

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:

Colleen Sutton & Billie Murray

IN MEMORY OF: *Roger Murray*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, June 27th

5:00 pm George & Betty Buli +

Sunday, June 28th

8:00am For the People

11:00am Mass

Monday, June 29th

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, June 30th

12:15pm Mass

Wednesday, July 1st

9:00am Mass

Thursday, July 2nd

No Mass

Friday, July 3rd

12:15pm Mass

COFFEE & DONUT VOLUNTEERS:

July 5:

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

11:00am—Scott Hegedus, Bob Kotula, Chris & Jennifer Bumgardner

LEAVE A LEGACY

~ *13th Sunday in Ordinary Time* ~

Planned giving provides an opportunity to give a gift that forever perpetuates our Catholic faith. For more information visit our website at www.charlottediocesel.org/giving.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT:

June 28: Nancy O'Brien, Terry Ausband

July 5: Karen Irvine, Alfreda Tanski

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE:

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

You are just one person but you are important to God and His work. Be faithful as you give of your time, talent and treasure.

Collections

Collections 06-21-2009: \$8,722.68

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 \$436.13 to the Interfaith Hospitality Program.

This week we will send our tithe to the King James Baptist Church. With their own meager resources, they are committed to providing food and meals for almost 200 people in the north west section of Gaston County.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, July 4, 2009—5:00pm Mass

Lectors: Barbara Parker, Carlos Umstead

EMC's: Al & Dianne Hess, Lisa & Rick Houser, Trish Vasil

Ministers of Hospitality: Fred & Lynn Kimsey, Jerry Roche

Altar Servers: Christiana Houser, Stephen Plecnick

Sunday, July 5, 2009—8:00am Mass

Lectors: Larry Capps, Rita Paluszak

EMC's: Elena Benedict, Judy Capps, Rose Hill, Renee Jarvis, Beth McCain

Ministers of Hospitality:

Bill McMasters, Alison & Mike Minnick

Altar Servers: Andrew, Claire & Leo Paluszak

Sunday, July 5, 2009—11:00am Mass

Lectors: John Fout, Jamie Stocker

EMC's: Mark Ebreo, Jeanne & Stuart LaFrancis, Beth McAbee, Kim & Ron Shigley, Colleen Sutton, Evelyn Thompson, Deborah Trynor

Ministers of Hospitality: Jude Bernard, Joe Bruno, David McAbee

Altar Servers: Catherine & Joseph Glisson, Cathy Pullen

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will take the months of July and August off and will resume in September. There will also be **NO CHOIR PRACTICE** during the summer for Children's, Youth and Adult

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I am writing this on Monday morning while sitting at home in the rectory. I returned home from vacation at the end of last week with hopes of "hitting the ground running." That didn't happen. Being cramped in a plane seat for 15 hours took its toll on muscles I didn't know I had, so I have been nursing that along with a cold that developed in the last part of my Asian visit. I know it is a cold because a low grade temperature along with my cough tripped the thermal cameras at the Hong Kong airport and I got dragged off by the "Swine Flu Police" down to a make-shift medical facility (partially in a storage closet) at the Hong Kong airport. After an examination by a physician there and a subsequent public health questionnaire that took forever. I was given the "seal of approval" and told to continue on my way but wear a mask. So I spent my last day before coming home "masked up" and, although I am feeling much better, I'm still a little under the weather. So much for getting right back to work...

Thank you for your generosity to Father Paul. Not just your financial generosity for the Mission Coop Appeal, but for the time many of you spent with him. Taking care of his meals and transporting him around was a blessing for him and I know he appreciated it.

This time of the year affords many of us the opportunity to travel for vacation or family visits. We miss you when you are away and we do pray for "traveling mercies" as you move about. May I ask you to consider, though, that we stay here! Our resources are challenged in the summer for utilities and other expenses. So, will you consider, in all your travel plans, how you will continue to support the parish while you might be away? We are most grateful for your commitment to us. It allows us to do the many wonderful things we are able to do.

Be blessed this week. Stay cool. -Father Frank

MILITARY MASS AND ROSARY: His Excellency, Bishop Peter J. Jugis, will celebrate a Mass for U.S. military personnel on Sunday, July 5, 2009 at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Charlotte. The Mass and rosary (to be recited at 2:30pm) will be offered for all military personnel who have died and for those who are now serving. All military personnel are invited and encouraged to come in uniform.

Photos of those who have died or who are now serving in the military will be displayed in the Cathedral. To include your loved one, please mail a color photocopy or black/white photocopy of them with their name and military rank on the back of the photo to Mrs. Nancy Weber, Office of the Bishop, 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203 to be received no later than July 1, 2009. (Photocopies of pictures will not be returned.)

JOIN THE ADVOCACY FOR DEATH PENALTY REFORM: The GASTON COALITION for a MORATORIUM NOW (GCMN) will meet to discuss the legislation being debated in the NC General Assembly to reform the death penalty process on July 2, 2009 at 7:30pm in the MAK Center Conference Room. All are invited to attend and learn more about this pro-life issue and how you make your voice heard in Raleigh. GCMN is a grassroots organization of local, concerned citizens who continue to raise awareness to the flaws of North Carolina's system of capital punishment. Do you need more information? Contact George Burazer at 704-822-6350 or georgeburazer@bellsouth.net.

Two presentations on the Church's social and moral teachings will be given by Fr. Joseph Koterski, S.J., PhD, (Fordham University Philosophy Department) at the **Diocesan Pastoral Center in Charlotte**. **"The Catholic Understanding of Human Rights and the Common Good"** will be presented on **Monday, June 29**, 10:30am-12:30pm and **"St. Paul on Questions of Human Life, Marriage and Society"** will be presented on **Wednesday, July 1** from 10:00am to 3:00pm (in two parts). These presentations are sponsored by the Respect Life Program and Office of Justice and Peace of Catholic Social Services. Lunch will be provided to those who register in advance: please call 704-370-3228 or e-mail sabeason@charlottediocese.org. For more information, go to: www.cssnc.org.

RCIA INQUIRY: Come and See! Are you interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith? If so, you are invited to attend an RCIA Inquiry session at QOA in the MAK Center Conference Room on Sunday, July 12 from 9:30-10:30am. Please call Cam Tracy if you have any questions at 704-853-0654.

Meetings This Week

Sunday, June 28, 2009

8:00am—Nursery
9:30-10:30am—Bible Study (Library)
11:00am—Nursery

Monday, June 29, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm-Parent's Morning Out Program (Nursery)
7:00pm-8:30pm—Boy Scouts (Ed Bldg.)
7:00-9:00pm—VBS Planning Meeting (Ed Bldg)

Wednesday, July 1, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm-Parent's Morning Out Program (Nursery)
9:00am-10:30am—Parish Nurse (Conference Rm.)
7:30pm—12 Step (Ed Bldg.)

Thursday, July 2, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm-Parent's Morning Out Program (Nursery)
7:30pm—Bible Sharing (Ed Bldg., Room A)
7:39:30pm—GCMN Meeting (Conference Room)

Friday, June 26, 2009

9:00am-1:00pm-Parent's Morning Out Program (Nursery)
7:00-9:00pm—AA Mtg. (Ed Bldg.)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Peter & St. Paul

Tuesday: The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Wednesday: Blessed Junipero Serra; Canada Day

Friday: St. Thomas; First Friday

Saturday: St. Elizabeth of Portugal;
First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary;
Independence Day

PARENT'S MORNING OUT PROGRAM: *New Summer Schedule for June, July, August!*

Mon./Wed./Thurs./Fri. ~ 9:00am-1:00pm ~ \$4 per hour per child or \$15 for 4 hours per child or \$50 for all four days per child. ~ If you have any questions call Brandi Pressley at 980-721-6915 or 704-827-9229.

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 e-mail 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 at 704-867-6092. Jeanne will be happy to call you with the daily prayer requests.

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, Bobby & Sonya Mincey, Linda Montgomery, 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, & Phil Sylvester

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19;
Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34;
2Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123; 2 Cor 12:7-10;
Mk 6:1-6a

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, August 11 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.

Faith Formation

JUSTICE AND PEACE IN JULY! During the month of July we will discuss the issues of immigration in depth—the history of our Church’s responses to and thinking on these issues, especially in the United States, current and contemporary events and contexts, and what we as Catholics are called to do about these justice and peace issues. Tuesdays July 7, 14, and 21 7:30-9:00 pm, MAK Center Conference Room. Sister Rose Marie Tresp, Director of the Sisters of Mercy’s Justice and Peace programs, will be our guest presenter. No pre-registration needed! Just join us if you can! Call Dennis Teall-Fleming, Director of Faith Formation at the phone or email listed above with questions.

SUMMER WORKSHOP AT THE ORATORY, ROCK HILL, SC: Get signed up today! You can call The Oratory at 803-327-2097, or get registered online at www.rockhilloratory.org.

28th Annual “Summer Bible Institute”, July 19-24. Two tracks: one in the evening on the Old Testament, led by Sr. Joan Cook, S.C. entitled “I will be with you and bless you!” Genesis for 21st century readers;” the second one in the mornings on the New Testament, led by Fr. Daniel Harrington, S.J. entitled “Paul and Christian Life: A Virtue Ethics Approach.” Daily liturgies and symposia with guest faculty included in the week.

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 have not 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 QOA on **Monday, July 13, 6:00-9:00pm** in the MAK Center **Conference Room**, or elsewhere as is convenient for you. Please contact Dennis Teall-Fleming, QOA 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. **Address:** The Chancery, 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203 ; Mailing Address: P. O. Box 37267, Charlotte, NC 28237

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES: The first in a series of three Natural Family Planning classes will be offered Saturday, July 11 at 10:00am in the St. Mary parish hall in Shelby. The cost for the series is \$135.00 and includes a one year membership in the Couple to Couple League, book, charting booklet and thermometer. The NFP classes teach fertility awareness and can help couples achieve or postpone pregnancy. Please contact Sean and Colleen Hobart (704-734-0263, shobart@carolina.rr.com) for more information and to enroll in the class.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Vacation Bible School registration is currently under way! This year's program is **Crocodile Dock—Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light**. Dates are July 26th-30th from 5:00-8:00pm each evening. Registration is open to children ages 3 years through rising 5th graders. Dinner is included each night for staff and participants. (Please be sure to let us know if your child has any food allergies.) Registration forms are available in the MAK Center (under the VBS bulletin board) and in the church office. Forms and fees (\$10/child, \$30/family) may be dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked VBS or taken to the church office. Scholarships are available! Please let Dennis Teall-Fleming know if you need one!



We will start creating our beautiful "dock" soon. We need large cardboard boxes from large appliances. If you can help paint and "construct", please see Cindy Litfin.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO HELP! WE ARE WELL STAFFED AND READY TO GO

We need last minute items the weekend of July 25-26! We will have fireflies for you to catch and bring the donated item back that same day! They will be available after Mass in the narthex.

Mark your calendars for a **mandatory meeting on July 23 at 7:00pm**. We need all station leaders and crew leaders there to have a run through. Let's get ready to Rock this Dock!!

Community Ministries

FOOD COLLECTION: This weekend your generous donations will be given to The Promised Land, a nonprofit Christian ministry providing transitional housing and meals for homeless men. Volunteer opportunities are available by calling Dixie Forbes, 704-400-1411.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK: This past week 12 parishioners from Queen of the Apostles volunteered at First United Methodist Church to help shelter the homeless. Many thanks to S. Bernadette for getting tickets donated by the Schiele Museum for the guests to visit. There will be a Volunteer Appreciation BBQ on August 1 at 12:00pm held at the IHN Day Center, 109 East Third Avenue, in Gastonia. RSVP at gcihn@carolina.rr.com or call 704-854-9880. For more information or to volunteer for September's Shelter Week, call Tricia Vasil at 704-648-7878.

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 QOA community breakfasts.

THE ORATORY RELIGION CAMP is a one week resident experience in Christian living. We live, play, pray and study together so as to deepen our Catholic faith and live it more fully, while having a whole lot of fun in a highly supervised, safe environment. The camp is for girls and boys under the age of 12 who will be entering grades 2-6 in September 2009. You do not need to be Catholic to attend. There will be two one week sessions in 2009: July 12-18 and July 19-25. In order to ensure a faithful and fun experience for everyone, we limit attendance for each camper to one week.

The cost is just \$125 per camper. This exciting program includes room, board, all activities (swimming, sports, arts & crafts, etc.) and snacks. For further information, go to oratorycamp.com, or contact the coordinator Father William Pentis, C.O. at 803-327-3236, or P.O. Box 11586, Rock Hill, SC 29731-1586 or email him at Fatherpentis@aol.com. Or contact Queen of the Apostles parishioner Dominique May at 704-2-825-9244 after 6PM or email peanutsmom97@juno.com.

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Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry

T.O.P.S. Taking Off Pounds Sensibly: First Presbyterian Church ~ 102 S. Central Ave., Belmont, NC ~ 6:30-7:30pm; Annual dues are only \$26. RSVP to Delta Sanders at 704-915-2445.

PARISH NURSING 101: Roles of the Parish Nurse—Wellness and Prevention Promoter

The Parish Nurse is proactive in disease and illness prevention as Wellness and Prevention Promoter. With the recognition that most illnesses are the result of lifestyle choices, the Parish Nurse draws on current health information and blends this with the beliefs and practices of a faith community to promote health as wholeness and to prevent or minimize illness by:

- Offering health information through fairs and screenings
- Offering and conducting exercise programs and a weight loss support group
- Providing information on the early warning signs and symptoms of diseases and illnesses
- Performing diagnostic checks to help clients and congregations manage blood pressure, blood sugar and weight
- Consulting with congregations who wish to establish health policies

Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry Mission: To provide the sponsoring congregations and the Belmont Community in general with a holistic approach to health, well-being and health management, while Continuing to demonstrate the healing power of faith.