

March 24, 2024



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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.

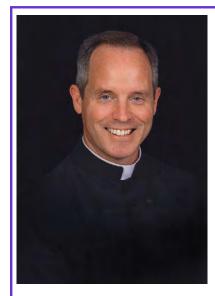
St. Ann Parish seeks the salvation of souls through the redemption of Jesus Christ as revealed to us in and through the divinely instituted Holy Catholic Church. We invite all to receive God's love as we give of ourselves in compassionate service.

St. Ann's **Parish Mission**

Reconciliation

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

+ deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Palm Sunday, March 24	8:00 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Elaine Goldschmidt by the Gallagher family 10:30 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of our Parish 12:30 pm Intentions of louise Marie Quain by JR & Mary Richardson family	9:00 am Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church)
Monday, March 25	7:00 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Mark Ebinger by Maria Ebinger	2:45 pm Rosary Club (Hall by Classrooms 1&2) 7:00 pm Fraternus (gym and café) RCIA (Classrooms 1&2)
Tuesday, March 26	7:00 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of the Sharron family by Sandra Sharron	8:00 am Adoration begins (Church) 6:30 pm Young Adult Holy Hour (CH) 7:00 pm St. Joseph Prayer Group (Library)
Wed., March 27	8:30 am Holy Trinity Mass 6pm Intentions of MaraLou Gucie Galle by the Foushee family	Adoration continues (Church) 7:45 am Homeschool HS (Cl 1-4, library) 5:00 pm Holy Hour (Church) 6:00 pm Young Adult Basketball (Gym) 7:00 pm Fidelis Handmaidens (Café) Great Adventure Bible Study (Classroom 3)
Thursday March 28	7:00 pm Mass of the Last Supper (Novus Ordo)	OFFICE CLOSED 8:30 pm Altar of Repose (Cafeteria)
Friday, March 29	3:00 pm Service of the Passion of Christ (Novus Ordo)	OFFICE CLOSED 12:00pm Stations of the Cross Confessions
Sat., March 30	8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass (Novus Ordo)	OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 am RCIA Practice (Church) 12:00 pm Blessing of Food (Church) 11:00 pm RCIA Reception (Kitchen, café)
Easter Sunday, March 31	8:00 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of our Parish 10:30 am (Novus Ordo) Intentions of Greg Wolman family by Lou and Nancy Picciola 12:30 pm Intentions of Seraphina Ferrante by the family	OFFICE CLOSED



Dear Parishioners,

With today's Palm Sunday liturgy we enter into that most important week of the year for us Catholics, that week which we call holy. And we call this week holy because God, in His infinite goodness, takes what should be considered the most horrific and unjust of crimes: the wrongful indictment and execution of His own Son, and makes of it the means for our salvation. In our liturgies this week we will see the conspiracy that brought about Jesus' wrongful arrest. We will sit with Christ at the Last Supper as He gives us the inseparable gifts of the priesthood and the Eucharist, and we will follow Him into the Garden of Gethsemane to watch with Him. We will witness all that He suffers for us, and we will stand at the foot of the cross with His Mother as Jesus dies for our sins. And finally we will peer into the empty tomb on the

third day and experience anew the glory of His resurrection. What a holy week indeed!

As your pastor I personally invite all of you to come and participate in the liturgies. Meditate on all the great mysteries of our salvation. Enter into the mysteries of our faith, for this week is different than any other week of the year. And be sure to pray for our fellow parishioners who will be entering into full communion with the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.

Our **Holy Thursday Mass** will be at 7 p.m., and we will have Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament until Midnight. On **Good Friday** we will have Stations of the Cross at noon, and confessions from noon – 2pm. The Passion Liturgy of Good Friday will be at 3 p.m., and our **Easter Vigil** on Holy Saturday will begin at 8:30 p.m. Bear in mind that this is a long Mass – often around 2 ½ hours – so plan accordingly. Our Masses on Easter Sunday will be as normal: 8am, 10:30am, and 12:30pm.

As a reminder, in preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday, which is always the Sunday immediately following Easter, it is customary for Catholics to pray the Divine Mercy Novena daily, beginning on Good Friday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday. Additionally, Catholics who receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday, go to confession within 20 days of Divine Mercy Sunday, and who pray for the intentions of the pope (a *Creed* and an *Our Father* will suffice) are granted a plenary indulgence. We generally have copies of this novena in the North Vestibule. This is a very spiritually beneficial devotion that I hope many of you will participate in.

Wishing you a blessed Holy Week,

RUTS RD

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure

929 registered families

Collection Date	Actual	Budget	Over/Under	
February 04	20,938.67	24,892.30	\$ (3,953.63)	
February 11	38,440.67	24,892.30	13,548.37	
February 18	21,281.91	24,892.30	(3,610.39)	
YTD July 01, 2023-February 18, 2024				
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Give Electronically



ONE Body in CHRIST DSA 2024 Goal: 141,842.0 Pledged: 34,117.6

Give online:

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APPEAL 2024

DSA 2024 Goal: 141,842.00 Pledged: 34,117.62 Received: 18,241.28 Over/Under Pledged: (107,724.38) Assessment Balance: 123,600.72

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances: Rectory Loan: \$421,260.93

5 Year Plan Loan: \$40,929.74

Priest Retirement

2023 Final Goal: 37,409.00 Received: 32,504.29 Shortfall Due to the Diocese:

(4,904.71)

TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, March 28

Office Closed
No Confessions
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7pm
Adoration after Mass until Midnight
(in the Cafeteria)

Good Friday, March 29

Office Closed
Stations of the Cross: Noon
Confessions: Noon - 2pm
Passion Liturgy: 3pm

Holy Saturday, March 30

Office Closed
Blessing of Food/Easter Baskets: Noon
No Confessions
Easter Vigil: 8:30pm
(usually lasts 2 1/2 - 3 hours)

Easter Sunday, March 31

Office Closed Masses: 8:00 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm

Easter Monday, April 1

Office Closed Mass 9:00am



SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE UPDATE:

** 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.

A Special Thank You... The St. Ann Legacy Society has been established to honor those who have included the parish in their will or estate plan. If you have included St. Ann in your plan, but have not yet informed us, please let us know by contacting Sister Mary Lucia at stanncharlotte@charlottediocese.org or 704-523-4641 x221. We would be honored to welcome you into the Legacy Society and invite you to a special event as a way to thank you for extending your stewardship and lifting up your faith family in this meaningful way.

Nannies wanted. Several young families in our parish are looking for part-time nannies.

If you are interested, please call the parish at (704-523-464, ext. 221), or send an email to the office address (<u>stanncharlotte@rcdoc.org</u>).

EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S



St. Ann's Easter Meal Preparation

Each year St. Ann's supports local homeless shelters and agencies by providing Easter meals to those in need. Your monetary donation or a dessert is needed to help ensure each person gets a meal on Easter Sunday. (Please note: no hams this year). Desserts can be dropped off at the parish office Monday, March 25th – Wednesday, March 27th during office hours. Also, Saturday, March 30th by 9:00am. If you would like to volunteer to help with meal preparation and/or delivery on Saturday, March 30th, there will be a signup sheet in the Narthex the weekends of March 16-17th and March 23-24rd. Signups will also be available for those who want to donate a Ouestions? Please contact Tania Akerblom at tanja.akerblom@gmail.com.

Parish Resources: Open Light Media materials, produced by the **Dominican Sisters**, has excellent content! You will find virtue training and fun vid-

eos 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 sim- $\bigcap \mathsf{PENLIGHT}$ ple steps! 1. Go to Open Light Media subscription, 2. If indi-



viduals 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!

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



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



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 heal-

ings, 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

stannpray ers@comporium.net



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. **March 24**th and 31st we are off for Holy Week. For additional information or questions, contact Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or <u>Vlblatchford@rcdoc.org</u>

Important First Communion Dates: Students received their banner kits, and they should be completed by April 20th. If your child missed our confession day, please contact me to reschedule. The Eucharist Retreat is on Saturday, April 20th from 9-12:30. 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 8 parent volunteers to act as guides and helpers during the retreats. Please contact Virginia Blatchford, Faith Formation Director, if you can help.

Confirmation: Our date for Confirmation is April 21st at the 10:30 Mass. Rehearsal will be at 8:30 am in the gym on April 21st. Sponsors must attend. For questions call: Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or Vlblatchford@redoc.org

Teen Apologetics classes run from 9:00-10:10 am in classroom 2 in the Allen Center. We are currently working on **Apologetics**, the Catholic Argument, and Natural Law. Our book is *Why We're Catholic* by Trent Horn. This class is open to all students who have been confirmed. We follow the Faith Formation Calendar so we will not have class on March 24th and 31st for Holy Week.

St. Ann Summer Catechesis is Calling **All Saints in the Making!** Save the date for Summer Camp at St. Ann's. We fly up, up, and away with the **Saints on the Virtues of Faith, Hope, and Love.** Our catechesis will take place on July 22-26th from 8:30am-12:15pm each day so save the dates. The campers will learn about several saints and study how to emulate the virtues of faith, hope, and love in their own lives. This exciting week is filled with crafts, songs, games, stories, and special scriptures to learn. Currently, we are looking for teachers for each station and adults to act as group guides. We would also love to have an online assistant for sign-ups and emails. Additionally, we welcome teens to help with each group of campers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Virginia Blatchford, Faith Formation Director at sumcatstann@gmail.com

Deacon and Dogma The next classes are 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.



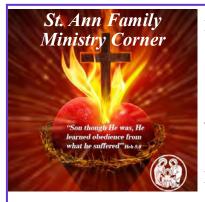
At St. Ann's **Formed.org** account has many resources for our parish. They have movies and devotionals for Lent. Be sure to look at all the options. They have many audio books available with classic Ignatius titles, several by Joseph Pierce. Our parish code is Y6ZQ8M. A direct link is found on our parish website. The Lenten program includes a

series on the Eucharist called Daily Bread and a program for children called Drawing Closer to God. Check them out!

2024 Diocesan Youth Conference: DYC brings together high school youth from around the diocese for a theme-centered weekend of workshops, led by youth and adults alike, keynote speakers, entertainment, daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and confession – all providing the opportunity to grow in the Catholic faith. This conference is held at Ridgecrest Conference Center, Black Mountain, N.C. from April 26th—28th.

Registration is open! \$145 early bird cost. To register: charlottediocese.org/form-2024-diocesan-youth-conference-registration/ (Permission and health form only appear after you select your parish and enter a number for registrants & the Liability Waiver in the parent portal of the registration form only appears AFTER you agree to the terms)

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



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

"When you call me, and come and pray to me, I will listen to you." Jeremiah 29:12

Save the Date: April 13
Family Potluck/Rosary night:
For more information go to
abearacres.org



Challenge: Retell your family history, each parent should reflect on the struggles and challenges of their family of origin and share those stories with their children. Find time this week to discuss the Lenten Family Companion at yourholyfamily.org/2024-lent



MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Lenten Project: WELLS OF SALVATION



Our Parish is participating in the Cross Catholic Project to supply clean water to people in desperate need in poor countries. We will collect the boxes the weekend after Easter on April 6th and 7th, Divine Mercy Sunday. If you can bring a check for

the amount you collect, it would be very helpful.

Volunteers Needed for Easter Vigil RCIA Reception - March 30

Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, our parish welcomes NEW Catholics into our church. At St. Ann's we also celebrate this special event with a large reception after mass to personally welcome these individuals into our wonderful community! We greatly need volunteers to help make this celebration special for our participating RCIA candidates and their family and friends! Please consider volunteering to provide food or beverages for this event! We also need assistance with setting up, serving during the event, and clean-up!

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/9040D45AFA822A57-48139016-2024#/ Contact Brenda Kresak at 678-793-2510 or bkresak@gmail.com for more info!



Caring for our brothers and sisters in Christ During this Lenten season please consider donating *personal hygiene items* to the Missionaries of the Poor. The brothers in Monroe will be sending a container truck to Jamaica. A collection container will be in the south vestibule this weekend through the end of March. Items needed are: bars of soap, men's deodorant, women's deodorant, lotion for men and women, toothpaste, tooth brushes, men's cologne, women's perfume, baby powder. Please contact Chris Brunhuber if you have questions at ccb2691@icloud.com. The collection will run until March 31st

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

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They do.

For more information about upcoming **Retrouvaille Weekend** programs, Email:3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701
Website: www.HelpOurMarriage.com



Worldwide Marriage Encounter call: 803-810-9602, visit: SCMarriageMatters.org, email:applications@scmarriagematters.org.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



Our Parishioners Roe family

Roe family Pauline Williams

Our friends and family:

Albert Ayd (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 Maureen Frost (Sister-in-law of Regina Beach Hoar) Brian Blatchford Betsy Devarakonda Danny Williams

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

For the Repose of the Soul of:

Stephanie Kaufmann

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



We are in need of an adorer on *Juesdays at 6 PM ox Juesdays at 7 PM.*If you can help with either one, please contact Cecilia Balman at (704) 618-7648 or vabalman@aol.com

DIOCESAN EVENTS

2024 DSA

Please be generous to the Diocesan Support Appeal. Your contribution is way to act with love for our sisters and



brothers throughout the diocese



and to continue the saving work begun by Jesus.

Pregnant? Need Help? Birthright of Charlotte



offers help and hope Services are free and confidential Call 704.975.8572 Come to <u>4435 Monroe Road</u>

birthrightofcharlotte.org

Birthright of Charlotte is an emergency pregnancy center offering positive assistance and aid to those facing an unplanned or problem pregnancy.



3rd annual Vigilant Retreat for Young Adults (ages 21-35, men & women, married & single) from **April 5-7th**. This overnight weekend experience in Hickory, NC, includes inspiring talks, time for prayer and recreation, small groups, & more! Register at thevigilantretreat.com

Virtus is changing to CMG Connect-The Diocese of Charlotte is enhancing its Safe Environment program with new, comprehensive policies and procedures updated for today's issues and needs. Among other updates, the diocese has shifted from Virtus to a streamlined platform called CMG Connect. All who volunteer or work in the Diocese of Charlotte will need to be set up and certified through CMG Connect. If your Virtus account contained your email address, please look for an email from the diocese or your local Safe Environment coordinator with instructions for how to access your new CMG Connect account. For **new volunteers,** please contact your local parish's Safe Environment coordinator, Virginia Blatchford for further instructions or you can visit https:// charlottediocese.org/offices/safe-environment/ to register as a new volunteer.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry Collection

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

HEALED AND RESTORED:

Transforming Women's Lives One Heart at a Time WE NEED YOUR HELP



Healed and Restored was born at St. Mark Church in 2020, under the guidance of Fr. Putnam, to fill a void

and tend to a need that's been overlooked in our communities and in the Charlotte Diocese in general. **Our mission** is to transform female victims of trauma and assault into strong survivors who positively impact the world, believe their worthiness, and feel God's love. **Our vision** is to strengthen women who are suffering after physically and mentally traumatic experiences through therapy, workshops and retreats. **Our goal** is to provide a safe, faith-filled home for women to receive mind, body, spirit and soul care free of charge with a residential program.

We are growing and so are our needs! We are looking for a space to rent (commercial or residential) in the Lake Norman/Charlotte area with a minimum of 900 square feet where we can hold group and one-on-one counseling sessions, workshops on life skills, nutrition education, and physical fitness therapy for the women we serve. If you or someone you know own a property that you think may fulfill our needs, we ask that you reach out to us by emailing us at info@healedandrestored.org

To learn more about what we do visit our website www.healedandrestored.org. With your help we can continue to make a difference in women's lives! Thank you!







His Mercy Endures Forever

Morning Retreat with Fr. Dan Leary

Saturday, April 6, 2024 8:00am - 11:00am

St. Ann's Catholic Church - Allen Center

Join Us and Be Renewed

8:00am - Mass 9:15-11am - Retreat

Father Dan will share how Mercy was won on the Cross. Now, it is up to us to receive it and share it with others.

All Are Welcome

Gather your family and friends, and let this morning be a moment of reflection, inspiration, and spiritual renewal for all.

Registration requested:

To learn more and register, visit the link below or scan the QR code: www.worldvillages.org/st-ann-retreat



Speaker: Father Dan Leary

Father Dan Leary spent 3 years on mission with the Sisters of Mary, serving children experiencing extreme poverty. He is a sought-after Retreat Master known for his gift of healing.

ALLEN CENTER AT ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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