



March 18, 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><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

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<b>Sunday 18th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Rick Lobdell <i>by his sister</i> <b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Melissa Lewis <i>by the Lewis &amp; Spain families</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. Latin Mass Potluck (Café & Gym)   Kitchen in use 4:00 p.m. Gaudium Musicae Concert (Church)
<b>Monday 19th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Robert Peterson <i>by Tracey Peterson</i>	9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 10:00 a.m. Discussions of Fr. Reid's Lenten Reflections (Scout room) 1:00 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Baptism (Church)   Fidelis (Café)   Fraternus (Gym) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Scout room)   Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 20th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Margaret Lauer <i>by the Lauer family</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) 6:30 p.m. Conference room in use 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use   Bible Study (Ceramic room)
<b>Wednesday 21st</b>	<i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> <i>Holy Hour</i> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Nicholas Burnham <i>by Christine Burnham</i>	10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. Parish Council (Cafeteria)   St. Vincent DePaul Society (Conference room)   Catholic Scriptures Studies (Scout room)
<b>Thursday 22nd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Fr. Jack Biller <i>by Virginia Doman</i> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> <i>Confessions</i>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Scout room)   Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room) 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church) 7:00 p.m. Discussions of Fr. Reid's Lenten Reflections (Scout room)
<b>Friday 23rd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Phillip Budidharma <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of Thomas Conner <i>by the Conner family</i>	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel) 9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 1:00 p.m. Children's Stations of the Cross (Church) 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae (Church)
<b>Saturday 24th</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Pro-Life Mass <b>3:00 p.m.</b> <i>Confessions</i> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Intentions of Cormac Terry <i>by the Terry family</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church)
<b>Sunday 25th</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.</b> <b>Latin</b> Intentions of Liz Blake <i>by the Blake family</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)



Dear Parishioners,

Many thanks to all of you who attended the Lenten parish mission this past week. Fr. Perricone was a true delight to host, and I found his message inspiring and edifying. I hope you did too. Please keep Fr. Perricone in your prayers!

This evening (Sunday) at 4 p.m. we have our fourth and final concert of this season's *Gaudium Musicae* series. We are very blessed to be hosting *Opera Carolina* and *Vox* (Charlotte's mixed-voice semi-professional choir) for what promises to be a spectacular concert. Tickets are available at the door. As was mentioned last Sunday at Mass, we are in need of volunteers to help us. We will start setting up for the concert at 2 p.m. if you'd like to help. We also need volunteers for after the concert to help clean up (around 5:30 p.m.).

This coming Friday, 23 March 2018, we'll have our annual *Tenebrae* liturgy at 7 p.m. While we have had *Tenebrae* on Good Friday in years past, we've moved it up a week again this year to accommodate the many demands on our musicians during Holy Week. I hope you'll join us for what is always a beautiful and prayerful event.

You'll notice that a lot of work is being done around our nave and sanctuary these days. This work is to repair the cracks in the ceiling and in the trim work that have occurred for a variety of reasons – but mostly because of a lack of humidity in the church during the colder months. We've recently installed humidifiers on our HVAC system that should correct the humidity problem. This has turned out to be a much larger project than first anticipated, so please pray that our workmen can finish in time for our Holy Week liturgies.

Please keep Sr. Mary Gabriella, PCPA, in your prayers this week as she makes her final vows. As you know, many of us are traveling today to the Monastery of Our Lady of the Angels in Hanceville, AL, for this special event. Sister will be making her final profession on 19 March: the Solemnity of St. Joseph!

As we are coming into the final two weeks of Lent, let's all make it a point to persevere in our Lenten sacrifices. By praying more, fasting more, and giving more, may we all come to a greater love for God and for neighbor!

In the Precious Blood of Jesus,

Fr. Reid

Rw TSD

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
722 registered families

February 25, 2017	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	17,661.61	16,538.46	594,711.36	573,333.32
Other Revenue Streams:			82,481.62	75,166.68
<b>Total Revenue:</b>			<b>677,192.98</b>	<b>648,500.00</b>
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>			<b>28,692.98</b>	

**DSA:**

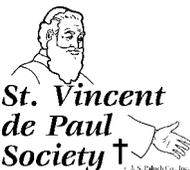
2018 Goal:	106,285.00	Marion Grotto	
Pledged:	13,501.50	Goal:	160,000.00
Received:	9,059.00	Received:	112,425.00
Assessment Balance:	97,226.00	Balance:	47,575.00
Donors:	27		

**Loan Balance: 275,317.60**

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

**DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2018** Your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal is shared with the educational, multicultural, vocational, housing, and social service ministries of the diocese. Thousands of people depend on your generosity. You may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or go to [www.charlottediocese.org/dsa](http://www.charlottediocese.org/dsa) to make a gift online.

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, servant of the poor. Remember your gift to the poor box.



"God can multiply His favors among you so that you may always have enough of everything and even a surplus for good works."  
(II Corinthians 9:8)



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: **March 17th-18th, April 7th-8th, and April 21st-22nd.**

*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.

*We are called to respond to the gifts God has given to us by building His Church on earth. Might you remember the parish in your will?*



## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S



**Gaudium Musicae Eighth Season: Sacred Sounds** will conclude with **Opera Carolina & VOX**

performing an hour-long concert **TODAY, March 18th 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 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. **If you need service hours or would like to help with the concert, please contact Rocio Greene at [bravo@greeney.com](mailto:bravo@greeney.com).**

**Novena of Masses** If you would like to enroll your loved ones in a Novena of Masses for Easter, you may do so by going to [www.novenamasses.org](http://www.novenamasses.org). Mass enrollments are \$15 each, which includes an enrollment card. The deadline for enrollment is Palm Sunday, March 25th. My friend, Fr. Maximilian Mary of Jesus Crucified, will offer the Masses. Father Maximilian Mary is a hermit, and he relies on Mass stipends for his livelihood.

**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.

Each year St. Ann's supports local homeless shelters and agencies by providing Easter meals to those in need. Your donation of boneless hams and desserts is needed to help ensure each person gets a meal on Easter Sunday. Monetary donations will also be accepted. If you would like to volunteer to help with meal preparation and/or delivery on **Holy Saturday, March 31st**, please contact Robina Walker at [robina.walker@gmail.com](mailto:robina.walker@gmail.com). Desserts and hams can be dropped off at the parish office **Monday, March 26th - Wednesday, March 28th during office hours. Also on Saturday, March 31st by 9:00 a.m.** There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex the weekends of March 17th and 24th for those who can donate a ham or dessert or would like to volunteer.

**Today, March 18<sup>th</sup> - Life of Christ Reflection by Fr. Barone.** Following the 12:30 p.m. Latin Mass at St. Ann's, Fr. Jason Barone will provide a brief talk afterwards on his pilgrimage to the Holy Land and reflections on the Life of Christ & the Passion. The event will begin after 2:00-2:45 p.m. in the Allen Center café along with a potluck lunch. All are welcome to attend. For information, contact Mike FitzGerald with the Charlotte Latin Mass Community at [info@charlottelatinmass.org](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org).

**Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Scout Room in the Allen Center or on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. during Lent**, we will be having Faith Sharing Discussions on the Reflections by Father Reid on the Four Last Things. You need to sign up with [goodcathloc.com/st-ann](http://goodcathloc.com/st-ann) to be able to view each day's reading and Father Reid's reflection, and keep a journal, you will be able to participate in the discussions. Join us!

### Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

**Thursday**, March 22nd for Sunday, April 1, 2018  
**Tuesday**, April 3rd for Sunday, April 8, 2018  
**Tuesday**, April 10th for Sunday, April 15, 2018  
**Tuesday**, April 17th for Sunday, April 22, 2018

Please pray for our parishioner, **Peter Tonon**, who will be **ordained as a deacon on 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.

**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). Signup sheet for volunteers for Summer Catechesis:

<https://goo.gl/forms/NdbADQFtYbZGuNz12>

To sign up for Summer Catechesis forms are in the church office and on-line.

## WEDDING BANNERS

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

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



## BAPTISMS

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*Welcome to  
our parish  
family*

*Charlotte Jane Cornely*

## 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@yahoogroups.com](mailto:holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.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).



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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 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.*



**Can You Trust God by Dr. Tim Gray:** Since the fall of humanity, we have been tempted to mistrust the love that God the Father has for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray addresses misconceptions about God and shows why we can trust our heavenly Father, who is truly one with his Son. \$3.00 donation per CD. **Make checks payable: St. Ann Catholic Church.**

## 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.**

**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.**

## LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the **Week of March 18th-March 25th**

March 18th	<b>Passion Sunday - 1st class</b>
March 19th	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Bl. Virgin Mary - 1st class
March 20th	Tuesday of Passion Week - 3rd class or Votive Mass for Anniversary of the Coronation of the Pope ( <i>transferred</i> ) - 2nd class
March 21st	Wednesday of Passion Week - 3rd class
March 22nd	Thursday of Passion Week - 3rd class
March 23rd	Friday of Passion Week - 3rd class
March 24th	Saturday of Passion Week - 3rd class
March 25th	<b>Palm Sunday - 1st class</b>

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.** This Lent you're invited to encounter it each Sunday at these locations: **9:00 a.m. Sunday Low (Silent) Mass – until March 25<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**Traditional Easter Triduum in the Extraordinary Form (Latin)** at Charlotte Catholic High School during Holy Week. **Holy Thursday Mass, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 p.m.; & Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Vigil, 8:30 p.m. All liturgies will be held at Charlotte Catholic High School chapel at 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, 28226.**

**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).

## 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:

**March 24<sup>th</sup>:** Respect Life Mass at 9:00 a.m. I will be out of town due to a family conflict, could someone take over leading prayers at Hebron?

**March 25<sup>th</sup>:** Respect Life Meeting, **canceled**.

**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).

## Fast and Abstinence

**Abstinence** is required on all Fridays of Lent. And on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No meat may be 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*).

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

## 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@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:jmganser@charlottedioocese.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 [ccd.org/nfp](http://ccd.org/nfp) or to RSVP, contact Catholic Charities' Batrice Adcock, MSN, at 704-370-3230 or [bnadcock@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottedioocese.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 [tmthis3@me.com](mailto:tmthis3@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.

The **Retrouvaille** Program begins next weekend and is open to all couples struggling in their marriage. It is a not spiritual retreat, sensitivity group, seminar or social gathering. Instead you will hear the presenting team tell you their personal journey from misery to reconciliation. It is a program where couples learn to talk to each other again. For information call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242, email us at [retrouvaille@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaille@msn.com), or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

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).

**The Classes of 1967, 1968 and 1969 are pleased to announce that they will be holding a joint reunion at Charlotte Catholic High School in Pineville Mathews Rd the evening of March 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.** A tremendous effort has taken place to reach all classmates, however if you have not been contacted and desire to come, please reach out to the following representatives of the three classes: Donald Cashman: Class of 1967 call: 1-704-578-8592 or [decashman@att.net](mailto:decashman@att.net), Michael Hansbrough: Class of 1968 call 1-704-231-5485 or [hansbroughp@gmail.com](mailto:hansbroughp@gmail.com), Barbara-Anne Steegmuller Johnson: Class of 1968 call 1-336-601-7107 or [basteeg@triad.rr.com](mailto:basteeg@triad.rr.com), John Tramontin: Class of 1969 call 1-919-985-3650 or [Johntramontin@bellsouth.net](mailto:Johntramontin@bellsouth.net). The information for the event: Charlotte Catholic High School Alumni website <https://www.charlottecatholic.org/Page/534>.

**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.



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).

Register Today for the **Free** "Living Healthy with Chronic Pain" class that will begin on **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas Aquinas Church**; call Jennifer Watson at 704-348-2723 or email [jwatson@centralina.org](mailto:jwatson@centralina.org) to register. For information about the class, contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or email [sabreakfield@charlottediocese.org](mailto:sabreakfield@charlottediocese.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).

**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).

**Faith Formation Director.** The Catholic parish of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking applications for a full-time position as Director of Faith Formation. The Director is responsible for all elements of the faith formation program for grades K through 9, preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. In collaboration with the Pastor, the director also organizes an adult program for parents during Faith Formation sessions. This position reports directly to the Pastor. Applicant must have the following qualifications: Be a believing, practicing and knowledgeable Catholic, in good standing with the Catholic Church and committed to the authentic teaching of the Catholic faith, Degree in Religious Education or equivalent experience, Bilingual – Fluent in both English and Spanish, Be self-motivated and possess strong evangelization and catechist's skills Have excellent written & oral communication skills. Proficient in Word, Excel, and Publisher (PDS software a plus) Some evening and weekend hours and Tuesday evening and Sunday. Previous Faith Formation experience a plus Working knowledge of the following Curriculum: Faith and Life from Ignatius Press, Theology of the Body, Baltimore catechism. Interested applicants need to send resume and three professional references with contact information to [ncvanderkaay@charlottediocese.org](mailto:ncvanderkaay@charlottediocese.org). A complete job description can be found at [www.stvincentdepaulchurch.com](http://www.stvincentdepaulchurch.com). **Application deadline is March 30th.**

## 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 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 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.