

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN		
+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday 29th	<p>8:00 a.m. Intentions of Sister Marie Jeannette <i>by the Craig Lewis family</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. +Michael D. Walsh <i>by Will Walsh & family</i></p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin Our parish family</p>	<p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p>
Monday 30th	<p>7:00 a.m. Intentions of Colette Shanahan <i>by the Rothe family</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church)</p> <p>5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Fraternalus (Gym) Fidelis (Café)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. RCIA (School) Ceramic room in use Legion of Mary meeting (Conference room)</p>
Tuesday 31st	<p>6:00 p.m. +Fr. James Billar <i>by Virginia Doman</i></p>	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>
Wednesday 1st	<p>9:00 a.m Latin Intentions of Gianna Bremer <i>by the Bremer family</i></p> <p>12 noon In Thanksgiving <i>by Virginia Doman</i></p>	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>
Thursday 2nd	<p>7:00 a.m. Intentions of Carol Rains <i>by the Grant family</i></p> <p><i>5:30 p.m. Confessions</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. Gym, Café & Kitchen in use</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Conference room in use</p>
Friday 3rd	<p>7:00 a.m. Latin +Ralph Marolda <i>by Sharon Kucia</i></p> <p>8:30 a.m. Intentions of Francesco Arcara <i>by the Rosamond family</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms & Cry rooms)</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Organ practice (Church)</p>
Saturday 4th	<p><i>3:00 p.m. Confessions</i></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Our parish family</p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p>
Sunday 5th	<p>8:00 a.m. Intentions of Cardinal George Pell <i>by the Palanos family</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. +Holy Souls <i>by Veronica Cortes</i></p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin +Maria Esperanza Amezcua Pardo de Sample <i>by Mary Ellen & Joe Gustainis</i></p>	<p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Men's Club (Kitchen & Café)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Men's Club (Chapel)</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Men's Club (Kitchen & Café)</p>



Dear Parishioners,

As we come to the end of another year and celebrate this beautiful feast day in honor of the Holy Family, I want to thank all of you, the St. Ann's parish family, for all you have done this past year. We have a wonderful parish family, and I'm so grateful to all of you who give of your time, talent, and treasure to make our parish the happy and faith-filled place that it is. I do hope, as well, that you've all been able to enjoy this Christmas Octave by spending this special time with family and friends, and that our Infant Lord will shower you with His abundant graces as we enter into a new year.

I am also so very grateful for your generosity and many kindnesses to me. Every year I am so touched and humbled by your gifts and acts of charity toward me. I am most especially thankful for your prayers. You humble me with your generosity. Please be assured of my earnest and grateful prayers for all of you this Christmas Season!

Please keep in mind that Wednesday, 01 January 2020, is a federal holiday, which means our office will be closed. As it is also a holy day of obligation, we will have Mass on Tuesday, 31 December 2019, at 6 p.m., and two Masses on 01 January: 9 a.m. (Latin) and 12 noon (English). Please be sure to attend one of those Masses. As always, I will hear confessions between the Masses on 01 January from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Please note that there will be no Mass on the morning of December 31st. The 6 p.m. Mass will be the only Mass that day. Also, there will be no Adoration again this week because of the holiday, and no Holy Hour or 6pm Mass on Wednesday, 01 January 2020.

Sincerely yours in the Christ Child and His Virginal Mother,

Fr. Reid

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'R'.

Your Stewardship of Treasure
708 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
December 8, 2019	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	14,627.83	17,817.31	415,685.78	409,798.13
Other Revenue Streams:			12,235.50	55,288.55
Total Revenue:			427,921.28	465,086.68
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(37,165.40)	
DSA: Final				
2019 Goal:	116,330.00		Priest Retirement Assessment:	36,972.00
Pledged:	120,289.87		Received:	31,366.30
Received:	114,010.26		Balance:	5,605.70
Donors:	181			
Religious Retirement:	3,602.00			

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



When we receive gifts, we thank the giver and then we use the gift. How do you thank God for the gifts you have been given? How

do you use those gifts, for your glory or His?

If you or someone in your family has an upcoming surgery or is out sick and would like Holy Communion, call the parish office. Our HOPE Ministry helps with shut-ins and visits assisted living and homebound parishioners. Please call our parish office with the names, addresses and phone numbers.

We are grateful for the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have remembered our parish in their estate plans. These legacy gifts help us build a solid foundation for future generations of parish families.



Our ministries and our parish are counting on you, and thank you for your support. If you have not yet contributed, you can make a one-time donation online at www.charlottediocese.org/dsa.

Remember, any amount over our goal will be returned to the parish for our own use.

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection weekends are: January 4th-5th, January 18th-19th, and February 1st-2nd.

Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We hear the words: "The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him." During this New Year may we also grow in wisdom and have the favor of God upon us by remembering to take care of our suffering brothers and sisters. Thank you for all the gifts you have contributed to the poor. Every penny has helped local families in need!



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Winter Formal Dance. **St. Ann Homeschool Ministry** invites teens, 14-20 year olds, to *Swing Into The Dawn of a Decade* on Thursday, January 2, 2020 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. in the St. Ann's cafeteria. BIG BAND MUSIC in a city of lights! Party favors! Door prize gift cards! Catholic Company party favors! Table providing information on Charlotte March For Life and Washington DC March For Life. Make sure to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044baca828a02-teen>

"At dawn let me experience your kindness, for in you I place my trust. Show me the path I must walk, for to you I lift up my soul." Ps 143:8

Bulletin Deadline is:

Tuesday, January 7th, at 12 noon for
Sunday, January 12, 2020
Tuesday, January 14th, at 12 noon for
Sunday, January 19, 2020

Mary Garden Showers is a Catholic pro life ministry. Our mission is to assist mothers in crisis celebrate their baby by hosting a baby shower for the pregnant mother and provide supplies. **Please include Kiana in your prayers and attend a baby shower for her on Saturday, January 11th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Allen Center, Rooms 1 and 2. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 8th.** A baby registry has been put in place for Kiana Marygardenshowers of Charlotte on amazon. If you able to financially contribute to this ministry or assist in hosting this shower, please contact Nicole at mc_nd@hotmail.com.

Feed the Center of Hope. St. Ann's Homeless Ministry needs your help! You can volunteer to either shop, cook, transport, or serve food one Sunday per month for the women and children at The Center of Hope. **Just two hours per month of your time is all it takes!** If you're interested, please contact Peter Baker at stannhomelessministry@gmail.com, or call 704-578-9390. **For more information on the ministry, visit www.stanncharlotte.org and click on "Get Involved".**

St. Ann Young Marrieds Group meets regularly throughout the year for service, fun, faith and friendship. For details on the next event, email Abby Taffaro at abbytaffaro@gmail.com.

NOTE: There will be NO Adoration December 31st-January 1st.

Advent Giving at St. Ann's:

St. Ann's Advent Project Adult Diaper Drive for the Missionaries of the Poor, Jamaica: Join in collecting adult medium and adult large diapers to assist the Missionaries of the Poor in Jamaica. **Please drop off in the Narthex of the church through the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord.** *Thank you for your generosity!*

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

Needed: volunteers to help with our St. Vincent de Paul Society. We received lots of calls for help from residents of our city. More hands are desperately needed. Email Lucie at lucietonon123@gmail.com.

Help wanted! USHERS for the 4:30 p.m., 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses! Email Chris Brunhuber at ccb2691@icloud.com to sign up.

Regular Adorer Needed! Please email Karen: rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com or call the parish office at 704-523-4641.

Church Cleaning throughout the year!

Anyone interested in cleaning the church on Fridays throughout the year, please email Chris Brunhuber at ccb2691@icloud.com. *Thank you!*

Every Sunday, ALL interested singers are invited to join the choir or schola to sing up in the loft during Mass. Singers would be welcome to participate in singing the Ordinary of the Mass and the congregational hymns & responses at the 10:30 or 12:30 Mass. These are the same items that would be sung by the people in the pews during these Masses. There is no need to attend a weeknight rehearsal or to arrive early for Mass. If you are interested, know that you are welcome to sing with us this fall. This invitation is for all ages, for those who are already part of the music ministry and for those who have not yet been part of any of the singing groups. Your participation is what will make this special for St. Ann and for your fellow singers. ***All you need to do is come on up to the loft.***

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Fidelis will at St. Ann's every Mondays from **6:30 p.m., in the cafeteria.** Newcomers, rising 6th through 12th grade, are welcome to join us! Any questions can be addressed to Sr. Mary Jacinta at dvmfidelis@gmail.com.

Fraternus is open to men of all ages, and especially all boys entering the sixth grade through senior year of high school. Join our Brotherhood of Disciples **on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the Allen Center Gym.** For more information about Fraternus, go to www.fraternus.net. Any questions can be addressed to byroncopley@gmail.com.

Our RCIA program meets every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in St. Ann School. Any questions please call the parish office.

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, contact Katherine Lauer at katherinetlauer@gmail.com.

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

Holy Family Playgroup: will continue on Mondays from 9:30–10:30 a.m., the Playgroup will meet for play every first Monday after adoration until further notice. Our email group is being updated with our new information, our new members, as well as using a new OS for the group. All are welcome. Contact Melissa Lewis: mmlewis28@yahoo.com or Laura Smith: lauragosh@gmail.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.



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Pray for ...

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Our parishioners:
Patricia Phillips,
Nancy West,
Edward McNally,
Joe Lawton,
Chuck Sollard,

Anna Sobus and family,
Glenn Stowe,
Jennie Roe,
Mark Ponischil.

Our friends and family:

Jeremy Scharpenberg (son-in-law of Jan & Mike Colin),
Fred Battweg,
Michelle Obruba (friend of the Skorupa family),
Betty Suran (friend of the Skorupa family),
Maxwell Oliver Raines (grandson of Terese Raines),
Alex Brown,
Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin),
Jennifer Arnold (friend of Nancy Tota),
Tom Storer,
Jean Storer,
Jerry Cuccinello,
Ron Layne,
Mary Regester (friend of Nancy Tota),
Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill),
Douglas Edge,
Albert Ayd (brother of Cecilia Balman),
Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman),
Joel Rivera,
Ron and Marcia York (sister & brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn),
Fay Alderman (mother of John & mother-in-law of Terry Alderman),
Michael Pappas,
Jacqueline Russell (mother of Andrea Hines),
James Matthew Brennan,
Terri Brewer Benton (daughter of Pat Brewer),
Trudy Dixon (friend of Mary Ann Wolff).

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,
SGT James "Jim" Alston, US Army.



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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.

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.**

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.

Seven Sisters Apostolate: Looking for several 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.

Do you love Jesus? Do you want to learn how to love Him more deeply? Do you want Him to transform your life and the lives of your family and friends? Read His Word every day. The daily Mass readings are the very voice of God speaking to us. Meditate on His Word for just 15 minutes with the help of our *One Bread One Body* booklets, a guide to the daily Scriptures **found in the North Vestibule with other helpful resources.**

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the week of **December 29th-January 5th**
St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at

December 29th	Sunday in the Octave of Christmas-2nd class
December 30th	6th day in the Octave of Christmas-2nd class
December 31st	7th day in the Octave of Christmas-2nd class
January 1st	Octave Day of Christmas -1st class
January 2nd	Feria of Christmastide-4th class or Jesus Christ the High Priest-3rd class
January 3rd	Feria of Christmastide -4th class or Sacred Heart of Jesus-3rd class
January 4th	Saturday of Our Lady-4th class or Immaculate Heart of Mary -3rd class or (USA) St. Elizabeth Ann Seton-3rd class
January 5th	Holy Name of Jesus-2nd class

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.

There will be NO 7:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays until January 15, 2020.

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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.

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.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Faith Formation forms are on our website and in the office. 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 Faith Formation, Catholic School, or at home.



Admissions Information for 2020-2021 School Term

Admissions Deadline: February 29, 2020.
Admissions Notification: March 13, 2020.

Admission decisions sent via email for Priority Round applicants.

Rolling Admissions: March 1, 2020.

Applications received after February 29, 2020 considered on rolling basis.

Apply online for students PK-12 at discovermacs.org.

Submit all required documents and complete testing (if applicable). For more information about Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools visit: discovermacs.org.

Coming Soon...A Theater Near You! The MACS Fine Arts Center at Charlotte Catholic Groundbreaking 2020. Check for details: www.playyourpart.org!

WEDDING BANNERS

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*I: Cecilia Bruno-Brian Blatchford
18 January 2020 9:00 a.m.*

*I: Ryann Anderson-Vincent Dominicis
18 January 2020 1:30 p.m.*

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, visit: SCMarriageMatters.org, call: 803-810-9602, email: applications@scmarriagematters.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. Contact Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / Jackie.childers1@gmail.com or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / jgrabowski@charlottediocese.org.

Retrouvaille is for couples with marriages that are struggling, not communicating well, and those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. It is also for those who are already separated or divorced that want marriage help. Some couples come to **Retrouvaille** during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program. For information or to attend the program **February 14, 2020**, call 800-470-2230, email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit: www.helpourmarriage.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

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Ambassadors for Christ in the Marketplace: Legatus, the international organization for Catholic business leaders & spouses, is growing its membership in Charlotte. Legatus members are committed to study, live and spread the faith in their business, professional & personal lives For information, contact: Frank Trotta at Legatus.CLT@gmail.com or 917-391-2003.

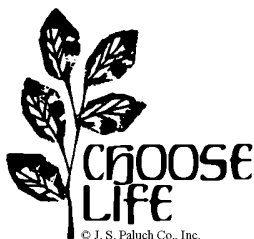
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Vigil of the Two Hearts: Next city-wide vigil honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary is January 3rd-4th. Join us on each First Friday through First Saturday at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in an overnight vigil to honor the Hearts of Jesus & Mary, to pray for our families, offer penance for our sins (especially abortion), and pray for our nation's conversion. This is to honor Our Lady of Fatima's request for prayer and penance. Devotion begins with 8:00 p.m. First Friday Mass, January 3rd (offered by Fr. Peter Ascik) followed by nocturnal Adoration and concluding with 8:00 a.m. 1st Saturday Mass on January 4th. All families & parishes invited to participate! Sign up for Eucharistic Adoration times or stay updated on future vigils by joining our e-mail list at: ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts. Or contact us at: info@prolifecharlotte.org

14th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte! January 10, 2020!

The day begins with Mass for the Unborn at 9:00

a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church. At 11:00 a.m. we will gather at the parking lot across the street from the Catholic Diocese at 1123 S. Church St., Charlotte, NC. There may be some parking available at the parking lot, but expect to find parking on your own uptown, if necessary. At 12 noon, we will march to Trade and Tryon where Fr. Cory Catron, Parochial Vicar of St. Vincent de Paul Church will preach. Then we will march onto the courthouse at 401 W. Trade St. where we will pray a Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at www.marchforlifecharlotte.org.



Are you looking for Immigration Services low cost?

Call for an appointment 704-370-3219 or 336-714-3212 www.ccdoc.org/en/services/immigration.

Sponsored by Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte.



Knights of Columbus meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m. in the St. Patrick's Family Life Center located at 1621 Dilworth Road East. Please contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary at rjm2108@aol.com or Grand

Knight John Stevens at j70stevens@gmail.com. We invite you to attend our meetings to learn more about how the Knights of Columbus serves God's people.

Catholic Charities is offering a 40-hour course for participants to learn the best industry practices to work as a professional interpreter in social services and healthcare settings. Course days include: February 20th-21st, February 26th-March 7th, July 30th-31st and August 5th-7th, October 22nd-23rd, and October 28th-30th at Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte located at 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte. We welcome participants from all languages. Space is limited. For information and registration, contact ccdoctie@charlottediocese.org or call: 855-995-3343. Translation & Interpretation Enterprise (TIE) is a program of Catholic Charities.

Join the Diocese of Charlotte and the Archdiocese of Atlanta on an **Ad Limina Pilgrimage to Italy from February 7-15, 2020**. For more details contact Pilgrimages by Corporate Travel 866-468-1420 or ctscentral.net. "Ad Limina" is a periodic requirement of the Diocesan bishops to visit Rome and the "threshold of the Apostles" at the tombs of St. Peter and St. Paul and to give a report on the state of their diocese.

You are invited to join Fr. Benjamin Roberts, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Monroe, NC, on a **3-day pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Saint Dymphna located in Massillon, Ohio**. The dates are **March 8-10, 2020**. The itinerary includes Holy Mass both days, a tour of the National Shrine of St. Dymphna and the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption. We will spend time in prayer in front of the relics of all twelve apostles, St. Dymphna, and a relic of the True Cross. The cost is \$149.00 per person which includes all meals and roundtrip transportation aboard a luxury motor coach. For information or to sign up, please email: StDymphna2013@gmail.com or call Sue 704-431-2861.

The Diocesan Office of Evangelization and Parish of St. Barnabas are coordinating a **pilgrimage to see the internationally renowned German Passion Play and Eastern Europe including Prague and Poland on May 20-30, 2020**. Witness the world-famous Passion Play at Oberammergau Germany. Celebrate the 100th birthday anniversary of St. John Paul II in Poland. Venerate the icon of Our lady of Czestochowa. Visit the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Krakow. For information, contact Frank Villaronga, Director of Evangelization and Adult Education, at 704-370-3274, or email frankv@charlottediocese.org. Or contact Evelyn Wavrek at Select International Tours: 800-842-4842.

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. 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.