

## The Epiphany of the Lord

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*Your Stewardship of Treasure  
736 registered families*

### **The week ending December 20, 2009**

Total: 13,622.00

YTD: 267,698.88

Budget: 250,000.00

+/-: +17,698.99

Priest Retirement Assessed: 20,097.00

Received: 16,386.50

Due: 3,710.50

**Our Boy Scout Troop #162 “Thank You!”** The boys collected hundreds of socks, gloves and more for the men’s shelter!

**Baptismal Class** is Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the Allen Center. Please call the church office to sign-up.

**Please pray for: (in our parish):** Carl Edwards, Don Millard, Bob Brewer, Maggie Bernard, Gladys Cavallone, Elizabeth DeHority, Scott Wheeler and Catherine Silverthorne;

**and among our relatives and friends:** Terri Benton (daughter of Pat and Bob Brewer), Jack Broxterman, and Katie Balman (daughter of Cecilia and Ashley Balman).

**Please pray** for our friends who are incarcerated: Walter F. Sanders, Jr. and Amiee Porter.

Please keep your cars locked and any valuables with you or in your trunk. At this time of year there seem to be a lot of car break-ins. Please be alert!

**The North Vestibule** has our Lighthouse Media selection, the collection bin for the Cancer Kids at Presbyterian Hospital and the basket for the women’s shelter. Lots of pamphlets and booklets as well.

January 3, 2010



Dear Parishioners,

As we begin another new year, I want to thank all of you for all the many wonderful Christmas gifts. I am always very touched by the outpouring of generosity and affection I receive every Christmas. So many of you were so very kind to me, although I am convinced that there's a conspiracy afoot at St. Ann's to make me into a fat priest with all the wonderful baked good I received! Please know that I truly appreciate your love and affections.

It is no coincidence that the Church marks the first day of the new year with a Marian feast day. As she is both the Mother of God and the Help of Christians, let us call upon her maternal love for help and protection this coming year. Trusting in her power to intercede for us in our every need, let us rest secure in the knowledge that our Lady will always direct us toward her Son's most holy will.

Be assured of my prayers for all of you in 2010!

*Fr. Reid*

Fr. Reid

*Father, source of light in every age,  
The virgin conceived and bore your Son,  
Who is called Wonderful God, Prince of Peace.*

*May her prayer, the gift of a Mother's love,  
Be your people's joy through all ages.  
May her response, born of a humble heart,  
Draw your Spirit to rest on your people.*

*Grant this through Christ our Lord.*

*Opening Prayer for the Solemnity of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God.*

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**Capital Campaign Committee**

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*Through the intercession of St. Ann we humbly place our plans for the building of a new church before our Lord: seeking unity within our diversity, the increase of faith within our fears, the blessing of wisdom in our deliberations, and the mind of God in our decisions.*

**Immigrant Window Update.** In memory of all of our immigrants that dedicated their lives serving and working in this country. For those who have pledged, thank you for your financial contribution! If you have not participated yet, please consider your financial support to honor our immigrants, ancestors, friends, and/or loved ones that have given their lives serving in this country, frequently working in the most life threatening of physically demanding jobs, helping to build this great country. Might the Lord open the gates of heaven for them! Mark your checks on the memo line “immigrant window” and send to the church office.

(Received: 18,329.75 – as of 12/13/09).



Every DSA contribution is important, and helps us reach our goal. The 2009 DSA will close at the end of December, so please complete your pledge by then. It isn't too late to make a gift to the Diocesan Support Appeal. Consider making a year-end gift to help the thousands of people who benefit from the DSA-funded ministries. You can contribute online at [www.charlottediocese.org/giving](http://www.charlottediocese.org/giving) and be sure to indicate our parish in the proper space.



**St. Ann's School News**

Visit the website at [www.stannscatholicschool.com](http://www.stannscatholicschool.com)

Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup> classes resume  
January 18<sup>th</sup> no school  
January 19<sup>th</sup> no school  
January 21<sup>st</sup> report cards  
January 31<sup>st</sup> Catholic Schools week

*Prelude chant: Christmas Season*

## A Child is Born in Bethlehem

*(Puer natus in Bethlehem)*

A child is born in Bethlehem, alleluia!  
Rejoice and sing, Jerusalem, alleluia, alleluia!

**A savior has been born,  
the Son of God,  
the Prince of Peace.  
O come, let us adore.**

In manger bare, in foreign land, alleluia!  
According to th'eternal plan,  
alleluia, alleluia!

The virgin mother bore a son, alleluia!  
A child divine yet with us one, alleluia, alleluia!

The angels sing to shepherds near, alleluia!  
The song that earth so longed to hear,  
alleluia, alleluia!

The kings of nations from afar, alleluia!  
Proclaim the message of the star,  
alleluia, alleluia!

With wondrous mission now foretold, alleluia!  
By myrrh and frankincense and gold,  
alleluia, alleluia!

A world once lost in darkest night, alleluia!  
Is now aflame with brilliant light,  
alleluia, alleluia!

Let trumpet sound and cymbals ring, alleluia!  
Let all on earth in gladness sing,  
alleluia, alleluia!

**This hymn** is inspired by a verse of the Prophet Isaiah: "For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name Him Wonder-Counselor" (*Isa 9:5*). Our Lord, the Infant King, as the Angel of Great Council who governs by means of the Cross on His shoulder, is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. He is the one whose "dominion is vast and forever peaceful, . . . by judgment and justice, both now and forever" (*Isa 9:6*).

This hymn also explores our joy in beholding the Christ Child, who entered the world in the humblest of circumstances. We rejoice not only in the Infant King's majesty but his humility, having chosen to appear first to humble shepherds.

"We see that Jesus has come from us, from our human substance, and has been born of a virgin mother; but we don't know how this wonder came about. Let us not waste our energies trying to understand it; rather, accept humbly what God has revealed to us. Don't try to probe what God has kept hidden" (*St. John Chrysostom, In Mattheum Homiliae, 4,3*). "If we have this reverence, we will be able to understand and to love. The mystery will be a splendid lesson for us, much more convincing than any human reasoning" (*CPB, 13*).

**Cantate et Jubilate Deo – A Devotional and Liturgical Hymnal**  
Published by: Scepter Publishers, Midwest Theological Forum,  
Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division.

## Masses

### **Sunday, January 3, 2010**

Capital Needs and On Going Improvement  
Collection/Debt Collection  
Food and Snack Collections  
8:00am Mass +Patricia Campbell  
by the family  
10:30am Mass +Cheryl Hadley  
by SueAnn Howell  
12:30pm Mass Intentions for our parish family

### **Monday, January 4, 2010**

7:00am Mass +Sister Aloysius Shoemaker RSM  
by Virginia Doman

### **Tuesday, January 5, 2010**

7:00am Mass

### **Wednesday, January 6, 2010**

5:00pm Holy Hour  
6:00pm Latin Mass Intentions of  
Elizabeth DeHority  
by Lisa Tobin

### **Thursday, January 7, 2010**

7:00am Mass +Paul Lentz  
by Anne Lentz

### **Friday, January 8, 2010**

8:30am Mass Intentions of Peter Blaise Tonon  
by Brian and Angela Williams

### **Saturday, January 9, 2010**

3:00pm Confessions  
4:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family

### **Sunday, January 10, 2010**

8:00am Mass +Rosemary and Edward Cuddahee  
by the Graves family  
10:30am Mass Intentions of Elizabeth DeHority  
by Lisa Tobin  
12:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family

### **Monday, January 11, 2010**

7:00am Mass Intentions of the Fiora family  
by the Mathis family

### **Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

7:00am Mass

### **Wednesday, January 13, 2010**

5:00pm Holy Hour  
6:00pm Latin Mass +Pat Rogers  
by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Luczak

### **Thursday, January 14, 2010**

7:00am Mass Intentions of Ann Hoover  
Birthday celebration  
by Joanna Smith

### **Friday, January 15, 2010**

Fr. Conrad Hoover  
8:30am Mass Intentions of Elizabeth DeHority  
by Lisa Tobin

### **Saturday, January 16, 2010**

3:00pm Confessions  
4:30pm Mass +Patricia Rogers  
by Bob and Barbara Daigler

### **Sunday, January 17, 2010**

8:00am Mass +Richard Grasso  
by David Richardson  
10:30am Mass +Ernest Rains  
by Andrienne Delrio  
12:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family

### **Monday, January 18, 2010**

9:00am Mass +Marta Henderson  
by Phil Henderson

### **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**

7:00am Mass

### **Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

5:00pm Holy Hour  
6:00pm Latin Mass +Marta Henderson  
by Phil Henderson

### **Thursday, January 21, 2010**

7:00am Mass Intentions of Ann Hoover  
Birthday celebration  
by Joanna Smith

## *The Allen Center Schedule*

### **Sunday, January 3, 2010**

Food and Snack Collection  
Capital Needs and On Going Improvement  
Collection  
9:00am Bible Study-library  
9:00am class-café  
7:00pm CSS-cl 1 and 2

### **Monday, January 4, 2010**

6:00pm dance group-gym  
6:00pm AA-cl 1 and 2  
7:00pm RCIA-cafe  
7:00pm Women's Society-library  
7:00pm Carnival meeting-scout room  
7:30pm World Rosary-church

### **Tuesday, January 5, 2010**

9:00am Ceramics  
3:00pm SAAA-gym  
7:00pm library in use

### **Wednesday, January 6, 2010**

5:00pm Holy Hour-church  
5:00pm SAAA-gym  
7:00pm Boy Scouts  
7:00pm library in use

### **Thursday, January 7, 2010**

10:00am Intercessors of the Lamb-church  
3:00pm SAAA-gym  
7:00pm Bingo-café

### **Friday, January 8, 2010**

3:00pm SAAA-gym  
6:30pm dance group-cl 1 and 2  
7:00pm Judy Townsend-scout room

### **Saturday, January 9, 2010**

8:00am SAAA-gym  
8:00am Carmelites-church  
9:00am Ceramic  
9:00am AA/NA-cl 1 and 2  
2:00pm Blue Knights-cl 1 and 2  
3:00pm Confession-church

### **Sunday, January 10, 2010**

9:00am Baptismal Class-cl 1 and 2  
9:00am Bible Study-library  
9:00am Fr. Reid's class-café  
1:00pm SAAA-gym  
2:00pm Girls Scouts  
3:30pm Brownies  
6:30pm Men's Club-cafe  
7:00pm CSS-cl 1 and 2

### **Monday, January 11, 2010**

10:00am Intercessors of the Lamb-church  
6:00pm dance group-gym  
7:00pm RCIA  
7:00pm AA-cl 1 and 2  
7:30pm World Rosary-church

### **Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

9:00am Ceramics  
3:00pm SAAA-gym

### **Wednesday, January 13, 2010**

5:00pm Holy Hour-church  
5:00pm SAAA-gym  
7:00pm Boy Scout  
7:00am library in us  
7:00pm Parish Council-cl 1  
7:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Society-cl 2

### **Thursday, January 14, 2010**

10:00am Intercessors of the Lamb-church  
5:00pm SAAA-gym  
7:00pm Bingo-café

### **Friday, January 15, 2010**

3:00pm SAAA-gym  
6:30pm dance group-cl 1 and 2

### **Saturday, January 16, 2010**

8:00am SAAA-gym  
9:00am AA/NA-cl 1 and 2  
10:00am Cursillo meeting-café  
2:00pm Little Flower-cl 1 and 2  
3:00pm Confessions-church

**To book a room in the Allen Center** call Charlie Nesto at 704-523-4641#227 on Tuesdays or Thursdays 9:00am to 12noon.

**World Rosary**, Monday, January 4th at 7:30pm in the church. Ann Layman at 704-525-3519.

*We are asked to love and honor the life of every man and woman and to work with perseverance and courage so that our time, marked by all too many signs of death, may at last witness the establishment of a new culture of life, the fruit of the culture of truth and of love.*

*-John Paul II Evangelium Vitae, 77*

**Join one or all three**...be a witness to human sanctity! March for Life 2010 Charlotte, Raleigh and Washington DC.

*Charlotte*-March for Life will be on January 15, 2010 will march at 12:00pm from the parking lot on the corners of W. Palmer and S. Church streets across from the Catholic Center. For more

information go to [www.marchforlifefcharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifefcharlotte.org)

*Raleigh*-March for Life will be on January 16, 2010 will march at 1:00pm from the corner of Hargett and McDowell streets. For more information on

prayer breakfast and march go to [www.ncrtl.org](http://www.ncrtl.org) or call 1-800-392-6275. *Washington DC*-March for Life will be on January 22, 2010. There will be an awesome overnight pilgrimage to Washington DC on a bus leaving from St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Only \$40.00 per person.

For more details call Marie Leclair 704-341-5961 or e-mail [marie.teacher@hotmail.com](mailto:marie.teacher@hotmail.com)

**Healing after Abortion:** There is hope and healing after abortion. Men and women are invited to begin their healing journey at our next Rachel's Vineyard retreat, January 29-31, 2010. For further information, please call the Respect Life Office: 704-370-3229 or visit: [Rachelsvineyard.org](http://Rachelsvineyard.org).

For information on the Creighton Model **Fertility Care System** please call Trisha Brown, Diocese of Charleston FCPI, at 803-554-6569.

**Join us to pray the Rosary** to stop abortions at the Hebron Abortion Clinic off South Blvd. Every Saturday at 9:45am.

### **Petition to Help Pregnant Women Choose**

**Life:** Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Jugis need your help in convincing our state legislators to allow the Choose Life license plate to be made available in NC. An online petition has been created by the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship and can be found at <http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/ncchooselife/>  
**IMPORTANT:** If you prefer not to receive further notifications from this petition website, please be sure to remove the green check from the box that appears above the "Sign Petition" box. Please consider signing the petition and let your friends know about the petition as well. Without your help, the Choose Life license plate will never be passed by our Legislature.

### **March for Life Charlotte!!** January 15, 2010.

Please join others to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives. There were 10,444 babies killed in Mecklenburg County alone last year!! We will gather at the Catholic Diocese parking lot at the corner of W. Palmer and Church Street across from 1123 South Church Street at 11:00am. We will have signs available to carry and we will march from there at 12:00pm to Trade and Tryon to pray and continue on to the court house at 401 W. Trade Street where we will pray a Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. There may be some parking available at the parking lot, but please expect to find parking on your own uptown if necessary. Please encourage others to come to this extremely important event. Any questions call Tina at 704-846-7361. [www.marchforlifefcharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifefcharlotte.org).

Register for the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** – it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! The weekend centers entirely on your relationship and is a positive, private experience between you and your spouse that revitalizes marriage. Sign up now for the Valentine's Day weekend February 12th-14th, 2010 being held in Charlotte, NC. [www.wwme-nc.info](http://www.wwme-nc.info). You may also contact Tom and Emilie Sandin for more information @ [emilieandtom@yahoo.com](mailto:emilieandtom@yahoo.com) or 336-274-4424.



**St. Ann's Women's Society.** Mission: Catholic women providing a light to our parish and surrounding community by service, prayer and fellowship. *"lighting up the community one hand at a time."* For questions please call or email Kimberlee Shukes at 704-643-2956 or [shukesk@bellsouth.net](mailto:shukesk@bellsouth.net).

**The next meeting will be Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

**The St. Ann's Women's Society and the Circle of Hope** are collecting food for the pantry of the Presbyterian Children's Hospital. They are in need of individually wrapped snacks for the children and their families such as chips, crackers and cookies.

**Young Adult Singles, Married Couples and Families** are invited to join St. Ann's Young Adult Group! This is a group for **adults in the 20s and 30s** looking to enrich their faith and social life. Activities will have spiritual, social and charitable aspects and are family-friendly!

**Upcoming Events: Mass & Coffee Meet-up:** Start your Saturday off right! January 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am: **Mass at St. Gabriel** Parish followed by coffee at **Starbucks** (4450 Randolph Rd # 100). For more information visit us on Facebook: [Saint Ann's Young Adult Group](#) or contact Lauren Rupar 704-900-8903, [lauren.rupar@yahoo.com](mailto:lauren.rupar@yahoo.com).

**Babysitters Needed:** St. Ann's Young Adult Group is looking for teenage volunteers to babysit at some of their events! If you are a teen in need of service hours, please contact Lauren Rupar at [lauren.rupar@yahoo.com](mailto:lauren.rupar@yahoo.com) or 704-900-8903.

**Catholic Book Store!** The Carolina Catholic Corner is proud to let you know that the ever growing Catholic population in the Charlotte area now has a place to shop for books, gifts and art work that celebrates our beautiful Faith. Carolina Catholic Corner has opened its doors for business. We are located **inside** the Ace Hardware Store in the Cheshire Place Shopping Center at 3716 WT Harris Blvd near where Sugarcreek crosses Harris. This is a most unusual location but one that has already shown great blessings for both ACE and CCC! Carolina Catholic Corner is owned by the Bond Family. Call Allen Bond – store manager at 704-562-5001. We look forward to assisting you.



They're here! New Lighthouse Catholic Media CD's have arrived and are in the kiosk in the North Vestibule.

Stop by the wooden stand after Mass and select CD's from our newest shipment. Your small donation of just \$3.00 or more per CD is appreciated!

*Please keep in mind as you come in to the church we have several parishioners and visitors with walkers and canes that would like to sit in the back of the church by the baptismal font so the walk from their cars is not too far! Thank you*

**Volunteers Needed to Help Clean Church:**

Calling all Marthas! We are in need of volunteers who are willing to help clean the church building on a regular basis. Now that we have such a beautiful new church, let's be sure to take good care of it. For more information please contact Carol Kuhn at 704-527-5277. Thank you!

**Fr. Reid's homilies** are on the website: [www.stanncharlotte.org](http://www.stanncharlotte.org)

You will find all of our pamphlets, brochures and the Lighthouse CD's, along with the basket for travel size lotions, and the basket to collect snacks for the cancer kids in the **North Vestibule**. It is the side of the church closest to the parking lot.



The Magi brought the child Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. What gifts do I place before Jesus? My time? My talent? My treasure?

***Please keep all of our servicemen and servicewomen in your daily prayers.***

LT Michael P. Bernard, Jr.,  
USN, Louis Cragg, US Navy, Todd MacDonald 1<sup>st</sup>  
class Petty Officer, US Navy, Ted MacDonald Sgt.  
US Marines, Richard Beard A.F. National Guard  
Master Sergeant, Austin Timm Montana National  
Guard, Sergeant Justin David Schoonover, US  
Marines.

**Come to a night of prayer** at Wednesday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm. Our prayer night is directly after the Latin Mass. It will be held in the cry room. Please contact Carolyn Franks for further information. 704-544-3153 or [carolynfranks1@netzero.net](mailto:carolynfranks1@netzero.net).



***Welcome into our parish family***  
***Connor Henderson Moore***  
***Christian Joseph Simms***

**Help Wanted:** During these difficult economic times, some members of our parish family have lost

their jobs. If you or anyone you know is looking to hire, please consider those within our church family first. Contact Marcy in the office for names and numbers of those currently searching for employment. We would like to set up a service of support. A list on which you could include your company, your hobby or your service. We hope to have an "Angie's List" of people and companies such as lawn service or planting flowers, plumbers of the parish and all the others occupations. Call the church office.

**Dr. George Raad and the Metrolina Medical Research** would like to invite you to volunteer in one of the Clinical Research Studies: Arthritis, urinary incontinence, over active bladder, Diabetes, Diabetic Neuropathy, High Blood Pressure, Osteoporosis, Menstrual Migraine and flu vaccine for ages 65 and older. Call 704-527-6672  
[www.pmg-research.com](http://www.pmg-research.com)

**St. Gerard's Club.** Missions: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth, or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or [katherinetlauer@gmail.com](mailto:katherinetlauer@gmail.com).  
*Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.*

If you aren't praying for your child, who is? **Moms in Touch** is an international organization of moms who pray for their children and their children's schools. Our children need our prayers desperately in today's society and these prayer groups meet regularly to pray for these special intentions. If your children are in Catholic schools, public schools, private schools, Christian schools, home schooled, college, etc., Marie Foster (704-366-3332 or [TGAMFOSTER@aol.com](mailto:TGAMFOSTER@aol.com)) to get the name of a MIT leader for your child's school.

### **Bulletin Deadlines**

**Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> is due Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 12noon.**

**Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> is due Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 12noon.**

**Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> is due Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 12noon.**

**Habitat Critical Home Repair (HCHR)** began in 2007 as a division of **Habitat for Humanity**. It is for person who can't afford to make the necessary repairs on their houses themselves. If you are interested in helping please call 704-716-5639 or [Homerepair@habitatcharlotte.org](mailto:Homerepair@habitatcharlotte.org).

**Young adults in their 20s and 30s** interested in meeting others in our community come and check out our growing young adult group. For more information or to join please contact Christina Hinton at [christina.hinton@gmail.com](mailto:christina.hinton@gmail.com) or check our group out on Facebook, Vinny's DOC.

**Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS)** is accepting applications for all grades (TK through 12<sup>th</sup>) for the 2010-2011 school year. If you are interested in providing your child a Catholic School education – please go to our website at [www.charlottediocese.org](http://www.charlottediocese.org) for an application packet. Deadline for the Early Admission process is January 31, 2010. The second admission round begins February 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications continue to be accepted until all seats are filled. For more information please call the MACS Admission Office 704-370-3273.

*It is a glorious thing to be indifferent to suffering, but only to one's own suffering.*

*-Robert Lynd*

Introductions of **Marriage and Natural Family** in the Charlotte area for 2010.

Diocesan Pastoral Center time 6:30pm and dates: January 6<sup>th</sup>, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup>, August 4<sup>th</sup> and November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

St. Gabriel Catholic Church: January 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm.

St. Ann Catholic Church: February 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00pm.

Engaged Couples time 7:30pm and dates: January 8<sup>th</sup>, April 9<sup>th</sup>, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Co-sponsored by Catholic Social Services NFP Program. RSVP required. [cssnfp@charlottediocese.org](mailto:cssnfp@charlottediocese.org) or 704-370-3230.

THE CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP...is having their first Reflection of the New Year on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. Father Rick DeClue, Parochial Vicar of St. Vincent's, will be speaking. Please join us for an inspiring talk, refreshments, and fellowship. Non-members are always welcome. If you have any questions, please Carolyn Franks 704-544-3153 or [Carolynfranks1@netzero.net](mailto:Carolynfranks1@netzero.net)

**Charismatic Prayer Group** of St. Matthew's invites you to every third Monday of the month (the next one is Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>) at 7:30pm in the chapel. Questions to [CHLT5NC@aol.com](mailto:CHLT5NC@aol.com).

**The Men's Club** next meeting will be Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for dinner and will have a meeting following dinner. We will be planning the carnival events! All men of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend!

The next big event for the Men's Club is the Super Bowl Ribs and Wings! Be sure to attend this planning meeting for the Men's Club!

**The Diocese of Charlotte** is announcing the availability of its first affordable senior apartment development in Mooresville, NC. This new 40 unit complex is named Curlin Commons in honor of our retired Bishop. The 1 and 2 bedroom apartments will be available to those who are at least 55 years old and capable of independent living and who meet the low income and other qualifications for acceptance. Those who are interested are asked to contact the Excel Property Management company at 919-878-0522 so that information can be obtained to put them on a list to receive application and qualification packets. The apartments are anticipated to be ready for occupancy by March, 1, 2010.

**Shining Stars Adult Day Respite** is a not-for-profit organization helping families dealing with memory loss. They provide relief for the caregiver and activities and friendship for the care receivers. Meeting times are Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00am at St. Gabriel Catholic Church. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am at Sardis Presbyterian Church. They provide support groups for caregivers dealing with a memory loss family member. They are free and open to the public. Meeting times are: The last Monday of each month at 10:00am at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Room E in the Ministry Center.

The 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm at Sardis Presbyterian Church. Bereavement Group now meets the last Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm at St. Gabriel Catholic Church Room, E in the Ministry Center. Shining Stars Adult Day Respite is in need of volunteers. They meet from 10:00am –3:00pm at St. Gabriel on Mondays and Wednesdays. Also Tuesdays and Thursdays at Sardis Presbyterian Church. Call Suzanne Bach at 704-376-4135.

As part of the Park Road Ministry please keep in your prayers the **Moore Place** an Urban Ministry Center model to end chronic homelessness in Charlotte. To help contact Kathy Izard director of Homeless to Homes, Urban Ministry Center email her at [kizard@urbanministrycenter.org](mailto:kizard@urbanministrycenter.org) or visit [www.mooreplacecharlotte.com](http://www.mooreplacecharlotte.com).

### **2009-2010 IFBL Information:**

[www.sportability.com](http://www.sportability.com). Season Dates:

3<sup>rd</sup> grade- January 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>.

4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade- January 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, February 6<sup>th</sup>. Playoffs February 8<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup>.

9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade-December 20<sup>th</sup>, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>. February 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, Playoffs week of February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Diocesan requirements for reporting ministry-related sexual abuse of a minor.**

1. Any individual having actual knowledge of or reasonable cause to suspect an incident of ministry-related sexual abuse is to immediately report the incident to the Chancery.
2. The Chancery will then report the incident to the proper civil authorities. The individual reporting the incident to the Chancery will be notified of the particulars regarding the Chancery's filing of the incident with the civil authorities.
3. This reporting requirement is not intended to supersede the right of an individual to make a report to civil authority, but is to ensure proper, complete and timely reporting. Should an individual choose to make a report to civil authority, a report is still to be made to the Chancery.

**Shepherd's Center of Charlotte** has just the computer class for you. Our computer classes are designed especially for the older adult. Microsoft Word, Excel, Internet/E-Mail, Digital Imaging Management & Editing and E-Bay classes meet for three hours, three days a week. Cost is only \$25! Please call 704-365-1995.

**Attentions Families!** Come spend time as a family while you discover what your family's mission is at the **Domestic Church Conference!** Special guest speaker Cathy Garcia-Prats (mother of 10 boys and co-author of "Good Families Don't Just Happen"). January 30, 2010, 8:30am-6:00pm, St. Michael's Catholic Church, Gastonia. \$25 per family. For more information or to register, contact Lori Tortorich: [mltort@gmail.com](mailto:mltort@gmail.com), 704-675-5366. Hurry, space is limited!

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## La Epifanía del Señor 3 de enero de 2010

Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque ha llegado tu luz y la gloria del Señor alborea sobre ti. — *Isaías 60:1*

### LEVÁNTATE Y RESPLANDECE

Se da inicio a esta gran fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor con estas palabras: “Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque ha llegado tu luz y la gloria del Señor se alborea sobre ti” (Isaías 60:1). Esa lectura sigue con la descripción de un mundo cubierto de oscuridad. Aun en ese mundo, el profeta anuncia que la gloria del Señor brillará en Jerusalén. Muchos concordarían en que nuestro mundo está cubierto de tinieblas —las tinieblas que la guerra, el terrorismo y el hambre traen. Hoy anunciamos que aun en el mundo de hoy, el Señor puede disipar las tinieblas, si tan sólo acogiéramos la luz de la Epifanía. Al recordar la visita de los reyes magos al pesebre, pidamos que un día nuestro mundo cansado se levante y resplandezca con el esplendor de la paz y la justicia.

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### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — ¡Levántate y brilla, Jerusalén, porque sobre ti se levanta Yavé y sobre ti aparece su gloria! (Isaías 60:1-6).

**Salmo** — Que te adoren, Señor, todos los pueblos (Salmo 72 [71]).

**Segunda lectura** — El misterio se ha dado a conocer, que los no judíos han de compartir en Cristo Jesús la misma herencia, las mismas promesas por medio del Evangelio (Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Evangelio** — Vinieron unos Magos de Oriente preguntando: “¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?” (Mateo 2:1-12).

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mc 6:34-44

Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mc 6:45-52

Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lc 4:14-22a

Viernes: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lc 5:12-16

Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

Domingo: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Sal 29 (28) o Sal 104 (103); Hch 10:34-38 o Tit 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lc 3:15-16, 21-22

### SANTA ELIZABETH SETON (1774-1821)

#### 4 de enero

Elizabeth nació en una familia anglicana donde aprendió a amar a Dios y a la Sagrada Escritura. Contrajo matrimonio a los 19 años con William Seton y ambos engendraron cinco hijos. Debido a la economía y la salud de su marido, emigró a Italia y posteriormente sufrió la muerte de su esposo. Gracias al testimonio y ayuda de una familia católica, expresó su deseo de hacerse católica y, finalmente, en 1805 profesó la plena comunión con la Iglesia. Como hija de catedrático llegó a ser una mujer de amplísima educación e ingenio y fundó una escuela para educar a los niños y mantener a su familia. Unos años después, junto con otras tres compañeras fundaron otra escuela en Baltimore, naciendo así la primera comunidad religiosa de mujeres fundada en los Estados Unidos: Hermanas de la Caridad de San José. Gracias a su visión y al carisma de sus hermanas, crearon las escuelas parroquiales en los Estados Unidos, influenciando el crecimiento del catolicismo y por supuesto, la educación católica. Fue la primera mujer estadounidense en ser canonizada.

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### BUENA DISPOSICIÓN

Una buena disposición es una virtud en sí misma, y es duradera; el peso de los años no la deprecian, y el amor que se funda en ella perdura hasta el fin.

—Ovidio

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Servicio Bilingue: Domingoes a las 12:30pm

**La Ventana Del Inmigrante Contribuciones Recibidas Hasta La Fecha** (Dinero en efectivo/Ofrecimientos: \$18,329.75) Nuestra meta es de : **\$25,000**). En memoria de los inmigrantes, que han dedicado sus vidas sirviendo y trabajando en este pais. Para quienes han participado, gracias por su contribucion financiera. Si no ha participado todavia, por favor considere el hacer una contribucion economica para honrar nuestros inmigrantes, ancestros, amigos y/o seres queridos que han muerto sirviendo en este pais, frecuentemente trabajando en los trabajos mas peligrosos y/o de mayor esfuerzo fisico, contribuyendo para la construccion de este pais grandioso. !Que Dios los tenga en su seno! Por favor, entregue su donacion u ofrecimiento en la oficina de la iglesia.

**Preguntas/Inquietudes acerca de nuestros planes de construcción:**

Todd Wilson, Capital Campaign, Chairman

704-361-2366 [todd.wilson@cbi-nc.com](mailto:todd.wilson@cbi-nc.com)

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**Si tiene** algo que quiere anunciar en Español por el boletín, favor de mandarlo a Robin Davis por correo electrónico [meandmygirlies@windstream.net](mailto:meandmygirlies@windstream.net) .

Comunidad Hispana! Celebraremos el Carnaval de Santa Ana el 31 Octubre. La tradicion es que la comunidad hispana patrocina una zona donde vendimos comida hispana para ayudar recojer fondos. Necesitamos que cada persona participe! Pongase en contacto con Robin Davis 704-806-2434 o con Hilda Pimentel 704-606-7970 para participar en una labor!!

Buscando Ayuda: Durante este tiempos economicos dificiles, unos parroquianos nuestros han perdido sus empleos. Si Ustd o alguien que Ustd cConoce esta buscando empleados, favor de considerar darle la oportunidad a los miembros desempleados de nuestra familia parroquial. En St ana estamos iniciando un servicio de apoyo. En este servicio se puede comunicar su necesidad, sea empleado o sea emplearse. Queremos mantener una lista de negocios, habilidades, servicios que tienen nuestros parroquianos. Si quiere estar en la lista... Comunicarse con la oficina de la iglesia o con Robin Davis [meandmygirlies@windstream.net](mailto:meandmygirlies@windstream.net)

**La Planificación Natural de la Familia ... para el siglo XXI!** *Moderno* métodos de NFP se basan en sólidos conocimientos científicos y son eficaces. Usted puede hacer un seguimiento de los signos de fertilidad en línea o incluso en tu iPhone! Descubra cómo la práctica de NFP fomenta una comunicación profunda entre los cónyuges, llevando a una tasa de divorcio de menos al 3 %. Hacer algo ideal para su matrimonio! Asisten a una clase patrocinada por Católica Servicios sociales: Cuándo: 19 de enero, 7: 30 pm (español) Dónde: Nuestra Señora de la Gaudalupe Iglesia Católica, Charlotte RSVP obligatorio: Batrice Adcock, MSN, RN en (704) 370-3230 o por correo electrónico [cssnfp@charlottediocese.org](mailto:cssnfp@charlottediocese.org).

**Su iglesia** y la comunidad, ofrece muchas oportunidades para usar su tiempo y talento al servicio de Dios. Si tiene interes en servir en la misa como monaguillo, ministro de la Eucaristía, lector, etc. favor de llamar a Robin Davis 704-806-2434.

Por favor, considere sinceramente la posibilidad de tomar parte en nuestra misa bilingüe. Se necesitan muchos voluntarios para celebrar la misa adecuadamente. Estamos buscando a aquellos que están interesados en leer la palabra, recibir a los asistentes, y también estamos necesitando de jóvenes para servir en el altar. Por favor, deje su nombre y su información de contacto en la oficina de la iglesia si están interesados en ser voluntario en uno de estos ministerios.

Parroquiano de Santa Ana, el Doctor Raad, invita a las personas hispanas que necesitan servicios medicos. Llamar a Park Road Medical Clinic 704 523 2565 con Angela Gamarra (habla Espanol). Tambien el Doctor Raad tiene el placer de invitar a voluntarios en uno de los estudios clinicos de investigacion: gerd(acid reflux), diabetes, alta presion, osteoporosis, arthritis, problemas de vejiga. Tambien se ofrece vacuna para FLU (65 anos o mas) Llamar a 704-527-6672.

Han llegado! Los nuevos CD's de Lighthouse Catholic Media están aquí en el exhibidor del vestíbulo de la iglesia. Detengase por un momento y seleccione estos nuevos CD's de nuestra mas reciente adquisición. !Su donación de \$3.00 o más por CD será bienvenida!