

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday 1st	<p>8:00 a.m. +Thomas Moriarty <i>by Nancy & Lou Picciola</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Our parish family</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Carmella Ann Rosamond <i>by the family</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café)</p> <p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Church in use</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Vespers (Church) Men's Club (Kitchen)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Men's Club (Chapel)</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Men's Club (Kitchen & Café)</p>
Monday 2nd	<p>7:00 a.m. Intentions of Ruth McDonough <i>by the Cortes family</i></p>	<p>6:00 a.m. Church in use</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Family Holy our (Gym)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. St. Joseph Table (Classrooms 1 & 2)</p> <p>5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) Church in use</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Fidelis (Café) Fraternus (Gym)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. RCIA (School) Legion of Mary (Conference room)</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Church in use</p>
Tuesday 3rd	<p>7:00 a.m. +Fr. Reid's grandparents <i>by Fr. Reid</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m.</i></p>	<p>6:00 a.m. Church in use</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Church closed</p> <p>9:30 a.m. School (Gym)</p> <p>1:00 p.m. CSS (Scout room)</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Church in use</p> <p>6:30 p.m. St. Joseph Table (Classrooms 1 & 2)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Scout room in use Gym in use</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Church in use</p>
Wednesday 4th	<p><i>Adoration continues until 5:00 p.m.</i></p> <p>5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i></p> <p>6:00 p.m. Latin Intentions of John Joseph Grant <i>by the family</i></p>	<p>6:00 a.m. Church in use</p> <p>8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Organ practice (Church)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. School (Gym)</p> <p>10:00 a.m. CSS (Scout room)</p> <p>2:45 p.m. Cry rooms in use</p> <p>3:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul meeting (Conference room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Gym in use</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Church in use</p>
Thursday 5th	<p>7:00 a.m. +Mea Pierman <i>by the Stocker family</i></p> <p><i>5:30 p.m. Confessions</i></p>	<p>6:00 a.m. Church in use</p> <p>9:30 a.m. School (Gym)</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Church in use</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Church in use</p>
Friday 6th	<p>7:00 a.m. Latin +John D. Baldwin <i>by the Russell Lewis family</i></p> <p>8:30 a.m. +John Futiak <i>by the Skerupa family</i></p>	<p>6:00 a.m. Church in use</p> <p>8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms) Cry rooms in use School Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. School (Gym)</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Organ practice (Church)</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Rehearsal (Church)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Gym in use Holy Hour (Church)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)</p>
Saturday 7th	<p><i>3:00 p.m. Confessions</i></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Intentions of Jeannie Grant <i>by the family</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Church in use Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Baptism (Church) Café in use</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Wedding (Church)</p> <p>3:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen)</p> <p>4:30 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use</p>
Sunday 8th	<p>8:00 a.m. For new religious vocations from our diocese to the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist <i>by the Craig Lewis family</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Our parish family</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Jack Nobers <i>by the family</i></p>	<p>9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Dogma & Donuts (Café)</p> <p>12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel)</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Church in use</p>



Dear Parishioners,

Lent is now upon us, and so hopefully all of you have made plans for how you will fast more, pray more, and give more during this holy season. As I mentioned last Sunday, our Lenten practices are not ends unto themselves. They are not practices that we take on for their own sakes. Holy Mother Church calls us to fast more, pray more, and give more in Lent as a means of helping us become holier people. We fast in order to become detached from material things so that we are freer to love God as we should. Fasting also strengthens our wills so that we will be stronger in the face of sinful temptations. We pray more in order to strengthen our personal relationship with God and get to know Him on a deeper level. And we give more in Lent as an act of faith and to cultivate the ever-important virtue of charity.

Like all things, Lent is what we make of it. The more faithfully we give ourselves to these time-honored practices, the more that we truly endeavor to purify ourselves through repentance and acts of reparation, the greater the spiritual benefits we will receive from our Lord. So I encourage you to be thoughtful in your approach to this holy season and enter into it with the intention of becoming more pleasing to God.

One thing you might consider as part of your Lenten prayer plan is to join us on Friday nights for our Holy Hour of Reparation and the Stations of the Cross. The Holy Hour of Reparation begins at 6 p.m., followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. Making reparation for sin – both for our own sins and those of others – is an important duty for Christians, and I'm confident that our weekly holy hours are very pleasing to our Lord. So please consider joining us on the Fridays of Lent. In particular, I ask you to consider offering your reparation for the sins of our Church leaders.

In Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "R".

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure
695 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
February 9, 2020	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	25,373.18	17,817.31	599,062.74	570,153.92
Other Revenue Streams:			45,295.85	76,923.20
Total Revenue:			644,358.59	647,077.12
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(2,718.53)	
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



Lent is a time to reflect on our relationship with God. We are called to focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in our Lenten stewardship.

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.

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.

Lent provides an opportunity to strengthen our devotion to God through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It can also be a time to consider a planned gift that will strengthen the future of our parish.

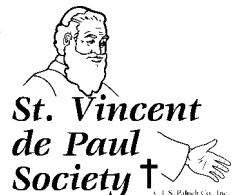


Your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal is shared with the educational, multicultural, vocational, housing, and social service ministries of the diocese. Thousands of people depend on your generosity. You may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or go to charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.

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 this weekend: **February 29th-March 1st, March 14th-15th, and April 4th-5th.**

Bulletin Deadlines are:
 Tuesday, March 3rd, at 12noon for Sunday, March 8, 2020
 Tuesday, March 10th, at 12noon for Sunday, March 15, 2020

Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor." When the poor contact St. Ann Church for assistance they are in effect contacting you. If there is a family you know who needs help, contact us.



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Glorifying God through Sacred Art and Architecture:

Attention young adults! Juventutem Charlotte, the young adults group centered around the Latin Mass, will be hosting an event at St. Ann's you won't want to miss on **Wednesday, March 4th**! Come join us for a Low Mass offered in the Extraordinary Form at 6:00 p.m. followed by an exclusive talk and tour of St. Ann's parish led by Fr. Reid. The tour will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the church. This tour will illuminate the important role beauty, art and architecture play in creating sacred spaces of worship. Share and invite a friend! Open to ages 18-35. To learn more, contact Angela Kessler at: JuventutemCLT@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/JuventutemCLT.

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

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, contact either Marina Grant: marinatheresegrant@gmail.com or Gabriella McCarthy: jdmccarthy1012@gmail.com, the current leaders of the Junior Altar Guild.

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.

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.

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!*

Celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph with your parish family! Multiple opportunities for prayer, Mass, Vespers, a procession with St. Joseph's Altar and a spaghetti dinner will be offered over the **evening of March 18th through the day of the 19th**. Spaghetti dinner tickets go on sale this weekend after the Sunday Masses and will continue through the 14th of March. Tickets may also be purchased at the parish office. All dinner proceeds will go to our St. Joseph College Seminary to help build a barn on the seminary land for lawn equipment and exercise rooms for the seminarians. Let's raise a barn in honor of our carpenter patron!

Save the Date! Our Service Day is March 21st 8:00 a.m. –12noon Watch for more details!

WEDDING BANNERS

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*I Mary Michael Burns-Matthew Mulls
21 March 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. **Join us for our next event: A Lenten Recipe Exchange on Friday, March 27th at 5:30 p.m.** Contact Abby Taffaro for details and to be added to the distribution list: abbytaffaro@gmail.com.

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! Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 4th 8:00 a.m. –12noon. Contact Chris Brunhuber at ccb2691@icloud.com for details. Thank you!

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 evsmith1974@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 **March 1, 2020-March 8, 2020:**

March 1st	1st Sunday of Lent-1st class
March 2nd	Feria-3rd class
March 3rd	Feria-3rd class
March 4th	Ember Wednesday in Lent -2nd class
March 5th	Feria-3rd class
March 6th	Ember Friday in Lent -2nd class
March 7th	Ember Saturday in Lent -2nd class or (FSSP) St. Thomas Aquinas-2nd class
March 8th	2nd 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

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: TODAY, March 1st, March 19th, 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 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!



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 rtn2108@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.

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@charlottedioocese.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.net.

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, visit: SCMarriageMatters.org, 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.

Retrouaille 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: retrouaillenc@msn.com or visit: www.helpourmarriage.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Vigil of the Two Hearts: Next city-wide vigil honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary is March 6th-7th. Join us on each First Friday through 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 8:30 p.m. First Friday Mass, March 6th (offered by Fr. Ernest Nebangongjoh) followed by nocturnal Adoration and concluding with 8:00 a.m. Saturday Mass on March 7th. All families & parishes invited to participate! Mass begins at 8:30 p.m. after Stations of the Cross. Sign up for Eucharistic Adoration times or stay updated on future vigils by joining our email list at: ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts. Or contact us at: info@prolifecharlotte.org

Amazing Evangelization Family Conference: Join Justin Fatica and the Hard as Nails Missionaries for a one-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 Church.** To register, go to: <https://amazing-evangelization-family-conf-nc2020.eventbrite.com>. Questions: Call 888-498-2255 or visit rememberyoureamazing.com.

Catholic Charities Food Pantry NEEDS

Stocking Shelves: Volunteers stock and organize the Food Pantry. Activities include checking expiration dates, sorting donations, removing empty boxes, cleaning shelves and maintaining the general order in the Food Pantry. Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon at the diocese.

Distribution: Food is distributed to participants Monday-Wednesday between 9:00 a.m.-12 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Thursdays 9:00 a.m.-12 noon. Volunteers 'shop' in the pantry and bag grocery items. Other duties may include weighing and recording the bags of groceries, deliver groceries to clients in lobby area, restock and organize pantry at end of shift. At the CCDOC Office at the diocese.

Second Harvest Food Bank Collection: Volunteers pick-up a weekly allocation of food from the Second Harvest Food Bank at 500-B Spratt Street and deliver to Catholic Charities Office at the diocese. Select needed food and non-food items at the food bank, have food weighed by Second Harvest representative and receive invoice. Load items in vehicle and transport to Catholic Charities. Assist with unloading into the Food Pantry 8:30-10:30 a.m. **To Volunteer, contact Jaimie Fore, volunteer coordinator, at JMFore@charlottediocese.org.**

The 24th Annual Charlotte St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 14th. The parade steps off at 11:00 a.m. on Tryon St. in Uptown Charlotte. The parade will feature over 135 units. After the parade, join us at the Charlotte Goes Green St. Patrick's Day Festival. The festival is held on S. Tryon St. in Uptown Charlotte from 3rd St. to Levine Avenue of the Arts. Hours are 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. There is no admission charge. Come for the parade & stay for the festival! The Grand Marshal of the parade is Jim Mannix, President of the Notre Dame Club of Charlotte. Visit www.charlottestpatsday.com.

St. Ann Seniors are invited to join St. Vincent Senior Club on Thursday, March 12th at 11:00 a.m. in the Activity Center to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Catered Irish Buffet and music by Joseph Ryan. Wear your Irish green and enter the "Wearing of the Green Contest." Cost of lunch is \$9/members and \$12/guest. Please RSVP by Sunday March 9th to Betty Smith at 864-517-4557 or bettymurraysmith@gmail.com.

Divorced? The twelve-week Surviving Divorce program begins on Thursday March 12th at 7:00p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas in the parish center room B. The cost of the program for participants is \$40 and includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings. Call Jim DeSart at 704-840-4077 or email at [jimdesart@yahoo.com](mailto:jimdeart@yahoo.com).

Byzantine Icon Workshop July 13th-18th at St. Rafka Catholic Church in Greer, SC: Greek Master Iconographer Theodoros Papadopoulos to conduct a 6-day intensive course on Byzantine Iconography. Participants will be guided through the ancient egg tempera steps to create an Icon of The Virgin with the Christ Child. The cost is \$685 which includes all materials needed. For information: www.theodoreicons.com/sc Contact: Aziza X Stansberry at: Stansberry.azizaX@gmail.com or call 864-506-1924.

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.

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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.