



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 28, 2021



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### Liturgical Schedule

*(Changes in the schedule noted inside)*

### Parish Office Hours

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

**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.

### 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.

### 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.

### Adoration

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through  
Wednesday 5:00 p.m.  
Holy Hour:  
Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

### Reconciliation

Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN**

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
<b>Sunday 28th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>10:30 a.m.</b> +Fred White <i>by the Sanctis family</i> <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of Weston Wright <i>by the Russell family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) 11:30 a.m. Young Adults (Gym) 5:00 p.m. Vespers (Church)
<b>Monday 1st</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Ruth Maria McDonough <i>by the family</i>	5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. RCIA (Classrooms 1 & 2)   Fraternal (Gym)   Legion of Mary (Conference room)
<b>Tuesday 2nd</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Nick Raines <i>by the Grant family</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (church)</i>	
<b>Wednesday 3rd</b>	<i>Adoration continues until 5:00 p.m. (church)</i> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> Holy Hour (Church) <b>6:00 p.m. Latin</b> Intentions of John Joseph Grant <i>by the family</i>	8:00 a.m. CCE Middle & High School (All rooms ) 6:45 p.m. Fidelis (Gym) 7:00 p.m. Home School (Classrooms 1 & 2)
<b>Thursday 4th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> +Fr. Reid’s grandparents <i>by Fr. Reid</i> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Confessions (Church)	10:00 a.m. Holy Hour (Church) 6:30 p.m. Church in use
<b>Friday 5th</b>	<b>7:00 a.m. Latin</b> +Hilary Vaughan <i>by the Russell family</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> +John Futiak <i>by the Sporupa family</i>	8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms)   Rosary (Church) 12:30 p.m. Home-School Stations of the Cross (Church) 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour of Reparation (Church) 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)
<b>Saturday 6th</b>	<b>3:00 p.m.</b> Confessions (Church) <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Intentions of SueAnn Howell	9:00 a.m. Confirmation Retreat (All rooms & Church)
<b>Sunday 7th</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> Intentions of Jeannie Grant <i>by the family</i> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Our parish family <b>12:30 p.m. Latin</b> +Dorothy Lauer <i>by the Davey family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)   Confirmation (Gym & Classrooms 1 & 2) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) 5:00 p.m. Vespers (Church)



*If God is for us, who can be against us? — Romans 8:31b*



Dear Parishioners,

As I mentioned at the end of Mass last Sunday, this weekend we are having our **Diocesan Support Appeal** (DSA) in-pew appeal. Hopefully, you've already received a letter from the diocese about the DSA. 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.

The Diocese is assessing our parish \$123,355 for 2021, which is an increase of \$3,000 over last year. I know it's a lot of money, 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, just as they recently were for 2020. But, as you know, if we fall short of the assessed goal, then we have to make up that money from our parish coffers. So please give some thought and prayer to how you can contribute to the DSA – perhaps as part of your Lenten almsgiving. I'm grateful to all of you who have contributed to the DSA already.

Next Saturday, 06 March 2021, we are having our annual retreat day for our student preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please be sure to pray for our young people as they prepare for this sacrament that will strengthen them to be strong soldiers for Christ out in the world. Pray especially that our young people will cooperate well with God's grace so as to make full use of the gift of Confirmation.

Lastly, please remember that we continue to have a **Holy Hour of Reparation** at 6 p.m. every Friday in Lent, followed by **Stations of the Cross** at 7 p.m.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Fr. Reid

**Your Stewardship of Treasure**  
*728 registered families*

	Weekly		YTD	
February 7, 2021	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	24,049.72	17,673.08	664,167.72	571,819.84
Other Revenue Streams:			41,785.00	74,810.00
Total Revenue:			705,952.72	646,629.84
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			59,322.88	
 DSA 2021 Goal:	 123,355.00			

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

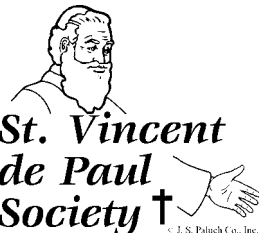
You will be sent to a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and debt or card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt of your donation via email. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

*Give Electronically at [www.StAnnCharlotte.org](http://www.StAnnCharlotte.org)*



*During Lent stewards are called to focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, how much **time** am I giving to God in prayer?*

*Listen to him.” Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Help the poor celebrate the grace of God’s love this Easter.*



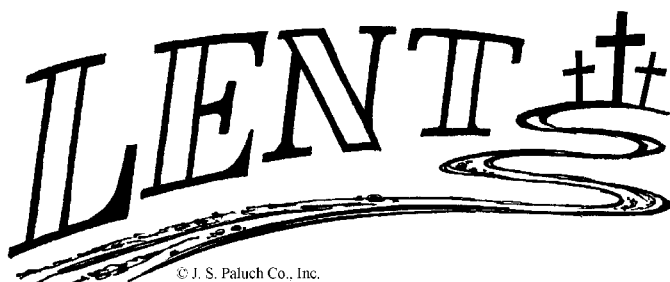
*Your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal is shared with the educational, multicultural, vocational, housing, and social service ministries of the diocese. Thousands of people depend on your generosity.*



*You may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or make a gift online at [charlottediocese.org/dsa](http://charlottediocese.org/dsa) OR text “DSA” to 704-389-2096*



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



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**Reminder on Our Mass Attendance**  
**Instructions:** Families may sit together as a group. **PLEASE observe 6 feet of distance from other parishioners.** Our church reaches allowed capacity at 250 people. We have Masses live-streamed on our Facebook page at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Four (4) people is the allowed capacity in the Chapel and social-distancing is required. We offer Communion service each Sunday, check the Friday Five email and/or the website to sign-up.  
*If you have a health concern of any sort, or if your health has been compromised in anyway, please stay home.*

## COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

### Bulletin Deadlines are:

Tuesday, March 2nd at 12 noon for  
Sunday, March 7, 2021.

Tuesday, March 9th at 12 noon for  
Sunday, March 14, 2021.

**We need volunteers for Adoration Wednesdays at 12 noon-1:00 p.m. and we extra adorers for overnights times.** It would be great to have multiple regularly-scheduled adorers. Please contact Marcela Bayard at [regator@icloud.com](mailto:regator@icloud.com).

**33 Hours of Adoration** begins Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. through Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. in the **church**. 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. Contact Marcela Bayard: [regator@icloud.com](mailto:regator@icloud.com).

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry would like to **thank you** for past clothing donations. Crisis Assistance will not take donations until March 1<sup>st</sup> so some of your donations went to Monroe. **The Winter Clothing Drive is OVER, please deliver your future clothing donations to Salvation Army or Crisis Assistance after March 1<sup>st</sup>.** *Thank you again for your love for the poor.*

**Holy Hour For Father Reid's Intentions.** CCHS parents will be offering a holy hour in the church on **Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Ann's Church** for Father Reid's intentions as chaplain of Charlotte Catholic High School, Vicar of Education and pastor of St. Ann's. You do not need to be a parent of a child at the high school to join in our prayer. All are welcome and encouraged to come. We will be offering a holy hour for Father Reid on the first Thursday of every month of the school year (unless the school is out of session and then it will move to the following Thursday).

**Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry** are the first and third weekends of every month. The upcoming collections will be: **March 6th-7th, March 20th-21st, April 3rd-4th, and April 17th-18th.**

### Young Adults of St. Ann's: Interested in getting to know the other Catholics in their 20-30's?

Looking for a way to socialize *and* grow in your faith? Want to feel more included in the parish community? Please join us for a doughnut **meet & greet on TODAY, February 28th, in the Allen Center gym after the 10:30 a.m. Mass** as we kick off our new Young Adult Life Ministry!" Thank you!

### Respect Life for February: Spiritual Adoption of the Abortion Vulnerable.

Thank you for your prayers for the abortion vulnerable through our Spiritual Adoption program. **PRAY - GIVE - ACT.** We are now in month 4! A poster showing a 4-month-old unborn baby is up in the narthex this weekend. Extra prayer cards are also available; feel free to take as many as you'd like, and to pass them along to friends and family too.

**GIVE - To the Ruth Institute** -- Inspiring the Survivors of the Sexual Revolution. Please consider donating to their good work, and signing up for their email list at [www.ruthinstitute.org](http://www.ruthinstitute.org). Thank you for your generosity!

**ACT - To use the educational program of the Culture of Life Studies Program** for your family. Program material start at preschool level through high school.

**<https://culture-of-life-studies.myshopify.com/>** The "Miracle of Life" coloring book is an especially meaningful way for a family to celebrate their unborn baby!

**Let us PRAY** - "Jesus Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to protect each baby in its mother's womb. Please give the parents of these children the help they need to keep their babies strong and healthy. *Amen.*"

**Respect Life sends periodic emails, and they are archived at:**

[respectlifestanncharlotte.wordpress.com](http://respectlifestanncharlotte.wordpress.com) or email Mary Beth Richardson at [worthingtonmarybeth@protonmail.com](mailto:worthingtonmarybeth@protonmail.com) to be added to the email distribution.

## MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

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

**Fraternus** will meet **Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the gym**. If you are a boy in the parish entering sixth grade to senior year, we want to meet you! So expect a Fraternus Captain or Brother to introduce himself! **Fraternus is open to all men of the parish**.

Fidelis will meet **Wednesdays, at 6:45 p.m. (following the Wednesday evening Mass)** in the gym. All middle-school and high-school aged young women are welcome. For information, contact Sr. Mary Jacinta at: [dvmfidelis@gmail.com](mailto:dvmfidelis@gmail.com). *"Fidelis is a sisterhood that brings together girls seeking truth and beauty... Come and see what we are all about! Find out more at [www.fidelisonline.org](http://www.fidelisonline.org)."*

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is a formation program for adults interested in becoming Catholic or Catholics hoping to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. **Classes meet on Mondays from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** For more information, visit the parish website at [www.stanncharlotte.org](http://www.stanncharlotte.org).

**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 the 100-year-old lay apostolate movement founded on a profound devotion to Our Lady. **Our Lady of Fatima praesidium meets Mondays in classrooms 1 & 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center.** Contact Sue Calkins at 704-724-2297 or [maxxweller@gmail.com](mailto:maxxweller@gmail.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 the Legion of Mary table.



**Pray for ...**

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Anna Sobus & family.

*Our friends and family:*

Fred Battweg,  
Michelle Obruba (friend of the Skorupa family),  
Betty Suran (friend of the Skorupa family),  
Maxwell O. Raines (grandson of Terese Raines),  
Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin),  
Jennifer Arnold, Mary Register (friends 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,  
Marcia York (sister of Carol Kuhn),  
Michael Pappas,  
Jacqueline Russell (mother of Andrea Hines),  
James Matthew Brennan,  
Terri Brewer Benton (daughter of Pat Brewer),  
William "Will" Shack (grandson of Pat Niemer),  
Cathy Yankech,  
Christine Weiss & family,  
Jimmy Dixon (Mary Ann Wolff),  
Alison Moyer (sister of Lorelle Grant),  
Muriel Johnson,  
Robin Sabates, and  
Paul Sorge Sr. (father of Paul Sorge).

*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. Thomas Hetzel USN,  
1st LT. Peter Hetzel US Army (deployed),  
SGT James "Jim" Alston, US Army.

*The West family would like to thank our faith-filled St. Ann family for all the prayers over all the years. Your prayers for our mother, Nancy West, meant so much to her. God Bless you all.*

**MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**

**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 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](http://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub). **Make checks payable to St. Ann Catholic Church.**

This Lent we are excited to announce a FORMED: *Thirst: 40 Days with Mother Teresa*. Dr. Ben Akers and Fr. Daniel Moloney will explore the gospel-based spirituality found in this book. **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](http://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 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.**

**Seven Sisters Apostolate for Fr Brandon Jones:** Just as we are continuing to pray for Fr Reid, looking for prayer warriors to make a Holy Hour a week for Fr Jones. With seven women we will be covering him in prayer every day of the week. If interested in signing up please contact Sarah Miller at [holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com](mailto:holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com).

**LATIN MASS CORNER**

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the week of **February 28th-March 7, 2021**

February 28th	2nd Sunday of Lent -1st class
March 1st	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 2nd	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 3rd	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 4th	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 5th	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 6th	Feria of Lent-3rd class
March 7th	3rd 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](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org).

**For Latin Mass news,** visit [www.charlottelatinmass.org](http://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](mailto:info@charlottelatinmass.org).

**Legion of Mary meets on Mondays at 7:00 p.m.** For information contact Sue Calkins at 704-724-2297 or [maxxwellsr@gmail.com](mailto:maxxwellsr@gmail.com).

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

**St. Ann Home School Ministry:** Are you a homeschool parent or are you considering homeschooling? The St. Ann Home School Ministry (SAHSM) is comprised of independent homeschooling families who are united in our efforts to assist and encourage each other as we pursue Catholic home education for our children. As a parish ministry, in addition to supporting its members through academic, liturgical, and social programs, we also seek to serve the wider St. Ann community in a variety of ways. **For information on joining our ministry, contact Carmel Palanos at cp.homeschool@outlook.com.**



**Our Catholic Schools in the Charlotte area inviting prospective families, and community members to connect to us.** Visit our website: [discovermacs.org](http://discovermacs.org) or contact the school to learn more about us: 704-525-4938!

**MACS is hiring After School Assistants for St. Ann’s Catholic School:** Oversee elementary school age children. Hours are 2:30-6:00 p.m. Monday –Friday. You must be 16 years old or older. Call Ellen Buening at 704-370-3268 or email: [ehbuening@charlottediocese.org](mailto:ehbuening@charlottediocese.org).

**EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE**



**Knights of Columbus meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick's Family Life Center.** Please contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary at

[rjm2108@aol.com](mailto:rjm2108@aol.com) or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at [sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com](mailto:sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com). We invite you to attend our meetings to learn more about how the Knights of Columbus serves God's people.

**Faith Formation**

The St. Ann Faith Formation program is for the children of registered parishioners. Classes are offered for kindergarten through eighth grade and meet Sunday mornings from 9:00–10:10 a.m.. For a listing of class dates and more information, visit the parish website or contact Patty Blais at the office of Faith Formation: 704-523-4641 ext. 231 or email: [pablais@charlottediocese.org](mailto:pablais@charlottediocese.org).

**First Communion Dates**

First Holy Communion Retreat: morning of **Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** (specific arrival time TBD)

First Communion Rehearsal: **Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00 p.m.

First Holy Communion Mass Novus Ordo: **Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m.** (specific arrival time TBD)

First Holy Communion Mass Extraordinary Form: **Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 p.m.** \*No Rehearsal

**Confirmation**

Workshop attendance is mandatory for all Confirmation candidates. **Upcoming Confirmation workshops are scheduled for Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>.** Candidates will continue to meet twice each month through May 2021. Meetings are currently held in the gym and on the upper floor of the Allen Center. Please see a complete listing of Workshop dates on the parish website:

[www.stanncharlotte.org](http://www.stanncharlotte.org). Eighth graders enrolled in regular Faith Formation class should plan to continue attending those classes on alternate scheduled class dates.

**Important Confirmation Dates:**

The Confirmation Retreat is **Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>,** and will be held on the St. Ann Church campus from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. More information to follow!

Sacrament of Confirmation: **Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>,** at 6:00 p.m. with Bishop Jugis, celebrant and **Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>,** at 12:30 p.m. in Extraordinary Form with Monsignor Winslow,



*Bishop Jugis has announced the Diocese of Charlotte will extend the celebration of St. Joseph through May 1, 2021.*

*“Year of St. Joseph,” Visit [www.YearofStJoseph.org](http://www.YearofStJoseph.org) for a list of activities, pilgrimages, devotions, prayers, and more.*



## EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

The Cathedral of St. Patrick has scheduled a mobile blood drive with the **Blood Connection** next Sunday, March 7th, from 8:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Sign-up here: [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/164836](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/164836).

St. Thomas Aquinas Church will be blessing Easter food (The **Blessing of the Easter Baskets**) on **Saturday, April 3rd, at 10:00 a.m.** All are invited. Call 704-960-3704 for details.

### MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

The **Natural Family Planning (NFP) program** of Catholic Charities is continuing to provide online courses. **Current online courses include Natural Family Planning in English or Spanish, a new course called "Know Your Body"** for any woman who wants to understand her menstrual cycle as a vital sign, and a parent/daughter retreat, designed to assist parents to guide their daughters through the changes of puberty and into womanhood. All courses incorporate Church teaching on feminine dignity. **For information, go to [ccdoc.org/nfp](http://ccdoc.org/nfp) or contact Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities, 704-370-3230 or [bnadcock@charlottedioocese.org](mailto:bnadcock@charlottedioocese.org).**

**A Natural Family Planning three class series.** Learn NFP from the comfort of your home, in real time, with your teaching couple. **Sign up online and purchase class materials at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org).** Postpartum and Pre-menopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for information at 704- 548-1834 or [hackhouse@bellsouth.net](mailto:hackhouse@bellsouth.net).

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter, visit:** [SCMarriageMatters.org](http://SCMarriageMatters.org), call: 803-810-9602, email: [applications@scmarriagematters.org](mailto:applications@scmarriagematters.org).

**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.

**Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to help get your marriage back on track. For information, call: 800-470-2230, email: [retrouvaille@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaille@msn.com) or visit: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

**Vigil of the Two Hearts: Next city-wide vigil honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary is March 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>.**

Join us on each First Friday through First Saturday at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in an overnight vigil to honor the Hearts of Jesus & Mary, to pray for our families, offer penance for our sins (especially abortion), and pray for our nation's conversion. This is to honor Our Lady of Fatima's request for prayer and penance. Devotion begins with 8:00 p.m. First Friday Mass, March 5th, offered by Fr. Peter Ascik, followed by nocturnal Adoration and concluding with 8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass on March 6<sup>th</sup>. All families & parishes invited to participate! Sign up for Eucharistic Adoration times or stay updated on future vigils by joining our e-mail list at: [ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts](http://ProLifeCharlotte.org/two-hearts). Or contact us at: [info@prolifecharlotte.org](mailto:info@prolifecharlotte.org).

**Calling all Health Care Professionals: The John Paul II Foundation is hosting the 4th annual *Converging Roads* health care ethics conference on Saturday, 20 March 2021.** It will be held in person at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, but online participation is available. This year's topic is **Hippocratic Medicine: Do No Harm**. The purpose of the conference is to provide continuing education for health care professionals, rooted in the Catholic moral tradition, that will enable them to practice the highest ethical and medical standards of their profession. **To register or for more information, visit [convergingroads.com](http://convergingroads.com) or contact Amelia Arth, at 832-779-1070.**

St. Ann's parishioners 45+ young are invited to join St. Vincent ACES Senior Club's trip to Narroway Dinner Theatre on **Saturday, March 27th, at 12 noon** for the Lenten production of, "THE 4<sup>TH</sup> CROSS!" Cost of \$60 per person includes luxury motorcoach from St. Vincent's campus, an Authentic Biblical Meal, and reserved seating. **Deadline for registration and payment is TOMORROW, March 1st.** Registration packets available from Peggy Gibbons at [pgibbons1@att.net](mailto:pgibbons1@att.net) or 704-588-5870.

Our 20th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE Life" is scheduled for **Monday, May 17, 2021** at Carmel Country Club. Registration is open. Contact 704-525-4673 or [infor@miravia.org](mailto:infor@miravia.org)

**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.

**Prayer cards of our Statues** are available in the North Vestibule. A donation of \$0.50 per card.

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.

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!

Check out our website: StAnnCharlotte.org, and go to the **prayers/devotion section under "Resources."** Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we 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](http://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.*

**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.

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