

Saturday- February 22 Feast of the Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

4:00 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Mass †Al & Patty Leonard r/b Cecilia & Jim

Sunday- February 23 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Mass †Lupe Gomez r/b Ronnie & Spencer Rummage
 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
 10:30-12 p.m. Faith Formation
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Pro Populo

Monday- February 24 Weekday

NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday- February 25 WeekdayNO DAILY MASS
6:00 p.m. Alanon**Wednesday- February 26 Weekday**

6:00 p.m. Rosary
 6:30 p.m. Mass †Clayton & Mary Kate Bowers r/b Paulette Bowers
 7-8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday- February 27 Memorial of St. Gregory of Narek

8:00 a.m. Rosary
 8:30 a.m. Mass Intentions of Terri Swaney r/b Mother
 6:00 p.m. Alanon

Friday- February 28 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rosary
 8:30 a.m. Mass †Millie & Joe Mittnight r/b Cecilia, Jim, & Journey
 9-10 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday- March 1 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30-6 p.m. Pizza
 4:00 p.m. Confessions
 4:30 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Mass †James & Irene Sullinger r/b Don & Nancy Barker

Sunday- March 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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,
 Frankie Coley, Carol Fox,
 Dan Huffman, Teofista Floyd, Mary Christie,
 Barbara Dawson, Frank Jaimes, Ginger Ball,
 Terri Random, Jeanne Boroski, Dallas Ellis,
 Blanche Rudolf,*

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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

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Responsorial Psalm: 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
 Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

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:** Reverend Father Peter Fitzgibbons**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**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: March 1st Phyllis Kupsick & March 2nd 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

One of the greatest temptations around the Eucharist is to treat it like a regular part of our routine instead of the most significant moment of our week. And the way to move beyond that spiritual obstacle is to begin to build anticipation. Throughout the week, prepare for Mass by praying the Spiritual Communion each day, by reflecting on the Gospel for the coming Sunday's Mass, by fasting in order to intentionally become mindful of the hunger in your soul, and by arriving a few minutes early to quiet your heart, mind, body, and soul before Mass begins. We prepare for everything we consider to be important in this life. Preparation builds anticipation. And anticipation fills our souls with joy. When we don't prepare for Mass, we reveal our misplaced priorities and rob ourselves of so much of the joy God wants to give us through the Eucharistic experience.

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.

41lbs. of food were donated last week. **Please NO outdated food. Egg cartons are NEEDED.**

They say money talks, but all mine says is goodbye.

EWTN

With Everything in Me: In this inspiring program that builds hope for the future of the Church, six diverse seminarians share the deep spiritual motivations that are calling them to lives as Catholic priests. February 28, 5:30pm.

Child 31: The Story of Mary's Meals: This award-winning film shines a spotlight on the work of Mary's Meals, a charity honoring Our Lady that feeds over 750,000 of the world's poorest children every school day.

February 22, 2pm.

Plant Sale

Attention Gardeners! The annual plant sale is coming soon! Saturday, April 12, 2pm-6pm, and Sunday, April 13, 10:30am-2pm. The sale will be downstairs in the FLC. Time is flying by, get those pepper, tomato, and perennial flower seeds starting NOW. The second week of March is a good time to plant cucumbers, squash, etc. and please don't forget to donate your extra seedlings, cuttings, or division of plants. Contact Terry or Sherry if you have any questions.

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 July, August, & December.** Thank you for your help!

Prayer List Refresh

It's that time of year again! We will be refreshing our prayer list. If you would like your loved ones to stay on the prayer list, please email me at church@annunciationalbemarle.com, or call me in the office. 704-982-2910.

Yard Sale

Good news! I have spoken to the yard sale sorters, and they have told me that if you have anything to drop off for the yard sale, they are ready! Call Lori in the office to set up a time for drop off.

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!

Tax Statements

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

Upcoming Faith Formation

February: 23rd

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

April: 6th, 13th, 27th

NO CLASS: 20th

May: 4th (LAST CLASS)

Offertory

Fiscal year: Budgeted: \$218,569.56 **Actual:** \$215,203.00
As of February 16th: Budgeted: \$6,623.36 **Actual:** \$5,463.00
We THANK YOU for your continued support!!!
DSA 2025 Goal \$30,742.00 Paid & Pledges \$0.00
(Under) (\$TBA) as of 1/16/25

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 March 19th.

La próxima reunion para las Hijas de Maria será el 19 de marzo.

Faith Formation Teachers Needed

Catechesis is a pillar of education and we need good catechists! We are in need of a 5th grade teacher for the 2025-2026 Faith Formation year! If you are interested, please contact Breanne, bstormsola@gmail.com, or contact Lori in the office.

Book Club

The book study club will be studying "JESUS OF NAZARETH: Holy Week" by Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI) during Lent this year! We meet every Wednesday at 3pm in the conference room in the office. You can order the paperback on Amazon for \$18.97. Please consider getting the book and joining us for this Lenten journey!

Church Directory Photos

Smile! We are getting a brand-new church directory! Pictures will be taken on March 20th (2-8:30pm), 21st (2-8:30pm), & 22nd (10am-4pm). In person sign ups for photo sessions will start February 15 & 16 after each Mass. You can also sign up for a photo session at www.ucdir.com. Click "Photography Session Sign Up". The church code is: nc545 & the password is: photos

You will NOT be able to schedule an appointment online during the weekend, since in person sign ups will also be happening, and we don't want to double book.

We are looking for volunteers to help out with in person sign ups. We are looking for help starting Feb 22nd & 23rd, at all masses. If you can help, please contact Liz or Lori.

Lenten Dinners

Lent begins on March 5th, and you know what that means... Lenten Dinners!

First dinner: Friday, March 7: Baked Ziti

Pricing and the full dinner schedule is available on our website.

Pizza

Pizza pre-order forms are in the bulletin! Please fill out and return to Lori in the office. If you did not get a pizza form, and would like to order, you can email olapizzastromboli@gmail.com. Or you can call Lori in the office. Pizza will be Saturday, March 1st, 4-6:30pm.

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, March 3, 7pm, downstairs FLC.

Jan. Knight of Month: Jared Carrasco

Jan. Family of the Month: Terry & Diane Birdsong

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

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

February Birthdays:

Jose Amaya, Roxana Arriaga-Moreno, Amalia Aviles-Garcia, Ellary Carrasco, Ainhoa de la Pena, Cole Fennimore, Wyatt Fennimore, Marie Hamilton, Joseph Hau, Martin Hernandez, Laura Hyde, Gavin Keegan, Chris Kubiak, Phyllis Kupsick, Spence McIntyre, Margaret McLaughlin, Lillian Miller, Lisbeth Muang, Nate Mullins, Delia Osorio, Jeanette Palearas, Nelson Park III, Bernabe Perez Ramirez, Lee Runyon, Julia Sanniravong, Juliet Seitzer, Russell Stevens, Abigail Storms, Ted Thompson, Hue Vang

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.