



St. Ann

Catholic Church

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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.

November 24, 2024 • The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dear Parishioners,



Happy and blessed **Feast of Christ the King!** As we prepare to enter the holy season of Advent next Sunday, it's good for us to renew our love for our blessed Savior, Who is our almighty King. In so many ways, the kingship of

Christ is being attacked and maligned in the public square, and it's good for us to renew our assent to what we believe about Jesus Christ as Catholics.

In short, we believe that in Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son of God, the full revelation of Truth is given. Fully God and fully man, Jesus is the only Savior of mankind; He alone can save us from sin, death, the power of the evil one, and eternal damnation. Jesus alone can reconcile us to the Father, and thus there is no salvation in any other name (cf. Acts 4:22). Truly, Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life, and no one goes to the Father except through Him (cf. Jn 4:6).

We also believe that Jesus Christ instituted the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church: a hierarchical Church founded upon Peter and the Apostles, which is governed by the Pope (as Peter's successor) and the Bishops (as successors to the Apostles). Along with governing the Church, the Pope and the Bishops united to him have the authority to teach and sanctify the members of the Church. Yet, the teaching authority of the Pope and Bishops is not an authority to create or invent doctrine contrary to the teachings of Christ revealed in Scripture and Tradition. Moreover, Jesus continues His Presence and work of salvation in the Church (which is His Body), and therefore Christ's one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church alone is the means to salvation.

With all this in mind, we can see what a great blessing it is to be not only Christian, but Catholic! As we honor

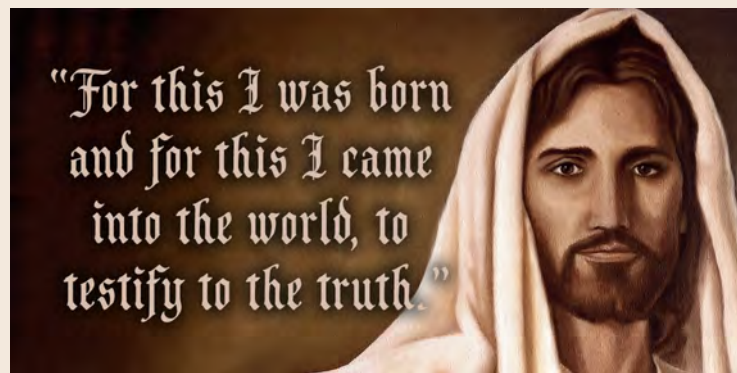
Christ as King, I hope that all of you will renew your steadfast love for our beloved Savior and be willing to defend His honor when He and His Church are attacked and maligned.

I also must thank you for your **stewardship commitments!** I am gratified by the large number of you who have already turned in your stewardship pledge cards indicating how you will steward your time and your talent. If you haven't yet turned in your card, you may drop it in the collection basket or drop it off at the office. As I mentioned in my homily last Sunday, please give careful thought to how you will be a good steward of your treasure as well.

Again, my hope is to amplify the generous culture of stewardship we already have at St. Ann's. We're a growing parish with a lot of needs (and some debt!), and being good stewards of our time, talent, and treasure is a way for us to love, honor, and thank God for His many blessings to us. Our stewardship is also a way for us to step out in faith, trusting that God will always provide for our needs when we are generous with Him first.

With fervent love for Christ our King,

Fr. Reid



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



Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 24

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Matt and Jenny Orso
by the Blais Family

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of our Parish

12:30 pm

+Ronald Paul Auth by Les and Karen Auth

Monday, November 25

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Deceased parishioners and their loved ones

Tuesday, November 26

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Norma Craig by Cindy Lawton

Wednesday, November 27

6:00 pm

+St. Ann Benefactors and their loved ones

Thursday, November 28 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Deceased Parishioners and their loved ones

Friday, November 29 Mass Canceled

Saturday, November 30

4:30 pm (Novus Ordo)

+Deceased Parishioners and their loved ones

Sunday, December 1

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of the Kaufmann Family
by Mike and Joan Macalka

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

+Juan and Marta Casali by Renee Casali

12:30 pm

For our Parish

Help Needed:

An elderly woman (69) is looking for a ride to the 4:30 mass. She lives near the intersection of S. Tryon and Carowinds Blvd. If interested, call Sister Mary Lydia in the office.

Thank you
for your
Priesthood.



Please Pray For...

Our Parishioners

Grace Coyne
Daniel Foster
Elena Hildebrand
Arlene and Gene Luczak
Roe Family

Our Friends and Family

Mia Alderman
Albert Ayd
(Brother of Cecilia Balman)
Brian Blatchford
Betsy Devarakonda
Kinley Duncan
Steve Frank
Maureen Frost
(Sister-in-law of Regina Beach Hoar)
Jeremy Kuhn
(Son of Carol & Dennis Kuhn)
Dolly Langley
(Sister of Cecilia Balman)
Marcia York
(Sister of Carol Kuhn)

Our Servicemen and Servicewomen

Lt. Grace Carlson, USN
Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC
Ensign Hayley Derscheid, USN
Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey Derscheid, USN
SGT James "Jim" Alston, US Army
2nd Lt. Kenneth Davison III USAF
2nd Lt. Anna Davison USAF
Cadet 2nd Class Therese Davison, USAF
Lt. Thomas Hetzel, Deployed, US Army
Capt. Peter Hetzel, US Army
Sam Hucko, Basic Cadet, USAF
Capt. Thomas Mathis IV, DO, US Army
Lt. Grace Mathis, US Army
1st Lt. Angelina Patrinostro USAF

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, November 24

Fr. Meena, OFM Capuchin Mission Appeal Sunday

9:00 am Legion of Mary Conference room

Monday, November 25

7:00 pm RCIA.....Classrooms 1&2

7:00 pm Fraternus..... Gym and café

Tuesday, November 26

8:00 am Adoration begins..... Chapel

6:00 pm Interfaith Basketball..... Gym

6:30 pm Young Adult Holy Happy Hour

7:00 pm St. Joseph Prayer Group..... Library

Wednesday, November 27 *Parish Office Closed*

Adoration continues..... Chapel

7:45 am HS Homeschool ...all classrooms and library

5:00 pm Holy Hour Church

6:00 pm Young Adult Basketball Gym

7:00 pm Bible Study Classroom 3

Thursday, November 28 *Parish Office Closed*

Friday, November 22 *Parish Office Closed*

Saturday, November 30

3:00 pm Confessions Church

5:30 pm St. Ann Homeschool Ministry Family Game
Night -classrooms 1 & 2

Sunday, December 1

8:00 am Family Ministry Formation until 12:30
..... Cafe and playground



33 Hours of Adoration

Tuesdays 8 am-Wednesdays 5 pm in Church

We are in need of adorers on:

**Tuesday at 8 AM, 12 noon, or
7PM and Wednesday at 9 AM or 1PM**

Contact Cecilia Balman at (704) 618-7648
or vabalman@aol.com

Catholic Charities No Longer Accepting Relief Supply Donations

Thank you to everyone who donated essential supplies for those affected by Hurricane Helene in western North Carolina. Your overwhelming generosity has made a profound difference, and we are deeply grateful.

As Catholic Charities shifts from emergency response to long-term care and case management, we are no longer accepting relief supply donations. We remain committed to serving our communities in the months ahead. Thank you for standing with us.

If you would like to donate food or supplies, please visit ccdoc.org/wnc-donations to view a map of organizations accepting donations or get in touch with these partner organizations:

ABCCM – Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry, Arden (abccm.org)
Babies Need Bottoms Diaper Bank, Asheville (babiesneedbottoms.org)
MANNA FoodBank, Mills River (mannafoodbank.org)

Second Harvest Food Bank, Charlotte (secondharvestmetrolina.org)

Second Harvest Food Bank, Winston-Salem (secondharvestnwc.org)

Oplatky–Christmas Wafers –Oplatek

Renew the Eastern European Christmas Tradition sharing the Oplatek/Christmas Wafer at Christmas Eve dinner. Breaking the wafer with family and friends with best wishes, expressions of forgiveness; bring joy and happiness to hearts and homes for the coming year thru the birth of Jesus Christ. Cost: \$1.00 per wafer, state quantity or buy sealed packet of 4 wafers for \$6.00. Order by Dec. 20th. Contact Helen Collins, 704-576-3562 or helen892@att.net.

Retrouvaille Marriage Help

offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage.

Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. For over 40 years, Retrouvaille has provided help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples in the Charlotte area on **Jan. 24-26th**, email: 3062r@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701
Website: www.HelpOurMarriage.com



St Joseph's Men's Prayer Group

We invite the men of our community to gather for a time of prayer and fellowship. Join us every Tuesday at 6:30 PM in the chapel as we come together to pray the rosary. Following the rosary, we engage in fellowship activities designed to foster genuine relationships within our parish. For updates or to submit prayer requests, please use the QR code provided.



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 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





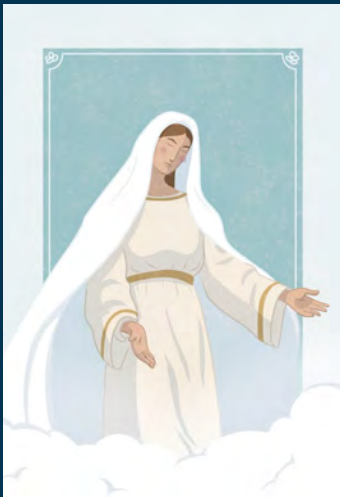
** We are in need of prayer warriors for our two wonderful Deacons.

You will be asked to pray for **BOTH Deacon Tom and Deacon Peter** one day/ week. Please let me know if you can give Our Lord just one hour.

If God is calling you to make a Holy Hour/week for either of our needs, please contact Anchoress, Sarah Miller at: Holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com

Legion of Mary

Sundays • 9:00 am
Classroom 3
Contact Sue Calkins
At 704-724-2297
or maxxwellsr@gmail.com



St. Vincent ACES Senior Club

invite all seniors 45+young to join us. Seats available for 2025 trips **"The Jersey Boys" Tribute, March 2; Parade of Nations-Norfolk, April 24-27.** Contact Peggy pgibbons1@att.net or 704-588-5870 (leave a message).

Two holy days, two Masses

Catholics should plan to attend two Masses over two days Dec. 8-9:

Sunday, Dec. 8

Second Sunday of Advent

*Please attend Mass sometime after 4 p.m. Saturday and before 4 p.m. Sunday.

Monday, Dec. 9

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Please attend Mass any time after 4 p.m. Sunday or on Monday.

Please plan to attend Mass for each day. One Mass does not fulfill both obligations.

St. Ann Homeless Ministry

We Are Always In Need of Volunteers

We cook and serve a hot meal the 3rd Sunday each month for those in need. For details and signups, please scan this QR code or contact Elliot Consoli at 704-497-6998. Must be 16 to serve at the shelter but no age required to help cook and prepare meals.

Parish Resources

Open Light Media materials, produced by the Dominican Sisters, has excellent content! You will find virtue training, fun videos for the family and a parenting series.



Manners Monday is a favorite series. The kids love them! To access our new subscription, please follow the steps listed: Users join the St. Ann group in 3 simple steps!

1. Go to Open Light Media subscription
2. If individuals do not have a login on Open Light Media, you will be prompted to create a free account or log in using an existing user account
3. Fill out the form. Copy and paste this into the search bar: **St. Ann, 3635 Park Road, Charlotte, NC, 28209**

You must type in the name and address exactly as above or the account will not pop up!

St. Ann Family Ministry Corner

Equipping Parents in their Mission of Love and Building a Prayerful Family

"Here is an effective custom for achieving presence of God: your first audience every day should be with Jesus Christ."

St. Josemaria Escriva

Save the Date

Family Formation: Sunday, December 1 after 8 and 10:30am masses

Come over to the Allen Center for a short talk and family activity providing practical advice on how to pray more effectively as a family. Toys, games, and light refreshments will be provided.

Register Now

Carolinas Retreat for Families

December 27- December 30

Heartridge Retreat and Cultural Center, SC.
Registration at: YHFRetreat.org

Challenge

Discern an advent activity and commit to advent family prayer time.



**Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte
Food Pantry Collection**
1st and 3rd weekends of every month
Next collection: Nov. 30/Dec. 1

Legacy of Faith

A Heartfelt Thanks This Thanksgiving

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we extend our deepest gratitude to those who have shared with us their intention to include St. Ann Catholic Church or School in their estate plan. Your generosity is a true blessing to our faith family, ensuring that future generations will enjoy the same experiences we have enjoyed as a parish family. For those considering this thoughtful gift, your legacy will continue to strengthen and sustain St. Ann for years to come. To learn more about leaving a lasting legacy, contact Mark Donzella, Director of Operations, at 704-523-4641 x224 or operations@stanncharlotte.org, or Gina Rhodes, Diocesan Planned Giving Director, at 704-370-3364 or gmrhodes@rcdoc.org.

Pray for Your Priests!



150,000 Hail Marys

133 Diocesan Priests

by November 30, 2024



Join together with Catholics from all over the Diocese of Charlotte to pray for our priests!

Our goal is have 150,000 Hail Marys offered for our 133 diocesan priests by the end of the liturgical year on November 30, 2024.

Scan code or go to CarolinaLiturgy.org to pledge your prayers and have them counted towards our goal!

Carolina Traditional Liturgy Society

THE CASA CORNER

The Courtyard at Saint Anns - For Young Adults 21-39

Upcoming Events



SPEAKER NIGHT: PURGATORY

Thursday, Nov. 21st | 7pm St. Ann Church



THANKSGIVING TURKEY TROT 5K

Sunday, Nov. 24th | 2:30pm St. Ann parking lot



MINI ADVENT RETREAT

Monday, Dec. 2nd | 5:30pm-9pm St. Ann Church & Cafe



HOLY HAPPY HOUR

Tuesday, Dec. 10th | 6:30pm St. Ann, 7:45pm Selwyn Pub

STAY CONNECTED

Follow for event details & more
@courtyardatstanns



JOIN OUR GROUPME



Box of Joy

The Boxes need to be returned to our parish **no later than December 2nd**. Please **drop them off as you fill them** at the designated cartons found at the entrance of the Allen Center, the back of the Church, and the entry to Faith Formation. Thank you for your generosity! **Be sure to include you \$9 donation for the shipping**. You can write a check and put it in an envelope that you slide under the rubber band for the box, or place it on top inside the box, or use the QR code. Thanks for your generosity!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. Use the provided gift box or any shoebox-sized container (approximately 12" long x 6" wide x 4" tall).
2. If possible, remove items from original packaging to limit waste in the receiving countries.
3. **Please do not put monetary donations in the gift boxes.** Go online to boxofjoy.org to make your \$9 donation for each gift box or scan the QR code to pay.
4. If needed, secure the lid to your gift box with a single rubber band (please do not tape the gift box).

GIFT IDEAS PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS

Children who receive Box of Joy gifts love it when you enclose a personal note or a handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or your family. (It is advisable for parents or teachers to review notes written by children.)

TOYS

Ball (deflated) with pump*
Balloons
Binoculars
Cars or trucks
Craft kit (beads, elastic, etc.)
Doll*
Finger puppets
Handheld toys
Harmonica, kazoo or other small instrument
Jump rope
Lego building blocks
Mini board games
Mini puzzle
Small balls (tennis, etc.)
Small plush animals*
Slinky
Unopened fast-food toys
Yo-yo

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Coloring book*
Crayons*
Erasers
Flash cards
Glue stick (no liquid)
Notepads
Pencil case
Pencil sharpener
Pencils, colored pencils
Pens, markers
Safety scissors
Small board books
Solar calculator
Stickers

CANDY & GUM

Unexpired candy that will not melt, sealed in a zip closure style bag

APPAREL

Bandanas
Dresses*
Flip-flops
Hats
Plastic poncho
Socks
Shorts
T-shirts*
Underwear

NECESSITIES/HOME

Bandages
Comb or brush
Cup or bottle with lid*
Hand wipes
Lip balm
Manicure kit
Nail clippers or emery board
Toothbrush*

ACCESSORIES

Barrettes
Bracelets
Earrings
Hair bands or headbands*
Hair ribbons*
Necklace*
Purse or wallet*
Scarf
Sunglasses*
Watch

USEFUL ITEMS

Cross or rosary
Compass
Drawstring bag*
Sewing kit
Utensils

*Highly desired items.

PLEASE DO NOT PACK

Liquids/gels (shampoo, body wash, lotion, nail polish, hand sanitizer, bubbles, paint, glue, etc.)
Food or beverages • Chocolate or JOLLY RANCHER® • Medicine or vitamins • Anything with a battery
Knives, tools or toy weapons • Glass or breakable objects • Cash, checks or gift cards

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New Year's Retreat

Jesus used questions to promote healing, forgive the past, repair brokenness, and instill hope. The retreat, "**Questions Jesus Asks You for the New Year**", will invite you to answer the same life-altering questions.

There will be five engaging reflections, Mass, confession, Matins, Vespers, and Adoration. Plus, plenty of time to reflect upon the New Year in our sacred spaces while enjoying the fireplace in our lounge or exploring the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC.

Two nights: December 30-January 1.

As a special treat, there will be a New Year's Eve banquet with traditional festivities. The last two years have sold out, so register now at:

www.catholicconference.org/new-years

For more information email:
info@catholicconference.org
or call 828.327.7441.

WEDDING BANNERS

Brianna Pavlish—Peter Bernosky
14 December 2024
St. Ann Church



St. Ann's Formed.org has kid movies, audio books, saint shows, and formation materials. Our parish code is Y6ZQ8M. A direct link is found on our parish website.

Do you ever feel like it's almost impossible to raise holy kids who love God (and sit still in Mass!) in our modern world? You're not alone.

This six-episode series features real Catholic families like yours sharing their daily struggles and victories.

Created by the Augustine Institute and Catholic Sprouts, The Catholic Parent aims to encourage you as a mom or dad as you embrace your God-given role to form your family in the richness of the Catholic faith.

Watch the series with your spouse, with friends, on your own, or as part of a small group!

The participant guide includes questions for group discussion, topics for personal reflection, and ideas to try at home.

Faith Formation 2024

The St. Ann Faith Formation program for the children of registered parishioners in grades K-8 takes place from 9:00 to 10:10am between the Masses on Sunday. Our next classes **off** are **November 24 to December 1**, and we are back at class on December 8th. Classes meet in the St. Ann school building, and families enter the doors at the upper parking lot.

Contact [Virginia Blatchford](mailto:Virginia.Blatchford@stanncharlotte.org) with questions at 704 523 4641 ext. 231 or faithformation@stanncharlotte.org

Bulletin Articles Deadline:

Tuesday by noon

Email: bulletinstann3635@gmail.com

Teen Apologetics

Our Sunday classes have started. We meet on Faith Formation days from 9:00am-10:10am. The faith formation calendar is on the parish website. Our next classes **off** are **November 24 to December 1**, and we are back at class on December 8th. We have started our study on "Where is that in the Bible? A study of scripture and how it is used in apologetics. Come join us!

Volunteer Opportunities

- St. Ann's is looking for individuals who are interested in maintaining our **parish center kitchen**. If you enjoy having a clean, well organized kitchen then this opportunity may be just for you. We are seeking folks who can help clean, maintain and keep our parish center kitchen organized. Please contact Chris Brunhuber at facilities@stanncharlotte.org to learn more details.
- If **gardening and working with planters** is something you enjoy, consider joining the St. Ann's beautification committee. St. Ann's has a beautiful campus, and we need individuals who like to plant, prune and get their hands a little dirty to keep our campus beautiful. Please contact Chris Brunhuber at facilities@stanncharlotte.org for more details.

Your Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Stewardship

Collection Date	Actual	Budget	Over/Under
November 3	\$28,840.33	\$27,212.50	\$ 1,627.83
YTD July 1-November 4, 2024			
	\$ 479,308.91	\$ 517,037.50	(\$37,728.59)

929 Registered Families

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances

Rectory Loan	\$320,558.36
5 Year Plan Loan Paid in Full	\$0.00

**Missionary
Appeal**



**Priest
Retirement**

DSA 2024

Goal	\$141,842.00
Pledged	\$122,625.62
Received	\$108,493.92
Over/Under Pledged	(\$19,216.38)
Assessment Balance	(\$33,348.08)
Donors	157

Priests Retirement Assessment:	43,506.00
Received.....	26,081.41
Balance Due.....	17,424.59

Please be generous to the **Diocesan Support Appeal**. Your contribution is a way to act with love for our sisters and brothers throughout the diocese and to continue the saving work begun by Jesus.



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Parish Office Hours

Monday

9:00 am-4:00 pm

Tuesdays

10:45 am-4:00 pm

Wednesday

9:00 am-4:00 pm

Thursday

9:00 am-4:00 pm

Friday

9:00 am-3:45 pm

Closed

1:00-1:30 pm for lunch

Your Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. Timothy S. Reid
x222

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Brandon H. Jones

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Thomas Sanctis
x223

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Peter Tonon
X227

Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization

Virginia Blatchford
X231

Faith Formation and Evangelization

Clare Beltran
x231

Liturgical Ministries

Chris Brunhuber
x229

Music

Terese Rowe
x234

Facilities, Scheduling, and Maintenance Supervisor

Chris Brunhuber
x233

Maintenance

Raymond Mosley
x233

Accountant

Alejandra Seagle
x237

Administrative Assistant

Sister Mary Lydia, DVM
x221

Accounting Assistant (Part time)

Sandra Sharron
x232

Director of Operations

Mark Donzella
X224

Bulletin Articles Deadline
Tuesday by 12:00 pm
Email:bulletinstann3635@
gmail.com

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipated Mass
4:30 p.m. (Novus Ordo)

Sunday Masses

8:00 a.m. (Novus Ordo)
10:30 a.m. (Novus Ordo)
12:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
7:00 a.m. (Novus Ordo)

Wednesday

6:00 p.m.

Friday

7:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m. (Novus Ordo)

Adoration

Tuesday
8:00 a.m.

through

Wednesday
5:00 p.m.

Holy Hour

Wednesday
5:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Thursday
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Saturday
3:00-4:00 p.m.