December 11<sup>th</sup> – Chargers v Panthers.**

**Job Opportunity:** St. Luke Catholic Church in Mint Hill has a part-time job opening for a Youth Group Activity/Events Coordinator. Please visit the St. Luke website at [www.stlukechurch.net](http://www.stlukechurch.net) or [Catholicjobs.com](http://Catholicjobs.com) for more information.

**Fr. Pat Hoare & Fr. Pat Cahill May 1st-10th, 2017. This 10-day pilgrimage includes cruising along the Seine in Paris, wine-tastings, touring and more!** Highlights include Lisieux, the hometown of the beloved St. Therese, Normandy, Omaha beach and the American Cemetery, the iconic Mont St. Michel; Paris, including the Notre Dame, Sacre Couer, Ruc de Bac, St. Vincent de Paul, the Lourvve, the hometown of St. John Vianney (patron of priests), St. Margaret Mary Alacoque and the Sacred Heart devotion, Nevers where St. Bernadette lies, and much more! Call Corporate Travel Service at 313-565-8888 x 121 or 150 or check the St. John Neumann website at [www.4sjnc.org](http://www.4sjnc.org) for a brochure.

*I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the LORD." -- Psalm 122:1*

All St. Ann's women are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group Advent Retreat Saturday, December 10th.** Mass at St. Dorothy Church (Lincolnton) begins at **8:30 a.m.** Our retreat director is *Fr. David Miller.* Morning Reflection **Monday, December 12th.** Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church begins at **9:00 a.m.** with reflection to follow. Our guest speaker is *Fr. Binoy P. Davis.* Registration for these events is on our website: [www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org](http://www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org). Signup for our newsletter. Find us on Facebook and Twitter for event information.

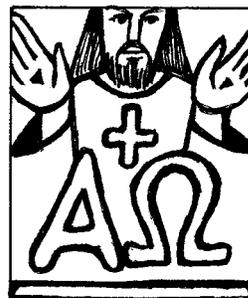
**11th Annual March For Life Charlotte! January 13, 2017.** The day will begin with a *Mass for the Unborn* at 9:00 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. At 11:00 a.m. we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Catholic Diocese. There may be some parking available at the parking lot, but please expect to find parking on your own uptown if necessary. At 12:00 p.m. we will march to Trade and Tryon where Fr. John Eckert, Pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church will preach. Then march to the court house at 401 W. Trade St. where we will pray a Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. **Please join others to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at [www.marchforlifecharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.org).**

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**Host Family Needed:** for an F-1 international student who will be attending high school in Charlotte fall of 2017. Contact Kathy Ritterson via email: [kritterson@gmail.com](mailto:kritterson@gmail.com) or phone: 908-288-8166, if you are interested. Thank you.



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**REMINDERS**

*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. Thank you!*

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!*

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

**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:



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.

**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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