

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

St. Ann Catholic Church

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*Your Stewardship of Treasure
743 registered families*

The week ending September 13, 2009

Sunday Offering 190 envelopes	8,153.00
Children Offering 3 envelopes	3.00
Sunday Offering loose cash	1,772.70
Total	9,928.70

Change jar 997.35

Fr. Reid's homilies are on the website:

www.stannsparish.org

We have rosaries - **hand made rosaries made by the children from Africa** for donations in the church office.

Our R.C.I.A. class has just begun join us Monday, September 28th at 7:00pm. If you are interested in the Catholic faith or know someone who is interested please call the church. All are invited.

A Pilgrimage in March 2010! Fr. Reid will be going to Saint Bernard Abbey Retreat and Conference Center with a tour on Tuesday, March 2nd through Thursday, March 4th. More details to follow.

Adult Education will be today, September 27th in the café after the 8:00am Mass.

Bulletin Deadlines are 12noon:

Sunday, October 4th is due Tuesday, September 29th.

Sunday, October 11th is due Tuesday, October 6th.

September 27, 2009



Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday night we are having an informational meeting for a very special organization that is growing in our diocese right now: Teams of Our Lady. Teams of Our Lady is an international movement of married couples whose purposes are: to grow in the spiritual life as a couple and a family through a program of prayer and study, to improve communication and deepen intimacy, and to live out our Christian faith in one's daily life. Each "Team" is composed of 5-7 couples who meet on a monthly basis for a shared meal, discussion, study and prayer. Currently, we have several couples from our parish who are involved in Teams of Our Lady, and I certainly want to encourage more couples to join. I've been involved with T.O.O.L. for over 3 years as a spiritual advisor, and I think it's a great way for couples to grow in holiness and to find support among other Catholic couples. If you are interested in learning more about T.O.O.L., please be sure to attend Wednesday night's meeting. You can also learn more by checking the Teams website at: <http://www.teamsofourlady.org/>.

On another note, I hope you are all enjoying the new church! It was a beautiful sight to see so many of you looking in awe at our new home last week. As we continue preparing for the upcoming capital campaign to eliminate our debt from this renovation, I encourage you to please be generous not only with your pledge, but also with your time. It takes a lot of manpower to run a capital campaign, and I must tell you frankly that I'm a bit disappointed that many of you who have been asked to participate as a builder in the campaign have opted not to help. I realize that we are all "busy" people, but we all need to do our part. We have worked very hard to build this new church, but our work is not yet complete. We must finish paying for it! And to do this, we need lots of help. If you are asked to help with the campaign, please be generous in responding. If you have already said no to helping with the campaign, I would ask you to reconsider. For more information about the capital campaign, please contact me or Todd Wilson, our campaign chair, at todd.wilson@cbi-nc.com. Thank you for your generosity.

May our Lord and His Mother continue to bless us and protect us all,

Rev TS RD

Fr. Reid

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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. Call Esteban Cardoso at 704-733-7532 for details. (Received: 16,607.70 – as of 09/20/09).

ATTENTION SINGERS!

SATB choir: the 10:30am SATB choir resumed rehearsals on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. All voice parts are needed. Please consider sharing your own musical gift in this lovely and important parish ministry.

We need you! You do not need to be an experienced singer -- you simply need to attend the rehearsals and be willing to learn and work hard in order to help support this excellent parish ministry!

St. Ann's Schola: Interested in singing Gregorian chant with the St. Ann's Schola? We welcome your participation. Rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm, off the parish campus. Our next Missa Cantata is scheduled for October in the new church! 12:30 music group: Ongoing rehearsals for the 12:30 music group (Spanish/English Mass) are held on Sunday mornings at 11:45am. Please consider singing with us!

"It is through the ministers of music that the joy of our faith, the lament of our mourners, the cry of the poor and the great hymns of thanksgiving resonate to the throne of God."

Faith Formation Registration

NEW "fast track" registration! You may download and print registration forms in advance! Find this form on St Ann website (go to Ministries, then to Faith Formation). Fill out one per student and a copy of baptism certificate and applicable fees must accompany each registration form.

Faith Formation fee schedule below. *Sacramental Fees are applicable to each student regardless of whether they attend public school or Catholic school. For those who are unable to pay fees, or need special payment plan, please contact Sister Judy 704-521-9589.

If you are able to sponsor a student who's family is unable to pay, please contact Sister Judy.

Fees for students of Faith Formation:

\$50 one student, \$90 two students, \$130 three or more students

Sacramental Fees (For First Communion and Confirmation students). Additional \$40 per student

Attention!! Children's Liturgy for 4-8 year olds will resume this fall during 10:30am Mass. Be a part of the volunteer rotation as an adult or teen helper. Interested? Need more information? Please leave your name and contact info in the church office or contact Robin Davis at 704-321-0107 or Chris Brunhuber at 704-540-9252.

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

LT Michael P. Bernard, Jr., USN,
Louis Cragg, US Navy,
Todd MacDonald 1st 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

Masses:

Sunday, September 27, 2009

8:00am Mass +John William Rothe
by the Rothe Family
10:30am Mass Intentions of Doug and Julie Macrae
12th Anniversary
by Kurt and Michelle Rahilly
12:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family

Monday, September 28, 2009

7:00am Mass Intentions of Doug and Julie Macrae
12th Anniversary
by Michelle and Kurt Rahilly

Tuesday, September 29, 2009

7:00am Mass

Wednesday, September 30, 2009

5:00pm Holy Hour
6:00pm Latin Mass For St. Ann's Benefactors and
their loved ones

Thursday, October 1, 2009

7:00am Mass Intentions of Jean McDevitt
by Abi and Dale Purvis

Friday, October 2, 2009

8:30am Mass +Dot Poutier
by the Rothe family

Saturday, October 3, 2009

3:00pm confessions
4:30pm Mass +Phillip Gerdes
by Scott and Joan Philipp
6:30pm Latin Mass +Frederick Rolfe
by Derek Gray

Sunday, October 4, 2009

Capital Needs and On Going Improvement
Collection
Food and Snack Collection
8:00am Mass +Mary Vu
by the Nguyent family
10:30am Mass Intentions of our parish family
12:30pm Mass +Magdalene Dury
by the family

**No daily Masses the week of October 5th-9th.
The priests' are on the annual diocesan retreat.**

Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools welcomes interested parents and students to attend the Admission Open Houses for the 2010-2011 School Year. Please call the MACS Admissions Office at 704-370-3273 or go to www.charlottediocese.org for additional information. Early Admissions begins January 4, 2010. Elementary Schools hold Open House at each individual campus at the following times: Sunday, October 18th from 1:30-3:30pm
Tuesday, October 20th from 9:00am-12noon:
Saint Matthews Catholic School TK-5.
Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School PK-5.
Saint Ann Catholic School TK-5.
Saint Gabriel Catholic School K-5.
Saint Patrick Catholic School K-5.
Saint Mark Catholic School K-8.
Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School -
Sunday, November 1st from 1:00-3:00pm.
Tuesday, November 3rd from 9:00-11:00am.
Charlotte Catholic High School - Sunday,
November 1st- program begins at 3:00pm.

Please pray for: (in our parish): Don Millard, Bob Brewer, Maggie Bernard, Gladys Cavallone, Elizabeth DeHority. **(and among our relatives and friends:** Cordelia Dixon (mother of Steve Dixon), Terri Benton (daughter of Pat and Bob Brewer), Jack Broxterman,

Please pray for our friends who are incarcerated: Walter F. Sanders, Jr.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joan Knechtel parishioner, who died September 19, 2009.

The Allen Center Schedule

Sunday, September 27th

9:00am Bible Study-library
9:00am Fr. Reid's class-café
10:00am Homeless Shelter-kitchen
7:00pm CSS-cl 1 and 2

Monday, September 28th

6:00-9:00pm dance group-gym
6:00pm AA-cl 1 and 2
7:00pm R.C.I. A.-café
7:30pm World Rosary-church

Tuesday, September 29th

9:00am Ceramics
6:30pm Carnival meeting-cl 1 and 2

Wednesday, September 30th

7:00pm Boy Scouts-scout room
7:00pm Teams of Our Lady-library

Thursday, October 1st

7:00pm Bingo-café
7:00pm Choir-church

Friday, October 2nd

6:30pm dance-cl 1 and 2
7:00pm Spanish Rosary-church

Saturday, October 3rd

9:00am Ceramics
9:00am AA/NA-cl 1 and 2
1:00pm-cl 1 and 2-in use
2:00pm-library-in use
2:00pm Baptism-church
3:00pm Confessions-church

Sunday, October 4th Respect Sunday

Capital Needs and Food Collection
8:00am Baptism-church
9:00am class-café
9:00am Bible Study-library
10:00am Hispanic-cl 1 and 2
10:30am Rite of Enrollment-church
2:00-3:00pm Life Chain-on Park Road
3:00pm Hmong-Church
6:30pm Men's Club-café
7:00pm CSS-cl 1 and 2

Monday, October 5, 2009

Priest Retreat
6:00pm dance-gym
6:00pm AA-cl 1 and 2
7:00pm Women's Society-library
7:00pm R.C.I.A.-café
7:30pm World Rosary-church

Tuesday, October 6th, 2009

9:00am Ceramics

Wednesday, October 7th, 2009

7:00pm Boy Scouts-scout room
7:00pm Campaign meeting-cl 1 and 2

Thursday, October 8th, 2009

7:00pm bingo-café
7:00pm Choir-church

Friday, October 9th, 2009

6:30pm dance group-cl 1 and 2

An Introduction to the **Theology of the Body:**
Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life
An 8-Part Study, 2009-2010. Between September
1979 and November 1984 John Paul II gave 129
short talks now known as the Theology of the Body.
This Christopher West study is an eight-part
DVD/discussion study. **Place:** Facilitated by Denise
Abele at the home of Judy Townsend- 4935 Hawk
Shadow Lane, Charlotte, NC 28277. **Dates:** Second
Friday of every month (8 sessions): October 9th,
November 13th, December 11th, January 8th,
February 12th, March 12th, April 16th, and May
14th. **Time:** 10:00-11:30am. **Cost:** \$15.00 (Study
guide plus shipping). **Sponsored by:** Charlotte
Catholic Women's Group - "*to know, to love and to
serve Christ*" **CCWG is an association of the Lay
Christian Faithful for the Diocese of Charlotte.**
Call or email Denise Abele at 704-541-6420 or
dancedeni@yahoo.com. To register, please call
Denise and mail your check (made payable to
CCWG) to Vicki Borin, 3759 Abingdon Rd.,
Charlotte, NC 28211, along with your name, email
address and phone number.

Charlotte Life Chain 2009 will be held Sunday, October 4th from 2:00-3:00pm here at St. Ann's. Other churches, both Catholic and Non-Catholic will be participating along their church properties as well, as a means to *peacefully* take a stand against abortion. Please meet at the main entrance of the church to pick from a variety of pre-printed signs then walk up to the church property along Park Rd. where we will stand in *prayer* for one hour. All are welcome. Please call Tom or Danielle Mathis at 704-541-0858.



40 Days For Life Campaign Join other St. Ann's parishioners in standing in peaceful prayer for **LIFE** in front of the abortion clinic on Latrobe Dr., Friday, October 2nd. This prayer vigil will take place from 7:00am-7:00pm. Please consider volunteering for an hour. The Diocese of Charlotte will be participating in the **40 Days for Life**, a nationwide, pro-life campaign seeking to end abortion through Prayer and Fasting, Community Outreach and a Peaceful Vigil outside of a local abortion facility. The Campaign runs September 23rd-November 1st and will be held outside of "A Preferred Women's Health Center," 3220 Latrobe Dr., Charlotte, NC 28211 7:00am-7:00pm daily. Sign up to participate in the vigil by visiting www.40daysforlife.org/charlotte or a sign-up sheet will be next to the church office or contact Brian or Angela Williams angiegirl67@yahoo.com. **Thank you!**

Rachel's Vineyard retreat is open to both men and women beginning their healing journey. Upcoming retreats: Savannah: October 16th-18th; Asheville: October 30th-November 1st; Rock Hill: November 20th-22nd, (Español). Call the Respect Life Office, 704-370-3229 or visit: rachelvineyard.org.

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

Despite its hardships, its hidden mysteries its suffering and its inevitable frailty, this mortal life is a most beautiful thing, a marvel ever new and moving, an event worthy of being exalted in joy and glory. -Pope Paul VI Evangelium Vitae, 84

Room At the Inn (www.rati.com), a pro-life Catholic maternity and after-care program, cordially invites you to attend its Fifteenth Annual fundraising Banquet, "Fifteen Years of Life-Giving Hope," on Thursday, October 22, 2009, at the Charlotte Convention Center. The guest speaker will be David Bereit, founder of "40 Days for Life." More than 200,000 people have joined his pro-life campaign, saving over 1,500 babies from abortion, including 150 babies in the greater Charlotte area. For more information, to make reservations, or to host a table of eight please contact Danielle Mathis at tmathis3@carolina.rr.com or 704-541-0858.

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. Helping is as simple as a few clicks on your internet. An online petition has been created by the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship and can be found at <http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/ncchooselife/> No contribution is necessary and petition names will not be used for any other purpose. **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.

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.

-St. Therese of Lisieux

St. Ann's Youth Group
(Middle and High Students)
6:00 – 8:00pm

Calling all parents and chaperons! Our Youth Group needs you to help now. Call the church office if you want to help with our youth. Our Youth need you!



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 Chris Brunhuber at 704-540-9252 or ccb43@earthlink.net.

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.

Charismatic Prayer Group of St. Matthew's invites you to every third Monday of the month (the next one is Monday, October 19th) at 7:30pm in the chapel. Please email questions to CHLT5NC@aol.com.

Charlie Nesto will be in the church office Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am -12:00noon if you would like to book the facility, parties, practices Or any use of the Allen Center, 704-523-4641#227.

World Rosary, Monday, September 28th at 7:30pm in the church. Please call Ann Layman at 704-525-3519 with questions. All are invited to attend.

Atria Merrywood Call 704-523-4949. Watch for some great lunch and learn meetings coming up!

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. *Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.*



They're here! New Lighthouse Catholic Media CD's have arrived and are in the kiosk just outside the church doors. Topics include:

Defending Truth and Life - Fr. Frank Pavone
How to Apply Our Faith to Our Families - Kimberly Hahn

15 Things to Do in the Midst of Suffering – Jeff Cavins

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!

You can practice reading, pronouncing and understanding English by reading the Bible! Meet with Sister Helene. She is going to lead a group each Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Activity Center beginning October 7th. Robin Davis to sign up at 704-523-4641 #232 at the Church Office.

The Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Collection for the Holy Land, the Collection for the Works of the Holy Father, the Catholic University of America Collection, and the Catholic Communications Campaign are now combined into one collection which is on the weekend of October 18th.

NEW DATE
Saturday, October 31st



A Carnival Is Coming . . .

Silent Auction

NEEDS: Consider donating a week at your beach house or condo, Panthers' or Bobcats' tickets, new electronics, designer clothes, NASCAR souvenirs, new computer games still in their boxes, sports memorabilia, gardening equipment, artwork, crystal, etc.

Or, do you know:

- A restaurateur who would donate dinner for four
- A golf course contact who could come up with a free round
- A landscaper, handyman, artist, photographer, or . . .

A Carnival Is Coming . . .

Games

Is your H-T popup tent still in its box or barely used? Consider donating it to the Carnival.

A Carnival Is Coming . . .

Arts & Crafts & Books

Please consider donating your hand-wrought creations: ceramics, quilts, sweaters, knick knacks, books, paperbacks or whimsical items for sale.

Contact Jo Crisp at 704-962-3105.

A Carnival Is Coming . . .

Booth Sponsorship

Consider sponsoring a Game Booth @ \$50, a ride venue @ \$175 or the Carnival Stage @ \$250.

Contact Ted Peters (704) 523-9233

Take Your Family,

Bring Your Friends,

Invite Your Neighbors

A Carnival Is Coming . . . To St. Ann's

Saturday, October 31st



Christian Stewardship trains us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. To give to God should be “from the top”—not what may be left over.

Many thanks to those Parishioners who made the sacrifice to raise your Offertory Donation to assist the Parish with the monthly expenses. We are very grateful. When the summer totals are available, more information will be coming.

Blanket Banquet 2009!: Catholics from various Charlotte area parishes are reaching out to keep the homeless warm this winter. Needed are your extra blankets and sleeping bags, gently used coats and backpacks, new undergarments and socks for both men and women. A fellowship reception to distribute the items and share refreshments with our brothers and sisters in need will be held on Saturday October 24th, 2:00-4:00pm on the front steps of St. Peter's Catholic Church. Please call Linda Flynn 704-366-9889. There will be a donation container in the Allen Center lobby beginning next weekend for your donations.

"When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind...blessed will you be because of their inability to repay you."
~Luke 14:13

Catholicism and Evolution: The departments of Biology and Theology of Belmont Abbey College are hosting a presentation - *Catholicism and Evolution* - by Abbey graduate, Father Michael J. Kavanaugh, on Tuesday, October 6th at 7:30pm in the Haid Theatre. Fr. Kavanaugh's presentation will focus on how the Catholic Church understands the Creation Accounts of Genesis and on the current debate regarding Evolution. For more information, contact Dr. David Williams at dr.fluellen@gmail.com or 704-461-7373. The presentation is free and open to the public.

St. Ann's Parish HOMELESS MINISTRY begins outreach to Center of Hope – Women & Children's Shelter. Today marks the first in a year-round series of monthly missions to bring Sunday dinner, Monday lunches and after-school snack bags to homeless kids, moms and single women. Located at 534 Spratt Street, near the intersection of Graham Avenue and Statesville Road, the Center of Hope shelters over 250 residents. Currently 40% of these souls are children aged 12 or younger. Newly designated co-chairs of this outreach to the Center of Hope have stepped forward from the veteran ranks of the active roster of homeless ministers. Their prayerfully-considered “Yes” has answered a call from our Pastoral Council to address additional underserved needs in the Charlotte community and permitted this outreach of St. Ann's parish to move forward. Please pray for them as they embark on a new aspect of their own prayer lives in leadership and service. Donations to the “Home Missions” collections taken up quarterly here at St. Ann's help to fund this outreach. Those monies put literally dozens of volunteers' hands to work in preparing, setting up and serving a meal for the poor. As the homeless ministry's relationship with the Center of Hope grows, we can expect to discover and meet other specific needs that can be met through our stewardship.

“St. Ann, beneficent mother of the mother of God, pray for us. St. Ann, loving patroness of our parish, intercede for us. St. Ann, most excellent example of motherhood, shelter us. Amen.”

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. 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. Shining Stars Adult Day Respite is in need of volunteers. Call Suzanne Bach at 704-376-4135.



St. Ann's School News

Visit the website at
www.stannscatholicsschool.com

Call the school office for all the up coming events.

The St. Vincent de Paul Church is hosting a **Shredding Event**. On Saturday, October 24th from 9:00am to 12noon. Proshred Security will come in their mobile shredding truck. A \$5.00 donation is suggested. The proceeds will benefit the good work of the Women's Guild of St. Vincent de Paul Church. Any questions call 704-554-7088.



Just a reminder! If you have not yet made your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal please consider doing it this week. As good stewards, we are all called to share our gifts. Please be generous in your sharing.

Notre Dame Club of Charlotte 11th Annual Scholarship Fund and Charity Golf Outing is Thursday, October 8th, 1:00pm on a shotgun start at Olde Sycamore Golf Club. The cost is \$125/player (Corporate Sponsorships available). Scholarship Fund (for ND students from Charlotte area), Holy Angels and Room at the Inn. Call Brian Wilson at 412-389-2188 or bwilson317@yahoo.com

Holy Spirits Ladies Guild Christmas Craft Fair is Saturday, December 5th. Spaces available for \$15.00 and is open to all crafters in the area. Call Sherry Anulies at 704-820-2895 or pinkms@carolina.rr.com.

Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School announces the **1st Annual HTCMS Cheer Clinic** on Saturday, October 3rd from 9:00am-1:00pm. Come and learn cheers, dances, jumps, stunts and more. Contact Ashley Davies at mysimplesimon@yahoo.com.

Catholic Social Services **Vineyard of Hope Wine Tasting & Fundraiser** Entertainment by Jazz Quartet Air Apparent. Friday, November 13, 2009 at 7:00pm at Marriott Charlotte SouthPark. Individual Tickets are \$50.00. Be a Hope Host & reserve a table of 8 for \$350.00. Call 704-370-3232.

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. Service of Support list you could put your company, your hobby or your service. We hope to have an "Angie 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 if you would like to be the first on our "Service of Support list."

Dr. George Raad and the Metrolina Medical Research would like to invite you to participate as a volunteer in one of the Clinical Research Studies; Arthritis, urinary incontinence, over active bladder, flu vaccine ages 65 and older. Call 704-527-6672 or 704-940-1842 www.pmg-research.com/metrolina.

The 67th Semi-Annual Rosary Rally will be held on Sunday, October 11th at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. For information please call Tina at 704-846-7361.

Come and enjoy **Prayer, Reflection and Social (with food!)** **Monday, September 28** at 7:00pm in the Reception Room at St. Vincent de Paul Church. **Adoration** (5:00pm) and **Latin Mass** (6:00pm) **Wednesday, September 30** at St. Ann's with dinner afterwards at a local restaurant. Join us for all or any part of the evening's activities. **First Annual Vinny's DOC Cook Out** at 6pm on **Thursday, October 1** at St. Vincent de Paul Church - we'll grill out, hang out and just enjoy each other's company! Food is provided but please bring your own drinks. Please RSVP to ashleigh.lawrence@yahoo.com or on Facebook (see our event page) by Tuesday, October 29 so we know how many to expect. For more information or to join please contact Christina Hinton at christina.hinton@gmail.com or check our group out on Facebook, Vinny's DOC.

The Charlotte Catholic Women's Group is an inter-parish organization with its mission to foster in women a greater desire to know, love and serve Jesus Christ and His Church. CCWG is an Association of the Lay Christian Faithful of the diocese of Charlotte. Please join us for our next Reflection on Monday, October 5th, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. We are pleased to announce that Bishop William G. Curlin, Bishop Emeritus of Charlotte, will be our speaker. Mass begins at 9:00am with the Bishop's talk following at 10:00am. If you have any questions, please contact, Carolyn Franks 704-544-3153, carolynfranks1@netzero.net.

Distance-Learning in your Area: The extension program from Loyola University's Institute for Ministry will begin classes at St. Therese Catholic Church. Anyone who is interested in pursuing a Masters Degree or Certificate in Pastoral Studies or Religious Education is welcome to attend. Prior application and registration is required. Other learning groups will soon be starting in other locations. For more information contact Frank Villaronga, diocesan liaison for the program, at 704-370-3274 or e-mail favillaronga@charlottediocese.org

Friday, October 9th, at St. Vincent de Paul Church at 7:00pm for a presentation on **Our Lady of Fatima and Holy Mary and Islam**. Father Christopher Roux, Pastor of St. Patrick's Cathedral, and Mike Sullivan, President of Catholics United for the Faith, Steubenville, Ohio, will be our speakers. Light refreshments will be served after the talks. Bring a friend and fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ while learning some fascinating facts about our Blessed Mother. Contact Elizabeth Keating at ewkeating4@aol.com or Mary Sample at 704-341-9292.

CSS Elder Ministry would like to invite you to mark your calendar for the upcoming Days of Reflection for Seniors. Thursday, October 8, 2009 at St. Luke, Mint Hill. Check-In: 10:00am. The Program begins at 10:30am. The cost is \$14 per person. Deadline for Registration: Tuesday, September 29th. The presenter is Bishop Emeritus William Curlin. "The Jesus Who Lives in Us".

The Annual St. Luke Church Festival Celebration is approaching fast! Save the date for October 17, 2009. Bounce on in for fun in our inflatable castle. Many of our individual ministries have also planned to have booths to share the exciting stewardship of our Catholic Faith. The Knights of Columbus will be selling hotdogs, hamburgers, and sausages at the event. Local vendors will be setting up craft booths to sell their goods. Fun activities are planned for all ages! There are still openings for 10X10 craft/wares booths. Please contact Rosemary Werner at rose_werner@hotmail.com or call 704-246-7600.

CMG Children's Consignment Sale: St. Gabriel Church Ministry Center, Saturday, October 10th 8:00am-2:00pm. We sell gently used children's clothing, toys, furniture, accessories and maternity items. Visit www.stgabrielchurch.org and click on CMG Consignment sale for details. To register as a consignor by October 3rd use www.myconsignmentmanager.com or contact cmgconsignment@yahoo.com.



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CAMBIANDO UNA LLANTA

Hace años, un anuncio por televisión mostraba a un hombre manejando su automóvil en una noche lluviosa. El hombre, que parecía haber tenido un día difícil y deseaba solamente llegar a su casa, se tropieza en el camino con una pareja de ancianos que tienen una llanta desinflada. El hombre pasa primero de largo, pero después se detiene. Él puede hacer lo correcto –cambiar la llanta a la pareja de ancianos– con lo cual se empaparía, o pudiera seguir su camino. La expresión de su rostro demuestra su dilema. Habría deseado no haber visto a la pareja. Pero los ha visto y por fin se baja de su carro a ayudarlos.

CAMBIANDO AL MUNDO

Es cuestión de escoger, ¿cierto? Generalmente sabemos lo que es bueno y lo que es malo. Conocemos la senda de la virtud. El problema es que el otro camino es generalmente más fácil y rápido y, con frecuencia, quizás es nuestra primera elección. Para aquellos de nosotros que luchamos con esos dilemas, ¡qué lectura evangélica tan excelente! Y ¡cuán reconfortante es –si mientras hacemos lo que nos corresponde para construir el reino de Dios– podemos vernos la mayoría de las veces como el primer hijo, el que dijo “no” pero luego dijo “sí!”.

La decisión es nuestra, y el Señor dice que viviremos o moriremos según lo que escojamos. Pablo nos aconseja que escojamos sabiamente imitando los valores y las actitudes de Jesús. ¿Y qué de las prostitutas y los recaudadores de impuestos? Sí, hicieron decisiones equivocadas, pero cuando Juan los llamó a que se arrepintieran, cambiaron su actitud y vinieron apresurados. No así los sumos sacerdotes y los ancianos. Ellos, si acaso se apresuraron, fue en la otra dirección. Ese hombre del anuncio no quería cambiar la llanta, pero al final lo hizo. Si finalmente le decimos “¡sí!” a Jesús, podremos hacer más y mejores cambios.

Lecturas de hoy: Ezequiel 18:25–28; Salmo 25:4–9; Filipenses 2:1–11 [1–5]; Mateo 21:28–32

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Servicio Bilingüe: Domingos a las 12:30pm

La Ventana Del Inmigrante Contribuciones Recibidas Hasta La Fecha (Dinero en efectivo/Ofrecimientos: \$16,607.70) Nuestra meta es de. : **\$25000**): \$25.000). En memoria de los inmigrantes, que han dedicado sus vidas sirviendo y trabajando en este país. 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 país, frecuentemente trabajando en los trabajos mas peligrosos y/o de mayor esfuerzo fisico, contribuyendo para la construccion de este país grandioso. !Que Dios los tenga en su seno! Por favor, entregue su donacion u ofrecimiento en la oficina de la iglesia. Para mayor informacion, puede comunicarse con Esteban Cardoso 704-733-7532.

Si tiene algo que quiere anunciar en Español por el boletín, favor de mandarlo a Robin Davis por correo electrónico 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!!

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!

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.

Preguntas/Inquietudes acerca de nuestros planes de construcción:

Todd Wilson, Capital Campaign, Chairman
704-361-2366 todd.wilson@cbi-nc.com
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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

Puedes practicar leer, pronunciar, y entender ingles por leer la Biblia! Reunanse con la Hermana Helene. Ella va a dirigir un grupo cada miercoles a las 6:30pm en el centro de actividades. Empezando 7 Oct. Para inscribirse llame a la oficina de la iglesia o a Robin Davis 704 806 2434.

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Jesús dice a sus discípulos: "Les aseguro que no quedará sin recompensa el que les dé de beber un vaso de agua por el hecho de que ustedes pertenecen a Cristo" (Marcos 9:41). De esta manera Jesús muestra ser un buen judío. Existe una vieja tradición hebrea que relata que Dios premia no sólo a sus santos, los profetas, sino también a los discípulos del santo, y a quienes ayudan y alimentan a los profetas o sus discípulos. Así mismo, Dios abre las puertas de su generosidad con los santos y quienes de una manera u otra están relacionados con dicho profeta. Nuestro Dios es un Dios generoso, por tal motivo, ama a quien da con alegría. Los cristianos somos receptores de la generosidad del Dios de Israel, ya que éste no nos negó a su propio Hijo. Desde el principio del cristianismo la generosidad de tiempo, talento y dinero han sido la señal palpable de nuestro amor fraterno. Jesús promete que esta generosidad será premiada en esta vida y en la vida eterna. Seamos generosos.

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