

November 19, 2023



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Pastor		
Deacon	.Rev. Mr. Thomas Sanctis	704-523-4641 x223
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Financial Administrator		
Office Assistant.		

#### **Parish Office Hours Liturgical Schedule**

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

#### **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

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Closed 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. for lunch.

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

#### 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.

#### 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	
Sunday, November 19	8:00 am + Abbey Lejk by the Lejk family 10:30 am Intentions of our Parish 12:30 pm Latin Mass Intentions of William and Sarah Nobers	9:00 am Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) Deacon and Dogma (Café) 11:00 am Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church) 5:00 pm St. Joseph Seminary Solemn Vespers (Church)	
Monday, November 20	7:00 am + Deceased Members and their loved ones	NO SCHOOL 5:00 pm CDLMC (Choir loft) Latin Mass Server Training (Church) 7:00 pm Fraternus (Gym, café) RCIA (Classrooms 1&2)	
Tuesday, November 21	7:00 am Intentions of Joseph Farofalo by the Terry family	NO SCHOOL 8:00 am Adoration begins (Church) 6:00 pm Interfaith Basketball (Gym) 6:30 pm Young Adult Holy Hour (CH) 7:00 pm St. Joseph Prayer Group (Library)	
Wednesday, November 22		Adoration continues in the Church OFFICE CLOSED—NO SCHOOL 5:00 pm Holy Hour (Church) 7:00 pm Fidelis, Handmaidens (Gym)	
Thursday, November 23	9:00 am Intentions of Lucy Wood by the Ferrante family	OFFICE CLOSED—NO SCHOOL NO CONFESSIONS	
Friday, November 24	NO MASSES	OFFICE CLOSED—NO SCHOOL 10:00 AM Baptism (Church)	
Saturday, November 25	8:30 am NO PROLIFE MASS 4:30 pm Intentions of our Parish	3:00 pm Confessions (Church)	
Sunday, November 26	8:00 am + Laura Nigro by David and Debbie Walsh  10:30 am Intentions of Jacob Miller by the family  12:30 pm Latin Mass Intentions of Robert Williams by the Nobers family	9:00 am Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church)	
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Dear Parishioners,

Although November is more than halfway over, and many of us are looking forward to preparing for Christmas, let's keep up our prayers for the poor souls in purgatory. To this end, if you would like to have special prayers offered for your deceased loved ones, please use the **All Souls envelopes** and write the names of your loved ones on the envelope. As always, we are celebrating a novena of Masses this month for all the faithful departed, especially those souls whose names are on the envelopes. We are also praying a *Litany of the Faithful Departed* after every daily Mass this month for your loved ones listed on your All Souls envelopes. You may turn in your envelopes at any time this month (if you haven't done so already) by dropping them into any Mass

collection, or by dropping them off at the office. If you use the on-line donation page on our website, please be sure we get the names of your deceased loved ones. The Book of the Dead is also available in the narthex for you to list the names of your beloved deceased for whom you desire prayers.

I am grateful to all of you who attended the *Together in Holiness* conference this weekend. This has become a really terrific annual event for us, and I'm so glad many of you have taken advantage of it. If you and your spouse are interested in being part of a Together in Holiness small group, please call the office.

I'm also grateful to all who participated last weekend in the parish service day. With the rainy weather, it wasn't an ideal day to be doing yard work. So, I am especially appreciative of what you accomplished. These semi-annual service days also save our parish a lot of money!

Lastly, Thanksgiving is upon us. The Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9am, and there will be no confessions that evening. There will be no Masses on Friday, 24 November 2023. Also, the church office will be closed Wednesday – Friday. As we head into this national holiday, let us be sure to offer our Lord proper thanks for His many gifts to our parish family.

Yours in Christ,

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Fr. Reid

#### Your Stewardship of Treasure

807 registered families

Collection Date	<u>Actual</u>	<b>Budget</b>	Over/Under
October 1	19,123.41	24,892.30	(5,768.89)
October 8	29,719.55	24,892.30	4,827.25
October 15	22,634.30	24,892.30	(2,258.00)
October 22	17,824.13	24,892.30	(7,068.17)
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 Priest Retirement Assessment:
 \$37,409.00

 Received:
 18,865.13

 Balance Due:
 18,543.87

\$ 389,648.79

—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!** 

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL	100		
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**DSA 2023:** 

Goal: \$ 134,991.59 Pledged: 122,018.83 110,740.97 Received: Over/Under Goal Pledges: (12,972.86)Pledge Balance: 11,277.86 24,250.62 **Assessment Balance:** Families that Pledged: 170 **Registered Families:** 929

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances: Rectory Loan: \$465,296.36 5 Year Plan Loan: \$122,385.63

#### Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org

\$421,639.44 \$ (31,990.65)

#### St. Ann's Catholic Elementary School is



Substitute
Teachers
Needed

looking for substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school year! Our substitute teachers are valued members of our school community, stepping in to keep classes running

smoothly when teachers are ill, take personal leave, or attend professional development. We need substitutes for both our teachers and teacher assistants. Substitutes work hours and days that suit their schedules. If you or someone you know are interested in a substitute position at St. Ann's School, please email Mrs. Anna Owens, Assistant Principal, at akowens@stannschool.net.

Hi St. Ann's parishioners. Our names are Catherine and Emily Thompson and we are currently first year students at Queens University of Charlotte. We are looking for transportation to and from masses for either the 4:30 pm Vigil mass or the 10:30 Sunday mass. If you are willing to transport us to mass we will be very thankful for your transportation. You can contact us at (252)-723-7728 or (252)-725-1557. Thanks and God bless, Catherine and Emily Thompson.

#### NO PARKING Mon-Fri 7am— 3:30pm

#### **Teacher Parking Lot**

Teachers often have large bags of materials that they need to bring into their classrooms and parking in the church parking lot makes it much more difficult. Please use the church parking lot M-F 7am-3:30pm

Advent Angel Tree: The advent angel tree is in the narthex. On it you will find Angel tags for the moms and babies of MiraVia, envelopes for the MOP in India and gold stars for Catholic Charities and families in need. Please consider taking a tag and returning it w/ the gift to the tree during the 1st or 2nd Sunday of Advent.

Thank you for your generosity.



#### **EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S**

#### **SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE UPDATE:**

\*\* We are in need of a Seven Sister Prayer Warrior to pray for **Fr Reid** on Saturdays.



\*\* We are also in need of prayer warriors for our two wonderful Deacons. You will be asked to pray for BOTH **Deacon Tom and** 

#### Deacon Form and Deacon Peter

one day/ week.
Please let me know if you can give Our Lord just one

hour. If God is calling you to make a Holy Hour/ week for either of our needs, please contact Anchoress, Sarah Miller at Holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com.



#### 2023 Charity Christmas Tree Sale

'Tis the season for giving, and we need your help! The Men's Club of Saint Ann is excited to announce our biggest

fundraising event of the year.
We're looking for dedicated volunteers to contribute their time and talents with setup, sales, and event cleanup.
Your support will make a significant impact on our community and our parish.
Please take a moment to sign up using the link below or scan the QR Code.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F4FA9AE2EA5FD0-45901321-2023

Let's come together and make this holiday season special for everyone.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment. Contact Paul Sorge @ 704.430.8129 or paulsorge@yahoo.com



#### Legion of Mary

meets on **Sundays at 9 am**in **Classroom 3**Contact Sue Calkins at 704-724-2297 or
maxxwellsr@gmail.com.

All Men of the parish are invited to the

St. Joseph's Men's Prayer Group on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. The purpose of the group is to join men of faith in prayer and fraternity to strengthen our relationships with God and deepen the bond within our parish community. Please meet in the courtyard at the Statue of Our Lady at 7:30 PM. We



will pray the Rosary then afterwards enjoy some fellowship in the Allen Center.

**Respect Life for November:** Spiritual Adoption of the Abortion Vulnerable. We have adopted a new unborn baby who is just a few weeks old! Thank you for supporting the abortion vulnerable with your prayers!

**GIVE:** Please continue your great generosity to our local pro-life organizations:

MiraVia - <a href="https://miravia.org">https://miravia.org</a>
Birthright - <a href="https://birthrightofcharlotte.org">https://birthrightofcharlotte.org</a>
Be Not Afraid - <a href="https://benotafraid.net">https://benotafraid.net</a>

ACT: We are currently in the Fall Campaign for 40 Days for Life. We will be praying together during our usual Respect Life slot, on the 4th Saturday, simply extending our prayer time to 10am. You can sign up for additional slots here: https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/charlotte

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

33 Hours of Adoration Tuesdays 8 am -Wednesdays 5 pm in the Church



#### ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

Thank you to Ryan Monk, Parishioner and Attorney, for volunteering your time and expertise for our Estate Planning Seminar. If you were unable to attend and would like to receive a packet, please stop by the office for a free copy.

#### CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Faith Formation 2023-24 The St. Ann Faith Formation program for the children of registered parishioners in grades K-8 takes place from 9:00 to 10:10am between the Masses on Sunday. Please see the parish website for the formation calendar. For additional information or questions, contact Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or Vlblatchford@rcdoc.org

Deacons and Dogma: Deacon Tonon will host a class for adults from 9-10:10 in the café. These classes take place periodically on Sunday during our Faith Formation classes. This is a great time for parents of Faith Formation students to deepen their beliefs and enjoy faith filled conversations with other adults as they gather tools to use in the world. The next class is scheduled for November

Teen Apologetics class sessions run from 9:00-10:10 am in classroom 2 in the Allen Center. We follow the same calendar as the Faith Formation students. We are currently working on Apologetics, the Catholic Argument, and Natural Law. This class is open to all students who have been confirmed.

St. Ann's **Formed.org** account has many resources for our parish, including a new movie called *Padre* Pio, Miracle Man. Under devotionals, you will find a video on the Novena of Surrender. You can also enjoy Catholic movies and family viewing at Lucas, The Storyteller. Our parish code is Y6ZO8M. A direct link is found on our parish website.

#### Confirmation

Our confirmation classes run from 9:00am to 10:10am on Sunday mornings. Confirmation is available for rising 8th graders who have completed at least two years of religious education. All Candidates must be active participants in the faith and should plan to attend our full year program. This includes all Theology of the Body classes offered in September-October, Confirmation Workshops which begin in November, and 8th grade Beginning Apologetics classes offered at the end of second semester. If you have any questions about our program, please contact Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or Vlblatchford@rcdoc.org

#### **Parish Resources**

St. Ann renewed our parish membership for **Open** 



Light Media. materials are produced Dominican **Sisters** so the content is excellent! Indeed, we used virtue videos in kids loved them! To access new

subscription, please follow the steps listed.

Users join the St. Ann group in 3 simple steps!

1. Go to Open Light Media subscription.

2. If individuals do not have a login on Open Light Media, you will be prompted to create a free account or log in using an existing user account.

3. Fill out the form. Copy and paste this into the search bar: St. Ann, 3635 Park Road, Charlotte, NC, 28209You must type in the name and address exactly as above or the account will not pop up!

TAN Direction

#### The Commentaries: The Interior Castle

Tan Books recently published a podcast series called **The Commentaries: The Interior Castle** featuring Fr. Timothy Reid. He begins the exploration of *The Interior Castle* by putting this Catholic classic into historical context, explaining the castle imagery used by St. Teresa of Ávila, and breaking down how the book is organized. In episode one, Fr. Reid also provides a brief summary of each of the seven mansions and explains the 20 podcast episodes of *The Commentaries: The Interior Castle* will deepen and enrich your spiritual life.

#### MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



St. Ann Family Ministry Corner
Equipping Parents in their Mission of Love and
Building a Community of Joy

"How lovable is the scene of the Annunciation. How often we have meditated on this! Mary is recollected in prayer. She is using all her senses and her faculties to speak to God. It is in prayer that she comes to know the divine Will. And with prayer she makes it the life of her life. Do not forget the example of the Virgin Mary." St. Josemaria Escriva

Join us for these Upcoming Events:

- 1. An Advent Family Mini-Retreat: A Family Fun Day: December 2, 2023, 11:30am-3:30pm For more information and to sign up go to abearacres.org

Challenge: Start planning for Advent, What will you do differently this year? How will your family prayer time change and grow?



#### LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar	
November 19	Resumed Sixth Sunday after Epiphany - 2 <sup>nd</sup> class
November 20	St. Felix of Valois, Confessor - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 21	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 22	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 23	St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 24	St. John of the Cross, Confessor & Doctor - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 25	St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr - 3 <sup>rd</sup> class
November 26	Twenty fourth and last Sunday after Pentecost - 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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.

#### **More Ouestions?**

Check out the Latin Mass table in the Narthex every Sunday before and after the 12:30 Mass.
Or email Mike FitzGerald with the
St. Ann Latin Mass Ministry at:
saintannlatinmass@gmail.com

#### **MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION**

## Wedding BANNS

I: Alisha Parker—Allen Severson 8 December 2023 St. Ann Church



Marriage Help – Retrouvaille (pronounced retrovi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too, or a hurting couple you might know. For confidential information about the program or to register for the upcoming weekends in Charlotte area, call Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email: 3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org

For more information about upcoming **Retrouvaille Weekend** programs,

Email: 3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701

Website: www.HelpOurMarriage.com



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#### **MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**



#### Our Parishioners

Roe family Chuck Solland Anna Sobus & family Thomas Lauer & family Stephanie Kaufmann

## Our friends and family:

Albert Avd (brother of Cecilia Balman) Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman) Marcia York (sister of Carol Kuhn) Jeremy Kuhn, (son of Carol & Dennis Kuhn), Steve Frank Kinley Duncan Maureen Frost (Sister-in-law of Regina Beach Hoar) Brian Blatchford Lauren Alderman Baby Boy Berdine

## Our servicemen and servicewomen:

Lt. Grace Carlson, USN. Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC Ensign Hayley Derscheid Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrev Derscheid SGT James "Jim" Alston, US Army. Cadet 1st Class Kenneth Davison III USAF Cadet 2nd Class Anna **Davison USAF** Cadet 4th Class Therese **Davison USAF** Lt. Thomas Hetzel, Deployed Capt. Peter Hetzel, US Army

## Do You Like To Pray? Are you in need of prayer?

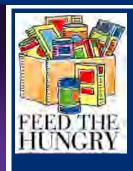
Receive the comfort of others praying for and with you by joining the **St. Ann Prayer Group**. This group of volunteers filled with the love of God and the love of prayer. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the need.



Pray in your home, at Mass, at Adoration, or any place you are at peace. Any questions or to join, call Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email stannpray ers@comporium.net

#### **DIOCESAN EVENTS**

St. Vincent ACES Senior Club
invite all seniors 45+ young to join us in the
Monsignor Pharr Activity Center
on Thurs. Dec.14 at 11am
for our Annual Christmas Celebration
\$25/pp includes a Wine and Appetizer Bar
Social Hour, Traditional Holiday Buffet, party favor,
chance to win a keepsake centerpiece, and
entertainment back by popular demand,
The Carolina Copy Cats Floor Show.
Limited seating with reservation and
advance payment due by Thursday, Nov. 29
to Sandy Jankoski at 631-338-1290
mommaj4@yahoo.com
NEWCOMERS WELCOME!



Food
Collections
Catholic
Charities
Diocese of
Charlotte
Food
Pantry

1st and 3rd weekends of every month

Next collection:
November 18 & 19

#### Family Life Office Can Help You

- \* Marriage Preparation and Enrichment
  - \* Respect Life advocacy and
  - \* Rachel's Vineyard retreats for post-abortive healing
- \* Natural Family Planning Education for engaged and married couples
- \* Mother/Daughter retreats on Cycle Preparedness Reach out for much more in addition!
  - \* Perhaps you are struggling with a pornography addiction and need helpful resources for overcoming it, or you are looking for a Catholic counselor.
- \* Want to find a faithful Pro-Life Catholic doctor
  - \* Would you like guidance on speaking to your children about sexuality or general parenting tips?
    - \* Or, perhaps you are infertile and desperate for support.

The Family Life Office is eager to assist you!

Information: https://charlottediocese.org/office-offamily-life/

Contact: FamilyLife@rcdoc.org





A Catholic apostolate for men and women who experience same-sex attractions and for their family members and loved ones. Whether you experience same-sex attractions (Courage) or you have a family member or loved one who identifies as LGBTQ+ (EnCourage), you are not alone. Join the Courage and EnCourage family and discover an apostolate that provides confidential support for living by the Catholic Church's teachings on chastity and keeping family bonds intact. To learn more, visit Courage International at Couragerc.org. Inquire about our local Courage

chapter at <a href="mailto:courage@rcdoc.org">courage@rcdoc.org</a> and our local EnCourage chapter at: <a href="mailto:encourage@rcdoc.org">encourage@rcdoc.org</a>.



# DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!



The Sisterhood of St Elisabeth takes care of children and adults with mental and physical disabilities in boarding homes and patients of the National Psychiatric Hospital.



Sisters offer love and spiritual help to the sick and work hard to improve the living conditions for the children suffering from Down's syndrome, birth traumas and cerebral palsy.



They also help ex-prisoners, drug and alcohol addicts at rehabilitation center established forthis purpose.

We will have a visiting sister from the Convent of St. Elisabeth (Minsk, Belarus) on

### December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth was founded in 1996 and was named in honour of the Holy Martyr and Grand Princess Saint Elisabeth.



PLEASE TAKE
THIS SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY
to support beautiful work
and mission of the sisters by
purchasing the items of devotion.

www.obitel-minsk.by stellsabethconvent@gmail.com



Sisters brought with them beautiful religious handcrafts made in the workshops of the Convent



Handcrafts are available after Masses in our church, The goods at display:

- church vestments;
- · icons:
- crosses;
   rosaries;
- items; souvenirs;

· other religious

- Cdc

