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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, 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 7th	8:00 a.m. +George Hubbard <i>by the McElravey family</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin +Enrique Lizarazu <i>by Marcela Bayard</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café) 11:00 a.m. Back of Café in use 11:30 a.m. Boy's Choir (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Kitchen in use 4:00 p.m. Gaudium Musicae Concert & Reception (Church) 6:00 p.m. Men's Club (Chapel) 6:30 p.m. Men's Club Meeting (Kitchen & Café)
Monday 8th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Rachel N. Kingery & Alec N. Herzog <i>by the McElravey family</i>	9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 11:30 a.m. Choir loft in use 3:15 p.m. Home School (Café) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Fidelis (Café) Fraternalus (Gym) Home School (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (St. Ann School All-Purpose room) Catholic Scriptures Studies (Ceramic room) Home School (Café)
Tuesday 9th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Ashley Schumacher <i>by Sister Mary Raphael</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 Gym in use
Wednesday 10th	<i>Adoration in the chapel until 5:00 p.m.</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> 6:00 p.m. Intentions of Cynthia Mazelin <i>by Fr. Reid</i>	9:00 a.m. Choir loft (Church) 10:00 a.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room) 2:00 p.m. Piano (Café) 3:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society (Conference room) 6:30 p.m. Conference room in use 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting (Conference room) Gym in use
Thursday 11th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Ashley Schumacher <i>by Sister Mary Raphael</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	9:00 a.m. All rooms in use 9:30 p.m. Conference room in use 10:00 a.m. Bible class (Ceramic room) 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church) Seminarians in church 7:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room) Gym in use
Friday 12th	7:00 a.m. Latin Mass +Lisa Baldwin <i>by the Lauer family</i> 8:30 a.m. +Dr. Don Cox <i>by the Tonon family</i> 6:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i>	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel) 1:00 p.m. CCE (All rooms & Cry rooms in the church) 1:30 p.m. Choir loft in use 2:00 p.m. Men's Club (Kitchen) 3:15 p.m. Home School (Café) 5:00 p.m. Fish Fry (Kitchen & Café) 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae (Church)
Saturday 13th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Helen Shoemaker Hall <i>by Virginia Doman</i>	8:00 a.m. Carmelites (All rooms) 9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 2:00 p.m. Sewing class (Scout room & Ceramic room)
Sunday 14th	8:00 a.m. Intentions of Abbey & Rick Lejk's Anniversary 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Ashley Schumacher <i>by Sister Mary Raphael</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Our parish family	7:00 a.m. Carmelites (Café & Kitchen) 9:00 a.m. Ministries Leaders (Classrooms 1 & 2) 11:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Latin Group (Café)



Dear Parishioners,

On this 5th Sunday of Lent, we enter into a period known as “Passiontide,” which coincides with the last two weeks of Lent. This name comes from the fact that, during this time, we focus very specifically on our Lord’s passion and death as a proximate preparation for His resurrection. As part of Passiontide you’ll notice that our statues have once again been covered with violet shrouds. We do this as a way to enhance our fasting as we prepare for Holy Week. Specifically, the veiling of statues is a way to *visually* fast because it helps us to concentrate on the essential elements of Christ’s work of redemption. Veiling is meant to clear away any distractions so that we might focus on Jesus who calls us through the cross to a life of holiness. The veils will remain in place until Holy Saturday.

This Sunday, 07 April 2019, we are having a *Gaudium Musicae* concert at 4 p.m. Very fittingly, this concert will feature *VOX* and the *Firebird Arts Alliance* performing *Passio: The Passion of the Christ*. If you don’t have tickets yet, tickets will be available at the door. So please join us!

Many thanks to all of you have been faithfully attending our Friday evening Holy Hours of Reparation and Stations of the Cross. I’m always pleased to see so many of you turn out for these events, especially the holy hours. This coming Friday, 12 April 2019, at 7 p.m., we will have **Tenebrae** instead of the Holy Hour and Stations. For many years we had Tenebrae on Good Friday, but we’ve moved it up a week in the past couple of years because of the stress and strain of Holy Week. Tenebrae is a Latin word that means “shadows,” and it is an ancient form of worship, done by candlelight, that provides an opportunity to prayerfully reflect on our Lord’s suffering and death. It is composed of a series of Scripture readings and songs, which are punctuated by the gradual extinguishing of candles that symbolize the gradual extinguishing of Christ’s life on the cross. The liturgy culminates in almost complete darkness, followed by a loud noise that symbolizes the earthquake that occurred when Jesus died, and it concludes with a single light reappearing that reminds of us of the hope we have in Jesus’ resurrection. If you have never been to Tenebrae, I encourage you to come. It’s a solemn yet beautiful liturgy that is a great way to prepare for Holy Week.

Lastly, as warmer weather is coming, I encourage all of you not to give into the temptation to wear shorts, t-shirts, or flip-flops to Mass. I realize that Charlotte gets hot in the summer, but Mass is not a social or casual event; it’s not something that we should just fit into our schedule whenever it’s convenient. It’s the most important that we do each week as Catholics. So please dress with the decorum and dignity that is fitting for our sovereign Lord. I’m sure that our Lord will appreciate the extra effort on your part to do so!

Prayerfully yours,

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure
722 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
March 17, 2019	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	23,748.00	17,307.70	736,865.72	657,692.22
Other Revenue Streams:			71,633.76	86,161.33
Total Revenue:			808,499.48	743,853.55
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			64,645.93	
DSA: Final				
2019 Goal:	116,330.00		5 Year Plan:	
Pledged:	80,592.87		Goal to Date:	15,000.00
Received:	50,593.88		Received:	68,786.00
Assessment Balance:	35,737.13		Over/ (Under) Goal to Date:	53,786.00
Donors:	119			

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



In the area of treasure, some Christians choose the biblical norm of giving 10 percent of their treasure. Some, because of circumstances, give more than that. Others might start at two, three or four percent, and work upward.

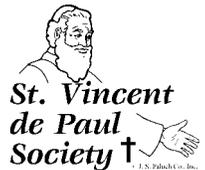
Coming Soon: Free Estate Planning Seminar

Do you want to: Coordinate estate planning within your overall financial plan, Designate who will manage your estate, Reduce estate taxes and administrative expenses, Have your questions answered by an Estate Planning Attorney??? Then plan to attend this free Estate Planning Seminar with Christian Cherry, Estate Planning Attorney, and Diocese Planned Giving office at the Diocese of Charlotte Pastoral Center on **Wednesday, April 24th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** Parking is also free and light refreshments will be served. **Reserve your space and take home materials by contacting Judy Smith at 704-370-3320 or jmsmith@charlottediocese.org.**



“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.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental. When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.



Each year our parish supports the Pontifical **Good Friday Collection**, which helps the Christians in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the **Church in the Holy Land**. Thank you.

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

St. Ann Lenten Project: Adult Diaper Drive for the Missionaries of the Poor, Monroe. Join us in collecting **adult medium and adult large diapers** to assist the Missionaries of the Poor, Monroe, to provide for the local poor. Please drop off in the narthex of the church **TODAY, April 7th.**

Thank you for your generosity!

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection weekends are: **April 6th-7th, April 20th-21st, and May 4th-5th.**

Bulletin Deadline is:

Thursday, April 11th at 12 noon for Sunday, April 21, 2019.
Tuesday, April 23rd at 12 noon for Sunday, April 28, 2019.
Tuesday, April 30th at 12 noon for Sunday, May 5, 2019.
Tuesday, May 7th at 12 noon for Sunday, May 12, 2019.

This Friday, April 12th from 5:00 -8:00 p.m. mark your calendars for St Ann's Annual Charity Lenten Fish Fry!

This gourmet dinner sponsored by your Men's Club \$10.00 includes: 6oz. Beer Battered Cod Fillets, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Soda or Bottled Water, and a very special treat for dessert "Nana's Soul Food" award-winning Banana Pudding. With purchase families enjoy Free Mac-n'-Cheese for Kids of all ages. Dine-In or try our new Express DriveThru Takeout. Adult Beverages Available Net Proceeds benefit Missionaries of the Poor. Reservations not required but recommended if dining after 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Jim Townsend 704-614-1474 or StAnnMen@gmail.com.

St. Ann's is sponsoring a **traditional Easter Triduum in the Extraordinary Form (Latin) at Charlotte Catholic High School during Holy Week.** These ancient liturgies are filled with deep richness and beauty profoundly reflecting the Passion of Jesus Christ. **The dates and times are Holy Thursday Mass April 18th, 7:00 p.m.; Good Friday Liturgy April 19th, 3:00 p.m.; and Saturday April 20th Easter Vigil, 8:30 p.m.** All liturgies will be held at **Charlotte Catholic High School chapel at 7702 Pinesville-Matthews Road, 28226.** For information, contact Chris Lauer at info@charlottelatinmass.org or www.charlottelatinmass.org.

You are invited to Sunday Morning Formation: 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, April 7th.** Contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth with questions: sistermaryelizabethdvm@gmail.com.



The 2019 Gaudium Musicae concert series will continue on TODAY, April 7th at 4 p.m.

with VOX and Firebird Arts Alliance performing Passio: The Passion of the Christ. Single concert tickets are \$33 for families, \$15 for adults, and \$11 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased at the door or after Masses in the parish office.

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 April 20th,** please contact Robina Walker at robina.walker@gmail.com.

Desserts and hams can be dropped off at the parish office Monday, April 15th - Wednesday, April 17th during office hours. Also on **Saturday, April 20th by 9:00 a.m. in the Allen Center cafeteria.** There will be a **sign-up sheet in the narthex the weekends of April 6th & 7th and 13th & 14th** for those who would like to sign up to donate a ham or dessert or would like to volunteer to prepare or deliver meals on April 20th.

The next Baptismal Preparation Class is Sunday, May 19th at 9:15 a.m. Please call the parish office to sign up for this class, 704-523-4641.

Registration is OPEN for Summer Catechesis!

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. Register online at: <https://forms.gle/dcmT3GeCmtt34Sg77> or forms are available in the parish office. 6th through 12th graders are needed as Adventure Guides! Service hours can be earned through fun. Adult volunteers are also needed. Please contact Trista Bremer to volunteer, email: trista.bremer@gmail.com or call: 704-989-5488.

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Regular Adorer Needed! We need adorers for Wednesday, 2:00 a.m. Call the parish office at 704-523-4641, or email Karen: rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

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. For more information, contact Sarah Miller at holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.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.*

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

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.

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.

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.

Please check out all the Lighthouse CD's books and booklets. Too many to name but you will find the Lighthouse Kiosk in the north vestibule. **Lighthouse Kiosk Suggested Donations** Booklets: \$3.00, each, Books: \$5.00 each, CDs: \$4.00 each~ or ~ 3/\$10.00. **Use code: 33769** when you go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub. **Make checks payable to St. Ann Catholic Church.**



Our parishioners:
Patricia Phillips,
Nancy West,
Edward McNally,
Joe Lawton
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),
Fay Alderman (mother of John & mother-in-law of Terry Alderman),
Libby McGloughlin (mother of Bill McGloughlin),
Michael Pappas,
Jacqueline Russell (mother 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.

The repose of the souls of: Anthony Pedalino, father of Terese Rowe, who died Friday, March 29, 2019.

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

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.

WEDDINGS & BAP TISMS

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*I: Stephany Balzola-Jesse Rankin
27 April 2019, Hilton Head, SC*

BAPTISMS

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*Welcome into our church family
Zachariah Mark-David Laurell*

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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 information or to join, call Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email stannpray_ers@comporium.net.

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.

Fraternus meets on **Mondays at 6:30 p.m.** in the gym. If you are interested join us on Monday.

Fidelis, a group for young ladies in middle and high school, meets on Monday evenings, from 6:30-8:00 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.

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the Week of April 7th-April 14th

April 7th	Passion Sunday-1st class
April 8th	Monday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 9th	Tuesday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 10th	Wednesday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 11th	Thursday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 12th	Friday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 13th	Saturday of Passion Week -3rd class
April 14th	Palm Sunday-1st class

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

Latin Mass Q&A: What do the Classes in the above calendar mean? The Class is the level of importance or solemnity (1st-4th) associated with that day's Saint or commemoration. A 1st Class Feast Day are 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.
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.

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.**

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann's Faith Formation is in need of catechists for the 2019/2020 school year. **Please contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth, Director of Faith Formation**, if you are interested in serving the youth of the parish in this way: sistermaryelizabethdvm@gmail.com.

Registration for the Homeschool CCE Program is now open to current registered St. Ann parishioners. CCE, Catholic Classical Enrichment, is a supplemental program designed to support and aid the family in the pursuit of a Catholic Classical Liberal Arts education in a community setting of Catholic homeschoolers. The Elementary program for 4 year old through 5th grade meets Friday mornings and requires active parent participation. **For information on the Elementary program, email: ccestann@gmail.com.** The CCE Middle School program also meets on Fridays, through lunchtime. It is a drop-off program with instruction in Latin, History, Writing, and Art. **For information on CCE Middle School, email Kathleen Lewis: Lewisfamily555@gmail.com.**

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.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Be the hands and feet of Jesus! Walk with those experiencing poverty as they rise above in Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte's "**Transition Out Of Poverty**" program. **Flexible scheduling available.** For more information on the program contact: Branden Lewis at: bmlewis@charlottedioocese.org. To start volunteering, contact: Meighan Schexnayder at: mnschexnayder@charlottedioocese.org.



Participate in the 40 Days for Life this Lent.

When someone prays in front of a facility, former abortion workers have told organizers that the "no-show" rate for abortion appointments can go to as high as 75 percent! **Sign up for an hour of peaceful prayer with a friend: 40daysforlife.com**

Catholic Radio Charlotte is a new radio station that offers free dynamic, faithful Catholic programming in our area! Part of the Carolina Catholic Radio Network, the station broadcasts both EWTN global programming and local diocesan news and events. **Listen over the air on AM1270 or on your smartphone, computer or tablet at: www.carolinacatholicradio.org.** Visit the website to learn more and to see how you can help spread your Catholic faith across the airways of the Charlotte Diocese.

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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 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.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

FREE Natural Family Planning (NFP) Full Course 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 marital sexuality, and how to use NFP. For information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or to RSVP, contact: Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities 704-370-3230 or bnadcock@charlottedioocese.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 or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / jrgrabowski@charlottedioocese.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. 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. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, visit: SCMarriageMatters.org or contact us 803-810-9602 or

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 or visit: www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Mark your calendars! **The E.P.I.C. (Each Person Is Cherished) Teen Pro-life Group** is having their annual fundraiser **family ceili dance** to raise money for their annual summer conference. The date of the dance is **TODAY, April 7th, from 3-6 p.m. at St. Ann's**. The afternoon will consist of a potluck dinner, dancing called by Meg Barrett, and a silent auction. The cost is \$25 per family. Hope to see y'all there!

St. Ann's seniors 55+ young are invited to join **St. Vincent Seniors Club on Thursday, April 11th at 11:00 a.m. in the Activity Center for lunch** as we welcome the **Charlotte Catholic High School Men's Chorus for a Lenten musical performance**. Lunch is \$10.00/guest. *RSVP by Sunday, April 7th* to Susan Obringer at sfobringer@gmail.com or 201-220-9507. If you don't want lunch and just want to come call Susan to reserve a seat. Information contact pgibbons1@att.net or 704-588-5870.

The Catholic Shoppe at Belmont Abbey College Annual Spring Sale Event, **which runs now through Wednesday May 15th**. Mention you saw the sale in your parish bulletin and receive an **additional 10% off everything including sale items!** For information, call 704-461-5100.

Couples' Night Out: Regnum Christi of the Carolinas will sponsor a dinner for married couples at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Friday, April 26th from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Following an Italian dinner catered by Portofino's, Father Martin Conner, LC, of Atlanta will offer a practical talk to support couples in their vocation to marriage. The cost is \$35 per couple. *Registration is online at rcgreatercharlotte.com*. Regnum Christi (Latin for "Kingdom of Christ") is an international Catholic Movement within the Church dedicated to promoting the Catholic faith. Regnum Christi has a Christ-Centered spirituality that is lived together in communion with all members, in union with the whole Church, and through a mission to build the kingdom of Christ. The whole Regnum Christi Movement is made up of 30,000 members throughout 38 countries world-wide.

Holy Saturday Blessing of Easter Food Baskets at St. Thomas Aquinas Church. Deacon James Witulski will bless the baskets at **12 noon**. St. Thomas Aquinas is located at 1400 Suther Road, 28213. Call their office: 704-960-3704.

Catholic Charities Business Operations Assistant (Charlotte, NC): Catholic Charities seeks professional to support business operations for Administrative Office. Requirements include: (1) 60 hrs. college education or 5 yrs. administrative experience; (2) strong telephonic and writing skills; (3) proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel; (4) direct experience operating and researching within databases; (5) keen attention to detail. Cover letter and resume (2 pages maximum) must be submitted electronically by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 15th to ahloesch@charlottediocese.org. No telephone calls, please. Job description at ccdoc.org/jobs.



All women of the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Morning Reflection Monday, April 8th**, at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Mass celebrated at **9:00 a.m.** reflection at **10:00 a.m. by Fr. Noah Carter** will be in the Assembly Room behind the chapel. Evening Reflection **Tuesday, April 30th**, at CCHS. Rosary at **6:30 p.m.** reflection at **7:00 p.m. by Fr. Jason Barone**. *RSVP* is requested via www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org.



St. Patrick's Shrimp Boil on Friday, April 12th at 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the St. Patrick School Cafeteria Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Call 980-999-0182 for advanced tickets. Shrimp with fries and coleslaw \$10.00 a plate for children \$8.00 and for families \$40.00.

Join **MiraVia at its 19th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE! Life" on Monday, May 20th at The Golf Club at Ballantyne** in Charlotte. Shotgun tee off is 8:30 a.m. Beverages, breakfast and lunch included. **Register by May 10th**. 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 8,060 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.



Did You Know? The Charlotte Diocese will offer its annual **Eucharistic Congress on September 6th & 7th**, and will feature engaging nationally-known speakers whose talks focus on the different dimensions of the Eucharist, a Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Charlotte, break-out sessions for all ages, beautiful sacred music, time for Confession, and Holy Mass. All are welcome!

Our Lady of Consolation Church is seeking a **Parish Secretary** to provide administrative, secretarial and clerical office support to the parish office operations, working four days per week from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with an hour lunch break. Send resume and letter of interest to: Parish Secretary, 1235 Badger Court, Charlotte, NC 28206 or by email to olccharlotte@charlottediocese.org.

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, 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.

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.