



January 14, 2018



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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)

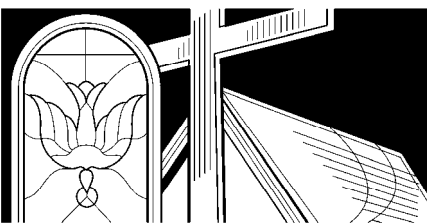
Parish Office Hours

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

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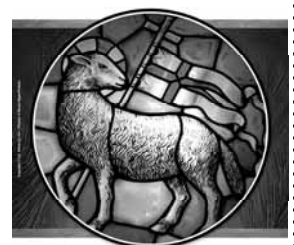
THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
<p>Sunday 14th</p>	<p>8:00 a.m. Intentions of Maureen & Mike Rayano <i>by Sallie & Kim Catalano</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Our parish family</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Phillip Burnham <i>by Christine & Jack Burnham</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2)</p> <p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p>
<p>Monday 15th <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. +Norma Sain <i>by the Wilkens family</i></p>	<p><i>Parish Office Closed</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 16th</p>	<p>7:00 a.m. Intentions of John F. Lauer <i>by the Lauer family</i> <i>Adoration in the chapel at 8:00 a.m.</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) Bible Study (Ceramic room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Scout room in use Bible Study (Ceramic room)</p>
<p>Wednesday 17th</p>	<p><i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i></p> <p>5:00 p.m. Holy Hour</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Latin Intentions of Phillip Burnham <i>by Christine & Jack Burnham</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. Church Closed</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room)</p>
<p>Thursday 18th</p>	<p>7:00 a.m. +Norma Sain <i>by the Wilkens family</i></p> <p>5:30 p.m. Confessions</p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Testing (Library)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Choir (Church)</p>
<p>Friday 19th</p>	<p>8:30 a.m. +Claire Peltuacci <i>by Val DeMarco</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel)</p>
<p>Saturday 20th</p>	<p>3:00 p.m. Confessions</p> <p>4:30 p.m. +Sister Aloysius Shoemaker <i>by Virginia Doman</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p>
<p>Sunday 21st</p>	<p>8:00 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Joseph Matlak <i>by the Ma family</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Our parish family</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin +Neil Irving <i>by the Palanos family</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2)</p> <p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen)</p>



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





Dear Parishioners,

I want to thank you all for your generosity to our parish! We received a lot of year-end gifts that have enabled us to pay in full our Priest Retirement and DSA assessments! We've also collected most of the money we need for our new grotto, which I hope we can begin building soon. On top of all that, at Christmas our parish gave away to the needy more money and goods than ever before. I am truly gratified by the outpouring of generosity that I've seen, and I pray that our Lord will continue blessing our parish. Thank you for being good stewards.

As we come into mid-January, we are reminded once again of the necessity of defending life and praying for an end to abortion. Next week is the 45th anniversary of Roe versus Wade, the Supreme Court decision that made legalized abortions readily available throughout the United States. To mark this event there will be the annual Pro-Life March in Washington, DC this Friday, 19 January 2018. I will be there along with Bishop Jugis and many priests and laypeople from our diocese. Please pray for the safety of all who will be traveling, and more importantly, let us all pray for an end to abortion in our country. St. Patrick's has organized a bus trip if you are interested in attending the March for Life. You can call their office for more information.

As was mentioned at the end of Mass last Sunday, I will be leading another pilgrimage this year in October. This year's trip will begin in Munich, travel through Bavaria, and then on to Salzburg and Vienna, Austria, finishing up in Budapest, Hungary, after a brief stop in Bratislava, Slovakia. Highlights of the trip will include Bavaria's famous Neuschwanstein Castle (Cinderella Castle), the Shrine of Our Lady of Altotting, Melk Abbey, and all the great sites of Vienna and Budapest! I've also tried to build a good bit of free time so that pilgrims will have time to explore on their own. The cost of the trip is \$3976/person. There are brochures on the table by the baptismal font and on our parish website. I hope you can join us!

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and "D".

Your Stewardship of Treasure
722 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
December 24, 2017				
Weekly Collection	20,952.50	16,538.46	433,219.51	430,000.02
Other Revenue Streams:			65,607.62	60,599.98
Total Revenue:			498,827.13	490,600.00
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			8,227.13	

DSA

2017 Goal:	97,137.00
Pledged:	99,508.50
Received:	94,363.50
Assessment Balance:	2,773.50
Donors:	186

Loan Balance: 335,774.44

Priest Retirement:

Goal:	32,343.00
Received:	32,682.00
Balance:	(339.00)

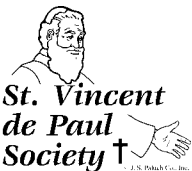
Marion Grotto:

Goal:	125,000.00
Received:	82,445.00
Balance:	42,555.00

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org

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: **January 20th-21st, February 3rd-4th, and February 17th-18th.**

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for?" Instead of looking for happiness in selfish ways, find ways to make others happy so that we will become truly happy. Give others a reason to believe and trust through your gift to St. Vincent de Paul.



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.

Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

- Tuesday, Jan. 16th for Sunday, January 21, 2018
- Tuesday, Jan. 23rd for Sunday, January 28, 2018
- Tuesday, Jan. 30th for Sunday, February 4, 2018
- Tuesday, Feb. 6th for Sunday, February 11, 2018



It is important to measure our generosity not by what we give, but by what we have left.

For those of you who would like to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith, we've got some great on-line resources available to every member of our parish through a program called **Formed**. In order to access these resources, just go to: www.formed.org and click on "Find Out More" at the bottom of the homepage. You will be taken to page where you can enter a parish code to get access to the resources. **Our parish code is: Y6ZQ8M.** Once you've logged in under our parish code, you can create your personal profile and login.



Good stewardship means that we look ahead, and make provisions for our family, our loved ones and our Church. Please visit: www.charlottediocese.org/giving

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Shaking Hands At Mass During the Cold and Flue Season. Concerned about the spread of colds and viruses during the winter months? If you prefer not to shake hands during the Sign of Peace, simply clasp your hands together and acknowledge those around you with a gentle bow and "peace be with you".

Watch for details about the Men's Club Wings & Ribs Sale for February 3rd & 4th.
Don't want to miss this event!

The next **Baptismal Preparation Class** will be **Sunday, February 11th at 9:10 a.m. in the Scout room.** Please call the parish office to sign up for this class.



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Welcome into our parish family
Marianne Clare Russell
Timothy JohnPaul Joseph Lewis

The Combined Mission Collection will be taken at all Masses next weekend. You should receive a brochure and letter in the mail this week. Please take the time to read the information and contribute as generously as possible in the second collection next weekend. The envelope for that collection is part of your parish envelope packet.

Come and teach your children how to adore Jesus! We have the opportunity to be in the main church before Our Lord, without the worry that a babbling toddler or loud baby is disturbing someone's peace. **Family Adoration is a time for everyone to come before God in prayer, and will be available in the church on Mondays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** Come for Our Lord, and stay for play at the park afterward. *Note: At this time, Our Lord will not be exposed during the Adoration period, but will remain with us in the tabernacle.* Contact Melissa Lewis, mmlewis28@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.

HOLD THE DATE!

A pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament at Hanceville, Alabama for Sister Mary Gabriella's Profession of her Vows. Come, join us **Sunday, March 18th** as we leave after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (9:00 a.m.) by Academy, Charlotte Davison Charter Bus and we travel where Mother Angelica was called to her mission.

Opportunities for Mass, confessions, adoration, prayer, growth, sharing meals in a beautiful inspiring setting near the monastery, Home of our Poor Clares'.

The Profession of Vows will take place on Monday, March 19th St. Joseph's Feast Day. Take time to get away for a while to be with the One who loves us. Please check your calendars and watch for more information as we make plans to celebrate Sister Mary Gabriella Profession of Vows.

We will return home **Tuesday, March 20th** leaving AL at 9:00 a.m. Mark your calendars now space will be limited. Watch for more details to follow.



Gaudium Musicae Eighth Season: Sacred Sounds.

Carolina Pro Musica will

perform an hour-long concert on **Sunday, February 11th at**

4 p.m., a small reception following the concert gives fellow listeners an opportunity to meet the performers.

The concert series offered by St. Ann's is to support exceptional, primarily local and regional musicians by providing an acoustically excellent, intimate venue for performance and to present diverse programming.

Single concert tickets are \$30 for families, \$12 for adults, and \$8 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased on our website, in the parish office and at the door.

Sponsorships are available for each of the concerts.

Contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information on tax-deductible contributions and sponsorships.

Adorers Needed! 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.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Young, married (or engaged), and looking to meet other couples? **St. Ann Young Marrieds Group** meets regularly throughout the year for service, fun, faith and friendship. For more info and regular updates, contact Nicolette Williams at newilliams12@gmail.com.

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.

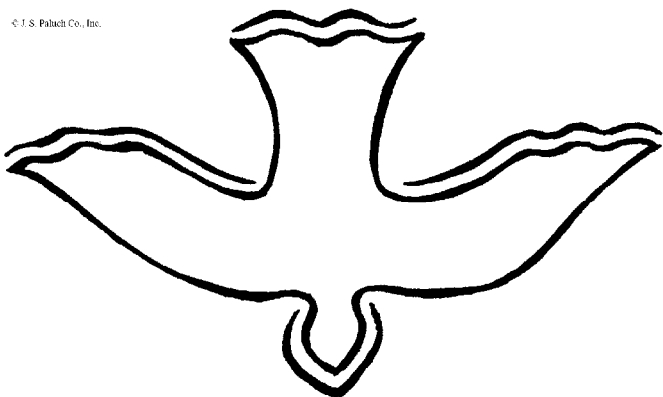
Fidelis, a group for young ladies in middle and school, meets on **Mondays 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in café. If you are interested in learning more please contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother at dvmfidelis@gmail.com.

Fraternus meet **Mondays now through May 2018**. All young men in middle and high school are invited to join from 7:00-8:45 p.m. in the gym.

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

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 Monday after the 9:30 a.m. Adoration at the same location, Park Play 10:30 –11:30 a.m. during the school year.** Questions? Call Melissa Lewis at 704-287-8112 subscribe to our group at holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoo.com.

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Our parishioners: Patricia Phillips, Helen Norton, Nancy West.

Our friends and family: Alex Brown (nephew of the Rothe family), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), Jennifer Arnold and Mary Regester (friends of Nancy Tota), Tom Storer, Jean Storer, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), Douglas Edge, Joel Rivera, Michael Walsh (father of Will Walsh), Donna Wingert), Albert Ayd (brother of Cecilia Balman), Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman) Peter Stenhouse and Cheryl Ring (friends of Abbey & Rick Lejk), Joel Rivera, and Sandy Van Dyke,.

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 1st Class Jeffrey Derscheid, LT. Charlie Hetzel USN, Ensign Thomas Hetzel USN, and Cadet Peter Hetzel 2nd Class USMA. USMC 2nd Lt. Hays Hammond.

St. Gerard's Meals Ministry. Mission: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or katherinetlauer@gmail.com.

Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.



So The Necessity of Divine Mercy by Fr. Chris Alar, MIC: Experience the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy as Fr. Chris Alar explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy, and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life. **Go to:** www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub; **Use code:** 33769. \$3.00 donation per CD. **Make checks payable:** St. Ann Catholic Church.

Be sure you are up to date on your **Protecting God's Children information and the Virtus monthly bulletins.** Also you need to up date your **Background Check every five (5) years.** All forms are online on the Diocese of Charlotte website: under Safe Environment and Volunteers.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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 Karen Rubbo at 704-847-8148 or rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

Our Lady of Fatima had made the request for the observance of the First Five Saturdays Devotion to the three shepherd children, which remains sadly neglected by her Son's Church. Masses celebrated on the first Saturday of each month offered in reparation for the sins committed against our Blessed Mother's Immaculate Heart, going to confession, recitation of the Rosary, and spending 15 minutes with her in meditation on a mystery of the Rosary brings great comfort to her and reaps blessings for those who honor her in this way. **Won't you join the Legion of Mary as we provide recitation of the Rosary every first Saturday at 3:55 in the Chapel? Further information can be found each month at our information table.**

Have you ever found yourself stumped because you didn't know how to respond to questions about your Catholic faith from a friend, colleague or even your own children? Do you find yourself feeling like your catechism didn't answer all the questions you had about your faith or maybe you've forgotten? Are you new to the Church and think an RCIA refresher may be in store? Maybe you've come home after years away from the Church. **If you answered yes to any of these questions or this sounds like you, then the Legion of Mary would like to invite you to a Sunday morning Adult Faith Formation class at 9:00-10:15 a.m. during the school year.** We will be studying Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism video series. Come join us for coffee and good conversation each week in classrooms 1 & 2 on the Allen Center! For information, contact Karen at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

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 January 14th-January 21st**

January 14th	2nd Sunday after Epiphany - 2nd class
January 15th	St. Paul, the First Hermit - 3rd class
January 16th	St. Marcellus I - 3rd class
January 17th	St. Anthony - 3rd class
January 18th	Feria - 4th class or St. Prisca - 4th class
January 19th	Feria - 4th class or Sts. Marius, Martha, Audifax & Abachum - 4th class or St. Canute - 4th class
January 20th	Sts. Fabian & Sebastian - 3rd class
January 21st	3rd Sunday after Epiphany - 2nd class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at 12:30 p.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. For Latin Mass news, please visit 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.

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

Wednesday mornings during the school year (except vacations) the St Joseph College Seminary will offer the **Traditional Latin Mass in St. Ann's at 7:00 am. All are welcome.**

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. And the patron saint of Human Trafficking is St. Bakita, whose feast day is February 8th. Human Trafficking is both sex trafficking and forced labor. It is a modern form of slavery. There is much all of us can do to relieve the suffering of others. Here is a simple easy list of 15 ways you can help fight Human Trafficking, <https://www.state.gov/j/tip/id/help/index.htm>.

Upcoming events:

January 25th, 11:30 a.m. - Respect Life Meeting upstairs conference room in the Allen Center. All are welcome.
February 2nd and 3rd - Vigil of the Twin Hearts, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Mass at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, followed with all night adoration until Mass at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday.
February 24th – 9:00 a.m. Respect Life Mass.

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 lcookie.momster@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Group liaison is Kathleen Lewis. To contact Kathleen for information on Home School lewisfamily555@gmail.com.

The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS) welcomes interested parents and students to apply for all grades during early admissions: PK-8th: *now*–January 31st and High School: *now* through **TOMORROW, January 15th.** *9th Grade Placement Test is **January 20th**, registration instructions in application. Please call your MACS school of interest to schedule a tour. For information and/or the 2018-2019 Applications are available now at www.discovermacs.org.

Saint Matthew Catholic School (TK–5th)

11525 Elm Lane 704-544-2070

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School (PK–8th) 4225

Shamrock Drive 704-531-0067

Saint Ann Catholic School (PK, TK–5th)

600 Hillside Avenue 704-525-4938

Saint Gabriel Catholic School (K–5th)

3028 Providence Road 704-366-2409

Saint Patrick Catholic School (K–5th)

1125 Buchanan Street 704-333-3174

Saint Mark Catholic School (K–8th)

14750 Stumptown Road, Huntersville 704-766-5000

Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School (6th–8th)

3100 Park Road 704-527-7822

Charlotte Catholic High School (9th–12th)

7702 Pineville-Matthews Road 704-543-1127

Christ the King Catholic High School (9th–12th)

2011 Crusader Way, Huntersville 704-799-4400

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Forgiveness and Healing Following Abortion: 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. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and family and to realize God's ever present love. Contact: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251/ jackie.childers1@gmail.com.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method. NFP three class series Winter 2018. All classes Saturday afternoons from 1:00 -4:00 p.m. January 20th, February 24th, and March 17th. **All classes are necessary to complete the series.** Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Sign up on-line and purchase class materials at www.ccli.org. Scholarships are available. Postpartum and Pre-menopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

FREE Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course. Topics to be covered: Effectiveness of modern NFP methods, Health risks of popular contraceptives, Benefits of NFP - health, relational, and spiritual, Church teaching on responsible parenting, and How to use NFP. For more information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or to RSVP, contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or bnadcock@charlottediocese.org.

Teams of Our Lady (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 & Danielle Mathis** at tmthis3@me.com for information.

Help us to support the Bishops' Initiative on marriage! Couples who attend **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier. "Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Let us practice listening better to God and our spouse by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. **The next weekends are: February 2nd-4th, in Clemmons, NC and August 3rd-5th, in Chapel Hill, NC.** For information go to: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us: applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

Conflict in your marriage? Is your marriage cold or filled with stress? **Retrouvaille** is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even talk with their spouse. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For information or to apply for the next program February 2nd, call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242, email retrouvaille@msn.com, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

National Memorial For the Pre-born and their Mothers and Fathers. **If you are going to the March Pro-Life in Washington, DC**, please take note of the 24th Annual National Memorial for the Preborn and their Mothers and Fathers at the historical DAR Constitution Hall on **Friday, January 19th at 8:30 a.m.** 1776 D. Street NW corner of 18th and D. Street. For information visit www.nationalprayerservice.com.

All Catholic women in the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Evening Reflection** on **Tuesday, January 23rd** at St. Ann Church. Social begins at 6:30 p.m. **Fr. Joseph Matlak will speak at 7:00 p.m.** in the assembly room. Additional details and **to register**, go to our website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org.

St Peter invites your parish and community to hear an inspiring talk about racism and, how as Catholics, we are called to end discrimination: "The Times Demand It. The Gospel Demands It. Confronting the Sins of Racism", Bishop George V. Murry, S.J. 18th Annual Kennedy Lecture at **St. Peter Catholic Church, Saturday, January 27th 9:00 a.m.** with questions at 10:30 a.m. in Bliss Hall. Free parking with validated ticket in The Green. Come early for coffee at 8:30 a.m.

The Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Charlotte, NC, is seeking a part time Parish Communications Coordinator. This position reports to the pastor. The Parish Communications Coordinator is responsible for managing all communication and public relations efforts. The position requires an organized and creative self-starter with excellent communication and visual skills for print, video and electronic communications. This position may include evening hours, Sundays and some weekends.

Duties and Responsibilities: Prepare and publish the weekly parish bulletin; Develop and publish a quarterly parish newsletter; Strategize weekly social media content and distribution and on fundraising campaigns using digital and print media; Develop and manage website content and imagery; Create marketing materials for campaigns, appeals, newsletters and events; Creation of videos and podcasts; Additional communications and media tasks as required by the Pastor.

You must have: A Bachelor's Degree or equivalent experience; Knowledge of Catholic teaching and the Catholic Faith; Effective written, listening and oral communication skills; Strong knowledge of communications strategy and social media with the ability to deliver material in timely manner; Excellent problem solving and analytical skills. Computer proficiency with software, Microsoft Office products and social media. Skills in photography, videography, and website management.

Professional Experience: 2-3 years communications, public relations, or marketing experience. Qualified candidates may submit their resume and cover letter including salary requirements to Jim Bowling at JBowling@stpatricks.org.

Looking For Adventure? Come join us for a presentation about **Camp Kahdalea for Girls/Camp Chosatonga for Boys**. "A great home for Catholic campers." You are invited to the home of Mary Paul and Paul Forsyth at 212 Woodwinds Drive Mount Holly, NC on **Friday, January 19th at 6:30 p.m.** for pizza and refreshments. RSVP to Mary Paul at 704-236-4018. Questions? Call: 318-446-8277 (rep) or 828-884-6834 (camp). For more information visit: www.twofuncamps.com/catholicpublications.html.

Fundraiser: Pasta for a Purpose Ceili for a Cause. Come help us support Ethan Scott in his fight with cancer. **Saturday, January 27th from 6:00-9:00 p.m.** at St. Michael Parish Center, Gastonia. Dinner and Ceili Dancing. Adult \$10, Kids 10 and under \$7, Families (4 or more) \$40. The Ceili Dancing is for all ages, with simple dance patterns everyone can follow. Caller is Meg Barrett from St. Aloysius. Bake Sale provided by Little Flowers Girls Club. \$1- Cake Walk for a chance to win additional sweets! Call Anne Spalding, 443-871-0357, for more information.

St. Gabriel Catholic Church with Alice Camille and Paul Boudreau, authors of *Fearless: Stories of the American Saints*. With stunning graphics, they will explore the lives of a dozen brave men and women who lived heroically in circumstances much like ours. Their stories will help us consider what it means to be a Catholic American and an American Catholic. No RSVP needed. **Program will be offered in the Ministry Center on Wednesday, February 7th, at 6:30 p.m. and again on Thursday, February 8th, at 9:30 a.m.**



The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic fraternity that focuses on charity and support for our nation, community, parish and priest. "We help lives and save lives!" Contact us when you are ready to be a part of something big. Join us! Our meetings are held on the first Thursday at 6:30 p.m. of each month at St Patrick's Cathedral at 1621 Dilworth Road East. Contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary Council 770 at rtn2108@aol.com. or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com.

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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. Questions to David Hains, 704-370-3336, dwhains@charlottediocese.org.

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.*

Check out our website: 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.

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

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.

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.