

January 7, 2024



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Pastor		
Deacon	.Rev. Mr. Thomas Sanctis	704-523-4641 x223
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Parish Office Hours Liturgical Schedule

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

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

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

Sunday Mass Schedule Saturday Anticipated Mass (Novus Ordo): 4:30 p.m. Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. (Novus Ordo); 10:30 a.m. (Novus Ordo); 12:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 a.m. (Novus Ordo) Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. Friday: 7:00 a.m.; 8:30 a.m. (Novus Ordo)

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

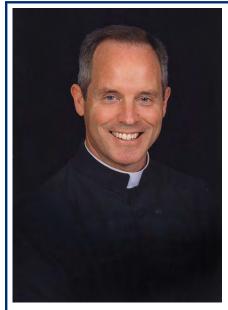
Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

compassionate

service.

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN					
T UCHOICS UCCCased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events			
Sunday, January 7	8:00 am (Novus Ordo) + Deceased Members of the Picciola family by Lou and Nancy Picciola 10:30 am (Novus Ordo) + Therese Konopasek by the family 12:30 pm Intentions of Timothy Lewis by Marvin and Paula Schrum	9:00 am Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 9:15 am Deacons and Dogma (Café) Steering Committee (CL 1&2, library, café) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church)			
Monday, January 8	7:00 am (Novus Ordo) + Janice Baeten by Mary Eileen Baeten	7:00 pm Fraternus (gym and café) RCIA (Classrooms 1&2)			
Tuesday, January 9	7:00 am (Novus Ordo) + Janice Baeten by Mary Eileen Baeten	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, January 10	6:00 pm Intentions of Blatchford family by the Eitzenberger family	Adoration continues in the Church 7:45 am Homeschool HS (Cl 1-4, library) 5:00 pm Holy Hour (Church) 7:00 pm Fidelis Handmaidens (Café)			
Thursday, January 11	7:00 am (Novus Ordo) + Beverly Mansour by Jannifer Ingallinera 9:00 am Holy Trinity Mass	5:30 pm Confessions (Church) 6:00 pm Interfaith Basketball (Gym) 7:00 pm Young Adult Ballroom Dancing (Gym) Great Adventure Bible Study (Class 1&2)			
Friday, January 12	7:00 am For the Unborn and an end to abortion 8:30 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Charlie Weiss by the McAllister family	8:00 am Homeschool CCE (Cl 1-4, Library) School Rosary (Chapel) 9:00 am Homeschool CCE Nursery (Cry room, Classrooms 1&2) 9:30 am Conference room in use 6:00 pm Interfaith Basketball			
Saturday, January 13	4:30 pm Anticipated Mass (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Lukas and Audrey Davaz by Carmen Garmilla	8:00 am Carmelites (all rooms) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church) 3:00 pm Confessions (Church) Interfaith Basketball (Gym)			
Sunday, January 14	8:00 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of our Parish 10:30 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Maryam Shayeghi by the family 12:30 pm Intentions of Father Reid and Father Jones by Les and Karen Auth	9:00 am Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church)			



Dear Parishioners,

Normally we're planning our annual mission trip this time of the year. However, this year we are foregoing the mission trip to Warangal, India, because we didn't have enough people sign up. Nevertheless, our parish will continue to support the Missionaries of the Poor in their mission of working with folks suffering with leprosy and AIDS, including the boys at the Divine Mercy orphanage. The brothers continually have worthy projects for which they ask our help, and I'm happy for our parish to assist them in whatever way we can. Occasionally, we wire money to the brothers in India, and if you'd like to make a donation to the MOP to help with any of their projects, you can make out a check to St. Ann with "MOP" in the memo line. You can also donate on-line. I'm so grateful for your generosity

to the poor!

As we celebrate Epiphany this weekend and recall the gifts given to the Christ Child by the Magi, I am also very grateful to all of you who helped purchase Christmas gifts through our angel tree this year. We partnered with several organizations to provide much needed supplies and gifts to people here in Charlotte and in India. The generosity of this parish toward the poor never ceases to amaze me. Thank you!

And once again, I must thank you for all of the wonderful Christmas gifts Fr. Jones and I've received this year. You are always so generous to us, and we're so grateful for your love and affection. I've tried to write thank you notes to everyone, but occasionally I receive a gift without a card indicating whom it's from. So if I have neglected to write a proper thank you card for a gift, I apologize and ask for your understanding!

With prayers for happy 2024,

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Fr. Reid

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



Birthright of Charlotte Office Volunteer Training

Training for office volunteers (individuals who provide one on one assistance to those facing an unplanned or problem pregnancy) is scheduled for January 8th, 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. or January 11th, 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.

For more information contact Hank Chardos, 803.543.8144 or

hank@birthrightofcharlotte.org Birthright of Charlotte is an emergency pregnancy center offering positive assistance and aid to those facing an unplanned or problem pregnancy. Services are free and confidential.

Your Stewardship of Treasure

929 registered families

Collection Date	<u>Actual</u>	Budget	Over/Under	
December 3	27,835.12	24,892.30	2,942.82	
December 10	40,508.32	24,892.30	15,616.02	
December 17	27,023.55	24,892.30	2,131.25	
YTD July 01, 2023-December 17, 2023				

Priest Retirement Assessment: \$37,409.00 Received: 25,912.09 Balance Due: 11,496.91

\$ 606,821.39

—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!**



to SERVE is to LOVE

DSA 2023:

Goal: \$ 134,991.59 Pledged: 132,918.87 132,918.87 Received: Over/Under Goal Pledges: (2,072.72)Pledge Balance: 7,418.89 **Assessment Balance:** (2,072.72)Families that Pledged: 174 **Registered Families:** 929

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances:

Rectory Loan: \$443,333.62 5 Year Plan Loan: \$81,724.83

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org

\$620,058.00 \$ (13,236.61)

14TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE OF THE CAROLINAS

FEBRUARY 10, 2024

Day of Faith and Fellowship including keynote speakers, Mass, Rosary, Confession, Adoration and lunch included.

SPEAKERS



BISHOP RAFAEL ZARAMA
Diocese of Raleigh
Celebrant



JESSE ROMERO Author, Radio Host, Speaker



E-KNOCK Catholic Rapper



JOSEPH ENDERS Host of Red Top Report



DANIEL VU Traditional Catholic Men

SAVE THE DATE!!!

FEBRUARY 10, 2024 St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church Charlotte, NC

EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

St. Ann's Mary's Women of Joy Registrations

SAVE THE DATE: Spring Semester Study + Sisterhood for Women beginning Feb 8th! What started at St. Marks in Huntersville over 26 years ago has grown to over 400 women in 4 parishes and has now made a home and sisterhood in our parish! Our second semester begins in February. Mary's Women of Joy is a sisterhood that celebrates our beauty and dignity as beloved daughters of God and honors the feminine genius perfectly expressed by our Mother Mary.

All Women are invited and encouraged to join our 12-week Spring Study: Lectio: Evangelization with Dr. Mary Healy. To hear Fr. Reid's message about MWOJ or to register online please visit http://www.stanncharlotte.org/mwoj Newcomers are Welcome! If you have questions please contact Patti Cucci at mwoj.stann@gmail.com



The St. Joseph Men's Prayer **Group** is continuing to grow!

The group has decided to taken on the extra discipline of the Exodus 90 program leading up to Easter 2024 with a focus on Prayer, Acestisim, and Fraternity. Please contact Frank Schofield to discuss in more detail if interest-

ed in participating at 571-221-8640 or join us at our meetings on Tuesday at 7:30.

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. +AMDG+"

Last year St. Ann's was featured in the book

52 Masses: A Journey to Experience Catholicism Across America.

This book is now available on the website: https://52masses.square.site or on Amazon and other online bookstores. St. Ann's is also featured in the book

101 Places to Pray before You Die: A Roamin' Catholic's Guide.

which is also available on online bookstores.

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.

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE UPDATE:

ED HOLY HOURS FOR

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

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.

https://tandirection.com/podcast/episode-1-the-interior-castle-st-teresa-and-the-seven-mansions/

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. Classes will start back on January 7th. For additional information or questions, contact Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or Vlblatchford@redoc.org

Important First Communion Dates: The mandatory Reconciliation Retreat is on February 3rd from 9-1230 in the Allen Center. Students will enjoy this activity-based retreat as they review the many things they have learned about Confession and the Eucharist. They will also pick up their banner kits to be completed by February 17th which is the day scheduled for 1st confessions at 10 am in St. Ann's Church. On the day of confessions, come prepared to spend time in adoration while your child is going to confession. We ask that everyone stays until the last child completes their confession. The Eucharist Retreat is on Saturday, April 20th from 9-1230. This mandatory retreat will focus on a greater understanding of the Eucharist, and students will have an opportunity to be enrolled in the Brown Scapular. We need 4 parent volunteers to act as guides and helpers during the retreats. Please contact Virginia Blatchford, Faith Formation Director.

Teen Apologetics- our classes run from 9:00-10:10 am in classroom 2 in the Allen Center. We resume our classes in the new year on January 7th. We are currently working on Apologetics, the Catholic Argument, and Natural Law. Please purchase the new book for our return class, Why We're Catholic by Trent Horn. This class is open to all students who have been confirmed.

St. Ann's **Formed.org** account has many resources for our parish. They have movies and devotionals for Lent. Be sure to look at all the options. They have many audio books available, such as, *Father Elijah*. Our parish code is Y6ZQ8M. A direct link is found on our parish website.



Deacon and Dogma will resume on January 7^{th.} The class schedule for the new year is: January 7th and 28th, February 4th and 25th, March 3rd and 17th, and April 14th and 21st. We meet in the Café at the Allen Center during Faith Formation from 9-10 am. This is a great time to share your faith with fellow Catholics in a discussion led by Deacon Peter Tonon.

Parish Resources

St. Ann renewed our parish membership for Open Light Media on October 6th. The materials are produced by the Dominican Sisters so PENLIGHT the content is excellent! You MEDIA will find virtue training and fun videos for the family. Manners Monday is a favorite series. The kids love them! To access our 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, 28209 You must type in the name and address exactly as above or the account will not pop up!

Confirmation Students resume classes after Christmas break on January 7th. 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 VIblatchford@rcdoc.org

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



St. Ann Family Ministry Corner

Equipping Parents in their Mission of Love and Building a Community of Joy

"How good and how pleasant it is, when brothers dwell together as one!" Psalm 133:1

Save the Date: Family Potluck/Rosary night: January 13, 2024

For more information go to <u>abearacres.org</u>

Family Dance Saturday, January 27th from 5:00-8:00pm in the Gym

Challenge: Reconcile any grievances with one another each night this week before going to bed.

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at Noon Email articles to: bulletinstann3635@gmail.com



MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Baptism Class

Our next Baptism Prep class is scheduled for Sunday, January 14th at 9:10am in the conference room of the Activity Center. All new parents who have not been through this class must attend before the Baptism of their first child. Please contact the office to sign up or email srmaryluciadvm@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

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

The St Ann Men's Club (SAMC) will be having their next meeting on January 7th. Rosary in the Chapel starts at 6PM, dinner is at 6:30PM in the Allen Center, and the business meeting starts 7PM. For more information or if you want to become a member, contact Paul Sorge @ 704.430.8129 or paulsorge@yahoo.com.



Chaplet of the Holy Face of Jesus Christ

is prayed in our chapel every Tuesday after the 7:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us for this beautiful chaplet honoring the five wounds (five senses) of Our Lord Jesus Christ and to ask of God the triumph of His holy Church. We say the version that is 15-20 minutes. Any questions email Chantal at: mommytots@att.net.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION



Marriage Help — Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) 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

WEDDING BANNS

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter

call: 803-810-9602, visit: **SCMarriageMatters.org**, email:applications@scmarriagematters.org.



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

Adoration of

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



Our Parishioners

Roe family
Chuck Solland
Anna Sobus & family
Thomas Lauer & family
Stephanie Kaufmann
Pauline Williams
Our friends and

r friends a 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 Betsy Devarakonda

Our servicemen and servicewomen:

Lt. Grace Carlson, USN, Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC Ensign Hayley Derscheid Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey 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



18th Annual MARCH FOR LIFE Charlotte Friday, Jan. 12, 2024

The following Masses will be offered for The Unborn on Jan. 12, 2024: St Ann Catholic Church at 7:00am Traditional Latin Mass and at the Cathedral of St. Patrick at 10:00am Novus Ordo Mass. At 11:00am we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Catholic Diocese at 1123 S. Church St., Charlotte. There may be some parking available at the parking lot but please expect to find parking on your own uptown if necessary. At 12:00pm we will march to Trade and Tryon to be a witness for The Unborn. Fr. Raymond Ekosse will be the guest preacher and Deanna Tyler Glenn "Miss Huntersville 2023" will be the prolife speaker followed by the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. *Please join us to march* and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details www.marchforlifecharlotte.com

St. Vincent ACES Senior Club invite all seniors 45+ young to join us on Thursday, January 11 at 11 am in the Monsignor Pharr Activity Center as we welcome the new year with our Super Bowl Lunch. Cost of \$13.00/pp members and \$14/pp guest for our Tailgate Buffet and the music of Brian McCann. Wear your favorite NFL team shirt and hat. Annual Membership dues of \$12/pp will be collected. RSVP and advance payment due by January 5 to Donna Anderson at 704-607-6880 or danderson@cottinghamchalk.com. Seats available for ACES Easter Trip to Narroway Dinner Theatre for "The 4th Cross" play with din-\$95/pp. Information-contact Peggy, pgibbons1@att.net or 704-588-5870.

NEWCOMERS WELCOME



COME AND BE HEALED

A Bilingual WOMEN'S RETREAT

Come to me all who are weary and heavy burdened and I will give you rest. Matthew- 11:28

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024 8AM-3PM ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH CENTER To register go to www.healedandrestored.org

EVENT DESCRIPTION

Come and join us for a full day of inspiring talks, fellowship, praise and worship music, confession, and so much more! Breakfast and lunch are included with the registration fee of \$20. Inspirational talks by Christine Wisdom, Carloryn Franks

Featured talk by Elza Spaedy: "Renewing the Heart: Replacing the Devil's Lies with God's Truth and Mercy."

Food Collections **Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry**

1st and 3rd weekends of every month Next collection: January 6-7



- ☐ Would you like to know more about the Cursillo Movement in our diocese?
 - ☐ We are hosting an FYI SESSION on Tuesday, January 30, 2024
 - ☐ Location: St. Matthew Catholic Church, New Life Center, Room 203
 - ☐ Drinks and light snacks will be served. ☐ COME AND SEE!

For more information, contact: John Sequeira: Email: johnseq1@gmail.com

Phone: 704-560-5061

EVENTS



A Catholic apostolate for men and women who experience same-sex attractions and for their family members and loved ones. Whether you (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 courage@rcdoc.org and

our local EnCourage chapter at: encourage@rcdoc.org.



Knights of Columbus Council 770 Meetings

First Tuesday of every month St. Patrick Church Agenda for the meeting is: 6:30pm rosary, 7pm business



meeting, 7:30 social, bible study. K of C is a Catholic men's fraternal and service organization. Membership is open to all practicing Catholic men. For more information about the Knights, contact knights@stpatricks.org or info@kofc770.org



CATHOLIC DIVORCE HEALING PROGRAM

Join Us for Build A New Life Workshop A life-changing 12-Week Virtual Catholic Divorce Support & Healing Program.

Discover proven guidance to not just survive but thrive before, during, and after divorce – emotionally, spiritually, interpersonally, and as a parent. Whether you're discerning separation, have been divorced for years, or are somewhere in between, this program is tailored for you!

Catholic - Compassionate - Caring - Comprehensive

Starts January 18th on Zoom - Register NOW at https://www.AboundingJoyMinistry.com/events or call Carolyn at 608-547-9484.

Early Bird Discount until Dec 22nd! Don't miss your opportunity to receive the healing and support you deserve. Payment plans and scholarships available.

Build A New Life Workshop Guiding You to Greater Healing & Joy!

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