

# 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.

### Dear Parishioners,



Greetings from Medjugorje! I am currently on pilgrimage here and will return at the end of this week. Please know that I am praying for all of you in this holy place.

This Sunday, 14 September 2025, is the **Feast of the Triumph** of the Cross! In the year 312, the pagan

emperor Constantine began a march to retake Rome from his archrival Maxentius. The day before the decisive battle was to take place, Constantine had a vision in which he saw a cross and the words "In this sign, conquer." Thus, Constantine quickly had his goldsmiths make a cross-shaped standard to carry into battle. Led by this cross, Constantine's army met the forces of Maxentius at the Milvian Bridge outside of Rome, and by the end of the day, Maxentius was dead, his troops were scattered, and Constantine rode victoriously into Rome. The cross had triumphed, just as his vision promised.

A year later the Edict of Milan was published, which safeguarded Christians throughout the Roman Empire. Soon priests and bishops and deacons who had been hiding underground to avoid persecution became celebrated members of Constantine's court and grand basilicas began to be built.

In 320 Constantine's mother, St. Helen, decided to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in hopes of uncovering the Cross and Tomb of Christ. Upon arriving in Jerusalem she found a temple dedicated

to the goddess Venus over the site of Calvary. Walking into the temple with the local bishop, she ordered it to be torn down, and it was in the demolition process that Christ's tomb and three separate crosses were found. Wanting to determine which of the three was indeed the True Cross, Helen had a person near death brought in to touch the crosses. The cross which brought about the miraculous cure of the suffering person was then recognized as our Lord's cross.

In 328 St. Helen made her was back to Rome, taking with her large parts of the True Cross, as well as other relics of our Lord's passion, all of which can seen the Basilica of Santa Croce in Gerusalemme. Today's feast marks the anniversary of the date that St. Helen found the True Cross ~1700 years ago. But this feast is not simply a liturgical reminder of St. Helen's great discovery. This is the day that we honor the Holy Cross by which Jesus Christ redeemed the world! We call this feast the Triumph of the Cross because it was through the cross that Christ conquered sin and even death itself.

In honor of this tremendous feast, we will have a relic of the True Cross in the church between Masses for veneration. Please treat the relic as you would the Eucharist by genuflecting before it.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

RUTS RD

Fr. Reid

### St. Ann Homeless Ministry

We cook and serve a hot meal the 3rd Sunday each month for those in need. For details and signups, please 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.

We Are Always In Need of Volunteers

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



## **Mass Intentions**

#### Sunday, September 14

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Mike Rayano by the Family

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

+Poor Souls in Purgatory

by the Duncan Family

12:30 pm  $\,$  Intentions of the Emma and Jack Barry

Family by the family

#### Monday, September 15

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Fran Moskal by the Colin Family

#### Tuesday, September 16

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Diann Schroeder

by the Schroeder Family

#### Wednesday, September 17

6:00 pm

Intentions of Fr. Brandon Jones

by Les and Karen Auth

#### Thursday, September 18

7:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Thomas B. Roy by Kati Roy

#### Friday, September 19

7:00 am

Intentions of Fr. Reid by Les and Karen Auth

8:30 am (Novus Ordo)

Intentions of Diann Schroeder

by the Schroeder Family

#### Saturday, September 20

4:30 pm For our parish

#### Sunday, September 21

8:00 am (Novus Ordo)

+Church Solland

by Marcy Drake and Rick Lejk

10:30 am (Novus Ordo)

+Harold E. Chapman Jr. by Keith Chapman

12:30 pm +John Dejong by the Antonangeli Family

## **Please Pray For...**

#### **Our Parishioners**

Grace Coyne

**Daniel Foster** 

Elena Hildebrand

James Hochstetler

Arlene and Gene Luczak

Roe Family

Stephany Shayeghi

#### **Our Friends and Family**

Mia Alderman

David Alderman

Brian Blatchford

Betsy Devarakonda

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

1st Lt. Kenneth Davison III USAF

2nd Lt. Anna Davison USAF

Cadet 1st Class Therese Davison, USAF

Lt. Thomas Hetzel, Deployed, US Army

Capt. Peter Hetzel, US Army

Cadet 3rd Class Sam Hucko, USAF

Capt. Thomas Mathis IV, DO, US Army

Lt. Grace Mathis, US Army

Capt. Angelina Patrinostro, USAF

Private Caroline Davison, US Army



### This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, Sept	ember 14			
9:00 am	Faith FormationClass 1&2, Library			
12:00 pm	Natural Marriage Group CL 1&2			
1:45 pm	Altar Server BasketballGym			
Monday, September 15				
7:30 am	Classrooms 3&4 is use Until 3:30pm			
7:00 pm	Fraternus Gym & café			
7:00 pm	OCIAClassrooms 1&2			
Tuesday, Sep	tember 16			
7:30 am	All classrooms in useUntil 3:30pm			
8:00 am	Adoration beginsChurch			
3:00 pm	Kitchen, café in use Until 4:30 pm			
6:00 pm	GymReserved			
7:00 pm	St. Joseph Prayer GroupLibrary			
7:00 pm	Legion of Mary Classroom 3			
Wednesday,	September 17			
Adoration co	ntinues in the Church			
5:00 pm	Holy HourChurch			
6:00 pm	Young Adult BasketballGym			
6:45 pm	Our Lady's HandmaidensLibrary			
7:00 pm	Financial Peace UnivCL 1&2			
Thursday, Se	eptember 18			
7:00 am	Mary's Women of JoyCL 1&2			
7:30 am	Classrooms 3&4 in use Until 3:30pm			
5:30 pm	ConfessionsChurch			
6:00 pm	Interfaith BasketballGym			
7:00 pm	Classrooms 1&2 Reserved			
7:00 pm	Young Adult Swing DanceCafe			
Friday, Septe				
7:45 am	Allen Center Upstairs resv. Homeschool			
8:00 am	Parent RosaryChurch			
9:30 am	Conference room in use . Until 11:30am			
5:00 pm	Wedding rehearsalChurch			
Saturday, Se <sub>l</sub>				
8:00 am	Carmelites (all rooms) Until 12:45pm			
1:30 pm	WeddingChurch			
3:00 pm	ConfessionsChurch			
Sunday, Sept				
9:00 am	Faith FormationClass 1&2, Library			
11:00 pm	Homeless MinistryKitchen			
1:45 pm	Altar Server BasketballGym			
2:00 pm	BaptismChurch			

Faith Formation: 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. Online registration for the fall will begin the 1<sup>st</sup> week of August. Our first class is on September 7<sup>th</sup> in St. Ann School. Be sure to register so our teachers can be ready for your children. Contact Virginia Blatchford with questions at faithformation@stanncharlotte.org

1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parents: Mark your calendars! Our parent meeting for the children in second grade and preparing for 1<sup>st</sup> confession and 1<sup>st</sup> communion is **Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** in the Café. We look forward to seeing you there.

Confirmation Parents: Mark your calendars! Our parent meeting for the young people who will make their confirmation this year is on **Sept. 25 at 7pm** in the Café. We look forward to sharing the study plan for your family.

**Teen Apologetics:** We meet on Faith Formation days from 9am-10:10am. Our first class began on **September 7th.** We will use a Fulton Sheen source for our apologetics, and meet upstairs in the Allen Center, classroom 1 and 2!

## Catholic Charities Now Hiring: Fundraising Events Director

Do you enjoy helping new employees feel welcomed and supported from day one? Catholic Charities is seeking a detail-oriented and people-focused Onboarding and Employee Support Specialist to provide vital support across the employee lifecycle.

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Would you like to find out just how much history repeats itself? Come join us as we delve into 16 sessions of **St. Paul's First Corinthians** on Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Allen Center beginning **Sept. 17th**. For mor information, contact **Cecelia McLoughlin at 704-517-4784**.

### 9/17/2025 TO 11/05/2025 AT 7 PM

Whether you're deeply in debt, doing well and need some guidance or somewhere in between, this class offers... HOPE!

# ST ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH CHARLOTTE

To Register, contact John McGuinness; owner of McGuinness Financial Coaching at McGuinness@mfcpath.com

Or Call 704-202-8959 with any questions or assistance

\$99.99 registration per family (of any size) includes a 9-week in-person class, workbook, access to budgeting software and tools, plus hours of video content featuring some of the biggest names in financial coaching from the world-famous Ramsey Solutions.



# WEDDING BANNS

III: Mary Paulina Whitt-James Schumacher 20 September 2025 St. Ann Church, Charlotte

II: Christina Derose—Steve Telisma 27 September 2025 Haiti

I: Michelle Fecteau—Jordan Hartle 4 October 2025 St. Ann Church, Charlotte

I: Emily Cleary—Thomas Prince 4 October 2025 St. Ann Church, Charlotte

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### It's the time of the year again for our most awaited



### St Ann Carnival Silent Auction.

We sincerely want to thank everyone for your support for the success of last year's event. We are knocking again on your generous hearts for some

AUCTION ITEMS. Please reach out to Leslie Erfe via email <a href="leslieannerfe@gmail.com">leslieannerfe@gmail.com</a> or mobile (214) 789-3835 for any questions or concerns. You can also drop off items at St Ann Parish office and label "Auction Items" with your name and contact information for tax deduction letter for donations.

### Legion of Mary

Tuesdays ● 7:00 pm Classroom 3 Contact Sue Calkins at 704-724-2297 or maxxwellsr@gmail.com

Please join us in peaceful prayer at **Planned Parenthood on Torrence Street** for an end to abortion, for expectant mothers, to save and protect the lives of the unborn.

Please contact Sue Calkins at 704 724 2297 or <u>maxxwellsr@gmail.com</u> for dates and times of prayer each week.

Please join the Legion of Mary in the Chapel on the **First Saturday of each month** to pray the rosary for Our Blessed Mother at 3:45pm before the 4:00 p.m. Mass.



#### The Men's Club of St. Ann

will hold their next meeting on
Wednesday, September 25th
at 6:30 PM at Carmella's Pizza
Grill (1513 Montford Dr, Charlotte)
All men of St. Ann are warmly invited to
join us. If you're interested in becoming a
member or would like more information,
please contact Paul Sorge at

704-430-8129 or paulsorge@vahoo.com.

Are you looking to achieve or avoid pregnancy in accordance with the Catholic faith? Are you looking to know more about the body that God provided you or get help with your gynecologic health issues? Creighton Model FeritlityCare System is a clinically proven, empowering, and cost-effective way to appreciate your fertility and to monitor your gynecologic health. Attend an introductory session and learn to chart your cycle so that you can effectively take care of your fertility. Call to register for a scheduled session or schedule your own introductory session today!

Session schedule: October 27 at 6:30pm or November 13th at 7:15pm at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church Ashli Williams, FCPI @843-610-1770 or Ashli.williams.sc@gmail.com





The St. Ann Chapter of Fraternus welcomes all boys grades 6-12 to join us for a time of fun (dodgeball) and formation (living the virtues) at our Frat Nights.

St. Ann Catholic Church in the Allen Center Gym Mondays, 7:00pm-8:30pm

Fraternus is a drop-off event, however
the Brotherhood of Fraternus is just as important
to the men of our community as to the boys.

Fathers are encouraged to attend and become active
in the Chapter alongside their sons.

For more information email Justin Schumacher: fraternus.st.ann@gmail.com



### WELCOME

FALL Semester Registration Now OPEN

## Are you seeking holy friendships and a deeper relationship with Our Lady?

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~ St. Ann Chair, Patti Cucci

All Women are WELCOME and encouraged to join the 10-week Fall Study.

When You Pray

with Dr. Edward Sri and featuring Fr. Jacques Philippe, Fr. Josh Johnson, Fr. Gregory Pine, Sister Josephine Garrett, Fr. Donald Haggerty, and Sister Maris Stella.

Cost: \$65.00 Sept 25th - Dec 4th, 2025\*

\*no session on Thanksgiving Time and location:

Thursdays 9:30am\* - Noon \*9:00am Hospitality

Allen Center Rooms 1+2



Mornings include: Prayer, worship, study, and small group discussions.

Space is Limited. Register online by Sept 8th. Questions7 mwoj stann@gmail.com



2025 Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign Sample Bulletin Announcement



Join us for prayer, fasting and community outreach to stop abortion! The Fall 2025 40 Days for Life campaign, a peaceful, prayerful and law-abiding campaign starts on Wednesday, September 24, and ends Sunday, November 2, 2025.

There will be two campaign locations in Charlotte this fall. One will be held at **Planned**Parenthood 700 Torrence St. from 7 AM to 7 PM Monday through Saturday. The second campaign will be held in front of A Woman's Choice facility 421 N. Wendover Rd. in Charlotte. The times are from 8 AM to 8 PM, Monday through Saturday.

For more information go to 40DaysForLife.com. If you need more information, on the Planned Parenthood location please contact Maureen Barrett at <a href="mailto:mbarrett25@gmail.com">mbarrett25@gmail.com</a> or 571 236 9583. If you need more information on the Woman's Choice location, please contact Savannah O'Brien at (516) 302-7112 or email at <a href="mailto:charlotte40dfl@gmail.com">charlotte40dfl@gmail.com</a>.

Please come! When even one person prays outside the no show rate for abortions can go as high as 75%.

Go to 40DaysforLife.com/charlotte for more information and to sign up or just show up.

There will be a closing rally on Sunday, November 2, at 3 PM in front of the Planned Parenthood facility at 700 Torrence St. Charlotte.

#### Knight of Columbus Council 770 BBQ Fundraiser

September 26th at St. Patrick Cathedral school cafeteria 8:00am - 6:00 pm Plates are \$15

on sale August 17th—September 22nd

All proceeds go to support Council 770 and the four parishes it represents, including St. Ann's

Contact our council at 704-430-2450 for tickets or by email at, kofc770council@gmail.com

\*\*We need one additional Sister to pray on



Mondays for Fr. Reid, and one additional Sister to pray on Sundays for Fr Jones.

Is God calling you to pray one hour/week for our priests? If God is calling you to make a

Holy Hour/week for any of our needs, please contact Anchoress, Sarah Miller at: Holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com

St. Vincent ACES Senior Club invite all seniors 45+ young to join us on **Thursday**, 10/9/25 at 11 am in the Activity Center for our International Lunch Buffet and International Line Dancing. Cost is \$13/pp member and \$14/pp guest. RSVP and payment due by Friday 10/3/25. Contact Donna Anderson at 704-607-6880 or email: danderson@cottinghamchalk.com. You do not have to be a member to attend. Seats available for the fall trip "An Autumn Sunday in Hendersonville, NC."

Contact Peggy pgibbons1@att.net or 704-588-5870 (leave a message).

MiraVia is a well known local program that aids single expectant mothers, supplying them with all their needs. Please consider contributing a box of diapers or other item to support their cause.

Items may be brought after Sunday Masses or Handmaidens/Fraternus on the following dates

> Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

A package of diapers (when in doubt, size 6!)

Baby wipes

Amazon/Visa gift card

For any questions contact Luciana Ferrante at (980)-403-1191

For more information about MiraVia or how to get further involved please visit; https://miravia.org

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For information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples in the Charlotte area, email:

3062ac@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701 Website:

www.HelpOurMarriage.com

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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, email Tony Antonangeli at: saintannprayers@gmail.com



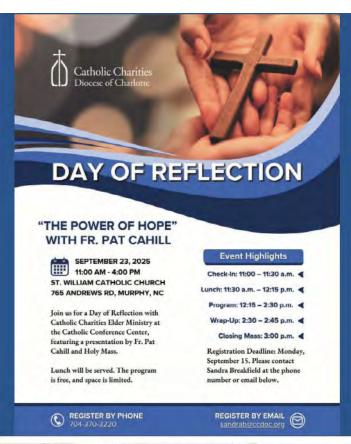
# 25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

If you were married during 1975 or 2000, you are invited to the annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 26, 2025 at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Mass begins at 3:00 p.m. and will be followed by a reception. Limit of 2 guests per couple. Registration is free.

Deadline to register is October 17 at: https://charlottediocese.org/form-wedding-anniversary-mass/

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August 10	\$ 40,902	\$ 28,806	\$ 12,096
August 17	\$ 27,862	\$ 28,806	\$ (944)
August 24	\$ 25,456	\$ 28,806	\$ (3,350)
<b>Current YTD</b>	\$ 235,303	\$ 223,016	\$ 12,288

#### 929 Registered Families

#### **Outstanding Parish Loan Balances**

Rectory Loan	\$205,980
5 Year Plan Loan Paid in Full	\$0.00

Sunday Offertory





Diocesan Support

### **DSA 2025**

Goal	
Pledged to be collected	\$18,514
Received	\$123,060
Short	\$26,180
Donors	158

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Received	\$16,199
Balance Due	



### 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 pastor@stanncharlotte.org

#### Deacon

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#### Deacon

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#### Deacon

Rev. Mr. Artie Lekovic deaconartie@stanncharlotte.org

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#### Maintenance/Facilities

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#### Accountant

Alejandra Seagle x237 finance@stanncharlotte.org

#### **Accounting Assistant**

Sandra Sharron x232 Finance2@stanncharlotte.org

#### **Administrative Assistant** Sister Mary Lydia, DVM

x221 secretary@stanncharlotte.org

#### **Director of Operations and Facilities Scheduling**

Mark Donzella X224

operations@stanncharlotte.org

### **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 á.m. 8:30 a.m. (Novus Ordo)

#### **Adoration**

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday at 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.



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