



May 14, 2017



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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	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Meetings &amp; Events</b>
<b>Sunday 14th</b> <i>Mother's Day</i>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> +Bertha Lejk & Theresa Csordas <i>by the Lejk family</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> All Mothers of St. Ann Parish <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Our parish family	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) May Crowning   Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)
<b>Monday 15th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Donald E. Johnson <i>by the Rothe family</i> <b>8:30 a.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Steven Dreyer <i>by the Dreyer family</i>	3:00 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room) 4:30 p.m. Servers (Church) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms in use   Dance Group (Gym) 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 16th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Neil Purvis <i>by the Rothe family</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (chapel)</i>	<b>Church Closed after Mass</b> 10:00 a.m. Classroom 1 in use 6:30 p.m. Royal Road (Café) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use   Conference room in use
<b>Wednesday 17th</b>	<i>Adoration continues (chapel)</i> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> Holy Hour <b>6:00 p.m. Latin</b> +Fred White <i>by the Diocesan Association of Permanent Deacons</i>	<b>Church Closed until 12 noon</b> 9:00 a.m. Ceramics 6:00 p.m. Fraternus (Gym)   Fidelis (Classrooms 1 & 2) 7:00 p.m. Scouts   Parish Council (Café)
<b>Thursday 18th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Robert Peterson <i>by Tracey Peterson</i> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Confessions	10:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 in use   Doors of Mercy (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Choir/Schola (Church)
<b>Friday 19th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m. Latin</b> Private Intentions <i>by Fr. Reid</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Catholic Home School Graduates <i>by the Home School Families</i>	9:30 a.m. Home School (Church) 10:00 a.m. Home School (Gym & Café) 3:00 p.m. Home School (Scout room & Library) 4:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church) 5:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church) 6:00 p.m. Home School Graduation (Church)
<b>Saturday 20th</b>	<b>3:00 p.m.</b> Confessions <b>4:30 p.m.</b> +Geroldine & Virgil Hoyle <i>by Cindy &amp; Joe Lawton</i>	9:00 a.m. Ceramics   Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 11:00 a.m. Wedding (Church) 1:30 p.m. Wedding (Church)
<b>Sunday 21st</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Stephanie & David Sanctis <i>by the Sanctis family</i> <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Andrew Jones <i>by the family</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)

*"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." -- John 14:6*



Dear Parishioners,

Happy Mother's Day to all of our mothers: biological, adoptive, and spiritual!

I am grateful to those of you who came to the Holy Hour of Reparation this weekend in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Lady's first apparition at Fatima. Throughout the course of the next five months, I encourage you to continue honoring Our Lady of Fatima by completing the **5 First Saturdays devotion**. The 5 First Saturdays devotion came from a subsequent apparition of the Virgin Mary in 1925 to Sr. Lucia, one of the 3 children of Fatima who received the apparitions of

Our Lady in 1917. Our Lady asked for this devotion as a means of making reparation for the sins committed against her. The requirements for the 1st Saturday devotion are: going to confession within a few days before or after the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, receiving Holy Communion on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, praying 5 decades of the Rosary on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, and spending at least 15 minutes in meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary (in addition to simply reciting it). All of this must be done for 5 consecutive 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays of the month with the intention of making reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

To aid us in completing the 5 First Saturdays, we will be praying the Holy Rosary at 4 p.m. on the first Saturdays of June, July, August, September, and October. This way you can go to confession, pray the Rosary, and receive Holy Communion conveniently on the first Saturdays of those months. Of course I encourage you to come early or to stay after Mass for 15 minutes in order to fulfill the requirement of meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary. Our Lady promised Sr. Lucia that she will assist at the hour of death with all the graces necessary for salvation all who complete this devotion.

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, 25 May 2017. That evening at 7 p.m. we are having our 4<sup>th</sup> annual "**Orchestral Mass**" in honor of our Lord's Ascension. This Latin Mass will be special because the music will be provided not just by our choir, but by an orchestra. For many centuries the Church has elevated the solemnity of a Mass by providing enhanced musical settings. As the Ascension of the Lord is one of most important feast days of the year, it's appropriate for us to celebrate it with this type of musical complement. So please join us for promises to be an especially beautiful Mass.

In the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**

*726 registered families*

<b>April 30, 2017</b>	<b>16,171.04</b>
Weekly Budget:	15,384.62
YTD Total:	713,256.58
YTD Budget:	676,923.28
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>	<b>36,333.30</b>
<b>Loan Balance:</b>	<b>448,702.29</b>
<b>Tabernacle Goal:</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>
Donations Received:	33,198.00
Tabernacle Balance:	6,802.00
<b>Mini Mural #2 Goal:</b>	<b>75,000.00</b>
Donations Received:	29,547.00
Mini Mural #2 Balance:	45,453.00
Home mission:	2,686.00

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 of time, talent and treasure faces certain obstacles: greed, selfishness, irresponsibility and a lack of trust.*

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: **May 20th-21st and June 3rd and 4th and June 17th and 18th.**

**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).

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

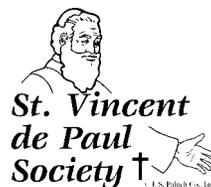


*Your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal is shared with the educational, multicultural, vocational, housing, and social service ministries of the diocese.*

*Thousands of people depend on your generosity. You may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or go to [www.charlottediocese.org/dsa](http://www.charlottediocese.org/dsa) to make a gift online.*

<b>2017 DSA Goal:</b>	<b>97,137.00</b>
<b>Pledged:</b>	<b>86,874.70</b>
<b>Received:</b>	<b>68,881.26</b>
<b>Donors:</b>	<b>160</b>

*In the Gospel today, Jesus says “whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father. Consider volunteering to help with the ministry of the St Vincent de Paul Society at St Ann’s.*



**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**

- Tuesday, May 16th for Sunday, May 21, 2017
- Tuesday, May 23rd for Sunday, May 28, 2017
- Tuesday, May 30th for Sunday, June 4, 2017
- Tuesday, June 6th for Sunday, June 11, 2017
- Friday, June 9th for Sunday, June 18, 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).

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.*  
-- USC of Catholic Bishops

*A Mother’s love is eternal. Your parish may have an endowment. Consider a **perpetual***

*remembrance of your mother’s love on this Mother’s Day. A planned gift that honors her through your parish or other diocesan entity, also helps build the future of the Church. [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving)*



**COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S**



*Altar flowers this weekend are in memory of Bertha Lejk & Theresa Csordas by the Lejk family.*

**Belmont Abbey College Scholarship:** St. Ann's proudly offers a \$2,500 scholarship to a registered parishioner attending Belmont Abbey College for the 2017-2018 academic year. Applications consist of two essays. Application information is now available, contacting Karl Kaufmann at [karl.f.kaufmann@gmail.com](mailto:karl.f.kaufmann@gmail.com). **Completed applications are due by Tuesday, June 6th.** Winner will be notified by June 16th.



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*III: Nelson LeBlanc-Margaret Cote  
20 May 2017  
Sweetest Heart of Mary, Detroit, MI*

*III: Paul Goduti-Grace O'Brien  
20 May 2017 11:00 a.m.*

*III: David Sanctis-Stephanie Urban  
20 May 2017 1:30 p.m.*

*II: Timothy Johnson-Sarah Vignati  
27 May 2017  
Middletown, RI*

*I: Marc Makens-Lindley Gremore  
3 June 2017  
St. Joan of Arc  
Indianapolis, IN*



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*Welcome into our parish family:  
Victoria Elena  
Agnes Camilla Quinn  
Giovanni Anthony Albino*

**St. Ann Men's Club will meet on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> in the chapel at 6:00 p.m.** Then dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. All men of the parish are invited to attend. Any questions call or contact Steven Bremer at 704-999-9626 or [steven.bremer@me.com](mailto:steven.bremer@me.com).

The St. Ann's annual **Carnival** preparations have begun! **Stop by the table after Mass next weekend, May 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, for details.** You make our carnival a success; learn what opportunities are available at this year's carnival, and grab a snack.

**PRO-LIFE MINISTRY**

*"As mariners are guided into port by the shining of a star, so Christians are guided to heaven by Mary"*  
--Saint Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church

**Happy Mother's Day!** As we celebrate the special women in our lives that we call our mother's, and as we give them honor they rightly deserve today, let us not neglect our Blessed Mother. She accepted us as her adopted children and she is always ready to help us. A few ideas below:

- Give the statue you have of Mary a place of honor in your home (especially this month).
- Place a crown on her for May.
- Join the respect life rosary **every Sunday at 12 noon** in the chapel.
- Attend the Respect Life Mass **Saturday, May 27 at 9:00 a.m.** followed by a rosary at a local abortion clinic.
- Join the respect life committee - **next meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup>.**
- Spiritually adopt an infant in danger of abortion, contact information below.
- Attend the Fatima events being held over the next several months.

**Join us every first Saturday from June to October** to fulfill the 5 first Saturdays devotion as requested by Our Lady of Fatima! Every wonder why this is important? Join us!

If you have any questions or ideas for the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Ann's Parish, contact Peg Sorge at 646-761-0650 or [1cookie.momster@gmail.com](mailto:1cookie.momster@gmail.com).

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

**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!*

**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.*

**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.

**Fidelis**, for young ladies in middle and high school, meets **Wednesdays at 6:00 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).

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

**Ceramics meets every Wednesday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m.–12noon. All are invited!**

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

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

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

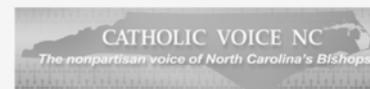
## YOUNG ADULTS

**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 & Young Adult Ministry.

*Jesus shows us that there is more to life than the focus on ourselves and those closest to us that often consumes our time and attention. That life that you're building? Make it about more than your narrow concerns. Let yourself build something that has much greater impact. In the second reading for May 14, St. Peter says, "like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Pet 2: 4-5) What we build and how we build it is an expression of what is most important to us.*

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**MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**



*Our parishioners:* Paul Cecil, Jeanne Goymerac, Patricia Phillips, Ben Conrad, Helen Norton, and Nancy West.

*Our friends and family:* Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), William Sirignano (grandfather of Aaron Condon), Jennifer Arnold and Mary Regester (friends of Nancy Tota), Tom Storer, Jean Storer, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), Peggy Ballew (sister of Gerri Hillis), Douglas Edge, Tom Hammond (father of Randy Hammond), Michael Keaton (nephew of Mary Margaret Yodzis), Elizabeth Kuhn, and Joel Rivera.

*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. USMC 2nd Lt. Hays Hammond.

*For the soul of:* Jessica Morrell who died May 6, 2017.

**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, call Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email [stannprayers@comporium.net](mailto:stannprayers@comporium.net).



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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 May 14th-May 21st**

May 14th	<b>4th Sunday after Easter</b> - 2nd class
May 15th	St. John Baptist de la Salle - 3rd class
May 16th	St. Ubald - 3rd class
May 17th	St. Paschal Baylon - 3rd class
May 18th	St. Venantius - 3rd class
May 19th	St. Peter Celestine - 3rd class
May 20th	St. Bernardine of Siena - 3rd class
May 21st	<b>5th Sunday after Easter</b> - 2nd class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at 12:30 p.m., Mondays at 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., Fridays 7:00 a.m., 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? Email [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org)

For Latin Mass news, please visit [www.charlottelatinmass.org](http://www.charlottelatinmass.org).

**Latin Mass Email list:** The Latin Mass Community shares updates on future Latin Masses around Charlotte, and last minute schedule changes.

To sign up, email Chris Lauer at [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org).

**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).

**Catholic Homeschool Conference – May 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>.** The IHM Carolina Homeschool Conference will be held at Belmont Abbey College (Dining Hall), on Friday, May 19th (12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.) and on Saturday, May 20th (9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.). This is the perfect event for those who are curious and want to discover more about Catholic homeschooling. Prof. Joseph Pearce is a confirmed speaker! Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For information, please visit [www.ihmconference.org](http://www.ihmconference.org) or email: [info@ihmconference.org](mailto:info@ihmconference.org).

**Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools offer several special needs programs to meet the needs of students with disabilities.** The Modified Academic Program is a self-contained program for students in grades K-12 with special needs who require a modified curriculum. This program is housed at St. Ann Catholic School, Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School, and Charlotte Catholic High School. Providing an Academically Appropriate Catholic Education Program (PACE) is a self-contained program in Our Lady of Assumption Catholic School. It is designed to serve students in grades K-8 who are diagnosed with a specific learning disability in the areas of reading and writing. The Matthew Morgan program serves students with Down syndrome in Saint Patrick Catholic School. This program provides a quality, functional, faith-based education in a classroom setting to help students become self-reliant and independent. For more information about these programs contact Rebekah Ruhle, Director of Admissions at 704-370-3273 or email: [RDRuhle@charlottediocese.org](mailto:RDRuhle@charlottediocese.org).

**Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS) are accepting applications for new students for the 2017-2018 school year at all schools and for all grades.** Call the MACS Admissions Office, 704-370-3273, to request an application packet, school locations, etc. or go to MACS website at [www.discovermacs.org](http://www.discovermacs.org).

Do your kids need some fun and excitement this summer? **MACS Summer Camp is the answer! June 12<sup>th</sup> – August 11<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am – 6:00 pm.** A huge variety of activities and experiences for ALL kids\* in a safe and stimulating environment! Fieldtrips, *Enrichment Programs/Weekly themes, Plus so much more to choose from!* 3 locations - St. Mark in Huntersville; St. Matthew and St. Patrick in Charlotte \***Ages: rising Kindergartners (must be 5 years old to attend) through rising 6th grade. Cost: \$185/week 3<sup>rd</sup> child and up \$150 per week.** Complete details/Registration form: Ellen Buening 704-3703268 or [ehbuening@charlottediocese.org](mailto:ehbuening@charlottediocese.org)

## MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Catholic Charities can help men and women who have experienced abortion begin their healing journey. **Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat** creates a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. **Greensboro Area: October 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>.** For information contact: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / [Jackie.childers1@gmail.com](mailto:Jackie.childers1@gmail.com) or Jennifer Ganser: 336-209-2161 / [jmganser@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmganser@charlottediocese.org).

**Nature Family Planning. Couple to Couple League:** All classes are Saturdays from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Hack home. 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 online and purchase class materials at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for information at 704- 548-1834 or [hackhouse@bellsouth.net](mailto:hackhouse@bellsouth.net).

**A Free Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course offered at St. Matthew Church at 1:30 p.m. on May 20th.** Topics: 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 information, go to [ccdoc.org/nfp](http://ccdoc.org/nfp) or RSVP to: Batrice Adcock, MSN, Catholic Charities [bnadcock@charlottediocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottediocese.org) or 704-370-3230.

**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. Contact Tom and Danielle Mathis at [tmthis3@me.com](mailto:tmthis3@me.com) for further information.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Celebrate God's love and mercy to each other by going to a **WorldWide Marriage Encounter** weekend. **The next weekends are: June 23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> in Chapel Hill, NC and July 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> in Greenville, SC.** For information visit our website: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.

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 attend the program beginning with a **weekend on September 16<sup>th</sup>** call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvaille@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaille@msn.com) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

**Spring Fling Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> St. Matthew Catholic Church at 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Program Closing Mass at 2:50 p.m.** \$15 per person includes lunch. Pre-register by sending your name, address and payment to: Attn: Sandra Breakfield, Program Director Elder Ministry Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte 1123 S. Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203-4003. For information contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220.

**Plan To Attend A Free Estate Planning Seminar, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 -8:00 p.m.** Should everyone have a Will? What if there are minor children? Can I write my own Will? Must a Will be probated? Can I change my Will? What does the Catholic Church say about end of life decisions? This information will be provided by Christian Cherry, Estate Planning Attorney, and the diocese planned giving office at a free seminar at the Diocese of Charlotte. These and many other questions will be discussed at our Estate Planning Seminar. Parking is free and refreshments will be served. **To reserve your space and free take home materials, contact Judy Smith at 704-370-3320 or [jmsmith@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmsmith@charlottediocese.org) by May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Join MiraVia at its 17th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE! Life" on Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at The Golf Club at Ballantyne in Charlotte, N.C. Beverages, lunch and dinner included. Cost per player is \$130. MiraVia, Inc. is a Catholic non-profit maternity and after-care program serving the greater Charlotte region. To register visit <http://bit.ly/LinksFORELife> or contact Megan Whiteside at [meganwhiteside@mira-via.org](mailto:meganwhiteside@mira-via.org).

St. Michael's Youth Group presents Neon Benefit Dance at Belmont Abbey College Student Commons on Saturday, May 27th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for high schoolers 9th-12th grades. All proceeds benefit the medical treatment for Ethan Scott! Details on St. Michael's Youth Group Instagram at [stmichaelsyouth](https://www.instagram.com/stmichaelsyouth). **Watch for details on "Knowing Jesus" with Scott M. Anthony and Sean Patrick Malloy, August 18th-20th.** For 8th-12th graders at St. Michael Catholic Church, Gastonia.

Attend a men's retreat with Fr. Kevin Peek October 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> at Casa Maria Convent and Retreat House in Irondale, AL. Fr. Peek will be preaching on "Catholic Fatherhood: Raising Saints in This Generation." For more information: <http://www.sisterservants.org/schedule.php>.

### Living Stones

*What are you building? Lasting relationships, a career, a family? Do you build others up? Are you building a better world? What we build says a lot about who we are.*

All St. Ann's women are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Evening Reflection on Friday, May 19th at 6:00 p.m.** at St. Matthew Church with guest speaker Fr. Jeffrey Kirby. **Register** for events & signup for our monthly newsletter on website: [www.CharlotteCatholicWomensGroup.org](http://www.CharlotteCatholicWomensGroup.org).

**Orchestral Mass for Ascension. Carolina Catholic Chorale** will sing Mozart's *Piccolomini Mass in A* in a Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form **at St. Ann Church on Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** (Masses are open to the public at no cost). For information, please visit <http://carolinacatholicchorale.com/>.

**Attention all Catholic young men ages 15-19!** Do you know where your life is going? The Lord Jesus has a great plan for you! You are invited to attend the fifth annual *Quo Vadis Days* camp to spend time with other young men your age looking at the Lord's call in your life while having fun. *QVD* is led by priests and seminarians of the diocese and is supported by the diocesan Office of Vocations. ***Quo Vadis Days* will be held from June 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> at Belmont Abbey College. The cost of the camp is \$150.00. Please note the change in age participation this year.**

Interested in attend, visit our website: [www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days](http://www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days) or contact Father Jason Barone, Diocesan Promoter of Vocations at [jkbarone@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jkbarone@charlottediocese.org).

**For young men ages 13 and 14, we will host a Discernment Day at St. Ann's, on June 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** There is no charge for this event and registration is upon arrival.

**Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne Vocation Discernment Schedule: Hawthorne, New York: July 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. Atlanta, GA: September 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. And Philadelphia, PA: June 10<sup>th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>.** "Dare to Love. Dare to Serve". All women (ages 19-45) who are discerning a religious vocation to join us for a weekend of sharing in our life of prayer and apostolate. Reservation are required. For information and reservations contact Sister Alma Marie 845-745-1319 or [vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org](mailto:vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org).



Programs for children k-12, college and young adults, adults and

Hispanic people will be a part of the **Eucharistic Congress of the Diocese of Charlotte on September 8th & 9th at the Charlotte Convention Center.** Make plans to attend. Visit [www.GoEucharist.com](http://www.GoEucharist.com) for more information.

## 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!

**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.*

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!

## 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.*

**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.