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St. Ann's Parish Mission
 St. Ann Parish seeks the salvation of souls through the redemption of Jesus Christ as revealed to us in and through the divinely instituted Holy Catholic Church. We invite all to receive God's love as we give of ourselves in compassionate service.

Liturgical Schedule
(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

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

<p>Sunday Mass Schedule Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Mass in the Extraordinary Form: 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Weekday Masses Monday: 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form), Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) Friday: 7:00 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) and 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.</p>
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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday 22nd	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Stephen Grant <i>by the Grant family</i> 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Scott Lobdell <i>by his sister</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Our parish family	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 4:00 p.m. Home School Play (Café & Gym)
Monday 23rd	7:00 a.m. +Connor Trentham <i>by the Surface family</i>	9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 10:00 a.m. Scout room in use 1:00 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 4:30 p.m. Servers (Church) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms in use 6:30 p.m. Fraternalus (Gym) Fidelis (Café) 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Conference room)
Tuesday 24th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Sharon Reid <i>by Fr. Reid</i> <i>Adoration in the chapel at 8:00 a.m.</i>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 1:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) 6:30 p.m. Conference room in use 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use Bible Study (Ceramic room)
Wednesday 25th	<i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i> 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour 6:00 p.m. Novus Ordo (English) For St. Ann benefactors & their loved ones	7:00 p.m. Carnival meeting (Classrooms 1 & 2) Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room)
Thursday 26th	7:00 a.m. +Ong Poo Lanl <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> 5:30 p.m. Confessions	8:30 a.m. Classrooms, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 5:00 p.m. Church in use 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use
Friday 27th	7:00 a.m. Latin +Michael Kitson <i>by the family</i> 8:30 a.m. Intentions of Leah Conner <i>by the family</i> 5:00 p.m. Confirmation	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel) 9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 5:00 p.m. Café & Kitchen in use Reception to follow Confirmation (Café)
Saturday 28th	9:00 a.m. Pro-Life Mass 3:00 p.m. Confessions 4:30 p.m. +Maria Que <i>by the Grant family</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms in use
Sunday 29th	8:00 a.m. +Bernard Lavery <i>by Ann Lavery</i> 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Colette Ladd <i>by Margaret</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin +Roxy Ellington <i>by the Ellington family</i>	11:30 a.m. Respect Life meeting (Conference room) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 3:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 5:30 p.m. Vespers (Church)



Dear Parishioners,

Greetings from retreat! I am away this weekend catching up on prayer and sleep. Be assured of my prayers for you while I take some time to be alone with our Lord.

As most of you know by now, we are very blessed to have a second deacon now assigned to our parish: Deacon Peter Tonon. Deacon Peter and his wife, Lucie, have been our parishioners for the past several years, and it's been a great joy to watch them progress through our diocesan diaconate formation program. And now that Peter is ordained, he's been assigned to assist here at St. Ann's. So along with Deacon Tom, Deacon Peter will be serving in a variety of ways – most especially by assisting at Mass, but also by teaching and visiting the sick. So please welcome and congratulate Deacon Peter when you see him. I have every confidence that, like Deacon Tom, he will serve our parish quite admirably.

Many thanks to all of you who helped out with St. Ann's Service Day this weekend. I've always been amazed at what we can accomplish in just 4 hours with so many people helping out. I'm especially grateful to Chris Brunhuber and our Parish Council members who organize our annual service day.

This coming Friday, 27 April 2018, at 5 p.m., Bishop Jugis will be here to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation to a group of our young people. Please keep them in prayer this week as they finish preparing for such an important sacrament. I am ever grateful to our Faith Formation volunteers who, under the watchful direction of Sr. Judy, have been such a great help in preparing our young people: Tom Mathis, Joe Warwick, Julie Miranda, Cecelia McGloughlin, Anne McClintock, and Whitney Hetzel. I am also very grateful to Maureen Rayano, who assists Sr. Judy in managing our Faith Formation program, and who taken on a lot of extra duties as Sister has been recovering from her stroke.

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

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

Your Stewardship of Treasure
722 registered families

April 1, 2017	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	13,091.75	16,538.46	687,948.85	661,538.40
Other Revenue Streams:			96,078.62	85,895.83
Total Revenue:			784,027.47	747,434.23
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			36,593.24	

DSA:

2018 Goal:	106,285.00	Marion Grotto	
Pledged:	78,358.88	Goal:	160,000.00
Received:	49,004.84	Received:	117,000.00
Assessment Balance:	57,280.16	Balance:	43,000.00
Donors:	129		
Loan Balance:	214,598.49	Easter:	7,995.00
Seminary:	6,936.00	Easter Flowers:	943.00
Good Friday/Holy Land:	2,464.00		

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 to make a gift online.

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



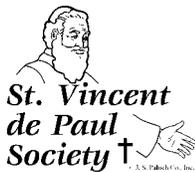
If we give ourselves to God and let Him use our talents to serve others, we will be amazed by the results. Not only will our lives be changed but so will the lives of others.

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.

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 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.

Today we celebrate “Good Shepherd Sunday” where we reflect on Jesus’ love and care for us. Your donations to St Vincent de Paul help St Ann parish be “Good Shepherds” to the hearts of many.



As we remember Christ’s sacrifice, we can express our thankfulness and love by remembering our parish in our will.



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

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 21st-22nd, May 5th-6th, and May 19th-20th.**

Would you like to grow as a couple in your sacramental marriage?? Then come hear about **Teams of Our Lady**, a ministry that helps married couples grow in love and holiness. Couples come together monthly for a simple meal shared and hosted by each couple over the course of the year. The evening revolves around fellowship, prayer, scripture readings and spiritual reading. All important "endeavors" are introduced and promoted for couples to grow in holiness. Join us for a couples information meeting on **Sunday, April 22nd from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at St Matthews.** Please RSVP to Tom and Danielle Mathis 704.541.0858 or tmathis3@me.com. Learn more at teamsofourlady.org.

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.

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 for

Summer Catechesis:

<https://goo.gl/forms/aWwAbun6Zsh40d063>

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

Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

Tuesday, April 24th for Sunday, April 29, 2018

Tuesday, May 1st for Sunday, May 6, 2018

Tuesday, May 8th for Sunday, May 13, 2018

Tuesday, May 15th for Sunday, May 20, 2018

HOMELESS MINISTRY VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR 3RD SUNDAY TEAMS

** This job is simply to make sure we have sufficient volunteers to handle the cooking and serving teams. Time required is less than an hour per month. **

Contact Peter Baker for details
stannhomelessministry@gmail.com

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 Abby Taffaro at abbytaffaro@gmail.com.

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 info, email Karen at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

WEDDING BANNERS

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*II: Anthony Betz and Sarah Short
5 May 2018 Ft. Mill, SC*

BAPTISMS

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*Welcome into our parish family
Joseph Aloysius Benedict Richardson*

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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 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@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.

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.


Pray for ...
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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.

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.*



MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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.**

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.



Discover The Joy of the Gospels: Dr. Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch present an unparalleled resource for understanding Scripture: *Ignatius Catholic Study Bibles*. You'll get to know Christ in a whole new way with comprehensive commentary, notes, and study questions. Check out our Lighthouse Media stand in the North vestibule. \$3 donation per CD. **Use code: 33769 and go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub.**

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 April 22nd-April 29th**

April 22nd	3rd Sunday after Easter - 2nd class
April 23rd	Feria of Paschaltide - 4th class or St. George - 4th class
April 24th	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen - 3rd class
April 25th	St. Mark - 2nd class or Rogation Mass (<i>if there is a procession</i>) - 2nd class
April 26th	Sts. Cletus & Marcellinus - 3rd class
April 27th	St. Peter Canisius - 3rd class
April 28th	St. Paul of the Cross - 3rd class
April 29th	4th Sunday after Easter - 2nd class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., Fridays 7:00 a.m., and on select feast days. The Latin Mass has a different liturgical calendar and readings than the Novus Ordo (English) Mass. Any Mass schedule changes will be listed on Page 2 of the bulletin.

Latin Mass Q&A: What do the Classes in the above calendar mean? The Class is the level of importance or solemnity (1st-4th) associated with that day's Saint or commemoration. A 1st Class Feast Day are all Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas, or the Immaculate Conception, etc.

Questions? Email info@charlottelatinmass.org.
For Latin Mass news, 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.**



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

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Group liaison is Kathleen Lewis. To contact Kathleen for information on Home School, email 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

Upcoming events:

April 28th: Respect Life Mass at St. Ann at 9:00 a.m. followed by prayers outside of Hebron or stay at St Ann's for a holy hour. All are welcome to attend.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants Mass at St. Matthew at 9:00 a.m. Followed by prayers outside of Latrobe. All are welcome to attend this. Donations will be collected for Mira Via. Diapers size 6 is especially needed. Donations for Mother's Day gifts will be collected as well. Any monetary donation may be left at the parish office. I will get it over to Mira Via. Let us be gracious and generous to the brave women who said yes to life. Let us be the support these women need in real tangible ways along with the prayer support we offer.

April 29th: Respect Life monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m., followed by the rosary at 12 noon in the chapel. All are welcome to attend.

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

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

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 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.

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. Give your marriage new life by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends are: July 20th -22nd in Fort Mill, SC and August 3rd-5th in Chapel Hill, NC. For information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.

Stress in Your Marriage? **Retrouvaille** is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation. This program has helped many couples experiencing such difficulties. For confidential information call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvaille@msn.com or go to www.retrouvaille.org.



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.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Ignited by Truth Catholic Conference Saturday, April 28th with registration at 8:00 a.m. Advance Tickets \$15 adult \$10. students. Mass celebrated by Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama. NC State Reynolds Coliseum Raleigh, NC. Ignitedbytruth.org.

Join MiraVia at its 18th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE! Life" on Monday, May 14th at The Golf Club at Ballantyne in Charlotte. Register by May 4th. 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.

It is time for the **Annual Spring Sales Event at the Catholic Shoppe at Belmont Abbey College.** Everything in the store is on sale through **May 15th!** Save 20 % off one regular price item of your choice. Take advantage of hundreds of items newly marked down to 50% and 75% off. 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.

His Excellency, Bishop Peter J. Jugis, will celebrate a Mass for United States military personnel on Monday, May 28th at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. The Mass and rosary (to be recited at 10:30 a.m.) will be offered for all military personnel who have died, retired and for those who are now serving. All military personnel are invited and encouraged to come in uniform. Photos of those who have died, who are now serving in the military and retired military personnel will be displayed in the Cathedral. To include your service member, preferably in uniform, please mail a photocopy of them with their name and military rank on the back of the photocopy to Nancy Weber, Office of the Bishop, 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203 to **be received no later than May 24, 2018.** **(Please do not send original photographs as they will not be returned.)**

Join in celebrating "**Catholic Charities Week**". Striving constantly as a diocesan ministry to exemplify the love of God through charitable works, last year Catholic Charities served over 19, 000 people across 275 North Carolina zip codes. Thank you for all you do to assist those living on the margins with gifts of time, talent and treasure. Visit Catholic Charities at ccdcc.org or call 800-227-7261.

All Catholic women in the Diocese of Charlotte are welcome to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG). The next reflection is Tuesday, April 24th at 6:30 p.m. with Fr. Jason Barone.** Go to our website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org for additional details and to register.

Kids' Brains and Screens. St. Gabriel invites parents to a two-part series on **Thursday, April 26th and Monday, May 7th from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. The program is designed to help parents understand the effect that digital media has on kids, to provide tools to help balance screen use at different ages, and to provide practical ways to help kids take a break from screens. The program is free and hosted by our Mental Health and Wellness Ministry. Find details and RSVP at www.stgabrielchurch.org/wellness.

32nd Annual Spring Fling on Wednesday, May 9th at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Check in at 9:15 a.m., program begins at 10:00 a.m. Closing Mass at 2:40 p.m. The celebrant will be Father Ed. Sheridan. \$15.00 per person. Contact Sandra Breakfield Program Director of the Diocese of Charlotte: 1123 S. Church Street, Charlotte, 704-370-3220 or ccdcc.org. Entertainment by the Accordion Man: Bob Wilusz Irish Step Dancers and Bingo, a fitness class and much more.

Our Lady of Consolation will have a **Spiritual Day of Reflection led by Father Maurice Emelu on Saturday, May 19th.** Father Maurice Emelu is the founder and Chair of Gratia Vobis Ministries, Inc. The reflection will be in the Parish Life Center from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. While there is no cost to attend this event, a donation to offset the program cost would be appreciated. You can register on the OLC Website under the Events tab. For info, contact Chanele Jackson at olcladiesguild@gmail.com.

Join Fr. Voitus on a Pilgrimage to Ireland for the World Meeting of Families! August 20-29, 2018. The Diocese of Charlotte invites you to the World Meeting of Families in Ireland! Highlights of this pilgrimage include a sightseeing tour of Dublin, the World Meeting of Families Events (Including the 3-day congress, the Festival for Families, Mass, and celebrations), and an anticipated visit from Pope Francis. We also see the Knock Shrine, explore Galway City, Kilmore Abbey and Castle, the Cliffs of Moher, and many other beautiful and timeless attractions! Call 800-653-0017 or email reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com for information and to reserve your spot today!



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

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, 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.

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.