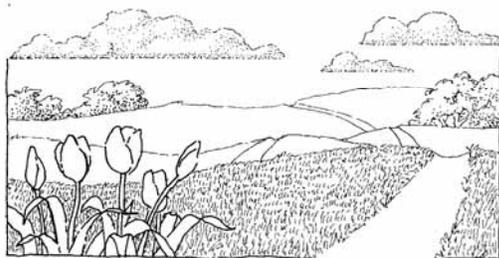


THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Fr. Reid will say Masses Privately with these Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events (No more than 10 people allowed in any one space)
Sunday 26th	8:00 a.m. +Bernard Lavery by <i>Ann Lavery</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Heidi Scharpenberg by <i>Jan & Mike Colin</i>	Church is open
Monday 27th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Leah Conner by <i>the family</i>	Church is open
Tuesday 28th	7:00 a.m. +Eva Niedopytalski by <i>Janice & Jim Ceresank</i>	Church is open
Wednesday 29th	5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> 6:00 p.m. Latin For St. Ann benefactors & their loved ones	Church is open
Thursday 30th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Jack Nobers by <i>the family</i>	Church is open
Friday 1st	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Josette Olsen by <i>the Rosamond family</i> 8:30 a.m. Intentions of Kathryn Thigpen by <i>Richard</i>	Church is open
Saturday 2nd	4:30 p.m. Our parish family	Church is open
Sunday 3rd	8:00 a.m. +Verne C. Lewis by <i>Nancy & Lou Picciola</i> 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Dan McClintock by <i>Anne McClintock</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Cindy Lawton by <i>Joe Lawton</i>	Church is open



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Third Sunday of Easter April 26, 2020

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence.

— Acts 2:28



Dear Parishioners,

It's been so edifying to see how quickly our Holy Communion Sign-Up Genius has been filling up! I'm so glad that so many of you are partaking of this opportunity, which we plan to continue for as long as we are unable to offer Mass publicly. While it's neither ideal nor normal to receive Holy Communion outside of the context of Mass, the Church provides us a means for doing so in extraordinary circumstances – like our current crisis. Fortunately, we have two great deacons and some wonderful staff and ushers who are making this possible, so be sure to thank them when you see them. Moreover, it's been a joy to see parishioners back on our parish campus! I've been very glad for the opportunity to visit with some of you, and to see you visiting with one another. Just be sure to practice social distancing while here at the parish so we can keep each other safe.

If you are sick, belong to one of the populations of people who are especially susceptible to the Coronavirus, or are elderly, but still want to receive the Sacraments, please do not hesitate to call the office. I am willing to make home visits! And I will take all the necessary safety precautions.

Obviously, the Stay-at-Home order has wrought havoc on our parish calendar. This is normally a very busy time of year for us. For example, we were supposed to have Confirmation this past week, and we were scheduled to have 1st Communion next weekend. As we do not know how long the shut-down will last, it's difficult to reschedule events. But we have gone ahead and moved 1st Communion to Saturday, 30 May 2020 at 11am. That same day we will baptize and confirm those who were supposed to enter the Church at the Easter Vigil at our 4:30pm Mass. As for Confirmation, I'm encouraging all who were to be confirmed this past week to plan on being confirmed by Bishop Jugis at our Latin Mass Confirmation on 12 July 2020 at 12:30pm. While I know many of you would much prefer to be confirmed in English, this year we can't be picky! In the meantime, please keep an eye on the parish website for updated information about parish events.

If you haven't yet signed up to receive the Friday 5 emails, please do so by calling the parish office (704-523-4641, ext. 221) or by emailing us at stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org. This has become one of our primary means for communicating, and we want to keep you informed of all that's going on. I also encourage all of you to sign up for online giving by visiting our website: <https://www.stanncharlotte.org/home/giving/#stewardship>.

In Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Fr. Reid

Fr. Reid's homilies (audio & PDF) & the bulletins are posted on the website: www.StAnnCharlotte.org

Your Stewardship of Treasure
695 registered families

April 5, 2020	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	15,613.00	17,817.31	737,868.77	712,692.40
Other Revenue Streams:			51,672.85	96,154.00
Total Revenue:			789,541.62	808,846.40
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(19,304.78)	

DSA:

2020 Goal:	120,163.00
Pledged:	101,919.20
Received:	66,558.55
Donors:	126

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!**



Do we ever take the initiative in giving our time, talent, and treasure, or do we always wait to be asked?

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collection will the weekends: **May 2nd-3rd, May 16th-17th, and June 6th-7th.**

Your will is a plan for the distribution of the assets you have accumulated as a result of the God-given gifts you have received throughout your life. Thank you for considering a gift to our parish in your will.

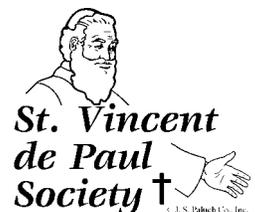


Give Electronically at
www.StAnnCharlotte.org



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.

In this Sunday's Gospel, as we hear the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we also come to know that our daily reaching out to our neighbor is our daily walk with the risen Christ; we recognize him in others. Thank you for your gift.



COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

WEDDING BANNERS

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*II: Emmett Sills-Christina Mascali
9 May 2020 St. Mary Hudson, OH*

*II: Andrea McElveen-Darin Brown
9 May 2020 1:30 p.m.*

*I: Leigh Balint-David Russell
11 May 2020*

*I: Michael Kokska-Dawn Robertson
16 May 2020*

The next **Baptismal Preparation Class** will be **Sunday, June 7th, at 9:10 a.m.** Please call the parish office to sign up for this class.

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.



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*If you embrace all things in life as coming from the hands of God, and even embrace death, to fulfill his holy will, assuredly you will die a saint.
St. Alphonsus Liguori*

Bulletin Deadlines are:

Tuesday, April 28th at 12noon for
Sunday, May 3, 2020
Tuesday, May 5th at 12noon for
Sunday, May 10, 2020

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.

Year of St. Joseph Prayer

*To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.
Amen.*

St. Ann Catholic Church
Charlotte, NC † 2020

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.*

Lover of Poverty




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

Jennie & Kathy Roe,
Mark Ponischil,
Ida Williamson,
Anna Sobus & family.

Our friends and family:

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)
Nick Pappas,
Cathy Yankech,
Christine Weiss & family.

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 **May 3 -May 10, 2020:**

April 26th	Second Sunday after Easter -2nd class
April 27th	St. Peter Canisius -3rd class
April 28th	St. Paul of the Cross -3rd class
April 29th	St. Peter of Verona -3rd class
April 30th	St. Catherine of Siena -3rd class
May 1st	St. Joseph the Worker -1st class
May 2nd	St. Athanasius or Immaculate Heart of Mary -3rd class
May 3rd	Third Sunday after Easter -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.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

It is time for the annual Super Spring Savings Sale from **NOW through May 15th** at Take 30% off one item of your choice. Take 10% off the rest of your purchase. Mention you read about the sale in your bulletin and get an additional 10% off all regular priced and sale items! Call 704-461-5100 for information.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Registration is open for the Homeschool CCE Program to current registered St. Ann parishioners.

CCE, Catholic Classical Enrichment, is a supplemental program designed to support and aid the family in the pursuit of a Catholic Classical Liberal Arts education in a community setting of Catholic homeschoolers. The Elementary program for homeschool students 4 years old through 5th or 6th grade meets Friday mornings and requires active parent participation. For information on CCE Elementary program, email Trista at ccestann@gmail.com.

The CCE Middle School program is open to homeschooled students in grades 6-8 and meets on Wednesdays and Fridays, through lunchtime. It is a drop-off program with instruction in Latin, History, Writing, Literature, and Art. For information on CCE Middle School, email Kathleen Lewis at Lewisfamily555@gmail.com.



Admissions Information for 2020-2021 School Term

Admissions Notification was March 13th. Admission decisions sent via email for Priority Round applicants.

Applications received after February 29th 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.

Mecklenburg Area Catholic School is hiring After School Assistants for St. Ann Catholic School the hours are: 2:30-6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Must be 16 years old and no weekends! Contact Ellen Buening at 704-370-3268 or ehbuening@charlottedioocese.org.

Do You Knit or Crochet? Be Not Afraid (BNA) [www.benotafraid.net] is a Catholic National Perinatal Hospice that provides case management and peer support for families who have received a life-limiting prenatal diagnosis for their baby and are choosing to carry to term. **BNA is looking for people who are willing to knit or crochet baby blankets.** They use a sport weight yarn, specific pattern and color for these blankets. If you are interested in helping please contact Gail Benson 704-619-2663. "The loving support that Be Not Afraid offers is truly a witness to the Gospel of Life." *Father Patrick Cahill ~ Catholic Diocese of Charlotte.*

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.

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.

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 information at hackhouse@bellsouth.net or 704-548-1834.

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

Converging Roads Health Care Ethics Conference is Now Online! The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Charlotte and Belmont Abbey College, presents the third *Converging Roads* health care ethics conference on **Saturday, May 9th**, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The conference will be **live-streamed** and recordings will be available for 72 hours following the event. The conference theme is Catholic Social Doctrine in Medicine, and up to 7 hours of continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered. To register or for information: **convergingroads.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 rtm2108@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.



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 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.

St. Benedict Press/TAN Books is offering an **official Year of St. Joseph Prayer Book** with pages that can be stamped at each location as a record of pilgrimages. **The books are in please stop by the church and pick one up. Our church is open for prayer.**

St. Cletus was the third bishop of Rome, and succeeded St. Linus, which circumstance alone shows his eminent virtue among the first disciples of St. Peter in the West. He sat twelve years, from 76 to 89.



The canon of the Roman mass, (which Bossuet and all others agree to be of primitive antiquity,) Bede, and other Martyrologists, style him a martyr. He was buried near St. Linus, on the Vatican, and his relics still remain in that church. Cletus was a Roman, who during his tenure as pope, is known to have ordained a number of priests and is traditionally credited with setting up about twenty-five parishes in Rome. Although the precise dates of his pontificate are uncertain, he "...died a martyr, perhaps about 91". Cletus is mentioned in the Roman Canon of the mass; his feast day is April 26.

The Tridentine Calendar reserved 26 April as the feast day of Saint Cletus, who the church honoured jointly with Saint Marcellinus, and 13 July for solely Saint Anacletus. In 1960, Pope John XXIII, while keeping the 26 April feast, which mentions the saint under the name given to him in the Canon of the Mass, removed 13 July as a feast day for Saint Anacletus. The 14 February 1961 Instruction of the Congregation for Rites on the application to local calendars of Pope John XXIII's motu proprio *Rubricarum instructum* of 25 July 1960, decreed that "the feast of 'Saint Anacletus', on whatever ground and in whatever grade it is celebrated, is transferred to 26 April, under its right name, 'Saint Cletus'". Use of this calendar, which is included in the 1962 edition of the Roman Missal, continues to be authorized under the conditions indicated in the motu proprio *Summorum Pontificum*; but the feast has been removed from the General Roman Calendar since 1969. Although the day of his death is unknown, Saint Cletus continues to be listed in the Roman Martyrology among the saints of 26 April.

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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.