

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 our worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to the needy.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, February 20, 2010—5:00pm Mass

Lectors: Heidi Maskol, Alison Nolting

EMC's: Joe & Loretta Bell, Joan Lynn,
Amber & Pat Mulcahy

Ministers of Hospitality: Jo & Paul Leonardis,
Steve Maskol

Altar Servers: Brendan & James Granson

Sunday, February 21, 2010—8:00am Mass

Children's Liturgy: Cindy Litfin

Lectors: Rita Paluszak, Alfreda Tanski

EMC's: Connie Carnes, Gina Harrison, Rose Hill,
Pat Perrigo

Ministers of Hospitality: Elizabeth Hunnicutt,
Alison & Mike Minnick

Altar Servers: Andrew & Leo Paluszak

Sunday, February 21, 2010—9:45 Mass

Children's Liturgy: Colleen Sutton

Lectors: Steve Heese, Lucas Lamadrid

EMC's: Don Barber, Gail Bruno,
Jeanne & Stuart LaFrancis, Joan Williams

Ministers of Hospitality:

Jonathan & Mary Kane, John Regeis

Altar Servers: Cameron & Emma Heese,
Cathy Pullen

Sunday, February 21, 2010—11:30am Mass

Children's Liturgy: Donna Snyder

Lector: Brenda Murray

EMC's: Shannon Berrong, Kim & Ron Shigley,
Donna Snyder, Evelyn Thompson

Ministers of Hospitality: Allyson Benthall,
Frances Bruckner, Richard Stewart

Altar Servers: Austin Berrong, Lee Stocker

ART AND ENVIRONMENT:

Feb. 14: Mark Giacomini

Feb. 14, 1:00pm Entire group meets to do
Lenten changeover

Feb. 21: Terry Ausband, Tom Spada

OUR WEEKLY TITHE:

Last week, because of your generosity in the offertory we were able to send a tithe of \$650.00 to IHP. We also sent an additional \$287.14 to SOCKS, the previous week's tithe. This week we will use our tithe for King James Baptist Church assisting this small church with its monumental task of feeding over 200 people every day.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, February 13th

5:00 pm Mary E. Cancro +

Sunday, February 14th

8:00am David Roy +

9:45 Mass

11:30am For the People

Monday, February 15th

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, February 16th

12:15 Mass

Wednesday, February 17th

9:00am Mass & Distribution of Ashes

12:15pm Mid-day Prayer

& Distribution of Ashes

7:00pm Mass (For the People)

& Distribution of Ashes

Thursday, February 18th

No Mass

Friday, February 19th

12:15pm Mass at Sacred Heart Chapel

Nursery Volunteers ~ February 21, 2010

9:45— Volunteers Needed !

11:30—Deena LaMorta, Terry Gardner

COFFEE & DONUT VOLUNTEERS ~ Feb. 21:

8:00am—Michael Moore, Matt & Sue Blanchfield,
Ken Holt

9:45am—Deborah Trynor & Cindy Buckley

11:30am—Pam Marsh,
Chris & Jennifer Bumgardner

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

More than twenty years ago **Cheryl Fleming** started playing the organ for worship at Queen of the Apostles. Off and on since then she has been a mainstay in the musical life of the parish. Ten years ago she was also hired as the Belmont Parish Nurse but she continued to play the organ and help lead the choir.

Life grows on and change is inevitable. And for Cheryl, this has come to mean two specific things. First, as you may recall, the Belmont Parish Nurse program will be closing its doors at the end of May. The finances of the member churches cannot supplant the grant funds of the past and we can no longer realistically support the ministry. Cheryl is challenged to reuse and redirect her nursing skills again in looking for employment. At the same time, with the growth of our music program, her schedule with a new position will not permit her to be as present to the position of organist as in the past.

So this Sunday will be the last time Cheryl joins us behind the organ. The good news is we will have a better view of her now from the pews! We are grateful for her service to the parish over many years and many people and we celebrate with her that she can step away assured that her legacy has helped form a foundation on which rests a solid, healthy and growing music program under Chrissy Glisson. God has been good to us!

Chrissy has been working this past week with applicants from the American Guild of Organists (AGO) in our area who have applied for our position. The credentials of the candidates that I have seen are most impressive and I am sure we will be able to add at least one additional accompanist who will help us grow into the future. You can keep this time of discernment in your prayers. It is clear to me that we will be able to continue to sing God's praises and give thanks to Him for gifts like Cheryl in our midst.

Our Director of Faith Formation, **Dennis Teall-Fleming** will also be concluding his years of service to the parish at the end of June this year. You will notice job postings elsewhere in the bulletin and I ask you to pray about this discernment process as well. Dennis has worked hard to make sure the parish programs are well supported through this coming summer. You might show your gratitude by helping out with one or more to make his transition easier.

This is a time of discernment for Dennis, too. I know he would appreciate a regular remembrance in your prayers as he feels his way to his next "mission."

We will have more time to more properly bid him farewell, but may I invite you to go out of your way a bit to thank him for his service to our children and adults and for the life commitment he has willingly made to the ministry of formation in the church. We are all the richer because of it!

The word LENT means "spring:" that time of change and growth. As we stand close to the beginning of that holy season we have a lot of growth and challenge ahead of us! How exciting!

Be blessed this week. -Father Frank

FAITH FORMATION POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH:

The parish announces two openings on the parish staff to direct and coordinate our faith formation programs. Applicants should have at least a bachelor's degree in religion, theology, education or a related field. They should also have background as a catechist.

The ideal candidate will be able to establish, coordinate and supervise volunteers in our various programs and work for about 15 - 20 hours each week. These are 12 month positions. Both positions require a significant commitment of weekend time. With the right credentials and personal attributes, one candidate will be considered for a full time staff position that combines both positions below.

Coordinator of Elementary Faith Formation is responsible for all aspects of the summer Faith Formation program and the Sunday School program for preschool through fifth grade. This person also convenes the group that will plan and execute the Summer Bible School Program and oversees the preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. This coordinator reports to the pastor.

Coordinator of Middle and High School Youth is responsible for those aspects (see above) of the regular faith formation programs that affect grades six through eight. This person also oversees the Confirmation Preparation Program and provides leadership and other planning for volunteers who oversee the ministry to high school youth in the parish. This coordinator reports to the pastor.

Positions are available July 1. Please submit resume, salary expectations and contact information By March 1
to: Faith Formation Search: Queen of the Apostles Church
503 North Main Street
Belmont, NC 28012

THE DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL:

The DSA begins this week. It is our annual opportunity to support the ministries of the diocese that help us in our discipleship as a parish. The many offices and programs of the diocese allow us to "cast our net" in such a way that we can serve so many people in so many ways.

Without these DSA funded ministries, we'd be hard pressed to respond to our growth and our programs the way we can now.

The parish needs you to dig deep in supporting this vital part of our work together as disciples. You have already received an invitation from Bishop Jugis in the mail. I will send a more explicit invitation in the coming weeks. The articles in this week's diocesan newspaper also help you understand the various programs and ministries supported by the DSA.

Make your pledge this week to assist this parish in meeting its goal of \$52,000.00 this year. The DSA runs through March 14th. Be good stewards and generous in your sharing so that the net of God's love that holds you can be cast further to offer his presence to so many more! Thanks!

Meetings This Week

Sunday, February 14, 2010

9:30-10:45am—Faith Formation (Sacred Heart)
9:30-10:30am—Bible Study (Library)
9:45am—Nursery
10:00-11:15am—RCIA (Conference Room)
11:30am—Nursery
1:00-3:00pm—Arts & Environment Lenten Changeover (Church)
6:00-7:30pm—Youth Group (MAK Center)
7:30-9:00pm—Bible Study (Conference Room)

Monday, February 15, 2010

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning Out (Nursery)
7:00-8:30pm—Boy Scouts (Ed Building)

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning Out (Nursery)
7:30-9:00pm—Adult Faith Formation (Conference Rm)

Wednesday, February 17, 2010

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning Out (Nursery)
9:00-10:30am—Parish Nurse (Conference Room)
6:00-7:30pm—1st Eucharist Preparation (MAK Center)
7:30-8:45pm—Adult Choir (Church)
7:30pm—12 Step Program (Ed Bldg.)

Thursday, February 18, 2010

9:00AM-1:00pm—Parent's Morning Out
6:00-7:30pm—Brownies & Girl Scouts (MAK Center)
7:00-9:00pm—Pastoral Council (Conference Room)
7:00-8:00pm—Cub Scouts (Education Building)
7:30-9:00pm—Bible Sharing (Education Bldg Room A)

Friday, February 19, 2010

9:00am-1:00pm—Parent's Morning Out (Nursery)
7:00-9:00pm—AA Meeting (Education Building)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Valentine's Day;
World Marriage Day;
Chinese New Year 4708
Monday: Presidents' Day
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast & Abstinence
Friday: Abstinence

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Those in Nursing Homes:

Teresa Blievernicht (Stanley Total Living Center),
Patrick Bragg (Meadowood Nursing Center, Gastonia),
Rose Carlucci (Terrace Ridge, Gastonia),
Dorothy Falon (Charlotte Health Center),
Eva Hendrix (Alexander Place, Gastonia),
Mary Ippolito (Rehab & Health Center of Gastonia),
Albert Liberatore (NC State Veteran's Home, Salisbury)
Joseph Staley (Heritage Oats, Gastonia)

Sick and Homebound:

Ducky Huffstetler, Rosann Louy, Virginia Tofaute

Sick or homebound parishioners or their immediate family may call the Parish Office at 704-825-9600 to be included on the prayer list which we begin anew quarterly.

Stewardship Message

~ 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~

"But our people, too, learn to devote themselves to good works, to supply urgent needs, so that they may not be unproductive." (Titus 3:14)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2;
Mt6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58: 1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rom 10:8-13;
Lk 4:1-13

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS IS GOOD FOR ADULTS!

All of our Church's teachings on Catechesis put ADULT Faith Formation at the center of parish catechetical activity. So, it's great that we do things for children, but our primary goal for Catechesis is to get ALL ADULTS involved in ongoing, lifelong Faith Formation. That's what we hope to begin, in all our faith journeys, with Whole Community Catechesis during Lent. Won't you join us in the adventure?

March 7 & 14, 9:30-10:45am in the MAK Center Please join us in our effort to move Catechesis out of the classroom and into the parish! Contact Dennis Teall-Fleming, Director of Faith Formation, at teallfleming@yahoo.com or 704-825-9600, ext. 26 with questions.

Youth

Regular Youth Groups are on Sundays, 6:00-7:30pm, in the MAK Center. Please join us!

February 14: Love & Relationships: On this "Valentine's Day" we will learn more about what our Church has to say on this subject. How does Jesus want us to love others? What does it mean to express this love with those around us? Be a part of the conversation!

February 21: Finding Christ in Money & Possessions: As with love & relationships, money & possessions occupy a great deal of our attention. Find out how our Catholic faith should influence how we handle these things so daily present to us.

February 26-28: Retreat for all high school-age Youth, sponsored by the Diocese's Office for Youth Ministry. Contact Dennis if you are interested in attending to sign up.

STEPPING INTO LUKE'S GOSPEL: Tuesdays, February 16-23, 7:30-9:00pm, Conference Room; materials from Little Rock Scripture Study used for this series; no pre-registration needed. Contact Dennis with any questions. What is Luke's vision of Jesus, his life, teachings and meaning for the world? What is Luke's vision of the Church and its mission in the world? Discuss these questions and more.

SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: "Jesus' Journey to the Cross: A Love Unto Death" from Word Among Us (www.wau.org). Please join us to learn more about the scriptures and the Gospel stories of Jesus' Passion. February 14 through March 14, 7:30-9:00pm in the Conference Room. No pre-registration.

SHAPED BY THE CROSS: A GUIDED IGNATIAN LENTEN RETREAT

St. Peter's Catholic Church, 507 S. Tryon St., is offering a five week guided Lenten retreat experience. You will attend the opening session of Saturday, February 20, 8:30 am—noon in Biss Hall (under the church) then meet once a week for five weeks with a guide. Daily prayer readings will be provided. The closing session is Saturday, March 27, 8:30 am—noon, also in Biss Hall. You can attend one or both sessions without participating in the guided sessions. Parking is free in the Green Parking Garage. Contact the Parish Office at 704-332-2901 or retreat4lent@gmail.com to register. Indicate if you wish to do the guided retreat or one or both Saturday sessions.

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.



PARENT'S MORNING OUT PROGRAM:

Monday through Friday ~ 9:00am-1:00pm

~ MAK Center Nursery ~

\$4/hour/child or \$15/4 hours/child

or \$70/all five days/child. ~

If you have any questions call Mary Toure' at 704-266-0697 or 317-603-1811

Leave a Legacy

~ 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~

There are no small gifts in the eyes of our Lord. A bequest of any size is an ultimate expression of stewardship and demonstrates your appreciation for the gifts you have received.

TROOP 61 FIREWOOD SALE: \$40 per truck load; 2 for \$70. Will deliver for a donation. Contact Scott Hegedus at 704-820-9025 or Carey & Karen Brayer at 704-824-1305; Firewood is located in Cramerton Woods.

Community Ministries



February's Food Collection will be taken for St. Vincent de Paul in Gastonia the weekend of February 27-28. Pantries in our area tend to be low following the Christmas holidays and, while we do not have any requests for specific items, we welcome any and all food donations. Thank you for your generous support of last month's collection given to the Shelter of Gaston County.

MEALS ON WHEELS ACCEPTING APPLICANTS:

The Home Delivered Meal Program of Gaston County has openings for qualified applicants to receive a hot nutritious lunch Monday-Friday. Qualifications include (but are not limited to): 60 years or older; Gaston County resident living within a designated service area; medically homebound; unable to prepare lunch & no one available to provide lunch. Openings are in East & West Gastonia, Dallas, Bessemer City, Cherryville, Belmont (Lowell, Cramerton, McAdenville) & Stanley. To apply and/or inquire call 704-862-7540 Monday-Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Volunteers to deliver lunches are also needed.

QUEEN CITY BLUE STAR MOTHERS

All mothers with an active duty or honorably discharged soldier are invited to join this group that supports the families of soldiers. Check out the website at www.bluestarmothers.com. Contact Tammie Hayes at 704-860-4907 or thayes39@hotmail.com for information on the local chapter being formed.

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.

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 are 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 pm. in the MAK Center on the same Saturdays as our QOA community breakfasts.



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ADORERS ARE NEEDED at Belmont Abbey College Adoration Chapel in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Coordinators will arrange an hour that is convenient for you. Please call Margaret Fox at 704-827-8921 or Catherine McNeill at 704-825-3277.

Belmont Parish Nurse Ministry

Parish Nurse Office Hours: Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00am, First United Methodist Church of Belmont; 11:00am-12:30pm, First Presbyterian Church of Belmont; Wednesdays, 9:00-10:30am, Queen of the Apostles; Administrator: Delta Sanders 704-915-2445; Nurse: Cheryl Fleming 704-678-3545

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

Parkinson's Disease Support Group: Carillon Assisted Living Center ~ 500 Cramer Mountain Road, Cramerton, NC ~ second Thursday of each month, 6:30pm.

Walk to Jerusalem: Through March 28 ~ A virtual, physical and spiritual journey to Jerusalem—Participants will collectively accumulate enough miles to reach Jerusalem in time for a triumphant walk to church on Passion Sunday. Additional details forthcoming.

WHAT A BLESSING to receive the donations of Boost (not Smoothies as the taste has not been perfected and thus not been well tolerated by the clients), Equate. . . We have a need for a variety of flavors including Chocolate, Vanilla & Strawberry at this time. Thank you for your kindness!

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