

Saturday- January 11 Christmas Weekday

4:00 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Mass †**Judy Stokes r/b Betsy & Jo**

Sunday- January 12 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

9:30 a.m. Mass †**Mike Snyder r/b Karen Snyder**
 10:15 a.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast
 10:30-12 p.m. Faith Formation
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass **Pro Populo**

Monday- January 13 Memorial of St. Hilary

NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday- January 14 Weekday

NO DAILY MASS
 6:00 p.m. Alanon

Wednesday- January 15 Weekday

1:00 p.m. Daughters of Mary Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Rosary
 6:30 p.m. Mass †**Dominick Xavier Owens r/b Cecilia & Jim**
 7-8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday- January 16 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rosary
 8:30 a.m. Mass †**Sister Aloysius Shoemaker r/b Cecilia & Jim**
 6:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday- January 17 Memorial of St. Anthony

8:00 a.m. Rosary
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Intentions of Jeff Hutchins r/b Mother**
 9-10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday- January 18 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Mass † **Ted Kupsick r/b Phyllis Kupsick & Theresa Long**

Sunday- January 19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Mass †**Bill Simon r/b Sherry & Tony Hill**
 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
 NO FAITH FORMATION
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass **Pro Populo**

Red Rose by Mary: **Knights of Columbus**
Flowers on the Altar: **CHRISTMAS**
Lily by Joseph: **Dwan Hahn**
The Sanctuary Lamp:



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

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, Kyle Thompson, 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

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
 2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-38

January 12, 2025

Responsorial Psalm: 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
 Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

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



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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: January 18th Liz Nichols & January 19th Tom Morgan.
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. **24lbs.** of food were donated last week. **Please NO outdated food. Egg cartons are no longer needed.**

Tax Statements

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

EWTN

Into Life: Love Changes Everything: The Sisters of Life create an encounter of hope in God as they walk with women who are pregnant and vulnerable. January 13-17, 5:30pm.
Saint in the Making: A Blessed Cyprian Michael Tansi: The enduring legacy of Fr. Michael Tansi is celebrated in this moving documentary. His quiet life of prayer laid the foundation for a vibrant and thriving monastic tradition throughout Nigeria. January 18, 8pm.

Book Study Group

The Book Study Group will meet Wednesdays from 3-4 p.m. in the conference room in the office. We plan to start The Mindful Catholic by Dr. Greg Bottaro. You may already have this book as it was one of the free books offered at the church. Everyone is invited to join us.

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 March, April, May, July, August, September, November, & December.** Thank you for your help!

Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be having a pancake breakfast this Sunday after the 9:30am Mass.

Jubilee Prayer

Father in Heaven, may the faith you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ, enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectations of a new Heaven and a new Earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory with shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of Heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the Earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen.

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: 12th & 26th

NO CLASS: January 19th

February: 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd

March: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

April: 6th, 13th, 27th

NO CLASS: 20th

May: 4th (LAST CLASS)

Offertory

Fiscal year: Budgeted: \$178,829.40 **Actual:** \$184,526.00
As of January 5th: Budgeted: \$6,623.36 **Actual:** \$5,079.00
We THANK YOU for your continued support!!!
DSA 2024 Goal \$28,248.00 Paid & Pledges \$7,448.00 (Under) (\$20,800.00) as of 12/16/24
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 3rd 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 January 15th. (No meeting in December).
La próxima reunion para las Hijas de Maria será el 15 de enero. (no hay reunion en Diciembre).

19th Annual March for Life

National March for Life Bus Trip-January 23-25: Join a pro-life pilgrimage to Washington, DC for the nation's biggest pro-life witness! Includes the Vigil Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Life Fest with the Sisters of Life, the National March for Life, and more! Tickets \$200-\$300, includes lodging and transportation. Student discounts available. Sponsored by the Family Life Office of the Diocese of Charlotte. Questions? respectlife@rcdoc.org

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

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.

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.

It's so cold my false teeth were chattering, and they were still in the glass!

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. Next Meeting: Monday, February 3, 7pm, downstairs FLC.
Dec. Knight of Month: Gary R. Robinson
Dec. Family of the Month: Terry & Diane Birdsong

Winter Weather

With constant winter weather chances, I would like to say that I (Father Fitz) live 10 feet from the church, so the icy roads do not affect my ability to get to church. I do not want you driving in dangerous conditions to get to church. You will have to decide if the road conditions are too dangerous in your area. If the road conditions are too dangerous, please stay at home.

Church Blog

Come take a look at the blog on our website.
<http://annunciationalbemarle.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! This information can also be found on our website:
www.annunciationalbemarle.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 Ziccarelli

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 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.