

**Saturday- May 17 Easter Weekday**

4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 4:30 p.m. Rosary  
 5:00 p.m. Mass †Gerald Miller r/b Richard & Donna Yorkovich

**Sunday- May 18 Fifth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Blood Drive  
 9:30 a.m. Mass †Patrick Reilly r/b The Laun & Choiniere Families  
 10:15 a.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast  
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Pro Populo

**Monday- May 19 Easter Weekday**

NO DAILY MASS

**Tuesday- May 20 Memorial of St. Bernardine of Siena**

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6:00 p.m. Alanon

**Wednesday- May 21 Memorial of St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions**

1:00 p.m. Daughters of Mary Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. Rosary  
 6:30 p.m. Mass †Stephanie Martin r/b Family  
 7-8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday- May 22 Memorial of St. Rita of Cascia**

8:00 a.m. Rosary  
 8:30 a.m. Mass †Olga Throneburg r/b Liz Nichols  
 6:00 p.m. Alanon

**Friday- May 23 Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. Rosary  
 8:30 a.m. Mass †Gloria Siirila r/b Geri Vaughn  
 9-10 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday- May 24 Easter Weekday**

4:00 p.m. Confessions  
 4:30 p.m. Rosary  
 5:00 p.m. Mass †Richard Shoemaker r/b Cecilia & Jim

**Sunday- May 25 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9:30 a.m. Mass †Bill Wentzel r/b Judy Wentzel  
 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Pro Populo

Red Rose by Mary: Knights of Columbus  
 Flowers on the Altar: IMO Eugene Oakill r/b The Laun & Choiniere Families

Lily by Joseph: Dwan Hahn

The Sanctuary Lamp: IMO Theresa Moraskie r/b The Laun & Choiniere Families



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,  
 Terri Random, Jeanne Boroski, Carl Mogilka,  
 Blanche Rudolf, Janet Lavallee, John Forest,  
 Joseph Forest Jr., Leah Ciampini,  
 Sebastian LaJiness, Jerry Profitt, Loretta,  
 Carson Strickland

**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**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

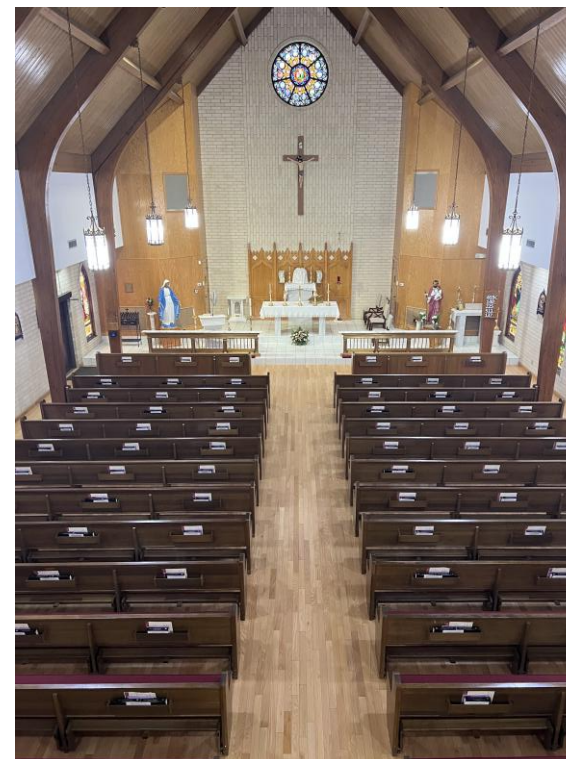
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

May 18, 2025

Responsorial Psalm: 100:1-2, 3, 5  
 Gospel: John 10:27-30

**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](mailto:church@annunciationalbemarle.com)**Web page:** <https://annunciationcatholicbemarle.com>**Facebook page:** facebook.com/ola.catholic.church



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

**The Office will be closed May 22-30. First day back will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

## 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: May 24<sup>th</sup> Chris Brown & May 25<sup>th</sup> Sally Pleasant.

**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, soup, salad dressings, tomato sauce & diced tomatoes, shampoo, body wash, feminine products, personal hygiene products, and other toiletries. **29lbs.** of food were donated last week.

**Please NO outdated food. Egg cartons are NEEDED.**

## EWTN

Grandparents: Grandparents are the featured stars in this EWTN original series. See the importance of grandparents in the faith lives of their children and grandchildren, and learn about Catholicism's grandparent saints. May 19-30, 6am.

Jeanne Jugan: Yesterday and Today: We visit the Little Sisters of the Poor to explore their lives and vocation, made richer by offering their hearts to God through vows of chastity, poverty, and obedience. May 21, 5:30pm.

## 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!

## Yard Sale

Happy Spring! It is time for the annual spring cleaning. In your cleaning efforts, if you find anything you would like to donate for our yard sale in October, call Lori in the office to set up a drop off time.

## Belk Charity Sale

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Belk Charity Sale! Friday-Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>. You can purchase a coupon from the Knights for \$5. The money raised goes to the Knights of Columbus Operation L.A.M.B. This coupon gives you \$5 off of your purchase at Belk.

## Habemus Papam!

We have a new Pope! Cardinal Robert Prevost, who will be known as Pope Leo XIV, has been chosen as the 267<sup>th</sup> successor to St. Peter. He is the first American-born pope.

## 2025-26 Faith Formation

2024-25 Faith Formation classes have come to an end. Thank you to all the teachers and volunteers that helped make this a successful year! If your child attended Faith Formation in the 2024-25 school year, you are able to sign up for next year's classes at this time. You can see Lori in the office, contact Breanne (email is on the website), or print a registration form at home and drop it off in the office during the week (registration forms are also on the website). If your child did not attend this past year's classes, and wants to sign up for 2025-26, **registration for everyone will open on June 8.** Please don't wait to sign up, there will be limits on how many children can be in each class due to classroom sizes.

## CPR Class

A CPR class will be held on June 1st, at 11:30am in the FLC for anyone wishing to learn how to help save a life. This class will be given by a Stanly County Paramedic. The class will cover adult and child CPR. It can be used on anyone, a spouse, a child, a grandchild, or a complete stranger. You will also be taught how to use the Automatic Defibrillators we have here. Please sign up either as you leave church or downstairs in the Family Life Center, so we have an idea of how many to expect. You are welcome to come, even if you don't sign up.

What is a teacher's 3 favorite words? June, July, & August

## Offertory

**Fiscal year: Budgeted:** \$308,978.36 **Actual:** \$290,379.00

**As of May 11<sup>th</sup>: Budgeted:** \$6,623.36 **Actual:** \$4,552.00

**We THANK YOU for your continued support!!!**

**DSA 2025 Goal \$30,743.00 Paid & Pledges \$4,635.00 (Under)** (\$26,108) as of 5/5/25

## Daughters of Mary

The next Daughters of Mary meeting will be May 21<sup>st</sup>.  
La próxima reunion para las Hijas de Maria será el 21 de mayo.

## Duc in Altum

Young Women (ages 16-19): Spend a week diving into your faith, following the example of Our Lady, at *Duc in Altum*, a summer vocations camp uniquely designed for young women to discover how the Lord is calling you as His beloved daughter, learning how to enhance your prayer life, and having fun with others. Mon-Fri, June 23-27, 2025 at Belmont Abbey College. Cost is \$150, deadline to register is June 9. Get details and register at [www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/woman-religious/duc-in-altum](http://www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/woman-religious/duc-in-altum). For inquires, contact Sister Mary Jacinta at [mjacinta@stjcs.org](mailto:mjacinta@stjcs.org).

## Talitha Koum

Young Women (ages 12-15): *Talitha Koum* is like a “mini” *Duc in Altum* exclusively for you! At this one-day retreat/camp, experience your faith, open your heart and grow in confidence, and have lots of fun. 8am-4pm, Mon. June 23, 2025, at Belmont Abbey College. Cost is \$25, deadline to register is June 9. Get details and register at [www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/religious/duc-in-altum](http://www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/religious/duc-in-altum). For inquiries, contact Sister Mary Jacinta at [mjacinta@stjcs.org](mailto:mjacinta@stjcs.org).

## Quo Vadis Days

Young Men (ages 15-19): Jesus has a great plan for you! At *Quo Vadis Days*, spend an unforgettable week exploring what that plan may be, talk one-on-one with priests and seminarians of the diocese, get equipped with tools to strengthen your faith, plus have fun with other young men like you from around the Diocese of Charlotte. Sign up soon- space is limited to 100 applicants! Mon-Fri, June 16-20, 2025, at Belmont Abbey College. Cost is \$150, deadline to apply is June 2. Learn more and pre-register at [www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days](http://www.charlottediocese.org/vocations/quo-vadis-days). For more info, contact Father Brain Becker at [bjbecker@rcdoc.org](mailto:bjbecker@rcdoc.org), or Lainie Lord at [ldlord@rcdoc.org](mailto:ldlord@rcdoc.org).

## Importance of the Mass

“The Mass is the center of the Christian life and the nourishment of the soul.” -St. Pius X

## Flag Retirement

For the next two weekends, the Knights of Columbus will have a basket in the entrance of the church for flags that need to be retired. If you have a flag that is torn and tattered, please put it in the box. The Knights will arrange for it to be disposed of respectfully and properly.

## 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, June 2, 7pm, downstairs FLC.

Apr. Knight of Month: Gary R. Robinson

Apr. 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](http://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.

## New Remind System

We have started to use a new reminder system! It is called Clearstream, and it will be similar to how Remind worked previously. If you would like to sign up to receive Church Information messages, text the word “CONNECT” to (704) 343-8870. You will receive a confirmation text saying you have joined! You can also call Lori in the office to sign up.

## May Birthdays:

Robin Alcala, Elizabeth Almond, Eloisa Almonte, Donovan Aviles-Garcia, Marisela Aviles-Garcia, Leigh Barbee, Maria Belotendos Salvacion, Jimmie Combs, Joel Craig, Theresa Cutrone, Jennifer Donjuan, Micah Edquist, William Facemire, Joan Feierstein, Robert Forsyth, Carol Frank, Lucas Gartner, Lynn Genova, Denzil Hibbs, Lisa Johnson, Jack Keegan, Vince Lombardo, Regnier Macapobre, Gerardo Medina, Noah Monteleone, David Oravec, Bill Peak, Erick Perez, Bernadette Riley, Ubaldo Salvanera, Marietta Smith, Michael Smith, Lake Snyder, Sudah Stuehm, Gabi Sutton, Skyler Vang, Michael Wenning, Alan Ziccarelli

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is Sept. 26-28, 2025 in 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.**