

**Saturday- January 25 Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle**

4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 4:30 p.m. Rosary  
 5:00 p.m. Mass †Dan Willers r/b Kathy & Walt Auman

**Sunday- January 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 a.m. Mass †Margaret Snyder r/b Karen Snyder  
 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
 10:30-12 p.m. Faith Formation  
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Pro Populo

**Monday- January 27 Memorial of St. Angela Merici**

NO DAILY MASS

**Tuesday- January 28 Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas**

NO DAILY MASS

6:00 p.m. Alanon

**Wednesday- January 29 Weekday**

6:00 p.m. Rosary  
 6:30 p.m. Mass †Federico Escamilla Frorez r/b Ramirez Family  
 7-8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday- January 30 Weekday**

8:00 a.m. Rosary  
 8:30 a.m. Mass †Geraldine & James Martin r/b Family  
 6:00 p.m. Al-Anon

**Friday- January 31 Memorial of St. John Bosco**

8:00 a.m. Rosary  
 8:30 a.m. Mass †James & Irene Sullinger r/b Don & Nancy Barker  
 9-10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday- February 1 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday**

4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 4:30 p.m. Rosary  
 5:00 p.m. Mass †James & Irene Sullinger r/b Don & Nancy Barker

**Sunday- February 2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

9:30 a.m. Mass †John Heyer r/b Mary Ann Heyer  
 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
 10:30-12 p.m. Faith Formation  
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Pro Populo

Red Rose by Mary: Knights of Columbus

Flowers on the Altar:

Lily by Joseph: Dwan Hahn

The Sanctuary Lamp: Carolyn Sain



*Ramelle Staton, Ann Dortan,  
 Joan Storms, Lisa Deppe,  
 Walt Deppe, Rose Ann Maiden,  
 Theresa Long, Marian McCann,  
 Terri Random, John DeVane,  
 James Bauer, Donna Stevenson, Dallas Ellis,  
 Leah Ciampini, Frankie Coley, Carol Fox,  
 Sebastian LaJiness, Spencer Rummage,  
 Chelsea Spack, Beth Lowery, Dan Huffman,  
 Malachi Dennis, Cassidy Stadler, Robert  
 Mitchell, Carl Mogilka, Roman Walz,  
 Judy Misenheimer, Janet Lavallee,  
 John Forest, Joseph Forest Jr.,  
 Reed Huneycutt, David Whitman Jr.,  
 Donna Keith, Juanita Guessford,  
 Teofista Floyd, Ryan Park, Barbara Dawson,  
 Brandon Cole, Frank Jaimes, Gerald Miller,  
 Mary Christie, , Kerri Swaney,  
 Lourdes Yarbrough, Josephine Kendal,  
 Greg the Marine*

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
 Oscar Spence, husband of Cecilia Spence**

**Parish Family members in the military services:**

*Will Welsh, Tyler Ostrander,  
 Hunter Osterhout, Steven Pressley,  
 Frank Sawicki, Rick Davis, Tim Roberts,  
 Cameron Crayton, Theresa Fox, John Tenney,  
 Ethan Matthew Grefrath, Tristan Huff,  
 Ben Zona, Joseph Monteleone,  
 Christopher Lopez, Jared Carrasco*

If you know of any parishioner (or former parishioner) who is ill or in a care facility, would you please let Father know so he may visit them. Also, if you are planning to enter the hospital, please let Father know. Hospital patient records are not available to Father. Thank you and may God Bless you.

**Homebound:** Please notify the Parish office (704) 982-2910 if you or your spouse desire Holy Communion at home.

**Hospital visitations:** Please notify church office if you or your Catholic family member desires Anointing of the sick or Holy Communion in a hospital. The hospital does not notify us.

# Our Lady of the Annunciation Catholic Church

**90 years a parish**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

January 26, 2025

Responsorial Psalm: 19:8, 9, 10, 15  
 Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Sacrament of Baptism:** By appointment only**Sacrament of Marriage:** Please contact Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

**Confessions:** Saturday 4-4:45 p.m. &  
 Wednesday 6-6:20 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Every Wednesday & Friday**Pastor:** Very Reverend Peter Fitzgibbons VF**Faith Formation:** B. Storms**Chief of Staff:** L. Storms**Address:** 416 N. 2nd St. Albemarle N.C. 28001**Office:** 704-982-2910**Fax:** 704-982-0881**Email:** [church@annunciationalbemarle.com](mailto:church@annunciationalbemarle.com)**Web page:** <http://annunciationcatholicbemarle.com>**Facebook page:** facebook.com/ola.catholic.church**Carolina Catholic Corner Bookstore:** Open Sat-Sun. After Mass & during office hours.





The parishioners of Our Lady of the Annunciation Church are happy to extend a warm welcome to the visitors who join us for Mass today. Please join us for coffee & donuts in the Family Life Center after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

"You are so loved by God"

## Office Hours

Office hours: Monday – Friday 7:30am – 1:30pm

## Altar Servers

Anyone wishing to serve on the altar please contact Carolyn Sain (704) 550-6933 (Cell). If you want to serve and need training, Carolyn will plan to meet with you after Mass.

## Readers

Readers for: February 1<sup>st</sup> Phyllis Kupsick & February 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathleen Miller.  
**If you would like to be a reader, please call Liz Nichols (704) 474-5729.**

## Sermon Notes

Copies of last weekend's Sermon notes are at the entrance of the church.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is every Friday, 9-10am, except the first Friday of each month is 9-11am. Wednesdays, 7-8pm.

## Adoration

Through our regularity in prayer of adoration, we let God act in the soul, whatever the states of our souls! In parishes where continuous Eucharistic Adoration is organized, the parishioners who agree to commit themselves to a fixed hour of adoration every week, grow in faithfulness and attentiveness. Their commitment allows them not to be discouraged in moments of trial and spiritual dryness.

When you gaze upon the Sacred Host, you are gazing upon the infinite mercy of God. The Eucharist is the supreme proof of God's Love and mercy. In the Blessed Sacrament, the God of mercy awaits us and beckons us, so that he might shower us with mercy at Holy Mass and in adoration. The Eucharist is Divine Mercy because the Eucharist is Jesus Christ, Mercy Incarnate. Donald H. Calloway, MIC

## Food Pantry

The Knights of Columbus are collecting items for the food pantry. You can leave your items in the entrance of the church under the bulletin board in the baskets. Monetary donations can be made out to the Knights of Columbus.

Needed items: ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, pancake mix, pancake syrup, grits, oatmeal, salad dressings, tomato sauce & diced tomatoes. **19lbs.** of food were donated last week. **Please NO outdated food. Egg cartons are no longer needed.**

It's so cold, when we milked the cows, we got ice cream.

## EWTN

Unplanned: The 40 Days for Life Story: "Unplanned: The 40 Days for Life Story" takes a look at the real-life characters depicted in the film, Unplanned. This original documentary includes interviews with members of 40 Days for Life, a pro-life movement which played a key role in the conversion of former Planned Parenthood employee Abby Johnson. January 27, 5:30pm.

The Beatification of Benedict Daswa: Celebrate the life of Benedict Daswa as we remember this devout Catholic husband and father martyred for standing up to the ritualistic killings then prevalent in South Africa. January 31, 5:30pm.

## Plant Sale

The Annual Plant sale is only 11 weeks away! (April 12-13). If you enjoy growing plants from seeds, now is the time to start planning and sowing, and we would really appreciate your donations of any extra seedlings, both flowers and vegetables. Or perhaps you have perennials that need dividing, like irises, daylilies, hostas, liriopie, etc. and you don't know what to do with your extras. We would love to have them too! More details on the Plant Sale later, if you have questions, contact Terry or Sherry.

## Coffee & Donuts List 2025

The coffee & donuts volunteer sheet is up on the bulletin board in the FLC. If you would like to volunteer to help with coffee & donuts on Sundays, just put your name on the month you would like to do. **Open months are May, July, August, September, November, & December.** Thank you for your help!

## Offertory Envelopes

If you missed picking up your offertory envelopes for 2025, please call Lori in the office to schedule a time to pick them up.

## Yard Sale

I have had some inquiries about dropping off yard sale items. We are not currently taking any items because our workers are taking a break from organizing donations. When I get word that they are ready to accept donations for the 2025 Yard Sale, I will let everyone know.

## 2025 Sanctuary Candles & Flowers on the Altar List

The 2025 Sanctuary Candles and Flowers on the Altar list is now up on the bulletin board. Feel free to sign up for a weekend!

## Upcoming Faith Formation

**January:** 26<sup>th</sup>

**February:** 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, & 23<sup>rd</sup>

**March:** 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>

**April:** 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>

**NO CLASS: 20<sup>th</sup>**

**May:** 4<sup>th</sup> (LAST CLASS)

## Tax Statements

If you would like a 2024 tax statement, please contact Lori in the office, 704-982-2910. Or, email [church@annunciationalbemarle.com](mailto:church@annunciationalbemarle.com).

## Offertory

**Fiscal year: Budgeted:** \$192,076.12 **Actual:** \$193,920.00  
**As of January 19<sup>th</sup>: Budgeted:** \$6,623.36 **Actual:** \$4,619.00  
**We THANK YOU for your continued support!!!**  
**DSA 2025 Goal \$30,742.00 Paid & Pledges \$0.00 (Under) (\$TBA) as of 1/16/25**  
**2024 Priest Retirement Assessment:** \$7,979  
**Paid:** \$1,547.00 **(Under)** (\$6,432.00) as of 9/24/24

## Daughters of Mary

The Daughters of Mary have their meeting every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month downstairs FLC at 1pm.  
Noticias Hijas de Maria, Reuniones el tercer miércoles de cada mes, a la 1pm en el FLC

The next Daughters of Mary meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup>.  
La próxima reunion para las Hijas de Maria será el 19 de febrero.

## Baby Bottle Boomerang

It's not too late to grab a baby bottle from the Baby Bottle Boomerang information table at the church entrance. Take one home, fill it with change, cash or check (make checks payable to the Stanly County PRC) and bring it back to church by **February 9<sup>th</sup>**. All funding from these bottles will aid the PRC in their fight against abortion right here in Stanly County. In 2021 alone, we lost over 32,000 lives in North Carolina to abortion and sadly, 84 of those precious lives were from our community. Your donations help the PRC provide vital pregnancy tests and ultrasounds to women in Stanly County. Thank you for contributing and supporting life!

## Mass participation and Stewardship

The sharing of one's time, talent, and treasure identifies a family as a participating member of Our Lady of Annunciation Catholic Church. In order to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation here at Our Lady of Annunciation, all students must be registered & attend Faith Formation for at least **2 consecutive years** prior to the reception of these sacraments. Weekly attendance to Mass is required.

## Al-Anon Family Groups

Al-Anon family groups, sixty years of hope for the families and friends of problem drinkers. Meetings: Annunciation Catholic Church Tuesday and Thursday 6:00 p.m. [www.alanon.org](http://www.alanon.org)

## Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for 2025

January: For the right to an education  
Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

## Pizza

It's back!!! We will be having Pizza Night on March 1<sup>st</sup>, more info to follow in February.

## Knights of Columbus (K of C)

The K of C is an international organization that meets monthly in the FLC. For more information about the K of C contact Vince Lombardo at [2323vincel@gmail.com](mailto:2323vincel@gmail.com). Next Meeting: Monday, February 3, 7pm, downstairs FLC.

Dec. Knight of Month: Gary R. Robinson  
Dec. Family of the Month: Terry & Diane Birdsong

## New Church Directory

A new church directory is coming! **To help us out, if your address/phone number has changed since you registered with the church, PLEASE email the office with your new address/phone number.** Photos will be taken on March 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mark your calendars. More information to come later.

## Church Blog

Come take a look at the blog on our website.  
<http://annunciationcatholicbemarle.com>

There are so many wonderful things to look through. There is too much to list. If you haven't been able to attend church and miss Father's sermons head on over to the website, you will be able to read them all there. There is no need to have an account or to log in. Just go to our website, if you are on a computer the blog will be listed at the top and if you are on a phone, you will find it in the menu section.

## Remind

If you would like to get texts on Church Information, i.e., Mass cancellations, death, funeral arrangements, etc. Text this number: 81010 and send the message: @church416. Once this message is sent, you will get a message from a new number confirming your successful join. You will now receive notifications for church information! **To ensure that you will receive my remind messages, PLEASE download the remind app.** This information can also be found on our website: [www.annunciationcatholicbemarle.com](http://www.annunciationcatholicbemarle.com)

## January Birthdays:

Don Barker, David Bennett, Jeffrey Bennett, Jeffrey Bost, Ashley Constantine, Deborah Constantine, Elvira Dennis, Cecilia Doman, Anita Dvorak, Abriella Eckman, Isaac Edquist, Simon Edquist, Melanie Gallardo, Martin Garcia III, Arlene Geis, Kenny Geis, Kelby Hinson, Felicity Macapobre, Isabel McIntyre, Carolina Medina, Larry Millard, Bob Miller, Elsie Moose, Clara Morgan, Daisy Morgan, Jesse Morgan, Richard Pidkameny, Randy Stevens, Breanne Storms, Ted Thompson, Mathew Chi Zong Vang, Cynthia Zicarelli

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is Mar.21-23, 2025 Emerald Isle, NC & May 2-4, 2025 Hickory, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at <http://MCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144



**Please do not play with your cell phones in church**  
**Please NO gum chewing in Church and please do not put your gum under the pews or kneelers. If you have trash, please do not throw it on the floor in church there is a trash can in the bathroom.**