

**ST. JOHN
THE BAPTIST
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Est. 1911

Ut In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK / LAST RITES: Please ask the priest for the Anointing of the Sick before serious surgery. In the case of an emergency and the need for Last Rites, call the parish office at 828-859-9574, wait for the answering machine, then press 6 to leave your name and phone number.

HOLY COMMUNION AND HOSPITAL CALLS: Please notify the parish office when a parishioner is in the hospital or homebound.

FAITH FORMATION: Classes, Monday: 6 to 7 pm.
High School Youth Group, see bulletin for scheduling.

DEVOTIONS: Rosary before weekday Mass. Divine Mercy Chaplet following Monday Mass. First Friday Adoration begins at 9 am and concludes at 5 pm with Benediction.

SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am (Latin), 11 am & 12:30 pm (Spanish)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday & Friday: 8:30 am
First Saturday Mass: 8:30 am
Holy Days to be announced

CONFESSION

Monday & Friday: 7:30 — 8:15 am
Saturday: 3:00 — 4:30 pm, or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30 — 9:30 am

BAPTISM: Preparation class required. Contact the parish office.

MATRIMONY: Couples planning marriage should contact the parish priest at least six months in advance of the marriage.

REGISTRATION: New parishioners may register at the parish office or download the registration form from our website.

THE LITURGICAL WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 8

4:30pm - Heidi Shull

Sunday, January 9

The Baptism of the Lord

8:30am Latin - † Paula K. Hebert

11am - † Robert Gray

12:30pm - Pro Populo

Monday, January 10

8:30am - The Kohlbray Family

Tuesday, January 11

8:30am - The Meyers Family

Friday, January 14

8:30am Latin - † Grace McMahon

Saturday, January 15

Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30pm - Christopher &
Patrick Conroy

Sunday, January 16

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Latin - † Adeline &

† James Kenny

11am - † Robert Gray

12:30pm - Pro Populo



CONFESSIONS

Monday 7:30 — 8:30 am

Friday 7:30 — 8:30 am

Saturday 3 — 4:30 pm

DEVOTIONS

***ADORATION & BENEDICTION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Wednesday — 8:30 to 9:30 am

*No Thursday Adoration

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

After Monday Mass

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

After Tuesday Mass

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

are lit for the intentions of
Matthew Cross

PRAYERS

FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Please remember the infirmed of our parish, especially those who, by request, have been placed on our parish prayer intention list. If you would like to be added to this list, please call the parish office. You may call for a copy of the prayer list.

SPIRITUAL READING & REFLECTION



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.
- Lk 3:21-22a

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APPROACHING THE UNAPPROACHABLE ONE

“In my mercy, I was overcome by my compassion and came to my creature, stretching out my hands to embrace you. So do not be ashamed in front of me; for your sake, naked as you are, I am stripped naked and baptized. Already the Jordan opens for me, and John prepares my ways in the waters and in minds.” The Savior spoke thus to humankind, not in words but in deeds, and came, as he said, drawing near to the river on foot and to the Forerunner as the unapproachable Light.

When John saw the river in the desert and Christ in the Jordan, he was troubled by fear, as his father had trembled at Gabriel (Lk 1:12), for at that moment something happened, greater than any moment; for at that moment the Master of the angels had come to a slave wishing to be baptized.... “I am not asking, Baptist, that you overstep your bounds. Simply baptize me in silence and expectation of what will follow the baptism. Because in this way you will gain a dignity which does not belong to angels, for I will also make you greater than all the prophets. Not one of them saw me clearly, but only in types and shadows and dreams. But as he stands before you by his own will, you see, you grasp the unapproachable Light.”...

Heaven rejoice and earth be glad, springs of water be hallowed, for by appearing he has filled all things with blessing, he enlightens all mankind, the unapproachable Light.

At the divine command, Zechariah’s offspring raises his mind on high, and stretching out his palm places it on the King, washes in the streams, then leads back to land the Lord of land and sky, whom the One who cried this is my beloved Son pointed out from heaven by a voice. To the Father himself then and to the Son who was baptized and to his Spirit I cry, “Crush those who afflict my soul; end my errors, my Redeemer, the unapproachable Light.”

Saint Romanos the Melodist

Saint Romanos the Melodist († c. 565) was a deacon in Constantinople who composed several chanted sermons. January 2022 Magnificat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Alleluia

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts

10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps

104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14;

3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9,

10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/

Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/

Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/

1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

THE OFFERTORY REPORT

Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 — June 30, 2022

Offertory Totals for the Masses of Jan. 1 & 2, 2022

	This Week	Y.T.D
Actual - Regular	\$14,579	\$266,769
Budgeted	\$7,885	\$212,885
Variance	\$6,694	\$ 53,884

Offertory Totals for the Masses of

Dec. 25 & 26-28, 2021

	This Week	Y.T.D
Actual - Regular	\$17,973	\$252,190
Budgeted	\$ 7,885	\$205,000
Variance	\$10,088	\$ 47,190

Offertory Totals for the Masses of Dec. 18 & 19, 2021

	This Week	Y.T.D
Actual - Regular	\$10,043	\$233,085
Budgeted	\$ 7,885	\$197,115
Variance	\$ 2,158	\$ 35,970

**THE 2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES
ARE IN THE SOCIAL HALL. PLEASE
PICK UP YOURS TODAY!**

YOUR ASSISTANCE PLEASE

Church Side Door with Coded Lock

During the week, should you enter or exit the Church through the coded locking door (by the B.V.M. statue), please be sure to pull door securely and then lock it. From the inside it is a simple deadlock bolt. If leaving, the door can be locked by simply pushing the lock icon on the keypad. Thank you for your assistance.



COMBINED MISSION COLLECTION - JANUARY 15 & 16

As part of the diocesan combined collections program, the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Church in Africa, Catholic Home Missions, and the United States Mission Collection have been combined into one second collection. That collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Your contribution to the good work of these organizations will give you an opportunity to participate in the missionary activity of the Church on both a local and world level. This week you should receive a letter from our Vicar General and Chancellor, Father Winslow, with an informative brochure. Please take the time to read through the brochure and become more familiar with the good work done by each of these organizations. The envelope for this collection is part of your parish envelope packet.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

We are restarting a support group in this area for those who care for loved ones with Dementia/Alzheimers. **The target start date is February 2022.** Our hope is to provide a venue for caregivers with common, and sometimes trying responsibilities, to develop a network of support and to share "lessons learned." The goal also is to provide issue specific training and additional resource information. Once launched, we will gather at the "Meeting Place" in Polk County. For those interested being part of the Dementia/Alzheimer's support group as a caregiver, or as a volunteer, please contact: Peggy Wyllie at: 828-859-6339, or Donna Carson at: 828-894-0001.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

For the Conversion of our Country

Join us every Tuesday morning at 9:30am in the Church, before the statue of Our Lady. Booklets are provided.



DONUTS & DOGMA

Donuts & Dogma has been a great addition to our ongoing faith formation and fellowship. We thank Fr. Christian for his insight, wisdom and humor in answering our many questions submitted at the monthly sessions. Donuts & Dogma is a team effort: Fr. Christian handles the "Dogma" portion and parishioners handle the "Donuts" portion.

Please, please consider volunteering to HOST a Donuts & Dogma. You would sign up for just one month out of the calendar year. You and your spouse, or you and your friends, or you and another couple could sign up to provide hot coffee and donuts. Keep it simple...the primary nourishment comes from the Q & A with Fr. Christian ☺. We just need a cup of java with a donut or two to dunk!



We need help for the following months: February, March, April and October. If interested, please contact Palma Davis at riverhillfarmpmd@gmail.com.

FORMED.ORG

- Watch: *Reborn-Episode 1: A New Creation.*
- Learn: *Lectio: Mark, Episode 2: Prepare the Way of the Lord.*
- Listen: *Changes Forever: The Sacrament of Baptism*, by Fr. Mike Schmitz.

To set up your FREE account, visit formed.org/ signup and select our parish.

PARISH LIFE			
Mon	Jan 10	5:30pm 6pm	Schola Choir Rehearsal, Church Faith Formation Classes, Parish Ctr
Tue	Jan 11	3pm 7pm	Men's Group, Social Hall K of C Mtg, Social Hall
Sat	Jan 15	7:30am	Lay Dominicans, Social Hall
Pueri Cantores Rehearsals Jan. 9 — 9:30am, Parish Ctr / Jan. 16 — 9:30am, Social Hall			

16TH ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE CHARLOTTE!*Friday, Jan. 14, 2022*

The day will begin with a Mass offered for the Unborn at 9am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Rd. Charlotte, N.C. At 11am we will start to gather at the parking lot across the street from the Catholic Diocese at 1123 S. Church St. Charlotte, N.C. There may be some parking available at the parking lot but please expect to find parking on your own uptown if necessary. At 12pm we will march to Trade and Tryon to be a witness for The Unborn. There will be a guest preacher and prolife speaker. After the prolife testimonies we will pray the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join others to march and pray for an end to abortion and save babies lives! See schedule details at www.marchforlifecharlotte.com.

THE GOLDEN RULE GROUP*Struggling with Loneliness? We Are Here For You.*

The Golden Rule provides rides to appointments, errands, visits, prayers, etc. Contact parishioner Peggy Wyllie at 828-859-6339.

**RETRouvaille***Marriage Help*

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with the weekend of Feb. 11-13, 2022 call 434-793-0242 or email: retrouvailenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.helpourmarriage.org.

LOST & FOUND

Found: Ladies, black wrap/cape (with two openings for arms) — Cato, size small. Contact the parish office if this item belongs to you: 828-859-9574.

IF YOU HAVE RECENTLY MOVED

or changed your phone number or e-mail address, please call Andrée in the parish office at 828-859-9574 or email at: stjohnchurch@windstream.net, with your updated information. Thanks!

SILENCE

When you are before the altar believe that there are troops of angels and archangels trembling with respect before the sovereign Master of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, when you are in church, be there in silence, fear, and veneration.

— Saint John Chrysostom

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Our baptism, like the Lord's, is a consecration to service. The bishop's pastoral on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of baptism that people place their gifts, their resources – their selves – at God's service in and through the Church."

SAVE THE DATE

Jan 16	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2	Ash Wednesday
March 6	First Sunday of Lent
March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord
April 10	Palm Sunday
April 17	Easter Sunday

FAITH FORMATION

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- FF Classes RESUME tomorrow evening: Monday, January 10th.
- Please arrive by 5:50. Classes should begin promptly at 6pm.

Ut In Omnibus Glorificetur Deus—So That in All Things May God be Glorified



— ADULT FAITH FORMATION —

MEN'S GROUP

Tuesday, January 11th

Men's Group will gather Tuesday, January 11th at 3:00pm in the Church. Men's Group gathers the second and fourth Tuesdays each month. All men of the parish are welcome to join. Any questions, contact Greg Lobas at beintentional500@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Tuesday, January 25th

Women's group will gather again on Tuesday evening, January 25th at 6:30pm in the parish office. This winter/spring session will cover a ten-episode series on the Eucharist, by Dr. Brant Pitre.

Youth Ministry

- Sunday, January 9 Youth Breakfast with Fr. Christian.
- Sunday, January 23 Youth Group Evening, 5:30 to 7:00pm.

Youth, let the SAINTS guide you...

"There is no space where God is not; space does not exist apart from Him. He is in heaven, in hell, beyond the seas; dwelling in all things and enveloping all. Thus He embraces, and is embraced by, the universe, confined to no part of it but pervading all."

*—St. Hilary of Poitiers
Bishop and Doctor of the Church.*