

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

June 1, 2025

Saturday- May 31 Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mass †**Sandra Stickle r/b Chris Bauer**

Sunday- June 1 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

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

Monday- June 2 Memorial of Sts. Marcellinus & Peter

8:00 a.m. Rosary
8:30 a.m. Mass †**Charles Hunt r/b Cecilia & Jim**
7:00 p.m. K of C Meeting

Tuesday- June 3 Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

8:00 a.m. Rosary
8:30 a.m. Mass †**Frankie Hatley r/b Bea Morton**
6:00 p.m. Alanon

Wednesday- June 4 Easter Weekday

6:00 p.m. Rosary
6:30 p.m. Mass †**James & Geraldine Martin r/b Family**
7-8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday- June 5 Memorial of St. Boniface

8:00 a.m. Rosary
8:30 a.m. Mass †**Mary Kate & Clayton Bowers r/b Paulette Bowers**
6:00 p.m. Alanon

Friday- June 6 Memorial of St. Norbert; First Friday

8:00 a.m. Rosary
8:30 a.m. Mass †**James & Irene Sullinger r/b Don & Nancy Barker**
9-11 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday- June 7 Easter Weekday; First Saturday

4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mass †**Peyton Williams r/b Julia Kirkpatrick**

Sunday- June 8 Solemnity of Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Mass †**Donald & Marguerite Shoemaker r/b Cecilia & Jim**
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 Tom & Randy Morton r/b Bea Morton**

Lily by Joseph: **Dwan Hahn**
The Sanctuary Lamp: **IMO Jack & Virginia**



*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

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1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11
2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

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Responsorial Psalm: 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

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



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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: June 7th Phyllis Kupsick & June 8th Randy Stevens.
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

Secret Treasures of the Vatican: A fascinating EWTN original documentary, hosted by James-Charles Noonan, takes you inside the Vatican to examine rarely seen secret treasures and unique artifacts contained in the Papal Treasury. June 9, 5:30pm.
I will enter the Gates of Heaven dancing: In this powerful testimony of faith and sacrifice, the Rugamba family, including six children, are murdered during the Rwandan genocide after a night spent in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. June 10, 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

Schools out! Put the kids to work this summer and get some cleaning done! 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 6th - 8th. 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.

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 today, 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. You will also be taught how to use the Automatic Defibrillators we have here. You are welcome to come, even if you didn't sign up.

Blessing Before Meals

“Bless us, O Lord! And these thy gifts, which we are about to receive, from Thy bounty, through Christ Our Lord. Amen”

Offertory

Fiscal year: **Budgeted:** \$308,978.36 **Actual:**\$290,379.00
As of May 11th: **Budgeted:** \$6,623.36 **Actual:** \$4,552.00
We THANK YOU for your continued support!!!
DSA 2025 Goal \$30,743.00 **Paid & Pledges** \$4,785.00
(Under) (\$25,958) as of 5/13/25

Daughters of Mary

The next Daughters of Mary meeting will be June 18th.
La próxima reunion para las Hijas de Maria será el 18 de junio.

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. For inquires, contact Sister Mary Jacinta at 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. For inquiries, contact Sister Mary Jacinta at 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. For more info, contact Father Brain Becker at bjbecker@rcdoc.org, or Lainie Lord at ldlord@rcdoc.org.

Importance of the Mass

“The Mass is the unbloody renewal of the sacrifice of the cross.”
-St. Francis de Sales

Blessing After Meals

“We give thee thanks for all thy benefits, O Almighty God, who lives and reigns forever; and may the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.”

Why should you stand in a corner if you're cold? It's always 90 degrees.

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, 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

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.

June Birthdays:

Walter Auman, Bonita Chellman, Mark De Jaco, Jose de la Pena, Stanley Dvorak, Jamison Eckman, Anthony Edquist, Catherine Facemire, Gregory Gartner, Adrianna Hernandez, Brent Kelly, Denise Liberto, Shirley Lowder, Daniel Lundin, Emanuel Macapobre, Ma. Margarita Martinez, Cleve Miller, Brenda Moua, Brian Moua, Thomas Mullins, Henry Panzer, Stefanie Panzer, Katrina Prislusky, Enma Rojas, Luis Rojas, Conchita Salvanera, Walter Sargent, Samantha Stetzer, Adam Storms, Bryce Xiong, Caleb Yarbrough, Donna Yorkovich

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 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.