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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><i>Easter Sunday</i></b> <b>April 1st</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Marla & John Walsh <i>by the Craig Lewis family</i> <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Liz Blake <i>by the Blake family</i>	12 noon <b><i>Parish Office closed</i></b> Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)
<b>Monday</b> <b>2nd</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Drew Post <i>by Suzanne &amp; Mike Terry &amp; boys</i>	<b><i>Parish Office closed</i></b>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>3rd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Logan Richard Michael Lewis <i>by the Spain/Lewis family</i> <i>Adoration in 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)
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>4th</b>	<i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i> <b>5:00 p.m. Holy Hour</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Arte Burnham <i>by Christine Burnham</i>	10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room)
<b>Thursday</b> <b>5th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Matthew Budidharma <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> <b>5:30 p.m. Confessions</b>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church)
<b>Friday</b> <b>6th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Nicole & Mark Conner's Anniversary <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Julie & Tammy	9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 5:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church)
<b>Saturday</b> <b>7th</b>	<b>3:00 p.m. Confessions</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> +Kitty & Bill Sommer <i>by Virginia Doman</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 11:00 a.m. Wedding (Church) 12 noon Cafeteria & kitchen in use 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) 2:30 p.m. Baptism (Church)
<b>Sunday</b> <b>8th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Abbey & Rick Lejk's Anniversary <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Michael Kitson <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Our parish family	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)   Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)



Christ is Risen! Alleluia!!

Now that our 40 days of Lent are completed, let us rejoice in the great gift of salvation that our Lord has won for us by His suffering, death, and resurrection. Let us also be sure to give thanks to our merciful Lord for this gift of our salvation and trust that by His grace, we, too, will some day share in His victory!

As we begin our celebration of this glorious season of 50 days, I wish to thank all of you who have worked diligently to make our Lent and Holy Week liturgies so inspiring. As we offered two Triduum, in two locations, and in two different forms of the Mass again this year, we needed a lot more help than usual, and I'm so grateful for all of you who pitched in. I'm especially grateful to our musicians, led by our Director of Music, Terese Rowe. Under her capable leadership our musicians provide music that is not only beautiful, but that draws from the very rich musical patrimony of our Catholic faith and is in full accord with what the Church envisions for liturgical music.

I want to thank all of our lectors, ushers, altar boys, altar guild members, and those involved with preparing the church and the chapel at Charlotte Catholic High School. It takes a lot of people to make our Holy Week liturgies possible, and thus I am very grateful to all of you who volunteered your time and talent so that our liturgies (in both locations) could be both reverent and uplifting. To this end, I especially want to thank Carol Kuhn for all of her hard work. Carol coordinates all of our liturgies with a great deal of grace and aplomb, and our entire parish is indebted to her for her talents and hard work.

I also want to thank Robina Walker and all of those who helped prepare our Easter meals. This year we fed over 1800 needy people in our area through your generosity and hard work.

Most importantly, I want to thank all of you for making St. Ann such a special parish. It is a great pleasure for me personally to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass each week in a church that is not only beautiful, but that is filled with such a beautiful group of people! Your generosity, faithfulness, willingness to serve, and reverence all edify me and give me great hope for our future together as a parish family. I consider it a privilege to be the pastor of such a remarkable parish.

Keep in mind that next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. As we did last year, we will celebrate this important feast day with a procession up to the Divine Mercy statue on Park Road after the 10:30 a.m. Mass to pray together the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join us!

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

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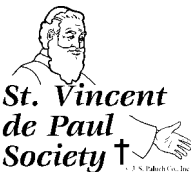
**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
*722 registered families*

March 11, 2017	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>Weekly Collection</b>	29,774.75	16,538.46	640,406.81	611,923.02
<b>Other Revenue Streams:</b>			87,529.62	81,750.01
<b>Total Revenue:</b>			727,736.43	693,673.03
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>			34,063.40	
<b>DSA:</b>				
2018 Goal:	106,285.00		Marion Grotto	
Pledged:	59,063.88		Goal:	160,000.00
Received:	39,437.09		Received:	113,500.00
Assessment Balance:	66,847.91		Balance:	46,500.00
Donors:	102			
<b>Loan Balance:</b>	<b>244,990.90</b>			

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

**DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2018** On behalf of those who benefit from the Diocesan Support Appeal, thank you for your generosity. Remember “We are Called” to share our gifts and our prayers to support the diocesan ministries that serve those in need, bring the light of Christ to those in the dark, and encourage vocations.

*Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice which brings new life to others. Through your gifts to the poor, show the love of the Risen Christ.*



**Endowments for St. Ann’s Parish:**

Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish and our school? These funds, established in 1999 for the parish and 2000 for the school, are for the general and pastoral needs of our parish and school and were established through the generosity of donors in our parish. If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds and how you can make a contribution, contact Judy Smith in the Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte at 704-370-3320 or at [jmsmith@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmsmith@charlottediocese.org).

*Stewardship of time, talent and treasure is chiefly a way to deepen our spiritual life, not a way to increase our giving, although living out stewardship results in both.*



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

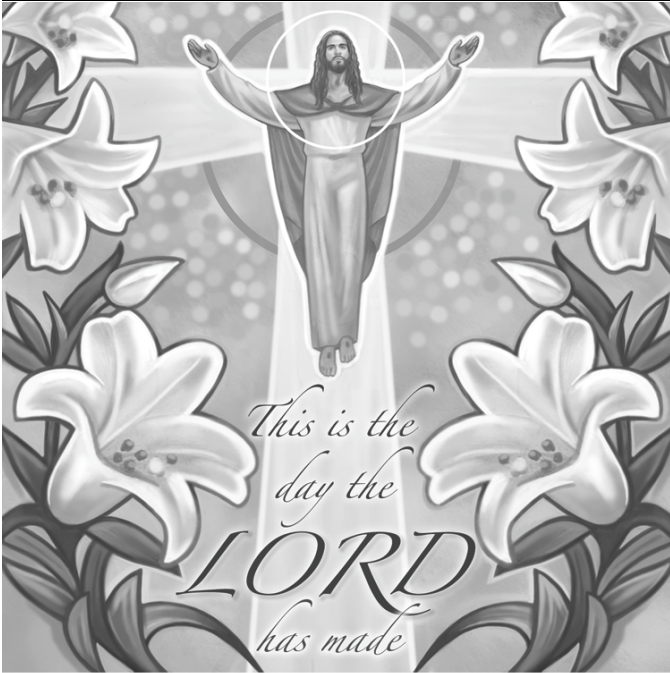
**For those of you who would like to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith,** we’ve got some great online resources available to every member of our parish through a program called **Formed**. In order to access these resources, just go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click on “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.

Planned giving provides an opportunity to give a gift that forever perpetuates our Catholic faith. **Please visit:** [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving), & follow the link to planned giving.





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



Please support our seminarians. **The seminarian education program is primarily funded through the DSA, the seminarian education major gifts campaign, and today's second collection.** Your generosity to this collection is an important part of educating our 27 seminarians. This collection also funds diocesan sponsored workshops and programs that help keep our priests informed of developments in theology and pastoral practices, thereby enabling them to better serve the faithful.

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: **April 7th-8th, April 21st-22nd, and May 5th-6th.**

Please pray for our parishioner, **Peter Tonon**, who will be **ordained as a deacon on Saturday, 14 April 2018.** He will be ordained at St. Mark Catholic Church in Huntersville at 10:00 a.m. that day. The ordination is open to the public.



Welcome to our parish family  
Ruth Marie McDonough

**Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:**

- Tuesday, April 3rd for Sunday, April 8, 2018
- Tuesday, April 10th for Sunday, April 15, 2018
- Tuesday, April 17th for Sunday, April 22, 2018
- Tuesday, April 24th for Sunday, April 29, 2018

**The next Baptismal Preparation Class** will be **Sunday, April 15th at 9:10 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Call the parish office to sign up for this class.

**Mark your calendars for our Annual Parish Service Day: Saturday, April 21st.**

Work begins at 8:00 a.m. with lunch at 12 noon for all participants. Look for the Signup Genius in next week's bulletin. Thank you!

**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](mailto:trista.bremer@gmail.com).

To **volunteer** during Summer Catechesis, go here: <https://goo.gl/forms/NdbADQFtYbZGuNzl2>

To **register** for Summer Catechesis, the forms are in the parish office and on the parish website.

**WEDDING BANNERS**

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*III: Michelle Strain – Zachary Welborn  
6 April 2018 Italy*

*III: Sarah Walsh – Timothy Mersch  
7 April 2018 11:00 a.m.*

*II: Megan Kierce-Aaron Carpinteri  
14 April 2018 1:30 p.m.*

*I: Ernest W. Smith– Olga V. Carrasco  
21 April 2018 Mexico*

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother at [dvmfidelis@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoo.com).

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

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](mailto: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](mailto: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, 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.

**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](mailto:rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com).

**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.*



**So Help Me God** by Dr. Scott Hahn: In this dynamic talk, Dr. Scott Hahn explains the importance of oaths, which invoke God's name and implore His assistance. He shows that oaths are also the means of transforming our personal relationship with Christ into a covenant relationship. \$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](mailto: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 us each First Saturday at 3:55 p.m. in the chapel as we pray the Rosary? 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 join us each Sunday morning for our Adult Formation class from 9:00 –10:15 a.m. in classrooms 1 & 2 during the school year.** We are studying Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism video series. For information, email Karen at [rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com](mailto: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 April 1st-April 8th**

April 1st	<b>Easter Sunday</b> - 1st class
April 2nd	Easter Monday - 1st class
April 3rd	Easter Tuesday - 1st class
April 4th	Easter Wednesday - 1st class
April 5th	Easter Thursday - 1st class
April 6th	Easter Friday - 1st class
April 7th	Easter Saturday - 1st class
April 8th	<b>Low Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday)</b> - 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.

**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.

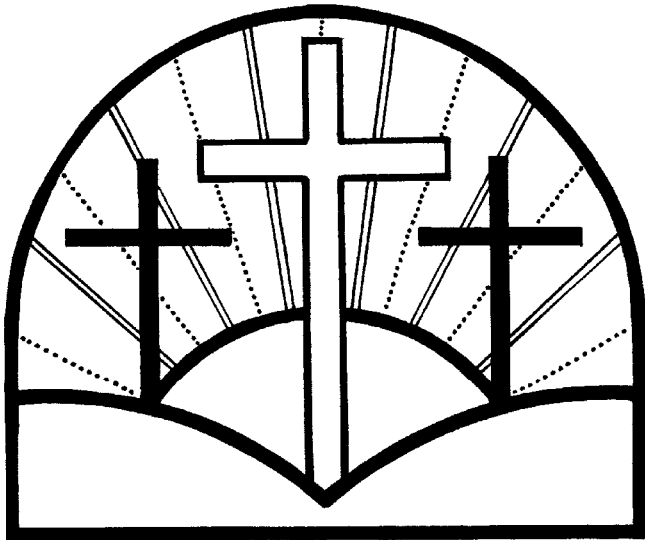
**Questions?** Email [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org). For Latin Mass news, visit [www.charlottelatinmass.org](http://www.charlottelatinmass.org).

**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).

**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.**

*"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother." St. Therese of the Child Jesus*



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## CATHOLIC EDUCATION

**St. Ann Home School Group** liaison is Kathleen Lewis. To contact Kathleen for information on Home School, email [lewisfamily555@gmail.com](mailto:lewisfamily555@gmail.com).

## PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

*"Amen I say to you, that if two of you shall consent upon earth, concerning anything whatsoever they shall ask, it shall be done to them by my Father who is in heaven"*  
Matthew 18:19

### 40 Days for Life update:

Our effort was smaller this year from last, but I am grateful for everyone who came out on March 9th to Latrobe to pray for an end to abortion. If you missed the March 9th date *for any reason*, and you would like to pray for an end to abortion, contact me below. I will make arrangements to meet with you to pray together from now until the end of Lent.

### Upcoming events:

**April 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>:** Vigil of the twin Hearts, St. Patrick Cathedral. The purpose of this event is to pray for the strengthening of families, to offer reparation for the sins of our nation and to pray for its conversion. It begins with Mass at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, followed by all night adoration and concludes with First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m. Sign up at <http://www.prolifecharlotte.org/two-hearts/>

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](mailto:lcookie.momster@gmail.com).

## 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. For information contact either: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / [Jackie.childers1@gmail.com](mailto:Jackie.childers1@gmail.com) or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / [jmganser@charlottediocese.org](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](http://ccdoc.org/nfp) or to RSVP, contact Catholic Charities' Batrice Adcock, MSN, at 704-370-3230 or [bnadcock@charlottediocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottediocese.org).

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

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and God by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend. **The next weekends are: August 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> in Chapel Hill, NC and November 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> in Atlantic Beach, NC.** Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.

Lifeline for Marriage: **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital disillusionment and misery. For confidential information call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvailleenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvailleenc@msn.com) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).



## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

**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](http://www.GoEucharist.com) or the [Youth Pilgrimage page](#) on the Diocesan Website.

All Catholic women in the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Morning Reflection on Monday, April 9th** at St. Vincent de Paul Church will be a Morning Reflection talk by **Fr. Cory Catron**. Additional details and *to register*, go to our website: [www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org](http://www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org).

St. Ann's seniors 55+ young are invited to join the St. Vincent Seniors Club on **Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Activity Center** as we welcome Officer J. Frisk from the Crime Prevention Unit of CMPD, who will speak to awareness, self-protection, and survival in large gatherings; in light of recent mass shootings. *To RSVP for lunch contact Sue Westphal by Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 704-542-0315*. If you do not require lunch, we welcome you to come as a guest to hear our speaker, contact Peggy Gibbons at 704-588-5870 or [pgibbons1@att.com](mailto:pgibbons1@att.com).

**Converging Roads Conference: Human Dignity at the End of Life.** The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Charlotte and Belmont Abbey College, present the 1st Converging Roads health care ethics conference on **Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 8:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. at Belmont Abbey College**. The conference theme will focus on human dignity at the end of life and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered. For more information, visit [convergingroads.com](http://convergingroads.com).

It is time for the **Annual Spring Sales Event at the Catholic Shoppe at Belmont Abbey College. Everything in the store is on sale now through May 15<sup>th</sup>!** 1) Save 20 % off one **regular** price item of your choice. 2) Take advantage of hundreds of items newly marked down to 50% and 75% off. 3) Take 10% off any additional items in your purchase. We have an excellent selection of RCIA, Easter, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation gifts. For more information and store hours call 704-461-5100.

**Position Available: Choir Master at Our Lady of Grace:** is seeking a Choir Master to lead and direct the Adult Choir, Schola and Cantors. The position is part-time (10-15 hours weekly) If interested, please submit your resume to: Natalie Senglaub at [natalielizabeth@gracewepray.org](mailto:natalielizabeth@gracewepray.org).

**Vigil of the Two Hearts: Next city-wide vigil honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary is April 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>.** Join us on each First Friday through First Saturday at the Cathedral of St. Patrick (1621. E. Dilworth Road) in an overnight vigil to honor the Hearts of Jesus & Mary, to pray for our families, offer penance for our sins, and pray for our nation's conversion. Organized around 1st Friday & 1st Saturday Masses, with overnight Eucharistic Adoration in between, it allows all faithful to unite and honor Our Lady of Fatima's request for prayer and penance. **Devotion begins with 8:00 p.m. First Friday Mass, April 6<sup>th</sup> (offered by Fr. John Michalowski, SJ) followed by nocturnal Adoration and concluding with 8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass, April 7<sup>th</sup>.** Learn more and sign up for Eucharistic Adoration times at: [ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts](http://ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts).

**Join MiraVia at its 18th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE! Life" on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at The Golf Club at Ballantyne in Charlotte. Register by May 4<sup>th</sup>.** Cost per player is \$130. MiraVia, Inc., a Catholic, 501(c)(3) non-profit maternity and after-care program serving the Charlotte region, has provided material, emotional and spiritual support to more than 7,980 mothers and their children since they admitted their first mother in 1994. MiraVia's services include housing at its college-based residential program, professional counseling, food, clothing, and mother and baby supplies, which are all offered to their clients free of charge: <http://miravia.org>. To register or learn more about the event, visit <http://bit.ly/LinksFORELife> or contact Megan Whiteside at [meganwhiteside@miravia.org](mailto:meganwhiteside@miravia.org).



The Knights of Columbus's Council 770, the oldest Council in North Carolina, was founded in 1903 and Council 770 has a rich and proud history. Over its many years since its founding, 770 has supported the Charlotte Diocese in its many endeavors. Last year our Council supported Seminarians, Seminaries, vocational projects, the March for Life program, feeding the homeless, Coats for Kids and our long standing Holy Angels LAMB projects such as Holy Angels Christmas Party and Holy Angels Picnic and Boat Rides. It is the Council's intention to continue its support for these programs and expand our efforts in support of more projects and programs for the benefit of our community and the Diocese of Charlotte. To do so, Council 770 is planning its largest fund-raising effort this year. **The countdown begins ...to the K of C Mega Yard Sale & Silent Auction on Saturday, April 21st at St. Patrick's School.** Do you have items, except clothing, that you no longer use or want? Well, then, this is your opportunity to do some Spring Cleaning to benefit the K of C. Sort through your unwanted or unused things like furniture, china, glassware, flatware, antiques, artwork, appliances, electronic equipment, exercise equipment, computers, books, outdoor furniture and dispose of them guilt free. And it is also your opportunity to browse and find that prize possession you have been looking for and not pay full price. Remember: no items are too big. We will pick them up at your location. No worries. You don't want to miss this event! Contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary Council 770 at [rjm2108@aol.com](mailto:rjm2108@aol.com) or 704-576-8861 or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at [Sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com](mailto:Sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.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!*

### 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".

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](http://StAnnCharlotte.org), and go to the **prayers/devotion section under "Resources."** Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we encourage everyone to pray the **"Prayer for Religious Liberty"** with the recent attacks on our religious freedoms there are several prayers and novenas on our 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](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.