



February 17, 2019



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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.

<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.	<b>Weekday Masses</b> Monday, 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.	<b>Adoration</b> Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.	<b>Reconciliation</b> Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.
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**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN**

+ denotes deceased	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Meetings &amp; Events</b>
<b>Sunday 17th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Colin Shanahan <i>by Michelle Rahilly</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> +James Sanders Ferguson, Jr. <i>by the Latin Mass Community</i>	9:00 a.m. Dogma & Donuts (Café & Kitchen)   Faith Formation (School) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Gym in use
<b>Monday 18th</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Fr. Matthew Kauth <i>by Matthew Dimock</i>	<b><i>Parish Office closed</i></b>
<b>Tuesday 19th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Nicholas Hubbard <i>by McElravey family</i> <i>Adoration in the chapel at 8:00 a.m.</i>	9:00 a.m. All rooms in use 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use
<b>Wednesday 20th</b>	<i>Adoration in the chapel until 5:00 p.m.</i> <b>5:00 p.m. Holy Hour</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Gianna Patella <i>by Suzanne &amp; Mike Terry &amp; boys</i>	9:00 a.m. Choir loft in use 10:00 a.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room) 2:00 p.m. Piano (Café)   Café, Gym & Kitchen in use 7:00 p.m. Gym in use
<b>Thursday 21st</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Nora Hubbard <i>by McElravey family</i> <b>5:30 p.m. Confessions</b>	9:00 a.m. All rooms in use 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church)   Gym in use 7:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room)
<b>Friday 22nd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m. Latin</b> Confraternity of St. Peter <i>by the Lauer family</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Intentions of the Donald Shoemaker family <i>by Virginia Doman</i>	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel)   Conference room in use 9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms & Cry rooms in the church) 3:15 p.m. Home School (Café) 5:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church) 6:00 p.m. Gym in use
<b>Saturday 23rd</b>	<b>3:00 p.m. Confessions</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> +Rachel Beck <i>by the Biedrycki family</i>	9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 10:00 a.m. First Confession (Church) 1:30 p.m. Wedding (Church) 2:00 p.m. Sewing class (Ceramic & Scout room)
<b>Sunday 24th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Joseph Peter Schumacher <i>by Sister Mary Raphael</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Aggie & Don Baker <i>by the Janssen family</i> <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Our parish family	11:30 a.m. Boy's Choir (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)   Baptismal Preparation Class (Scout room) 2:00 p.m. Gym, Café & Kitchen in use

*Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.  
 Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. -- Luke 6:20-21a*



Dear Parishioners,

I am very grateful for all who attended our parish mission this past week. Fr. Ken Geraci was a wonderful blessing to our parish, and I know that our blessed Lord showered many graces on those of you who attended. Please keep Fr. Geraci in your prayers as he continues his ministry around the country.

The holy season of **Lent** will soon be upon us. In fact, this Sunday is known as *Septuagesima Sunday* in the ancient calendar of the Church. Septuagesima Sunday marks a 3-week period of prayer and contemplation right before Lent to help us prepare for the fasting and penances to come. This *pre-Lent* is a time for us to fix our minds and hearts more closely upon our Lord's Paschal Mystery, to contemplate His goodness and mercy, and to begin the process of conversion. Ideally, the 3 weeks of Septuagesima should be a time for increased prayer and meditation. You will note that while we will continue wearing green in our Novus Ordo Masses, in our Latin Masses we are now wearing violet in anticipation of Lent.

As we prepare for Lent (Ash Wednesday is 06 March 2019), please bring in your old palms from last year's Palm Sunday. We burn them every year, and then use those ashes for our Ash Wednesday Masses. As you collect your old palms, I encourage you to give some thought to what sins and vices you would like to burn out of your life in Lent. Remember, Lent is not about making sacrifices and fasting simply for the sake of sacrificing and fasting. Our fasting and sacrifices should help us root out sin and become holier people. This can only happen when it is coupled with humble prayer and a love for our Lord.

Please pray for our children who will be making their first confessions this coming Saturday, 23 February 2019.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Reid".

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

	Weekly		YTD	
January 27, 2019	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	18,182.26	17,307.70	599,939.00	536,538.39
Other Revenue Streams:			68,823.76	65,561.61
<b>Total Revenue:</b>			<b>668,762.76</b>	<b>602,100.00</b>
<b>YTD Surplus/Deficit:</b>			<b>66,662.76</b>	

**DSA: Final**  
 2019 Goal: **116,330.00**  
 Pledged:  
 Pledge Balance:  
 Received:  
 Donors:

Text Offertory Donations to: 704-360-5305 with the amount you would like to contribute (Example: 25).  
 Text 5-year Plan Donations to: 704-360-5305 Amt/Space/Needs.

You will be sent to a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and debt or card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt of your donation via email. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

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



*Lent calls us to prayer, fasting and almsgiving ... to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure, using our gifts for the building of the Kingdom.*

Stewardship of time, talent and treasure.  
**We look at St. Ann's Parish in the year of 1965 54 years ago:**

Baptisms: 98 | First Communion: 71 |  
 Confirmations: 191 | Marriages: 12 | Deaths: 9

*In the Gospel today, Jesus gives us the blessings of serving the poor, hungry and weeping people, for you will then rejoice and leap for joy. But Jesus also teaches us the decisiveness of choice: blessing or woe. **Choosing to help those who are suffering will fill your heart with the blessing of Jesus and indeed your reward will be great in heaven.***



*"We Are His Hands," is the theme of the 2019 Diocesan Support Appeal. This week, you should receive a letter or postcard from Bishop Jugis asking for your generous support of the DSA. Bishop Jugis asks each of us to prayerfully consider a gift to the DSA as a way of serving Christ through service to thousands of Catholics in western North Carolina.*

*Planned giving provides an opportunity to give a gift that forever perpetuates our Catholic faith.*



**Endowments for St. Ann's Parish:** Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish and our school? If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds and how you can make a contribution, contact Judy Smith, Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte, at 704-370-3320 or at [jmsmith@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jmsmith@charlottediocese.org).

## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

**You are invited to Sunday Morning Formation: Dogma and Donuts.** Dogma and Donuts meets each Sunday of Faith Formation in the Allen Center café from 9:15-10:10 a.m. for presentations by Deacons Sanctis and Tonon. Come for one or all of the classes. **Next class is TODAY, February 17th.** Contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth with questions: [sistermaryelizabethdvm@gmail.com](mailto:sistermaryelizabethdvm@gmail.com).

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection weekends are: **February 16th-17th, March 2nd-3rd, and March 16th-17th.**

**The next Baptismal Preparation Class is Sunday, February 24th, at 12noon in the Scout room.** Call the parish office to sign up for the class.

### SAVE THE DATE: Summer Catechesis for 2019 is July 8th-12th!

Join us for a Summer Faith Adventure: The New Kingdom of David! 4 years old through 5th graders will explore our faith through games, lessons, crafts, and more. Teens are needed as Adventure Guides. Service hours can be earned! More on Teens to come. Adult volunteers also needed. To volunteer, contact Trista Bremer at [trista.bremer@gmail.com](mailto:trista.bremer@gmail.com) or 704-989-5488.

**Are you interested in a pilgrimage in July?** If you would like to be a part of a trip to **The National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA** contact Lucie Tonon at [luicetonon123@gmail.com](mailto:luicetonon123@gmail.com). More details to follow!

**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. Contact Abby Taffaro for regular updates at [abbytaffaro@gmail.com](mailto:abbytaffaro@gmail.com).

# WEDDING BANNERS

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*III: Laura Martin - Stephen Rabey  
23 February 2019 1:30 p.m.*

### Bulletin Deadline is:

Tuesday, February 19th at 12noon for Sunday, February 24, 2019.  
Tuesday, February 26th at 12noon for Sunday, March 3, 2019.  
Tuesday, March 5th at 12noon for Sunday, March 10, 2019.  
Tuesday, March 12th at 12noon for Sunday, March 17, 2019.

## HOMELESS MINISTRY

This ministry serves 2 shelters each month by preparing and serving a meal. The Women's Shelter is served the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month and the Men's Shelter is served the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Right now we are in DIRE need of cooking volunteers for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday ministry (3-5pm).

If you would like to help keep this important ministry alive, please contact Peter Baker at [petercltnc@gmail.com](mailto:petercltnc@gmail.com) or call 704-578-9390.

*Musicae* **The 2019 Gaudium Musicae concert series will continue on Sunday, April 7th at 4 p.m. with VOX and Firebird Arts Alliance performing *Passio: The Passion of the Christ*.**

The Gaudium Musicae series is designed 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 \$33 for families, \$15 for adults, and \$11 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online at [StAnnCharlotte.org/musicae](http://StAnnCharlotte.org/musicae) or after Masses in the parish office. Sponsorships are available for each of the concerts. Contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information on tax-deductible contributions.

**Seven Sisters Apostolate:** Looking for a couple women to join this amazing Apostolate, which prays for Our Pastor, Fr Reid. Can you offer just one hour?  
[www.sevensistersapostolate.org](http://www.sevensistersapostolate.org)  
For more information, contact Sarah Miller at [holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com](mailto:holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com).

**Volunteer to become a Regular Adorer!** Please call the parish office at 704-523-4641, or email Karen at [rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com](mailto:rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com).

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

**Fidelis**, a group for young ladies in middle and high school, meets on Monday evenings, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in café during the school year. **We are currently in need of young adult women to volunteer to with Fidelis**. If you are interested in learning more or in volunteering, contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother at [dvmfidelis@gmail.com](mailto:dvmfidelis@gmail.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 [katherinetlauer@gmail.com](mailto:katherinetlauer@gmail.com).

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

**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 and subscribe to our group at [holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.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 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. **Join us each First Saturday at 3:55 p.m. in the chapel as we pray the Rosary.** Information can be found each month at our table.

  
**Pray for ...**  
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*Our parishioners:*  
Patricia Phillips,  
Helen Norton,  
Nancy West,  
Alex Cecil,  
Paul Cecil,

Edward McNally.

*Our friends and family:*

Fred Battweg,  
Maxwell Oliver Raines (grandson of Terese Raines),  
Alex Brown (nephew of the Rothe family),  
Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin),  
Jennifer Arnold (friend of Nancy Tota),  
Ron Layne,  
Tom Storer,  
Jean Storer,  
Mary Regester (friend of Nancy Tota),  
Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill),  
Douglas Edge,  
Joel Rivera,  
Albert Ayd (brother of Cecilia Balman),  
Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman),  
Peter Stenhouse (friend of Abbey & Rick Lejk),  
Joel Rivera,  
Ron and Marcia York (sister & brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn),  
Cheryl Ring (friend of Abbey & Rick Lejk),  
Anthony Pedalino (father of Terese Rowe),  
Fay Alderman (mother of John & mother-in-law of Terry Alderman),  
Junior-JuneBug (friend of Paul Cecil),  
Libby McGloughlin (mother of Bill McGloughlin),  
Michael Pappas,  
Jacqueline and Arthur Russell (parents of Andrea Hines).

*Our servicemen and servicewomen:*

Set. 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,  
LT.JG. Thomas Hetzel USN,  
2nd LT. Peter Hetzel 2nd Class USMA.

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

**Fraternus** meets on **Mondays at 7:00 p.m.** in the gym. If you are interested join us on Monday.

**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 [stannpray\\_ers@comporium.net](mailto:stannpray_ers@comporium.net).



Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology present *The Bible and the Virgin Mary* In this beautifully filmed 12-part series based on Scott Hahn's bestselling book *Hail, Holy Queen*, Matthew Leonard explores Catholic teaching about Mary, exposing the misconceptions and illuminating the Mary from Sacred Scripture that everyone should know personally. \$3 donation per CD. **Go to: [www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub](http://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub) and enter code: 33769.**

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.**

**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 in the Conference Room at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center.** Contact Karen Rubbo at 704-847-8148 or [rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com](mailto:rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com).

**St. Ann Faith Formation has begun for grades K-8 at St. Ann School.** All students that will be making First Communion/Reconciliation and Confirmation at St. Ann's are required to complete 2 years of religious education, through parish based at Faith Formation, Catholic School, or at home. The registration and schedule are on the website and in the parish office.

**LATIN MASS CORNER**

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the **Week of February 17th-February 24th**

February 17th	Septuagesima Sunday–2nd class
February 18th	Feria–4th class or St. Simeon –4th class
February 19th	Feria–4th class
February 20th	Feria–4th class
February 21st	Feria–4th class
February 22nd	Chair of St. Peter–2nd class (FSSP) Chair of St. Peter –1st class
February 23rd	St. Peter Damien–3rd class
February 24th	Sexagesima Sunday–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 many Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas. Feria is a non-feast day and readings typically revert to the prior Sunday readings.

**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 a.m. All are welcome.**

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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, go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click on "Find Out More" at the bottom of the home page. 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.

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION

**The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS)** welcomes interested parents and students to attend MACS Open Houses for the 2019-2020 school year. There will be open houses held in January during Early Admissions.

**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).

## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Do you think you know the messages of Fatima? Learn aspects of our Lady's messages that are often overlooked and why as recent popes have told us Fatima is more relevant today than it was in 1917. Join us for **The Fatima Retreat/Conference: *The Message of Fatima: The Triumph of Love in Times of Darkness*** on **Friday-Sunday, March 22-24, 2019** at The Haid Theater & Ballroom at Belmont Abbey College. The speaker, Sister Angela de Fatima Coelho, MD, ASM, will give seven talks on Fatima. Sr. Angela is a world-renowned speaker on Fatima and was the postulator for Saints Jacinta and Francisco Marto and is currently the vice postulator for Servant of God Sr. Lucia. The schedule and registration are at <http://SrAngelaTalkMarch2019.eventbrite.com>. *Register before March 20<sup>th</sup>*, seating limited and registration is required. Hosted by The Luminaries of Holy Mary Fatima Prayer Group. For inquiries, email: Mary Sample: [marysample3@gmail.com](mailto:marysample3@gmail.com).

**Gala 2019:** The Charlotte Catholic High School Foundation cordially invites you to The Gala, an enjoyable evening with dinner, dancing, and a live auction to benefit Charlotte Catholic High School! Join us to celebrate and support **CCHS on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Carmel Country Club.** All funds raised at The Gala stay at CCHS to fund classroom grants, awards honoring our best teachers, scholarships to outstanding graduating seniors, teacher wish list items, and so much more. Visit the CCHS Foundation at [www.cchsfoundation.org](http://www.cchsfoundation.org) to learn more and to reserve your tickets to The Gala!

## MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

**Free Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course.** Topics 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 contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or [bnadcock@charlottediocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottediocese.org).

Are you or a loved one seeking healing from the effects of a past abortion? **Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat** creates a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and family and to realize God's ever-present love. Contact Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251/ [Jackie.childers1@gmail.com](mailto:Jackie.childers1@gmail.com) or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229/[jgrabowski@charlottediocese.org](mailto:jgrabowski@charlottediocese.org).

**Natural Family Planning.** Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Signup online & purchase class materials at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or [hackhouse@bellsouth.net](mailto:hackhouse@bellsouth.net).

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, visit: [SCMarriageMatters.org](http://SCMarriageMatters.org) or contact us

It's not too late! **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed 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 information, call 800-470-2230 or email: [retrouvaille@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaille@msn.com) or visit: [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

The US Bishops have a website called "For Your Marriage" with lots of uplifting information for a happy, healthy marriage. The website is suitable for dating and engaged couples as well as newly married couples and couples married for many, many years. There is a "virtual retreat" posted there for couples to do on their own time in their own homes (not necessarily during the second week of February, but whenever works for you). **The theme of this year's Virtual Marriage Retreat is "Marriage: Made for a Reason."** [www.foryourmarriage.org/seven-day-virtual-marriage-retreat/](http://www.foryourmarriage.org/seven-day-virtual-marriage-retreat/)



## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church is offering a **New Adult Formation Program “Living Our Faith In Society”**. Sessions will be on Wednesdays at 4:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. **February 20<sup>th</sup>**: Healthcare & Subsidiarity. For information, call Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church 803-283-4969.

### The George Warren Pitman Scholarship 2019

**Application is now available.** For information and to apply visit: [www.ffc.org/scholarships](http://www.ffc.org/scholarships). The deadline is *March 1, 2019*. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide undergraduate college, university and vocational school scholarships to residents of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina and Dunn, North Carolina who are registered and practicing member of the Roman Catholic Church. The applicants must meet the following criteria: be registered and practicing member of the Roman Catholic Church; Resident of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina or Dunn County, North Carolina and must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average. Scholarships will range up to \$1,000 for four year colleges and universities and \$500 to 1,000 for vocational programs and two-year colleges. The scholarships are renewable.

**FREE “Living Healthy with Diabetes” class to begin on Mondays, March 11<sup>th</sup>–April 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00–3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Consolation.** Classes are FREE, but pre-registration is *required*. The deadline to register is *Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>*. Class limited to 14 participants. Contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or email [sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org).

**The 23rd Annual Charlotte St. Patrick’s Day Parade will be held in uptown Charlotte on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.** The Parade steps off at **11:00 a.m.** at Tryon and 9th St. and marches down Tryon St. to 3rd St. **The Charlotte Goes Green Festival is in uptown Charlotte on the 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** The festival is located on Tryon St. between 3rd and Stonewall St. The Festival is *free* and features live Irish music, Irish dancers, Irish and other vendors, children’s amusements and lots of food and beverages. **There is no admission fee. Come join us where everyone is Irish for the day.** For information: [www.charlottestpatsday.com](http://www.charlottestpatsday.com) or contact Linda Dyer Hart at [dyerhart@hotmail.com](mailto:dyerhart@hotmail.com) or 704-616-5025.

**The Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH)** is the largest Irish Organization and Community in the U.S. dedicated to friendship, unity and Christian charity. Embrace your Irish heritage by joining the AOH. For information, visit [www.charlotteaoh.com](http://www.charlotteaoh.com) or email [membership@charlotteaoh.com](mailto:membership@charlotteaoh.com).

**St. Peter Church is hiring a Faith Formation Assistant:** 40 hours a week, requiring Sunday mornings during Faith Formation school year and support to the Faith Formation Department. Please email your resume to [cathy@stpetercatholic.org](mailto:cathy@stpetercatholic.org).

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Charlotte Catholic High School Mattress Fundraiser held on Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. at CCHS. The event link: [bit.ly/beds4charlottecatholicrugby](http://bit.ly/beds4charlottecatholicrugby).** Every purchase benefits CCHS Rugby/Speech & Debate. All sizes available, all are brand new mattresses and name brands. Layaway/cash and credit cards accepted. Call CCHS for more details.

Join us for the **Catholic Charities 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Vineyard of Hope February 28<sup>th</sup> Crowne Plaza Charlotte.** Pre-event Reception at 5:30 p.m. Blessing of the Meal at 6:45 p.m. Come share an evening of compassion and hope! To register, view sponsorship opportunities, or become a table host, visit us online at <https://ccd.org/vineyardofhope> or email Amy Loesch at [ahloesch@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:ahloesch@charlottedioocese.org).



All women of the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to the **Charlotte Catholic Women’s Group (CCWG) Morning Reflection Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**, at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Mass celebrated at **9:00 a.m.** Reflection by **Fr. Timothy Reid** at **10:00 a.m.** will be in the Assembly Room behind the chapel. RSVP is requested via [www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org](http://www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org).

**The 9th Annual Catholic Men’s Conference** at St. Patrick Cathedral on **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please make plans to attend. More information: [catholicmenofthecarolinas.org](http://catholicmenofthecarolinas.org).

**Converging Roads Health Care Ethics Conference – Human Dignity at the Beginning of Life.** The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Charlotte and Belmont Abbey College, present the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual *Converging Roads* health care ethics conference on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. The conference theme will focus on Human Dignity at the Beginning of Life, and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered. A White Mass, honoring health care professionals and their role in the Church, will open the conference. To register and for more information, visit [convergingroads.com](http://convergingroads.com).

**Save the Date!** Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte and Elder Ministry at Immaculate Heart of Mary invites you to the upcoming **“Senior Fraud & Scam” Workshop on April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in High Point. The presenter is Hugh A. Harris, Outreach & Policy Counsel for the North Carolina Department of Justice-Public Protection Section. Contact Sandra Breakfield Elder Ministry Program Director at the Diocese 704-370-3220 or [sbreakfiels@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:sbreakfiels@charlottedioocese.org).



**Knights of Columbus meetings are the first Thursday at 6:30 p.m. of each month** at St Patrick’s Cathedral at 1621 Dilworth Road East. Contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary Council 770 at [rjm2108@aol.com](mailto:rjm2108@aol.com) 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!*

**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.

**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.

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

**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.*

**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).

Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:



**To book a room in the Allen Center,** call Savas Mallos at 704-523-4641 x233.

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! 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.*

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

**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.

Be sure you are up to date on your **Protecting God's Children information & the Virtus monthly bulletins.** 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 & Volunteers.