



ST. ANN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 19, 2023



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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 |
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| Sunday, February 19 | 8:00 am Intentions of Dcn. Tom and Teresa Sanctis <i>by the Terry family</i> 10:30 am Intentions of our parish 12:30 pm Latin Mass + Henry Barnes <i>by Maria Ebinger</i> | 9:00 a.m. Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 9:15 a.m. Donuts and Dogma (Café) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church) 5:00 pm Solemn Vespers with St. Joseph Seminary |
| Monday, February 20 | 7:00 am Intentions of Douglas Sweatt <i>by Sue Ann Howell</i> | OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Classroom 3) |
| Tuesday, February 21 | 7:00 am Intentions of the Longo family <i>by Fr. Reid</i> | 8:00 a.m. Adoration begins (Church) |
| Wednesday, February 22 | 7:00 am Latin Mass St. Ann benefactors and their loved ones 8:30 am School Mass 6:00 pm + Mark Auth <i>by Les and Karen Auth</i> | ASH WEDNESDAY <i>Adoration continues in the <u>chapel</u></i> 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour Church 7:00 p.m. Fidelis (Gym) |
| Thursday, February 23 | 7:00 am Intentions of Ricardo Ros <i>by Katie Cosby</i> | 10:00 a.m. Catholic Scripture Study-Classroom 3 5:30 p.m. Confessions in Church 6:00 p.m. Finance Council 7:00 p.m. Gym in use |
| Friday, February 24 | 7:00 am Latin Mass Alil Shayeghi <i>by the family</i> 8:30 am Intentions of Mary Kathryn Samuelson <i>by Darlene Konopasek</i> | 8:00 a.m. All rooms in use 1:00 p.m. Church cry room in use 6:00 p.m. Holy hour 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday, February 25 | 8:00 am Prolife Mass 4:30 pm Intentions of the Longo family | 3:00 p.m. Confessions (Church) |
| Sunday, February 26 | 8:00 am Intentions of our parish family 10:30 am + Dolores Galantowicz <i>by John Paul Galantowicz</i> 12:30 pm Latin Mass Intentions of Margaret Foushee <i>by the family</i> | 9:00 a.m. Teen Apologetics (Classrooms 1&2) 9:15 a.m. Donuts and Dogma (Café) 2:00 pm Baptism (Church) |
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Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your wonderful generosity to our mission project in India. Deacon Peter and I had a very good trip over there! As I had not been to India since 2019, I wanted to see firsthand how the Missionaries of the Poor had spent the very considerable amount of money we've invested in there, both for capital projects and for taking care of the poor. I'm delighted to say that the brothers have spent our donations quite well!



One of the highlights of the trip was seeing the new chapel our parish helped build. This chapel is for the use of the brothers and their monastery, and it turned out beautifully. To the left is a picture of me by the dedication plaque on the outside of the chapel. Below is a pic of all the brothers standing in front of the chapel, and another inside the chapel.

It was also great to see so many of the residents the brothers care for in their apostolate – many of whom I've known since we first started visiting India 7 years ago (see below). At the bottom of the page you can see a chapel our parish helped build in a very poor village the brothers work in.



Again, thank you so much for your generosity. It's my plan for our parish to continue supporting this MOP Mission in India, and I hope we can take a group of parishioners over next year!

Yours in Christ,

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*

| <u>Collection Date</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Over/Under</u> |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| January 1 | 22,347.00 | 22,961.53 | (614.53) |
| January 8 | 46,868.53 | 22,961.53 | 23,907.00 |
| January 15 | 16,483.68 | 22,961.53 | (6,477.85) |
| January 22 | 19,728.49 | 22,961.53 | (3,233.04) |
| January 29 | 27,600.44 | 22,961.53 | 4,638.91 |
| YTD July 01, 2022-January 29, 2023 | | | |
| | \$ 768,612.58 | \$ 711,807.43 | \$ 56,805.15 |

—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!*

Make your DSA gift online right now!

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www.charlottediocese.org/dsa

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RIGHT NOW!

**DSA 2023:****Goal: \$ 134,991.59****Outstanding Parish Loan Balances:****Rectory Loan: \$562,782.65****5 Year Plan Loan \$303,709.19*****Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org***

Wells of Salvation

Our Lenten Outreach



"When it rains, we draw muddy water. We are drinking together with animals, and you can even see the animal droppings all around," Agnes Mwanja mourns. "My girls go to school in dirty uniforms."

Agnes, 35, is a hardworking subsistence farmer and mother of five living in northern Malawi. Without a safe water source, Agnes and her daughters toil exhaustively to find something — anything — to drink. The family typically makes six back-and-forth trips to the Wiboghoh River, a small body of water that is teeming with dirt, debris and bacteria.

Still, Agnes gives thanks when she can find water at all. During Malawi's dry season, the Wiboghoh River evaporates into nothing, so Agnes must walk four hours in hopes of filling her buckets at the distant Upivo River. Snakes and leopards lie along the path, adding another element of danger to an already strenuous journey.

Agnes prays for the day when her daughters will be able to quench their thirst without risking waterborne diseases or wild animal attacks... and we believe God can answer her prayers through us! **This Lent, our parish is working with Cross Catholic Outreach to share the mercy of Christ by providing deep, clean wells — as well as safe sanitation and empowering educational opportunities — for families in dire need.**



Scan this code with your smart device to learn more about Wells of Salvation.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

If you love to sing and believe in the transformative power of beautiful music for the liturgy, please consider adding your voice to the St. Ann choir and/or schola(s). As a **new member**, you can expect to start out by singing:

1. The Ordinary of the Mass: Kyrie, Gloria, Psalm/ Gradual, Alleluia, Credo, Sanctus, Memorial acclamation, Agnus Dei. This is no easy task at St. Ann as we change the Ordinary of the Mass frequently.

2. The Processional/Recessional Hymns

As you become a **more skilled, experienced member**, or as a music reader who can prepare independently, you can expect to participate in the presentation of some of the more musically challenging repertoire.

St. Ann choir/schola repertoire includes items sung in English and Latin, plainchant, Gregorian chant, SATB harmony & polyphony. Music is available for pickup 1 week in advance of Mass. Packets will include both new member & experienced member items. All singers are expected to thoroughly review the music independently. Rehearsing with the group will occur 45 minutes prior to the start of Mass and at other times as needed.

Arrival is 45 minutes prior to Mass start time. Questions? Contact Terese Rowe at 704.599.5725 or rowetmj@bellsouth.net ...or stop up in the loft, and we will show you where to pick up the next week's music so you can get started!

The Men's Club of Saint Ann is looking for new members and volunteers. If your interested in joining, reach out to Paul Sorge at 704.430.8129/ paulsorge@yahoo.com

EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Respect Life

Respect Life for February: Spiritual Adoption of the Abortion Vulnerable. Our unborn baby is 4 months old! The poster showing the development of a 4-month-old unborn baby is on display in the narthex this weekend.

PRAY: The February Mass for Our Blessed Lady's Respect Life intentions will be **Saturday, February 25th, at 8am (MEF)**. Holy Hour of Reparation and prayers at PP will follow as usual.

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: There are two important pro-life bills - one state, one federal - that need our support. Please contact your representatives (it's easy - just follow the links below)!

NC Heartbeat Law

Since Roe v. Wade was overturned, North Carolina has seen a 37% increase in the number of abortions performed here, as neighboring states have moved to limit or ban abortion. It's time our state banned it too. Please visit the following link to send an automatic message to your state representative and senator: www.ncvalues.org/heartbeat

No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act

The House of Representatives is considering whether to bring the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R. 7) to a vote. This bill would permanently ban taxpayer dollars from going to abortions. Please visit the USCCB's Action Center to contact your representative: www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/100286/ RespondPlease join our email list for up-to-date information and alerts on pro-life issues and events. Email Rachel Shrader at peregrinenorth@gmail.com to be added to the list.



Lenten Family Mini-Retreat: You are invited to a Lenten Family Mini-Retreat, A Family Fun Day at **St. Ann on Saturday March 18th at 11:30 AM**. Activities will include a potluck lunch, a talk for parents, a spiritual family activity followed by games, family prayer, opportunities for confession and the Saturday evening mass. For more information and to sign up, visit <https://yourhollyfamily.org/family-mini-retreat/> or call 512-657-4388 or email denae@yourhollyfamily.org

Catholic Quizbowl of North Carolina

All students, grades 5th-12th, are invited to compete in the first annual Catholic Quizbowl of North Carolina competition on **March 4** from **9am-4pm** in the Allen Center at St. Ann Catholic Church. Details and rules can be found on the website at:

www.nccatholicquizbowl.blogspot.com.

Please email Mary Margaret Lewis at marymargaretlewis03@gmail.com with any questions.



Knights of Columbus Meetings

1st Tuesday of each month at 7pm
St. Patrick's Family Life Center

Learn more about how the Knights of Columbus serve God's people.

Contact Richard Mills, Financial Secretary at rtn2108@aol.com.



Food Collections Catholic Charities
Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry
1st and 3rd weekends of every month
February 18-19

Adorers Needed

We need three Adorers to cover the following days and times:

- Tuesday, 10 PM
- Wednesday, 11 AM
- Wednesday, 1 PM

Please contact Cecilia Balman if you are interested in covering one of these Hours.

vabalman@aol.com

Baptism Class

A baptism class is scheduled for March 5 at 9:10am in the Activity Center. Please call the office at 704.523.4641 to sign up.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Faith Formation 2022-23

Classes 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. **We do not have class on February 19th.** We return to class on February 26th. For additional information or questions, contact Virginia Blatchford at 704-523-4641 ext. 231.

Confirmation Students

Our all-day confirmation retreat is on March 4th at Belmont Abbey from 9 am-3 pm with check in at 8:45 am. We will meet in the Mezzanine at the Student Commons Building. See the map at the Belmont Abbey College website for the location. Please note that students need to complete their adoration and service hours.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Our RCIA team meets 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, and 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

WELLS OF SALVATION FOR LENT

Our parish will participate in the Wells of Salvation program run by Cross Catholic Outreach during Lent. See the details noted in this bulletin.

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 have started Apologetics 7: **How to Read the Bible** by San Juan Catholic Seminars. **We will not have class on February 19th** but will return to class on February 26th.

First Communion Families:

Please note that our **1st Eucharist Retreat is on April 1** from 9:30-12:30 with check in at 9:15 am in the Allen Center. Our **1st Communion date is April 29th.** Families need to arrive before 10:30 am or as early as 9:30 am for pictures. If you plan to have 1st communion at the Latin Mass, or if you are not receiving communion class emails please contact the Faith Formation office.

St. Ann has just renewed our parish membership for **Open Light Media**. To access the content, please sign up to create an account as though you are purchasing the membership. When you get to the checkout step, enter the parish code and your balance should go to zero. **Our parish code is: oplaccdocp0pfree-year** This code will allow you to access all the material on the site. The materials are produced by the **Dominican Sisters** so the content is excellent!

Deacons and Dogma

Deacon Tonon will host a class for adults from 9-10:10 in the café. These classes take place on each class day for Faith Formation. **We will not have class on February 19th.** 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!

Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St. Dymphna

You are invited to join Fr. Benjamin Roberts, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Monroe, NC, on a 3-day pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Saint Dymphna located in Massillon, Ohio. The dates are March 19-21. The itinerary includes Holy Mass Monday and Tuesday, a tour of the National Shrine of St. Dymphna and the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption. We will spend time in prayer in front of the relics of all twelve apostles, St. Dymphna, and a relic of the True Cross.

The cost is \$199.00 per person which includes all meals and roundtrip transportation aboard a luxury motor coach. For more information or to sign up, please email StDymphna2013@gmail.com or call Sue 704-431-2861.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Dear Friends in Christ,

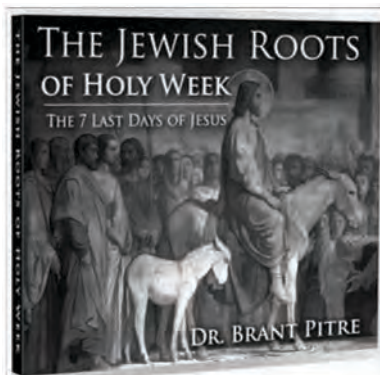
For the second Christmastide in a row, I have dealt with events that precluded me from responding to you.

Firstly, I wish to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your prayers. My mother Jo Anne is doing much better and is now home after emergency surgery. Secondly, thank you for the many beautiful Christmas cards and generous gifts. I never cease to be gobsmacked by your kindness! Please continue to remember me in your prayers. God bless you!

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Brandon Jones

Please consider joining us in our Rock Hill home to grow in faith and fellowship as we host **Catholic Productions** program:



*The Jewish Roots
of Holy Week:
The 7 Last Days
of Jesus*

We will gather on **Tuesday evenings beginning February 21st** (last session April 4th). Feel free to start arriving at

7pm. The video will begin around 7:15pm and a discussion surrounding the video will follow. If you have any questions, call or text Tammy Fischer (704.287.2319) or Ron Fischer (704.965.1815). There is no material to purchase, but there is an outline you can download (if you wish) at the website.

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

LATIN MASS CORNER**Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar**

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| February 19 | Quinquagesima Sunday - 2 nd class |
| February 20 | Feria - 4 th class |
| February 21 | Feria - 4 th class |
| February 22 | Ash Wednesday - 1 st class |
| February 23 | Thursday after Ash Wednesday - 3 rd class |
| February 24 | St. Matthias - 2 nd class |
| February 25 | Saturday after Ash Wednesday - 3 rd class |
| February 26 | First Sunday of Lent - 1 st 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

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

**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.

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.

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.

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN**Our Parishioners**

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

Our friends and family:

Ellen Hill (sister of Yvonne Dundee)
Michelle Obruba (friend of Skorupa family)
Jennifer Arnold (friend of Nancy Tota)
Mary Register (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)
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)
Jan Hart
Steve Frank

Our servicemen and servicewomen:

Lt. Grace Carlson, USN,
Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC
Ensign Hayley Derscheid
Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey Derscheid
SGT James "Jim" Alston, US Army.
Cadet 1st Class Kenneth Davison III USAF
Cadet 2nd Class Anna Davison USAF
Cadet 4th Class Therese Davison USAF
Lt. Thomas Hetzel, Deployed
Capt. Peter Hetzel, US Army

DIOCESAN EVENTS

THE BISHOP'S YOUTH
PILGRIMAGE
I Am With You Always
Matthew 28:20



March 25, 2023
9:00AM-3:00PM

REGISTER ONLINE AT GOEUCCHARIST.COM

Bishop Peter J. Jugis invites middle and high school youth to join him at Belmont Abbey for a day of prayer and adoration of our Eucharistic Lord. The Bishop's Youth Pilgrimage is graciously hosted by Belmont Abbey College and Monastery and provides youth with an experience of the Catholic faith with uplifting music and dynamic speakers. The Youth Pilgrimage is the perfect opportunity to prepare the way for the Eucharistic Congress.

COST
\$15/person, includes lunch.

REGISTER goeucharist.com




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Aging with Confidence

4-PART WEBINAR SERIES

Join Catholic Charities Elder Ministry as we explore how our Five Senses impact aging.

SESSION ONE:
"Hearing Health and the Brain"
Hearing loss affects people of all ages and can be caused by many different factors. Join us as Dr. Kelly Knolhoff explores the basics of hearing, the effects of hearing loss on the brain and cognition. Treatment options and updates in hearing aid technology will be discussed.
Wednesday, March 8, 2023 • 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Presented by:
Dr. Kelly Knolhoff
Audiologist & Owner at Birkdale Audiology

To register, please click [here](#).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. For additional information or assistance with registering, please contact Sandra Breakfield at 704-370-3220 or email sandra@ccdc.org.

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SESSION TWO:
SENSE OF SMELL & TASTE
"Adjusting to Change in Smell & Taste"
March 22nd
10:00-11:00 a.m.

SESSION THREE:
SENSE OF VISION
TBA

SESSION FOUR:
SENSE OF TOUCH
June 13th
2:00-3:00 p.m.

CONVERGING ROADS™

St. JOHN PAUL II FOUNDATION

REGISTER NOW

MARCH 25, 2023 | 9:15 AM - 6:45 PM | THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK

Medical professionals, students, and interested lay-people are invited to the sixth annual Converging Roads health care ethics conference on Saturday, March 25 at The Cathedral of St. Patrick in Charlotte! This conference is a wonderful way to gain a comprehensive knowledge of practicing medicine under a Catholic ethos while earning up to 7 hours of CME/CNE credits. Join national and local experts either in person or online to discuss topics rooted in the Hippocratic and Catholic ethical tradition. For more information or to register, visit <https://bit.ly/cr23-cnc>

St. Vincent ACES Senior Club
invites all seniors 45+ young to join us
Thursday, March 9 at 11 am



in the Activity Center
as we celebrate
St. Patrick's Day and
"wearing of the green,"
a traditional Irish Buffet
and the music of Phil Diaz,
Carolina Society of Bag-
pipers member.
Cost is \$12/pp members
and \$13/pp guest.
RSVP by Friday, March 3
to Sandy Jankoski at

631-338-1290 mommaj4@yahoo.com.
NEWCOMERS WELCOME.

Seats available on our trip for the
RAT PACK Concert-3/26/23,
Boston -9/24-9/29/23;
Christmastime at Williamsburg, 12/1-12/3/23;
contact Peggy pgibbons1@att.net
or 704-588-5870 (leave a message).

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, 888-630-5929, 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.