



ST. ANN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 16, 2022



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Deacon	Rev. Mr. Peter Tonon	704-523-4641 x227
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Facilities/Scheduling/Maintenance Supervisor	Chris Brunhuber	704-523-4641 x233
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Liturgical Schedule

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

Parish Office Hours

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

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

St. Ann's Parish Mission

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

Sunday Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m.
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.;

**Mass in the Extraordinary
Form: 12:30 p.m.**

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the
Extraordinary Form)
Friday: 7:00 a.m. (Mass in the
Extraordinary Form) and 8:30 a.m.

Adoration

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

Reconciliation

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday, October 16	8:00 am +Melvin Lejk <i>by the Lejk family</i> 10:30 am Intention for our parish family 12:30 pm Latin Mass +Joseph Lawton <i>by Cindy Lawton</i>	9:00 am Apologetics 1&2 in use 9:15 am Donuts & Dogma-café in use 2:00 pm Baptism (Church) 5:00 pm Solemn Vespers-SJCS
Monday, October 17	7:00 am +Mark P. Baeten <i>by Schrum and Baeten families</i>	7:00 pm RCIA classrooms 1&2 Fraternus (Gym & café) Legion of Mary (Classroom 3)
Tuesday, October 18	7:00 am + Johnny Smythe <i>by the Orso family</i>	
Wednesday, October 19	6:00 pm Latin Mass +Count Riprand of Arco-Zinneberg <i>by CLM community</i>	<i>Adoration continues until 5:00 pm (Church)</i> 8:00 am Classrooms 1-4, library in use 5:00 pm Holy Hour (Church) 7:00 pm Fidelis (Gym)
Thursday, October 20	7:00 am Intentions of Andrea & David Miller <i>by the family</i>	10:00 am Catholic Scripture Study-Room 3 2:30 pm School student Rosary-Church 5:30 pm Confessions 7:00 pm Gym in use
Friday, October 21	7:00 am Latin Mass Intentions of Sarah McCullers <i>by the Nobers family</i> 8:30 am Intentions of Anna Maria Lewis <i>by the Ferrante family</i>	8:00 am CCE (Both cryrooms, classrooms 1-3) Middle School/Homeschool (classrooms 4) School rosary (Chapel) 1:00 pm Library in use
Saturday, October 22	9:00 am St. Vincent DePaul Retreat Mass 4:30 pm +Thomas Doman <i>by Marguerite Doman</i>	6:00 am Café, gym in use 2:00 pm Baptism 3:00 pm Confessions (Church)
Sunday, October 23	8:00 am +Bob & Clara Skurla <i>by the family</i> 10:30 am Intentions of Josie & Andrew Sanctis <i>by the family</i> 12:30 pm Latin Mass Intentions of Christopher Lauer <i>by the family</i> 2:30pm Diocesan Anniversary Mass	9:00 am Apologetics 1&2 in use 9:15 am Donuts & Dogma-café in use 12:00 pm Diocesan Anniversary reception-café
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Dear Parishioners,

I do hope all of you are praying the Rosary every day this month for an end to abortion in North Carolina. While the pro-life community in our country is rejoicing for the overturning of Roe vs. Wade, abortion remains legal for now in our state. In fact, our local abortion mills are seeing many women from other states come to Charlotte for an abortion – which means an uptick in their business, and an increase in the evil being committed in our community.

As we've learned over the past 50 years in fighting for pro-life causes, the battle is primarily spiritual! Thus, while we've got to vote for pro-life politicians and continue working to provide alternatives for women considering abortion, it's most important that we pray. This is why I'm asking for each of us to pray the Rosary every day this month. Pray it as a family if you can, as there are many blessings when families pray the Rosary together.

This week I am leaving for the pilgrimage retreat to Medjugorje. So, next weekend we will have a guest priest here to help Fr. Jones with the Masses. Fr. Clifton Harris from Food for the Poor will be here, making an appeal at all the Masses. Please welcome him warmly! I will look forward to seeing you the weekend of October 29-30. Please pray that we have a safe trip.

Trusting in Our Lady of the Rosary and all the holy angels,

Fr. Reid

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

Check out CD's, books, and booklets on the **Lighthouse Kiosk** Suggested Donations: Booklets: \$3, Books: \$5 CDs: \$4 each or 3/\$10. Use code: **33769** when you go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub. **Make checks payable to: St. Ann Catholic Church**



Donated by the Lejk family

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.

Your Stewardship of Treasure

807 registered families

<u>Collection Date</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
October 2, 2022	20,201.75	22,961.53	(2,759.78)

YTD July 01-October 2, 2022
 \$ 316,992.44 \$ 321,461.42 \$ (4,468.98)

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances:

Rectory Loan: \$594,794.28 5 Year Plan Loan \$363,554.96

—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 2022

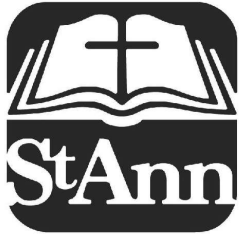
DSA 2022:

Goal:	\$ 142,362.00
Pledged:	127,828.04
Received:	114,159.57
Pledge Balance:	13,668.47
Assessment Balance	28,202.43
Donors:	173

Priest Retirement 2022

Assessment:	\$36,932.00
Received:	23,602.30
Assessment Balance:	13,329.70

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



OPEN HOUSE

October 26, 2022
9-11am

Tour our school
and meet our teachers

600 Hillside Ave.
Charlotte, NC 28209

discovermacs.org

Contact Us

704.525.4938

Prayer cards of our Statues

are available in the North Vestibule.
A donation of \$0.50 per card.

FEAST OF POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II



Those who sincerely say
'JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU'

will find comfort in all their anxieties
and fears. There is nothing more man
needs than **DIVINE MERCY** -
that love which is benevolent, which
is compassionate, which raises man
above his weakness to the infinite
heights to the holiness of God."

-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II -
CRACOW, POLAND ON JUNE 7, 1997

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

APOSTLE And POPE
DIVINE MERCY

October 22

@junevreyes

EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Respect Life for October: Spiritual Adoption of the Abortion Vulnerable. It's time to adopt a new unborn baby! Starting this month and finishing next summer, we'll pray for an unborn baby in danger of abortion. The monthly display in the narthex will follow his/her development in the womb. Thank you for your support and prayers!

PRAY: The **October Mass for Our Blessed Lady's Respect Life intentions** will be **Saturday, October 22nd**, at 8am (MEF). Holy Hour of Reparation and prayers at PP will follow as usual.



ALSO: Fr. Reid has asked the parish to **pray the Rosary every day in October** for an end to abortion in North Carolina. Please join us!

GIVE: Please continue your great generosity to our beloved **MiraVia** and **Be Not Afraid**. You can learn more about their missions and donate at their websites, <https://miravia.org> and <https://benotafraid.net>.

ACT: What a wonderfully busy month for the pro-life cause! Here's what's coming up!



The Fall Campaign for **40 Days for Life** started this week and runs through Nov. 6. The Respect Life Ministry will be praying

from **9-10am at Planned Parenthood on Oct. 22** (our usual 4th Saturday slot); please sign up for that hour and/or other hours at www.40daysforlife.com/en/local-campaigns/charlotte.

Please join our email list for up-to-date information on Respect Life news and activities. Email **Rachel Shrader** at peregrinenorth@gmail.com to be added to the list.

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

Seven Sisters Apostolate for our Deacons

Thanks be to God, we have Fr. Reid and Fr. Jones covered in prayer seven days a week - 1 holy hour/day. Now I am looking for prayer Warriors for our DEACONS...Deacon Thomas Sanctis and Deacon Peter Tonon. If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact Sarah Miller at Holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com.

25TH & 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

If you were married during 1972 or 1997, you and your family are invited to the annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 23 at St. Ann Catholic Church. Mass begins at 2:30 p.m. and will be followed by a reception. Please register at <https://charlottediocese.org/bishops-yearly-anniversary-mass-for-couples/>.

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.

Bulletin Deadlines:

Tuesday, October 18 at 12 noon for
Sunday, October 23

Tuesday, October 25 at 12 noon for
Sunday, October 30

Email articles to: bulletinstann3635@gmail.com

Legion of Mary meets on **Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Classroom 3**. Contact Sue Calkins at 704-724-2297 or maxxwellsr@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Faith Formation 2022-23

Classes have started and meet Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:10 a.m. Forms for registration will be available at the church office and on the parish website. Payment is due at the time of registration. For additional information or questions, contact Virginia Blatchford at 704 523 4641 ext. 231.

**Attention All Families!**

The Box of Joy program is in motion. **This is a beautiful way for us to participate in a work of mercy** that benefits the poorest of the poor in developing countries. Cross

Catholic Outreach even adds a rosary and the Story of Jesus to every box! The return date for all boxes is at St. Ann's by **Sunday, November 6th**. **Return Boxes will be placed in the drop crates at the Church entrance and near the office in the Allen Center.** Please secure your box with a heavy rubber band.

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



**CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE**

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

Sessions starting at
9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Admissions Open House

Tours will follow each session.

Attendees may browse academic and departmental booths after school tour.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church, we invite you to join Deacon Tom and the RCIA team for classes on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center. Meetings are held from September through May. The RCIA program is an introduction to the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church, exploration of what it means to be a Christian, and preparation to enter fully into the Catholic community through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Please contact Virginia Blatchford, Director of Faith Formation, with any questions vlblatchford@rcdoc.org

Deacons and Dogma

Deacon Tonon will host a class for adults from 9-10:10 in the café. These classes will begin September 11th and follow the Faith Formation schedule. 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. All adults are invited! Please note that there will be **no class on October 23rd**.

Teen Apologetics

All students who have been confirmed are invited to join the **Young Adult Apologetics** classes. Classes are from 9-10:10 am, follow the faith formation schedule, and meet in the upstairs classroom at the Allen Center. We are currently discussing **Beginning Apologetics 5: How to Answer Tough Moral Questions** by San Juan Catholic Seminars. Invite a friend!

One Bread One Body Booklets

(a guide to daily Scriptures)

available **in the North Vestibule**

Learn how to love Him more deeply, 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 every day.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



You are invited to attend a monthly gathering on the **2nd Saturday of each month** hosted by the Eitzenberger and Hebert Families. The event includes a pot-luck meal, fellowship, recreation and concludes with praying a rosary with other families on their journey to holiness. For more details and to sign up, please visit abearacres.org or contact Denae at 512-657-4388 -denae@yourhollyfamily.org

**Food Collections Catholic Charities
Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry**
1st and 3rd weekends of every month
October 15-16 and November 5-6

33 Hours of Adoration

**Tuesdays 8 am—
Wednesdays 5 pm**
in the church.

Adorers: share your contact information with those who adore during your Adoration Hour.



Check out the Sign-UP Genius for Adoration: www.signupgenius.com/go/9040b48aaab2aabf49-eucharistic1. Contact Cecilia Balman: vabalman@aol.com.



REGINA CAELI™

University-Style Hybrid®

Now hiring part-time Classical Teachers for the 2022-23 academic year! If you love ministry or have homeschool experience, this is for you! Regina Caeli is a private, independent, *University-Style Hybrid®* operating in the Catholic tradition. Preschool - 12th grade students attend classical academic and extracurricular classes two days a week, and homeschool the remaining days following the plans provided by RCA. Staff members must have a deep love of the Catholic faith and a love for teaching children. RCA seeks teachers/tutors for the nursery and a variety of teaching positions, including High School Math and Kindergarten. To see our job postings and to apply, please visit our website at www.rcahybrid.org or contact Sarah Henkel for more information at shenkel.clt@rcahybrid.org

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar

October 16	Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost - 2 nd class
October 17	St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin - 3 rd class
October 18	St Luke the Evangelist - 2 nd class
October 19	St. Peter of Alcantara, Confessor - 3 rd class
October 20	St. John Cantius Confessor - 3 rd class
October 21	Feria - 4th class; or St. Hilarion, Abbot - 4th class; or St. Ursula and Companions, Virgins and Martyrs - 4 th class
October 22	Saturday of Our Lady - 4 th class
October 23	Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost - 2 nd 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 Questions? Email:

info@charlottelatinmass.org.

For Latin Mass news, 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.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

call: 803-810-9602,

visit: SCMarriageMatters.org,email: applications@scmarriagematters.org.

Young Couples and Families ministry is comprised of newly married couples and families in the first few years of parenthood! Our next event is Fall Fest on October 16th. Please email clarajdavison@gmail.com for more information about this event and to be added to the Young Couples and Families email list.

Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10's of 1000's 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 about or to register for the October program beginning with a weekend on Oct 14-16 in Charlotte, contact Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email: billlynfolsom@gmail.com (3 L's in a row) or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org



TOGETHER IN HOLINESSTM

CONFERENCE SERIES

The St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Charlotte invite all married and engaged couples to the fourth annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on **Saturday, November 19 8:30 am – 3:30 pm at St. Ann Catholic Church**

Dynamic Presentations | Mass | Childcare

Eucharistic Adoration | Reconciliation

Featuring: Steve and Becky Greene,
Catholic Speakers, Writers, and Co-hosts of
"The Catholic Conversation"

Registration: \$64/couple and \$40/individual

Early Bird discount available through October 3.
Scholarships available upon request. On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required. For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email ellen@forlifeandfamily.org.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**Our Parishioners**

Elizabeth Roe,
Chuck Sollard,
Edward McNally,
Mark Ponischil,
Mckenzie Hansen,
Anna Sobus & family,
Thomas Lauer & family
Maximiliano Cardlle
Susan Carter

Our friends and family:

Ellen Hill (sister of
Yvonne Dundee)
Michelle Obruba
(friend of Skorupa family)
Jennifer Arnold
(friend of Nancy Tota)
Mary Regester
(friend of Nancy Tota)
Grace Portigue
(daughter of Barbara
Meskill)
Douglas Edge
Albert Ayd
(brother of Cecilia
Balman)
Dolly Langley
(sister of Cecilia Balman)
Joel Rivera
Marcia York
(sister of Carol Kuhn)
Michael Pappas
Jacqueline Russell
(mother of Andrea Hines)
James Matthew Brennan
William "Will" Shack
(grandson of Pat Niemer)
Muriel Johnson
Christine Weiss &
family,

Jimmy Dixon
(Mary Ann Wolff)
Thais Turner
(mother of Carmel
Palanos)
Josie Sanctis
(daughter-in-law of
Deacon Tom & Teresa
Sanctis)
Judah
(grandson of Carol Fiore)
MOP Brothers &
Residents in India
Rena Butler
Everleigh Moore
(granddaughter of
Maryann Conrad)
Mary Jo Shannon
(niece of Jim & Wilma
Crates and Kathleen &
Rick Miner)
Jeremy Kuhn, (son of
Carol & Dennis Kuhn),
Don Perkins (friend of
Mary Ann Wolff)

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

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Holy Angels at Grazie Mille Weekend

Holy Angels, a home of loving, living and learning for the differently able needs your help to support our angels. Grazie Mille, our biggest fundraising weekend of the year, is November 18-19. Friday night is Casino Royale, with great food, games and the music of *Southside Watt*. Saturday night is our Starlight Gala which is a black tie event with a three-course dinner and celebration. Both nights help to raise critically important funds to support our residents. To buy tickets or learn more, go to www.HolyAngelsNC.org/graziemille or use the QR code. We're also raffling off a Vespa for \$50 a ticket! Holy Angels is celebrating its 67th year of supporting children and adults with intellectual developmental disabilities and are medically fragile. "Grazie mille" – a thousand thanks.



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FALL FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 30**

1125 BUCHANAN STREET

3:00-6:00

DUAL SLIDE, MELTDOWN OBSTACLE, KNOCK DOWN, FACE PAINTING, PHOTO BOOTH, CAKE WALK, DUNK TANK, GAMES, PRIZES, SUNSET SLUSH, GRILLED FOOD AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

\$25 - DOOR PRICE - ALL YOU CAN PLAY PASS
(INDIVIDUAL TICKETS AVAILABLE)
CASH/PAYPAL

Questions? Erin LiVecchi - liveschi2@gmail.com

Catholic Charities**Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry**

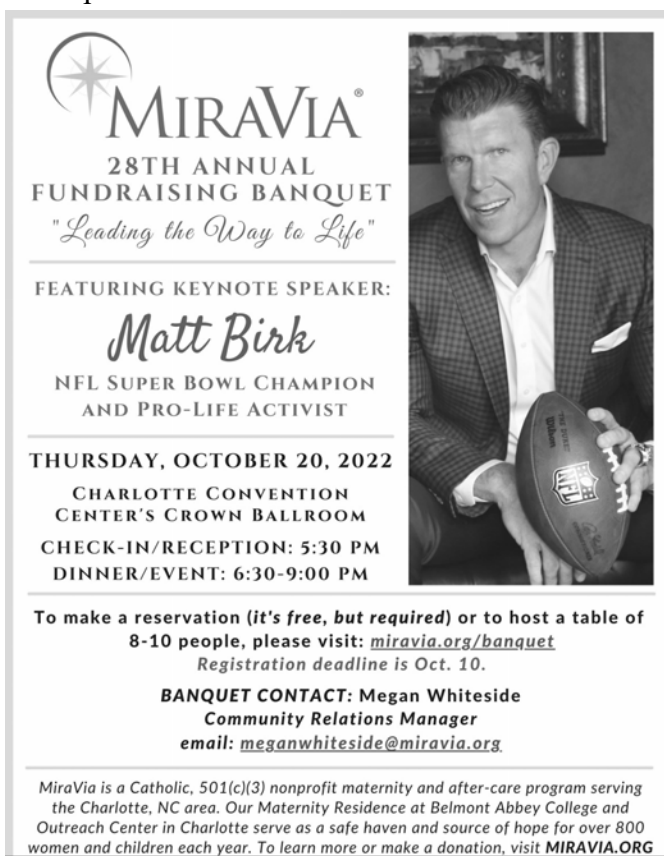
If you would like to donate grocery items, schedule a time on our webpage:

www.ccdoc.org/en/donate/donate-grocery-items

**"A PLACE AT THE TABLE
AFRICAN-AMERICANS ON THE ROAD
TO SAINTHOOD"**

Join us for an afternoon of fun, music and refreshments. Our Lady of Consolation Church is hosting a film screening for the entire Diocese of Charlotte as it celebrates its 50th anniversary. There are six incredible black men and women who are on the path to canonization. The Catholic Church recognizes their impact and may soon name any or all of them saints. Hear their stories on **Sat., Nov 19, at 2:00 PM** at the Macs Fine Arts Center, Charlotte Catholic High School, 7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, Charlotte. For tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/422631681737>



MIRAVIA
28TH ANNUAL
FUNDRAISING BANQUET
"Leading the Way to Life"

FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Matt Birk
NFL SUPER BOWL CHAMPION
AND PRO-LIFE ACTIVIST

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022
CHARLOTTE CONVENTION
CENTER'S CROWN BALLROOM
CHECK-IN/RECEPTION: 5:30 PM
DINNER/EVENT: 6:30-9:00 PM

To make a reservation (it's free, but required) or to host a table of 8-10 people, please visit: miravia.org/banquet
Registration deadline is Oct. 10.

BANQUET CONTACT: Megan Whiteside
Community Relations Manager
email: meganwhiteside@miravia.org

MiraVia is a Catholic, 501(c)(3) nonprofit maternity and after-care program serving the Charlotte, NC area. Our Maternity Residence at Belmont Abbey College and Outreach Center in Charlotte serve as a safe haven and source of hope for over 800 women and children each year. To learn more or make a donation, visit MIRAVIA.ORG

Diocesan Anniversary Celebration

If you are celebrating your silver or golden wedding anniversary this year and wish to be included in the celebration, please register at <https://charlottediocese.org/bishops-yearly-anniversary-mass-for-couples/>. The Mass will be held on **Sunday, October 23, 2022** at St. Ann Catholic Church. Mass begins at 2:30 p.m. and will be followed by a reception.

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!

As you come into the church, please keep in mind that we have several parishioners and visitors with walkers and canes that would like to sit in the back by the baptismal font so the walk from their cars is not too far! Make sure to lock your cars and trucks. Either keep your personal items with you in church or lock them in your trunk. *This is for your safety.*

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!

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.

Be sure you are up to date on your **Protecting God's Children information & the Virtus monthly bulletins.** You need to up date your **Background Check every five (5) years.** All forms are online on the Diocese of Charlotte website: under Safe Environment & Volunteers.

If you have information about possible sexual abuse or misconduct by any clergy, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Charlotte, report concerns safely, securely and anonymously 24/7 over the phone using the diocese's new hotline, 8 8 8 - 6 3 0 - 5 9 2 9 , or online : **www.RedFlagReporting.com/RCDOC.**

NOTE: If you suspect a child is in danger, contact 9-1-1 or local law enforcement agency.

To 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.

The general dispensation to miss Mass has been rescinded. Everyone without a serious reason to miss Mass is obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation. As has always been the case, we may legitimately miss a Sunday Mass if we are sick, if we care for the sick and infirmed, have a health condition that would be seriously compromised if we were to contract a communicable disease, or if we have good reason to think we might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness. Feel welcome to continue wearing a mask if you are more comfortable doing so. As for the Allen Center, masks are not mandated.

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

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