



February 11, 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

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Sunday 11th	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Jim Beckert <i>by Hailey Hindes & Sam Martin</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Nancy & Lou Picciola <i>by Sallie & Kim Catalano</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) 9:10 a.m. Baptismal Preparation Class (Scout room) 9:30 a.m. Café in use 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Café & Kitchen in use 4:00 p.m. Gaudium Musicae Concert (Church) 7:00 p.m. Men's Club Meeting (Classrooms 1 & 2)
Monday 12th	7:00 a.m. +Ruth Harris <i>by the Wilkens family</i>	9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 1:00 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 3:30 p.m. Choir loft in use 5:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting (Library) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Fraternus (Gym) Fidelis (Café) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room) Legion of Mary (Conference room)
Tuesday 13th	7:00 a.m. +Rosemarie Nascimento <i>by Laura Greeley</i> <i>Adoration in the chapel at 8:00 a.m.</i>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 1:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) Bible Study (Ceramic room) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use Bible Study (Ceramic room)
Ash Wednesday 14th	<i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i> 7:00 a.m. Latin Intentions of Fr. Reid <i>by the Herkert family</i> 8:30 a.m. +Mary Wilkens <i>by the Wilkens family</i> 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour 6:00 p.m. +Norb Wilkens <i>by the Wilkens family</i>	10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting (Conference room)
Thursday 15th	7:00 a.m. +Father Joseph Raynak <i>by Virginia Doman</i> 5:30 p.m. Confessions	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 9:00 a.m. Bible Study (Ceramic room) 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church)
Friday 16th	7:00 a.m. Latin +Rebecca Holt Donnell <i>by the Fouchee family</i> 8:30 a.m. +Shannon Nelson <i>by the Davey family</i> 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour of Reparation	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel) 9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) Conference room in use 2:00 p.m. Café set up 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church) 7:30 p.m. Library in use
Saturday 17th	3:00 p.m. Confessions 4:30 p.m. +Frances Sowell <i>by Betty Theberger & daughters</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 11:00 a.m. Wedding (Church) 12:00 p.m. Café & Kitchen in use
Sunday 18th	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Robert Lobdell <i>by his daughter</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Aline Cooper <i>by Sallie & Kim Catalan</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 12:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)



Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, 11 February, we're having our next *Gaudium Musicae* concert at 4 p.m. We are hosting *Carolina Pro Musica*, an "early music" ensemble we've hosted before, and we're very excited to have them back. Tickets are available on our website or at the door. As usual, we'll have a reception afterwards. Come join us!

There's still time to sign up for our **pilgrimage** to the Monastery of Our Lady of the Angels in Hanceville, AL. We are taking a quick trip over there in March to celebrate the Final Vows of Sr. Mary Gabriella. Sister will be making her final profession on 19 March: the Solemnity of St. Joseph! Our bus will leave the parish after the 8 a.m. Mass on Sunday, 18 March 2018, and we will return late afternoon on Tuesday, 20 March. The cost will be somewhere around \$250-\$300. I very much hope to have a nice contingent of people from our parish. Please call the office for more details.

This coming Wednesday, 14 March 2018, is **Ash Wednesday** and the beginning of Lent. While not a holy day of obligation, it is a wonderful day to come to Mass, and I encourage you to do so. We will have Masses Wednesday at 7 a.m. (Latin), 8:30 a.m., and 6 p.m.

As Lent is a penitential season, Holy Mother Church has certain requirements for fasting and abstinence from meat during Lent. Specifically, for Catholics in the United States, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops states that: "the age of fasting is from the completion of the eighteenth year to the beginning of the sixtieth." The requirements for fasting and abstinence in the United States are:

- Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.
- Every person from age of 18 until 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but they are not to equal a full meal.

Beginning this Friday, 16 February, and continuing throughout the Fridays of Lent, we will have a **Holy Hour of Reparation** beginning at 6 p.m. before **Stations of the Cross** at 7 p.m. Please join us as we make reparation for our own sins and those of the whole world. I have every confidence that these spiritual exercises are not only good for our souls, but also pleasing to our Lord.

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure
722 registered families

January 21, 2017	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	14,719.50	16,538.46	508,477.27	501,666.65
Other Revenue Streams:			75,610.62	70,183.35
Total Revenue:			584,087.89	571,850.00
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			12,237.89	

DSA:

2018 Goal: 106,285.00

Loan Balance: 305,578.73

Marion Grotto:

Goal: 125,000.00

Received: 111,420.00

Balance: 13,580.00

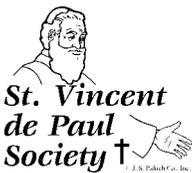
**DIOCESAN
 SUPPORT
 APPEAL 2018**

“We are Called,” is the theme of the 2018 Diocesan Support Appeal. This week, you should receive a letter or postcard from Bishop Jugis asking for your generous support of the DSA; and next weekend we will view the DSA video, so we can all have an understanding of how the funds given to the DSA impact our diocese. Bishop Jugis asks each of us to prayerfully consider a gift to the DSA as a way of serving Christ through service to thousands of Catholics in western North Carolina.

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



We don't give because we have an abundance of resources and can afford it; we give because of a desire to share what we have with others out of love and gratitude.



In the Gospel today Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help the needy.

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.

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.



A properly prepared will can provide for two families – your own and your parish family. Please visit: www.charlottediocese.org/giving.

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Please note: If there is inclement weather in our area we will follow the Mecklenburg Area Catholic School process. If the MACS schools are closed the Church Office will be closed.

Join our Men's Club **today, February 11th** at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms 1 & 2 for the monthly meeting. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will be today, February 11th at 9:10 a.m. in the Scout room.

Fast and Abstinence

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

Fasting means having only one normal-sized meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs., but they should not together equal one full meal. No snacks are permitted on these days. Catholics from the age of 18 through 59 are bound to fast. Again, invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt. Children are not required to uphold Lenten fasting and abstinence practices, but they are encouraged to abstain from meat on Fridays. Moreover, encouraging children to make small sacrifices may build a foundation for a faith-filled adulthood. Ash Wednesday is 46 days before Easter, but Lent is 40 days' long, because Sundays are not counted as days of Lent. (adapted from *Our Sunday Visitor*).

Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

- Tuesday, Feb. 13th for Sunday, February 18, 2018
- Tuesday, Feb. 20th for Sunday, February 25, 2018
- Tuesday, Feb. 27th for Sunday, March 4, 2018
- Tuesday, March 6th for Sunday, March 11, 2018

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: **February 17th-18th, March 3rd-4th, and March 17th-18th.**

Join St. Ann Parishioners on a Pilgrimage to the Shire of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, AL for Sister Mary Gabrielle's Profession of her Vows.

Join us by Academy, Charlotte Davison Charter Bus, as 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'. **Departure** Sunday, March 18th after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (9:00 a.m.). **Returning** Tuesday, March 20th after the Morning Mass in Hanceville at 9:00 a.m. **Cost:** \$240/ per person for the two nights with meals during our stay. (\$300 for private room). Each person to cover their own breakfast and lunch on travel days. (Bring a bag lunch or buy something when we stop.) **Space will be limited**, and we will open it up to the diocese on Sunday, February 11th. To Register, complete this form and return to the parish office with a check for \$240 (or \$300) made payable to St. Ann Catholic Church with "Pilgrimage" in the memo line. For more information contact Lucie Tonon at lucietonon123@gmail.com.



Gaudium Musicae
Eighth Season: Sacred Sounds. **Carolina Pro Musica** will perform an

"The Joy of Music" hour-long concert on **TODAY, 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 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.

SAVE THE DATE! St. Ann Summer Catechesis will be June 18th-22nd. Our theme this year is *All About Mary*. Please contact Trista Bremer if you are interested in volunteering. trista.bremer@gmail.com. Signup sheet for volunteers for Summer Catechesis. <https://goo.gl/forms/NdbADQQtYbZGuNz12>

WEDDING BANNERS
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III: Natasha Grant - Colin Shanahan

17 February 2018 11:00 a.m.

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 newwilliams12@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.

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.

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.



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 Register (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 Ron York (brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn).

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.



Now is the Time of Mercy: In the beautifully and thoughtfully crafted 10-

session film journey **Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told**, Fr. Michael Gaitley interweaves the dramatic history of Poland, the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of St. John Paul II into a tapestry of wonder and beauty centered around God's mercy. \$3.00 donation per CD. **Make checks payable: St. Ann Catholic Church.**

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

Adorers Needed! Consider becoming an adorers 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

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 catechesis 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 invites you to a Sunday morning Adult Faith Formation class at 9:00-10:15 a.m. during the school year.** We are studying Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism video series. For information, email 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.**

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

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the **Week of February 11th-February 18th**

February 11th	Quinquagesima Sunday - 2nd class
February 12th	Seven Holy Servite Founders - 3rd class
February 13th	Feria - 4th class
February 14th	Ash Wednesday - 1st class
February 15th	Thursday after Ash Wednesday - 3rd class
February 16th	Friday after Ash Wednesday - 3rd class
February 17th	Saturday after Ash Wednesday - 3rd class
February 18th	1st Sunday of Lent - 1st 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.

This Lent encounter the Passion of Christ through the Traditional Latin Mass. *Do this for a commemoration of me (Luke 22:19)* From beginning to end, the Latin Mass is filled with prayers and ceremonies signifying the Passion of Christ. This Lent you're invited to encounter it each Sunday at these locations: **9:00 a.m. Sunday Low (Silent) Mass – until March 25th at Charlotte Catholic High School chapel, 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, 28226. 12:30 p.m. Sunday High (Sung) Mass - with fellowship coffee afterwards at St. Ann's.** Newcomers will receive a pamphlet to the Passion & the Latin Mass.

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.

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.**

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.

Shaking Hands At Mass During the Cold and Flu 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".

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Respect Life: Respecting and affirming life from the moment of conception, Mira Via is a safe haven and source of hope for pregnant mothers and their children. **We will be hosting a diaper drive the weekend of February 24th – 25th** to assist the mothers in the care of their children. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Donations of diapers, wipes, and baby hygiene items may be dropped off. A full list of all items needed by Mira Via can be found on their website, <http://www.mira-via.org/you-can-help/wish-list/>

Upcoming Events:

Every Sunday – Rosary in the chapel at 12 noon
February 24th - 9:00 a.m. Respect Life Mass followed by adoration or rosary outside Hebron.

February 24th – 25th – Diaper Drive for Mira Via
February 25th – 11:30 a.m. – Respect Life Meeting in the conference room in the Allen Center

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, email lewisfamily555@gmail.com.

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

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. **Upcoming Retreat: Asheville Area: March 9th-11th.** For information please contact either: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / Jackie.childers1@gmail.com or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / jmganser@charlottediocese.org.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method.

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) 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 responsible parenting, and...how to use NFP. For information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or to RSVP, contact Catholic Charities' Batrice Adcock, MSN, at 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 weekend: August 3rd-5th, in Chapel Hill, NC.** For information go to: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us: applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

A Lifeline for Marriage: **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. You will not be sharing your struggles with other people. You will hear from couples that have been through the program themselves. They will share their journey from brokenness to reconciliation. For information, call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242, e-mail us at retrouvaille@msn.com, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Centering Prayer Introductory Workshop: Centering Prayer is a disciplined Christian method focused not on speaking to God, but on listening with the heart in the silence where we consent to God's presence and action in our lives. **The workshop will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church on Friday evening, February 23rd, and Saturday, February 27th,** with 6 follow-up sessions including videos with Fr. Thomas Keating. For details and to register, visit www.copnc.org.

Fellowship Friday Fish Fry at Charlotte Catholic High School from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday March 2nd. Please join the CCHS Athletic Association in a great evening of fellowship. Meals can be preordered on the school web store. \$8 adults and \$5 child. Visit charlottecatholic.org for more information.

Bishop's Youth Pilgrimage: Each year Bishop Jugis invites middle school aged youth, high schoolers, collegiates, and young adults to join him at Belmont Abbey for a day of prayer and adoration of Our Eucharistic Lord. This year's the pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday, April 7, 2018**. The Theme for the event is, **"I Am the Living Bread"** (JN 6:51). For information on the event visit www.GoEucharist.com or the [Youth Pilgrimage page](#) on the Diocesan Website.

MiraVia is seeking a full time, bi-lingual Program Manager for its Outreach Program in Charlotte, N.C. This position provides pregnancy related services such as support groups, life-skill classes and material assistance. Supervises all aspects of the Outreach Program including staff, volunteers, client services and facility management. Fluency in English and Spanish (including knowledge of the Hispanic culture) is required as well as knowledge of pregnancy health, infant care, parenting and an understanding of Catholic teachings on the sanctity of life. A minimum of a Bachelor Degree in Social Work or related field and three years' experience in a Human Services field. Full job description at <http://miravia.org>. Submit resumes to Debbie Capen at debbiecapen@miravia.org.



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 rjm2108@aol.com, or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com.

All Catholic women in the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Morning Reflection** on **tomorrow, February 12th** at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Mass begins at 9:00 a.m. **Fr. Richard Sutter will speak at 10:30 a.m.** in the assembly room. Additional details and **to register**, go to our website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org.

You are invited to join Fr. Benjamin Roberts, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Monroe, NC, **on a 3-day pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Saint Dymphna located in Massillon, Ohio. The dates are March 11th - 13th.** The itinerary includes Holy Mass both days, a tour of the newly restored National Shrine of St. Dymphna and the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption. We will spend time in prayer in front of the relics of all twelve apostles, St. Dymphna, and a relic of the True Cross. The cost is \$149.00 per person which includes all meals and roundtrip transportation aboard a luxury motor coach. For information or to sign up, email StDymphna2013@gmail.com or call Sue 704-431-2861.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Walk where Jesus walked! Join Father Frank O'Rourke, Pastor of St. Gabriel Church, on a pilgrimage to the **Holy Land, April 18th-27th, 2018** that includes Caesarea, the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem. The tour price is \$3,649 per person. Find details at <http://www.stgabrielchurch.org/pilgrimage> or contact Sr. Joann Ury at 704-852-4400.

The Diocese of Charlotte invites you to the World Meeting of Families in Ireland this August. Meet families and fellow Catholics from around the world and experience the holy sites of Ireland on this 10-day pilgrimage. Highlights include a sightseeing tour of Dublin, the World Meeting of Families (including the 3-day congress, the Festival for Families, Mass and celebrations), and an anticipated visit from Pope Francis. We will also see the shrine at Knock and explore Galway City, Kylemore Abbey and Castle, the Cliffs of Moher, and many other beautiful and timeless attractions of Ireland. Round-trip airfare from Charlotte, 4-star accommodations, transportation, tour guide, World Meeting of Families registration and more are included! **Call Canterbury Pilgrimages at 800-653-0017 or visit www.canterburypilgrimages.com/charlotte for details.**

Italy in the Footsteps of St. Benedict a Pilgrimage & Spiritual Retreat with Fr. Cassian Folsom & the Monks of Norcia on September 18th-28th. Immerse yourself in the spirituality of St. Benedict by participating in a spiritual retreat and pilgrimage led by Fr. Cassian, including Divine Office and Holy Mass with the Monks of Norcia. Pilgrimage highlights include: Monasteries of Subiaco & Monte Cassino; Assisi, birthplace of SS. Francis & Clare; Cascia, the home of St. Rita; Rome & Vatican with a Papal audience. \$3989 with air from New York. A portion of the profits of this pilgrimage will be donated to the Monks of Norcia. For info visit CatholicFaithJourneys.com/tours or contact Maggie at 419-290-8782 or maggie@catholicfaithjourneys.com

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.