

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

The Most Rev. Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv.

Bishop of Charlotte
Very Rev. Peter N. Ascik
Pastor & Rector

OCTOBER 5TH, 2025

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY CYCLE: C — WEEKDAY CYCLE: I— PSALTER: WEEK IV

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 12:10 pm No Masses on Tuesdays Friday (school year): 8:30 am Saturday: 8:00 am

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

7:30 am, 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm

CONFESSION

Thirty minutes before daily Masses Saturday: 7:30 am and 4:00 - 5:00 pm

ADORATION

Wednesday: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 - 11:00 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mondays - Fridays 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith. "The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." ~ Luke 17:5-6



Mission Statement

We the members of The Cathedral of St. Patrick, through the mercy of God the Father, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, seek to grow continually in knowledge of and love for God. We strive to enable ongoing conversion to Christ of our adults, to inspire faith in our children, and to be witnesses of His love in the greater community.

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL		
DATE	MASSES & INTENTIONS	EVENTS
Saturday October 4th	8:00 am † Thuc, Cuong, Tu, & Van Requested by Ly Nguyen 5:30 pm Pro Populo	7:30 AM—Confessions 8:00 AM—Mass 4:00 PM—Children's Choir Practice 4:00—5:00 PM—Confessions 5:30 PM—Vigil Mass
Sunday October 5th 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am † Heidi Clark Requested by the CCHS Community 9:00 am Dcn. Paul & Shannon Bruck Requested by Abby Rusciolelli † Dave Poplaski Requested by Francoise Merrien	7:30 AM—Mass 9:00 AM—Mass 10:00 AM—Eucharistic Adoration 10:15 AM—Faith Formation Classes 10:15 AM—First Holy Communion Parent Meeting 10:15 AM—Confirmation Class 11:30 AM—Mass 4:30 PM—Troop 9 Meeting
Monday October 6th	No Mass or Confessions Priest Retreat	3:00 PM—Children's Choir Practice 7:00 PM—Young Adult Faith Formation
Tuesday October 7th	No Tuesday Mass or Confessions	1:00 PM—Adult Faith Formation 3:00 PM—Children's Choir Practice 7:00 PM—Altar Server Training
Wednesday October 8th	No Mass or Confessions Priest Retreat	8:00 AM—6:00 PM—Eucharistic Adoration 11:30 AM—Confessions 12:10 PM—Mass 7:00 PM—OCIA Class 7:15 PM—Cathedral Choir Practice
Thursday October 9th	No Mass or Confessions Priest Retreat	11:30 AM—Confessions 12:10 PM—Mass 7:00 PM—Hora Santa
Friday October 10th	No Mass or Confessions Priest Retreat	8:30 AM—School Mass 3:00 PM—Children's Choir Practice 5:00 PM—Wedding Rehearsal (Rusciolelli-Nelson)
Saturday October 11th	8:00 am 5:30 pm No Mass or Confessions † Elizabeth Lucia Leonard Requested by the Leonard Family	11:00 AM—Wedding (Rusciolelli-Nelson) 4:00 PM—Children's Choir Practice 4:00—5:00 PM—Confessions 5:30 PM—Vigil Mass
Sunday October 12th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am † Wendy Shaffer Requested by the Carter Family 9:00 am Pro Populo † Robert & Theresa Simac Requested by Judi & Mike Simac	7:30 AM—Mass 9:00 AM—Mass 10:00 AM—Eucharistic Adoration 10:15 AM—Faith Formation Classes 10:15 AM—Confirmation Class 11:30 AM—Mass 1:00 PM—Baptism (Colette Pangilinan) 4:30 PM—Troop 9 Meeting

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Please note the following schedule changes:

Annual Priest Retreat: October 6th—11th

- * There will be no daily Mass, confessions, or Wednesday Adoration during this week.
- * On October 11th, the morning Mass and confessions are cancelled.
- * Other than Saturday morning, the weekend schedule remains the same.

October 18th—25th

- * Fr. Ascik will be out of town these days.
- * There will be no weekday Masses, confessions, or Wednesday Adoration during this week.
- * On October 25th, the morning Mass and confessions are cancelled.
- * Other than Saturday morning, the weekend schedule remains the same.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."

His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty." In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset — one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation.

How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

—Father John Muir

WELCOME OUR NEW PARISH OFFICE MANAGER

We are happy to announce that Kimberly Miller has joined our parish staff as the new Parish Office Manager. Kimberly began her first day with us on September 29th.



Please keep her in your prayers as she begins this

new role. We also encourage you to stop by the parish office during normal office hours to greet her and extend a warm welcome to our parish community.

SUNDAY READINGS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5th, 2025

First Reading:

The rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live. (Hb 2:4)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)



Second Reading:

For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. (2 Tm 1:7)

Gospel:

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." (Lk 17:6)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mary Paul Forsyth
Janell Niebuhr
Aileen Baker Vidal
Rock Carlson
Max Abbott
Patrick O'Brien, Jr.
Phoenix R'Com
Y'Huynh Mlo
Callan Reilly
Renee O'Brien
Caterina Linares
Berkeley Tobar

Scott Tyson
Leslie McKillop
Lily Haynie
Ryan Hart
Shawn Miller
Penielle Dombi
Camila Gorman
Selah Ebright
Ril Cil
Vincent Schiffiano
Nyimon Mayom
Jasmine Thompson

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FAIR

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered to help at our Liturgical Ministry Fair on September 28th! We had a wonderful response and are grateful to see so many new faces sign up to serve in our parish. Your willingness to share your time and talents is a true blessing to our community.



RETIREMENT RECEPTION

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Min Hinson

Please join us for a "light" dinner as we celebrate the retirement of Mim Hinson on Saturday, October 4th following the 5:30 p.m. Mass.

Mim has faithfully served our parish for over 20 years. She has touched all of our lives either directly or indirectly in so many different ways, and we will truly miss her.

Mark your calendars for October 4th and join us in thanking Mim for her many years of dedicated service to the Cathedral!

40 DAYS OF LIFE

Join the Charlotte 40 Days for Life campaign, a 40 -day effort to end abortion through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and peaceful vigil.

Fr. Peter Ascik will be praying at Planned Parenthood (700 S. Torrence Street, Charlotte, NC) every Wednesdays from September 24 through November 2, from 10:00–11:00 a.m.

All are invited to come and join in prayerful witness during this time. Together, let us stand for life with hope, faith, and love.

For more information, visit www.40daysforlife.com.

GET FORMED

Visit www.formed.org and search for St. Patrick's Cathedral for access to a wealth of Catholic material. FORMED

SACRED MUSIC

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PATRICK
SACRED MUSIC

CATHEDRAL CHOIR



- The Cathedral Choir sings for the 11:30am Mass on Sundays and also on Holy Days throughout the year.
- Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from September through June.
- Its members range from high school age to adult.

CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR



- A choral group for all young people in grades 9-12, plus any younger boys with changed voices.
- Rehearsals are held Sunday afternoons at 5pm, approximately once a month.
- This choir sings once monthly at the Saturday 5:30pm Mass.

For more information, contact Gianfranco De Luca:

gdeluca@stpatricks.org

704.334.2283 x425

VIANNEY PILGRIM STATUE

We invite parishioners to bring home our St. John Vianney pilgrim statue and pray for vocations to the priesthood, especially here in the Diocese of Charlotte. Each week a family may pick up the statue when they attend Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning and then return the statue the following Saturday afternoon prior to 5:30 pm. The statue is CUR-RENTLY AVAILABLE in the sacristy. To take home the statue, please contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@stpatricks.org.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Virtus has changed to CMG Connect

The Diocese of Charlotte has enhanced its Safe Environment program with new, comprehensive policies and procedures updated for today's issues and needs.

All who volunteer in any capacity or work in at the Cathedral or the Diocese of Charlotte will need to be set up and certified through CMG Connect.

Existing Virtus users: If your Virtus account contained your email address, please look for an email from the diocese or your local Safe Environment coordinator with instructions for how to access your new CMG Connect account.

New volunteers: Please contact your local parish's Safe Environment coordinator for further instructions or you can visit https://charlottediocese.org/offices/safe-environment/ to register as a new volunteer.

Questions? Please contact the parish office at parishoffice@stpatricks.org or 704-334-2283. You may also contact the Diocese Safe Environment Office at safeenvironment@rcdoc.org.

HORA SANTA EN ESPANOL

¡Actualización importante! La hora santa será todos los jueves del mes de 7 pm a 8 pm en la iglesia.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 770 meets at St. Patrick's on the **first Tuesday of every month**. Agenda for the meetings is:

6:30 PM Rosary (Chapel) 7:00 PM Business meeting (FLC) 7:30 PM Social, Bible study (FLC)



The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's fraternal and service organization. Membership is open to all practicing Catholic men. For more information about the Knights contact: knights@stpatricks.org.

www.kofc770.org Instagram/Facebook: @kofc770

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Did you know the Cathedral offers a Baptism preparation class on the **Fourth** Sunday of every month? The class is held in the Family Life Center Library at 10:15am. To register for October 26th, please email parishoffice@stpatricks.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

To schedule a Mass intention, please contact the parish office at (704) 334-2283, or stop by in person. An individual can have a Mass requested for anyone living or deceased. \$10 offering per Mass.

Only one intention is allowed per Mass. Parishioners may schedule up to three Masses within a six-month period. Non-parishioners may schedule one Mass within a six-month period.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is ordinarily celebrated at the Cathedral on Sunday afternoons at 1:30 pm. Prior to scheduling your child's Baptism, parents will need to participate in our Baptismal Preparation Class and complete the Baptismal registration form. Please visit www.stpatricks.org/the-sacrament-of-baptism to register for the preparation class and download the form.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Send an e-mail to: <u>prayerworks@stpatricks.org</u> with your request. The request will be added to our prayer chain and the intention will remembered by our prayer team. Simply e-mail your contact information and you'll be added to the prayer list.

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURES

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

Offertory Collection 9/22-9/28 \$ 4,702.00 Online Giving for past week \$ 6,788.00 Total Weekend Contributions \$ 11,490.00

Budget \$ 15,833.00

Over (Short) \$ (4,343.00)

Total Weekend Mass attendance 706

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL



2025 Assessment \$ 83,417.00 Amount Paid \$ 53,534.84 Pledge Balance \$ 2,627.16 Over (Under) \$ (27,255.00) Donors 39

The purpose of the Diocesan Support Appeal (DSA) is to help provide the annual funding necessary to carry out the mission of our diocese. The DSA provides funding for 50 ministries and programs. St. Patrick is currently behind on its assigned goal for 2025. Please note that if the goal is not met, the remaining balance will have to be paid from our general operating account.





PRIEST RETIREMENT

2025 Assessment \$ 23,909.00 Amount Collected \$ 17,621.00 Over (Under) \$ (6,288.00)

The annual collection for Priests' Retirement & Benefits will be taken up this weekend, September 21, 2025. Our priests have dedicated their lives to serving us through the sacraments and pastoral care. This collection helps provide for their retirement and medical needs, ensuring they are cared for with dignity.

Priest Retirement Goal



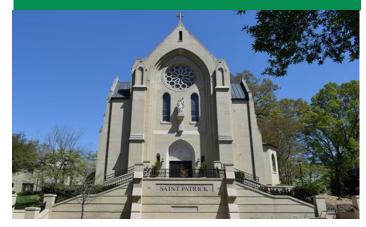
ONLINE GIVING

Scan the QR code to the right or visit https://www.osvhub.com/st-patrick-cathedral/giving/funds for more information on how you can sign-up for online giving today!

Reminder: The second collection on the first weekend of each month is for Capital Improvements.



HONORING OUR LEGACY, BUILDING OUR FUTURE



Thank you to all that have supported the **Honoring** our Legacy, Building our Future Campaign.

The campaign will address the muchneeded repairs to our sacristies and bell tower and ensuring the continuing radiance of the Cathedral's stained-glass windows. Scan the QR code to pledge your



ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral is offered in the Cathedral every Wednesday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, and on Sundays from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.



TROOP 9

Troop 9 has begun holding meetings and planning its first weekend excursion of the year.

At its first meeting at the end of August, the Patrol elected Michael Kolenik as senior patrol leader. During one meeting, they learned about "dry packing" and played a team game after breaking down into two patrols with new leaders for each in addition to Kolenik. The planning was for a canoe trip this weekend on the New River.

The troop generally goes on one weekend outing a month.

When not away for the weekend, Troop 9 meets Sundays at 4:30 in Mary's Garden or in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center when weather is inclement. For information about your son joining Troop 9, contact Scoutmaster Rob Stallings at Stallingsfamily5@yahoo.com.

The photo below shows Senior Patrol Leader Michael Kolenik leading Scouts in a closing prayer at the end of a recent meeting.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Kathyrn Harclerode & Roger Regelbrugge *Wedding: Friday, September 5th*

Bridget Rusciolelli & Dominic Nelson Wedding: Saturday, October 11th

Catherine Levett & Charlie Mulligan Wedding: Saturday, October 25th

BECOME A PARISHIONER

Church membership is an obligation of discipleship and love that derives from being united with Christ. At the Cathedral, active membership is a requirement for the celebration of a marriage or baptism, for one to be eligible to be a Godparent or Confirmation sponsor, and for special benefits such as tuition subsidy at a Catholic school. There are certain minimum requirements for parish membership called the precepts of the Church. The following are three of those precepts and how we look upon them in relation to parish membership.

ATTENDANCE AT WEEKLY MASS. The first precept of the Church requires the faithful to participate in the Eucharistic celebration when the Christian community gathers together on the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord (CCC #2042) and on holy days of obligation (CCC #2043). Since the Cathedral's weekly Mass attendance envelopes are the primary way we determine if parishioners are regularly attending Mass, parishioners must place their envelopes in the collection basket every Sunday regardless of whether one makes a financial contribution or donates online.

RECEIPT OF THE SACRAMENTS. The third and fourth precept of the Church state that the faithful must ensure preparation for the Eucharist by the reception of the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year, and the reception of Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter season (CCC #2042) and to join in fast and abstinence during Lent.

SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH. The fifth precept of the Church states that the faithful have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to their abilities in a regular, identifiable, and meaningful way.

HOW TO REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER

To register as a parishioner of the Cathedral, please visit www.stpatricks.org/register-as-a-

parishioner or scan the QR code to the right, and complete the simple online form. Alternatively, paper registration forms are located near each of the entrances of the Cathedral.



MARIAN EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

13th Marian Eucharistic Conference / Greenville Convention Center Friday, Oct. 24 - Saturday, Oct. 25, 2025



Fr. Joseph Wolfe

EWTN Chaptain &

EWTH Chapel Dean

Fr. Chris Alar MIC Provincial Superior

Russ Breault President & founder of Shroud of Encounter

Fr. Donald Calloway
MIC, STB, STL
Vicar Provincial

Daniel Cellucci
CEO
Catholic Leadership Institute

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REGISTRATION

Couple \$64 | Childcare \$5/child

Register by October 13 to grab an Early Bird discount!

For more information or to register, visit:
TOGETHERINHOLINESS.ORG/DOC

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for those who have recently passed away

† Mark Ferreira † Conrad John † Thomas Michael Larson † Jimmie Patrum † Kathleen Potter † Charlotte Sparks † Somnang Thach † Bill Youngblood † Tin Colieng † Gull R'Com † Tom Carlisle † Kate Toma † Frank Rupar † Barbara Anne Meskill † Elizabeth Collins † Don McRae † Ron Russell † Mary Esuka † KPhe Cil Mup † Teresa Keeter † Mark Belfiore † Wendy Shaffer † Ellie Fagan † Patricia Milroth † Coleen Clementi † Janice Kinney † H Nin Nie

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Julienne Benson; Brian Blatchford; Mar Bris; Brendan Dignan; Jimmy Lee Hager; Ailleen Mesa; Michael Pappas; Josette Roisin; Gail Roux; Rafael Winters; Fiona Desch; Deacon Carlos; Francoise Merrien; Bob Fagan; Kevin Niebuhr; Donnie Cates; Jim Scancarelli; The Shaffer Family; all servicemen & women.

ST. PATRICK'S FAMILY MINISTRY

- * Cupcake Rosary Making [Saturday Oct 11 following the 5:30 pm Mass]: Please join us in celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary by making a decade of the rosary out of cupcakes following the 5:30pm Mass. Each family is encouraged to bring 10 cupcakes to decorate.
- * Coffee Chat [Sunday Oct 12 after the 9 am Mass]: Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship following the 9am Mass in the lower parking lot and playground.
- * Wednesday Adoration and Nursery Meet Up [Every Wednesday 10am -12pm]: Please join other families for adoration with access to the nursery for fellowship
- * Stay and Play [Every Sunday following the 9am Mass]: Families are encouraged to stay and play on the school playground after Mass on Sundays! Consider bringing a snack or ball to share and enjoy meeting other families in our Parish Community.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples celebrating their wedding anniversary are invited to the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass, celebrated by Bishop Martin on **Sunday**, **October 26**, **2025 at 3:00 p.m.** at Saint Patrick Cathedral in Charlotte, followed by a reception.

Registration is free and the deadline is **Friday, October 17th**. To register, simply scan the QR Code in this bulletin with your phone.

For questions, please contact Brendan Dudley at bddudley@rcdoc.org.

CALLING YOUNG ADULTS

Are you in your 20s or early 30s and looking to meet other young adult Catholics at St. Patrick?

You're in luck! A small group of young adult leaders

created a Young Adult Group here at the Cathedral and encourage you to get involved. Use the QR code to connect with the group and learn more about their monthly coffee meet ups at Backyard Brew after the 11:00 am Mass.



FAMILY FFLLOWSHIP



Sunday, 12 October 2025

Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship following the 9am Mass in the lower parking lot and playground area.

Reach out to Hanna Forster is you are interested in helping with future Family Fellowship events (Hannacforster@gmail.com).

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



Parents & Prospective Students to attend

Come tour the first Catholic school in Charlotte where we pride ourselves on student achievement, community involvement, and a tradition of excellence.

Join us in the gym for guided tours given by our 5th grade Student Council. Parking is available on the street or in the lot next to the gym.

We look forward to seeing you!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

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FROM 9:00 - 11:00 AM

St. Patrick Catholic School 1125 Buchanan Street Charlotte, NC 28203

Scan the QR code above to RSVP today!

Faith in Learning

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WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

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