



March 11, 2018



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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.

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.*

<p>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.</p>	<p>Weekday Masses Monday: 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form), 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.</p>	<p>Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.</p>
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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

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Sunday 11th	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Robert Lobdell <i>by his sister</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Nicole Adams <i>by the Adams family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) Café in use 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission (Church)
Monday 12th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Mary Catherine Surface <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i>	9:30 a.m. Family Holy Hour (Church) 10:00 a.m. Discussions of Fr. Reid's Lenten Reflections (Scout room) 1:00 p.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 3:30 p.m. Choir loft in use 4:30 p.m. Servers in church 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 6:00 p.m. Classrooms 1 & 2 in use 6:30 p.m. Fidelis (Café) Fraternalus (Gym) 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission (Church) RCIA (Scout room) Legion of Mary (Conference room)
Tuesday 13th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Linda Granzow <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> <i>Adoration in the chapel at 8:00 a.m.</i>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 1:00 p.m. Catholic Scripture Studies (Scout room) Bible Study (Ceramic room) 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission (Church) Scout room in use Bible Study (Ceramic room)
Wednesday 14th	<i>Adoration continues in the chapel</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>Holy Hour</i> 6:00 p.m. Latin +Lee Hannigan <i>by Jan & Mike Colin</i>	10:00 a.m. Bible Timeline (Scout room) 6:00 p.m. Kitchen & Café in use 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission (Church) Parish Mission Reception (Café) Catholic Scriptures Studies (Scout room)
Thursday 15th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Connie Hudack <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> 5:30 p.m. <i>Confessions</i>	8:30 a.m. Classrooms 1 & 2, Scout room, and Ceramic room in use 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Scout room) Catholic Scripture Studies (Ceramic room) 6:00 p.m. Choir (Church) 7:00 p.m. Discussions of Fr. Reid's Lenten Reflections (Scout room)
Friday 16th	7:00 a.m. Latin Intentions of Maria Sie <i>by Ellena Budidharma</i> 8:30 a.m. +Barbara Drye <i>by Lana & Nick Wilkens</i>	8:00 a.m. School Rosary (Chapel) 9:00 a.m. Catholic Classic Enrichment (All rooms) 1:00 p.m. Children's Stations of the Cross (Church) 3:00 p.m. Café & Kitchen in use 5:00 p.m. Men's Club Fish Fry (Café & Kitchen) 6:00 p.m. Hour of Reparation (Church) 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)
Saturday 17th	3:00 p.m. <i>Confessions</i> 4:30 p.m. +Fran Johnson <i>by Helen Hall</i>	9:00 a.m. Church Cleaning Classrooms 1 & 2 in use
Sunday 18th	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. Intentions of Rick Lobdell <i>by his sister</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Melissa Lewis <i>by the Lewis & Spain families</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) Faith Formation Adults (Classrooms 1 & 2) 12 noon Pro-Life Rosary (Chapel) 12:30 p.m. Homeless Ministry (Kitchen) 2:00 p.m. Latin Mass potluck (Café & Gym) Kitchen in use 4:00 p.m. Gaudium Musicae Concert (Church)



Dear Parishioners,

Happy Laetare Sunday!

This weekend we welcome **Fr. John Perricone** for our Lenten mission, which begins tonight (Sunday) and lasts until Wednesday. Fr. Perricone is a Professor of Philosophy at Iona College in New Rochelle, New York, and St. Francis College in Brooklyn Heights, NY. His articles have appeared in *St. John's Law Review*, *The Journal of Catholic Legal Studies*, *Crisis Magazine*, and *New Oxford Review*. Fr. Perricone has been hosted several times on Mother Angelica Live as well as on EWTN, where he gave a 13-part series on understanding the Mass. He has spoken at colleges and universities across the US and Canada as well as in England and France. In addition, Fr. Perricone is the Co-founder and Vice-President of The Montfort Academy, Katonah, NY, a private Catholic academy for high school boys anchored in a classical curriculum. Currently, he resides in Jersey City, where he can be found offering Holy Mass and teaching catechism at St. Anthony of Padua Church.

Per our usual format, Father Perricone will give talks each night at 7 p.m. in the church, followed by confessions on Sunday – Tuesday night. On Wednesday night we will have a light reception after Father's talk. So please come!

Next Sunday, 18 March 2018, we will have our next *Gaudium Musicae* concert at 4 p.m. We are very blessed to be hosting *Opera Carolina* and *Vox* (Charlotte's mixed-voice semi-professional choir) for what promises to be a spectacular concert. Tickets are available on our website and at the door. So please come as this will be our last concert of the season.

Also mark your calendars for Friday, 23 March 2018. That's when we'll have our annual *Tenebrae* liturgy at 7 p.m. While we have had Tenebrae on Good Friday in years past, we've moved it up a week again this year to accommodate the many demands on our musicians during Holy Week. I hope you'll join us for what is always a beautiful and prayerful event.

One final note: as warmer weather is coming, I encourage all of you not to give into the temptation to wear shorts, t-shirts, or flip-flops to Mass. I realize that Charlotte gets hot in the summer, but Mass is not a social or casual event; it's not something that we should just fit into our schedule whenever it's convenient. It's the most important that we do each week as Catholics. So please dress with the decorum and dignity that is fitting for our sovereign Lord. I'm sure that our Lord will appreciate the extra effort on your part to do so!

Prayerfully awaiting our Lord's Resurrection,

Fr. Reid

Your Stewardship of Treasure
722 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
February 18, 2017				
Weekly Collection	14,672.75	16,538.46	577,049.75	562,307.64
Other Revenue Streams:			79,010.62	72,674.18
Total Revenue:			656,060.37	634,981.82
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			21,078.55	
DSA:				
2018 Goal:	106,285.00		Loan Balance:	275,317.60
Marion Grotto:				
Goal:	125,000.00			
Received:	112,425.00		Ash Wednesday:	2,190.00
Balance:	12,575.00			

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org

If we give our time, talent and treasure according to God's principles, God will not disappoint us. The young man, who gave his loaves and fishes to help feed the multitude, didn't have to go without dinner.

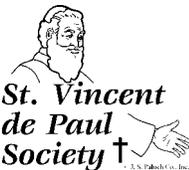


As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to the Diocesan Support Appeal as a way of saying thank you to the

Lord. God will never be outdone in generosity. If you did not turn in your completed pledge envelope during today's Mass, you **may complete a pledge envelope and return it to the Parish Office or go to www.charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.**

For those of you who would like to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith, we've got some great online resources available to every member of our parish through a program called *Formed*. In order to access these resources, just go to: www.formed.org and click on "Find Out More" at the bottom of the homepage. 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.

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in Him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works, reaching out to others and acting in justice and charity. Perform good work through your almsgiving.



As we repent of our sins and strengthen our devotion, we can also reflect on our responsibility to be stewards of our faith through a bequest gift that will continue the work of our parish.



Endowments for St. Ann's Parish:

Did you know that we have an endowment for both our parish and our school? These funds, established in 1999 for the parish and 2000 for the school, are for the general and pastoral needs of our parish and school and were established through the generosity of donors in our parish. If you would like to learn more about our endowment funds and how you can make a contribution, contact Judy Smith in the Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte at 704-370-3320 or at jmsmith@charlottediocese.org.

Dear Parishioners,

Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Father Mrozinski on our recent visit to your parish. Oh behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May Our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support.

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month: The next collection weekends are: **March 17th-18th, April 7th-8th, and April 21st-22nd.**

Each year St. Ann's supports local homeless shelters and agencies by providing Easter meals to those in need. Your donation of boneless hams and desserts is needed to help ensure each person gets a meal on Easter Sunday. Monetary donations will also be accepted. If you would like to volunteer to help with meal preparation and/or delivery on **Holy Saturday, March 31st**, please contact Robina Walker at robina.walker@gmail.com. Desserts and hams can be dropped off at the parish office **Monday, March 26th - Wednesday, March 28th during office hours. Also on Saturday, March 31st by 9:00 a.m.** There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex the weekends of March 17th and 24th for those who can donate a ham or dessert or would like to volunteer.

Sunday, March 18th - Life of Christ Reflection by Fr. Barone. Following the 12:30 p.m. Latin Mass at St. Ann's, Fr. Jason Barone will provide a brief talk afterwards on his pilgrimage to the Holy Land and reflections on the Life of Christ & the Passion. The event will begin after 2-2:45 p.m. in the Allen Center café along with a potluck lunch. All are welcome to attend. For information, contact Mike FitzGerald with the Charlotte Latin Mass Community at info@charlottelatinmass.org.

St. Ann's Lenten Mission begins today, March 11th through Wednesday, March 14th 7:00 p.m. each evening Confessions will be offered after the talks on Sunday on Monday and Tuesday. There will be a small reception after Wednesday's talk. All are invited to attend. Fr. John Perricone PH.D will be our speaker. He is from the Diocese of Newark, NJ a professor of Philosophy, St. Francis College and Iona College.

Bulletin Deadline is 12 noon on:

Tuesday, March 13th for Sunday, March 18, 2018
Thursday, March 15th for Sunday, March 25, 2018
Thursday, March 22nd for Sunday, April 1, 2018
 Tuesday, April 3rd for Sunday, April 8, 2018

Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Scout Room in the Allen Center or on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. during Lent, we will be having Faith Sharing Discussions on the Reflections by Father Reid on the Four Last Things. You need to sign up with goodcathloc.com/st-ann to be able to view each day's reading and Father Reid's reflection, and keep a journal, you will be able to participate in the discussions. Join us!

Fast and Abstinence

Abstinence is required on all Fridays of Lent. And on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence. Milk, eggs and fish are permissible. Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. Invalids and pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.

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Please pray for our parishioner, **Peter Tonon**, who will be **ordained as a deacon on 14 April 2018**. He will be ordained at St. Mark Catholic Church in Huntersville at 10:00 a.m. that day. The ordination is open to the public.

SAVE THE DATE! St. Ann Summer Catechesis will be June 18th-22nd. Our theme this year is *All About Mary*.

Please contact Trista Bremer if you are interested in volunteering. trista.bremer@gmail.com. Signup sheet for volunteers for Summer Catechesis: <https://goo.gl/forms/NdbADQFtYbZGuNz12>

 **Gaudium Musicae Eighth Season:** Sacred Sounds will conclude with *Opera Carolina & VOX* performing an hour-long concert next **Sunday, March 18th at 4 p.m.**, a small reception following the concert gives fellow listeners an opportunity to meet the performers. The concert series offered by St. Ann's is to support exceptional, primarily local and regional musicians by providing an acoustically excellent, intimate venue for performance and to present diverse programming. Single concert tickets are \$30 for families, \$12 for adults, and \$8 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online, in the parish office and at the door. **Sponsorships are available** for each of the concerts. Contact the parish office at 704-523-4641 ext. 221 for information on tax-deductible contributions and sponsorships. **If you need service hours or would like to help with the concert, please contact Rocio Greene at bravo@greeney.com.**

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will be **Sunday, April 15th at 9:10 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Please call the parish office to sign up for this class.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Young, married (or engaged), and looking to meet other couples? **St. Ann Young Marrieds Group** meets regularly throughout the year for service, fun, faith and friendship. For more info and regular updates, contact Nicolette Williams at newilliams12@gmail.com.

Do You Like To Pray? Or, are you in need of prayer? Receive the comfort of others praying for and with you by joining the **St. Ann Prayer Group**. This group consists of volunteers filled with the love of God and the love of prayer. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the need. Pray in your home, at Mass, at Adoration, or any place you are at peace. For more information or if you would like to join, call Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email stannprayers@comporium.net.

Fidelis, a group for young ladies in middle and school, meets on **Mondays 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in café. If you are interested in learning more contact the Daughters of the Virgin Mother at dvmfidelis@gmail.com.

Fraternus meet Mondays now through May 2018. All young men in middle and high school are invited to join from 7:00-8:45 p.m. in the gym.

Holy Family Playgroup: Building relationships with mothers and children of all ages in the parish, provides support and a catholic environment for socialization and play. **Playtime is usually Monday after the 9:30 a.m. Adoration at the same location, Park Play 10:30 –11:30 a.m. during the school year.** Questions? Call Melissa Lewis at 704-287-8112 subscribe to our group at holyfamilyplaygroup-subscribe@yahoo.com.

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

Come and teach your children how to adore Jesus! We have the opportunity to be in the main church before Our Lord, without the worry that a babbling toddler or loud baby is disturbing someone's peace. **Family Adoration is a time for everyone to come before God in prayer, and will be available in the church on Mondays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** Come for Our Lord, and stay for play at the park afterward. *Note: At this time, Our Lord will not be exposed during the Adoration period, but will remain with us in the tabernacle.* Contact Melissa Lewis, mmlewis28@yahoo.com.

Babysitting will be offered the last Thursday of each month during confession times from **5:30-6:30 p.m.** by Melissa Lewis. Call Melissa at 704-287-8112 or email her at mmlewis28@yahoo.com.



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Our parishioners:
Patricia Phillips,
Helen Norton,
Nancy West.
Our friends and family: Alex

Brown (nephew of the Rothe family), Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin), Jennifer Arnold and Mary Register (friends of Nancy Tota), Tom Storer, Jean Storer, Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill), Douglas Edge, Joel Rivera, Albert Ayd (brother of Cecilia Balman), Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman) Peter Stenhouse and Cheryl Ring (friends of Abbey & Rick Lejk), Joel Rivera, and Ron York (brother-in-law of Carol Kuhn).

Our servicemen and servicewomen: Lance Corporal Joseph Fanning USMC, PFC 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, Ensign Thomas Hetzel USN, and Cadet Peter Hetzel 2nd Class USMA. USMC 2nd Lt. Hays Hammond.

Novena of Masses If you would like to enroll your loved ones in a Novena of Masses for Easter, you may do so by going to www.novenamasses.org Mass enrollments are \$15 each, which includes an enrollment card. The deadline for enrollment is Palm Sunday. My friend, Fr. Maximilian Mary of Jesus Crucified will offer the Masses. Father Maximilian Mary is a hermit, and he relies on Mass stipends for his livelihood.

St. Gerard's Meals Ministry. Mission: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or katherinetauer@gmail.com.

*Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor
before the throne of God, pray for us.*



Share God's Merciful Love a 5-CD Bundle. Just \$11 per bundle when you buy at least 5 bundles. That's **only \$2.20 a CD—a 50% discount off the retail price!** Offer expires August 1 or while supplies last. Featuring Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Tim Gray, Fr. Chris Alar, Vinny Flynn, and Fr. Michael Gaitley \$3.00 donation per CD. **Make checks payable: St. Ann Catholic Church.**

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Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Our Blessed Mother wants active and auxiliary members to join her Legion. Assist in waging war against the enemy by winning souls for the Crucified Christ! Join a nearly 100-year-old lay apostolate movement founded on a profound devotion to Our Lady. **Our Lady of Fatima praesidium meets Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center this week.** Contact Karen Rubbo at 704-847-8148 or rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.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. **Won't you join us each First Saturday at 3:55 p.m. in the chapel as we pray the Rosary? Further information can be found each month at our information table.**

Have you ever found yourself stumped because you didn't know how to respond to questions about your Catholic faith from a friend, colleague or even your own children? Do you find yourself feeling like your catechesis didn't answer all the questions you had about your faith or maybe you've forgotten? Are you new to the Church and think an RCIA refresher may be in store? Maybe you've come home after years away from the Church. **If you answered yes to any of these questions or this sounds like you, then join us each Sunday morning for our Adult Formation class from 9:00 –10:15 a.m. in classrooms 1 & 2 during the school year.** We are studying Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism video series. For information, email Karen at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

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.**

Wednesday mornings during the school year (except vacations) the St Joseph College Seminary will offer the **Traditional Latin Mass in St. Ann's at 7:00 am. All are welcome.**

The men of the Latin Mass Community at St. Ann's organize a men's fellowship called *Liturgy & Fraternity* most 3rd Wednesdays.

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the **Week of March 11th-March 18th**

March 11th	4th Sunday after Lent <i>(Laetare Sunday)</i> - 1st class
March 12th	Feria of Lent - 3rd class
March 13th	Feria of Lent - 3rd class
March 14th	Feria of Lent - 3rd class
March 15th	Feria of Lent - 3rd class
March 16th	Feria of Lent - 3rd class
March 17th	Feria of Lent (<i>Sitientes</i>) - 3rd class
March 18th	Passion Sunday - 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.

This Lent encounter the Passion of Christ through the Traditional Latin Mass. This Lent you're invited to encounter it each Sunday at these locations: **9:00 a.m. Sunday Low (Silent) Mass – until March 25th at Charlotte Catholic High School chapel, 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, 28226. 12:30 p.m. Sunday High (Sung) Mass - with fellowship coffee afterwards at St. Ann's.**

Traditional Easter Triduum in the Extraordinary Form (Latin) at Charlotte Catholic High School during Holy Week. Holy Thursday Mass, **March 29th, 7:00 p.m.** Good Friday Liturgy, **March 30th, 3:00 p.m.;** & Saturday, March 31st **Easter Vigil, 8:30 p.m.** All liturgies will be held at Charlotte Catholic High School chapel at 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, 28226.

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 all Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas, or the Immaculate Conception, etc.

Questions? Email info@charlottelatinmass.org. For Latin Mass news, please visit www.charlottelatinmass.org.

Latin Mass Email List: The Latin Mass Community shares updates on future Latin Masses around Charlotte, and last minute schedule changes. To sign up, email Chris Lauer at info@charlottelatinmass.org.

Adorers Needed! Consider becoming an adorer Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.–Wednesdays 5:00 p.m. We need more volunteers! Call the parish office or contact Karen at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Group liaison is Kathleen Lewis. To contact Kathleen for information on Home School, email lewisfamily555@gmail.com.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

40-Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history, helping people in local communities end the injustice of abortion through peaceful prayer. **Join us as we pray outside Latrobe on March 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** We need 2 people at each hour, but more is better. The address is 3220 Latrobe Ave. Sign up here: www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044dacab2cab9-40days

Upcoming Events:

Every Sunday – Rosary in the chapel at 12 noon

March 11th – Start of the parish mission

March 24th – Latin Pro-Life Mass at 9:00 a.m.

April 6th-7th – Vigil of the Twin Hearts at St. Patrick's

If you have any questions or ideas for the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Ann's Parish, contact Peg Sorge at 646-761-0650 or lcookie.momster@gmail.com.

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.
-- USC of Catholic Bishops*

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Be sure you are up to date on your **Protecting God's Children information and the Virtus monthly bulletins**. Also 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 and Volunteers.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Forgiveness and Healing Following Abortion: Catholic Charities can help men and women who have experienced abortion begin their healing journey. Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat creates a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and family and to realize God's ever-present love. For information contact either: Jackie Childers: 980-241-0251 / Jackie.childers1@gmail.com or Jessica Grabowski: 704-370-3229 / jmganser@charlottediocese.org.

Couple to Couple League: Sympto-Thermal Method.

Certified Sympto-Thermal Method teaching couple will help couples naturally plan for family growth in a safe, effective manner, within the Church's teaching. Sign up on-line and purchase class materials at www.ccli.org. Scholarships are available. Postpartum and Pre-menopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for more information at 704-548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

Free Natural Family Planning (NFP) Topics to be covered include: Effectiveness of modern NFP methods, Health risks of popular contraceptives, Benefits of NFP - health, relational, and spiritual, Church teaching on responsible parenting, and...how to use NFP. For information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or to RSVP, contact Catholic Charities' Batrice Adcock, MSN, at 704-370-3230 or bnadcock@charlottediocese.org.

Teams of Our Lady (www.teamsofourlady.org) is an international Catholic movement of small groups of married couples focused on strengthening their marriages by enriching their relationship with Christ and their spouse. **Contact Tom & Danielle Mathis** at tmthis3@me.com for information.

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and God by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend. **The next weekends are: August 3rd-5th in Chapel Hill, NC and November 9th-11th in Atlantic Beach, NC.** Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

Rediscover Your Marriage – **Retrouvaille** simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Many couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvailleenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

All Catholic women in the Diocese of Charlotte are invited to attend the **Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG) Morning Reflection on Monday, March 12th** at St. Vincent de Paul Church will be a Morning Reflection talk by **Fr. John Michalowski**. Additional details and *to register*, go to our website: www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org.

Faith Formation Director. The Catholic parish of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking applications for a full-time position as Director of Faith Formation. The Director is responsible for all elements of the faith formation program for grades K through 9, preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. In collaboration with the Pastor, the director also organizes an adult program for parents during Faith Formation sessions. This position reports directly to the Pastor. Applicant must have the following qualifications: Be a believing, practicing and knowledgeable Catholic, in good standing with the Catholic Church and committed to the authentic teaching of the Catholic faith, Degree in Religious Education or equivalent experience, Bilingual – Fluent in both English and Spanish, Be self-motivated and possess strong evangelization and catechist's skills Have excellent written & oral communication skills. Proficient in Word, Excel, and Publisher (PDS software a plus) Some evening and weekend hours and Tuesday evening and Sunday. Previous Faith Formation experience a plus Working knowledge of the following Curriculum: Faith and Life from Ignatius Press, Theology of the Body, Baltimore catechism. Interested applicants need to send resume and three professional references with contact information to ncvanderkaay@charlottedioocese.org. A complete job description can be found at www.stvincentdepaulchurch.com. **Application deadline is March 30th.**



The Knights of Columbus's Council 770, the oldest Council in North Carolina, was founded in 1903 and Council 770 has a rich and proud history. Over its many years since its founding, 770 has supported the Charlotte Diocese in its many endeavors. Last year our Council supported Seminarians, Seminaries,

vocational projects, the March for Life program, feeding the homeless, Coats for Kids and our long standing Holy Angels LAMB projects such as Holy Angels Christmas Party and Holy Angels Picnic and Boat Rides. It is the Council's intention to continue its support for these programs and expand our efforts in support of more projects and programs for the benefit of our community and the Diocese of Charlotte. To do so, Council 770 is planning its largest fund-raising effort this year.

On April 21st, we will hold a Knights MEGA yard sale and silent auction at St. Patrick's school. We are reaching out to all parishes in the Charlotte Diocese and especially to the parishioners of St. Ann for help. It's time for Spring cleaning...a perfect time to gather up those items (excluding clothing) that you no longer use or want. We will have more details in future bulletin announcements as we approach our kick off date. **Arrangements will be made to receive these items at St. Patrick's or for large items to pick them up.** As always, we invite the men of our parish, to join us as new Knights. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday at 6:30 p.m. of each month at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 1621 Dilworth Road East. Preceding each meeting, we recite a Rosary in the Cathedral, please join us. Contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary Council 770 at rtm2108@aol.com or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com.

The 22nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Uptown Charlotte on Saturday, March 17th. The parade starts at 11:00 a.m. at Tryon & 9th St & marches down Tryon St. to 3rd St. **The Charlotte Goes Green Festival in Uptown Charlotte on Saturday, March 17th from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** It is located on Tryon St. between 3rd & Stonewall St. There is no admission fee. Come join us where everyone is Irish for the day! For more information: www.charlottestpatsday.com.

Register Today for the **Free** "Living Healthy with Chronic Pain" class that will begin on **Tuesday, March 20th at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.** Please call Jennifer Watson at 704-348-2723 or email jwatson@centralina.org to register. For information about the class, contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or email sbreakfield@charlottedioocese.org.

The Classes of 1967, 1968 and 1969 are pleased to announce that they will be holding a joint reunion at Charlotte Catholic High School in Pineville Mathews Rd the evening of March 24th from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. A tremendous effort has taken place to reach all classmates, however if you have not been contacted and desire to come, please reach out to the following representatives of the three classes: Donald Cashman: Class of 1967 call: 1-704-578-8592 or decashman@att.net, Michael Hansbrough: Class of 1968 call 1-704-231-5485 or hansbroughp@gmail.com, Barbara-Anne Steegmuller Johnson: Class of 1968 call 1-336-601-7107 or basteeg@triad.rr.com, John Tramontin: Class of 1969 call 1-919-985-3650 or Johntramontin@bellsouth.net. The information for the event: Charlotte Catholic High School Alumni website <https://www.charlottecatholic.org/Page/534>.

Bishop's Youth Pilgrimage: Each year Bishop Jugis invites middle school aged youth, high schoolers, collegiates, and young adults to join him at Belmont Abbey for a day of prayer and adoration of Our Eucharistic Lord. This year's the pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday, April 7, 2018.** The Theme for the event is, **"I Am the Living Bread"** (JN 6:51). For information on the event visit www.GoEucharist.com or the [Youth Pilgrimage page](#) on the Diocesan Website.

Join MiraVia at its 18th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament "Links FORE! Life" on Monday, May 14th at The Golf Club at Ballantyne in Charlotte. Register by May 4th. Cost per player is \$130. MiraVia, Inc., a Catholic, 501(c)(3) non-profit maternity and after-care program serving the Charlotte region, has provided material, emotional and spiritual support to more than 7,980 mothers and their children since they admitted their first mother in 1994. MiraVia's services include housing at its college-based residential program, professional counseling, food, clothing, and mother and baby supplies, which are all offered to their clients free of charge: <http://miravia.org>. To register or learn more about the event, visit <http://bit.ly/LinksFORELife> or contact Megan Whiteside at meganwhiteside@miravia.org.

The Diocese of Charlotte invites you to the World Meeting of Families in Ireland this August. Highlights include a sightseeing tour of Dublin, the World Meeting of Families (including the 3-day congress, the Festival for Families, Mass and celebrations), and an anticipated visit from Pope Francis. **Call Canterbury Pilgrimages at 800-653-0017 or visit www.canterburypilgrimages.com/charlotte for details.**

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!*

If you are approached by panhandlers on the church campus, **please do not give them money.** Instead, direct them to the parish office for financial assistance. *We have the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need.* Thank you!

33 Hours of Adoration. Adoration begins Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. through Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. in the chapel. *All are welcome.* Adorers: please share your contact information with those who adore during your **Adoration hour.** If you can't make it, call the others to make sure someone is visiting Our Lord during that hour. *It is your responsibility to get a replacement when you will not be able to do your Adoration hour.*

Check out our website: StAnnCharlotte.org, and go to the **prayers/devotion section under "Resources."** Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we are encourage everyone to pray the **"Prayer for Religious Liberty"** with the recent attacks on our religious freedoms there are several prayers and novenas on the website.

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

IN OUR COMMUNITY

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.

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.*

To book a room in the Allen Center, call Savas Mallos at 704-523-4641 x233.

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.

Let's be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:



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! Also 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.