



QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES

Reina de los Apostoles
A Catholic Community
Comunidad Catolica de Belmont

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September 19, 2021 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekday Eucharist Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am; Wednesday 5:30pm
1st Saturday of each month at 9:00am
Now in the main church

Weekend Eucharist Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 p.m. (en Español)
Sunday: 9:15 & 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Friday 7:30-8:30am & Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm
By Appointment

Misa en Español: Todos los Sabados a 7:00 PM

Baptism: This important sign of initiation is celebrated on Saturday mornings. Parents must complete the preparation program. Please contact the church office at least two months prior to your anticipated date for Baptism.

Marriage: This sacrament provides an opportunity for a couple to stand as a sign of God's love in the community. To this end, a period of preparation is important and necessary. Contact the church office at least six months prior to your proposed marriage date to begin this process.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are preparing for surgery or hospitalization, this sacrament can be celebrated with you on any weekend at the church. In an emergency, contact the church so we can pray with you at home or in the hospital.

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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 live and proclaim the Gospel entrusted to us. We strive in our rich diversity to be a community of welcome and hospitality: one with the Risen Christ, each other, and the whole Church. Through the Word of God and the life of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we are empowered to engage in a variety of ministries of service to the parish family and the communities where we live.

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR
THIS WEEKEND WERE DONATED BY:
Thad & Nelda Malinowski
IN HONOR OF
Their 50th Wedding Anniversary
And Kathleen Pedroli
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Lou & Nin Pedroli

Masses This Week

Saturday, September 18, 2021

5:00pm Don Burns +
7:00pm Misa en espanol

Sunday, September 19, 2021

9:15am Lou & Norina Pedroli +
11:00am For the People

Monday, September 20, 2021

9:00am Mass
7:00pm Rosary Recitation in English
LiveStream and In -Person

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

No Service

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

5:30pm Mass

Thursday, September 23, 2021

9:00am Mass

Friday, September 24, 2021

9:00am Mass

Collections

Collection 09-12-2021: \$15,427.41

Thank you for your support of the parish!

Our Weekly Tithes:

Because of your generosity in the offertory last week, we were able to send a tithe of \$771.00 to the Belmont Weekend Backpack Program. This week our tithe goes to the Community Relief Organization. The CRO offers emergency assistance to those living in Mount Holly and the surrounding areas.

St. Katharine Drexel Day Chapel Open for Private Prayer

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 8:30am-5:15pm
Wednesdays from 10:00am-5:45pm
Fridays from 8:30am-12:15pm

New Office Hours

Monday 8:30am-5:30pm
Tuesday 8:30am-5:30pm
Wednesday 10:00am-6:00pm
Thursday 8:30am-5:30pm
Friday 8:30am-12:30pm
Lunch is 12:30-1:30pm

Liturgical Ministers:

Saturday, September 25, 2021—5:00pm

Readers: Mary Beth Halstead, Patty Topper

EMCs: Diane Hess, Pat Perrigo

Altar Servers: Jillian Gardner

Hospitality Ministers: Larry Capps

Sunday, September 26, 2021—9:15am Mass

Readers: Lisa Davis, Dennis Anene

EMCs: Leonora Manaois, Carmen Mirón

Altar Servers: Claudia Paluszak, Zoe Barthelemy

Hospitality Ministers: Marcie Bonar, Cathy Pullen

Sunday, September 26, 2021—11:00am Mass

Readers: Bethsy San-Millán, Terri Bolotin-Wilson

EMCs: Jan Kauer, Therease Metivier

Altar Servers: John & Maggie Calabro

Hospitality Ministers: Neil Kauer, Rich Ryan

Altar Flowers

With our larger worship space, we now have the opportunity for two memorial arrangements at weekend Masses. Flowers are ordered by calling the church office.

LIVE Streaming

All Sunday Masses are live with new and improved streaming! Please go to our website at www.queenoftheapostles.org and click on the LiveStreaming tab to be connected to the site.



Our Ministries Need *You!!*

As we move slowly toward Eucharistic celebrations more like what we are used to, we need *you* to come join us in ministry and make that happen! We need smiling faces to welcome and direct church-goers as Hospitality Ministers. We need more Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Readers and Altar Servers. We need to rekindle the spirit of community that made worship at Queen of the Apostles extra special and your gift of time and talent is how we can do that! Please reach out to Chrissy at music@queenoftheapostles.org to find out more and get scheduled for training. New Altar Servers need to be children or youth who have made their First Eucharist and Youth Readers need to have been confirmed. We can't wait to hear from you!

Sitio web:

ahora también en español

¡El sitio web de nuestra iglesia ahora tiene la opción de ser visto en español! Simplemente haga clic en la casilla EN y tendrá la opción de hacer clic en la opción ES para ver nuestro sitio en español. Si está viendo el sitio web a través de su teléfono inteligente, haga clic en el cuadro de menú (tres líneas) en la parte superior de la pantalla. Luego verá el símbolo de la bandera en la parte inferior que luego puede cambiar a español.



Diocesan Support Appeal 2021

Please be generous to the DSA. You may find an envelope located at the exits and return it to the office or go to charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.

PROJECT ST. ANNE

Many thanks for your generous contributions this past week to help the people of Camp Perrin as they recover from the devastation of the earthquake and tropical storm. Their recovery will be ongoing for years. As such, we will continue to seek support for them. Here are the ways that you can donate:

- Write a check to Queen of the Apostles and write PSA in the memo field. You can then either mail it to the church or drop it in the collection basket.
- NEW! Make an online donation through the parish website. There is a new dropdown option to direct your donation to Project St. Anne.
- Use Zelle or PAYPAL sending the money to psahaiti@projectstanne.org.
- Make a credit card donation on PSA's website projectstanne.org.



SYMBOLON
THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED

KNOWING THE FAITH

Too often we try to live a faith we don't know or understand. Some of us stumble along with it, going through the motions. Others simply walk away. ***Symbolon: Knowing the Faith*** explains the essentials of the Catholic Faith in a way that will inform our minds and inspire our hearts.

Join Father Paul on **Wednesday, October 20, 6:05-7:05pm** in the MAK Family Life Center as we explore this series and get a whole new perspective of Catholicism. This study will also be available in Spanish facilitated by Alberto and Maria Gonzalez in the Conference Room off the MAK Family Life Center – same date and time! This study will follow the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6;
Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5;
Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9;
Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a;
Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29;
Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14;
Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Online Prayer Ministry

Prayer requests can be sent to prayforme@queenoftheapostles.org or phoned in to the church office at 704-825-9600. If you would like to join the prayer ministry and do not have access to a computer but have VOICE MAIL, please contact the church office. You will be called with the daily prayer requests.

Stewardship

Christian stewardship trains us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. To give to God should be "from the top"—not what may be left over.

Is This Your Year?

Couples married 25 or 50 years last year or this year will be honored at an Anniversary Mass held on Sunday, November 7 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Charlotte. Mass begins at 2:30pm. Pre-registration is required. Simply call our church office to be included.



Curious About Cub Scouts?

Drop by their first meeting on Monday, **September 20** at 7:00pm in the St. Benedict Education Building. Are you a 6th + Grader interested in Boy Scouts? Stop by a Boy Scout meeting on Monday nights at 7:00pm, holidays excluded. Questions? Text Dawn Rogers at 704-491-2835.

Friends Helping Friends

Registered parishioners are invited to post requests for services needed or services they are able to provide on the bulletin board in the breezeway. Please use only the forms provided on the shelf beneath the board—no personal notices or resumes. Please copy the information from the board if you are making use of it and leave the posted slips so that others may also take advantage of the opportunities.

***A Home for All: History of Queen of the Apostles Catholic Church* By Jack H. Morris**

A hardbound edition of parishioner Jack Morris's history of our parish and the area Catholic community is available for purchase through the church office. The office is open Mondays-Fridays from 8:30-12:30 and 1:30-4:30. The cost for this beautiful edition is \$30. (Please add \$12 for shipping if your book needs to be mailed.) Please provide exact cash amount, a check or money order for in person purchases. Electronic payments may be made through online giving at www.queenoftheapostles.org. Prepaid sales only may be picked at weekend Masses. No sales will take place at church.



Sick and Homebound

Please keep all of our sick and homebound in your prayers especially those who have asked to be remembered:

Patrick Bragg (Ivy Nursing Center, Gastonia), Ducky Huffstetler, Jay Petruska

Gaston County Life Chain—Sunday, October 3

Queen of the Apostles will be a site for the national life chain event. Plan to arrive by 1:45pm to receive your signs for the Life Chain held from 2:00-3:00pm along Main Street. Contact Tom Carey at tomc9330@outlook.com with questions.

Weekly Rosary

On Mondays at 7:00pm the rosary will be recited weekly. *Recitation is now in-person as well as LiveStream!* Connect by going to www.queenoftheapostles.org and clicking on the icon. The rosary will be recited on **September 20** in English and **September 27** in Spanish.

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

Monday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn,
Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and
Companions;
Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival)
begins at sunset

Tuesday: St. Matthew

Wednesday: Autumn begins

Thursday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Rosary Makers

Need a rosary repaired? Simply put your broken rosary parts in an envelope with your name and phone number and drop at the church office. We also teach how to make twine rosaries for the Catholic missions around the world. We meet from 10:30am-12:30pm one Saturday a month. We will meet again on Saturday, **October 9**. Please join us. Questions? Contact Marilyn Warmington at 704-827-0823.

**LOST & FOUND ITEMS MAY
BE FOUND IN THE BASKET
IN THE CHURCH
GATHERING SPACE**

community happenings

2021 Priests' Retirement & Benefits Collection

The dedicated priests who served us in the past now deserve to live out their retirement years in dignity. Our parish has been assessed \$26,242.00 for the priests' retirement and benefits plans. Please be as generous as you can in this second collection, which will be taken in our parish next weekend, **September 25-26**. Additional envelopes are available in the Gathering Space and Breezeway.

September Food Collection

The Diocese of Charlotte is our September recipient. They are in need of mac & cheese, tuna, canned chicken breast, spaghetti & spaghetti sauce, corn, green beans, sweet peas, mashed potatoes, rice, ramen noodles, juice for children, canned fruit, cereal and snacks. The Knights of Columbus will be in the parking lot the weekend of **September 28-29** to accept your donations.



K of C LAMB Foundation Raffle

K of C Council 11076 is sponsoring a raffle to benefit the LAMB Foundation of NC. Least Among My Brethren has given vital services to those with intellectual disabilities for nearly 50 years. The 2021 Raffle is on December 6. Tickets are \$5 each or 6/\$25. They will be available following Masses one weekend per month (10/2-3, 11/6-7) or by calling Dan Turner at 704-648-5511.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

OneBlood collection buses will be in the Queen of the Apostles parking lot on Saturday, **October 16** from 9:00am-2:00pm. You can register by going to: https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1087362 to reserve a time for donation. Single and double red donations are being accepted but no platelet donations are available on the buses.



Tithing Partner Spotlight

Next weekend, our tithe will be sent to the Belmont Community Organization (BCO) which provides emergency assistance to folks in the Belmont Community. Material support can be in the form of food, clothing and/or household goods. Financial support can consist of assistance with utility and rent bills. Donations of canned/boxed food, gently used clothing, household appliances in good working order and other household products are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 9:00am-1:00pm. Volunteers help with sorting and storing donations and assisting clients receiving goods.

Young at Hearts

Our Young at Hearts group has decided to postpone potluck dinners until after the first of the year. At that time, they will reevaluate and decide whether to return to their gatherings. Contact Elizabeth Atterberry at boborliz@bellsouth.net for additional information.

Help Pay Down the Mortgage

Please consider helping to pay down the mortgage with either a one-time or recurring donation. You can do this either online (select "Building Fund") or by check (please write "Building Fund" in the memo).

RCIA

If you have been baptized in another tradition or have never been baptized and are interested in joining the Catholic Church, we invite you to join us for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions on Sundays from 10:30-11:30 am. We meet in Drexel Hall in the original church building. For more information please contact Sally Williams at swilli36259@gmail.com or 704-616-0058.



MOMS Group - IN-PERSON MEETS ON CAMPUS!
Tuesday, September 21, 6:00-7:15pm
St. Katharine Drexel Hall

MOMS—Ministry of Mothers Sharing

Meetings are resuming for the MOMS Group. Please join us on Tuesday, **September 21** from 6:00-7:15pm in St. Katharine Drexel Hall! Meets will be on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. This gathering is for Moms with children of all ages! Please join us for a new study series and time for fellowship. If you are interested, please email Debbie at formation@queenoftheapostles.org.

Sacrament Programs

Please note that the Diocese requires two consecutive years of religious education or attending a Catholic school to participate in the sacrament programs. **Our sacrament programs are in addition to our religious education programs.** Signups are required for both First Sacraments and Confirmation programs. A parent meeting for First Sacraments (First Reconciliation and First Eucharist) will be on Wednesday, **September 29** at 7pm in the MAK Family Life Center and a parent and student meeting for Confirmation registration will be on Wednesday, **October 27** at 7pm in the MAK Family Life Center. For more information, please contact Debbie at 704-825-9600, ext. 26 or formation@queenoftheapostles.org.

Fall Religious Education Programs

We are excited to announce that we are now using *Alive in Christ* for grades Pre-K through 8. The elementary program for grades Pre-K through 5, will now take place on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm and the middle school program and youth ministry for grades 6, 7 & 8 will take place on Sundays from 6:00-8:00pm. LifeTeen High School Youth will also meet on Sundays from 6:00-8:00pm. More information and registration for all programs can be found online at our website, www.queenoftheapostles.org. For more information, please contact Debbie at 704-825-9600, ext. 26 or formation@queenoftheapostles.org.

Just for Ladies

Our Just for Ladies Bible study group meets next on Thursday, **September 23** in the MAK Family Life Center from 7:00-8:30pm. Ladies, please join in for this new study, *Women of the Old Testament*. Please contact Janet Blaylock at justforladiesbiblestudy@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

Just for Men

Our Just for Men Bible study meets next in person on Monday, **October 4** in the Conference Room following the recitation of the Rosary at 7:00pm. Please join us for a new study, *The Acts of the Apostles*. Contact Roger Duncan at freedomrld05@yahoo.com or (412) 289-9147 if you are interested in joining the group or need more information.

Safe Environment Training

Did you know that every Church worker must go through abuse prevention and education training? Find more information about the Diocese of Charlotte's Safe Environment program, sign up for *Protecting God's Children* training and more: <https://charlottediocese.org/human-resources/safe-environment>. For more information or questions, please contact the diocese's Human Resources Office at <http://charlottediocese.org/human-resources> or 704-370-6299. Classes are currently be handled through online modules. Go to virtus.org to sign up for this certification.

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Symbolon: La Explicación de la fe Católica (Español)

Muy a menudo tratamos de vivir una fe que no conocemos o entendemos. Algunos de nosotros batallamos con esto, haciendo las cosas por costumbre; otros simplemente se alejan. **SYMBOLON: La Explicación de la Fe Católica** explica lo esencial de la fe católica de una manera que informará tu mente e inspirará tus corazones.

Únase a nosotros el miércoles 20 de octubre de 6:05 a 7:05 en la sala de conferencias (MAK Family Life Center) mientras exploramos esta serie y obtenemos una perspectiva completamente nueva del catolicismo. Este estudio será impartido en español por Alberto y María González. Para obtener más información comuníquese con Reina Chicas al 704-369-9651.

Programas Sacramentales

Tengan en cuenta que la Diócesis requiere dos años consecutivos de educación religiosa o asistir a una escuela católica para participar en los programas sacramentales. Nuestros programas sacramentales se suman a nuestros programas de educación religiosa. Se requieren inscripciones tanto para los programas de los Primeros Sacramentos como para los de Confirmación. Una reunión de padres para los Primeros Sacramentos (Primera Reconciliación y Primera Eucaristía) será el miércoles 29 de septiembre a las 7 p.m. en el MAK Family Life Center y una reunión de padres y estudiantes para el registro de Confirmación será el miércoles 27 de octubre a las 7 p.m. en el MAK Family Life Center. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Debbie al 704-825-9600, ext. 26 o formation@queenofthepostles.org. Para español comuníquese con Reina Chicas al 704-369-9651.

Reflexion

Hermanos: El Hijo del hombre va a ser entregado. En este momento observamos a Jesús en su persona, en su camino de disponibilidad a la voluntad del Padre. Para sus discípulos, por el contrario, eso constituye un anuncio de muerte y, como en el primer anuncio de su pasión, les parece algo incomprensible. Los Apóstoles intentan retardar ese paso de su Maestro. En el camino había discutido sobre quién de ellos era el más importante.

Dos mensajes podemos sacar para nuestra reflexión: Primero que todo el ser humano siempre le gusta tener momentos muy bellos, fascinantes en la vida, lo mismo lo refiere a la vida cristiana. Una fe bella, llena de triunfos, pero cuando se nos habla de la cruz y del sufrimiento, eso sí no nos gusta y la realidad es que el mismo Jesús les dice a sus discípulos: Quien quiera seguirme, debe tomar su cruz y seguirme. El amor de Dios siempre se manifiesta en el diario caminar de nuestra vida y como seres humanos siempre estamos dispuestos a aceptar las pruebas de la vida, como son nuestras debilidades, defectos, nuestra falta de humildad, y todo ello requiere un cambio de vida y eso implica asumir el cambio con dolor y sufrimiento. Por ejemplo, el perdonar, es algo substancial en nuestra conversión, pero duele dar el paso. Pero seguir a Jesús requiere dar ese paso. En segundo lugar, también tenemos la tentación de ser los mejores, hacer las cosas por el qué dirán, porque nos vean. Pero Jesús nos dice que quien quiera ser el mejor, que sea el servidor de todos. Aprendamos de Jesús a ser concretos y coherentes en nuestra fe, para poder ser verdaderos discípulos de Jesús. Reflexionemos.

Que Dios los bendiga. P. José Antonio Juya V.

¡Los programas de educación religiosa de otoño comienzan esta semana!

Nos complace anunciar que ahora usaremos Alive in Christ/Vivos en Cristo para los grados de Pre-K a 8. El programa de primaria para los grados Pre-K a 5, ahora se llevará a cabo los miércoles de 6:00 a 7:15 p.m. y el programa de escuela intermedia y el ministerio juvenil para los grados 6, 7 y 8 se llevarán a cabo los domingos de 6:00 a 8:00 p.m. Los jóvenes de LifeTeen High School también se reunirán los domingos de 6:00 a 8:00 p.m. Puede encontrar más información e inscripción para todos los programas en línea en nuestro sitio web, www.queenofthepostles.org.

RICA

Si ha sido bautizado en otra tradición o nunca ha sido bautizado y está interesado en unirse a la Iglesia Católica, lo invitamos a unirse a nosotros para las sesiones del Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA) los domingos de 10:30 a 11:30 am. Nos reunimos en Drexel Hall en el edificio original de la iglesia. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Reina Chicas al 704-369-9651.

Colecta de Comida

En el mes de septiembre la colecta de comida será destinada para La Diócesis de Charlotte ellos estarán Necesitando macarrones con queso, atún y pollo enlatado, espaguetis y salsa para espagueti, maíz, judías verdes, guisantes dulces, puré de patatas, arroz, fideos ramen, jugo para niños, fruta enlatada, cereal y bocadillos. Trea tus donaciones el fin de semana del 28 al 29 de septiembre Los Caballeros de Colón estarán en el estacionamiento para acepta tus donaciones.

¿Necesita información o asistencia?

¿Necesita información o asistencia para registrarse en español para programas de educación religiosa y/o sacramentales? Si es así, tenemos a alguien disponible para proporcionar información y ayudar con el proceso de registro en español los miércoles de 3pm-6pm en la Oficina Parroquial cada semana. Si esas horas no son convenientes pueden hacer una cita. Contáctense con Reina Chicas al 704-369-9651.

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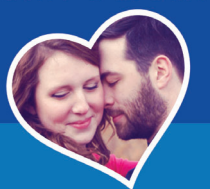
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