



February 23, 2020



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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)

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

Parish Office Hours

<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 23rd	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. +Roberta Puszc <i>by the Yorio family</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Confraternity of St. Peter <i>by the Lauer family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Classroom 1 & 2 in use 3:00 p.m. Church closed
Monday 24th	7:00 a.m. +Gilbert Berne <i>by the Bayard family</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 9:30 a.m. Family Holy our (Gym) 11:00 a.m. St. Joseph Table (Classrooms 1 & 2) 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) Church in use 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Fidelis (Café) Fraternus (Gym) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (School) Legion of Mary (Conference room) CSS (Ceramic Room) 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Tuesday 25th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Sue Boyles <i>by the Nobers family</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m.</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 8:00 a.m. Church closed 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room) 5:30 p.m. Church in use 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph Table (Classrooms 1 & 2) 7:00 p.m. Scout room in use Gym in use 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Wednesday 26th Ash Wednesday	<i>Adoration continues until 5:00 p.m.</i> 7:00 a.m. Seminarians Latin Mass 8:30 a.m. Intentions of Michael Conner <i>by the family</i> <i>Holy Hour</i> 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. For St. Ann's benefactors & their loved ones	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 (Conference room) 7:00 p.m. Gym in use 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Thursday 27th	7:00 a.m. +Peter Frank Liberto <i>by the Russell Lewis family</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 5:30 p.m. Church in use 8:00 p.m. Church in use
Friday 28th	7:00 a.m. Latin Intentions of Robert Knight <i>by the Rosamond family</i> 8:30 a.m. +Fredrick White <i>by the Sanctis family</i>	6:00 a.m. Church in use 8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms) Cry rooms in use School Rosary (Chapel) 9:30 a.m. School (Gym) 1:30 p.m. Organ practice (Church) 5:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church) 6:00 p.m. Gym in use Holy Hour (Church) 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)
Saturday 29th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Mary Squire <i>by the Dreyer family</i>	9:00 a.m. Church in use Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 10:00 a.m. Baptism (Church) Café in use 1:30 p.m. Wedding (Church) 3:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 4:30 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use
Sunday 1st	8:00 a.m. +Thomas Moriaty <i>by Nancy & Lou Picciola</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Carmella Ann Rosamond <i>by the family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Church in use 5:30 p.m. Vespers (Church) Men's Club (Kitchen) 6:00 p.m. Men's Club (Chapel) 6:30 p.m. Men's Club (Kitchen & Café)



Dear Parishioners,

This coming Wednesday, 26 February 2020, is **Ash Wednesday** and the beginning of Lent. While not a holy day of obligation, it is a wonderful day to come to Mass, and I encourage you to do so. We will have Masses Wednesday at 7 a.m. (Latin), 8:30 a.m., and 6 p.m.

As Lent is a penitential season, Holy Mother Church has certain requirements for fasting and abstinence from meat during Lent. Specifically, for Catholics in the United States, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops states that: "the age of fasting is from the completion of the eighteenth year to the beginning of the sixtieth." The requirements for fasting and abstinence in the United States are:

Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent. Every person from age of 18 until 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but they are not to equal a full meal.

Through observing the Church's laws re: fasting and abstinence, I encourage you to make reparation for sin. Fasting and abstaining from meat shouldn't be empty rituals for us, but rather spiritual practices that we offer in reparation for all the ways our Lord has been offended. As we've done in the past, on the Fridays of Lent we will have a **Holy Hour of Reparation** at 6 p.m. in the church, followed by **Stations of the Cross** at 7 p.m. This year I especially encourage you to make reparation for the sins of our Church leaders.

Lent is also a time for increased almsgiving. This Sunday we are hearing about the **Diocesan Support Appeal**. Our diocese has a lot of different ministries that provide much-needed services to the poor in our area, as well as ministries that aid educational and formation programs - all of which are funded by the DSA. For example, the DSA funds the education of our seminarians and the annual Eucharistic Congress, amongst other programs in our diocese.

As I mentioned in last Sunday's bulletin, the Diocese is assessing our parish \$120,163 for 2020. This is a big goal, but we can certainly do it if everyone participates. Of course, any monies collected in excess of our assessment goal is refunded back to us. But, as you know, if we fall short of the assessed goal, then we have to make up that money from our parish operating budget. So please give some thought and prayer to how you can contribute to the DSA. I'm grateful to all of you who have contributed to the DSA already.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure
696 registered families

February 2, 2020	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	17,252.50	17,817.31	573,689.56	552,336.61
Other Revenue Streams:			45,109.85	74,519.35
Total Revenue:			618,799.41	626,855.96
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(8,056.55)	

DSA:
2020 Goal: 120,163.00
 Received
 Rebate:
 Donors:

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

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

Give Electronically at
www.StAnnCharlotte.org



We don't give because we have an abundance of resources and can afford it; we give because of a desire to share what we have with others out of love and gratitude.



Your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal is shared with the educational, multicultural, vocational, housing, and social service ministries of the diocese.

Thousands of people depend on your generosity. You may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or go to charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.

St. Ann's is creating a security team. If you are interested in joining the St. Ann's Security Team, please contact Officer Lou Rango at: Rango2394@BellSouth.net. Your assistance and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection will be the following weekends: **February 29th-March 1st., March 14th - 15th.**

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.

Your will is a plan for the distribution of assets you have accumulated as a result of the God given gifts you have received throughout your life. Please consider including our parish in your will.



Bulletin Deadlines are:
 Tuesday, February 25th at 12noon for Sunday, March 1, 2020
 Tuesday, March 3rd at 12noon for Sunday, March 8, 2020

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us by saying: "You must be perfected as your heavenly Father is perfect." Each month your gifts assists many families providing food, utility and rent bills, etc. Thank you!



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S



CELEBRATE ST. JOSEPH'S DAY AT HOME WITH A ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE! In this diocesan year of St. Joseph, learn about the wonderful tradition of St. Joseph's Tables (or Altars) that you can share at home with your family and friends. Plan a gathering on or around March 19th in honor of

St. Joseph. **Join Tom Sperrazzo to learn more: Monday, February 24th, at 11:00 a.m. or Tuesday, February 25th, at 6:30 p.m., in the Classrooms 1 & 2.**
St. Joseph Most Chaste

All girls between the ages of 12-18 interested in participating in the **St. Maria Goretti Junior Altar Guild**, a ministry dedicated for the opportunity for girls to be able to help in preparing and cleaning up for the Mass, please contact either **Marina Grant** or **Gabriella McCarthy**, the current leaders of the **Junior Altar Guild**. We are scheduling a training and gathering for any girls interested in this ministry. Please let us know if you are interested or have any questions about this ministry. Marina Grant: marinatheresegrant@gmail.com and Gabriella McCarthy: jdmccarthy1012@gmail.com.

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.

SAVE the DATE for Summer Catechesis 2020! July 20th-24th, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Summer Catechesis is a week long day-camp at St. Ann's for 4 year olds through rising 5th graders. Registration will open in the Spring. If you (adults and teenagers) are interested in volunteering or for more information, contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth: sistermaryelizabethdvm@gmail.com.

Our RCIA program meets every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in St. Ann School. Any questions, please call the parish office: 704-523-4641.

WEDDING BANNERS

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*III Megan Young-Joshua Bell
29 February 2020 1:30 p.m.*

St. Ann Young Families (formerly "Young Marrieds") welcomes families of all sizes, beginning with engaged couples. Our mission is to create connections and foster friendships within the parish community. We meet regularly for social and service opportunities. Contact Abby Taffaro to be added to the distribution list: abbytaffaro@gmail.com. Join us for our next event: A Lenten Recipe Exchange on Friday, March 27th at 5:30 p.m. Contact Abby Taffaro for further details.

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 and Jamaica Missions. Please drop off in the narthex of the church **NOW through Sunday, April 12th**. *Thank you for your generosity!*

NOTE: the next **Baptismal Preparation class will be Sunday, April 19th, at 9:10 a.m.** in the Scout room. Please call the parish office, 704-523-4641, to sign up for this class.

Ushers needed! 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.

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

Regular Adorer Needed! Please email Marcy Bayard: rcgator@icloud.com or call the parish office at 704-523-4641.

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".**

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

We've got some great online resources available to every member of our parish through a program called **Formed**. In order to access these resources, go to: **www.formed.org** 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.

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.

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.**

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 & Kathy 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),
Carol Brunhuber (mother of Steve Brunhuber),
William "Will" Shack (grandson of Pat Niemer).

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 Eve at evesmith1974@yahoo.com.

Our Lady of Fatima had made the request for the observance of the First Five Saturdays Devotion to the three shepherd children, which remains sadly neglected by her Son's Church. Masses celebrated on the first Saturday of each month offered in reparation for the sins committed against our Blessed Mother's Immaculate Heart, going to confession, recitation of the Rosary, and spending 15 minutes with her in meditation on a mystery of the Rosary brings great comfort to her and reaps blessings for those who honor her in this way. **Join us each First Saturday at 3:55 p.m. in the chapel as we pray the Rosary.** Information can be found each month at our table.

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.*

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 **February 23, 2020– March 1, 2020**

February 23rd	Quinquagesima Sunday -2nd class
February 24th	Feria-4th class
February 25th	St. Matthias-2nd class
February 26th	Ash Wednesday-1st class
February 27th	Thursday after Ash Wednesday-3rd class
February 28th	Friday after Ash Wednesday -3rd class
February 29th	Saturday after Ash Wednesday-3rd class
March 1st	1st Sunday of Lent-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.

All are invited to attend the **7:00 a.m. Seminarians Latin Mass on Wednesdays** while the seminarians are in class.

The men of the Latin Mass Community at St. Ann's organize a men's fellowship called *Liturgy & Fraternity* most 3rd Wednesdays.

Vespers Calendar through May 2020
Vespers begin at **5:30 p.m. on Sundays:** March 1st, March 22nd, April 5th, April 19th, April 26th, and May 10th. All are invited to attend.

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 began on January 1st and will 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.

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 29th.
Admissions Notification: March 13th.
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!

2020 Fatima Pilgrimage July 15th -28th: Join Fr. John Putnam and Fr. Christopher Roux for their annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima where they follow the footsteps of The Three Little Shepherds. Visit Fatima, Coimbra, Braga, Porto, Santarem, Lisbon, and other Holy and historic Sites. The Cost is \$2,990. The deadline is April 6th, Contact www.TeDeumFoundation.org. 336-765-1815 or email TeDeumFoundation@gmail.com

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Forgiveness and Healing Following Abortion Catholic Charities can help men and women who have experienced abortion begin their healing journey. Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat creates a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and family and to realize God’s ever present love. Diocese of Charlotte Asheville Area March 13th-15th. For information please contact either: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / jackie.childers1@gmail.com Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / jgrabowski@charlottediocese.org Other 2020 Retreats in Surrounding Dioceses Diocese of Charleston, SC March 20th-22nd and April 17th-19th. Contact: Christy: 803-554-6088 / grace4healing@gmail.com Diocese of Savannah, GA March 27th-29th. Contact: Stephanie: 912-306-0406 / stephmay@bellsouth.com.

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.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method. A Natural Family Planning three class series; *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. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

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. For information, call: 800-470-2230, email: retrouvaille@msn.com or visit: www.helpourmarriage.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Amazing Evangelization Family Conference: Join Justin Fatica and the Hard as Nails Missionaries for a 1-of-kind evangelization conference for the whole family. This conference will give you the insights and confidence to share the Gospel with conviction. **Date: Sunday, 15 March 2020, from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at St. Mark Catholic Church. To register go to: <https://amazing-evangelization-family-conf-nc2020.eventbrite.com>. Questions: Call 888-498-2255 or visit rememberyoureAmazing.com.**

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 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.

Catholic Charities is excited to announce that the "Building Better Caregivers" workshop will begin on Tuesday, March 10th at St. Mark Church. This is a FREE workshop that consists of 6 sessions. The class will meet on Tuesdays, March 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, April 7th and 14th from 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. This program is sponsored by Centralina Area Agency on Aging. To register, contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or by email: sabreakfield@charlottedioocese.org.

Only 250 tickets available for a **Bible Study Evangelista weekend July 10th -12th at the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, AL.** A glorious, holy setting; five penetrating talks by Sonja and a choice of four other speakers, daily Mass, Adoration, and Confession, meals, praise and worship, classical liturgical choir; powerful prayer meeting, and an eye-popping gift shop. Get details, itinerary, and register at biblestudyevangelista.com.



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.



Please support the Charlotte Catholic High School Foundation's 2020 Gala by visiting the Online Auction and bidding on fantastic vacations, artwork, services, and experiences. The Online Auction will be open Monday, February 24th at 10:00 a.m. through Monday, March 2nd at 10:00 p.m. Visit www.cchsfoundation.org and click "2020 Gala Details and Tickets" to access the Online Auction.

10-year Anniversary Catholic Men's Conference of the Carolinas "What are YOU looking at?" Join the conference on Saturday, March 7th at St. Matthew Catholic Church for a Day of Faith and Fellowship, including keynote speakers, Mass, rosary, confessions, adoration and lunch is included. The speakers are Fr. Larry Richards, Kevin F. Frederick, Dennis Gillan and Fr. Patrick Winslow. The cost is \$45. at the door, \$35. in advance and \$30 Special and students. www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org.

The Diocese of Charlotte Bishop's Youth Pilgrimage will be Saturday, April 4, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Belmont Abbey College. Sign-in begins at 8:00 a.m. Details are on line and registration needs to be completed by March 13th. The cost is \$15 and bring picnic blankets, sunscreen and bottled water.

Converging Roads Health Care Ethics Conference: Catholic Social Doctrine in Medicine. The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Charlotte and Belmont Abbey College, present the third *Converging Roads* health care ethics conference on **Saturday, May 9th**, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. at The Cathedral of St. Patrick. The conference theme is Catholic Social Doctrine in Medicine, and **continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered.** To register or for more information, visit convergingroads.com.

Are you looking for Immigration Services at a low cost. Call to schedule an appointment with Catholic Charities Immigration Services at 704-370-3219 or 336-714-3212. www.ccdoc.org/en/services/immigration.

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.