



St. Ann

Catholic Church

3635 Park Road • Charlotte, North Carolina 28209
Phone: 704-523-4641 • Fax: 704-527-8671
www.stanncharlotte.org



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.

January 5, 2025 • The Epiphany of the Lord

Dear Parishioners,



A blessed and happy new year to all of you! And again, thank you for all your many Christmas gifts and goodies. I will be spending January shedding all the weight I gained at Christmas from all the good stuff I received! Truly, Fr. Jones and I sincerely appreciate all your gifts and expressions of affection. Being the pastor of St. Ann's is an

incredible blessing, and I'm so grateful to all of you for making this parish such a happy assignment for Fr. Jones and me. I've tried to write thank you notes to everyone, but occasionally I receive a gift without a card indicating whom it's from. So, if Fr. Jones or I have neglected to write a proper thank you card for a gift, we apologize and ask for your understanding!

I am also very grateful to all who helped with our Christmas Masses. I'm especially grateful to our deacons, altar boys, lectors, musicians, sacristans, ushers, and all who helped clean and decorate the church. We are blessed to be able to offer such beautiful liturgies here at St. Ann, in large part because of the efforts of so many of you.

As we celebrate Epiphany this weekend and recall the gifts given to the Christ Child by the Magi, I am also very grateful to all of you who helped purchase Christmas gifts through our angel tree this year. We partnered with several organizations to provide much needed supplies and gifts to people here in Charlotte and in India. The generosity of this parish toward the poor never ceases to amaze me. Thank you!

As we've done in years past, there be the traditional blessing of Epiphany water this Sunday after the 12:30pm Mass. Please bring water bottles with you if you'd like to take home some Epiphany water.

May our Lord continue to bless our parish in this new year, and may Our Lady, daughter of our patroness, St. Ann, continue to intercede for each of us so that we may all grow

more fully into the likeness of Jesus.

With prayers for a blessed and happy 2025,

Fr. Reid

Legacy of Faith

Name Us Last.

After caring for your loved ones, have you considered including St. Ann Catholic Church or School in your will or trust? By naming us in your estate plans, you can continue to support our parish or school for generations to come. Thank you to those who have already chosen to leave a lasting legacy of faith through an estate gift. To learn more about how your gift can make a difference, contact Mark Donzella, the Director of Operations, at 704-523-4641 x224 or operations@stanncharlotte.org.

If you have already made this thoughtful commitment and haven't informed us, please reach out to Mark Donzella at 704-523-4641 x224 or operations@stanncharlotte.org.

We would be honored to welcome you into the St. Ann Legacy Society.

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



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 5

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

For our parish

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

+Margie Terry by the Family

12:30 pm

Intentions of Carolyn Skinner by the Family

Monday, January 6

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Marie D'Arezzo by Joseph Murdico

Tuesday, January 7

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Ciara Shannon by Katie Sholtis

Wednesday, January 8

6:00 pm

+ Elizabeth Crown by Katie Sholtisly

Thursday, January 9

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+John Crown by Katie Sholtis

Friday, January 10

7:00 am Intentions of Holt and Deborah Foushee
by the Carolina Traditional Liturgy Society

8:30 am (Novus Ordo)

+Maureen Hunter by Terry and John Alderman

Saturday, January 11

4:30 pm (Novus Ordo)

+Austin Schildt by Sabastion Haywood

Sunday, January 12

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Tracey Palmer by John and Connie Bromfield

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Maryam Shayeghi by the Family

12:30 pm

For our Parish

Epiphany of the Lord

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known." Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).

Please Pray For...

Our Parishioners

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

Our Friends and Family

Mia Alderman
David 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 (deployed)

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, January 5

8:00 am	Family Ministry Formationcafé, playground
9:00 am	Legion of MaryConference Room
9:00 am	Kindergarten Faith Formation..... Library
9:00 am	Teen Apologetics.....Classrooms 1&2
12:00 pm	Natural Marriage Group...Classrooms 1 & 2
2:00 pm	Blessing of Epiphany Water and Chalk

Monday, January 6

7:30 am	Classrooms 3&4 in use until 2pm
2:45 pm	Classrooms 1&2 in use until 3:45pm
7:00 pm	RCIA.....Classrooms 1&2
7:00 pm	Fraternus..... Gym

Tuesday, January 7

7:30 am	Classrooms 2,3,4 in use until 2PM
8:00 am	Adoration beginsChapel
6:00 pm	Interfaith Basketball..... Gym
6:30 pm	CASA Young Adult HHH Church
7:00 pm	St. Joseph Prayer Group..... Library

Wednesday, January 8

7:45 am	HSHomeschoolall classrooms, library
5:00 pm	Holy Hour Church
6:00 pm	Young Adult Basketball Gym
6:45pm	Our Lady's Handmaidens Café
7:00 pm	Bible Study Classrooms 3
7:00 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Group ..Classrooms 1&2

Thursday, January 9

7:30 am	Classrooms 3&4 in use until 2pm
5:30 pm	Confessions Church
6:00 pm	Interfaith Basketball..... Gym

Friday, January 10

8:00 am	Parent's rosaryChapel
8:30 am	Homeschool CCE Classrooms, library
6:00 pm	Interfaith Basketball Practice Gym

Saturday, January 11

8:00 am	Carmelites All rooms
2:00 pm	Baptism Church
3:00 pm	Confessions Church

Sunday, January 12

9:00 am	Legion of MaryConference Room
9:00 am	Kindergarten Faith Formation..... Library
9:00 am	Teen Apologetics.....Classrooms 1&2
2:00 pm	Baptism Church

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.

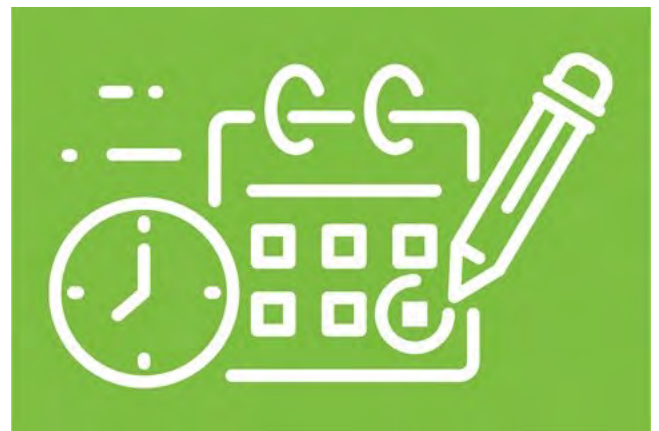
OPENLIGHT
MEDIA

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!

To request a facilities reservation:



Please contact:

Mark Donzella, Director of Operations
(704) 523-4641 x 224

operations@stanncharlotte.org

Retrouvaille Marriage Help

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

Retrouvaille brought our marriage to a place where we could truly heal, forgive, and trust. It was a true miracle. It helped us achieve a relationship that is now better than it was when we were first married. Something we never thought possible.

-M & P - Tampa, Florida



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. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Coffee & Donuts

JOIN US THE 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AFTER EVERY MASS FOR REFRESHMENTS WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY!

TO VOLUNTEER CONTACT
BRENDA KRESAK AT BKRESAK@GMAIL.COM

CONVERGING ROADS™
WHERE HEALTH CARE ETHICS AND MEDICINE CONVERGE

THE FUTURE OF HUMAN DIGNITY

MARCH 29, 2025 | 8:00 AM – 5:45 PM | IN PERSON AND ONLINE
THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PATRICK
1621 DILWORTH ROAD EAST, CHARLOTTE, NC 28203

PRESENTATIONS

- Human Dignity and the Ethics Of Technology
Jeffrey P. Bishop, MD, PhD
- Science and Ethics of In Vitro Fertilization
Jean Baric-Parker, DBE
- A Catholic Approach to Mental Health
Very Rev. James Patrick Burns, IV, PhD, ABPP
- Health Care, Artificial Intelligence, and Other Forms of Technology
Faculty TBA
- Genetic Screening, Genetic Engineering, and Human Dignity
Caroline Aragón, MS, CGC
- Technology and the Mental Health Crisis in Adolescents
Johann M. D Souza, PhD

Continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered.

REGISTER HERE

For more information, contact
Jessie Sonnen
jessie@forlifeandfamily.org
832-779-1070

PRESENTED BY

St. John Paul II Foundation, Diocese of Charlotte, Belmont Abbey College

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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 7 PM** for Rosary followed by reflection and discussion in the library. 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.



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.



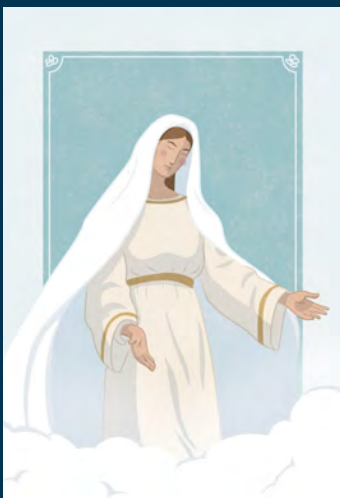
** We are in need of prayer warriors for our two wonderful Deacons.

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



As recently communicated in The Friday Five, our **Pastoral Plan** was presented to the Bishop on October 29th. The Plan, linked below, is based on survey inputs received from you regarding the current state



and future vision for our parish. We have just learned that the Bishop has approved the Pastoral Plan, which can now be used as a reference in making strategic decisions for St. Ann going forward. This is good news, indeed!



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.

33 Hours of Adoration

Tuesdays 8 am-Wednesdays 5 pm in the Church

We are in need of adorers on:

Tuesday at 12 noon or

Wednesday at 9 AM or 1PM

Contact Cecilia Balman at (704) 618-7648

or vabalman@aol.com

Also, currently there is only one adorer and our goal is to have two or more adorers at each hour.

Would you prayerfully consider a weekly commitment to one of these hours?

Tuesday - 10 AM, 12 PM, and 11 PM

Wednesday - 12 AM, 3 AM, 7 AM, 10 AM,

11 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM and 3 PM



St. Ann Family Ministry Corner

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

“He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” Mark 6:31

Call to Action: If you know of a family in Western North Carolina that has been affected by Hurricane Helene, please share information about the family retreat. We are offering a Free Retreat Scholarship for these families. Information at YHFRetreat.org

Save the Date

Family Formation: Sunday, January 5 after the 10:30am mass
Come to the Allen Center for a short talk and family activity. Toys, games, and light refreshments will be provided.





15th Annual Catholic Men's Conference of the Carolinas

QUEM SERVIS?

WHO DO YOU SERVE?

FEBRUARY 8, 2025



SPEAKERS



BISHOP FABRE-JEUNE
Diocese of Charleston
Celebrant



JOHN FRANKMAN
Former Green Beret & Seminarian,
Convert, Political Activist



JOHN EDWARDS
Former Marine, Convert
Catholic & Redneck



EKNOCK
Father, Husband
Catholic Rapper



RICK BARRETT
Weapons Specialist
The Armed Catholic



ANTHONY ABBATE & ROB BLYTON
Podcast, Humorists
Avoiding Babylon



Day of Faith and Fellowship including keynote speakers, Mass, Rosary, Confession, Adoration and lunch included.

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH
1400 Suther Road, Charlotte, NC 28213
\$40 General Admission | \$35 Specials & Students | \$25 Virtual




 @catholicmensconf | www.catholicmenofthecarolinas.org





**Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte
Food Pantry Collection**
1st and 3rd weekends of every month
Next collection: Jan. 4-5



Healed and Restored

Women's Conference Bilingual

1 FEBRUARY 2025
8:00 AM-4:00 PM
\$40

ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH
14740 Stumptown Rd, Huntersville, NC 28078

A day dedicated to nourishing and restoring women's souls with inspirational talks, adoration, guided meditation and worship.

"The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul." Psalm 23:1-3

TO REGISTER GO TO
HEALEDANDRESTORED.ORG OR USE
THE QR CODE TO ACCESS REGISTRATION



Face today's challenges with *Faith*

Life & Family Conference

"Cultural Challenges & Catholic Faith"

Join us for a day of formation and education focused on marriage, family and pro-life work. Experience dynamic, nationally known speakers and panel discussions about fostering hope and love in family life, strengthening marriages, and other life-affirming topics. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for students. Lunch and refreshments included.



Father Jeff Kirby, STD
"The Way of the Lord:
Speaking Moral Truth
with Love"



Christine Wisdom,
MS, LMHC
"From Suffering
to Healing in
Family Life"



Adamo Manfra, Major
USMCR, S.T.B.
"Faith in the Public Square:
Catholic Engagement in
Politics and Policy"

January 18, 2025
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Diocese of Charlotte
Pastoral Center
1121 S. Church St.
Charlotte, NC 28203

Sponsored by:



Scan to register now!

Questions? Email familylife@rcdoc.org

MARCH FOR LIFE

CHARLOTTE MARCH FOR LIFE

JANUARY 10, 2025

Mass 10:00am | Cathedral of St. Patrick
Gather & Pray 11:30am | March 12:00pm
1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC



SCAN HERE FOR
MORE DETAILS

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE

WASHINGTON, DC

JANUARY 23-25, 2025

2 busses this year!
Depart & return from Charlotte
Bus fare, lodging, breakfasts included
Tickets: \$200-\$300; student discount available



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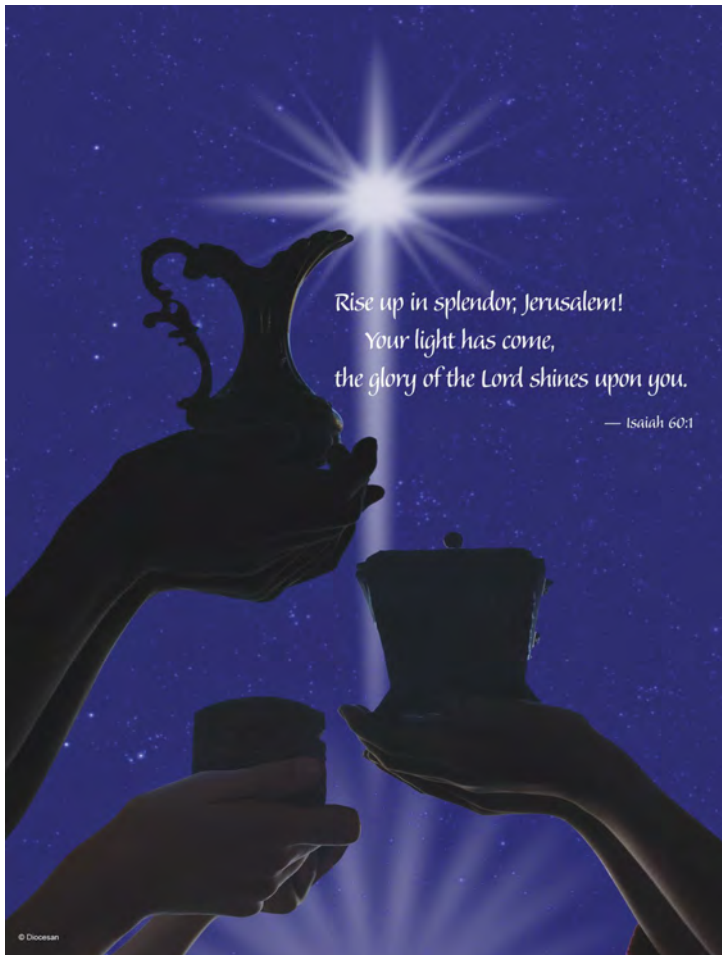
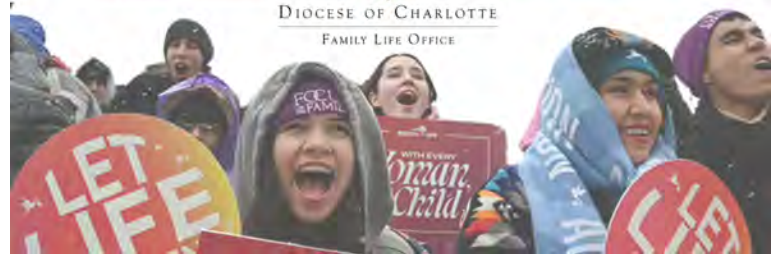
National Prayer Vigil Mass | Life Fest
Rally & March for Life | Saturday Pilgrimage

RespectLife@rcdoc.org



704-370-3229

DIocese of CHARLOTTE
FAMILY LIFE OFFICE



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

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ON DEMAND.



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.

Bulletin Articles Deadline:

Tuesday by noon

Email articles to: bulletinstann3635@gmail.com

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. We start our Christmas break on **December 22**, and return to class on **January 5th**. Classes meet in the St. Ann school building. 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 formation@stanncharlotte.org

Teen Apologetics

Sunday classes have started. We meet on Faith Formation days from 9:00am-10:10am. Our Christmas break begins on **December 22** and we return to class on **January 5th**. The faith formation calendar is also on the parish website. 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!

Natural Marriage Group

Launched last year as a highly successful pilot in three Catholic parishes across the country, this program offers engaged and married couples a space to learn about and support one another in NFP, fertility, and relationships.

Led by trained couples, the monthly support groups cover topics such as:

- NFP in practice
- Risks of contraception
- Struggle in times of abstinence
- Fear of pregnancy
- Fertility cycle education
- Coping with infertility
- and more.

Join us **Sunday January 5 after the 10:30 mass** in classroom 1 for our monthly, hour long session. Free childcare provided, email kaloakes@gmail.com to RSVP.

Your Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Stewardship

Collection Date	Actual	Budget	Over/Under
December 1	\$30,619.42	\$27,212.50	\$ 3,406.92
YTD July 1-December 2, 2024	\$ 599,560.62	\$ 625,887.50	(\$26,326.88)

929 Registered Families

Outstanding Parish Loan Balances

Rectory Loan	\$309,228.86
5 Year Plan Loan Paid in Full	\$0.00

**Sunday
Offertory**



**Religious
Retirement**

DSA 2024

Goal	\$141,842.00
Pledged	\$123,125.62
Received	\$120,680.45
Over/Under Pledged	(\$19,291.38)
Assessment Balance	(\$21,161.55)
Donors	159

Priests Retirement Assessment:	43,506.00
Received.....	33,186.80
Balance Due.....	10,319.20

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.



St. Ann Parish Directory

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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.