

Mission Statement

With the Blessed Virgin Mary, the first disciple of Jesus Christ, as our example and patron, the mission of Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church is to proclaim and share the Gospel entrusted to us. We celebrate our oneness with the Risen Christ, with each other and the entire Church, through the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist. We accept the direction given us by the Second Vatican Council. We are committed to this mission by the worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to the needy.

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR THIS WEEKEND HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:

Kathy A. Hodge

IN HONOR OF:

Betty Schobel

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, May 16th

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 17th

8:00am For the People

11:00am Lorraine Pierson

Monday, May 18th

9:00am Anthony & Billie Ippolito

Tuesday, May 19th

12:15pm Travis & Katie Phillips

Wednesday, May 20th

7:00 pm Confirmation with Bishop Jugis

Thursday, May 21st

No Mass

Friday, May 22nd

12:15pm S. Bernadette McNamara RSM

ART AND ENVIRONMENT:

May 17: Nancy O'Brien, Kimber Walters

May 24: Dominique May, Alfreda Tanski

COFFEE & DONUT VOLUNTEERS:

May 24, 2009:

8:00am— Ken & Cameon Holt, Michelle Hollis,
Jainie Crane

11:00am—Woods Family, Pam Marsh



Queen of the Apostles ONLINE PRAYER MINISTRY

Coordinator, Doris Spivey, accepts prayer requests Monday through Friday each week from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Emergency requests are accepted anytime and on weekends. Please email Doris at mamad73@mailbug.com. If you would like to join this Prayer Ministry and do not have access to a computer but have **VOICE MAIL**, please call Jeanne Lafrancis 704-867-6092. Jeanne will be happy to call you with the daily prayer requests.

Collections

Collections 05-10-2009: \$11,228.96

Thank you for your support of the parish!

OUR WEEKLY TITHE:

Last week, because of your generosity in the offertory we were able to send a tithe of \$561.45 to *Catherine's House*

This week we will send our tithe to the *C.R.O.* This Community Relief Organization offers emergency assistance to those living in Mount Holly and the surrounding area.

Thank you for your generous giving!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, May 23, 2009—5:00pm Mass

Lector: Tricia Vasil

EMC's: Sue Bess, Irv & Kay Bonnin, Mary Burazer, Heidi Maskol

Ministers of Hospitality: Boyd Bess, George Burazer, Steve Maskol

Altar Servers: Stephen Plecnik, Jonathan Russo

Sunday, May 24, 2009—8:00am Mass

Lectors: Larry Capps, Jerry Roche

EMC's: Phil & Jan Baucom, Judy Capps, RoseAnn Hill, Joyce McLeod

Ministers of Hospitality: Jim Dent, Doug McLeod, Bill McMaster

Altar Servers: Billy & Melanie Baucom, Caitlyn Dorfmeister

Sunday, May 24, 2009—11:00am Mass

Lectors: S. Bernadette McNamara, Donna Snyder

EMC's: Aida Cline, Sandy Endicott, Joan Eno, Sandy Kumm, Jeanne LaFrancis, Beth McAbee, Bill Pierson, Ronald Shepard

Ministers of Hospitality: John Endicott, Stuart LaFrancis, David McAbee

Altar Servers: Janette Blanford, Sami Eno, Claire Lamadiid

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE:

Sixth Sunday of Easter ~

Have you ever thought about how many of your free hours you spend doing things for yourself versus how many you spend doing things for others?

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I hope you have circled May 31 in your calendars and plan on joining us for the Pentecost Parish Mass and Picnic. What an opportunity to come together as church! There is a flyer in the bulletin this week as well in case you missed it.

Have you been "sitting pretty" since Easter? I mean, have you noticed anything different about our pews? If you have been here for a year or more you may know that sometimes when you would sit down, the pew would move! If you would lean against it, it might "give way!" Apparently after the carpet was installed in the church some years ago, there was a need for better anchors in the pews. A group of men in the parish set about to make things safe and secure and Harold's Pew Project was born. Before Easter this year, it has been completed! All the pews have been anchored in place and more than that, Jigs were made and installed and all the pews have been braced (thanks to the work of Harold Ramsey and Bill Eikoetter). It was a long task and I am grateful for their perseverance and their craftsmanship! The next time you're sitting in the pew and it doesn't move, send up a little prayer of thanks for these guys. Here are the names of the folks who made this possible:

Harold Ramsey, Bill Eikoetter, Greg Hoehne, Charlie Boyd, Bob Atterberry,
Roger Fenlon, Don Holler, Jack Morris, Peter Liberatore, David McAbee and Tom Spada.

Thanks for all your time and patience!

Just a reminder that the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is transferred to next Sunday, May 24. Many of your calendars or if you have moved from other places, your churches, may have the celebration of the Ascension on Thursday (May 21). That is no longer the case throughout the Province of Atlanta so there is no "holy day" until we gather on the weekend to keep the Lord's Day together.

But there is something to celebrate this week. Our bishop, Bishop Peter Jugis, will join us Wednesday evening, **May 20 at 7:00 PM** in the church for the celebration of Confirmation with our eighth graders. We invite you to come and welcome him and to support these young people who complete their initiation with this sacrament. If you cannot gather with us in the church, please keep them in your prayers this week!

On Saturday, May 23, our children will also celebrate First Eucharist. Keep them in your prayers as well this week!

The Easter Season is rich with the celebration of these sacraments. I hope you are celebrating the richness of this season of joy! Be blessed this week. -Father Frank

PARENT'S MORNING OUT PROGRAM:

Mon./Wed./Fri. ~ 9:00am-1:00pm ~ \$4 per hour per child or \$15 for 4 hours per child or \$40 for all three days per child. ~ If you have any questions call Brandi Pressley at 980-721-6915 or 704-827-9229.

CATHERINE'S HOUSE is in need of a gently used treadmill that may have become a plant stand in your home. Please contact Catherine's House at 825-9599 if you are able to fill this need.

WISH LIST FOR NURSERY/PARENT'S MORNING OUT:

PLAY FOOD	WASHABLE TEMPERA	CONSTRUCTION PAPER	DISPOSABLE GLOVES
PLAY POTS/PANS	PAINTS	FAT PENCILS	STORAGE CONTAINERS
BABY EINSTEIN OR	EASELS FOR CHILDREN	PRANG CRAYONS—	SIDEWALK CHALK
LEAP FROG DVDS	LARGE ROLLS OF PAPER	LARGE & FLAT ON	WASHABLE MARKERS
VEGETALES DVDS	OLD MAGAZINES	ONE SIDE	PAINT BRUSHES
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS	LARGE BOTTLE	CHILDREN'S FURNITURE:	BUBBLES
DRESS-UP CLOTHES	OF HAND SANITIZER	SOFA & CHAIR	OLD GREETING CARDS
(BOYS OR GIRLS)	SAFETY SCISSORS	STICKERS	BRISTLE BLOCKS
WOODEN PUZZLES	PLAYDOH—ALL COLORS	SHARPIE MARKERS	PLASTIC PLATES/CUPS
LARGE LEGOS	CRAYOLA MODEL MAGIC	PASTE	ELECTRIC PENCIL
HAND PUPPETS	PLAYDOH TOOLS	1ST AID KIT	SHARPENERS+—LG/SM

Meetings This Week

Sunday, May 17, 2009

Last Day of Faith Formation

8:00am—Nursery (MAK Center)

8:00am—Children's Liturgy of the Word (Church)

9:20-10:30 am—Faith Formation

Pre-K (Nursery) ~ K- 5 (Ed Bldg.) ~

6-8 (MAK Center)

9:30-10:30am—Mystagogia (Conference Rm)

9:30am-10:30am—Bible Study (Library)

11:00am—Nursery (MAK Center)

6:00-7:30pm—High School Youth (Ed Bldg/MAK Center)

Monday, May 18, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning out Program (Nursery)

5:30-7:30pm—BPNM ~ exercise program (MAK Center)

7:00pm-8:30pm—Boy Scouts (Ed Bldg.)

Tuesday, May 19, 2009

7:30-9:00pm—Adult Faith Formation (Conference Rm.)

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning out Program (Nursery)

9:00am-10:30am—Parish Nurse (Conference Rm.)

7:00-9:00pm—Confirmation (Church)

7:30pm—12 Step (Ed Bldg.)

Thursday, May 21, 2009

6:00--7:30pm— Junior Girl Scouts (MAK Center)

7:00-9:00pm—Pastoral Council meeting (Conference Rm)

7:00-8:30pm—Cub Scouts (Ed Bldg.)

7:30pm—Bible Sharing (Ed Bldg., Room A)

Friday, May 22, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning out Program (Nursery)

7:00pm—AA Mtg. (Ed Bldg.)

Saturday, May 23, 2009

10:00am-12:00pm—First Eucharist Mass (Church)

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:

Baptism is celebrated at the weekend Masses at anytime of the year except the Lenten season. Parents wishing to present a child (under six years of age) for Baptism must complete an Evening of Preparation here in the parish. These are offered six times a year. During pregnancy or after the birth of a child are appropriate times to attend this program. The next scheduled Prep Session is on Tuesday, June 9 beginning at 7:00 PM in the church. Please call the church office to make a reservation to attend this upcoming program. If Sponsors (Godparents) are also here in the area, we invite them to attend as well. The following class will be August 11, 2009.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. John I

Wednesday: St. Bernardine of Siena

Friday: St. Rita of Cascia

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Those in Nursing Homes:

Teresa Blievernicht (Stanley Total Living Center),
Patrick Bragg (Meadowwood Nursing Ctr, Gastonia),
Rose Carlucci (Terrace Ridge, Gastonia),
Dorothy Falon (Charlotte Health Center),
Theresa Couto (Century Nursing Home, Gastonia),
Eva Hendrix (Alexander Place, Gastonia),
Mary Ippolito (Rehab & Health Center of Gastonia),
Albert Liberatore (NC State Veteran's Home, Salisbury)
Joseph Staley (South Haven Long Term Care, Gastonia)

Sick & Homebound: Joyce Bennet, Chip Brown, Joyce Chastain, Cyndi Clennu, Bill Cherry, Sr. Pauline Clifford, R.S.M., Pat Coderre, Gerri Conrad, Helen Coren, Eva Estridge, David Fawcette, Terry Fox, Jane Godfrey, Lisa Grant, Sherrin Gwiazdzinski, Carl Heil, Lura & Margaret Hoffman, Arlene Hollister, Ducky Huffstetler, Mark Hux, Joyce & Dean Head, Anthony & Billie Ippolito, Ashley Joyce, Donna Keepes, Flora Ledwell, Tonia Morrow, Pam Marsh, Beth McAbee, Bobby & Sonya Mincey, Linda Montgomery, Ruth Moore, Diane Morris, Ronnie Paterson, Travis & Katie Phillips, Tammi Qasem, Jo Rankin, William Reeves, Maxine Robinson, Clare Schadowski, Johnnie Shelton, Laurie Smith, Michael Smith, Tom Stocker, Adam Strong & Phil Sylvester
Phil Sylvester

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15,22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11,; Ps 47; 1 Eph1:17-23
or Eph 4:1-13 {1-7, 11-13};
Mk 16: 15-20

Need a Rosary?

There are free rosaries in the church narthex for those in need of one.

Need a rosary repaired? The Queen of Apostles Rosary Makers will repair it free of charge! Simply put your broken rosary in an envelope or small bag with your name and phone number on a slip of paper and turn it into the church office.

OR, come to a Rosary Makers meeting and learn how to make and repair rosaries. Join our mission to make rosaries for Catholic Missions around the world. Our meetings for 2009 are 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 pm. in the MAK Center on the same Saturdays as our Q of A community breakfasts. The next month's meeting is June 13, 2009

Faith Formation

The summer wind is blowing in...and this year we're offering a new catechetical opportunity that your family might want to take advantage of. We will offer Summer Faith Formation so that your family has the option of completing a year of Faith Formation in just two weeks. Instead of bringing your children to Sunday morning classes through the next school year, you can bring them June 15-19 and 22-26, 5:00—8:15pm each evening in the MAK Center and get the same year of Catechesis completed.

We will have registration for Summer Faith Formation after all Masses May 16-17, which is also the last Sunday of morning classes this year. Please pick up registration forms then and plan on having your children attending both weeks of Faith Formation, not just the first or second.

Please also plan on making time to HELP with the classes. We will not be able to conduct this ministry well without your help, so be ready to help in some capacity—sitting in to assist with classes, making snacks, helping to lead with song and prayer times—whatever God is leading you to do.

If you have any questions about this new ministry or need more information, please feel free to contact Dennis Teall-Fleming, Director of Faith Formation.

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 20 at 7:00pm with Bishop Jugis.

FIRST EUCHARIST will be celebrated on Saturday, May 23 at 10:00am. Please keep all of our Candidates and their families in your prayers as they step into a closer walk with Jesus on their faith journeys! Congratulations and God's blessings to this year's Candidates for sacrament celebrations:

CONFIRMATION:

	Erin McHugh
Cyril Aboy	LJ Mendoza
Christina Benedict	Andrew Paluszak
Lindsay Boheler	Janelle Petruska
Danielle Comeau	Maddison Russell
Candy Giermanski	Angela Shirley
Michaas Gutkowski	Marcus Wise

FIRST EUCHARIST:

Gina Palisi
Brandon Brunelle
Jerry Ryan Gardner
Ashley Gutkowski
Emma Kuhn
Grace Lamadrid
Declan McHugh
Shelby Miller
Kasie Nwachukwu
Gina Palisi
Thomas Paluszak
Ethan Pepitone
Evie Polen
Erin Sullivan
Brian Tarantino
William Troscher
Adam Whiteman
Gabriell Whiteman

Youth

Our regular meetings are Sunday 6:00-7:30pm What's going on around here for YOU-this high school Youth of this parish? Plenty! Please join us for any/ALL of it!

SUNDAY, MAY 17 ~ 6:00-7:30pm ~ End-of-the-School-Year/Beginning of Summer Pool Party at Cathy Pullen's house, 6-7:30 pm, 342 Ridge Dr. in Mt. Holly. A group will be meeting at Q of A to drive over from the church, please join us there either way. Contact Dennis Teall-Fleming @ 704-674-0729 or Cathy Pullen @ 704-258-2635 if you need directions, &/or more info. Bring your swimsuit, we'll cook out and talk about what we will do this summer!

SUNDAY, JUNE 21—FRIDAY, JUNE 26 ~ Faithful Servant Leadership Institute ~ This is a week long activity for the Diocese of Charlotte and Raleigh. Contact Katie or Dennis to get details if you are interested.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28-SATURDAY, JULY 4 ~ Catholic HEART Work Camp

This is a week-long service trip to Louisville, KY. Total cost: \$305. This includes lodging and meals on all camp days, excludes travel and free days. Preparation meetings have begun. Let Katie or Dennis know if you want to go.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~ 5 evenings, July 26-30 (Sunday-Thursday). We need your help! Come help us prepare for and be a part of, the best summer Bible school EVER!

We look forward to seeing you SOON! For more information contact Katie Bess, Coordinator for Youth Ministry (kbess@carolina.rr.com / 704-718-7512). Thanks!

Community Ministries

FOOD COLLECTION: The May food collection is for the Domestic Violence Victims Assistance Program. The program provides an accessible, affordable, high quality continuum of services including education and prevention, intervention, counseling, and support in times of life's challenges, crises or transitions. They ask for the following for the moms and children to enjoy while they wait in the office for assistance: juice boxes, snack packs, little water bottles, individual packages of crackers, chips, pretzels, cookies - anything that can be handed out individually is great. Coloring books, matchbox cars, or small stuffed animals that the kids could take with them when they leave would also be greatly appreciated. Our collection will take place next weekend May 23,24.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK: Belmont's first "Shelter Week" was a huge success thanks to many volunteers working together setting up rooms, donating linens, providing meals and fellowship with our guests. Our host church First Presbyterian extends their thanks to Queen of the Apostles for all they did in helping to make this week a joyful experience. First United Methodist will host the next shelter week in June. Look for future training dates for both IHN and Protecting God's Children if you were not able to attend and would like to participate in the next program. If you need any information please call Trish Vasil at 704-648-7878 or 704-825-0636.

LEAVE A LEGACY ~Sixth Sunday of Easter ~Planned giving includes stewardship of time and talent as well as stewardship of treasure. This includes planning for the future of our parish as well as families and loved ones.

Protecting God's Children

It is Diocesan policy that **ALL** volunteers, in any capacity and program, complete the training "Protecting God's Children", to learn how we all can help prevent child sexual abuse in our Church community. If you volunteer at the parish (even if not directly with children) and haven't completed this training, please get signed up for it! You can do so through the Virtus website (the organization that created the training program) at www.virtus.org, or by calling Shannon at the Diocesan Human Resources Office, 704-370-3356. You can sign up to take the training here at Q of A when it's conducted (Wednesday, May 27 from 6pm-9pm in the conference room), or elsewhere as is convenient for you. Please contact Dennis Teall-Fleming, Q of A Director of Faith Formation, at teallfleming@yahoo.com or 704-825-9600, ext. 26, if you have questions or need more information.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN: The Diocese of Charlotte requires that all paid employees AND volunteers, in any aspect of parish life, get trained in a program called "**Protecting God's Children**". This is normally a one day training that helps ALL parishioners learn how they can help prevent the sexual abuse of children in their parish community. Please attend one if you are a new volunteer! The Diocese's website, charlottediocese.org, has an ongoing schedule of trainings listed there. You can also contact Terri Wilhelm at Human Resources (704-370-3338) or Dennis Teall-Fleming, Director of Faith Formation to get a schedule, and to get registered. Come to that one that is most convenient. And thanks for helping make our churches safe and loving communities!"

Diocesan requirements for reporting ministry-related sexual abuse of a minor: Any individual having actual knowledge of or reasonable cause to suspect an incident of ministry-related sexual abuse is to immediately report the incident to the Chancery. The Chancery will then report the incident to the proper civil authorities. The individual reporting the incident to the Chancery will be notified of the particulars regarding the Chancery's filing of the incident with civil authorities. This reporting requirement is not intended to supersede the legal requirement for every citizen to make a report to civil authority, but is to ensure proper, complete and timely reporting. Should an individual choose to make a report to civil authority, a report is still to be made to the Chancery.

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Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry

WHAT HAVE I GOT TO LOSE? EXCERSISE SERIES:

Through June 15, 2009 ~ Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church-MAK Center ~ 503 N. Main Street, Belmont, NC 28012 ~ 6:00pm Enjoy aerobic exercises, ABLE chair exercises, stretching exercises, and diagnostic checks. The initial class is free. The remaining 5 classes are \$10 in advance or \$3 per class, if paid weekly. Classes will meet at 6pm on Mondays, excluding May 25 and June 8. The June 15 location is TBA. RSVP to Delta Sanders at 704-915-2445 preferred but not required.

PARISH NURSING 101 MID-MAY 2009:

Look for this educational series to appear in church bulletins and newsletters. Through the series you will learn the history, mission and services of Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry as well as about ministry volunteer opportunities.

GARIBALDI FEST MAY 16, 2009:

Stowe Park, 11:00am-4:00pm The Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry will have a tent. Stop by to show your support for the ministry. Contact Delta Sanders at 704-915-2445 if you would like to volunteer.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP MEETING :

MAY 19, 2009 3:00pm ~ Carolina's Rehabilitation Mt. Holly, Conference Rm 3 275 Beatty Rd. Belmont, NC. Contact Delta Sanders at 704-915-2445 to confirm your attendance.

BLOOD DRIVE MAY 26, 2009: Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church ~ 503 N. Main Street, Belmont, NC 28012 ~ 2:30pm-7:00pm Blood donors are needed. Contact Delta to schedule a donation appointment.