



ST. ANN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 30, 2022



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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 30	8:00 am + Andrew Csordas Jr. <i>by the Lejk family</i> 10:30 am Intentions of our parish 12:30 pm Latin Mass + Dorothy & John McElravey <i>by the family</i>	9:00 am Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 9:15 am Donuts and Dogma in Café 2:00 pm Baptism Church 5:00 pm Solemn Vespers- St. Joseph's Seminary
Monday, October 31	7:00 am Intentions of Katherine King <i>by the Grant family</i>	10:00 am Classrooms 1&2 in use 7:00 pm Legion of Mary Classroom 3 RCIA in Classrooms 1&2
Tuesday, November 1	7:00 am + Deceased parishioners and their loved ones 12:00 pm All Saints Day 6:00 pm All Saints Day	8:00 am All Saints Party-Gym & kitchen <i>8:00 am Adoration begins (in the chapel)</i>
Wednesday, November 2	8:30 am Intentions of the Holy Father 12:30 pm All Souls Day 6:00 pm Latin Mass + All Deceased Parishioners	Adoration continues in the chapel 8:00 am Library, Classrooms 1, 2,3&4 in use 5:00 pm Holy Hour Church 7:00 pm Fidelis (Gym)
Thursday, November 3	7:00 am +Deceased parishioners and their loved ones	10:00 am Catholic scripture study (Classroom 3) 2:30 pm Church in use 5:30 pm Confessions in Church 7:00 pm Gym in use Homeschool meeting-Conference room
Friday, November 4	7:00 am Latin Mass Poor Souls in Purgatory <i>by the Association of Holy Souls</i> 8:30 am +Deceased parishioners and their loved ones	8:00 am Chapel, All rooms in use 1:00 pm Church cryroom in use
Saturday, November 5	4:30 pm +Jack Doman <i>by Marguerite Doman</i>	10:00 am Carnival 2:00 pm Church in use 3:00 pm Confessions (Church)
Sunday, November 6	8:00 am Intentions of Linus Bremer <i>by the family</i> 10:30 am +Deceased parishioners and their loved ones 12:30 pm Latin Mass Intentions of our parish family	9:00 am Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 9:15 am Donuts and Dogma in Café 5:00 pm Solemn Vespers- St. Joseph's Seminary



Dear Parishioners,

The Carnival is just one week away! I hope you're looking forward to it as much as I am. It's always a great day for us – a homecoming of sorts – that allows us to reconnect with one another. So please make plans to attend. As you all know, this is a biggest fund-raiser of the year, and our parish relies on the funds we raise to supplement our general operating budget. Thank you in advance for your patronage!

All important information for our Carnival is on our webpage, which can be found at: <https://www.stanncharlotte.org/home/get-involved/community-ministries/#carnival>. There you'll find info about all of the elements of our

Carnival. You can pre-purchase tickets for the games and rides, as well as raffle tickets (you don't even have to be present at the Carnival to win the raffle). As always, we're still in need of volunteers and sponsors for our games and rides. You can sign up on-line for both of these things by going to the Carnival webpage link above.

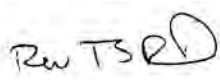
Keep in mind that **Tuesday, 01 November 2022, is the Solemnity of All Saints**, and it is a holy day of obligation. Masses are at 7 a.m. (Latin), 12 p.m. (English), and 6 p.m. (English). Additionally, we are exposing relics of various saints on the main altar of the church all day, beginning after the 7 a.m. Mass until the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Praying before the relics of saints helps us draw closer in friendship to the saints, and spurs them to intercede for us. So please come and venerate the various saints whose relics we have here at St. Ann's.

Wednesday, 02 November 2022, is the Feast of All Souls. This is not a holy day of obligation, but it's a wonderful day to attend Mass nonetheless as we have an obligation to pray for the dead. We will have English Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 12 p.m., and a Latin Requiem Mass at 6pm.

As we have for the past several years, we will be offering a Novena of Masses for all the Poor Souls in Purgatory. If you would like to have your deceased loved ones remembered in a special way, please use the All Souls envelopes and write the names of your loved ones on the envelope. You may turn in your envelopes at any time during the month of November. Those listed on the envelopes will be remembered in a special Litany of the Dead that we will offer after every daily Mass during November. The Book of the Dead will also be available in the narthex for you to list the names of your beloved deceased for whom you desire prayers.

Lastly, during this month of October, which is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, I've encouraged all of you to pray the Rosary daily. While October is coming to an end, I still want to encourage you to make the Rosary a part of your daily prayers. Many graces are given to those who pray the Rosary daily, especially when a family prays it together.

Sincerely yours in Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary,



Fr. Reid

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

Your Stewardship of Treasure

807 registered families

Collection Date	Actual	Budget	Over/Under
October 2	20,201.75	22,961.53	(2,759.78)
October 9	28,712.76	22,961.53	5,751.23
October 16	22,527.40	22,961.53	(434.13)
YTD July 01-October 2, 2022	\$ 368,333.60	\$ 367,384.48	\$ 949.12

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:	24,005.30
Assessment Balance:	12,926.70

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



PARISH CARNIVAL: Reminder that our parish carnival will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 5th** from 10am-6pm. Join us for food, rides, games— and most importantly, join us to spend time together as a parish family. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Gustainis at megustainis@gmail.com or 919-675-7650.

SILENT AUCTION: Bidding on our Silent Auction has begun! Some great opportunities for dinners with Fr. Reid, Fr. Jones and our deacons, as well as fun sports opportunities. Go to www.auctria.events/StAnnCharlotte2022 (or use the QR code below) to register and begin bidding. You won't want to miss this! Need help registering or have questions on the items? Contact Mary Ellen Gustainis at megustainis@gmail.com or 919-675-7650.

St. Ann's Carnival Silent Auction
<https://auctria.events/StAnnCharlotte2022>

Register
 10/22-10/28



Bid
 10/29-11/5

WEDDING BANNERS

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II: Kaylin Zimmerman—Will Fink
 11 November 2022
 4:00 PM

I: Flannery Kuhn—Sean MacDevette
 18 November 2022
 4:00 PM

I: Sarah McCullers—William Nobers
 19 November 2022
 1:00 PM

The Saint Challenge is launching on **All Saint's Day, November 1st**. It is a year-long series of challenges based on the saint of the day.

In 90 seconds you'll learn a little fact about the saint of the day, and be given a challenge inspired by that saint. It could be a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, or something to improve your interior life and your relationship with God and neighbor. The Saint Challenge is free, and you can find more information and find ways to sign up at www.thesaintchallenge.com. Let's be saints!



EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Respect Life for November: 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: "Please join us for the Vigil of the Two Hearts this Friday, Nov. 5 at St. Patrick's Cathedral. 8pm Mass, with confessions, Holy Hour of Reparation, and nocturnal adoration. A great opportunity to pray for an end to abortion leading up to the Nov. 8 elections."



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: The Fall Campaign for 40 Days for Life runs through Nov. 6. Our local campaign takes place at Planned Parenthood at 700 S. Torrence St. Please sign up for vigil 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 Shradler at peregrinenorth@gmail.com to be added to the list.

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.

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.

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.

Solemnity of All Saints
Tuesday, November 1
(a holy day of obligation)
Masses at 7 a.m. (Latin)
12 p.m. (English)
6 p.m. (English)

Feast of All Souls
Wednesday, November 2
We will have English Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 12 p.m., and a Latin Requiem Mass at 6pm.

If you have not yet turned in your **DSA pledge envelope**, please fill it out and return it to the Parish Office or go to charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.

Bulletin Deadlines:

Tuesday, November 1 at 12 noon for
Sunday, November 6
Tuesday, November 8 at 12 noon for
Sunday, November 13

Email articles to: bulletinstann3635@gmail.com

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Faith Formation 2022-23

K-8 th grade 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. 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.

**LoveEd**

A Catholic Program
for Parents & Kids

We are happy to once again offer the LoveEd Program at St. Ann. The LoveEd Program is designed to empower

parents to teach both the theology and science of human sexuality within the context of God's plan for love and life. To learn more about LoveEd., **watch for details and meeting times** that will be scheduled in the new year. This event and information session will be open to all parents of children from ages 2 – 14 years of age. Follow up sessions for participating families will be offered at a later date for both parents and their children (grades 4-6 and 6-8, fathers/sons and mothers/daughters). The LoveEd program can also be completed in its entirety at home so watch for the information on the parent instruction. Please contact Virginia Blatchford, Office of Faith Formation at vlblatchford@rcdoc.org with any questions.

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**

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 the next few dates for classes are October 30th, and November 6, 13, and 20th.

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. Bring 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
November 5-6 and 19-20

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 30	Christ the King (Sunday) - 1 st class
October 31	Feria (Mass of 21st Sunday after Pentecost) - 4 th class
November 1	All Saints - 1 st class
November 2	Commemoration of All Souls - 1 st class
November 3	Feria - 4 th class; Daily Mass for the Dead - 3 rd class; Jesus Christ the High Priest - 3 rd class
November 4	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop - 3 rd class; Daily Mass for the Dead - 3 rd class; Sacred Heart of Jesus - 3 rd class
November 5	Saturday of Our Lady - 4 th class; Daily Mass for the Dead - 3 rd class; The Holy Relics - 4 th class
November 6	Twenty-Second 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.



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
Scholarships available upon request.

On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required. For more information, please visit to-
getherinholiness.org or
email ellen@forlifeandfamily.org.

Young Couples and Families Ministry

is comprised of newly married
couples and families in the
beginning years of parenthood!



Our next event is a

Feast of Christ the King potluck November 20th

Email clarajdavison@gmail.com for more
information about this event and to be added to the
Young Couples and Families email list.

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 or to register for the upcoming October 14-16 program in Charlotte, call 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

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- livecchi2@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

PERSON & IDENTITY

a project of the Ethics and Public Policy Center

SPECIAL TALKS:**Theresa Farnan, PhD**

Theresa Farnan is an author and moral philosopher specializing in virtue ethics, moral education, philosophy of the person, gender and sexuality, and ethical issues facing the family.

**Saturday, November 5, 7-9 pm, in the church**

Program for educators, leaders, clergy and adults:
"Responding in Truth and Love to Gender Ideology"

Description: Pope Francis challenges us to accompany the vulnerable, including those who identify as transgender. At the same time he has warned about the dangers of gender ideology and its effect on children and families. In this talk we will break down what he means by gender ideology, and why he warns us that it is harmful. We will then talk about what makes children and young adults vulnerable and how we can accompany them in truth and love.

Sunday, November 6, 2-4 pm, in the Family Center

Program for high schoolers, parents and families:

"What parents and teens need to know about gender ideology"

Description: Our culture places a distorted lens on children and young adults, hypersexualizing them and encouraging the rejection of their bodies. What is gender ideology and where are young adults and children exposed to it? Why does Pope Francis warn us about it? How can we help young people navigate these toxic influences?

Information: personandidentity.com or email Paul.Laskowski@stmarknc.org



SAINT MARK Catholic Church

14740 Stumptown Road, Huntersville, NC
stmarknc.org

"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>

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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