

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday 12th	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. +Dolly Tonon <i>by Diocesan Association of Permanent Deacons</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Ryan Grant & family <i>by CLMC</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)
Monday 13th	7:00 a.m. +Deacon Tom Johnson <i>by Peg Sorge</i>	9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 5:00 p.m. Servers (Church) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Fraternus (Gym) Fidelis (Café) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (School) Ceramic room in use Legion of Mary meeting (Conference room)
Tuesday 14th	7:00 a.m. +Sister Aloysius Shoemaker RSM <i>by Virginia Doman</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m.</i>	9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use
Wednesday 15th	<i>Adoration continues until 5:00 p.m.</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> 6:00 p.m. Latin Intentions of Velma Boulware <i>by the Conner family</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms) 9:00 a.m. Organ practice (Church) 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 10:00 a.m. CSS (Scout room) 2:45 p.m. Cry rooms in use 3:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society (Conference room) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting (Conference room) 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Thursday 16th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Joseph Lauer <i>by the family</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) Conference room in use 5:30 p.m. Church in use 6:30 p.m. Conference room in use 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Friday 17th	7:00 a.m. Latin +Frank D'Angelo <i>by OLMC Charlotte OCDS</i> 8:30 a.m. +Edward Brockmeyer <i>by the Balman family</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms & Cry rooms) School Rosary (Chapel) 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 1:30 p.m. Organ practice (Church) 4:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) Rehearsal (Church) 6:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church)
Saturday 18th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Roland Loecin <i>by Mary Ann Wolff</i>	9:00 a.m. Wedding (Church) Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 1:30 p.m. Wedding (Church)
Sunday 19th	8:00 a.m. +Fred Lindenbaum <i>by Nancy & Lou Picciola</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin +Dolly Tonon <i>by CLMC</i>	12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) 5:30 p.m. Vespers (Church)



Dear Parishioners,

Hopefully by now you've noticed the renderings for the Allen Center renovations in the narthex. It's this project that will be funded with the monies we collect the first Sunday of each month with our second collection for the 5-Year Plan. While the interior floor plan of the Allen Center will remain unchanged, as you can see from the renderings, we're planning to completely redo the exterior façade of the building to make it more durable and to tie it in more closely with the façade of the church. However, we still have a long way to go before we have enough money to begin the project, but I am grateful for your on-going generosity toward this project.

As we continue with this new year, one of the things I'd like to develop in our parish is a security team. As we all know, there have been several incidences around our country of people walking into churches with guns and attacking parishioners. Over the years we've added security cameras to our property, but there's still more we need to do ensure our safety. If you are interested in being part of our security team, please contact Lou Rango at rango2394@bellsouth.net. Lou is a retired police officer and will be coordinating our security team.

Lastly, our parish will once again be participating in Exodus 90, a program of prayer, fasting, discipline, and exercise for men. While I know that many men in our parish have already done Exodus 90, I want to invite all the men of the parish to consider signing up for this program (www.exodus90.com) for the 90 days leading up to Easter, which begins on January 13. I've been through this program several times myself, and while rigorous, I find it to be a great help to my spiritual life. For more information, please contact Deacon Peter.

May our Lord give us all a blessed 2020,

Fr. Reid

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

Your Stewardship of Treasure
708 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
December 22, 2019				
Weekly Collection	16,680.66	17,817.31	452,467.44	445,432.75
Other Revenue Streams:			15,456.50	60,096.25
Total Revenue:			467,923.94	505,529.00
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(37,605.06)	
DSA: Final				
2019 Goal:	116,330.00		Priest Retirement Assessment:	36,972.00
Pledged:	120,539.87		Received:	37,763.30
Received:	115,545.74			
Donors:	182			

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



Stewardship is God's invitation to a way of life. It helps us to overcome our selfishness and love of things.



Our ministries and our parish thank you for your support for the DSA throughout 2019.

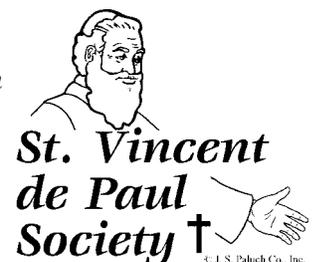
If you or someone in your family has an upcoming surgery or is out sick and would like Holy Communion, call the parish office. Our HOPE Ministry helps with shut-ins and visits assisted living and homebound parishioners. Please call our parish office with the names, addresses and phone numbers.

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.



Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection is the weekend: **January 18th-19th, February 1st-2nd, February 15th-16th, and February 29th & March 1st.**

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

As part of the diocesan combined collections program, the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Church in Africa, Catholic Home Missions, and the United States Mission Collection have been combined into one second collection. That collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, January 18th-19th. Your contribution to the good work of these organizations will give you an opportunity to participate in the missionary activity of the Church on both a local and world level. This week you should receive a letter from our Vicar General and Chancellor, Father Winslow, with an informative brochure. Please take the time to read through the brochure and become more familiar with the good work done by each of these organizations. The envelope for this collection is part of your parish envelope packet. *Thank you!*

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".**

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 signup.

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.

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.

Bulletin Deadlines are:

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

Tuesday, January 21st at 12noon for
Sunday, January 26, 2020

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.

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!*

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

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.

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.*

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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: lauragoshe@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.

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



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.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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.

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.

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.

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 each, Books: \$5 each, CDs: \$4 each or 3/\$10. **Use code: 33769** when you go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub. **Make checks payable to St. Ann Catholic Church.**

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 **January 12-January 19, 2020**

January 12th	The Holy Family-2nd class
January 13th	Commemoration of Baptism of Our Lord-2nd class
January 14th	St. Hilary-3rd class
January 15th	St. Paul, the First Hermit -3rd class
January 16th	St. Marcellus I-3rd class
January 17th	St. Anthony-3rd class
January 18th	Saturday of Our Lady-4th class or St. Prisca-4th class
January 19th	2nd Sunday after Epiphany -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.
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.

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!

Catholic Schools
Learn, Serve, Lead Succeed
Your Parish
Your Community
Your Students
The Nation
Vocations
Faculty, Staff and Volunteers
Families

Join in our annual celebration of Catholic education the week of January 26th-February 1st. The schools will be observing the above themes daily during that week.



WEDDING BANNERS

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

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

*I: Amanda Chase-Dylan Ousky
31 January 2020 2:30 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.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method. A Natural Family Planning three class series will be taught: **Sunday, January 19th, 1:00-4:00 p.m., Sunday, February 16th, 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 15th, 1:00-4:00 p.m. All classes are necessary to complete the series.** Classes are at the Hack home, in North Charlotte. Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Sign up on-line and purchase class materials at www.ccli.org. Postpartum and Pre-menopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

You Can Help Your Marriage: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For information or to attend the program **beginning February 14, 2020**, call 800-470-2230, email: retrouvaille@msn.com or visit: www.helpourmarriage.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE



2020

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH
DIOCESE OF CHARLOTTE

Bishop Jugis has announced the Diocese of Charlotte will celebrate 2020 as the “Year of St. Joseph,” commemorating the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being solemnly declared Patron of the Catholic Church by Pope Pius IX. We want to honor St. Joseph, the guardian and protector of the Church, and learn from his example of faith, perseverance, and holy fatherhood. The Year of St. Joseph will begin January 1st and conclude December 31st, 2020. Many special events are being planned across the diocese. Visit the Year of St. Joseph website throughout 2020 for a list of activities, pilgrimages, devotions, prayers, and more.

www.YearofStJoseph.org.

TODAY, January 12th – Solemnity and Octave of the Epiphany: **Sacred Art Light Show with spectacular images of St. Joseph and the Holy Family** will be projected onto the exterior of the Diocesan Pastoral Center using digital mapping technology. **This will take place at 1123 S. Church Street from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.**

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.

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@charlottedioocese.org. Or contact Evelyn Wavrek at Select International Tours: 800-842-4842.

The **Catholic Charities 17th Annual Vineyard of Hope February 20th 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 ccdoc.org/vineyardofhope or email Sandy Buck at vineyardofhope@charlottedioocese.org.**

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@charlottedioocese.org or call: 855-995-3343. Translation & Interpretation Enterprise (TIE) is a program of Catholic Charities.

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.

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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.

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.